

REFERENCE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

PUBLIC AUCTION SERVICES

BETWEEN



COOK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

COOK COUNTY OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

AND

THE PUBLIC GROUP DBA PUBLIC SURPLUS

CONTRACT NO. 2214-07130

PURCHASE ORDER NO. 70000255792

Sourcewell, State of Minnesota Contract No. 012821-TPG

NON-FEDERALLY FUNDED CONTRACT

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

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AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the County of Cook, a public body corporate of the State of Illinois, on behalf of Office of the Chief Procurement Officer hereinafter referred to as “County” and The Public Group, doing business as a(an) LLC of the State of Utah hereinafter referred to as “Consultant”, pursuant to authorization by the Chief Procurement Officer.

BACKGROUND

Whereas, the County, pursuant to Section 34-140 (the “Reference Contract Ordinance”) of the Cook County Procurement Code, states: “If a governmental agency has awarded a contract through a competitive method for the same or similar supplies, equipment, goods or services as that sought by the County, the Procurement may be made from that vendor at a price or rate at least as favorable as that obtained by that government agency without utilizing a competitive procurement method set forth in this Procurement Code;” and

Whereas, Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative solicited a formal Request for Proposal process for Auction Services with Related Services, and the Consultant was identified as the qualified and best value provider for the services; and

Whereas, The Public Group dba Public Surplus entered into a contract on March 15, 2019 for the provision of services by the Consultant for Auction Services with Related Services, a copy of the contract is attached hereto as Attachment 1 for reference purposes only, but the terms of the Sourcewell contract are not made a part of or incorporated into this Agreement; and

Whereas, the County wishes to leverage the procurement efforts of Sourcewell; and

Whereas, the County, through the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer desires certain similar services of the Consultant; and

Whereas, County Offices, Departments, and Agencies may utilize this Agreement for specific contracted procurement efforts; and

Whereas, the Consultant agrees to provide Public Auction Services, incorporated as Exhibit 1, Statement of Work; and

Whereas, the Consultant warrants that it is ready, willing and able to deliver these services set forth in Exhibit 1, Statement of Work, all on pricing and payment terms equivalent to or more favorable to the County than those contained in the Sourcewell Contract No. 012821-TPG.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County and Consultant agree as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 1) INCORPORATION OF BACKGROUND

The Background information set forth above is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth here.

ARTICLE 2) DEFINITIONS

a) Definitions

The following words and phrases have the following meanings for purposes of this Agreement:

"Additional Services" means those services which are within the general scope of Services of this Agreement, but beyond the description of services required under Article 3, and all services reasonably necessary to complete the Additional Services to the standards of performance required by this Agreement. Any Additional Services requested by the Using Agency require the approval of the Chief Procurement Officer in a written amendment to this Agreement before Consultant is obligated to perform those Additional Services and before the County becomes obligated to pay for those Additional Services.

"Agreement" means this Professional Services Agreement, including all exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it by reference, and all amendments, modifications or revisions made in accordance with its terms.

"Chief Procurement Officer" means the Chief Procurement Officer for the County of Cook and any representative duly authorized in writing to act on his behalf.

"Services" means, collectively, the services, duties and responsibilities described in Article 3 of this Agreement and any and all work necessary to complete them or carry them out fully and to the standard of performance required in this Agreement.

"Subcontractor" or **"Subconsultant"** means any person or entity with whom Consultant contracts to provide any part of the Services, of any tier, suppliers and materials providers, whether or not in privity with Consultant.

"Using Agency" shall mean the department of agency within Cook County including elected officials.

b) Interpretation

i) The term **"include"** (in all its forms) means "include, without limitation" unless the context clearly states otherwise.

i i) All references in this Agreement to Articles, Sections or Exhibits, unless

otherwise expressed or indicated are to the Articles, Sections or Exhibits of this Agreement.

- iii) Words importing persons include firms, associations, partnerships, trusts, corporations and other legal entities, including public bodies, as well as natural persons.
- iv) Any headings preceding the text of the Articles and Sections of this Agreement, and any tables of contents or marginal notes appended to it are solely for convenience or reference and do not constitute a part of this Agreement, nor do they affect the meaning, construction or effect of this Agreement.
- v) Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa. Words of the masculine gender include the correlative words of the feminine and neuter genders.
- vi) All references to a number of days mean calendar days, unless expressly indicated otherwise.

c) Incorporation of Exhibits

The following attached Exhibits are made a part of this Agreement:

- Exhibit 1 Statement of Work and Schedule of Compensation
- Exhibit 2 Information Technology Special Conditions
- Exhibit 3 Public Surplus Seller Agreement
- Exhibit 4 Public Processing LLC, Agreement for Payment Processing
- Exhibit 5 Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Commitment
- Exhibit 6 Evidence of Insurance
- Exhibit 7 Identification of Subcontractors/Supplier/Subconsultant Form
- Exhibit 8 Electronic Payables Program (“E-Payables”)
- Exhibit 9 Economic Disclosure Statement

d) Order of Precedence

In the event there is a conflict between or among any of the documents specified in subsection (c) Incorporation of Exhibits, the terms of the Professional Services Agreement shall control. This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed based upon the following Order of Precedence. Such order of precedence shall govern to resolve all cases of conflict, ambiguity or inconsistency between Exhibits:

- Exhibit 1 Statement of Work and Schedule of Compensation
- Exhibit 2 Information Technology Special Conditions
- Exhibit 3 Public Surplus Seller Agreement
- Exhibit 4 Public Processing LLC, Agreement for Payment Processing
- Exhibit 5 Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Commitment
- Exhibit 6 Evidence of Insurance
- Exhibit 7 Identification of Subcontractors/Supplier/Subconsultant Form

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ARTICLE 3) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CONSULTANT

a) Scope of Services

This description of Services is intended to be general in nature and is neither a complete description of Consultant's Services nor a limitation on the Services that Consultant is to provide under this Agreement. Consultant must provide the Services in accordance with the standards of performance set forth in Section 3c. The Services that Consultant must provide include, but are not limited to, those described in Exhibit 1, Statement of Work, which is attached to this Agreement and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth here.

b) Deliverables

In carrying out its Services, Consultant must prepare or provide to the County various Deliverables. "**Deliverables**" include work product, such as written reviews, recommendations, reports and analyses, produced by Consultant for the County.

The County may reject Deliverables that do not include relevant information or data, or do not include all documents or other materials specified in this Agreement or reasonably necessary for the purpose for which the County made this Agreement or for which the County intends to use the Deliverables. If the County determines that Consultant has failed to comply with the foregoing standards, it has 30 days from the discovery to notify Consultant of its failure. If Consultant does not correct the failure, if it is possible to do so, within 30 days after receipt of notice from the County specifying the failure, then the County, by written notice, may treat the failure as a default of this Agreement under Article 9.

Partial or incomplete Deliverables may be accepted for review only when required for a specific and well-defined purpose and when consented to in advance by the County. Such Deliverables will not be considered as satisfying the requirements of this Agreement and partial or incomplete Deliverables in no way relieve Consultant of its commitments under this Agreement.

c) Standard of Performance

Consultant must perform all Services required of it under this Agreement with that degree of skill, care and diligence normally shown by a consultant performing services of a scope and purpose and magnitude comparable with the nature of the Services to be provided under this Agreement. Consultant acknowledges that it is entrusted with or has access to valuable and confidential information and records of the County and with respect to that information, Consultant agrees to be held to the standard of care of a fiduciary.

Consultant must assure that all Services that require the exercise of professional skills or judgment are accomplished by professionals qualified and competent in the applicable discipline and appropriately licensed, if required by law. Consultant must provide copies of any such licenses. Consultant remains responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of all Services or Deliverables furnished, whether by Consultant or its Subconsultants or others on its behalf. All Deliverables must be prepared in a form and content satisfactory to the Using Agency and delivered in a timely manner consistent with the requirements of this Agreement.

If Consultant fails to comply with the foregoing standards, Consultant must perform again, at its own expense, all Services required to be re-performed as a direct or indirect result of that failure. Any review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the Services by the County does not relieve Consultant of its responsibility for the professional skill and care and technical accuracy of its Services and Deliverables. This provision in no way limits the County's rights against Consultant either under this Agreement, at law or in equity.

d) Personnel

i) Adequate Staffing

Consultant must, upon receiving a fully executed copy of this Agreement, assign and maintain during the term of this Agreement and any extension of it an adequate staff of competent personnel that is fully equipped, licensed as appropriate, available as needed, qualified and assigned exclusively to perform the Services. Consultant must include among its staff the Key Personnel and positions as identified below. The level of staffing may be revised from time to time by notice in writing from Consultant to the County and with written consent of the County, which consent the County will not withhold unreasonably. If the County fails to object to the revision within 14 days after receiving the notice, then the revision will be considered accepted by the County.

ii) **Key Personnel**

Consultant must not reassign or replace Key Personnel without the written consent of the County, which consent the County will not unreasonably withhold. "**Key Personnel**" means those job titles and the persons assigned to those positions in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3.d(ii). The Using Agency may at any time in writing notify Consultant that the County will no longer accept performance of Services under this Agreement by one or more Key Personnel listed. Upon that notice Consultant must immediately suspend the services of the key person or persons and must replace him or them in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. A list of Key Personnel is found in Exhibit 1, Scope of Services.

iii) **Salaries and Wages**

Consultant and Subconsultants must pay all salaries and wages due all employees performing Services under this Agreement unconditionally and at least once a month without deduction or rebate on any account, except only for those payroll deductions that are mandatory by law or are permitted under applicable law and regulations. If in the performance of this Agreement Consultant underpays any such salaries or wages, the Comptroller for the County may withhold, out of payments due to Consultant, an amount sufficient to pay to employees underpaid the difference between the salaries or wages required to be paid under this Agreement and the salaries or wages actually paid these employees for the total number of hours worked. The amounts withheld may be disbursed by the Comptroller for and on account of Consultant to the respective employees to whom they are due. The parties acknowledge that this Section 3.d(iii) is solely for the benefit of the County and that it does not grant any third party beneficiary rights.

e) **Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises Commitment**

In the performance of this Agreement, including the procurement and lease of materials or equipment, Consultant must abide by the minority and women's business enterprise commitment requirements of the Cook County Ordinance, (Article IV, Section 34-267 through 272) except to the extent waived by the Compliance Director, which are set forth in Exhibit 3. Consultant's completed MBE/WBE Utilization Plan evidencing its compliance with this requirement are a part of this Agreement, in Form 1 of the MBE/WBE Utilization Plan, upon acceptance by the Compliance Director. Consultant must utilize minority and women's business enterprises at the greater of the amounts committed to by the Consultant for this Agreement in accordance with Form 1 of the MBE/WBE Utilization Plan.

f) Insurance Requirements

Nothing contained in these insurance requirements is to be construed as limiting the extent of the Consultant’s responsibility for payment of damages resulting from its operations under this Contract.

The Consultant shall require all Subcontractors to provide the insurance required in this Contract, or Consultant may provide the coverages for Subcontractors. All Subcontractors are subject to the same insurance requirements as Consultant except paragraph (d) Excess/Umbrella Liability or unless specified otherwise.

The Cook County Department of Risk Management maintains the right to modify, delete, alter or change these requirements.

Coverages

(a) Workers Compensation Insurance

Workers' Compensation shall be in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois or any other applicable jurisdiction.

The Workers Compensation policy shall also include the following provisions:

- Employers' Liability coverage with a limit of
- \$1,000,000 each Accident
- \$1,000,000 each Employee
- \$1,000,000 Policy Limit for Disease

(b) Commercial General Liability Insurance

The Commercial General Liability shall be on an occurrence form basis (ISO Form CG 0001 or equivalent) to cover bodily injury, personal injury and property damage.

Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000

The General Liability policy shall include the following coverages:

- (1) All premises and operations;
- (2) Contractual Liability;
- (3) Products/Completed Operations;
- (4) Severability of interest/separation of insureds clause

(c) Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance

When any vehicles are used in the performance of this contract, Consultant shall secure Automobile Liability Insurance for bodily injury and property damage arising from the Ownership, maintenance or use of owned, hired, and non-

owned vehicles with a limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident.

(d) **Excess/Umbrella Liability**

Such policy shall be excess over Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability, and Employer's Liability with limits not less than the following amounts:

Each Occurrence: \$1,000,000

(e) **Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions)**

The Consultant shall secure insurance appropriate to the Consultant's profession covering all claims arising out of the performance or nonperformance of professional services for the County under this Contract. This insurance shall remain in force for the life of the Consultant's obligations under this Contract and shall have a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim.

If any such policy is written on a claims-made form:

(1) The retroactive coverage date shall be no later than the effective date of this contract.

(2) If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date on or before this contract effective date, the Consultant must maintain "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of three (3) year after completion of services.

(f) **Network Security & Privacy Liability (Cyber)**

The Consultant shall secure coverage for first and third-party claims with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$1,000,000 aggregate.

If any such policy is written on a claims-made form:

(1) The retroactive coverage date shall be no later than the effective date of this contract.

(2) If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date on or before this contract effective date, the Consultant must maintain "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of three (3) year after completion of services.

Additional requirements

(a) **Additional Insured**

The required insurance policies, with the exception of Workers Compensation and Errors & Omissions, shall name Cook County, its officials, employees, and agents as additional insureds with respect to operations performed on a primary and non-contributory basis. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by Cook County shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it. The full policy limits and scope of protection shall apply to Cook County as an additional insured even if they exceed the minimum insurance requirements specified herein.

All insurance companies providing coverage shall be licensed or approved by the Department of Insurance, State of Illinois, and shall have a financial rating

no lower than (A-) VII as listed in A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide, current edition, or interim report. Companies with ratings lower than (A-) VII will be acceptable only upon consent of the Cook County Department of Risk Management. The insurance limits required herein may be satisfied by a combination of primary, umbrella and/or excess liability insurance policies.

(b) Insurance Notices

The Consultant shall provide the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer with thirty (30) days advance written notice in the event any required insurance will be cancelled, materially reduced or non-renewed. The Consultant shall secure replacement coverage to comply with the stated insurance requirements and provide new certificates of insurance to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer.

Prior to the date on which the Consultant commences performance of its part of the work, the Consultant shall furnish to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer certificates of insurance maintained by Consultant. The receipt of any certificate of insurance does not constitute Contract by the County that the insurance requirements have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificate of insurance are in compliance with insurance required above.

In no event shall any failure of the County to receive certificates of insurance required hereof or to demand receipt of such Certificates of Insurance be construed as a waiver of the Consultant's obligations to obtain insurance pursuant to these insurance requirements.

(c) Waiver of Subrogation Endorsements

All insurance policies must contain a Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement in favor of Cook County.

g) Indemnification

The Consultant covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the County and its commissioners, officials, employees, agents and representatives, and their respective heirs, successors and assigns, from and against any and all costs, expenses, attorney's fees, losses, damages and liabilities incurred or suffered directly or indirectly from or attributable to any claims arising out of or incident to the performance or nonperformance of the Contract by the Consultant, or the acts or omissions of the officers, agents, employees, Consultants, subconsultants, licensees or invitees of the Consultant. The Consultant expressly understands and agrees that any Performance Bond or insurance protection required of the Consultant, or otherwise provided by the Consultant, shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify the County as hereinabove provided.

f) Confidentiality and Ownership of Documents

Consultant acknowledges and agrees that information regarding this Contract is confidential and shall not be disclosed, directly, indirectly or by implication, or be used by Consultant in any way, whether during the term of this Contract or at any time thereafter, except solely as required in the course of Consultant's performance hereunder. Consultant shall comply with the applicable privacy laws and regulations affecting County and will not disclose any of County's records, materials, or other data to any third party. Consultant shall not have the right to compile and distribute statistical analyses and reports utilizing data derived from information or data obtained from County without the prior written approval of County. In the event such approval is given, any such reports published and distributed by Consultant shall be furnished to County without charge.

All documents, data, studies, reports, work product or product created as a result of the performance of the Contract (the "Documents") shall be included in the Deliverables and shall be the property of the County of Cook. It shall be a breach of this Contract for the Consultant to reproduce or use any documents, data, studies, reports, work product or product obtained from the County of Cook or any Documents created hereby, whether such reproduction or use is for Consultant's own purposes or for those of any third party. During the performance of the Contract Consultant shall be responsible of any loss or damage to the Documents while they are in Consultant's possession, and any such loss or damage shall be restored at the expense of the Consultant. The County and its designees shall be afforded full access to the Documents and the work at all times.

g) Patents, Copyrights and Licenses

If applicable, Consultant shall furnish the Chief Procurement Officer with all licenses required for the County to utilize any software, including firmware or middleware, provided by Consultant as part of the Deliverables. Such licenses shall be clearly marked with a reference to the number of this County Contract. Consultant shall also furnish a copy of such licenses to the Chief Procurement Officer. Unless otherwise stated in these Contract documents, such licenses shall be perpetual and shall not limit the number of persons who may utilize the software on behalf of the County.

Consultant agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the County, its officers, agents, employees and affiliates from and defend, as permitted by Illinois law, at its own expense (including reasonable attorneys', accountants' and consultants' fees), any suit or proceeding brought against County based upon a claim that the ownership and/or use of equipment, hardware and software or any part thereof provided to the County or utilized in performing Consultant's services constitutes an infringement of any patent, copyright or license or any other property right.

In the event the use of any equipment, hardware or software or any part thereof is enjoined, Consultant with all reasonable speed and due diligence shall provide or otherwise secure for County, at the Consultant's election, one of the following: the right to continue use of the equipment, hardware or software; an equivalent system having the Specifications as provided in this Contract; or Consultant shall modify the system or its component parts so that they become non-infringing while performing in a substantially similar manner to the original system, meeting the requirements of this Contract.

h) Examination of Records and Audits

The Consultant agrees that the Cook County Auditor or any of its duly authorized representatives shall, until expiration of three (3) years after the final payment under the Contract, have access and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, canceled checks, bank statements, purveyor's and other invoices, and records of the Consultant related to the Contract, or to Consultant's compliance with any term, condition or provision thereof. The Consultant shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining records sufficient to document the costs associated with performance under the terms of this Contract.

The Consultant further agrees that it shall include in all of its subcontracts hereunder a provision to the effect that the Subcontractor agrees that the Cook County Auditor or any of its duly authorized representatives shall, until expiration of three (3) years after final payment under the subcontract, have access and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, canceled checks, bank statements, purveyor's and other invoices and records of such Subcontractor involving transactions relating to the subcontract, or to such Subcontractor compliance with any term, condition or provision thereunder or under the Contract.

In the event the Consultant receives payment under the Contract, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by the County, the Consultant shall promptly refund the disallowed amount to the County on request, or at the County's option, the County may credit the amount disallowed from the next payment due or to become due to the Consultant under any contract with the County.

To the extent this Contract pertains to Deliverables which may be reimbursable under the Medicaid or Medicare Programs, Consultant shall retain and make available upon request, for a period of four (4) years after furnishing services pursuant to this Agreement, the contract, books, documents and records which are necessary to certify the nature and extent of the costs of such services if requested by the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives.

If Consultant carries out any of its duties under the Agreement through a subcontract with a related organization involving a value of cost of \$10,000.00 or more over a 12 month period, Consultant will cause such subcontract to contain a clause to the effect that, until the expiration of four years after the furnishing of any service pursuant to said subcontract, the related organization will make available upon request of the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives, copies of said subcontract and any books, documents, records and other data of said related organization that are necessary to certify the nature and extent of such costs. This paragraph relating to the retention and production of documents is included because of possible application of Section 1861(v)(1)(I) of the Social Security Act to this Agreement; if this Section should be found to be inapplicable, then this paragraph shall be deemed inoperative and without force and effect.

i) Subcontracting or Assignment of Contract or Contract Funds

Once awarded, this Contract shall not be subcontracted or assigned, in whole or in part, without the advance written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer, which approval shall be granted or withheld at the sole discretion of the Chief Procurement Officer. In no case, however, shall such approval relieve the Consultant from its obligations or change the terms of the Contract. The Consultant shall not transfer or assign any Contract funds or any interest therein due or to become due without the advance written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer. The unauthorized subcontracting or assignment of the Contract, in whole or in part, or the unauthorized transfer or assignment of any Contract funds, either in whole or in part, or any interest therein, which shall be due or are to become due the Consultant shall have no effect on the County and are null and void.

Prior to the commencement of the Contract, the Consultant shall identify in writing to the Chief Procurement Officer the names of any and all Subcontractors it intends to use in the performance of the Contract by completing the Identification of Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant Form ("ISF"). The Chief Procurement Officer shall have the right to disapprove any Subcontractor. All Subcontractors shall be subject to the terms of this Contract. Consultant shall incorporate into all subcontracts all of the provisions of the Contract which affect such subcontract. Copies of subcontracts shall be provided to the Chief Procurement Officer upon request.

The Consultant must disclose the name and business address of each Subcontractor, attorney, lobbyist, accountant, consultant and any other person or entity whom the Consultant has retained or expects to retain in connection with the Matter, as well as the nature of the relationship, and the total amount of the fees paid or estimated to be paid. The Consultant is not required to disclose employees who are paid or estimated to be paid. The Consultant is not required to disclose employees who are paid solely through the Consultant's regular payroll. "Lobbyist" means any person or entity who undertakes to influence any legislation or administrative action on behalf of any person or entity other than: (1) a not-for-profit entity, on an unpaid basis, or (2), himself.

“Lobbyist” also means any person or entity any part of whose duties as an employee of another includes undertaking to influence any legislative or administrative action. If the Consultant is uncertain whether a disclosure is required under this Section, the Consultant must either ask the County, whether disclosure is required or make the disclosure.

The County reserves the right to prohibit any person from entering any County facility for any reason. All Consultants and Subcontractor of the Consultant shall be accountable to the Chief Procurement Officer or his designee while on any County property and shall abide by all rules and regulations imposed by the County.

l) Professional Social Services

In accordance with 34-146, of the Cook County Procurement Code, all Consultants or providers providing services under a Professional Social Service Contracts or Professional Social Services Agreements, shall submit an annual performance report to the Using Agency, i.e., the agency for whom the Consultant or provider is providing the professional social services, that includes but is not limited to relevant statistics, an empirical analysis where applicable, and a written narrative describing the goals and objectives of the contract or agreement and programmatic outcomes. The annual performance report shall be provided and reported to the Cook County Board of Commissioners by the applicable Using Agency within forty-five days of receipt. Failure of the Consultant or provider to provide an annual performance report will be considered a breach of contract or agreement by the Consultant or provider, and may result in termination of the Contract or agreement.

For purposes of this Section, a Professional Social Service Contract or Professional Social Service Agreement shall mean any contract or agreement with a social service provider, including other governmental agencies, nonprofit organizations, or for profit business enterprises engaged in the field of and providing social services, juvenile justice, mental health treatment, alternative sentencing, offender rehabilitation, recidivism reduction, foster care, substance abuse treatment, domestic violence services, community transitioning services, intervention, or such other similar services which provide mental, social or physical treatment and services to individuals. Said Professional Social Service Contracts or Professional Social Service Agreements do not include CCHHS managed care contracts that CCHHS may enter into with health care providers.

ARTICLE 4) TERM OF PERFORMANCE

a) Term of Performance

This Agreement takes effect when executed by the Chief Procurement Officer and its term shall begin on August 1, 2023 ("**Effective Date**") and continue until March 19, 2025 or until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms, whichever occurs first.

b) Timeliness of Performance

- i) Consultant must provide the Services and Deliverables within the term and within the time limits required under this Agreement, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.a and Exhibit 2. Further, Consultant acknowledges that TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE and that the failure of Consultant to comply with the time limits described in this Section 4.b may result in economic or other losses to the County.
- ii) Neither Consultant nor Consultant's agents, employees nor Subcontractors are entitled to any damages from the County, nor is any party entitled to be reimbursed by the County, for damages, charges or other losses or expenses incurred by Consultant by reason of delays or hindrances in the performance of the Services, whether or not caused by the County.

c) Agreement Extension Option

The Chief Procurement Officer may at any time before this Agreement expires elect to renew this Agreement for one (1) additional one-year periods under the same terms and conditions as this original Agreement, except as provided otherwise in this Agreement, by notice in writing to Consultant. After notification by the Chief Procurement Officer, this Agreement must be modified to reflect the time extension in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.c.

ARTICLE 5) COMPENSATION

a) Basis of Payment

The County will pay Consultant according to the Schedule of Compensation in the attached Exhibit 1 for the successful completion of services.

b) Method of Payment

All invoices submitted by the Consultant shall be in accordance with the cost provisions contained in the Agreement and shall contain a detailed description of the Deliverables, including the quantity of the Deliverables, for which payment is requested. All invoices for services shall include itemized entries indicating the date or time period in which the services were provided, the amount of time spent performing the services, and a detailed description of the services provided during the period of the invoice. All Contracts for services that are procured as Sole Source must also contain a provision requiring the Contractor to submit itemized records indicating the dates that services were provided, a detailed description of the work performed on each such date, and the amount of time spent performing work on each such date. All invoices shall reflect the amounts invoiced by and the amounts paid to the Consultant as of the date of the invoice. Invoices for new charges shall not include "past due" amounts, if any, which amounts must be set forth on a separate invoice. Consultant shall not be entitled to invoice the County for any late fees or other penalties.

In accordance with Section 34-177 of the Cook County Procurement Code, the County shall have a right to set off and subtract from any invoice(s) or Contract price, a sum equal to any fines and penalties, including interest, for any tax or fee delinquency and any debt or obligation owed by the Consultant to the County.

The Consultant acknowledges its duty to ensure the accuracy of all invoices submitted to the County for payment. By submitting the invoices, the Consultant certifies that all itemized entries set forth in the invoices are true and correct. The Consultant acknowledges that by submitting the invoices, it certifies that it has delivered the Deliverables, i.e., the goods, supplies, services or equipment set forth in the Agreement to the Using Agency, or that it has properly performed the services set forth in the Agreement. The invoice must also reflect the dates and amount of time expended in the provision of services under the Agreement. The Consultant acknowledges that any inaccurate statements or negligent or intentional misrepresentations in the invoices shall result in the County exercising all remedies available to it in law and equity including, but not limited to, a delay in payment or non-payment to the Consultant, and reporting the matter to the Cook County Office of the Independent Inspector General.

When a Consultant receives any payment from the County for any supplies, equipment, goods, or services, it has provided to the County pursuant to its Agreement, the Consultant must make payment to its Subcontractors within 15 days after receipt of payment from the County, provided that such Subcontractor has satisfactorily provided the supplies, equipment, goods or services in accordance with the Contract and provided the Consultant with all of the documents and information required of the Consultant. The Consultant may delay or postpone payment to a Subcontractor when the Subcontractor's supplies, equipment, goods, or services do not comply with the requirements of the Contract, the Consultant is acting in good faith, and not in retaliation for a Subcontractor exercising legal or contractual rights.

c) Funding

The source of funds for payments under this Agreement is identified in Exhibit 2, Schedule of Compensation. Payments under this Agreement must not exceed the dollar amount shown in Exhibit 2 without a written amendment in accordance with Section 10.c.

d) Non-Appropriation

If no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated and budgeted in any fiscal period of the County for payments to be made under this Agreement, then the County will notify Consultant in writing of that occurrence, and this Agreement will terminate on the earlier of the last day of the fiscal period for which sufficient appropriation was made or whenever the funds appropriated for payment under this Agreement are exhausted. Payments for Services completed to the date of notification will be made to Consultant. No payments will be made or due to Consultant and under this Agreement beyond those amounts appropriated and budgeted by the County to fund payments under this Agreement.

e) Taxes

Federal Excise Tax does not apply to materials purchased by the County by virtue of Exemption Certificate No. 36-75-0038K. Illinois Retailers' Occupation Tax, Use Tax and Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax do not apply to deliverables, materials or services purchased by the County by virtue of statute. The price or prices quoted herein shall include any and all other federal and/or state, direct and/or indirect taxes which apply to this Contract. The County's State of Illinois Sales Tax Exemption Identification No. is E-9998-2013-07.

f) Price Reduction

If at any time after the contract award, Consultant makes a general price reduction in the price of any of the Deliverables, the equivalent price reduction based on similar quantities and/or considerations shall apply to this Contract for the duration of the Contract period. For purposes of this Section 5.f., Price Reduction, a general price reduction shall include reductions in the effective price charged by Consultant by reason of rebates, financial incentives, discounts, value points or other benefits with respect to the purchase of the Deliverables. Such price reductions shall be effective at the same time and in the same manner as the reduction Consultant makes in the price of the Deliverables to its prospective customers generally.

g) Consultant Credits

To the extent the Consultant gives credits toward future purchases of goods or services, financial incentives, discounts, value points or other benefits based on the purchase of the materials or services provided for under this Contract, such credits belong to the County and not any specific Using Agency. Consultant shall reflect any such credits on its invoices and in the amounts it invoices the County.

ARTICLE 6) DISPUTES

Any dispute arising under the Contract between the County and Consultant shall be decided by the Chief Procurement Officer. The complaining party shall submit a written statement detailing the dispute and specifying the specific relevant Contract provision(s) to the Chief Procurement Officer. Upon request of the Chief Procurement Officer, the party complained against shall respond to the complaint in writing within five days of such request. The Chief Procurement Officer will reduce her decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the Consultant. The decision of the Chief Procurement Officer will be final and binding. Dispute resolution as provided herein shall be a condition precedent to any other action at law or in equity. However, unless a notice is issued by the Chief Procurement Officer indicating that additional time is required to review a dispute, the parties may exercise their contractual remedies, if any, if no decision is made within sixty (60) days following notification to the Chief Procurement Officer of a dispute. No inference shall be drawn from the absence of a decision by the Chief Procurement Officer.

Notwithstanding a dispute, Consultant shall continue to discharge all its obligations, duties and responsibilities set forth in the Contract during any dispute resolution proceeding unless otherwise agreed to by the County in writing.

ARTICLE 7) COOPERATION WITH INSPECTOR GENERAL AND COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS

The Consultant, Subcontractor, licensees, grantees or persons or businesses who have a County contract, grant, license, or certification of eligibility for County contracts shall abide by all of the applicable provisions of the Office of the Independent Inspector General Ordinance (Section 2-281 et. seq. of the Cook County Code of Ordinances). Failure to cooperate as required may result in monetary and/or other penalties.

The Consultant shall observe and comply with the laws, ordinances, regulations and codes of the Federal, State, County and other local government agencies which may in any manner affect the performance of the Contract including, but not limited to, those County Ordinances set forth in the Certifications attached hereto and incorporated herein. Assurance of compliance with this requirement by the Consultant's employees, agents or Subcontractor shall be the responsibility of the Consultant.

The Consultant shall secure and pay for all federal, state and local licenses, permits and fees required hereunder.

ARTICLE 8) SPECIAL CONDITIONS

a) Warranties and Representations

In connection with signing and carrying out this Agreement, Consultant:

- i) warrants that Consultant is appropriately licensed under Illinois law to perform the Services required under this Agreement and will perform no Services for which a professional license is required by law and for which Consultant is not appropriately licensed;
- ii) warrants it is financially solvent; it and each of its employees, agents and Subcontractors of any tier are competent to perform the Services required under this Agreement; and Consultant is legally authorized to execute and perform or cause to be performed this Agreement under the terms and conditions stated in this Agreement;
- iii) warrants that it will not knowingly use the services of any ineligible consultant or Subcontractor for any purpose in the performance of its Services under this Agreement;

- i v) warrants that Consultant and its Subcontractors are not in default at the time this Agreement is signed, and has not been considered by the Chief Procurement Officer to have, within 5 years immediately preceding the date of this Agreement, been found to be in default on any contract awarded by the County;
- v) represents that it has carefully examined and analyzed the provisions and requirements of this Agreement; it understands the nature of the Services required; from its own analysis it has satisfied itself as to the nature of all things needed for the performance of this Agreement; this Agreement is feasible of performance in accordance with all of its provisions and requirements, and Consultant warrants it can and will perform, or cause to be performed, the Services in strict accordance with the provisions and requirements of this Agreement;
- vi) represents that Consultant and, to the best of its knowledge, its Subcontractors are not in violation of the provisions of the Illinois Criminal Code, 720 ILCS 5/33E as amended; and
- vii) acknowledges that any certification, affidavit or acknowledgment made under oath in connection with this Agreement is made under penalty of perjury and, if false, is also cause for termination under Sections 9.a and 9.c.

b) Ethics

- i) In addition to the foregoing warranties and representations, Consultant warrants:
 - (1) no officer, agent or employee of the County is employed by Consultant or has a financial interest directly or indirectly in this Agreement or the compensation to be paid under this Agreement except as may be permitted in writing by the Board of Ethics.
 - (2) no payment, gratuity or offer of employment will be made in connection with this Agreement by or on behalf of any Subcontractors to the prime Consultant or higher tier Subcontractors or anyone associated with them, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

c) Joint and Several Liability

If Consultant, or its successors or assigns, if any, is comprised of more than one individual or other legal entity (or a combination of them), then under this Agreement, each and without limitation every obligation or undertaking in this Agreement to be fulfilled or performed by Consultant is the joint and several obligation or undertaking of each such individual or other legal entity.

d) Business Documents

At the request of the County, Consultant must provide copies of its latest articles of incorporation, by-laws and resolutions, or partnership or joint venture agreement, as applicable.

e) Conflicts of Interest

- i) No member of the governing body of the County or other unit of government and no other officer, employee or agent of the County or other unit of government who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the Services to which this Agreement pertains is permitted to have any personal interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement. No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States or the Illinois General Assembly and no Commissioner of the Cook County Board or County employee is allowed to be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement or to any financial benefit to arise from it.
- ii) Consultant covenants that it, and to the best of its knowledge, its Subcontractors if any (collectively, "**Consulting Parties**"), presently have no direct or indirect interest and will not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in any project or contract that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its Services under this Agreement.
- iii) Upon the request of the County, Consultant must disclose to the County its past client list and the names of any clients with whom it has an ongoing relationship. Consultant is not permitted to perform any Services for the County on applications or other documents submitted to the County by any of Consultant's past or present clients. If Consultant becomes aware of a conflict, it must immediately stop work on the assignment causing the conflict and notify the County.
- iv) Without limiting the foregoing, if the Consulting Parties assist the County in determining the advisability or feasibility of a project or in recommending, researching, preparing, drafting or issuing a request for proposals or bid specifications for a project, the Consulting Parties must not participate, directly or indirectly, as a prime, Subcontractor or joint venturer in that project or in the preparation of a proposal or bid for that project during the term of this Agreement or afterwards. The Consulting Parties may, however, assist the County in reviewing the proposals or bids for the project if none of the Consulting Parties have a relationship with the persons or entities that submitted the proposals or bids for that project.

- v) The Consultant further covenants that, in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any conflicting interest will be assigned to perform any Services or have access to any confidential information, as defined in Section 3.h of this Agreement. If the County, by the Chief Procurement Officer in his reasonable judgment, determines that any of Consultant's Services for others conflict with the Services Consultant is to render for the County under this Agreement, Consultant must terminate such other services immediately upon request of the County.
- vi) Furthermore, if any federal funds are to be used to compensate or reimburse Consultant under this Agreement, Consultant represents that it is and will remain in compliance with federal restrictions on lobbying set forth in Section 319 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal year 1990, 31 U.S.C. § 1352, and related rules and regulations set forth at 54 Fed. Reg. 52,309 ff. (1989), as amended. If federal funds are to be used, Consultant must execute a Certification Regarding Lobbying, which will be attached as an exhibit and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth here.

f) Non-Liability of Public Officials

Consultant and any assignee or Subcontractor of Consultant must not charge any official, employee or agent of the County personally with any liability or expenses of defense or hold any official, employee or agent of the County personally liable to them under any term or provision of this Agreement or because of the County's execution, attempted execution or any breach of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9) EVENTS OF DEFAULT, REMEDIES, TERMINATION, SUSPENSION AND RIGHT TO OFFSET

a) Events of Default Defined

The following constitute events of default:

- i) Any material misrepresentation, whether negligent or willful and whether in the inducement or in the performance, made by Consultant to the County.
- ii) Consultant's material failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement including the following:
 - (a) Failure due to a reason or circumstances within Consultant's reasonable control to perform the Services with sufficient personnel and equipment or with sufficient material to ensure the performance of the Services;

- (b) Failure to perform the Services in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Chief Procurement Officer or inability to perform the Services satisfactorily as a result of insolvency, filing for bankruptcy or assignment for the benefit of creditors;
 - (c) Failure to promptly re-perform within a reasonable time Services that were rejected as erroneous or unsatisfactory;
 - (d) Discontinuance of the Services for reasons within Consultant's reasonable control; and
 - (e) Failure to comply with any other material term of this Agreement, including the provisions concerning insurance and nondiscrimination.
- iii) Any change in ownership or control of Consultant without the prior written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer, which approval the Chief Procurement Officer will not unreasonably withhold.
 - iv) Consultant's default under any other agreement it may presently have or may enter into with the County during the life of this Agreement. Consultant acknowledges and agrees that in the event of a default under this Agreement the County may also declare a default under any such other Agreements.
 - v) Failure to comply with Article 7 in the performance of the Agreement.
 - vi) Consultant's repeated or continued violations of County ordinances unrelated to performance under the Agreement that in the opinion of the Chief Procurement Officer indicate a willful or reckless disregard for County laws and regulations.

b) Remedies

The occurrence of any event of default permits the County, at the County's sole option, to declare Consultant in default. The Chief Procurement Officer may in his sole discretion give Consultant an opportunity to cure the default within a certain period of time, which period of time must not exceed 30 days, unless extended by the Chief Procurement Officer. Whether to declare Consultant in default is within the sole discretion of the Chief Procurement Officer and neither that decision nor the factual basis for it is subject to review or challenge under the Disputes provision of this Agreement.

The Chief Procurement Officer will give Consultant written notice of the default, either in the form of a cure notice ("**Cure Notice**"), or, if no opportunity to cure will be granted, a default notice ("**Default Notice**"). If the Chief Procurement Officer gives a Default Notice, he will also indicate any present intent he may have to terminate this Agreement, and the decision to terminate (but not the decision not to terminate) is final and effective upon giving the notice. The Chief Procurement Officer may give a Default Notice if Consultant fails to affect a cure within the cure period given in a Cure Notice. When a Default Notice with intent to terminate is given as provided in this Section 9.b and Article 11, Consultant must discontinue any Services, unless otherwise directed in the notice, and deliver all materials accumulated in the performance of this Agreement, whether completed or in the process, to the County. After giving a Default Notice, the County may invoke any or all of the following remedies:

- i) The right to take over and complete the Services, or any part of them, at Consultant's expense and as agent for Consultant, either directly or through others, and bill Consultant for the cost of the Services, and Consultant must pay the difference between the total amount of this bill and the amount the County would have paid Consultant under the terms and conditions of this Agreement for the Services that were assumed by the County as agent for the Consultant under this Section 9.b;
- i i) The right to terminate this Agreement as to any or all of the Services yet to be performed effective at a time specified by the County;
- i i i) The right of specific performance, an injunction or any other appropriate equitable remedy;
- i v) The right to money damages;
- v) The right to withhold all or any part of Consultant's compensation under this Agreement;
- v i) The right to consider Consultant non-responsible in future contracts to be awarded by the County.

If the Chief Procurement Officer considers it to be in the County's best interests, he may elect not to declare default or to terminate this Agreement. The parties acknowledge that this provision is solely for the benefit of the County and that if the County permits Consultant to continue to provide the Services despite one or more events of default, Consultant is in no way relieved of any of its responsibilities, duties or obligations under this Agreement, nor does the County waive or relinquish any of its rights.

The remedies under the terms of this Agreement are not intended to be exclusive of any other remedies provided, but each and every such remedy is cumulative and is in addition to any other remedies, existing now or later, at law, in equity or by statute. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any event of default impairs any such right or power, nor is it a waiver of any event of default nor acquiescence in it, and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as the County considers expedient.

c) Early Termination

In addition to termination under Sections 9.a and 9.b of this Agreement, the County may terminate this Agreement, or all or any portion of the Services to be performed under it, at any time by a notice in writing from the County to Consultant. The County will give notice to Consultant in accordance with the provisions of Article 11. The effective date of termination will be the date the notice is received by Consultant or the date stated in the notice, whichever is later. If the County elects to terminate this Agreement in full, all Services to be provided under it must cease and all materials that may have been accumulated in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in the process, must be delivered to the County effective 10 days after the date the notice is considered received as provided under Article 11 of this Agreement (if no date is given) or upon the effective date stated in the notice.

After the notice is received, Consultant must restrict its activities, and those of its Subcontractors, to winding down any reports, analyses, or other activities previously begun. No costs incurred after the effective date of the termination are allowed. Payment for any Services actually and satisfactorily performed before the effective date of the termination is on the same basis as set forth in Article 5, but if any compensation is described or provided for on the basis of a period longer than 10 days, then the compensation must be prorated accordingly. No amount of compensation, however, is permitted for anticipated profits on unperformed Services. The County and Consultant must attempt to agree on the amount of compensation to be paid to Consultant, but if not agreed on, the dispute must be settled in accordance with Article 6 of this Agreement. The payment so made to Consultant is in full settlement for all Services satisfactorily performed under this Agreement.

Consultant must include in its contracts with Subcontractors an early termination provision in form and substance equivalent to this early termination provision to prevent claims against the County arising from termination of subcontracts after the early termination. Consultant will not be entitled to make any early termination claims against the County resulting from any Subcontractor's claims against Consultant or the County to the extent inconsistent with this provision.

If the County's election to terminate this Agreement for default under Sections 9.a and 9.b is determined in a court of competent jurisdiction to have been wrongful, then in that case the termination is to be considered to be an early termination under this Section 9.c.

d) Suspension

The County may at any time request that Consultant suspend its Services, or any part of them, by giving 15 days prior written notice to Consultant or upon informal oral, or even no notice, in the event of emergency. No costs incurred after the effective date of such suspension are allowed. Consultant must promptly resume its performance of the Services under the same terms and conditions as stated in this Agreement upon written notice by the Chief Procurement Officer and such equitable extension of time as may be mutually agreed upon by the Chief Procurement Officer and Consultant when necessary for continuation or completion of Services. Any additional costs or expenses actually incurred by Consultant as a result of recommencing the Services must be treated in accordance with the compensation provisions under Article 5 of this Agreement.

No suspension of this Agreement is permitted in the aggregate to exceed a period of 45 days within any one year of this Agreement. If the total number of days of suspension exceeds 45 days, Consultant by written notice may treat the suspension as an early termination of this Agreement under Section 9.c.

e) Right to Offset

In connection with performance under this Agreement, the County may offset any excess costs incurred:

- i) if the County terminates this Agreement for default or any other reason resulting from Consultant's performance or non-performance;
- ii) if the County exercises any of its remedies under Section 9.b of this Agreement;
or
- iii) if the County has any credits due or has made any overpayments under this Agreement.

The County may offset these excess costs by use of any payment due for Services completed before the County terminated this Agreement or before the County exercised any remedies. If the amount offset is insufficient to cover those excess costs, Consultant is liable for and must promptly remit to the County the balance upon written demand for it. This right to offset is in addition to and not a limitation of any other remedies available to the County.

f) Delays

Consultant agrees that no charges or claims for damages shall be made by Consultant for any delays or hindrances from any cause whatsoever during the progress of any portion of this Contract.

g) Prepaid Fees

In the event this Contract is terminated by either party, for cause or otherwise, and the County has prepaid for any Deliverables, Consultant shall refund to the County, on a prorated basis to the effective date of termination, all amounts prepaid for Deliverables not actually provided as of the effective date of the termination. The refund shall be made within fourteen (14) days of the effective date of termination.

ARTICLE 10) GENERAL CONDITIONS

a) Entire Agreement

i) General

This Agreement, and the exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it, constitute the entire agreement between the parties and no other warranties, inducements, considerations, promises or interpretations are implied or impressed upon this Agreement that are not expressly addressed in this Agreement.

ii) No Collateral Agreements

Consultant acknowledges that, except only for those representations, statements or promises expressly contained in this Agreement and any exhibits attached to it and incorporated by reference in it, no representation, statement or promise, oral or in writing, of any kind whatsoever, by the County, its officials, agents or employees, has induced Consultant to enter into this Agreement or has been relied upon by Consultant, including any with reference to:

- (a) the meaning, correctness, suitability or completeness of any provisions or requirements of this Agreement;
- (b) the nature of the Services to be performed;
- (c) the nature, quantity, quality or volume of any materials, equipment, labor and other facilities needed for the performance of this Agreement;
- (d) the general conditions which may in any way affect this Agreement or its performance;
- (e) the compensation provisions of this Agreement; or
- (f) any other matters, whether similar to or different from those referred to in (a) through (e) immediately above, affecting or having any connection with this Agreement, its negotiation, any discussions of its performance or those employed or connected or concerned with it.

iii) **No Omissions**

Consultant acknowledges that Consultant was given an opportunity to review all documents forming this Agreement before signing this Agreement in order that it might request inclusion in this Agreement of any statement, representation, promise or provision that it desired or on that it wished to place reliance. Consultant did so review those documents, and either every such statement, representation, promise or provision has been included in this Agreement or else, if omitted, Consultant relinquishes the benefit of any such omitted statement, representation, promise or provision and is willing to perform this Agreement in its entirety without claiming reliance on it or making any other claim on account of its omission.

b) **Counterparts**

This Agreement is comprised of several identical counterparts, each to be fully signed by the parties and each to be considered an original having identical legal effect.

c) **Contract Amendments**

The parties may during the term of the Contract make amendments to the Contract but only as provided in this section. Such amendments shall only be made by mutual agreement in writing.

In the case of Contracts not approved by the Board, the Chief Procurement Officer may amend a contract provided that any such amendment does not extend the Contract by more than one (1) year, and further provided that the total cost of all such amendments does not increase the total amount of the Contract beyond \$150,000. Such action may only be made with the advance written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer. If the amendment extends the Contract beyond one (1) year or increases the total award amount beyond \$150,000, then Board approval will be required.

No Using Agency or employee thereof has authority to make any amendments to this Contract. Any amendments to this Contract made without the express written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer is void and unenforceable.

Consultant is hereby notified that, except for amendments which are made in accordance with this Section 10.c. Contract Amendments, no Using Agency or employee thereof has authority to make any amendment to this Contract.

d) Governing Law and Jurisdiction

This Contract shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Illinois. The Consultant irrevocably agrees that, subject to the County's sole and absolute election to the contrary, any action or proceeding in any way, manner or respect arising out of the Contract, or arising from any dispute or controversy arising in connection with or related to the Contract, shall be litigated only in courts within the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois, and the Consultant consents and submits to the jurisdiction thereof. In accordance with these provisions, Consultant waives any right it may have to transfer or change the venue of any litigation brought against it by the County pursuant to this Contract.

e) Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is held or considered to be or is in fact invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable as applied in any particular case in any jurisdiction or in all cases because it conflicts with any other provision or provisions of this Agreement or of any constitution, statute, ordinance, rule of law or public policy, or for any other reason, those circumstances do not have the effect of rendering the provision in question invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable in any other case or circumstances, or of rendering any other provision or provisions in this Agreement invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable to any extent whatsoever. The invalidity, illegality, inoperativeness or unenforceability of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses or sections in this Agreement does not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part of it.

f) Assigns

All of the terms and conditions of this Agreement are binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective legal representatives, successors and assigns.

g) Cooperation

Consultant must at all times cooperate fully with the County and act in the County's best interests. If this Agreement is terminated for any reason, or if it is to expire on its own terms, Consultant must make every effort to assure an orderly transition to another provider of the Services, if any, orderly demobilization of its own operations in connection with the Services, uninterrupted provision of Services during any transition period and must otherwise comply with the reasonable requests and requirements of the Using Agency in connection with the termination or expiration.

h) Waiver

Nothing in this Agreement authorizes the waiver of a requirement or condition contrary to law or ordinance or that would result in or promote the violation of any federal, state or local law or ordinance.

Whenever under this Agreement the County by a proper authority waives Consultant's performance in any respect or waives a requirement or condition to either the County's or Consultant's performance, the waiver so granted, whether express or implied, only applies to the particular instance and is not a waiver forever or for subsequent instances of the performance, requirement or condition. No such waiver is a modification of this Agreement regardless of the number of times the County may have waived the performance, requirement or condition. Such waivers must be provided to Consultant in writing.

i) Independent Consultant

This Agreement is not intended to and will not constitute, create, give rise to, or otherwise recognize a joint venture, partnership, corporation or other formal business association or organization of any kind between Consultant and the County. The rights and the obligations of the parties are only those expressly set forth in this Agreement. Consultant must perform under this Agreement as an independent Consultant and not as a representative, employee, agent, or partner of the County.

This Agreement is between the County and an independent Consultant and, if Consultant is an individual, nothing provided for under this Agreement constitutes or implies an employer-employee relationship such that:

- i) The County will not be liable under or by reason of this Agreement for the payment of any compensation award or damages in connection with the Consultant performing the Services required under this Agreement.
- ii) Consultant is not entitled to membership in the County Pension Fund, Group Medical Insurance Program, Group Dental Program, Group Vision Care, Group Life Insurance Program, Deferred Income Program, vacation, sick leave, extended sick leave, or any other benefits ordinarily provided to individuals employed and paid through the regular payrolls of the County.
- iv) The County is not required to deduct or withhold any taxes, FICA or other deductions from any compensation provided to the Consultant.

j) Governmental Joint Purchasing Agreement

Pursuant to Section 4 of the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act (30 ILCS 525) and the Joint Purchase Agreement approved by the Cook County Board of Commissioners (April 9, 1965), other units of government may purchase goods or services under this contract.

In the event that other agencies participate in a joint procurement, the County reserves the right to renegotiate the price to accommodate the larger volume.

k) Comparable Government Procurement

As permitted by the County of Cook, other government entities, if authorized by law, may wish to purchase the goods, supplies, services or equipment under the same terms and conditions contained in this Contract (i.e., comparable government procurement). Each entity wishing to reference this Contract must have prior authorization from the County of Cook and the Consultant. If such participation is authorized, all purchase orders will be issued directly from and shipped directly to the entity requiring the goods, supplies, equipment or services supplies/services. The County shall not be held responsible for any orders placed, deliveries made or payment for the goods, supplies, equipment or services supplies/services ordered by these entities. Each entity reserves the right to determine the amount of goods, supplies, equipment or services it wishes to purchase under this Contract.

l) Force Majeure

Neither Consultant nor County shall be liable for failing to fulfill any obligation under this Contract if such failure is caused by an event beyond such party's reasonable control and which is not caused by such party's fault or negligence. Such events shall be limited to acts of God, acts of war, fires, lightning, floods, epidemics, or riots.

m) Federal Clauses

The following provisions apply to all Contracts which are funded in whole or in part with federal funds including without limitation the following.

1. Interest of Members of or Delegates to the United States Congress

In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 22, the Contractor agrees that it will not admit any member of or delegate to the United States Congress to any share or part of the Contract or any benefit derived therefrom.

2. False or Fraudulent Statements and Claims

(a) The Contractor recognizes that the requirements of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 49 U.S.C. §§ 3081 et seq and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to the Contract. Accordingly, by signing the Contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, or it may make pertaining to the Contract, including without limitation any invoice for its services. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(b) The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the County or Federal Government in connection with an urbanized area formula project financed with Federal assistance

authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose on the Contractor the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1), to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

3. Federal Interest in Patents

(a) General. If any invention, improvement, or discovery of the Contractor is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under the Contract, and that invention, improvement, or discovery is patentable under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country, the Contractor agrees to notify County immediately and provide a detailed report.

(b) Federal Rights. Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, the rights and responsibilities of the County, Contractor, and the Federal Government pertaining to that invention, improvement, or discovery will be determined in accordance with applicable Federal laws and regulations, including any waiver thereof. Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, the Contractor agrees that, irrespective of its status or the status of any subcontractor at any tier (e.g., a large business, small business, non profit organization, institution of higher education, individual), the Contractor agrees it will transmit to the Federal Government those rights due the Federal Government in any invention resulting from the contract.

4. Federal Interest in Data and Copyrights

(a) Definition. The term "subject data" used in this section means recorded information, whether or not copyrighted, that is delivered or specified to be delivered under the Contract. Examples include, but are not limited, to: computer software, engineering drawings and associated lists, specifications, standards, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information. The term "subject data" does not include financial reports, cost analyses, and similar information incidental to Contract administration.

(b) Federal Restrictions. The following restrictions apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of the Contract. Except as provided in the Contract and except for its own internal use, the Contractor may not publish or publicly reproduce subject data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may the Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of the County and the Federal Government, until such time as the Federal Government may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public.

(c) Federal Rights in Data and Copyrights. In accordance with subparts 34 and 36 of the Common Rule, the County and the Federal Government reserve a royalty free, non exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for County or Federal Government purposes, the types of subject data described below. Without the copyright owner's consent, the County and Federal Government may not extend their license to other parties.

(1) Any subject data developed under the contract or subagreement financed by a federal Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement, whether or not a copyright has been obtained; and

- (2) Any rights of copyright which the Contractor purchases ownership with Federal assistance.
- (d) Special Federal Rights for Planning Research and Development Projects. When the Federal Government provides financial assistance for a planning, research, development, or demonstration project, its general intention is to increase public knowledge, rather than limit the benefits of the project to participants in the project. Therefore, unless the Federal Government determines otherwise, the Contractor on a planning, research, development, or demonstration project agrees that, in addition to the rights in data and copyrights set forth above, the County or Federal Government may make available to any third party either a license in the copyright to the subject data or a copy of the subject data. If the project is not completed for any reason whatsoever, all data developed under the project will become subject data and will be delivered as the County or Federal Government may direct. This subsection, however, does not apply to adaptations of automatic data processing equipment or previously existing software programs for the County's use whose costs are financed with Federal transportation funds for capital projects.
- (e) Hold Harmless. Unless prohibited by state law, upon request by the County or the Federal Government, the Contractor agrees to indemnify, save, and hold harmless the County and the Federal Government and their officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by the Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under the Contract. The Contractor will not be required to indemnify the County or Federal Government for any such liability arising out of the wrongful acts of employees or agents of the County or Federal Government.
- (f) Restrictions on Access to Patent Rights. Nothing contained in this section on rights in data will imply a license to the County or Federal Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the County or Federal Government under any patent.
- (g) Application on Materials Incorporated into Project. The requirements of Subsections 2, 3, and 4 of this Section do not apply to material furnished by the County and incorporated into the work.

5. Records and Audits

Contractor will deliver or cause to be delivered all documents (including but not limited to all Deliverables and supporting data, records, graphs, charts and notes) prepared by or for the County under the terms of this Agreement to the County promptly in accordance with the time limits prescribed in this Contract, and if no time limit is specified, then upon reasonable demand therefor or upon termination or completion of the Services hereunder. In the event of the failure by the Contractor to make such delivery, then and in that event, the Contractor will pay to County reasonable damages the County may sustain by reason thereof.

The County and the Federal Government will have the right to audit all payments made to the Contractor under this Agreement. Any payments to the Contractor which exceed the

amount to which the Contractor is entitled under the terms of this Agreement will be subject to set off.

The Contractor will keep and retain records relating to this Agreement and will make such records available to representatives of the County and the Federal Government, including without limitation the sponsoring federal agency, other participating agencies, and the Comptroller General of the United States, at reasonable times during the performance of this Agreement and for at least five years after termination of this Agreement for purposes of audit, inspection, copying, transcribing and abstracting.

No provision in this Agreement granting the County or the Federal Government a right of access to records is intended to impair, limit or affect any right of access to such records which the County or the Federal Government would have had in the absence of such provisions.

6. Environmental Requirements

The Contractor recognizes that many Federal and state laws imposing environmental and resource conservation requirements may apply to the Contract. Some, but not all, of the major Federal Laws that may affect the Contract include: the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 et seq.; the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. and scattered sections of 29 U.S.C.; the Clean Water Act, as amended, scattered sections of 33 U.S.C. and 12 U.S.C.; the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901 et seq.; and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601 et seq. The Contractor also recognizes that U.S. EPA, U.S. DOT and other agencies of the Federal Government have issued and are expected in the future to issue regulations, guidelines, standards, orders, directives, or other requirements that may affect the Contract. Thus, the Contractor agrees to adhere to, and impose on its subcontractors, any such Federal requirements as the Federal Government may now or in the future promulgate. Listed below are requirements of particular concern.

The Contractor acknowledges that this list does not constitute the Contractor's entire obligation to meet all Federal environmental and resource conservation requirements. The Contractor will include these provisions in all subcontracts.

(a) Environmental Protection. The Contractor agrees to comply with the applicable requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 et seq. in accordance with Executive Order No. 12898, "Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations," 59 Fed. Reg. 7629, Feb. 16, 1994; U.S. DOT statutory requirements on environmental matters at 49 U.S.C. § 5324(b); Council on Environmental Quality regulations on compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, 40 C.F.R. Part 1500 et seq.; and U.S. DOT regulations, "Environmental Impact and Related Procedures," 23 C.F.R. Part 771 and 49 C.F.R. Part 622.

(b) Air Quality. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. Specifically, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable requirements of U.S. EPA regulations, "Conformity to State of Federal Implementation Plans of Transportation Plans, Programs, and Projects Developed, Funded or Approved Under Title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Act," 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Subpart T; and "Determining Conformity of

Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans,” 40 C.F.R. Part 93. The Contractor further agrees to report and require each subcontractor at any tier to report any violation of these requirements resulting from any Contract implementation activity to the County and the appropriate U.S. EPA Regional Office.

(c) Clean Water. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 et seq. The Contractor further agrees to report and require each subcontractor at any tier to report any violation of these requirements resulting from any Contract implementation activity to the County and the appropriate U.S. EPA Regional Office.

(d) List of Violating Facilities. The Contractor agrees that any facility to be used in the performance of the Contract or to benefit from the Contract will not be listed on the U.S. EPA List of Violating Facilities (“List”), and the Contractor will promptly notify the County if the Contractor receives any communication from the U.S. EPA that such a facility is under consideration for inclusion on the List.

(e) Preference for Recycled Products. To the extent practicable and economically feasible and to the extent that it does not reduce or impair the quality of the work, the Contractor agrees to use recycled products in performance of the Contract pursuant to U.S. Environment Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) guidelines at 40 C.F.R. Parts 247 253, which implement section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6962.

7. No Exclusionary or Discriminatory Specifications

Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal statute or regulations, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(h)(2) by refraining from using any Federal assistance to support subcontracts procured using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

8. No Federal Government Obligations to Third Parties

The Contractor agrees that, absent the Federal Government's express written consent, the Federal Government will not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to any contractor or any other person not a party to the Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement between the County and the Federal Government which is a source of funds for this Contract. Notwithstanding any concurrence provided by the Federal Government in or approval of any solicitation, agreement, or contract, the Federal Government continues to have no obligations or liabilities to any party, including the Contractor.

9. Allowable Costs

Notwithstanding any compensation provision to the contrary, the Contractor's compensation under this Contract will be limited to those amounts which are allowable and allocable to the Contract in accordance with OMB Circular A 87 and the regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 18. To the extent that an audit reveals that the Contractor has received payment in excess of such amounts, the County may offset such excess payments against any future payments due to the Contractor and, if no future payments are due or if future payments are less than such excess, the Contractor will promptly refund the amount of the excess payments to the County.

10. Trade Restrictions

Contractor certifies that neither it nor any Subcontractor:

- (a) is owned or controlled by one or more citizens of a foreign country included in the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR);
- (b) has knowingly entered into any contract or subcontract with a person that is a citizen or national of a foreign country on said list, nor is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country on said list;
- (c) will procure, subcontract for, or recommend any product that is produced in a foreign country on said list.

Unless the restrictions of this clause are waived by the Secretary of Transportation in accordance with 49 CFR 30.17, no Notice to Proceed will be issued to an entity who is unable to certify to the above. If Contractor knowingly procures or subcontracts for the supply of any product or service of a foreign country on said list for use on the project, the USDOT may direct, through the County, cancellation of the Contract at no cost to the Government.

Further, Contractor agrees that it will incorporate this provision for certification without modification in each subcontract. Contractor may rely on the certification of a prospective Subcontractor unless it has knowledge that the certification is erroneous. Contractor will provide immediate written notice to the County if it learns that its certification or that of a Subcontractor was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. Each Subcontractor must agree to provide written notice to Contractor if at any time it learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. Nothing contained in the foregoing will be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by this provision.

The knowledge and information of the Contractor is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

This certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an agency of the United States of America and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under Title 18, United States Code, Section 100.

11. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

If applicable according to their terms, the Contractor agrees to comply and assures compliance with sections 102 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. §§ 327 through 333, and implementing U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Nonconstruction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. Part 5; and U.S. DOL regulations, "Safety and Health Regulations for Construction," 29 C.F.R. Part 1926. In addition to other requirements that may apply:

- (a) In accordance with section of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. §§ 327 through 332, the Contractor agrees and assures that, for the Contract, the wages of every mechanic and laborer will be computed on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours, and that each worker will be compensated for work

exceeding the standard work week at a rate of not less than 1.5 times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The Contractor agrees that determinations pertaining to these requirements will be made in accordance with applicable U.S. DOL regulations, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Nonconstruction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act)," 29 C.F.R. Part 5.

(b) In accordance with section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. § 333, the contractor agrees and assures that no laborer or mechanic working on a construction contract will be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions that are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to his or her health and safety, as determined in accordance with U.S. DOL regulations, "Safety and Health Regulations for Construction," 29 C.F.R. Part 1926.

12. Copyright Ownership

Consultant and the County intend that, to the extent permitted by law, the Deliverables to be produced by Consultant at the County's instance and expense pursuant to this Agreement are conclusively deemed "works made for hire" within the meaning and purview of Section 101 of the United States Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. §101 et seq. (the "Copyright Act"), and that the County will be the copyright owner of the Deliverables and of all aspects, elements and components of them in which copyright can subsist.

To the extent that any Deliverable does not qualify as a "work made for hire," Consultant irrevocably grants, conveys, bargains, sells, assigns, transfers and delivers to the County, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the copyrights and all U.S. and foreign copyright registrations, copyright applications and copyright renewals for them, and other intangible, intellectual property embodied in or pertaining to the Deliverables prepared for the County under this Agreement, free and clear of any liens, claims or other encumbrances, to the fullest extent permitted by law. Consultant will execute all documents and perform all acts that the County may reasonably request in order to assist the County in perfecting its rights in and to the copyrights relating to the Deliverables, at the sole expense of the County.

Consultant warrants to County, its successors and assigns, that on the date of transfer Consultant is the lawful owner of good and marketable title in and to the copyrights for the Deliverables and has the legal rights to fully assign them. Consultant further warrants that it has not assigned any copyrights nor granted any licenses, exclusive or nonexclusive, to any other party, and that it is not a party to any other agreements or subject to any other restrictions with respect to the Deliverables. Consultant warrants and represents that the Deliverables are complete and comprehensive, and the Deliverables are a work of original authorship.

13. Visual Rights Act Waiver

The Consultant/Contractor waives any and all rights that may be granted or conferred under Section 106A and Section 113 of the United States Copyright Act, (17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.) (the "Copyright Act") in any work of visual art that may be provided pursuant to this Agreement. Also, the Consultant/Contractor represents and warrants that the

Consultant/Contractor has obtained a waiver of Section 106A and Section 113 of the Copyright Act as necessary from any employees and subcontractors, if any.

14. Equal Employment Opportunity

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The 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.

(2) The 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.

(3) The 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.

(4) The 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.

(5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(6) The 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.

(7) In the event of the 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 the 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.

(8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The 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 noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a 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.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

15. Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145))

All contracts and subgrants in excess of \$2000 for construction or repair awarded by recipients and subrecipients shall include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient shall be prohibited from inducing, 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 is otherwise entitled. The recipient shall report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

16. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

Where applicable, all contracts awarded by recipients in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers shall include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor shall be required to 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 worker is compensated at a rate of not less than 1 ½ times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provides that no laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

17. Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement

Contracts or agreements for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work shall provide for the rights of the Federal Government and the recipient in any resulting invention in accordance with 37 CFR part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

18. Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), as amended

Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 shall contain a provision that requires the recipient to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.). Violations shall be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

19. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal

appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any 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. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

20. Debarment and Suspension (E.O.s 12549 and 12689)

No contract shall be made to parties listed on the General Services Administration's List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Nonprocurement Programs in accordance with E.O.s 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension." This list contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, and contractors declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than E.O. 12549. Contractors with awards that exceed the small purchase threshold shall provide the required certification regarding its exclusion status and that of its principal employees.

ARTICLE 11) NOTICES

All notices required pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing and addressed to the parties at their respective addresses set forth below. All such notices shall be deemed duly given if hand delivered or if deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, registered or certified, return receipt requested. Notice as provided herein does not waive service of summons or process.

If to the County: Cook County Chief Procurement Officer
161 North Clark Street, Suite 2300
Chicago, Illinois 60601
Attention: Richard Sanchez
(Include County Contract Number on all notices)

and

If to Consultant: The Public Group
3520 North University Avenue
Provo, Utah 84605
Attention: Zackary Corbett

Changes in these addresses must be in writing and delivered in accordance with the provisions of this Article 11. Notices delivered by mail are considered received three days after mailing in accordance with this Article 11. Notices delivered personally are considered effective upon receipt. Refusal to accept delivery has the same effect as receipt.

ARTICLE 12) AUTHORITY

Execution of this Agreement by Consultant is authorized by a resolution of its Board of Directors, if a corporation, or similar governing document, and the signature(s) of each person signing on behalf of Consultant have been made with complete and full authority to commit Consultant to all terms and conditions of this Agreement, including each and every representation, certification and warranty contained in it, including the representations, certifications and warranties collectively incorporated by reference in it.

Exhibit 1

Statement of Work and Schedule of Compensation

Scope of Work

A. Scope of Work Statement:

This Scope of Work Statement explains in general terms the services offered to Cook County ("County") by The Public Group, LLC ("Public Surplus," "Contractor") through Contractor's online auction and surplus management system contact with Sourcewell.

B. Registration:

The Cook County ("County") is already a registered user on Public Surplus.

C. Training:

Public Surplus will assist and train as many employees of the County as is necessary to utilize Contractor's system. Training will be done online and on dates and times convenient to the County.

D. Customer Service/Support:

Public Surplus will provide user support for County Monday-Friday 9 AM – 7 PM CT. Full chat and e-mail support will be provided 24/7. County will have access to an account manager that may be reached via phone, cell phone, or e-mail at any time, including after hours if needed, to resolve any unforeseen training or support issues.

E. Auction Management:

Public Surplus has all the necessary tools for the entire online auction process. County will have total control over their auction process. County will be responsible for pictures and/or videos, and descriptions of auction items and for creating the auction on Public Surplus' site. This process is simple and usually takes only a few minutes per auction to create and list on Contractor's site. The County will be responsible for answering buyer's questions and basic auction management. County will be able to upload onto Contractor's site its own terms and conditions of sale. Buyers must agree to County's terms and conditions using their legally binding digital signature before they can bid on County's auctions. If internal reallocation is required by County, this will be provided as part of this system. County will have access to the APP that can be used to create the entire auction directly from a mobile device and send the auction directly to the "HELD" section where County can review then release it out for sale. A buyer's APP is also available. There is no cost for the use of the APPs.

F. Payment/Fees:

Public Surplus outsources its payment processing to PayMac, Contractor's third-party payment processing affiliate. PayMac will process all payments made by buyers for County's auctions. Winning bidders will be charged a 10% Buyer's Premium on auction items. Public Processing will deduct this fee from the proceeds collected and return all remaining auction proceeds to County. If County elects, Public Processing will receive sales tax payments made by buyers and remit those payments to the County. PayMac will pay to County the net proceeds at the County's discretion of N7, N30, or N60 after a buyer's payment has cleared. For example, for N60, proceeds from an auction paid for in November will typically be paid to County during the first two weeks of January. If required, a Net 7 cycle payable via check is available at an additional 1% fee. Payments that do not exceed \$100 will be paid upon receipt of additional proceeds that make the payment more than \$100. County can stop using the system at any time without charge of any fees.

G. Auction Follow Up:

Public Surplus will notify the winning bidder by email that they need to contact County to arrange for pickup (and payment, if applicable) of the auction item. Buyers agree to these conditions of pickup and payment upon registration with Us. As noted above, County will be able to upload onto Contractor's site additional terms and conditions of sale, such as how long each buyer has to make payment and pickup an auction item. Buyers must agree to County's terms and conditions using their legally binding digital signature before they can bid on County's auctions.

H. Customization and Added Services:

Public Surplus realizes that no two agencies are the same. The County may have need for enhancements and additions to Contractor's standard system to realize the full effectiveness of online auctions. Contractor is committed to working with County if these changes are needed. Some of these services are customized reporting tools, integration to existing software, and customized branding. Contractor brings years of experience and Contractor's desire to see each of Contractor's clients succeed with this new and exciting technology.

I. Enhanced Auctions Services (Marketing and Sell Strategies):

Public Surplus is willing to help the Cook County with various marketing and sales strategies for all vehicles and heavy equipment and items of value over \$5000. For support with all other items, the County's Support Rep can be a resource to assist. Contractor's marketing team is tasked with contacting bidders and sometimes selling agencies who have bid on similar items in the past. Their goal is to attempt to bring competition to the auctions in the hopes that it will increase auction totals.

J. Enhanced Auctions Services: (Auction Tech)

Public Surplus will provide an on-site auction technician to assist County with the auction creation process, including taking photographs, gathering and writing descriptions, creating the auctions, and providing on-site assistance for item preview and pickup. There may be an additional fee for this service.

K. System Accessibility/Reliability:

The Public Surplus system is accessible 24 hours a day/7 day a week for buyers and sellers with a warranty that the system will have a 99% uptime. When Contractor takes down the system for maintenance it is done late at night so as not to interrupt service and will notify County at least 24 hours in advance. Contractor's servers are located in a secure environment with multiple redundant connections and equipment.

L. Terms and Conditions of Use:

This Scope of Work Statement ("Statement") is intended to set forth in general terms the services offered to County by Public Surplus through Contractor's on-line auction and surplus management system. These services are subject to the terms and conditions of use set forth in the on-line Seller Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full. Nothing in this Statement is intended to supersede or take precedence over the terms and conditions of the Seller Agreement. If there is a conflict between a provision of this Statement and the Seller Agreement, the Seller Agreement shall control.

Exhibit 2

Information Technology Special Conditions

Exhibit 2
Cook County Information Technology Special Conditions (ITSCs)

1. DEFINITIONS FOR special conditions

1.1. **“Biometric Information”** has the same meaning as “biometric information” defined in the Illinois Biometric Privacy Act, 740 ILCS 14/10.

1.2. **“Business Associate Agreement”** or **“BAA”** means an agreement that meets the requirements of 45 C.F.R. 164.504(e).

1.3. **“Cardholder Data”** means data that meets the definition of “Cardholder Data” in the most recent version of the Payment Card Industry’s Data Security Standard.

1.4. **“Contractor”** has the same meaning as either “Contractor” and “Consultant” as such terms are defined, and may be interchangeably used in the County’s Professional Services Agreement, or “Contractor” as defined in the County’s Instruction to Bidders and General Conditions, if either such document forms the basis of this Agreement. “Contractor” includes any individuals that are employees, representatives, subcontractors or agents of Contractor.

1.5. **“Contractor Confidential Information”** means all non-public proprietary information of Contractor that is marked confidential, restricted, proprietary, or with a similar designation; provided that Contractor Confidential Information excludes County Data or information that may be subject to disclosure under Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq. or other law.

1.6. **“County”** has the same meaning as the term “County” in the Cook County Procurement Code, located at Chapter 34, Article IV in the Cook County Code of Ordinances as amended.

1.7. **“County Confidential Information”** means all non-public proprietary information of County, including Personally Identifiable Information and any information that is exempt from public disclosure under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq. or under the Cook County Code of Ordinances.

1.8. **“County Data”** means all data, including County Confidential Information, provided by the County to Contractor, or otherwise encountered by Contractor for purposes relating to this Agreement, including related metadata.

1.9. **“County Intellectual Property”** or **“County IP”** means all Intellectual Property owned or licensed by the County, including Developed IP.

1.10. **“Criminal Justice Information”** means data that meets the definition of “Criminal Justice Information” in the most recent version of FBI’s CJIS Security Policy and also data that meets the definition of “Criminal History Record Information” at 28 C.F.R. 20.

1.11. **“Data Protection Laws”** means laws, regulations, industry self-regulatory standards, and codes of practice in connection with the processing of Personally Identifiable Information, including but not limited to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. § 1320(d) et seq.), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009 (42 U.S.C. § 17921 et seq.), FBI CJIS Security Policy, the Illinois Biometric Privacy Act, 740 ILCS 14/1, et seq., the Illinois Personal Information Protection Act, 815 ILCS 530/1, et seq., and the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard..

1.12. **“Data Breach”** means (a) the loss or misuse (by any means) of any County Confidential Information; (b) the unauthorized or unlawful access, use, or disclosure of any County Confidential Information; or (c) any other act or omission that compromises the security, confidentiality, integrity or availability of any County Confidential Information.

1.13. **“Deliverable”** has the same meaning as “Deliverable” as defined in the County’s Professional Services Agreement or as defined in the County’s Instruction to Bidders and General Conditions, if either such document forms the basis of this Agreement.

1.14. **“Developed Intellectual Property”** or **“Developed IP”** means Intellectual Property conceived, developed, authored or reduced to practice in the course of or in connection with the provision of the Services, including, but not limited to: (a) modifications to, or enhancements (derivative works) of, the County IP; (b) Developed Software; and (c) modifications to or enhancements (derivative works) of, Third Party Intellectual Property to the extent not owned by the licensor of the Third Party IP under the terms of the applicable license.

1.15. **“Intellectual Property”** or **“IP”** means any inventions, discoveries, designs, processes, software, documentation, reports, and works of authorship, drawings, specifications, formulae, databases, algorithms, models, methods, techniques, technical data, discoveries, know how, trade secrets, and other technical proprietary information and all patents, copyrights, mask works, trademarks, service marks, trade names, service names, industrial designs, brand names, brand marks, trade dress rights, Internet domain name registrations, Internet web sites and corporate names, and applications for the registration or recordation of any of the foregoing.

1.16. **“Malware”** means any hidden files, automatically replicating, transmitting or activating computer program, virus (or other harmful or malicious computer program) or any equipment-limiting, Software-limiting or Services-limiting function (including, but not limited to, any key, node lock, time-out or similar function), whether implemented by electronic or other means.

1.17. **“Open Source Materials”** means any Software that: (a) contains, or is derived in any manner (in whole or in part) from, any Software that is distributed as free Software, open source Software, shareware (e.g., Linux), or similar licensing or distribution models; and (b) is subject to any agreement with terms requiring that such Software be (i) disclosed or distributed in source code or object code form, (ii) licensed for the purpose of making derivative works, and/or (iii) redistributable. Open Source Materials includes without limitation “open source” code (as defined by the Open Source Initiative) and “free” code (as defined by the Free Software Foundation).

1.18. **“Personally Identifiable Information”** means personal data or information that relates to a specific, identifiable, individual person, including County personnel. For the avoidance of doubt, Personally Identifiable Information includes the following: (a) any government-issued identification numbers (e.g., Social Security, driver’s license, passport); (b) any financial account information, including account numbers, credit card numbers, debit card numbers, and other Cardholder Data; (c) Criminal Justice Information; (d) Protected Health Information; (e) Biometric Information; (f) passwords or other access-related information associated with any user account; and (g) any other personal data defined as personally identifiable information under the breach notification laws of the fifty states.

1.19. **“Protected Health Information”** or **“PHI”** has the same meaning as the term “Protected Health Information” in 45 C.F.R. 160.103.

1.20. **“Services”** has the same meaning as “Services” as defined in Article 3 of the County’s Professional Services Agreement or “Deliverables” as defined in the County’s Instruction to Bidders and

General Conditions, if either such document forms the basis of this Agreement.

1.21. “**Software**” means computer programs, whether in source code or object code form (including any and all software implementation of algorithms, models and methodologies), databases and compilations (including any and all data and collections of data), and all documentation (including user manuals and training materials) related to the foregoing.

2. SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

2.1. **Approved Facilities.** Contractor will perform Services and host County Data only within the continental United States and only from locations owned, leased or otherwise used by Contractor and its Subcontractors.

2.2. **Required Consents for Assets in Use and Third-Party Contracts as of the Effective Date.** For this section, “Assets” mean equipment, Software, Intellectual Property and other assets used in providing the Services and “Required Consent” means the consent required to secure any rights of use of or access to any of County-provided or third-party Assets that are required by Contractor to perform the Services. Contractor is responsible for obtaining all Required Consents relating to this Agreement. The County will cooperate with Contractor and provide Contractor such assistance in this regard as the Contractor may reasonably request.

2.3. **Resources Necessary for Services.** Except as set forth in this Agreement, Contractor will provide and is financially responsible for all equipment, Software, and other resources needed to perform the Services in accordance with the Agreement.

3. LEGAL COMPLIANCE

3.1. **Public Records Laws.** Contractor will comply with all laws governing public records located at 50 ILCS 205/1 et seq. and at 44 Ill. Admin. Code 4500.10 et seq. Specifically, and without limitation, Contractor must: (a) store County Data in such a way that each record is individually accessible for the length of the County’s scheduled retention; (b) retain a minimum of two total copies of all County Data according to industry best practices for geographic redundancy, such as NIST Special Publication 800-34 as revised; (c) store and access County Data in a manner allowing individual records to maintain their relationships with one another; (d) capture relevant structural, descriptive, and administrative metadata to County Data at the time a record is created or enters the control of Contractor.

3.2. **Data Protection Laws.** Contractor will comply with all applicable Data Protection Laws, including those that would be applicable to the Contractor if it, rather than the County, were the owner or data controller of any County Data in its possession or under its control in connection with the Services.

3.3. **Export Laws.** Contractor will comply with all laws governing the export of intellectual property, including, but not limited to the Export Administration Regulations, 15 CFR 730, et seq.

3.4. **Protected Health Information.** If Contractor will have access to Personal Health Information in connection with the performance of the Services, Contractor must enter a Business Associate Agreement in a form provided by the County. See Attachment X, Business Associate Agreement.

3.5. **Criminal Justice Information.** If Contractor will have access to Criminal Justice Information in connection with the performance of the Services, Contractor must execute an FBI CJIS Security Policy Addendum or any other required agreements in a form provided by the County. See Attachment X, CJIS Security Policy Addendum.

3.6. Biometric Information. If Contractor will have access to Biometric Information in connection with the performance of the Services, Contractor must properly secure such information in compliance with the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act, 740 ILCS 14/1, et seq., including maintaining a retention schedule and destruction guidelines.

3.7. Cardholder Data. If Contractor will have access to Cardholder Data in connection with the performance of the Services, no less than annually, Contractor must tender to County a current attestation of compliance signed by a Qualified Security Assessor certified by the Payment Card Industry.

4. WARRANTIES

4.1. Contractor Materials and Third Party_IP. Contractor represents and warrants that it owns, or is authorized to use, all Contractor IP, and Contractor-provided third-party IP.

4.2. Developed Software. Contractor represents and warrants that all developed software will be free from material errors in operation and performance, will comply with the applicable documentation and specifications in all material respects, for twelve (12) months after the installation, testing and acceptance of such developed software by the County. Any repairs made to developed software pursuant to this Section will receive a new twelve (12) month warranty period in accordance with the terms of this Section.

4.3. Open Source_Materials. Contractor represents and warrants that all open source materials (OSM) included in Deliverables or Software are obtained from a trusted distributor. Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, Contractor must maintain OSM support, including required patching and security updates, which will be provided promptly after release. The Contractor must not use any materials that allow users to modify or incorporate open source code into larger programs on the condition that the software containing the source code is publicly distributed without restrictions, commonly known as “copyleft.”

4.4. Access to County Data. Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has not and will not prevent, or reasonably fail to allow, for any reason including without limitation late payment or otherwise, the County’s access to and retrieval of County Data.

4.5. Malware. Contractor represents and warrants that it has not and will not introduce or cause to be introduced Malware in any County IT environment at any time. If Contractor discovers that Malware has been introduced into Software, Contractor must, at no additional charge, (a) immediately undertake to remove such Malware (b) notify the County in writing within one (1) business day, and (c) use reasonable efforts to correct and repair any damage to County Data or Software and otherwise assist the County in mitigating such damage and restoring any affected Service, Software or equipment.

4.6. Resale of Equipment and Software. If Contractor resells to the County any equipment or Software that Contractor purchased from a Third Party, Contractor, to the extent it is legally able to do so, must pass through any such third-party warranties to the County and reasonably cooperate in enforcing them. Such warranty pass-through will not relieve Contractor from its warranty obligations set forth in this Section.

4.7. Data Security. Contractor represents and warrants that (a) it will not permit any unauthorized access to or cause any loss or damage to County Data or County IP; (b) it will comply with all County security policies in place during the term of this Agreement, and (c) it will not use any system that is dependent on software or hardware that no longer have appropriate security updates available.

5. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

5.1. County Intellectual Property. The County retains all right, title and interest in and to all County IP. Contractor will not be permitted to use any of the County IP for the benefit of any entities other than the County. Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, Contractor must cease all use of County IP and must return to the County all County IP.

5.2. Developed Intellectual Property. Contractor hereby irrevocably and unconditionally assigns, transfers and conveys to the County without further consideration all of its right, title and interest in such Developed IP, which assignment will be effective as of the creation of such works without need for any further documentation or action on the part of the Parties. Contractor agrees to perform any actions as may reasonably be necessary, or as the County may reasonably request, to perfect the County's ownership of any such Developed IP.

5.3. Residual Knowledge. Nothing contained in this Agreement will restrict either Party from the use of any ideas, concepts, know-how, or techniques relating to the Services which either Party, individually or jointly, develops or discloses under this Agreement, provided that in doing so (a) such information is solely retained in the unaided memory of the Parties employees performing or using such Services, (b) the Party does not breach its respective obligations under Section 6 relating to confidentiality and non-disclosure, and (c) does not infringe the Intellectual Property rights of the other or Third Parties who have licensed or provided materials to the other. Except for the license rights contained under Section 5, neither this Agreement nor any disclosure made hereunder grants any license to either Party under any Intellectual Property rights of the other.

5.4. Software Licenses. This Agreement contains all terms and conditions relating to all licenses in Contractor-Provided Software and Contractor IP. Except as explicitly set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, all licenses that Contractor grants in Contractor-Provided Software include: (a) the right of use by Third Party Contractors for the benefit of the County, (b) the right to make backup copies, and (c) the right to reasonably approve the procedures by which Contractor may audit the use of license entitlements.

6. COUNTY DATA AND CONFIDENTIALITY

6.1. Property of County. All County Data is the sole property of the County. Contractor must not use County Data for any purpose other than that of performing the Services under this Agreement. Without the County's express written consent, no County Data, or any part thereof, may be disclosed, assigned, destroyed, altered, withheld, or otherwise restricted by Contractor or commercially exploited by or on behalf of Contractor.

6.2. Acknowledgment of Importance of County Data. Contractor acknowledges the importance of County Data and that the County may suffer irreparable harm or loss in the event of such information being disclosed or used otherwise than in accordance with this Agreement.

6.3. Data Recovery. Upon the County's request Contractor must promptly return all requested County Data to the County or its designee in such a format that the County may reasonably request. Contractor must provide County with adequate bandwidth and other resources to remove County Data from Contractor servers. Contractor must also provide sufficient information requested by the County about the format and structure of the County Data to enable such data to be used in substantially the manner used by Contractor. Also upon County's request, in lieu of return or in addition to return, Contractor must destroy County Data, sanitize any media upon which County Data resides in accordance to NIST Special Publication 800-88 as revised; and upon County request, Contractor must provide County with a certificate of destruction in compliance with NIST Special Publication 800-88.

6.4. Disclosure Required by Law, Regulation or Court Order. In the event that Contractor is required to disclose County Data in accordance with a requirement or request by operation of Law, regulation or court order, Contractor will, except to the extent prohibited by law: (a) advise the County thereof prior to disclosure; (b) take such steps to limit the extent of the disclosure to the extent lawful; (c) afford the County a reasonable opportunity to intervene in the proceedings; and (d) comply with the County's requests as to the manner and terms of any such disclosure.

6.5. Data Integrity and Loss of County Confidential Information. Data integrity requires that data are complete, consistent, and accurate. As appropriate Contractor must implement and maintain strong, industry standard measures, such as encryption, cryptographic key systems, digital signatures, and firewalls, to maintain accuracy of County Data. Without limiting any rights and responsibilities under Section 7 of these IT Special Conditions, in the event of any disclosure, inaccuracy, or loss of, or inability to account for, any County Confidential Information, Contractor must promptly, at its own expense: (a) notify the County in writing within one (1) business day; (b) take such actions as may be necessary or reasonably requested by the County to minimize the violation; and (c) cooperate in all reasonable respects with the County to minimize any damage resulting from the violation.

6.6. Contractor Confidential Information. County must use at least the same degree of care to prevent disclosing Contractor Confidential Information to Third Parties as County exercises to avoid unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination of its County Confidential Information of like character.

7. DATA SECURITY AND PRIVACY

7.1. General Requirement of Confidentiality and Security. Contractor is obligated to maintain the confidentiality and security of all County Confidential Information in connection with the performance of the Services. Without limiting Contractor's other obligations under this Agreement, Contractor must implement and/or use network management and maintenance applications and tools, appropriate fraud prevention and detection and encryption technologies to protect the aforementioned; provided that Contractor must, at a minimum, encrypt all Personally Identifiable Information in-transit and at-rest. Contractor must perform all Services using security technologies and techniques in accordance with industry-leading practices and the County's security policies, procedures and other requirements made available to Contractor in writing.

7.2. Security. Contractor must establish and maintain reasonable and sufficient physical, technical and procedural safeguards to preserve the security and confidentiality of County Confidential Information and to protect same against unauthorized or unlawful disclosure, access or processing, loss, destruction or damage. The safeguards must provide a level and scope of security that is not less than the level and scope required under (a) the County Policies as updated; (b) Federal Information Processing Standard 200; (c) then-current NIST 800-series standard and successors thereto; or (d) an equivalent, generally accepted, industry-standard security standards series.

7.3. Contractor Personnel. Contractor will oblige its personnel to comply with applicable Data Protection Laws and to undertake only to collect, process or use any County Data necessary to perform the Services and not to make the aforementioned available to any Third Parties except as specifically authorized hereunder. Contractor must ensure that, prior to performing any Services or accessing any County Data or other County Confidential Information, all Contractor personnel who may have access to the aforementioned must have executed agreements concerning access protection and data/software security consistent with this Agreement.

7.4. Information Access. Contractor may not attempt to or permit access to any County

Confidential Information by any unauthorized individual or entity. Contractor must provide its personnel only such access as is minimally necessary for such persons/entities to perform the tasks and functions for which they are responsible. Contractor will, upon request from the County, provide the County with an updated list of those personnel having access to County Data and the level of such access.

7.5. Encryption Requirement. Contractor must encrypt all County Confidential Information. Contractor must encrypt the aforementioned in motion, at rest and in use in a manner that, at a minimum, adheres to NIST SP 800-111, NIST SP 800-52, NIST SP 800-77 and NIST SP 800-113 encryption standards. Contractor must not deviate from this encryption requirement without the advance, written approval of the County's Information Security Office.

7.6. Updates. Contractor must provide to County, without charge, the timely application of any upgrades to software required for Services that are available to third parties. Software upgrades must include, but not be limited to, new version releases and operating system patching, as well as bug fixes.

7.7. Contractor as a Data Processor. Contractor understands and acknowledges that, to the extent that performance of its obligations hereunder involves or necessitates the processing of Personally Identifiable Information, it will act only on instructions and directions from the County.

7.8. Data Subject Right of Access and Rectification. If the County is required to provide or rectify information regarding an individual's Personally Identifiable Information, Contractor will reasonably cooperate with the County to the full extent necessary to comply with Data Protection Laws. If a request by a data subject is made directly to Contractor, Contractor will notify the County of such request as soon as reasonably practicable.

7.9. Data Minimization. Contractor must implement procedures to minimize the collection of Personally Identifiable Information.

8. DATA BREACH

8.1. Notice to County. Contractor must provide the County with written notice of any Data Breach promptly following, and no later than one (1) business day following, the discovery or suspicion of the occurrence of a Data Breach. Such notice must summarize in reasonable detail the nature of the County Data that may have been exposed, and, if applicable, any persons whose Personally Identifiable Information may have been affected or exposed by such Data Breach. Contractor must not make any public announcements relating to such Data Breach without the County's prior written approval.

8.2. Data Breach Responsibilities. Upon discovery of an actual or reasonably suspected loss, or unauthorized use, access, or disclosure, of County Data, Contractor must promptly provide details regarding the incident, its mitigation efforts, and its corrective action to prevent a future similar incident. Contractor must fully cooperate with County, and is solely responsible for: (a) investigating and resolving any data privacy or security issue; (b) providing County with a root cause analysis of the breach, (c) notifying any affected persons (solely at County's direction) and governmental regulators, as applicable; and (d) recovering affected data or information, to the extent possible, and (e) provide County with a corrective action plan acceptable to County.

8.3. Notice to Impacted Parties. County has the sole right to determine (a) whether notice of the Data Breach is to be provided to any individuals, regulators, law enforcement agencies, consumer reporting agencies or others as required by law or regulation, or otherwise in County's discretion; and (b) the contents of such notice, whether any type of remediation may be offered to affected persons, and the nature and extent of any such remediation.

8.4. Costs. In the event of a Data Breach attributable to an act or omission of Contractor, as part of such remediation, Contractor must pay all cost and expense of County's compliance with any of County's notification obligations, as well as the cost of credit monitoring services for affected individuals.

9. AUDIT RIGHTS

9.1. Service Organization Control (SOC 2), Type II Audits. Contractor must, at least once annually and at its sole cost and expense provide to the County and its auditors a SOC 2, Type II report, or equivalent, for all locations at which the County Data is processed or stored. Contractor must promptly make available to the County the results of any reviews or audits conducted by Contractor (including internal and external auditors), including SOC-2 audits, relating to Contractor's and its Subcontractors' operating practices and procedures to the extent relevant to the Services or any of Contractor's obligations under the Agreement.

9.2. Subcontractor Agreements. Contractor must ensure that all agreements with its Subcontractors performing Services under this Agreement contain terms and conditions consistent with the County's audit rights.

10. EXIT ASSISTANCE

10.1. Removal of Contractor Materials. Contractor is responsible, at its own expense, for de-installation and removal from the County facilities any equipment owned or leased by Contractor, that is not being transferred to the County under the Agreement, subject to the County's reasonable procedures and in a manner that minimizes the adverse impact on the County.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

11.1. Survival. Sections 1 (Definitions for Special Conditions), 5 (Intellectual Property), 9 (Data Breach), and 10 (Audit Rights) will survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement for a period of five (5) years (and Sections 6 (County Data and Confidentiality) and 13 (Miscellaneous) will survive for a period of ten [10] years) from the later of (a) the expiration or termination of this Agreement (including any Exit Assistance Period), or (b) the return or destruction of County Confidential Information as required by this Agreement.

11.2. No Limitation. The rights and obligations set forth in these IT special conditions exhibit do not limit the rights and obligations set forth in any Articles of the Professional Services Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the use of County in the PSA or GC will expressly include County and vice versa.

11.3. No Click-Wrap or Incorporated Terms. The County is not bound by any content on the Contractor's website, in any click-wrap or other similar document.

12. EPIDEMIC DISRUPTION

12.1. **Epidemic Disruption.** County may suspend Services under any Statement of Work on 2 business days' written notice in case of Epidemic Disruption (as defined below). Each party's deadlines and obligations related to performance, receipt, or support of Services will then be delayed by a period equal to the duration of such suspension, provided suspension will not delay Customer's obligations to make payments already due pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. County may end such suspension at any time on 5 business days' notice, provided Contractor may by prompt written notice delay such Services' restart date by up to 2 weeks if earlier return of staff imposes unreasonable burdens on Contractor. If performance pursuant to a Statement of Work is suspended due to Epidemic Disruption for more than 40

business days out of any 90-day period, either party may terminate such Statement of Work for convenience on 10 days' prior written notice, provided that if Provider issues such termination notice and County ends the suspension before the notice period ends, the Statement of Work will not terminate. For the avoidance of doubt: (a) termination pursuant to the preceding sentence does not release Provider from its obligations pursuant to PSA Section (Transition Assistance); and (b) nothing in this PSA Section limits either party's rights set forth in PSA Section (Force Majeure), including without limitation either party's right to suspend Services as a result of epidemics. ("Epidemic Disruption" occurs when County reasonably concludes (i) that risks related to an epidemic make performance, receipt, or support of Services unreasonably dangerous for either party's employees or for third parties or (ii) that government shelter-in-place orders or other government measures addressing an epidemic make performance, receipt, or support of Services unduly expensive or otherwise impractical.)

12.2.

Exhibit 3

Public Surplus Seller Agreement

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Public Group, LLC, a Utah limited liability company that sometimes does business as "Public Surplus" ("**Public Surplus**", "**We**" "**Us**"), provides online bid boards, auctions and stores and facilitates other online transactions on www.publicsurplus.com and other websites (collectively, the "**Site**") for governmental bodies and others ("**Sellers**" or "**You**") to sell surplus goods and other property and assets to buyers of all types ("**Buyers**"). As a condition to accessing and using the Site and receiving the benefit of Public Surplus' services provided through the Site and otherwise (the "**Services**"), Public Surplus requires that You review and accept this Seller Agreement (this "**Agreement**").

BY REGISTERING TO USE THE SITE AND THE SERVICES, YOU ACCEPT AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC SURPLUS. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE TO ACCEPT THIS AGREEMENT, YOU MAY NOT ACCESS THE SITE OR OTHERWISE USE THE SERVICES OR THE SITE. YOU AGREE THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION IN EXCHANGE FOR ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT.

1. ACCESSING OUR SITE AND USING OUR SERVICES

1.1. Eligibility. You may only use our Services if You are at least 18 years of age, are mentally competent, and can form legally binding contracts under applicable law. You may not assign or transfer Your account or user identification to any other party.

1.2. Seller Affirmations in Connection with Offers and Sales.. In using our Site and Services, You agree as follows:

- (a) No contingency to Your sales offer exists other than those stated in the listing at the time of sale.
- (b) You will be responsible for delivering property sold using Your username and password.
- (c) You are fully capable of transferring title to the property offered for sale in a timely manner.
- (d) You are a real person or entity, with a verifiable address, telephone number and email address as provided to Us.
- (e) You are dealing in good faith and are not attempting to defraud, cheat, or wrong Public Surplus or any Buyer.

1.3. Accuracy and Nature of Your Information. You are solely responsible for all information You provide to Us or other users on our Site ("Your Information"). We act as a passive conduit for the

online distribution and publication of Your Information. You agree that Your Information (i) will not be false, inaccurate, or misleading; (ii) will not violate any law, statute, ordinance or regulation; and (iii) will not be defamatory, trade libelous, unlawfully threatening or unlawfully harassing. In providing Your Information, You grant to Us a non-exclusive, worldwide, perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free, sub-licensable (through multiple tiers) right to use and exercise the copyright, publicity, and database rights You have in Your Information for purposes of facilitating the communications and transactions made through our Site.

1.4. Fees. Public Surplus charges no fees for You to register to list property for sale on the Site. However, You will owe a transaction fee for each sale through the Site. Other fees may apply for other Services as shown on the Site. You are responsible for paying any applicable taxes associated with transactions effected through the Site in a timely manner and with a valid payment method.

1.5. You agree not to attempt any action that may disrupt our Site or our Services. Among other things, You agree that (i) Your Information and all other input on our Site will not contain any viruses, Trojan horses, worms, time bombs, cancelbots, easter eggs or other software, devices, files or routines that may damage, interfere with, copy, reproduce, intercept or expropriate any system, data or personal information; (ii) You will not create liability for Us or cause Us to lose (in whole or in part) the services of our Internet Service Providers or other vendors; (iii) You will not use our Site to obtain e-mail addresses for bulk e-mail solicitations or otherwise; (iv) You will not reverse engineer any of our Services, programs, or infrastructure; (v) You will not use any robot, spider, other automatic device, or manual process to monitor, copy or reproduce our web pages or the content contained herein without our prior express written permission; and (vi) You will not take any action that imposes an unreasonable or disproportionately large load on our infrastructure.

1.6. User Password. During the registration process, You will select a username and a password. You agree that You are solely responsible for preserving the confidentiality of Your username and Your password, and You will be responsible for all activities and charges related to the use of Your username and password, including unauthorized use. You agree not to furnish Your username, password or other information to any other party for use of the Site and the Services. You agree to notify Public Surplus immediately of any unauthorized use of Your personal password or username and any other breach of security regarding the Services.

1.7. Obligation to Ensure Compliance with this Agreement. You agree that You will take all steps necessary to ensure that Your employees, contractors, and agents comply with the covenants, terms, and provisions of this Agreement, including but not limited to the covenants contained in sections 1.5 and 7.8 of this Agreement. You acknowledge that You will be responsible and liable for any damages, claims, liabilities, and expenses of any kind suffered by Public Surplus or any of Our affiliated companies arising from any and all actions or failures to act taken by any party using Your username and password or taken by Your employees, contractors, or agents, whether or not in accordance with the terms or intent of this Agreement.

1.8. Consent to E-Mail Correspondence from Public Surplus. You hereby agree that We may send future correspondence to You via electronic mail ("e-mail") that notifies You of sales opportunities or other matters that We believe may interest You. Any e-mail correspondence to You (i) will be clearly and conspicuously identified as sent by Public Surplus; and (ii) will clearly and conspicuously display a functioning return e-mail address to enable You to reply to Public Surplus.

1.9. Electronic Signature. You are notified by this statement that Your consent to these terms and conditions by checking the box indicating Your agreement to be bound to these terms, meets the requirements of Section 101(c) (1) (C) (ii), the Consumer Consent Provision, of the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (ESIGN). You may print these terms and conditions, but they are subject to change by Us. Changes to the terms and conditions will be effective from the time they are placed on our Site, in the terms and conditions section of the Site, or any other section where they may appear.

2. SELLER UNDERSTANDINGS AND OBLIGATIONS

In listing or offering items for sale on our Site or otherwise accessing our Site and Services in any way, You represent, warrant and agree to the following:

2.1. Shipment. At the close of an auction in which You have a winning bidder, You agree to make the property immediately available for pickup and/or shipment.

2.3. Legal Compliance. You will comply with all applicable laws, statutes, ordinances and regulations regarding Your use of our Site and Services and the offer and sale of property. You hereby release Us from any liability arising out of Your breach of this provision. Offering property for sale with the intent not to complete the transaction, causing disruption to the sale process on our Site, and not completing transactions will be considered in most jurisdictions as fraud and may be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

3. PAYMENT PROCESSING SERVICES

3.1. Payment Processing Services Under Separate Agreement with Affiliate. In the event that You elect to have Our affiliate, PayMac, Inc ("**PayMac**"), receive and process on Your behalf payments made by Buyers (the "**Processing Services**"), You agree to the provisions set forth in this Agreement.

4. LIABILITY LIMITATIONS AND RELEASES

4.1. Absence of Liability. You will not hold Public Surplus responsible for actions or inactions of Buyers or other users, including the failure of a Buyer to take delivery or make payment for an item. You acknowledge that We are not a traditional auctioneer and We are not the Buyer of property sold

through our Site. Instead, the Site provides a marketplace for users to offer, sell, and buy items of all kinds in a variety of pricing formats and venues. We are not involved in the actual transaction between You and Buyers. We have no control over and do not guarantee such things as the quality, safety or legality of items advertised, the truth or accuracy of listings, the ability of Buyers to purchase and make payment for items, or the completion of a sale by You, even upon a successful bidding and acceptance process. Without limitation of the generality of the foregoing, We will not be liable for lost profits or any special, incidental or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with the Site, our Services, or this Agreement.

4.2. Disclaimer of Warranties. THE SITE AND SERVICES, INCLUDING ALL CONTENT, FUNCTIONS, MATERIALS, AND INFORMATION ON OR ACCESSED THROUGH THE SITE OR SERVICES, ARE PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS," "AS AVAILABLE" BASIS. PUBLIC SURPLUS DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION THE IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NON-INFRINGEMENT, DATA ACCURACY, SYSTEM INTEGRATION, OR QUIET ENJOYMENT. PUBLIC SURPLUS DOES NOT WARRANT THAT THE SERVICES, FUNCTIONS, FEATURES OR CONTENT WILL BE FUNCTIONAL, TIMELY, SECURE, UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR FREE, OR THAT DEFECTS WILL BE CORRECTED. PUBLIC SURPLUS MAKES NO WARRANTY THAT SALES WILL BE COMPLETED THROUGH THE SITE OR THAT THE SITE OR SERVICES WILL MEET YOUR REQUIREMENTS OR EXPECTATIONS, EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES THAT BY LISTING THE LISTED ASSETS, THE LISTED ASSETS WILL BE SOLD. PUBLIC SURPLUS MAKES NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND REGARDING ANY LISTED ASSETS OR ANY TRANSACTIONS ENTERED INTO THROUGH THE SERVICES. PUBLIC SURPLUS EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ANY ENDORSEMENT OR WARRANTY OF ANY LISTED ASSETS SOLD ON OR THROUGH THE SITE OR THE SERVICES, AND ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY MISREPRESENTATIONS OR BREACHES COMMITTED BY ANY BUYER OR OTHER USER.

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4.5. Release. If You have a dispute with a Buyer or any other Seller or user of our Site, You release Us (and our officers, directors, agents, subsidiaries, joint ventures and employees) from claims, demands and damages (actual and consequential) of every kind and nature, known and unknown, arising out of or in any way connected with such disputes. You will settle all disputes with other users of our Site without our involvement, and We will have no liability whatsoever arising from communications made or transactions effected through our Site. If You are a California resident, You waive California Civil Code Â§1542, which says: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor."

4.6. Indemnity. You agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Public Surplus from and against any and all debts, liabilities, obligations, claims, suits, judgments, damages, expenses, including attorney's fees, and demands, made or incurred by any third party arising out of Your breach or alleged breach of this Agreement or Your violation or alleged violation of any applicable law or any rights of a third party.

5. PRIVACY

We do not sell or rent Your personal information to third parties for their marketing purposes . We use Your information only as described in Public Surplus' Privacy Policy. We view protection of privacy as a very important community principle. We store and process Your information on computers located in the United States that are protected by physical as well as technological security devices. You can access and modify the information You provide Us. For a complete description of how We use and protect Your personal information, see Public Surplus' Privacy Policy. If You object to Your Information being transferred or used in this way please do not use our services.

6. TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION

Public Surplus reserves the right to suspend or terminate Your access to our Site and Services for any reason. We may suspend or terminate Your access to our Services if (a) You breach any of the provisions of this Agreement; (b) We suspect that You have engaged in fraudulent activity of any kind in connection with our Site; (c) You manipulate the price of any item or interfere with another user's communications or transactions; (d) We are unable to verify or authenticate any information You provide to Us; or (e) We believe that Your actions may cause legal liability for You, our users or Us.

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7.4. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, then such provision will be enforced to the maximum extent permissible and the remainder of this Agreement will continue in full force and effect.

7.5. Waiver. The failure of Public Surplus to exercise or enforce any right or provision of this Agreement will not be deemed a waiver of such right or provision in the future.

7.6. Independent Contractor Relationship. The relationship between You and Public Surplus is that of an independent contractor. No agency, partnership, joint venture or franchise relationship is implied, intended or created by this Agreement.

7.7. Intellectual Property. All inventions, know how, improvements, discoveries, methods, processes, concepts, designs, ideas, prototypes, samples, drawings, documents, blueprints, specifications, computer or intellectual property programs, methods of doing business, data in Public Surplus' databases (including but not limited to databases containing bidders, Buyers and other users of the Site and their names and contact information), systems, copyrights, trademarks, trade names, software and/or other works conceived of and/or reduced to practice or writing or otherwise relating in any way to the Site or the Services are the exclusive intellectual property of Public Surplus (the "**Public Surplus IP**"). In addition, all content contained on the Site is Public Surplus IP that is copyrighted material, and Public Surplus retains and reserves all rights and interests in the content. Public Surplus IP may be created by one of more of Public Surplus' employee(s) alone or jointly with a user or users of the Site or Services arising from the users' use and development of the Services or as a result of **feedback** regarding the Site or Services ("Feedback"). All right, title, and interest in any Public Surplus IP will belong to Public Surplus and will be subject to the conditions of this Agreement. You hereby irrevocably assign to Public Surplus all right, title, and interest You may acquire in any Public Surplus IP, whether or not generated from Feedback. Public Surplus may, at its option, file an application for intellectual property protection for Public Surplus IP. If any such Public Surplus IP is created with Your participation or Feedback, You agree to cooperate with Public Surplus to assure that such application(s) will cover, to the best of Your knowledge, all related assets, including all features of commercial interest and importance. Public Surplus IP is the sole and exclusive property of Public Surplus and may not be used, copied, reproduced, modified, published, transmitted, distributed, displayed, or sold, or derivative works created, without the prior written consent of Public Surplus. Furthermore, You may

not provide access to, or information from, the Site to any other party without Public Surplus' prior written consent.

7.8. Copyrights. The Site may contain copyrighted, trademarked, or other proprietary materials that belong to third parties and are used with the owner's permission. You agree not to copy, modify, distribute, or create any derivative work from such materials without prior written consent from the owner. You will indemnify and hold Us harmless, as provided for previously in this Agreement, from any claim or demand made by a third party due to or arising out of your violation of any law or rights of a third party.

7.9. Trademarks. The Site and Public Surplus' tradenames, domain names and logos found on the Site are trademarks or service marks of Public Surplus. No display or use of such marks may be made without the express written permission of Public Surplus. All other designated trademarks or service marks are the property of their respective owners.

7.10. Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned by You or by operation of law to any other person, persons, firms or corporations without the express written approval of Public Surplus. However, You agree that this Agreement and all incorporated agreements may be assigned and delegated by Public Surplus in our sole discretion to any party and will be assigned and delegated automatically in the event of a merger of Public Surplus with another party.

7.12. Survival. The warranties, covenants and representations of the parties to this Agreement will survive termination of this Agreement.

7.13. Headings. Headings are for reference purposes only and in no way affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

7.14. Oral Statements by Representative. Any oral statement or representation by any representative of Public Surplus changing or supplementing this Agreement or any terms of bidding or sale on the Site, is unauthorized and ineffective and confers no right on You and may not be relied upon by You. No interpretation or purported amendment or change of any provision of this Agreement, including applicable performance requirements, is binding on Public Surplus unless agreed to, in writing, by Public Surplus.

Exhibit 4

Public Processing LLC, Agreement for Payment Processing

PayMac, Inc.
Agreement for Payment Processing

PayMac, Inc. ("**PayMac**", "**We**" "**Us**") processes payments made by buyers of all types ("**Buyers**") for surplus goods and other property and assets sold by a governmental body or other party ("**Seller**" or "**You**") through online bid boards, auctions and stores, and other online transactions on www.publicsurplus.com and other websites (collectively, the "**Site**") operated by our affiliate, The Public Group, LLC, a Utah limited liability company that sometimes does business as "Public Surplus" ("**Public Surplus**").

If elected by You, PayMac will agree to receive and process payments made by Buyers and forward to You the amounts paid, in accordance with the terms set forth below. As a condition to accessing and using the Site and receiving the benefit of the payment processing services provided through the Site and otherwise (the "**Services**"), PayMac requires that You review and accept this Agreement for Payment Processing (this "**Agreement**").

BY REGISTERING TO USE THE SITE AND THE SERVICES, YOU ACCEPT AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE TO ACCEPT THIS AGREEMENT, YOU MAY NOT ACCESS THE SITE OR OTHERWISE USE THE SERVICES OR THE SITE. YOU AGREE THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION IN EXCHANGE FOR ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT.

1. ACCESSING THE SITE AND USING THE SERVICES

1.1. Eligibility. You may only use the Services if You are at least 18 years of age, are mentally competent, and can form legally binding contracts under applicable law. You may not assign or transfer Your account or user identification to any other party.

1.2. Seller Agreement with Public Surplus. By using our Site and the Services, You acknowledge, agree, and confirm that You have agreed to the form of the separate Seller Agreement with Public Surplus on the Site that is required to be accepted by you upon registration upon the Site (the "**Seller Agreement**"). In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the Seller Agreement, this Agreement will govern.

1.3. Seller Affirmations in Connection with Offers and Sales. In using the Site and Services, You agree as follows:

1. You will be responsible for delivering property sold using Your username and password.
2. You are fully capable of transferring title to the property offered for sale in a timely manner.
3. You are a real person or entity, with a verifiable address, telephone number and email address as provided to Us.
4. You are dealing in good faith and are not attempting to defraud, cheat, or wrong PayMac or any Buyer.

1.4. Accuracy and Nature of Your Information. You are solely responsible for all information You

provide to Us or other users on the Site ("**Your Information**"). We act as a passive conduit for the online distribution and publication of Your Information. You agree that Your Information (i) will not be false, inaccurate, or misleading; (ii) will not violate any law, statute, ordinance or regulation; and (iii) will not be defamatory, trade libelous, unlawfully threatening or unlawfully harassing. In providing Your Information, You grant to Us a non-exclusive, worldwide, perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free, sub-licensable (through multiple tiers) right to use and exercise the copyright, publicity, and database rights You have in Your Information for purposes of facilitating the communications and transactions made through the Site.

1.5. Fees. Fees apply for the Services available through the Site. Our fees may change from time to time as specified on the Site or by written communication to You (by e-mail or otherwise). You are responsible for paying all fees and any applicable taxes associated with transactions effected through the Site in a timely manner and with a valid payment method. You agree that the fees and any taxes due may be deducted and retained by Us from any payment amounts processed by Us. If Your payment method fails or Your account is past due, We may collect the fees and taxes owed using other collection mechanisms.

1.6. No Disruption to The Site or Services. You agree not to attempt any action that may disrupt the Site or the Services. Among other things, You agree that (i) Your Information and all other input on the Site will not contain any viruses, Trojan horses, worms, time bombs, cancelbots, easter eggs or other software, devices, files or routines that may damage, interfere with, copy, reproduce, intercept or expropriate any system, data or personal information; (ii) You will not create liability for Us or cause Us to lose (in whole or in part) the services of our Internet Service Providers or other vendors; (iii) You will not use the Site to obtain e-mail addresses for bulk e-mail solicitations or otherwise; (iv) You will not reverse engineer any of the Services, programs, or infrastructure; (v) You will not use any robot, spider, other automatic device, or manual process to monitor, copy or reproduce the Site or the content contained herein without our prior express written permission; and (vi) You will not take any action that imposes an unreasonable or disproportionately large load on the Site infrastructure.

1.7. User Password. During the registration process, You will select a username and a password. You agree that You are solely responsible for preserving the confidentiality of Your username and Your password, and You will be responsible for all activities and charges related to the use of Your username and password, including unauthorized use. You agree not to furnish Your username, password or other information to any other party for use of the Site and the Services. You agree to notify PayMac immediately of any unauthorized use of Your personal password or username and any other breach of security regarding the Services.

1.8. Obligation to Ensure Compliance with this Agreement. You agree that You will take all steps necessary to ensure that Your employees, contractors, and agents comply with the covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement, including but not limited to the covenants contained in sections 1.6 and 7.8 of this Agreement. You acknowledge that You will be responsible and liable for any damages, claims, liabilities, and expenses of any kind suffered by PayMac arising from any and all actions or failures to act taken by any party using Your username and password or taken by Your employees,

contractors, or agents, whether or not in accordance with the terms or intent of this Agreement.

1.9. Electronic Signature. You are notified by this statement that Your consent to these terms and conditions by checking the box indicating Your agreement to be bound to these terms, meets the requirements of Section 101(c) (1) (C) (ii), the Consumer Consent Provision, of the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (ESIGN). You may print these terms and conditions, but they are subject to change by Us. Changes to the terms and conditions will be effective from the time they are placed on the Site, in the terms and conditions section of the Site, or any other section where they may appear.

2. SELLER UNDERSTANDINGS AND OBLIGATIONS

In listing or offering items for sale on the Site or otherwise accessing the Site and Services in any way, You represent, warrant and agree to the following:

2.1. Shipment. At the close of an auction in which You have a winning bidder, You agree to make the property available for prompt pickup and/or shipment.

2.2. Deposits. Public Surplus and PayMac reserve the right to require an earnest money deposit prior to or during the listing on certain items at their sole discretion. Any such deposits will be retained and applied in their discretion.

2.3. Legal Compliance. You will comply with all applicable laws, statutes, ordinances and regulations regarding Your use of the Site and Services and the offer and sale of property. Offering property for sale with the intent not to complete the transaction, causing disruption to the sale process on the Site, and not completing transactions will be considered in most jurisdictions as fraud and may be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

3. PAYMENT PROCESSING SERVICES

3.1. Scope of Payment Processing Services. In the event that You elect to have Us receive and process on Your behalf payments made by Buyers, You agree to the provisions set forth in this Agreement relating thereto. You understand and agree as follows:

1. The Services do not include risk or fraud management, dispute management, collection agency services, or electronic checks;
2. We will not perform Services with respect to transactions prohibited by the applicable laws or by bank, financial institution, or credit card association bylaws or rules;
3. We will not provide Services with incomplete transaction information or if transaction information cannot be confirmed;
4. We will only perform Services for domestic credit cards; and
5. You will not engage any other person to perform Services while we are providing them under this Agreement.

3.2 Buyer Steps & Procedures for Payment. We will receive and process payments on Your behalf only if Buyers make the payments by following the steps, instructions, and procedures included on the Site and sent by e-mail to winning Buyers and in compliance with applicable laws and bank, financial institution, or credit card association rules and procedures (including but not limited to PCI Security Standards). Among other things, the payment for each successful bid must be made (a) to Public Surplus or PayMac, (b) by certain means (credit cards, wire transfers, etc.) specified on the Site that vary based upon the amount of the payment, (c) in a timely manner as specified on the Site, and (d) in a single payment by a single authorized means (no partial payments, multiple payments, or payment by two different means allowed).

3.3. Sales Tax Processing. If You elect, We will under the conditions specified in this Agreement, agree to receive sales tax payments made by Buyers and remit the sales tax payments to the applicable sales tax authority in the state in which You are located (the "State"). You understand and agree as follows:

1. We will receive and remit to the State sales tax amounts paid by Buyers only if and to the extent of the amount of sales tax with respect to a particular transaction is added to the price and other payments otherwise payable by the Buyers.
2. We rely on You to inform us of the applicable sales tax rate and to provide us with Your applicable tax identification number. You hereby authorize and direct Us to remit payment of the sales tax amounts directly to the applicable sales tax authority in the State using the tax identification number that You provide to Us.
3. Except for remitting funds we receive as payment for sales tax to the extent such funds exceed the price and other payments due from the Buyers, We will have no responsibility or liability for ensuring that payments are received and collected as required under all applicable laws or for making payment to any governmental body or authority entitled to sales or use tax payments.
4. We will receive and process sales tax payments on Your behalf only if Buyers make the payments by following the steps, instructions, and procedures included on the Site and sent by e-mail to winning Buyers and in compliance with applicable laws and bank, financial institution, or credit card association rules and procedures.

3.4. Liability and Risk of Loss for Failure to Pay, Charge Backs, and Other Items. You will bear the burden and risk of any and all loss, liability, and exposure arising from any of the following circumstances: (a) a Buyer does not make a payment, (b) a charge back occurs with respect to a payment made, (c) a payment is not made in good funds, (d) a check does not clear, (e) a refund to a Buyer is made, (f) fraud, deception, misrepresentation, or any other impropriety occurs with respect to a transaction or a payment, (g) the action, inaction, refusal, or delay of any bank, financial institution, or credit card association in processing any payment transaction, (h) the assessment of any fees, fines, or penalties by a bank, financial institution, or credit card association relating to a charge back or other matter, or (i) any other cause results in payment not being credited for a transaction involving Your property. Because PayMac is merely processing payments for You, You understand that We assume no responsibility, burden, or risk of loss whatsoever for any of such circumstances. You expressly agree that We may offset the amounts arising from any such circumstances against other amounts payable by

Us to You. You also agree that we may charge an extra processing fee if we make refunds relating to sales of Your property. You understand that the level of charge backs, fraud, or other circumstances may cause Us to decide to terminate rendering the Services under this Agreement.

3.5. PayMac Not A Seller, Nor A Collection Agency; No Consignment. You acknowledge and agree that PayMac does not (a) assume the role of seller of Your property, (b) make any representations or statements about Your property, (c) act as a collection agency to collect monies unpaid by Buyers, (d) take consignment of Your property, nor (e) undertake or assume any other role or responsibility not contemplated by this Agreement. You agree that You and Your employees and representatives will not make any statements or act in any way inconsistent with PayMac's limited role under this Agreement.

3.6. PayMac Payment to You. PayMac will keep records of all amounts received in good funds on Your behalf. Except as provided in paragraph 3.7, PayMac will make payment to You monthly (unless otherwise agreed) of amounts received (net of fees, offsets, and any taxes). Unless otherwise agreed by Us, You agree that payment will only be made by Automated Clearing House (ACH) deposits to an account specified and properly maintained by You. You agree to provide promptly the authorizations needed for such ACH deposits and to be responsible and liable for any and all fees relating to such ACH deposits. You also agree to monitor the account and the deposits therein. You will bear the burden of any and all loss, liability, and risk of loss arising from any fraud, theft, mistake, or deception involving such ACH deposits, unless they arise from fraud, mistake, or deception by Us or our employees or agents.

3.7. Minimum Amount Required for Payment. PayMac will make payment to You, as set forth above, of all amounts received (net of fees, offsets, and any taxes) on Your behalf, so long as the total amount received exceeds \$100. We will not make payments to You of \$100 or less. Where any amount or amounts received on Your behalf do not exceed \$100, payment will be made to You upon receipt of additional funds that bring Your balance in excess of \$100. PayMac will own the interest on any balance held because it does not exceed \$100. However, when You close Your account with Public Surplus and Us, any remaining balance will be paid to You, regardless of the minimum balance requirements stated above.

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connection with the Site, the Services, or this Agreement.

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4.5. Release. If You have a dispute with a Buyer or any other Seller or user of the Site, You release Us (and our officers, directors, agents, subsidiaries, joint ventures and employees) from claims, demands and damages (actual and consequential) of every kind and nature, known and unknown, arising out of or in any way connected with such disputes. You will settle all disputes with other users of the Site without our involvement, and We will have no liability whatsoever arising from communications made or transactions effected through the Site. If You are a California resident, You waive California Civil Code §1542, which says: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor."

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and demands, made or incurred by any third party arising out of Your breach of this Agreement or Your violation or alleged violation of any applicable law or any rights of a third party.

5. PRIVACY

We do not sell or rent Your personal information to third parties for their marketing purposes without Your explicit consent. We use Your information only as described in Public Surplus' Privacy Policy. We view protection of privacy as a very important community principle. We store and process Your information on computers located in the United States that are protected by physical as well as technological security devices. You can access and modify the information You provide Us. For a complete description of how We use and protect Your personal information, see Public Surplus' Privacy Policy. If You object to Your Information being transferred or used in this way please do not use the Services.

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PayMac reserves the right to suspend or terminate Your access to the Site and Services for any of the following reasons and without notice. Among other reasons, We may suspend or terminate Your access to the Services if (a) You breach any of the provisions of this Agreement; (b) We suspect that You have engaged in fraudulent activity of any kind in connection with the Site; (c) You manipulate the price of any item or interfere with another user's communications or transactions; (d) We are unable to verify or authenticate any information You provide to Us; or (e) We believe that Your actions may cause legal liability for You, our users or Us.

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7.6. Independent Contractor Relationship. The relationship between You and PayMac is that of an independent contractor. No agency, partnership, joint venture or franchise relationship is implied, intended or created by this Agreement.

7.7. Intellectual Property. All inventions, know how, improvements, discoveries, methods, processes, concepts, designs, ideas, prototypes, samples, drawings, blueprints, specifications, computer or intellectual property programs, methods of doing business, **data in Public Surplus' databases (including but not limited to databases containing bidders, buyers and other users of the Site and their names and contact information)**, systems, copyrights, trademarks, trade names, software and/or other works conceived of and/or reduced to practice or writing or otherwise relating in any way to the Site or the Services are the exclusive intellectual property of Public Surplus (the "**Public Surplus IP**"). In addition, all content contained on the Site is Public Surplus IP that is copyrighted material, and Public Surplus retains and reserves all rights and interests in the content. Public Surplus IP may be created by one or more of Public Surplus' employee(s) alone or jointly with a user or users of the Site or Services arising from the users' use and development of the Services or as a result of feedback regarding the Site or Services ("**Feedback**"). All right, title, and interest in any Public Surplus IP will belong to Public Surplus and will be subject to the conditions of this Agreement. You hereby irrevocably assign to Public Surplus all right, title, and interest You may acquire in any Public Surplus IP, whether or not generated from Feedback. Public Surplus may, at its option, file an application for intellectual property protection for Public Surplus IP. If any such Public Surplus IP is created with Your participation or Feedback, You agree to cooperate with Public Surplus to assure that such application(s) will cover, to the best of Your knowledge, all related assets, including all features of commercial interest and importance. Public Surplus IP is the sole and exclusive property of Public Surplus and may not be used, copied, reproduced, modified, published, transmitted, distributed, displayed, or sold, or derivative works created, without the prior written consent of Public Surplus. Furthermore, You may not provide access to, or information from, the Site to any other party without Public Surplus' prior written consent.

7.8. Copyrights. The Site may contain copyrighted, trademarked, or other proprietary materials that belong to third parties and are used with the owner's permission. You agree not to copy, modify, distribute, or create any derivative work from such materials without prior written consent from the owner. You will indemnify and hold Us harmless, as provided for previously in this Agreement, from any claim or demand made by a third party due to or arising out of your violation of any law or rights of a third party.

7.9. Trademarks. The Site and PayMac' tradenames, domain names and logos found on the Site are trademarks or service marks of PayMac. No display or use of such marks may be made without the express written permission of PayMac.

7.10. Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned by You or by operation of law to any other person, persons, firms or corporations without the express written approval of PayMac. Any purported assignment in violation of this provision will be void. However, You agree that this Agreement and all incorporated agreements may be assigned and delegated by PayMac in our sole discretion to any party

and will be assigned and delegated automatically in the event of a merger of PayMac with another party.

7.11. Survival. The warranties, covenants and representations of the parties to this Agreement will survive termination of this Agreement.

7.12. Headings. Headings are for reference purposes only and in no way affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

7.13. Oral Statements by Representatives. Any oral statement or representation by any representative of PayMac changing or supplementing this Agreement or any terms of bidding or sale on the Site, is unauthorized and ineffective and confers no right on You and may not be relied upon by You. No interpretation or purported amendment or change of any provision of this Agreement, including applicable performance requirements, is binding on PayMac unless agreed to, in writing, by PayMac.

Exhibit 5

Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Commitment



OFFICE OF CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

Nicole Mandeville

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September 21, 2022

Mr. Raffi Sarrafian
Chief Procurement Officer
69 W. Washington Street
County Building-Room 3000
Chicago, IL 60602

Re: Contract No. 2214-07130
Public Auction Services
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer

Dear Mr. Sarrafian:

The Office of Contract Compliance is in receipt of the above-referenced contract and has determined a 0% MBE and 0% WBE participation goal was recommended and does not require the Office of Contract Compliance to review for MBE/WBE compliance with the Minority- and Women- owned Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) Ordinance.

Sincerely,

Jeanetta Cardine
Contract Compliance Deputy Director

cc: Jovan Johnson, Procurement
Richard Sanchez, OCPO

I. POLICY AND GOALS

A. It is the policy of the County of Cook to prevent discrimination in the award of or participation in County Contracts and to eliminate arbitrary barriers for participation in such Contracts by local businesses certified as a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-owned Business Enterprise (WBE) as both prime and sub-contractors. In furtherance of this policy, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance (the "Ordinance") which establishes annual goals for MBE and WBE participation as outlined below:

Contract Type	Goals	
	MBE	WBE
Goods and Services	25%	10%
Construction	24%	10%
Professional Services	35% Overall	

B. **The County shall set contract-specific goals, based on the availability of MBEs and WBEs that are certified to provide commodities or services specified in this solicitation document. The MBE/WBE participation goals for this Agreement is zero percent (0%).** A Bid, Quotation, or Proposal shall be rejected if the County determines that it fails to comply with this General Condition in any way, including but not limited to: (i) failing to state an enforceable commitment to achieve for this contract the identified MBE/WBE Contract goals; or (ii) failing to include a Petition for Reduction/Waiver, which states that the goals for MBE/WBE participation are not attainable despite the Bidder or Proposer Good Faith Efforts, and explains why. If a Bid, Quotation, or Proposal is rejected, then a new Bid, Quotation, or Proposal may be solicited if the public interest is served thereby.

C. To the extent that a Bid, Quotation, or Proposal includes a Petition for Reduction/Waiver that is approved by the Office of Contract Compliance, the Contract specific MBE and WBE participation goals may be achieved by the proposed Bidder or Proposer's status as an MBE or WBE; by the Bidder or Proposer's enforceable joint-venture agreement with one or more MBEs and/or WBEs; by the Bidder or Proposer entering into one or more enforceable subcontracting agreements with one or more MBE and WBE; by the Bidder or Proposer establishing and carrying out an enforceable mentor/protégé agreement with one or more MBE and WBE; by the Bidder or Proposer actively engaging the Indirect Participation of one or more MBE and WBE in other aspects of its business; or by any combination of the foregoing, so long as the Utilization Plan evidences a commitment to meet the MBE and WBE Contract goals set forth in (B) above, as approved by the Office of Contract Compliance.

D. A single Person, as defined in the Procurement Code, may not be utilized as both an MBE and a WBE on the same Contract, whether as a Consultant, Subcontractor or supplier.

E. Unless specifically waived in the Bid or Proposal Documents, this Exhibit; the Ordinance; and the policies and procedures promulgated thereunder shall govern. If there is a conflict

between this Exhibit and the Ordinance or the policies and procedures, the Ordinance shall control.

- F. A Consultant's failure to carry out its commitment regarding MBE and WBE participation in the course of the Contract's performance may constitute a material breach of the Contract. If such breach is not appropriately cured, it may result in withholding of payments under the Contract, contractual penalties, disqualification and any other remedy provided for in Division 4 of the Procurement Code at law or in equity.

II. REQUIRED BID OR PROPOSAL SUBMITTALS

A Bidder or Proposer shall document its commitment to meeting the Contract specific MBE and WBE participation goals by submitting a Utilization Plan with the Bid or Proposal. The Utilization Plan shall include (1) one or more Letter(s) of Intent from the relevant MBE and WBE firms; and (2) current Letters of Certification as an MBE or WBE. Alternatively, the Bidder or Proposer shall submit (1) a written Petition for Reduction/Waiver with the Bid, Quotation or Proposal, which documents its preceding Good Faith Efforts and an explanation of its inability to meet the goals for MBE and WBE participation. The Utilization Plan shall be submitted at the time that the bid or proposal is due. **Failure to include a Utilization Plan will render the submission not Responsive and shall be cause for the CPO to reject the Bid or Proposal.**

A. MBE/WBE Utilization Plan

Each Bid or Proposal shall include a complete Utilization Plan, as set forth on Form 1 of the M/WBE Compliance Forms. The Utilization Plan shall include the name(s), mailing address, email address, and telephone number of the principal contact person of the relevant MBE and WBE firms. If the Bidder or Proposer submits a Bid or Proposal, and any of their subconsultants, suppliers or consultants, are certified MBE or WBE firms, they shall be identified as an MBE or WBE within the Utilization Plan.

1. Letter(s) of Intent

Except as set forth below, a Bid or Proposal shall include, as part of the Utilization Plan, one or more Letter(s) of Intent, as set forth on Form 2 of the M/WBE Compliance Forms, executed by each MBE and WBE and the Bidder or Proposer. The Letter(s) of Intent will be used to confirm that each MBE and WBE shall perform work as a Subcontractor, supplier, joint venture, or consultant on the Contract. Each Letter of Intent shall indicate whether and the degree to which the MBE or WBE will provide goods or services directly or indirectly during the term of the Contract. The box for direct participation shall be marked if the proposed MBE or WBE will provide goods or services directly related to the scope of the Contract. The box for Indirect participation shall be marked if the proposed MBE or WBE will not be directly involved in the Contract but will be utilized by the Bidder or Proposer for other services not related to the Contract. Indirect Participation shall not be counted toward the participation goal. Each Letter of Intent shall accurately detail the work to be performed by the relevant MBE or WBE firm, the agreed dollar amount, the percentage of work, and the terms of payment.

Failure to include Letter(s) of Intent will render the submission not Responsive and shall be cause for the CPO to reject the Bid or Proposal.

All Bids and Proposals must conform to the commitments made in the corresponding Letter(s) of Intent, as may be amended through change orders.

The Contract Compliance Director may at any time request supplemental information regarding Letter(s) of Intent, and such information shall be furnished if the corresponding Bid or Proposal is to be deemed responsive.

2. Letter(s) of Certification

Only current Letter(s) of Certification from one of the following entities may be accepted as proof of certification for MBE/WBE status, provided that Cook County's requirements for certification are met:

- County of Cook
- City of Chicago

Persons that are currently certified by the City of Chicago in any area other than Construction/Public Works shall also complete and submit a MBE/WBE Reciprocal Certification Affidavit along with a current letter of certification from the City of Chicago. This Affidavit form can be downloaded from www.cookcountyil.gov/contractcompliance.

The Contract Compliance Director may reject the certification of any MBE or WBE on the ground that it does not meet the requirements of the Ordinance, or the policies and rules promulgated thereunder.

3. Joint Venture Affidavit

In the event a Bid or Proposal achieves MBE and/or WBE participation through a Joint Venture, the Bid or Proposal shall include the required Joint Venture Affidavit, which can be downloaded from www.cookcountyil.gov/contractcompliance. The Joint Venture Affidavit shall be submitted with the Bid or Proposal, along with current Letter(s) of Certification.

B. Petition for Reduction/Waiver

In the event a Bid or Proposal does not meet the Contract specific goals for MBE and WBE participation, the Bid or Proposal shall include a Petition for Reduction/Waiver, as set forth on Form 3. The Petition for Reduction/Waiver shall be supported by sufficient evidence and documentation to demonstrate the Bidder or Proposer's Good Faith Efforts in attempting to achieve the applicable MBE and WBE goals, and its inability to do so despite its Good Faith Efforts.

Failure to include Petition for Reduction/Waiver will render the submission not Responsive and shall be cause for the CPO to reject the Bid or Proposal.

III. REDUCTION/WAIVER OF MBE/WBE GOALS

A. Granting or Denying a Reduction/Waiver Request.

1. The adequacy of the Good Faith Efforts to utilize MBE and WBE firms in a Bid or Proposal will be evaluated by the CCD under such conditions as are set forth in the Ordinance, the policies and rules promulgated thereunder, and in the “Petition for Reduction/Waiver of MBE/WBE Participation Goals” – Form 3 of the M/WBE Compliance Forms.
2. With respect to a Petition for Reduction/Waiver, the sufficiency or insufficiency of a Bidder or Proposer’s Good Faith Efforts shall be evaluated by the CCD as of the date upon which the corresponding Bid or Proposal was due.
3. The Contract Compliance Director or his or her duly authorized Waiver Committee may grant or deny the Petition for Reduction/Waiver based upon factors including but not limited to: (a) whether sufficient qualified MBE and WBE firms are unavailable despite good faith efforts on the part of the Bidder or Proposer; (b) the degree to which specifications and the reasonable and necessary requirements for performing the Contract make it impossible or economically infeasible to divide the Contract into sufficiently small tasks or quantities so as to enable the Bidder or Proposer to utilize MBE and WBE firms in accordance with the applicable goals; (c) the degree to which the prices or prices required by any potential MBE or WBE are more than 10% above competitive levels; and (d) such other factors as are determined relevant by the Contract Compliance Director or the duly authorized Waiver Committee.
4. If the Contract Compliance Director or the duly authorized Waiver Committee determines that the Bidder or Proposer has not demonstrated sufficient Good Faith Efforts to meet the applicable MBE and WBE goals, the Contract Compliance Director or the duly authorized Waiver Committee may deny a Petition for Reduction/Waiver, declare the Bid or Proposal non-responsive, and recommend rejection of the Bid, Quotation, or Proposal.

IV. CHANGES IN CONSULTANT'S UTILIZATION PLAN

- A. A Consultant, during its performance of the Contract, may not change the original MBE or WBE commitments specified in the relevant Utilization Plan, including but not limited to, terminating a MBE or WBE Contract, reducing the scope of the work to be performed by a MBE/WBE, or decreasing the price to a MBE/WBE, except as otherwise provided by the Ordinance and according to the policies and procedures promulgated thereunder.

- B. Where a Person listed under the Contract was previously considered to be a MBE or WBE but is later found not to be, or work is found not to be creditable toward the MBE or WBE goals as stated in the Utilization Plan, the Consultant shall seek to discharge the disqualified enterprise, upon proper written notification to the Contract Compliance Director, and make every effort to identify and engage a qualified MBE or WBE as its replacement. Failure to obtain an MBE or WBE replacement within 30 business days of the Contract Compliance Director's written approval of the removal of a purported MBE or WBE may result in the termination of the Contract or the imposition of such remedy authorized by the Ordinance, unless a written Petition for Reduction/Waiver is granted allowing the Consultant to award the work to a Person that is not certified as an MBE or WBE.

V. NON-COMPLIANCE

If the CCD determines that the Consultant has failed to comply with its contractual commitments or any portion of the Ordinance, the policies and procedures promulgated thereunder, or this Exhibit, the Contract Compliance Director shall notify the Consultant of such determination and may take any and all appropriate actions as set forth in the Ordinance or the policies and procedures promulgated thereunder which includes but is not limited to disqualification, penalties, withholding of payments or other remedies in law or equity.

VI. REPORTING/RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS

The Consultant shall comply with the reporting and record-keeping requirements in the manner and time established by the Ordinance, the policies and procedure promulgated thereunder, and the Contract Compliance Director. Failure to comply with such reporting and record-keeping requirements may result in a declaration of Contract default. Upon award of a Contract, a Consultant shall acquire and utilize all Cook County reporting and record-keeping forms and methods which are made available by the Office of Contract Compliance. MBE and WBE firms shall be required to verify payments made by and received from the prime Consultant.

VII. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Compliance with MBE and WBE requirements will not diminish or supplant other legal Equal Employment Opportunity and Civil Rights requirements that relate to Consultant and Subcontractor obligations.

Any questions regarding this section should be directed to:

Contract Compliance Director
Cook County
69 W. Washington St., Floor 30
Chicago, Illinois 60602
(312) 603-5502

Exhibit 6

Evidence of Insurance

Exhibit 7

Identification of Subcontractors/Supplier/Subconsultant Form

**Cook County
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer
Identification of Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant Form**

OCPO ONLY:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disqualification
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check Complete

The Bidder/Proposer/Respondent ("the Contractor") will fully complete and execute and submit an Identification of Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant Form ("ISF") with each Bid, Request for Proposal, and Request for Qualification. **The Contractor must complete the ISF for each Subcontractor, Supplier or Subconsultant which shall be used on the Contract.** In the event that there are any changes in the utilization of Subcontractors, Suppliers or Subconsultants, the Contractor must file an updated ISF.

Bid/RFP/RFQ No.: 2214-07130	Date: 8/22/2022
Total Bid or Proposal Amount: \$0.00	Contract Title: Public Auction Services
Contractor: The Public Group	Subcontractor/Supplier/ Subconsultant to be added or substitute:
Authorized Contact for Contractor: Zackary Corbett	Authorized Contact for Subcontractor/Supplier/ Subconsultant:
Email Address (Contractor): zackaryc@thepublicgroup.com	Email Address (Subcontractor):
Company Address (Contractor): 3520 North University Avenue	Company Address (Subcontractor):
City, State and Zip (Contractor): Provo, UT 84605	City, State and Zip (Subcontractor):
Telephone and Fax (Contractor): 801-932-7000 x. 153	Telephone and Fax (Subcontractor):
Estimated Start and Completion Dates (Contractor): 5/12/23 - 3/29/25	Estimated Start and Completion Dates (Subcontractor):

Note: Upon request, a copy of all written subcontractor agreements must be provided to the OCPO.

<u>Description of Services or Supplies</u>	<u>Total Price of Subcontract for Services or Supplies</u>
Public Auction Services	N/A

The subcontract documents will incorporate all requirements of the Contract awarded to the Contractor as applicable. The subcontract will in no way hinder the Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant from maintaining its progress on any other contract on which it is either a Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant or principal contractor. This disclosure is made with the understanding that the Contractor is not under any circumstances relieved of its abilities and obligations, and is responsible for the organization, performance, and quality of work. **This form does not approve any proposed changes, revisions or modifications to the contract approved MBE/WBE Utilization Plan. Any changes to the contract's approved MBE/WBE/Utilization Plan must be submitted to the Office of the Contract Compliance.**

The Public Group

Contractor
Zackary Corbett

Name
Product Manager

Title

Zackary Corbett 8/22/2022

Prime Contractor Signature Date

Exhibit 8

Electronic Payables Program (“E-Payables”)

OFFICE OF THE COOK COUNTY COMPTROLLER
ELECTRONIC PAYABLES PROGRAM ("E-PAYABLES")

FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

This document describes the Office of the Cook County Comptroller's Electronic Payables Program ("E-Payables").
If you wish to participate in E-Payables, please contact the Cook County Comptroller's Office, Accounts Payable, 161 N.
Clark Street, Suite 1900, Chicago, IL 60601.

DESCRIPTION

To increase payment efficiency and timeliness, we have introduced E-Payables program, a new payment initiative to our accounts payable model. This new initiative utilizes a Visa purchasing card and operates through the Visa payment network. This is County's preferred method of payment and your participation in our Visa purchasing card program will provide mutual benefits both to your organization and ours.

As a vendor, you may experience the following benefits by accepting this new payment type:

- Improved cash flow and accelerated payment
- Reduced paperwork and a more streamlined accounts receivable process
- Elimination of stop payment issues
- Reduced payment delays
- Reduced costs for handling paper checks
- Payments settled directly to your merchant account

There are two options within this initiative:

1. Dedicated Credit Card – "PULL" Settlement

For this option, you will have an assigned dedicated credit card to be used for each payment. You will provide a point of contact within your organization who will keep credit card information on file. Each time a payment is made, you will receive a remittance advice via email detailing the invoices being paid. Each time you receive a remittance advice, you will process payments in the same manner you process credit card transactions today.

2. One-Time Use Credit Card – "SUGA" Settlement

For this option, you will provide a point of contact within your organization who will receive an email notification authorizing you to process payments in the same manner you process credit card transactions today. Each time payment is made, you will receive a remittance advice, via email, detailing the invoices being paid. Also, each time you receive a remittance advice, you will receive a new, unique credit card number. This option is ideal for suppliers who are unable to keep credit card account information on file.

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Exhibit 9

Economic Disclosure Statement

**COOK COUNTY
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT
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SECTION 1
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT

This Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document ("EDS") is to be completed and executed by every Bidder on a County contract, every Proposer responding to a Request for Proposals, and every Respondent responding to a Request for Qualifications, and others as required by the Chief Procurement Officer. The execution of the EDS shall serve as the execution of a contract awarded by the County. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to request that the Bidder or Proposer, or Respondent provide an updated EDS on an annual basis.

Definitions. Terms used in this EDS and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Request for Proposals, Request for Qualifications, as applicable.

Affiliate means a person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls is Controlled by, or is under common Control with the Person specified.

Applicant means a person who executes this EDS.

Bidder means any person who submits a Bid.

Code means the Code of Ordinances, Cook County, Illinois available on municode.com.

Contract shall include any written document to make Procurements by or on behalf of Cook County.

Contractor or Contracting Party means a person that enters into a Contract with the County.

Control means the unfettered authority to directly or indirectly manage governance, administration, work, and all other aspects of a business.

EDS means this complete Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document, including all sections listed in the Index and any attachments.

Joint Venture means an association of two or more Persons proposing to perform a for-profit business enterprise. Joint Ventures must have an agreement in writing specifying the terms and conditions of the relationship between the partners and their relationship and respective responsibility for the Contract

Lobby or lobbying means to, for compensation, attempt to influence a County official or County employee with respect to any County matter.

Lobbyist means any person who lobbies.

Person or Persons means any individual, corporation, partnership, Joint Venture, trust, association, Limited Liability Company, sole proprietorship or other legal entity.

Prohibited Acts means any of the actions or occurrences which form the basis for disqualification under the Code, or under the Certifications hereinafter set forth.

Proposal means a response to an RFP.

Proposer means a person submitting a Proposal.

Response means response to an RFQ.

Respondent means a person responding to an RFQ.

RFP means a Request for Proposals issued pursuant to this Procurement Code.

RFQ means a Request for Qualifications issued to obtain the qualifications of interested parties.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT**

Section 1: Instructions. Section 1 sets forth the instructions for completing and executing this EDS.

Section 2: Certifications. Section 2 sets forth certifications that are required for contracting parties under the Code and other applicable laws. Execution of this EDS constitutes a warranty that all the statements and certifications contained, and all the facts stated, in the Certifications are true, correct and complete as of the date of execution.

Section 3: Economic and Other Disclosures Statement. Section 3 is the County's required Economic and Other Disclosures Statement form. Execution of this EDS constitutes a warranty that all the information provided in the EDS is true, correct and complete as of the date of execution, and binds the Applicant to the warranties, representations, agreements and acknowledgements contained therein.

Required Updates. The Applicant is required to keep all information provided in this EDS current and accurate. In the event of any change in the information provided, including but not limited to any change which would render inaccurate or incomplete any certification or statement made in this EDS, the Applicant shall supplement this EDS up to the time the County takes action, by filing an amended EDS or such other documentation as is required.

Additional Information. The County's Governmental Ethics and Campaign Financing Ordinances impose certain duties and obligations on persons or entities seeking County contracts, work, business, or transactions, and the Applicant is expected to comply fully with these ordinances. For further information please contact the Director of Ethics at (312) 603-4304 (69 W. Washington St. Suite 3040, Chicago, IL 60602) or visit the web-site at cookcountyil.gov/ethics-board-of.

Authorized Signers of Contract and EDS Execution Page. If the Applicant is a corporation, the President and Secretary must execute the EDS. In the event that this EDS is executed by someone other than the President, attach hereto a certified copy of that section of the Corporate By-Laws or other authorization by the Corporation, satisfactory to the County that permits the person to execute EDS for said corporation. If the corporation is not registered in the State of Illinois, a copy of the Certificate of Good Standing from the state of incorporation must be submitted with this Signature Page.

If the Applicant is a partnership or joint venture, all partners or joint venturers must execute the EDS, unless one partner or joint venture has been authorized to sign for the partnership or joint venture, in which case, the partnership agreement, resolution or evidence of such authority satisfactory to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer must be submitted with this Signature Page.

If the Applicant is a member-managed LLC all members must execute the EDS, unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, resolution or other corporate documents. If the Applicant is a manager-managed LLC, the manager(s) must execute the EDS. The Applicant must attach either a certified copy of the operating agreement, resolution or other authorization, satisfactory to the County, demonstrating such person has the authority to execute the EDS on behalf of the LLC. If the LLC is not registered in the State of Illinois, a copy of a current Certificate of Good Standing from the state of incorporation must be submitted with this Signature Page.

If the Applicant is a Sole Proprietorship, the sole proprietor must execute the EDS.

A "Partnership" "Joint Venture" or "Sole Proprietorship" operating under an Assumed Name must be registered with the Illinois county in which it is located, as provided in 805 ILCS 405 (2012), and documentation evidencing registration must be submitted with the EDS.

Effective October 1, 2016 all foreign corporations and LLCs must be registered with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office unless a statutory exemption applies to the applicant. Applicants who are exempt from registering must provide a written statement explaining why they are exempt from registering as a foreign entity with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office.

SECTION 2

CERTIFICATIONS

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS ARE MADE PURSUANT TO STATE LAW AND THE CODE. THE APPLICANT IS CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY READ THESE CERTIFICATIONS PRIOR TO SIGNING THE SIGNATURE PAGE. SIGNING THE SIGNATURE PAGE SHALL CONSTITUTE A WARRANTY BY THE APPLICANT THAT ALL THE STATEMENTS, CERTIFICATIONS AND INFORMATION SET FORTH WITHIN THESE CERTIFICATIONS ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT AS OF THE DATE THE SIGNATURE PAGE IS SIGNED. THE APPLICANT IS NOTIFIED THAT IF THE COUNTY LEARNS THAT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS WERE FALSELY MADE, THAT ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO WITH THE APPLICANT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO TERMINATION.

A. PERSONS AND ENTITIES SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION

No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or sub-contract, for a period of five (5) years from the date of conviction or entry of a plea or admission of guilt, civil or criminal, if that person or business entity:

- 1) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State of Illinois, of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of state, federal or local government or school district in the State of Illinois in that officer's or employee's official capacity;
- 2) Has been convicted by federal, state or local government of an act of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids as defined in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Clayton Act. Act. 15 U.S.C. Section 1 *et seq.*;
- 3) Has been convicted of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids under the laws of federal, state or local government;
- 4) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State, of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices as defined by the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and the Clayton Act. 15 U.S.C. Section 1, *et seq.*;
- 5) Has been convicted of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices under the laws the State;
- 6) Has been convicted of defrauding or attempting to defraud any unit of state or local government or school district within the State of Illinois;
- 7) Has made an admission of guilt of such conduct as set forth in subsections (1) through (6) above which admission is a matter of record, whether or not such person or business entity was subject to prosecution for the offense or offenses admitted to; or
- 8) Has entered a plea of *nolo contendere* to charge of bribery, price-fixing, bid-rigging, or fraud, as set forth in subparagraphs (1) through (6) above.

In the case of bribery or attempting to bribe, a business entity may not be awarded a contract if an official, agent or employee of such business entity committed the Prohibited Act on behalf of the business entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of an officer, director or other responsible official of the business entity, and such Prohibited Act occurred within three years prior to the award of the contract. In addition, a business entity shall be disqualified if an owner, partner or shareholder controlling, directly or indirectly, 20% or more of the business entity, or an officer of the business entity has performed any Prohibited Act within five years prior to the award of the Contract.

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: The Applicant has read the provisions of Section A, Persons and Entities Subject to Disqualification, that the Applicant has not committed any Prohibited Act set forth in Section A, and that award of the Contract to the Applicant would not violate the provisions of such Section or of the Code.

B. BID-RIGGING OR BID ROTATING

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: In accordance with 720 ILCS 5/33 E-11, neither the Applicant nor any Affiliated Entity is barred from award of this Contract as a result of a conviction for the violation of State laws prohibiting bid-rigging or bid rotating.

C. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ACT

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: The Applicant will provide a drug free workplace, as required by (30 ILCS 580/3).

D. DELINQUENCY IN PAYMENT OF TAXES

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: *The Applicant is not an owner or a party responsible for the payment of any tax or fee administered by Cook County, such as bar award of a contract or subcontract pursuant to the Code, Chapter 34, Section 34-171.*

E. HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE

No person who is a party to a contract with Cook County ("County") shall engage in unlawful discrimination or sexual harassment against any individual in the terms or conditions of employment, credit, public accommodations, housing, or provision of County facilities, services or programs (Code Chapter 42, Section 42-30 *et seq.*).

F. ILLINOIS HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: *It is in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105), and agrees to abide by the requirements of the Act as part of its contractual obligations.*

G. INSPECTOR GENERAL (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-174 and Section 34-250)

The Applicant has not willfully failed to cooperate in an investigation by the Cook County Independent Inspector General or to report to the Independent Inspector General any and all information concerning conduct which they know to involve corruption, or other criminal activity, by another county employee or official, which concerns his or her office of employment or County related transaction.

The Applicant has reported directly and without any undue delay any suspected or known fraudulent activity in the County's Procurement process to the Office of the Cook County Inspector General.

H. CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-585)

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT: It has read and shall comply with the Cook County's Ordinance concerning campaign contributions, which is codified at Chapter 2, Division 2, Subdivision II, Section 585, and can be read in its entirety at www.municode.com.

I. GIFT BAN, (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-574)

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT: It has read and shall comply with the Cook County's Ordinance concerning receiving and soliciting gifts and favors, which is codified at Chapter 2, Division 2, Subdivision II, Section 574, and can be read in its entirety at www.municode.com.

J. LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE PREFERENCE (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-160;

Unless expressly waived by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, the Code requires that a living wage must be paid to individuals employed by a Contractor which has a County Contract and by all subcontractors of such Contractor under a County Contract, throughout the duration of such County Contract. The amount of such living wage is annually by the Chief Financial Officer of the County, and shall be posted on the Chief Procurement Officer's website.

The term "Contract" as used in Section 4, I, of this EDS, specifically excludes contracts with the following:

- 1) Not-For Profit Organizations (defined as a corporation having tax exempt status under Section 501(C)(3) of the United State Internal Revenue Code and recognized under the Illinois State not-for -profit law);
- 2) Community Development Block Grants;
- 3) Cook County Works Department;
- 4) Sheriff's Work Alternative Program; and
- 5) Department of Correction inmates.

SECTION 3

REQUIRED DISCLOSURES

1. DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST CONTACTS

List all persons that have made lobbying contacts on your behalf with respect to this contract:

Name	Address
N/A	
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

2. LOCAL BUSINESS PREFERENCE STATEMENT (CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-230)

Local business means a Person, including a foreign corporation authorized to transact business in Illinois, having a bona fide establishment located within the County at which it is transacting business on the date when a Bid is submitted to the County, and which employs the majority of its regular, full-time work force within the County. A Joint Venture shall constitute a Local Business if one or more Persons that qualify as a "Local Business" hold interests totaling over 50 percent in the Joint Venture, even if the Joint Venture does not, at the time of the Bid submittal, have such a bona fide establishment within the County.

a) Is Applicant a "Local Business" as defined above?

Yes: No:

b) If yes, list business addresses within Cook County:

c) Does Applicant employ the majority of its regular full-time workforce within Cook County?

Yes: No:

3. THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE (CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-172)

Every Applicant for a County Privilege shall be in full compliance with any child support order before such Applicant is entitled to receive or renew a County Privilege. When delinquent child support exists, the County shall not issue or renew any County Privilege, and may revoke any County Privilege.

All Applicants are required to review the Cook County Affidavit of Child Support Obligations attached to this EDS (EDS-5) and complete the Affidavit, based on the instructions in the Affidavit.

4. REAL ESTATE OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURES.

The Applicant must indicate by checking the appropriate provision below and providing all required information that either:

- a) The following is a complete list of all real estate owned by the Applicant in Cook County:

PERMANENT INDEX NUMBER(S): N/A

(ATTACH SHEET IF NECESSARY TO LIST ADDITIONAL INDEX NUMBERS)

OR:

- b) The Applicant owns no real estate in Cook County.

5. EXCEPTIONS TO CERTIFICATIONS OR DISCLOSURES.

If the Applicant is unable to certify to any of the Certifications or any other statements contained in this EDS and not explained elsewhere in this EDS, the Applicant must explain below:

If the letters, "NA", the word "None" or "No Response" appears above, or if the space is left blank, it will be conclusively presumed that the Applicant certified to all Certifications and other statements contained in this EDS.

COOK COUNTY DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST STATEMENT

The Cook County Code of Ordinances (§2-610 *et seq.*) requires that any Applicant for any County Action must disclose information concerning ownership interests in the Applicant. This Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement must be completed with all information current as of the date this Statement is signed. Furthermore, this Statement must be kept current, by filing an amended Statement, until such time as the County Board or County Agency shall take action on the application. The information contained in this Statement will be maintained in a database and made available for public viewing. **County reserves the right to request additional information to verify veracity of information contained in this statement.**

If you are asked to list names, but there are no applicable names to list, you must state NONE. An incomplete Statement will be returned and any action regarding this contract will be delayed. A failure to fully comply with the ordinance may result in the action taken by the County Board or County Agency being voided.

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"Person" "Entity" or "Legal Entity" means a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, association, business trust, estate, two or more persons having a joint or common interest, trustee of a land trust, other commercial or legal entity or any beneficiary or beneficiaries thereof.

This Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement must be submitted by :

1. An Applicant for County Action and
2. A Person that holds stock or a beneficial interest in the Applicant and is listed on the Applicant's Statement (a "Holder") must file a Statement and complete #1 only under **Ownership Interest Declaration**.

Please print or type responses clearly and legibly. Add additional pages if needed, being careful to identify each portion of the form to which each additional page refers.

This Statement is being made by the Applicant or Stock/Beneficial Interest Holder

This Statement is an: Original Statement or Amended Statement

Identifying Information:

Name The Public Group, LLC

D/B/A: Public Surplus FEIN # Only: 91-2198986

Street Address: PO Box 530861

City: Henderson State: NV Zip Code: 89053

Phone No.: 801-932-7000 Fax Number: 801-932-7001 Email: briandonnelly@thepu

Cook County Business Registration Number: _____
(Sole Proprietor, Joint Venture Partnership)

Corporate File Number (if applicable): 01974394

Form of Legal Entity:

- Sole Proprietor Partnership Corporation Trustee of Land Trust
- Business Trust Estate Association Joint Venture
- Other (describe) LLC

Ownership Interest Declaration:

1. List the name(s), address, and percent ownership of each Person having a legal or beneficial interest (including ownership) of more than five percent (5%) in the Applicant/Holder.

Name	Address	Percentage Interest in Applicant/Holder
Webcat, LLC	PO Box 530861; Henderson, NV 89053	99%

2. If the interest of any Person listed in (1) above is held as an agent or agents, or a nominee or nominees, list the name and address of the principal on whose behalf the interest is held.

Name of Agent/Nominee	Name of Principal	Principal's Address
N/A		

3. Is the Applicant constructively controlled by another person or Legal Entity? [] Yes [] No
 If yes, state the name, address and percentage of beneficial interest of such person, and the relationship under which such control is being or may be exercised.

Name	Address	Percentage of Beneficial Interest	Relationship

Corporate Officers, Members and Partners Information:

For all corporations, list the names, addresses, and terms for all corporate officers. For all limited liability companies, list the names, addresses for all members. For all partnerships and joint ventures, list the names, addresses, for each partner or joint venture.

Name	Address	Title (specify title of Office, or whether manager or partner/joint venture)	Term of Office
DEREK MACFARLAND	Same		MANAGING MEMBER
BRIAN DONNELLY	Same		ACCOUNTING OFFICER

Declaration (check the applicable box):

- I state under oath that the Applicant has withheld no disclosure as to ownership interest in the Applicant nor reserved any information, data or plan as to the intended use or purpose for which the Applicant seeks County Board or other County Agency action.
- I state under oath that the Holder has withheld no disclosure as to ownership interest nor reserved any information required to be disclosed.

COOK COUNTY DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST STATEMENT SIGNATURE PAGE

DEREK MACFARLAND

PRESIDENT

Name of Authorized Applicant/Holder Representative (please print or type)

Title

Signature

03/24/2023

Date

briandonnelly@thepublicgroup.com

801-932-7000

E-mail address

Phone Number

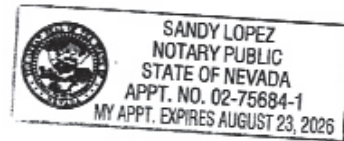
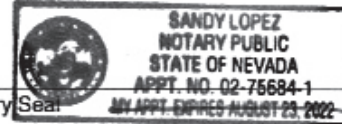
Subscribed to and sworn before me
this 24th day of March 2023

My commission expires:

X

Sandy Lopez
Notary Public Signature

Notary Seal



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This Statement is an: Original Statement or Amended Statement

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Name Webcat, LLC

D/B/A: _____ FEIN # Only: 56-2598083

Street Address: PO Box 530861

City: Henderson State: NV Zip Code: 89053

Phone No.: 801-932-7000 Fax Number: 801-932-7001 Email: briandonnelly@thepublicgroup.com

Cook County Business Registration Number: N/A
(Sole Proprietor, Joint Venture Partnership)

Corporate File Number (if applicable): _____

Form of Legal Entity:

Sole Proprietor Partnership Corporation Trustee of Land Trust

Business Trust Estate Association Joint Venture

Other (describe) Limited Liability Company

Ownership Interest Declaration:

1. List the name(s), address, and percent ownership of each Person having a legal or beneficial interest (including ownership) of more than five percent (5%) in the Applicant/Holder.

Name	Address	Percentage Interest in Applicant/Holder
MacFarland Legacy Trust	PO Box 530861, Henderson, NV 89053	100%

2. If the interest of any Person listed in (1) above is held as an agent or agents, or a nominee or nominees, list the name and address of the principal on whose behalf the interest is held.

Name of Agent/Nominee	Name of Principal	Principal's Address

3. Is the Applicant constructively controlled by another person or Legal Entity? [] Yes [] No
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Name	Address	Title (specify title of Office, or whether manager or partner/joint venture)	Term of Office
Derek MacFarland	PO Box 530861, Henderson, NV 89053	President	N/A
Brian Donnelly	PO Box 530861, Henderson, NV 89053	Accounting Officer	N/A

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COOK COUNTY DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST STATEMENT SIGNATURE PAGE

DEREK MACFARLAND

PRESIDENT

Name of Authorized Applicant/Holder Representative (please print or type)

Title

[Handwritten Signature]

03/24/2023

Signature

Date

briandonnelly@thepublicgroup.com

801-932-7000

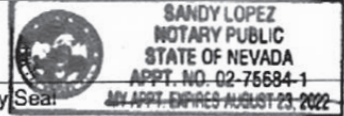
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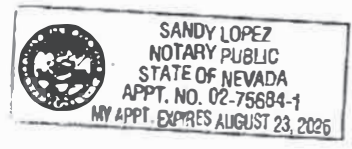
Subscribed to and sworn before me
this 24th day of March 2023

My commission expires:

X *[Handwritten Signature]*
Notary Public Signature



Notary Seal





COOK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
69 W. WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 3040
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602
312/603 4304 Office 312/603-9988 Fax



Doing a significant amount of business with the County requires that you disclose to the Board of Ethics the existence of any familial relationships with any County employee or any person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, the County, or in any municipality within the County. The Ethics Ordinance defines a significant amount of business for the purpose of this disclosure requirement as more than \$25,000 in aggregate County leases, contracts, purchases or sales in any calendar year.

If you are unsure of whether the business you do with the County or a County agency will cross this threshold, err on the side of caution by completing the attached familial disclosure form because, among other potential penalties, any person found guilty of failing to make a required disclosure or knowingly filing a false, misleading, or incomplete disclosure will be prohibited from doing any business with the County for a period of three years. The required disclosure should be filed with the Board of Ethics by January 1 of each calendar year in which you are doing business with the County and again with each bid/proposal/quotation to do business with Cook County. The Board of Ethics may assess a late filing fee of \$100 per day after an initial 30-day grace period.

The person that is doing business with the County must disclose his or her familial relationships. If the person on the County lease or contract or purchasing from or selling to the County is a business entity, then the business entity must disclose the familial relationships of the individuals who are and, during the year prior to doing business with the County, were:

- its board of directors,
- its officers,
- its employees or independent contractors responsible for the general administration of the entity,
- its agents authorized to execute documents on behalf of the entity, and
- its employees who directly engage or engaged in doing work with the County on behalf of the entity.

Do not hesitate to contact the Board of Ethics at (312) 603-4304 for assistance in determining the scope of any required familial relationship disclosure.

Additional Definitions:

“*Familial relationship*” means a person who is a spouse, domestic partner or civil union partner of a County employee or State, County or municipal official, or any person who is related to such an employee or official, whether by blood, marriage or adoption, as a:

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|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent | <input type="checkbox"/> Grandparent | <input type="checkbox"/> Stepfather |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child | <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild | <input type="checkbox"/> Stepmother |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aunt | <input type="checkbox"/> Son-in-law | <input type="checkbox"/> Stepbrother |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Uncle | <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter-in-law | <input type="checkbox"/> Stepsister |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Niece | <input type="checkbox"/> Brother-in-law | <input type="checkbox"/> Halfbrother |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nephew | <input type="checkbox"/> Sister-in-law | <input type="checkbox"/> Halfsister |

COOK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

A. PERSON DOING OR SEEKING TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY

Name of Person Doing Business with the County: XXXXXXXXXX N/A XXXXXXXXXXXX The Public Group

Address of Person Doing Business with the County: 3520 N. University Avenue, Provo, UT 84605

Phone number of Person Doing Business with the County: 801-932-7000 Ext. 153

Email address of Person Doing Business with the County: zackaryc@thepublicgroup.com

If Person Doing Business with the County is a Business Entity, provide the name, title and contact information for the individual completing this disclosure on behalf of the Person Doing Business with the County:

Zackary Corbett, Product Manager; zacaryc@thepublicgroup.com; 801-932-7000 Ext. 153

B. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY

Append additional pages as needed and for each County lease, contract, purchase or sale sought and/or obtained during the calendar year of this disclosure (or the proceeding calendar year if disclosure is made on January 1), identify:

The lease number, contract number, purchase order number, request for proposal number and/or request for qualification number associated with the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: 2214-07130

The aggregate dollar value of the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: \$0

The name, title and contact information for the County official(s) or employee(s) involved in negotiating the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: Johnson Johnson, Senior Contract Negotiator; Jovan Johnson; 312-603-6830

The name, title and contact information for the County official(s) or employee(s) involved in managing the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: Richard Sanchez, Deputy Chief Procurement Officer; (312) 603-2374;

richard.sanchez@cookcountytill.gov

C. DISCLOSURE OF FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

Check the box that applies and provide related information where needed

The Person Doing Business with the County is an individual and there is no familial relationship between this individual and any Cook County employee or any person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, or any municipality within Cook County.

The Person Doing Business with the County is a business entity and there is no familial relationship between any member of this business entity's board of directors, officers, persons responsible for general administration of the business entity, agents authorized to execute documents on behalf of the business entity or employees directly engaged in contractual work with the County on behalf of the business entity, and any Cook County employee or any person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, or any municipality within Cook County.

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- The Person Doing Business with the County is an individual and there is a familial relationship between this individual and at least one Cook County employee and/or a person or persons holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, and/or any municipality within Cook County. **The familial relationships are as follows:**

Name of Individual Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

If more space is needed, attach an additional sheet following the above format.

- The Person Doing Business with the County is a business entity and there is a familial relationship between at least one member of this business entity's board of directors, officers, persons responsible for general administration of the business entity, agents authorized to execute documents on behalf of the business entity and/or employees directly engaged in contractual work with the County on behalf of the business entity, on the one hand, and at least one Cook County employee and/or a person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, and/or any municipality within Cook County, on the other. **The familial relationships are as follows:**

Name of Member of Board of Director for Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Name of Officer for Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
_____	_____	_____	_____
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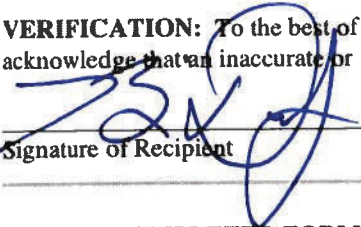
Name of Person Responsible for the General Administration of the Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Name of Agent Authorized to Execute Documents for Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Name of Employee of Business Entity Directly Engaged in Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

If more space is needed, attach an additional sheet following the above format.

VERIFICATION: To the best of my knowledge, the information I have provided on this disclosure form is accurate and complete. I acknowledge that an inaccurate or incomplete disclosure is punishable by law, including but not limited to fines and debarment.

Signature of Recipient 

Date 8/15/2022

SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM TO: Cook County Board of Ethics
 69 West Washington Street, Suite 3040, Chicago, Illinois 60602
 Office (312) 603-4304 – Fax (312) 603-9988
 CookCounty.Ethics@cookcountyil.gov

* Spouse, domestic partner, civil union partner or parent, child, sibling, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, grandparent or grandchild by blood, marriage (i.e. in laws and step relations) or adoption.

SECTION 4

COOK COUNTY AFFIDAVIT FOR WAGE THEFT ORDINANCE

Effective May 1, 2015, every Person, including Substantial Owners, seeking a Contract with Cook County must comply with the Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance set forth in Chapter 34, Article IV, Section 179. Any Person/Substantial Owner, who fails to comply with Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance, may request that the Chief Procurement Officer grant a reduction or waiver in accordance with Section 34-179(d).

"Contract" means any written document to make Procurements by or on behalf of Cook County.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, Joint Venture, trust, association, limited liability company, sole proprietorship or other legal entity.

"Procurement" means obtaining supplies, equipment, goods, or services of any kind.

"Substantial Owner" means any person or persons who own or hold a twenty-five percent (25%) or more percentage of interest in any business entity seeking a County Privilege, including those shareholders, general or limited partners, beneficiaries and principals; except where a business entity is an individual or sole proprietorship, Substantial Owner means that individual or sole proprietor.

All Persons/Substantial Owners are required to complete this affidavit and comply with the Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance before any Contract is awarded. Signature of this form constitutes a certification the information provided below is correct and complete, and that the individual(s) signing this form has/have personal knowledge of such information. **County reserves the right to request additional information to verify veracity of information contained in this Affidavit.**

I. Contract Information:

Contract Number: 2214-07130

County Using Agency (requesting Procurement): Office of the Chief Procurement

II. Person/Substantial Owner Information:

Person (Corporate Entity Name): The Public Group, LLC

Substantial Owner Complete Name: Webcat, LLC

FEIN# 56-2598083

Date of Birth: N/A

E-mail address: briandonnelly@thepublicgroup.com

Street Address: 2520 St ROSE PKWY, STE 214

City: HENDERSON

State: NV

Zip: 89074

Home Phone: [REDACTED]

III. Compliance with Wage Laws:

Within the past five years has the Person/Substantial Owner, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, been convicted of, entered a plea, made an admission of guilt or liability, or had an administrative finding made for committing a repeated or willful violation of any of the following laws:

- No *Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act, 820 ILCS 115/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Illinois Minimum Wage Act, 820 ILCS 105/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Illinois Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, 820 ILCS 65/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Employee Classification Act, 820 ILCS 185/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. 201, et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Any comparable state statute or regulation of any state, which governs the payment of wages YES or NO*

If the Person/Substantial Owner answered "Yes" to any of the questions above, it is ineligible to enter into a Contract with Cook County, but can request a reduction or waiver under **Section IV**.

IV. Request for Waiver or Reduction

If Person/Substantial Owner answered "Yes" to any of the questions above, it may request a reduction or waiver in accordance with Section 34-179(d), provided that the request for reduction of waiver is made on the basis of one or more of the following actions that have taken place:

- No There has been a bona fide change in ownership or Control of the ineligible Person or Substantial Owner. YES or NO
- No Disciplinary action has been taken against the individual(s) responsible for the acts giving rise to the violation. YES or NO
- No Remedial action has been taken to prevent a recurrence of the acts giving rise to the disqualification or default. YES or NO
- No Other factors that the Person or Substantial Owner believe are relevant. YES or NO

The Person/Substantial Owner must submit documentation to support the basis of its request for a reduction or waiver. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to make additional inquiries and request additional documentation.

V. Affirmation

The Person/Substantial Owner affirms that all statements contained in the Affidavit are true, accurate and complete.

Signature: *Derek MacFarland* Date: 03/24/2023

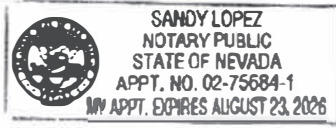
Name of Person signing (Print): DEREK MACFARLAND Title: PRESIDENT

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of March, 2023

X *Sandy Lopez*
Notary Public Signature

Notary Seal

Note: The above information is subject to verification prior to the award of the Contract.



SECTION 4

COOK COUNTY AFFIDAVIT FOR WAGE THEFT ORDINANCE

Effective May 1, 2015, every Person, **including Substantial Owners**, seeking a Contract with Cook County must comply with the Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance set forth in Chapter 34, Article IV, Section 179. Any Person/Substantial Owner, who fails to comply with Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance, may request that the Chief Procurement Officer grant a reduction or waiver in accordance with Section 34-179(d).

"Contract" means any written document to make Procurements by or on behalf of Cook County.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, Joint Venture, trust, association, limited liability company, sole proprietorship or other legal entity.

"Procurement" means obtaining supplies, equipment, goods, or services of any kind.

"Substantial Owner" means any person or persons who own or hold a twenty-five percent (25%) or more percentage of interest in any business entity seeking a County Privilege, including those shareholders, general or limited partners, beneficiaries and principals; except where a business entity is an individual or sole proprietorship, Substantial Owner means that individual or sole proprietor.

All Persons/Substantial Owners are required to complete this affidavit and comply with the Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance before any Contract is awarded. Signature of this form constitutes a certification the information provided below is correct and complete, and that the individual(s) signing this form has/have personal knowledge of such information. **County reserves the right to request additional information to verify veracity of information contained in this Affidavit.**

I. Contract Information:

Contract Number: 2214-07130

County Using Agency (requesting Procurement): Office of the Chief Procurement

II. Person/Substantial Owner Information:

Person (Corporate Entity Name): WEBCAT, LLC

Substantial Owner Complete Name: _____

FEIN# 56-2598083

Date of Birth: N/A

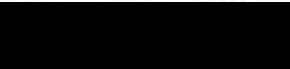
E-mail address: briandonnelly@thepublic

Street Address: PO Box 530861

City: Henderson

State: NV

Zip: 89053

Home Phone: 

III. Compliance with Wage Laws:

Within the past five years has the Person/Substantial Owner, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, been convicted of, entered a plea, made an admission of guilt or liability, or had an administrative finding made for committing a repeated or willful violation of any of the following laws:

- No *Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act, 820 ILCS 115/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Illinois Minimum Wage Act, 820 ILCS 105/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Illinois Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, 820 ILCS 65/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Employee Classification Act, 820 ILCS 185/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. 201, et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Any comparable state statute or regulation of any state, which governs the payment of wages YES or NO*

If the Person/Substantial Owner answered "Yes" to any of the questions above, it is ineligible to enter into a Contract with Cook County, but can request a reduction or waiver under **Section IV**.

IV. Request for Waiver or Reduction

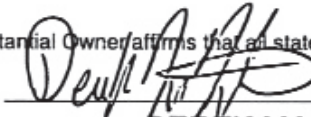
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The Person/Substantial Owner must submit documentation to support the basis of its request for a reduction or waiver. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to make additional inquiries and request additional documentation.

V. Affirmation

The Person/Substantial Owner affirms that all statements contained in the Affidavit are true, accurate and complete.

Signature:  Date: 03/24/2023

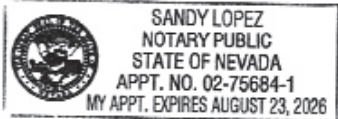
Name of Person signing (Print): DEREK MACFARLAND Title: PRESIDENT

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of March, 2023

X 
Notary Public Signature

Notary Seal

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SECTION 5

CONTRACT AND EDS EXECUTION PAGE

The Applicant hereby certifies and warrants that all of the statements, certifications and representations set forth in this EDS are true, complete and correct; that the Applicant is in full compliance and will continue to be in compliance throughout the term of the Contract or County Privilege issued to the Applicant with all the policies and requirements set forth in this EDS; and that all facts and information provided by the Applicant in this EDS are true, complete and correct. The Applicant agrees to inform the Chief Procurement Officer in writing if any of such statements, certifications, representations, facts or information becomes or is found to be untrue, incomplete or incorrect during the term of the Contract or County Privilege.

Execution by Corporation

Corporation's Name

President's Printed Name and Signature

Telephone

Email

Secretary Signature

Date

Execution by LLC

THE PUBLIC GROUP, LLC

LLC Name

[Handwritten Signature]
Member/Manager Printed Name and Signature

08/15/2022

Date

801-932-7000; briandonnelly@

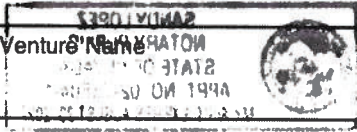
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Execution by Partnership/Joint Venture

Partnership/Joint Venture Name

*Partner/Joint Venturer Printed Name and Signature

Date



Telephone and Email

Execution by Sole Proprietorship

Printed Name Signature

Assumed Name (if applicable)

Date

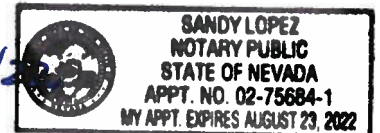
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of August 2022

[Handwritten Signature: Sandy Lopez]
Notary Public Signature

My commission expires: 8/23/2022

Notary Seal



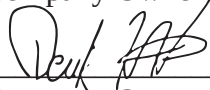
*If the operating agreement, partnership agreement or governing documents requiring execution by multiple members, managers, partners, or joint venturers, please complete and execute additional Contract and EDS Execution Pages.

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Brian Donnelly and Zackary Corbett are both authorized agents on behalf of The Public Group dba Public Surplus as well as Webcat LLC to sign and bind documents.

Derek MacFarland

Company Owner Name



Company Owner Signature

**SECTION 6
COOK COUNTY SIGNATURE PAGE**

ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF COOK, A BODY POLITIC AND CORPORATE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS CONTRACT IS HEREBY EXECUTED BY:

Raffi Sarrafian

Digitally signed by Raffi Sarrafian
Date: 2023.07.27 08:53:41 -05'00'

Cook County Chief Procurement Officer

Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

N/A

Assistant State's Attorney
(Required on contracts over \$1,000,000)

Date

CONTRACT TERM & AMOUNT

2214-07130

Contract #

August 1, 2023 through March 19, 2025

Original Contract Term

One (1) one-year renewal option

Renewal Options (If Applicable)

\$0.00

Contract Amount

Cook County Board Approval Date (If Applicable)

Attachment 1

**Solicitation Number: 012821****CONTRACT**

This Contract is between Sourcewell, 202 12th Street Northeast, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479 (Sourcewell) and The Public Group dba Public Surplus, 3520 North University Avenue, Provo, UT 84605 (Vendor).

Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. Sourcewell issued a public solicitation for Auction Services with Related Services from which Vendor was awarded a contract.

Vendor desires to contract with Sourcewell to provide equipment, products, or services to Sourcewell and the entities that access Sourcewell's cooperative purchasing contracts (Participating Entities).

1. TERM OF CONTRACT

- A. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Contract is effective upon the date of the final signature below.
- B. **EXPIRATION DATE AND EXTENSION.** This Contract expires March 19, 2025, unless it is cancelled sooner pursuant to Article 22. This Contract may be extended up to one additional one-year period upon request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by Vendor.
- C. **SURVIVAL OF TERMS.** Articles 11 through 14 survive the expiration or cancellation of this Contract.

2. EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES

- A. **EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES.** Vendor will provide the Equipment, Products, or Services as stated in its Proposal submitted under the Solicitation Number listed above. Vendor's Equipment, Products, or Services Proposal (Proposal) is attached and incorporated into this Contract.

All Equipment and Products provided under this Contract must be new/current model. Vendor may offer close-out or refurbished Equipment or Products if they are clearly indicated in Vendor's product and pricing list. Unless agreed to by the Participating Entities in advance, Equipment or Products must be delivered as operational to the Participating Entity's site.

This Contract offers an indefinite quantity of sales, and while substantial volume is anticipated, sales and sales volume are not guaranteed.

B. **WARRANTY.** Vendor warrants that all Equipment, Products, and Services furnished are free from liens and encumbrances, and are free from defects in design, materials, and workmanship. In addition, Vendor warrants the Equipment, Products, and Services are suitable for and will perform in accordance with the ordinary use for which they are intended. Vendor's dealers and distributors must agree to assist the Participating Entity in reaching a resolution in any dispute over warranty terms with the manufacturer. Any manufacturer's warranty that is effective past the expiration of the Vendor's warranty will be passed on to the Participating Entity.

C. **DEALERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND/OR RESELLERS.** Upon Contract execution, Vendor will make available to Sourcewell a means to validate or authenticate Vendor's authorized dealers, distributors, and/or resellers relative to the Equipment, Products, and Services related to this Contract. This list may be updated from time-to-time and is incorporated into this Contract by reference. It is the Vendor's responsibility to ensure Sourcewell receives the most current version of this list.

3. PRICING

All Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract will be priced as stated in Vendor's Proposal.

When providing pricing quotes to Participating Entities, all pricing quoted must reflect a Participating Entity's total cost of acquisition. This means that the quoted cost is for delivered Equipment, Products, and Services that are operational for their intended purpose, and includes all costs to the Participating Entity's requested delivery location.

Regardless of the payment method chosen by the Participating Entity, the total cost associated with any purchase option of the Equipment, Products, or Services must always be disclosed in the pricing quote to the applicable Participating Entity at the time of purchase.

A. **SHIPPING AND SHIPPING COSTS.** All delivered Equipment and Products must be properly packaged. Damaged Equipment and Products may be rejected. If the damage is not readily apparent at the time of delivery, Vendor must permit the Equipment and Products to be returned within a reasonable time at no cost to Sourcewell or its Participating Entities. Participating Entities reserve the right to inspect the Equipment and Products at a reasonable

time after delivery where circumstances or conditions prevent effective inspection of the Equipment and Products at the time of delivery.

Vendor must arrange for and pay for the return shipment on Equipment and Products that arrive in a defective or inoperable condition.

Sourcwell may declare the Vendor in breach of this Contract if the Vendor intentionally delivers substandard or inferior Equipment or Products. In the event of the delivery of nonconforming Equipment and Products, the Participating Entity will notify the Vendor as soon as possible and the Vendor will replace nonconforming Equipment and Products with conforming Equipment and Products that are acceptable to the Participating Entity.

B. SALES TAX. Each Participating Entity is responsible for supplying the Vendor with valid tax-exemption certification(s). When ordering, a Participating Entity must indicate if it is a tax-exempt entity.

C. HOT LIST PRICING. At any time during this Contract, Vendor may offer a specific selection of Equipment, Products, or Services at discounts greater than those listed in the Contract. When Vendor determines it will offer Hot List Pricing, it must be submitted electronically to Sourcwell in a line-item format. Equipment, Products, or Services may be added or removed from the Hot List at any time through a Sourcwell Price and Product Change Form as defined in Article 4 below.

Hot List program and pricing may also be used to discount and liquidate close-out and discontinued Equipment and Products as long as those close-out and discontinued items are clearly identified as such. Current ordering process and administrative fees apply. Hot List Pricing must be published and made available to all Participating Entities.

4. PRODUCT AND PRICING CHANGE REQUESTS

Vendor may request Equipment, Product, or Service changes, additions, or deletions at any time. All requests must be made in writing by submitting a signed Sourcwell Price and Product Change Request Form to the assigned Sourcwell Contract Administrator. This form is available from the assigned Sourcwell Contract Administrator. At a minimum, the request must:

- Identify the applicable Sourcwell contract number;
- Clearly specify the requested change;
- Provide sufficient detail to justify the requested change;
- Individually list all Equipment, Products, or Services affected by the requested change, along with the requested change (e.g., addition, deletion, price change); and
- Include a complete restatement of pricing documentation in Microsoft Excel with the effective date of the modified pricing, or product addition or deletion. The new pricing

restatement must include all Equipment, Products, and Services offered, even for those items where pricing remains unchanged.

A fully executed Sourcewell Price and Product Request Form will become an amendment to this Contract and be incorporated by reference.

5. PARTICIPATION, CONTRACT ACCESS, AND PARTICIPATING ENTITY REQUIREMENTS

A. PARTICIPATION. Sourcewell's cooperative contracts are available and open to public and nonprofit entities across the United States and Canada; such as federal, state/province, municipal, K-12 and higher education, tribal government, and other public entities.

The benefits of this Contract should be available to all Participating Entities that can legally access the Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract. A Participating Entity's authority to access this Contract is determined through its cooperative purchasing, interlocal, or joint powers laws. Any entity accessing benefits of this Contract will be considered a Service Member of Sourcewell during such time of access. Vendor understands that a Participating Entity's use of this Contract is at the Participating Entity's sole convenience and Participating Entities reserve the right to obtain like Equipment, Products, or Services from any other source.

Vendor is responsible for familiarizing its sales and service forces with Sourcewell contract use eligibility requirements and documentation and will encourage potential participating entities to join Sourcewell. Sourcewell reserves the right to add and remove Participating Entities to its roster during the term of this Contract.

B. PUBLIC FACILITIES. Vendor's employees may be required to perform work at government-owned facilities, including schools. Vendor's employees and agents must conduct themselves in a professional manner while on the premises, and in accordance with Participating Entity policies and procedures, and all applicable laws.

6. PARTICIPATING ENTITY USE AND PURCHASING

A. ORDERS AND PAYMENT. To access the contracted Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract, a Participating Entity must clearly indicate to Vendor that it intends to access this Contract; however, order flow and procedure will be developed jointly between Sourcewell and Vendor. Typically, a Participating Entity will issue an order directly to Vendor. If a Participating Entity issues a purchase order, it may use its own forms, but the purchase order should clearly note the applicable Sourcewell contract number. All Participating Entity orders under this Contract must be issued prior to expiration of this Contract; however, Vendor performance, Participating Entity payment, and any applicable warranty periods or other Vendor or Participating Entity obligations may extend beyond the term of this Contract.

Vendor's acceptable forms of payment are included in Attachment A. Participating Entities will be solely responsible for payment and Sourcewell will have no liability for any unpaid invoice of any Participating Entity.

B. **ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS/PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM.** Additional terms and conditions to a purchase order, or other required transaction documentation, may be negotiated between a Participating Entity and Vendor, such as job or industry-specific requirements, legal requirements (e.g., affirmative action or immigration status requirements), or specific local policy requirements. Some Participating Entities may require the use of a Participating Addendum; the terms of which will be worked out directly between the Participating Entity and the Vendor. Any negotiated additional terms and conditions must never be less favorable to the Participating Entity than what is contained in this Contract.

C. **SPECIALIZED SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.** In the event that the Participating Entity requires service or specialized performance requirements (such as e-commerce specifications, specialized delivery requirements, or other specifications and requirements) not addressed in this Contract, the Participating Entity and the Vendor may enter into a separate, standalone agreement, apart from this Contract. Sourcewell, including its agents and employees, will not be made a party to a claim for breach of such agreement.

D. **TERMINATION OF ORDERS.** Participating Entities may terminate an order, in whole or in part, immediately upon notice to Vendor in the event of any of the following events:

1. The Participating Entity fails to receive funding or appropriation from its governing body at levels sufficient to pay for the goods to be purchased;
2. Federal, state, or provincial laws or regulations prohibit the purchase or change the Participating Entity's requirements; or
3. Vendor commits any material breach of this Contract or the additional terms agreed to between the Vendor and a Participating Entity.

E. **GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE.** The governing law and venue for any action related to a Participating Entity's order will be determined by the Participating Entity making the purchase.

7. CUSTOMER SERVICE

A. **PRIMARY ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE.** Vendor will assign an Account Representative to Sourcewell for this Contract and must provide prompt notice to Sourcewell if that person is changed. The Account Representative will be responsible for:

- Maintenance and management of this Contract;
- Timely response to all Sourcewell and Participating Entity inquiries; and
- Business reviews to Sourcewell and Participating Entities, if applicable.

B. BUSINESS REVIEWS. Vendor must perform a minimum of one business review with Sourcwell per contract year. The business review will cover sales to Participating Entities, pricing and contract terms, administrative fees, supply issues, customer issues, and any other necessary information.

8. REPORT ON CONTRACT SALES ACTIVITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEE PAYMENT

A. CONTRACT SALES ACTIVITY REPORT. Each calendar quarter, Vendor must provide a contract sales activity report (Report) to the Sourcwell Contract Administrator assigned to this Contract. A Report must be provided regardless of the number or amount of sales during that quarter (i.e., if there are no sales, Vendor must submit a report indicating no sales were made).

The Report must contain the following fields:

- Customer Name (e.g., City of Staples Highway Department);
- Customer Physical Street Address;
- Customer City;
- Customer State/Province;
- Customer Zip Code;
- Customer Contact Name;
- Customer Contact Email Address;
- Customer Contact Telephone Number;
- Sourcwell Assigned Entity/Participating Entity Number;
- Item Purchased Description;
- Item Purchased Price;
- Sourcwell Administrative Fee Applied; and
- Date Purchase was invoiced/sale was recognized as revenue by Vendor.

B. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE. In consideration for the support and services provided by Sourcwell, the Vendor will pay an administrative fee to Sourcwell on all Equipment, Products, and Services provided to Participating Entities. The Administrative Fee must be included in, and not added to, the pricing. Vendor may not charge Participating Entities more than the contracted price to offset the Administrative Fee.

The Vendor will submit payment to Sourcwell for the percentage of administrative fee stated in the Proposal multiplied by the total sales of all Equipment, Products, and Services purchased by Participating Entities under this Contract during each calendar quarter. Payments should note the Vendor's name and Sourcwell-assigned contract number in the memo; and must be mailed to the address above "Attn: Accounts Receivable" or remitted electronically to Sourcwell's banking institution per Sourcwell's Finance department instructions. Payments must be received no later than 45 calendar days after the end of each calendar quarter.

Vendor agrees to cooperate with Sourcewell in auditing transactions under this Contract to ensure that the administrative fee is paid on all items purchased under this Contract.

In the event the Vendor is delinquent in any undisputed administrative fees, Sourcewell reserves the right to cancel this Contract and reject any proposal submitted by the Vendor in any subsequent solicitation. In the event this Contract is cancelled by either party prior to the Contract's expiration date, the administrative fee payment will be due no more than 30 days from the cancellation date.

9. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Sourcewell's Authorized Representative is its Chief Procurement Officer.

Vendor's Authorized Representative is the person named in the Vendor's Proposal. If Vendor's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Contract, Vendor must promptly notify Sourcewell in writing.

10. AUDIT, ASSIGNMENT, AMENDMENTS, WAIVER, AND CONTRACT COMPLETE

A. **AUDIT.** Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 16C.05, subdivision 5, the books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices relevant this Agreement are subject to examination by Sourcewell or the Minnesota State Auditor for a minimum of six years from the end of this Contract. This clause extends to Participating Entities as it relates to business conducted by that Participating Entity under this Contract.

B. **ASSIGNMENT.** Neither the Vendor nor Sourcewell may assign or transfer any rights or obligations under this Contract without the prior consent of the parties and a fully executed assignment agreement. Such consent will not be unreasonably withheld.

C. **AMENDMENTS.** Any amendment to this Contract must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been fully executed by the parties.

D. **WAIVER.** If either party fails to enforce any provision of this Contract, that failure does not waive the provision or the right to enforce it.

E. **CONTRACT COMPLETE.** This Contract contains all negotiations and agreements between Sourcewell and Vendor. No other understanding regarding this Contract, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party. For any conflict between the attached Proposal and the terms set out in Articles 1-22, the terms of Articles 1-22 will govern.

F. **RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES.** The relationship of the parties is one of independent contractors, each free to exercise judgment and discretion with regard to the conduct of their

respective businesses. This Contract does not create a partnership, joint venture, or any other relationship such as master-servant, or principal-agent.

11. LIABILITY

Vendor must indemnify, save, and hold Sourcewell and its Participating Entities, including their agents and employees, harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorneys' fees, arising out of the performance of this Contract by the Vendor or its agents or employees; this indemnification includes injury or death to person(s) or property alleged to have been caused by some defect in the Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract to the extent the Equipment, Product, or Service has been used according to its specifications.

12. GOVERNMENT DATA PRACTICES

Vendor and Sourcewell must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, as it applies to all data provided by or provided to Sourcewell under this Contract and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Vendor under this Contract.

If the Vendor receives a request to release the data referred to in this article, the Vendor must immediately notify Sourcewell and Sourcewell will assist with how the Vendor should respond to the request.

13. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, PUBLICITY, MARKETING, AND ENDORSEMENT

A. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

1. *Grant of License.* During the term of this Contract:
 - a. Sourcewell grants to Vendor a royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive right and license to use the Trademark(s) provided to Vendor by Sourcewell in advertising and promotional materials for the purpose of marketing Sourcewell's relationship with Vendor.
 - b. Vendor grants to Sourcewell a royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive right and license to use Vendor's Trademarks in advertising and promotional materials for the purpose of marketing Vendor's relationship with Sourcewell.
2. *Limited Right of Sublicense.* The right and license granted herein includes a limited right of each party to grant sublicenses to its and their respective distributors, marketing representatives, and agents (collectively "Permitted Sublicensees") in advertising and promotional materials for the purpose of marketing the Parties' relationship to Participating Entities. Any sublicense granted will be subject to the terms and conditions of this Article. Each party will be responsible for any breach of this Article by any of their respective sublicensees.
3. *Use; Quality Control.*

- a. Sourcewell must not alter Vendor's Trademarks from the form provided by Vendor and must comply with Vendor's removal requests as to specific uses of its trademarks or logos.
 - b. Vendor must not alter Sourcewell's Trademarks from the form provided by Sourcewell and must comply with Sourcewell's removal requests as to specific uses of its trademarks or logos.
 - c. Each party agrees to use, and to cause its Permitted Sublicensees to use, the other party's Trademarks only in good faith and in a dignified manner consistent with such party's use of the Trademarks. Upon written notice to the breaching party, the breaching party has 30 days of the date of the written notice to cure the breach or the license will be terminated.
4. As applicable, Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Sourcewell and its Participating Entities against any and all suits, claims, judgments, and costs instituted or recovered against Sourcewell or Participating Entities by any person on account of the use of any Equipment or Products by Sourcewell or its Participating Entities supplied by Vendor in violation of applicable patent or copyright laws.
5. *Termination.* Upon the termination of this Contract for any reason, each party, including Permitted Sublicensees, will have 30 days to remove all Trademarks from signage, websites, and the like bearing the other party's name or logo (excepting Sourcewell's pre-printed catalog of vendors which may be used until the next printing). Vendor must return all marketing and promotional materials, including signage, provided by Sourcewell, or dispose of it according to Sourcewell's written directions.

B. **PUBLICITY.** Any publicity regarding the subject matter of this Contract must not be released without prior written approval from the Authorized Representatives. Publicity includes notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Vendor individually or jointly with others, or any subcontractors, with respect to the program, publications, or services provided resulting from this Contract.

C. **MARKETING.** Any direct advertising, marketing, or offers with Participating Entities must be approved by Sourcewell. Materials should be sent to the Sourcewell Contract Administrator assigned to this Contract.

D. **ENDORSEMENT.** The Vendor must not claim that Sourcewell endorses its Equipment, Products, or Services.

14. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

Minnesota law governs this Contract. Venue for all legal proceedings out of this Contract, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state court in Todd County or federal court in Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

15. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party to this Contract will be held responsible for delay or default caused by acts of God or other conditions that are beyond that party's reasonable control. A party defaulting under this provision must provide the other party prompt written notice of the default.

16. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Contract is found to be illegal, unenforceable, or void then both Sourcewell and Vendor will be relieved of all obligations arising under such provisions. If the remainder of this Contract is capable of performance, it will not be affected by such declaration or finding and must be fully performed.

17. PERFORMANCE, DEFAULT, AND REMEDIES

A. PERFORMANCE. During the term of this Contract, the parties will monitor performance and address unresolved contract issues as follows:

1. *Notification.* The parties must promptly notify each other of any known dispute and work in good faith to resolve such dispute within a reasonable period of time. If necessary, Sourcewell and the Vendor will jointly develop a short briefing document that describes the issue(s), relevant impact, and positions of both parties.
2. *Escalation.* If parties are unable to resolve the issue in a timely manner, as specified above, either Sourcewell or Vendor may escalate the resolution of the issue to a higher level of management. The Vendor will have 30 calendar days to cure an outstanding issue.
3. *Performance while Dispute is Pending.* Notwithstanding the existence of a dispute, the Vendor must continue without delay to carry out all of its responsibilities under the Contract that are not affected by the dispute. If the Vendor fails to continue without delay to perform its responsibilities under the Contract, in the accomplishment of all undisputed work, any additional costs incurred by Sourcewell and/or its Participating Entities as a result of such failure to proceed will be borne by the Vendor.

B. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES. Either of the following constitutes cause to declare this Contract, or any Participating Entity order under this Contract, in default:

1. Nonperformance of contractual requirements, or
2. A material breach of any term or condition of this Contract.

Written notice of default and a reasonable opportunity to cure must be issued by the party claiming default. Time allowed for cure will not diminish or eliminate any liability for liquidated or other damages. If the default remains after the opportunity for cure, the non-defaulting party may:

- Exercise any remedy provided by law or equity, or
- Terminate the Contract or any portion thereof, including any orders issued against the Contract.

18. INSURANCE

A. REQUIREMENTS. At its own expense, Vendor must maintain insurance policy(ies) in effect at all times during the performance of this Contract with insurance company(ies) licensed or authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota having an "AM BEST" rating of A- or better, with coverage and limits of insurance not less than the following:

1. *Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability.*

Workers' Compensation: As required by any applicable law or regulation.

Employer's Liability Insurance: must be provided in amounts not less than listed below:

Minimum limits:

\$500,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident

\$500,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease

\$500,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease

2. *Commercial General Liability Insurance.* Vendor will maintain insurance covering its operations, with coverage on an occurrence basis, and must be subject to terms no less broad than the Insurance Services Office ("ISO") Commercial General Liability Form CG0001 (2001 or newer edition), or equivalent. At a minimum, coverage must include liability arising from premises, operations, bodily injury and property damage, independent contractors, products-completed operations including construction defect, contractual liability, blanket contractual liability, and personal injury and advertising injury. All required limits, terms and conditions of coverage must be maintained during the term of this Contract.

Minimum Limits:

\$1,000,000 each occurrence Bodily Injury and Property Damage

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury

\$2,000,000 aggregate for Products-Completed operations

\$2,000,000 general aggregate

3. *Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance.* During the term of this Contract, Vendor will maintain insurance covering all owned, hired, and non-owned automobiles in limits of liability not less than indicated below. The coverage must be subject to terms no less broad than ISO Business Auto Coverage Form CA 0001 (2010 edition or newer), or equivalent.

Minimum Limits:

\$1,000,000 each accident, combined single limit

4. *Umbrella Insurance*. During the term of this Contract, Vendor will maintain umbrella coverage over Workers' Compensation, Commercial General Liability, and Commercial Automobile.

Minimum Limits:
\$2,000,000

5. *Professional/Technical, Errors and Omissions, and/or Miscellaneous Professional Liability*. During the term of this Contract, Vendor will maintain coverage for all claims the Vendor may become legally obligated to pay resulting from any actual or alleged negligent act, error, or omission related to Vendor's professional services required under this Contract.

Minimum Limits:
\$2,000,000 per claim or event
\$2,000,000 – annual aggregate

6. *Network Security and Privacy Liability Insurance*. During the term of this Contract, Vendor will maintain coverage for network security and privacy liability. The coverage may be endorsed on another form of liability coverage or written on a standalone policy. The insurance must cover claims which may arise from failure of Vendor's security resulting in, but not limited to, computer attacks, unauthorized access, disclosure of not public data – including but not limited to, confidential or private information, transmission of a computer virus, or denial of service.

Minimum limits:
\$2,000,000 per occurrence
\$2,000,000 annual aggregate

Failure of Vendor to maintain the required insurance will constitute a material breach entitling Sourcewell to immediately terminate this Contract for default.

B. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE. Prior to commencing under this Contract, Vendor must furnish to Sourcewell a certificate of insurance, as evidence of the insurance required under this Contract. Prior to expiration of the policy(ies), renewal certificates must be mailed to Sourcewell, 202 12th Street Northeast, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479 or sent to the Sourcewell Contract Administrator assigned to this Contract. The certificates must be signed by a person authorized by the insurer(s) to bind coverage on their behalf.

Failure to request certificates of insurance by Sourcewell, or failure of Vendor to provide certificates of insurance, in no way limits or relieves Vendor of its duties and responsibilities in this Contract.

C. ADDITIONAL INSURED ENDORSEMENT AND PRIMARY AND NON-CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE CLAUSE. Vendor agrees to list Sourcewell and its Participating Entities, including their officers, agents, and employees, as an additional insured under the Vendor's commercial

general liability insurance policy with respect to liability arising out of activities, "operations," or "work" performed by or on behalf of Vendor, and products and completed operations of Vendor. The policy provision(s) or endorsement(s) must further provide that coverage is primary and not excess over or contributory with any other valid, applicable, and collectible insurance or self-insurance in force for the additional insureds.

D. **WAIVER OF SUBROGATION.** Vendor waives and must require (by endorsement or otherwise) all its insurers to waive subrogation rights against Sourcewell and other additional insureds for losses paid under the insurance policies required by this Contract or other insurance applicable to the Vendor or its subcontractors. The waiver must apply to all deductibles and/or self-insured retentions applicable to the required or any other insurance maintained by the Vendor or its subcontractors. Where permitted by law, Vendor must require similar written express waivers of subrogation and insurance clauses from each of its subcontractors.

E. **UMBRELLA/EXCESS LIABILITY/SELF-INSURED RETENTION.** The limits required by this Contract can be met by either providing a primary policy or in combination with umbrella/excess liability policy(ies), or self-insured retention.

19. COMPLIANCE

A. **LAWS AND REGULATIONS.** All Equipment, Products, or Services provided under this Contract must comply fully with applicable federal laws and regulations, and with the laws in the states and provinces in which the Equipment, Products, or Services are sold.

B. **LICENSES.** Vendor must maintain a valid and current status on all required federal, state/provincial, and local licenses, bonds, and permits required for the operation of the business that the Vendor conducts with Sourcewell and Participating Entities.

20. BANKRUPTCY, DEBARMENT, OR SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

Vendor certifies and warrants that it is not in bankruptcy or that it has previously disclosed in writing certain information to Sourcewell related to bankruptcy actions. If at any time during this Contract Vendor declares bankruptcy, Vendor must immediately notify Sourcewell in writing.

Vendor certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from programs operated by the State of Minnesota; the United States federal government or the Canadian government, as applicable; or any Participating Entity. Vendor certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals have been convicted of a criminal offense related to the subject matter of this Contract. Vendor further warrants that it will provide immediate written notice to Sourcewell if this certification changes at any time.

21. PROVISIONS FOR NON-UNITED STATES FEDERAL ENTITY PROCUREMENTS UNDER UNITED STATES FEDERAL AWARDS OR OTHER AWARDS

Participating Entities that use United States federal grant or FEMA funds to purchase goods or services from this Contract may be subject to additional requirements including the procurement standards of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. § 200. Participating Entities may also require additional requirements based on specific funding specifications. Within this Article, all references to “federal” should be interpreted to mean the United States federal government. The following list only applies when a Participating Entity accesses Vendor’s Equipment, Products, or Services with United States federal funds.

A. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.** Except as otherwise provided under 41 C.F.R. § 60, all contracts that meet the definition of “federally assisted construction contract” in 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 C.F.R. §60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 C.F.R. §, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and implementing regulations at 41 C.F.R. § 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.” The equal opportunity clause is incorporated herein by reference.

B. **DAVIS-BACON ACT, AS AMENDED (40 U.S.C. § 3141-3148).** When required by federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. § 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. § 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to 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. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. § 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, 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 non-federal entity must report

all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. Vendor must be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act provisions.

C. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT (40 U.S.C. § 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. §§ 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. § 5). Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to 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 worker is compensated 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. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. This provision is hereby incorporated by reference into this Contract. Vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Sourcewell resulting from this procurement process, Vendor must comply with applicable requirements as referenced above.

D. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT. If the federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. Vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Sourcewell resulting from this procurement process, Vendor must comply with applicable requirements as referenced above.

E. CLEAN AIR ACT (42 U.S.C. § 7401-7671Q.) AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (33 U.S.C. § 1251-1387). Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 require the non-federal award to agree to comply with 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). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Vendor certifies that during the term of this Contract will comply with applicable requirements as referenced above.

F. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689). A contract award (see 2 C.F.R. § 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 C.F.R.

§180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 C.F.R. § 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 C.F.R. § 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. Vendor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency.

G. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, AS AMENDED (31 U.S.C. § 1352). Vendors must file any required certifications. Vendors must not have used federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any 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. Vendors must disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-federal award. Vendors must file all certifications and disclosures required by, and otherwise comply with, the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. § 1352).

H. RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS. To the extent applicable, Vendor must comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Vendor further certifies that it will retain all records as required by 2 C.F.R. § 200.333 for a period of 3 years after grantees or subgrantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.

I. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT COMPLIANCE. To the extent applicable, Vendor must comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

J. BUY AMERICAN PROVISIONS COMPLIANCE. To the extent applicable, Vendor must comply with all applicable provisions of the Buy American Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy American Act must follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition.

K. ACCESS TO RECORDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.336). Vendor agrees that duly authorized representatives of a federal agency must have access to any books, documents, papers and records of Vendor that are directly pertinent to Vendor's discharge of its obligations under this Contract for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. The right also includes timely and reasonable access to Vendor's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion relating to such documents.

L. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS (2 C.F.R. § 200.322). A non-federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. § 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 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

22. CANCELLATION

Sourcewell or Vendor may cancel this Contract at any time, with or without cause, upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. However, Sourcewell may cancel this Contract immediately upon discovery of a material defect in any certification made in Vendor's Proposal. Cancellation of this Contract does not relieve either party of financial, product, or service obligations incurred or accrued prior to cancellation.

Sourcewell

The Public Group dba Public Surplus

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Specifications

Table 1: Proposer Identity & Authorized Representatives

General Instructions (applies to all Tables) Sourcewell prefers a brief but thorough response to each question. Please do not merely attach additional documents to your response without also providing a substantive response. Do not leave answers blank; mark "NA" if the question does not apply to you (preferably with an explanation).

Line Item	Question	Response *
1	Proposer Legal Name (and applicable d/b/a, if any):	The Public Group dba Public Surplus
2	Proposer Address:	Physical Address: 3520 North University Avenue Provo, Utah 84605 Mailing Address: 404 Topaz Drive Santaquin, UT 84655
3	Proposer website address:	www.publicsurplus.com
4	Proposer's Authorized Representative (name, title, address, email address & phone) (The representative must have authority to sign the "Proposer's Assurance of Compliance" on behalf of the Proposer and, in the event of award, will be expected to execute the resulting contract):	Zackary Corbett Product Manager zackaryc@Thepublicgroup.com 801-932-7000 x 153
5	Proposer's primary contact for this proposal (name, title, address, email address & phone):	Zackary Corbett Product Manager 404 Topaz Drive Santaquin, UT 84655 zackaryc@Thepublicgroup.com 801-932-7000 x 153
6	Proposer's other contacts for this proposal, if any (name, title, address, email address & phone):	N/A

Table 2: Company Information and Financial Strength

Line Item	Question	Response *
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7	Provide a brief history of your company, including your company's core values, business philosophy, and industry longevity related to the requested equipment, products or services.	<p>The Public Group, LLC, is a privately owned company with one owner, Derek MacFarland. We are pleased to respond to the request for proposal from Sourcewell for Online Auction Services and offer our solution to the auction services needed for the cooperative. We understand that the coop desires a response in providing auction services.</p> <p>The Public Group offers an acclaimed online auction application, Public Surplus, which will allow any agency to enjoy significant returns from the sale of excess property while minimizing associated costs. This application is designed to meet the unique needs of government agencies. Public Surplus is the most comprehensive and easy-to-use online auction service available.</p> <p>With over 20 years of experience in online auctions we have a proven record of providing online auction services to over 6,000 agencies including group entities, Cities, Counties, States, and School Districts. This includes numerous contracts in place in which the optional extensions have been executed until they were exhausted and required to go out to bid again. We have a very strong presence in all 50 States. We also have representatives strategically located all over the Country in 14 States in order to best support our clients.</p> <p>We focus on doing business with clients that are innovative and see the benefit of using online auctions from an economic and staffing standpoint. Our dedicated sales and support staff attend government trade shows and discuss our services and the benefit of online auctions via telephone with government clients. We do not expand our sales business beyond that which our support staff can handle. Our growth comes from providing the best customer support in the industry. Many of our new clients are word of mouth referrals that come to us from other users of our system. As the nation continues to adopt online practices for bidding and auction processes, The Public Group will continue to be the leader in the industry assisting agencies every step of the way.</p> <p>The Public Group's online auction application, Public Surplus, is completely web-driven. The only requirement any agency will need to manage for conducting an auction is to supply digital pictures of the items to be sold and upload them via a web browser. The Public Group will supply a dedicated customer support representative to provide onsite assistance with the loading of assets to the auction site if the group requires assistance.</p>	*
8	What are your company's expectations in the event of an award?	<p>In the event of an award we would expect to implement a strong rollout plan partnered with Sourcewell in order to identify customers that we could begin notifying the contract award of and working on bringing them on board to use the contract.</p> <p>We would expect to work directly with area representatives of Sourcewell to figure out which agencies would provide the best opportunity early on and we would have group meetings to best decide how to approach those agencies.</p> <p>Public Surplus would also identify current customers that we have a list of that are looking for a strong cooperative contract to join and we would reach out to them immediately upon award to start bringing them onto the contract.</p> <p>We would expect to be able to leverage the strong Sourcewell name at tradeshow, presentations and summits in order to easier bring new client onto the contract. We have worked with cooperative groups in the past and understand the value they can bring a business like ours so we would begin working on agencies to join immediately and would continue to push the contract for the duration of the contract.</p>	*
9	Demonstrate your financial strength and stability with meaningful data. This could include such items as financial statements, SEC filings, credit and bond ratings, letters of credit, and detailed reference letters. Upload supporting documents (as applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	Information about this is attached as document "Sourcewell RFP - Financial Information".	*
10	What is your US market share for the solutions that you are proposing?	About 80% of our buyers reside in the United States. The other percentage of buyers mostly come from Canada, Central America and South America.	*
11	What is your Canadian market share for the solutions that you are proposing?	About 5% of our buyers reside in the Country of Canada.	*
12	Has your business ever petitioned for bankruptcy protection? If so, explain in detail.	No we have not. We are a private company with zero debt and very little overhead costs to run our business.	*

13	How is your organization best described: is it a manufacturer, a distributor/dealer/reseller, or a service provider? Answer whichever question (either a) or b) just below) best applies to your organization. a) If your company is best described as a distributor/dealer/reseller (or similar entity), provide your written authorization to act as a distributor/dealer/reseller for the manufacturer of the products proposed in this RFP. If applicable, is your dealer network independent or company owned? b) If your company is best described as a manufacturer or service provider, describe your relationship with your sales and service force and with your dealer network in delivering the products and services proposed in this RFP. Are these individuals your employees, or the employees of a third party?	We are service provider that brings buyers to sellers or any time of equipment or surplus that needs to be sold. We do not outsource any of our products or staffing as everybody that we work with are employees in the company and receive bonuses, commission, profit sharing based on how well the company does. So our sales and customer service teams are very much invested in making sure that our clients are happy and receive the best service in the industry. We have over 100 employees and these employees do various functions to insure the auction process is as smooth as possible for our agencies. We have a sales team dedicated to getting your account setup and created specifically how you want it. We have a telephone support team that will train all of our new clients, answer incoming phone calls with questions and also make outbound phone calls to our clients for quality control. We also have a chat and e-mail support team available 24/7 to assist agencies and/or buyers that need help at any time.	*
14	If applicable, provide a detailed explanation outlining the licenses and certifications that are both required to be held, and actually held, by your organization (including third parties and subcontractors that you use) in pursuit of the business contemplated by this RFP.	We have a business license in order to perform business and transactions in all 50 states but no other licenses are required of us. Sometimes we will receive questions about an auctioneer license but because our company never takes possession of the items being sold that license is not required for our specific business model.	*
15	Provide all "Suspension or Debarment" information that has applied to your organization during the past ten years.	We do not have any suspensions or debarment.	*

Table 3: Industry Recognition & Marketplace Success

Line Item	Question	Response *	
16	Describe any relevant industry awards or recognition that your company has received in the past five years	N/A	*
17	What percentage of your sales are to the governmental sector in the past three years	Roughly 80% of our business was done selling for government sector agencies in the past 3 years.	*
18	What percentage of your sales are to the education sector in the past three years	Roughly 20% of our business was done selling for education sector agencies in the past 3 years.	*
19	List any state, provincial, or cooperative purchasing contracts that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?	We have many contracts direct with government agencies. Below is a list of the most pertinent contracts that we have used for other agencies to piggyback on: Fairfax County, VA - Around \$3million/year City of Port St. Lucie, FL - Around \$1.5million/year City of Tucson, AZ - OMNIA Partners - Around \$6.5million/year State of Connecticut - Around \$2.8million/year State of Texas - Around \$7million/year	*
20	List any GSA contracts or Standing Offers and Supply Arrangements (SOSA) that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?	We do not work in federal surplus for GSA contracts, we focus on State and Local Government business.	*

Table 4: References/Testimonials

Line Item 21. Supply reference information from three customers who are eligible to be Sourcewell participating entities.

Entity Name *	Contact Name *	Phone Number *	
City of Houston	Scott Erdo scott.erdo@houston.tx.gov	(832) 393-9781	*
City of New York	Ismael Malave ismalave@dcas.nyc.gov	(718) 416-8716	*
State of Arizona	Gary Lowe glowe@azdot.gov	(602) 712-7284	*
City of Chicago	Steve Loboda Steve.Loboda@cityofchicago.org	(312) 907-0812	
County of Orange	Bryan LeFils Bryan.LeFils@occompt.com	(407)-254-9335	

Table 5: Top Five Government or Education Customers

Line Item 22. Provide a list of your top five government, education, or non-profit customers (entity name is optional), including entity type, the state or province the entity is located in, scope of the project(s), size of transaction(s), and dollar volumes from the past three years.

Entity Name	Entity Type *	State / Province *	Scope of Work *	Size of Transactions *	Dollar Volume Past Three Years *
State of Arizona	Government	Arizona - AZ	The State of Arizona has used our services since 2011. They have two major type of surplus departments, a general services group and the DOT. They have sold millions of dollars of surplus on our system since they have used us. Their General services department at one point was using a more local auction company and the prices they received were pennies on the dollar compared to our system so now the entire State uses Public Surplus to sell their equipment.	This agency has sold over 3,700 items on our website the past 3 years.	This agency has sold \$11,182,460.02 on our website the past 3 years
State of Texas	Government	Texas - TX	We were awarded a contract with the State of Texas the end of last year. We have been working with them and have sold everything from charges to a \$1million+ airplane they needed to sell. They are very happy with our services and the contract goes for one more year.	In the past year since using our system this agency has sold over 5,000 items on our website.	In the past year of using our system this agency has sold \$9,255,162.96 on our website.
City of Houston	Government	Texas - TX	We have been providing online auction services for the City since 2004. In the past 3 years we have sold around \$7million worth of surplus on our system for them. We provide our normal auction services for them and they are one of our best agencies with selling Jewelry and type of items that could have an appraisal associated with them.	This agency has sold over 3,800 items on our website the past 3 years.	In the past 3 years of using our system this agency has sold \$7,169,746.49 on our website.
Orange County	Government	Florida - FL	The County of Orange switched over to our system from a main competitor 2 years ago because they weren't receiving ample customer support that they felt they needed. They have used us for the past year selling over \$500k and are extremely pleased with the type of prompt customer service we provide them and prices we are getting them on their auctions.	This agency has sold over 1,000 items on our website the past 2 years.	In the past 2 years of using our system this agency has sold \$2,653,738.61 on our website.
County Ventura	Government	California - CA	We put the County as a pertinent reference because they not only sell their own surplus items on our website but they actually sell items for other agencies on our website, like the City of Santa Paula. They are a big group with lots of experience using our system and listing items with many different departments and groups. They have us provide customized things for them like the ability to ship items through our system and receive corresponding reports showing them information they need.	This agency has sold over 3,000 items on our website the past 3 years.	In the past 3 years of using our system this agency has sold \$4,623,538.64 on our website.

Table 6: Ability to Sell and Deliver Service

Describe your company's capability to meet the needs of Sourcewell participating entities across the US and Canada, as applicable. Your response should address in detail at least the following areas: locations of your network of sales and service providers, the number of workers (full-time equivalents) involved in each sector, whether these workers are your direct employees (or employees of a third party), and any overlap between the sales and service functions.

Line Item	Question	Response *
23	Sales force.	<p>We have a strong sales force that will be able to push the Sourcewell contract to all potential participating agencies without any sort of issue. Below is information about our sales manager, Don Clayton, and his experience.</p> <p>Don Clayton - Sales Manager: Has 25 years working with government selling software specific solutions to Federal, State, and Local governments. He has been very instrumental in Software solutions customized to solve specific problems for government agencies like the City of Houston, The State of Texas and The State of Florida. He is in charge of overseeing the entire sales operation of our company. The decision maker on what sales rep areas are and the size of agencies each of the sales reps are able to handle. Also the first decision maker on if we will be responding to an agency RFP or not. He is in charge of monitoring phone calls and productivity of the sales staff.</p> <p>We also have 6 Area Sales Reps and 12 Sales Development Representatives located all strategically located throughout the United States.</p> <p>We will be attaching a company sales force breakdown in our uploaded document "Sourcewell Response Document".</p>
24	Dealer network or other distribution methods.	We do not work with dealers or distributors, our business model does not require that. *
25	Service force.	<p>We have a strong service force that will be able to push the support the Sourcewell contract to all potential participating agencies without any sort of issue. Below is information about our Customer Service manager, Zack Corbett, and his experience.</p> <p>Zack Corbett - Customer Service Manager: Has an MBA from the University of Massachusetts. Has 15 years of experience in business and 9 years working with Public Surplus. Zack is In charge of overseeing the overall Public Surplus system. He oversees the Customer Service and Auction Technician teams of our company. He also makes sure that the website is functioning properly from a IT standpoint, is also in charge of decisions on new website enhancements and feature building.</p> <p>Pertaining specifically to the Sourcewell, Zack will be the main point of contact for all things related to the RFP, negotiation and contract in the system. If the contract is awarded he will be the point to make sure all training, support and marketing is done correctly throughout the term of the contract. He will continue to be a main point of contact for the State throughout the term of the contract.</p> <p>We also have 5 Customer Service Reps, 5 Auction Technicians and 14 E-mail/Chat service reps to help any clients at any time of day.</p> <p>We will be attaching a company service force breakdown in our uploaded document "Sourcewell Response Document".</p>
26	Describe in detail the process and procedure of your customer service program, if applicable. Include your response-time capabilities and commitments, as well as any incentives that help your providers meet your stated service goals or promises.	<p>We provide top of the line phone, e-mail and chat support with our customer service. Each agency that uses our system is assigned a local area representative that they can reach via phone, cell phone or e-mail at any time. These service reps also make outbound calls to our current clients in order to talk with them and make sure that our service is meeting their needs.</p> <p>In addition to assigned service reps we have 24 hour chat support on our website with agents available to help clients with any questions they have. This is a very easy section to find and an example of this is found on "Sourcewell Response Document".</p> <p>Lastly, we offer on site auction technician reps that can go and actually create the auction for our clients if a client is not able to create the auctions themselves. We have a solution and service model for any agency depending on what their needs are.</p>
27	Describe your ability and willingness to provide your products and services to Sourcewell participating entities in the United States.	We are able and willing to provide our website to any agencies in the United States. We will task our sales team to speak about the Sourcewell contract in their sales calls into potent new clients. We will also task our support team to talk with current clients that are using our system to see if they have a desire to join the Sourcewell contract. *

28	Describe your ability and willingness to provide your products and services to Sourcewell participating entities in Canada.	We are able and willing to provide our website to any agencies in the Canada. Please see the response to the rollout process above for agencies in the United States which will be the same in Canada.	*
29	Identify any geographic areas of the United States or Canada that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract.	N/A. We are able to service all areas of Canada and the United States.	*
30	Identify any Sourcewell participating entity sectors (i.e., government, education, not-for-profit) that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract. Explain in detail. For example, does your company have only a regional presence, or do other cooperative purchasing contracts limit your ability to promote another contract?	N/A. We are able to service all participating entity sectors of the Sourcewell contract.	*
31	Define any specific contract requirements or restrictions that would apply to our participating entities in Hawaii and Alaska and in US Territories.	No restrictions are required in these areas.	*

Table 7: Marketing Plan

Line Item	Question	Response *	
32	Describe your marketing strategy for promoting this contract opportunity. Upload representative samples of your marketing materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	<p>As soon as the contract is awarded we will add information about the contract on our live "News" section and we will keep it up for the term of the entire contract as a piggybackable option for any agency that would like to use it.</p> <p>We will provide a specified location on our website that will show the Sourcewell agreement with all the required information above. Agencies can click on this agreement directly from our website. We will also have a specific URL page direction that can take customers through Sourcewell or see just information pertaining to our system with Sourcewell. We can agree to the terms above.</p> <p>We will also fully equip our sales and support teams with information about the Sourcewell contract so that in all of our phone calls to new clients and current clients we can speak with them about the Sourcewell contract. We will also create an e-mail marketing template that our reps can send out to all of our clients and potential clients.</p> <p>More information to be found in our uploaded "Sourcewell Response Document".</p>	*
33	Describe your use of technology and digital data (e.g., social media, metadata usage) to enhance marketing effectiveness.	<p>We allow our agencies to use Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc to connect directly with our website so when they post an auction on Public Surplus they can also post it to their own agencies social media platform. We will be showing an example of this on our uploaded document.</p> <p>In addition, we have a state of the art Buyer's APP that anybody can download on their phone and access auctions, bid on auctions and pay for auctions all from the ease of their cell phones. We do not believe any of our competitors have a buyer's application at this time.</p>	*
34	In your view, what is Sourcewell's role in promoting contracts arising out of this RFP? How will you integrate a Sourcewell-awarded contract into your sales process?	<p>Based on the structure of Sourcewell we truly like the idea that we get to speak with the end users directly about the contract. We have a sales team built to promote and sell our service and contracts so to be frank we do not expect alot of promoting from Sourcewell. The items we would expect from sourcewell would be:</p> <p>Recognition of contract with our agency on Sourcewell's website. Recognition of contract with our agency at future conferences or meetings that Sourcewell will be attending. Recognition of contract with our agency on rollout of contract, preferably an e-mail to potential clients of Sourcewell.</p>	*
35	Are your products or services available through an e-procurement ordering process? If so, describe your e-procurement system and how governmental and educational customers have used it.	No our service really isn't something that would translate to an e-procurement ordering process. Any agency can simply use our system as much or as little as the want by accessing the internet.	*

Table 8: Value-Added Attributes

Line Item	Question	Response *	

36	Describe any product, equipment, maintenance, or operator training programs that you offer to Sourcewell participating entities. Include details, such as whether training is standard or optional, who provides training, and any costs that apply.	<p>Our system is very easy to use as long as our agencies have an internet connection but we do provide remote (and in person if needed) training for clients that use our service.</p> <p>Public Surplus has all the necessary tools for the entire online auction process. We have an easy use interface that allows the agency user to create the auction, add the verbiage, images and/or videos you need as well. as including the necessary tax fees.</p> <p>The options are many, you can add the sales tax and fees, use our tool to automatically generate the information of a vehicle using its VIN number, create prequalified bidder auctions for when an agency needs to sell restricted sale items (for example, when including firearms in your auctions). You can also include several auction contacts (agency users) in the auction that will be notified of questions made by bidders, the auction status (when the release is made, when it closes, the final price). You can also create a Dutch auction, which is plural number of items that the agency needs to put in one single auction. You can set a reserve price, the opening price, and many other features that allows the agency to have an easy pathway when creating or editing an auction.</p> <p>The agency controls everything: Buyer Terms & Conditions, auction creation, auction release, payment terms, pick up terms, editions, retractions, Public Surplus will automatically notify your bidders about any changes or retractions. an agency Copy or relist an auction with just a click. Our reserve price functionality allows you to list an item for sale on Public Surplus without being obligated to sell it for a price lower than your required minimum.</p> <p>Public Surplus integrates Questions & Answers functionality right into the auction page. Multiple agency contacts can respond to questions, which can be made available to all buyers. Auction listings can include pictures, documents and forms to provide additional information to buyers. Multiple locations can be included on the auction page, providing detailed information to your buyers. This benefits the agency because it lowers storage or transportation costs as the buyer can go directly to the location the item is stored and pick it up from there. Customizations allow you to communicate key information to your winning bidders automatically.</p> <p>Many states require that public agencies maintain audit-records detailing the disposition of every surplus item. Public Surplus satisfies this requirement by maintaining complete records of all transactions on our system. The history of each item listed for auction will be saved for up to seven years. Agencies have the ability to easily obtain a printed record of this information.</p> <p>Public Surplus provides the robust website and the extensive database of buyers that allows the agency to access it through a search tool, which will display the bidder's contact information (full name, phone number, address, email address, among other), as well as useful administrative functions for the agency as a tool to block the bidder and prevent them from participating in your agency's auctions, mark them as a tax exempt, add files (for example, documents that indicate that the bidder is tax exempt), include comments, and even be able to send messages within the same application. Below is an example of this buyer screen.</p> <p>Training and customer support are provided at no cost. However, Public Surplus is so easy to learn and use that it only requires a short amount of training. We include training sessions and demonstrations to the agencies, if they need them.</p>
37	Describe any technological advances that your proposed products or services offer.	<p>We have an auction creation APP that can be used on any mobile device. It takes away the work of taking a picture with a camera (or mobile device) and then having to go back to a computer and create all the auction information. This APP allows the agency to create the entire auction directly from the mobile device and send the auction directly to the "HELD" section where the agency or our company representative can review it and then release it out for sale. We would love to show this APP more in depth in a presentation format if possible as this really is a "game-changer" in the auction industry and cuts the time in half to create auctions. Many agencies that see this option instantly switch to using our service as we can save the agency a considerable amount of time in the auction creation process. Also, if an agency ever asks our auction technician to come out and create the auctions then they will use the APP. On another note, we have a buyer's APP that makes the bidding process for buyer's more simple and easy then ever before. We pride ourselves on being a leader in technology and the buyer's and sellers that use our service benefit greatly from this. Below is a snapshot of the two APPs in the APP store. You cannot access them without a user ID in our system though.</p> <p>We are attaching a screenshot of what this looks like on our uploaded document.</p>
38	Describe any "green" initiatives that relate to your company or to your products or services, and include a list of the certifying agency for each.	<p>Because we are a fully online platform everything we do is "green". We do not require any paper and all information in the system is stored online so agencies can access whatever they need without printing off documentation. This goes from past auction data to reporting function which we show examples of in our uploaded document.</p>
39	Identify any third-party issued eco-labels, ratings or certifications that your company has received for the equipment or products included in your Proposal related to energy efficiency or conservation, life-cycle design (cradle-to-cradle), or other green/sustainability factors.	<p>We do not have any third-party issued eco-labels relevant to this requires.</p>

40	Describe any Women or Minority Business Entity (WMBE), Small Business Entity (SBE), or veteran owned business certifications that your company or hub partners have obtained. Upload documentation of certification (as applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	We do not have any certifications for WMBE, SBE OR Veteran's businesses.	*
41	What unique attributes does your company, your products, or your services offer to Sourcwell participating entities? What makes your proposed solutions unique in your industry as it applies to Sourcwell participating entities?	<p>The biggest perks of what our system offers compared to other competitors out there are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We have a state of the art mobile APP that allows agencies to create auctions on their own mobile device without using any desktop computer. This saves an enormous amount of time for agencies with the auction creation and many large agencies have switched over to us from competitors because of this. 2. Our fees are lower then any comparable online auction company in the industry. Lower fees mean more money going back to the agencies using our services. 3. Public Purchase and Public Contract products. If agencies use Public Surplus they get two of our other products, an e-procurement system and a contract management system for FREE. No other auction company can help in these other verticals but this really separates us from the competition out there. 4. Internal Reallocation Internal Reallocation is something our system offers that allows you to offer your surplus items to other departments in your agency or other affiliated agencies before it is offered as a public auction. You can select how long you would like an item listed as Internal Reallocation by selecting the number of days (between 4 and 42) from the drop down menu under Time Frame. You can set a price for the item under Internal Price. If you would like to give the item away for free they can enter zero (0.00) in the Internal Price box. If an item has not sold before the end date it will automatically be released as a current auction. Note: Contact Public Surplus agency support for assistance in sending an invite to your internal reallocation listings to others in your agency or in affiliated agencies. 	*

Table 9: Warranty

Describe in detail your manufacturer warranty program, including conditions and requirements to qualify, claims procedure, and overall structure. You may upload representative samples of your warranty materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response in addition to responding to the questions below.

Line Item	Question	Response *	
42	Do your warranties cover all products, parts, and labor?	We do not provide any materials, parts or labor for our system. We provide the website and we do warranty that our website will have a 99% uptime so that our agencies can use the system whenever they need. If we ever have scheduled downtime for maintenance we notify our customers at least 24 hours in advance.	*
43	Do your warranties impose usage restrictions or other limitations that adversely affect coverage?	No restrictions for website reliability warranty.	*
44	Do your warranties cover the expense of technicians' travel time and mileage to perform warranty repairs?	We do not provide any equipment so we do not need to provide in person technicians.	*
45	Are there any geographic regions of the United States or Canada (as applicable) for which you cannot provide a certified technician to perform warranty repairs? How will Sourcwell participating entities in these regions be provided service for warranty repair?	We do not provide any equipment so we do not need to provide in person technicians. Any technician work to be done will be done remotely over the internet.	*
46	Will you cover warranty service for items made by other manufacturers that are part of your proposal, or are these warranties issues typically passed on to the original equipment manufacturer?	We do not provide any equipment on our end so equipment failure from other manufacturers would have to be covered by them.	*
47	What are your proposed exchange and return programs and policies?	Agencies can stop using our system at any time and since w do not charge them a fee there is nothing to return to them if they decide to not list on our website again.	*
48	Describe any service contract options for the items included in your proposal.	We do provide the option to have an auction technician come on site and create auctions for our agencies if they do not have time to do the work themselves.	*

Table 10: Payment Terms and Financing Options

Line Item	Question	Response *
49	What are your payment terms (e.g., net 10, net 30)?	<p>We have multiple options for our agencies. We offer a net 7 (weekly) and net 30 (monthly).</p> <p>There are pros/cons to both options: Net 7 - Agency gets their payment sooner but if we have paid the agency their funds and they need us to issue a refund to a buyer on an auction for any reason then we are not able to refund the payment for them because they agency will have the money.</p> <p>Net 30 - Longer time to get payment but 30 day window for any refunds if the agency wants so we can issue the refund directly the buyers for the agency.</p> <p>We payout via ACH for free with either payment method. If the agency wants us to pay them out with a check instead of ACH then we do charge a 1% fee for the net 7 payment option.</p>
50	Describe any leasing or financing options available for use by educational or governmental entities.	<p>There is no need to lease or finance any equipment with our online auction platform because the only thing needed to auction the item off is a device to take pictures of items with and a computer to access the internet with.</p>
51	Briefly describe your proposed order process. Include enough detail to support your ability to report quarterly sales to Sourcewell as described in the Contract template. For example, indicate whether your dealer network is included in your response and whether each dealer (or some other entity) will process the Sourcewell participating entities' purchase orders.	<p>We do not use any dealers for payment or financing options. We are setup to automatically report, payout and provide information to Sourcewell on demand. They can download reports from our website whenever needed and in addition to that we can e-mail out reports whenever needed. More information is found in the "Sourcewell Response Document" we will upload.</p>
52	Do you accept the P-card procurement and payment process? If so, is there any additional cost to Sourcewell participating entities for using this process?	<p>We can accept P-Card procurement payment for invoicing purposes if the using agency wants to accept payment from the buyers and then pay us instead of having us accept payment from the buyers and then paying them. Agencies can access their invoices and pay them online on our website at any time. An example of what this looks like is attached on page ____ under item ____ of our response document.</p>

Table 11: Pricing and Delivery

Provide detailed pricing information in the questions that follow below. Keep in mind that reasonable price and product adjustments can be made during the term of an awarded Contract as described in the RFP, the template Contract, and the Sourcwell Price and Product Change Request Form.

Line Item	Question	Response *
53	Describe your pricing model (e.g., line-item discounts or product-category discounts). Provide detailed pricing data (including standard or list pricing and the Sourcwell discounted price) on all of the items that you want Sourcwell to consider as part of your RFP response. If applicable, provide a SKU for each item in your proposal. Upload your pricing materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	<p>Our pricing model is very simple for our agencies (and buyers) to understand. Below is a breakdown and we will also be attaching a document to the upload section.</p> <p>Auction Fee: 7% (Optional) Payment Collection Services: 3.5% (Optional) Auction Technician Services: 4% for vehicles/equipment or 8% for small value surplus.</p> <p>The agency can elect to pay these fees or pass the fees onto the buyer and have the buyer pay the fees in the form of a buyer's premium. The agency can also split the fees between themselves and the buyer if they would prefer to do that.</p>
54	Quantify the pricing discount represented by the pricing proposal in this response. For example, if the pricing in your response represents a percentage discount from MSRP or list, state the percentage or percentage range.	n/a
55	Describe any quantity or volume discounts or rebate programs that you offer.	<p>We will provide Sourcwell a 10% Rebate on all revenue we make from agencies using this contract.</p> <p>We also provide volume discounts on a sliding scale. On items over \$100,000 we offer a 6% auction fee instead of 7%. On items over \$500,000 we offer a 5% auction fee instead of 7%.</p> <p>If an agency is going to sell a piece of real estate on our website then we only charge 5% instead of our regular 7%.</p>
56	Propose a method of facilitating "sourced" products or related services, which may be referred to as "open market" items or "nonstandard options". For example, you may supply such items "at cost" or "at cost plus a percentage," or you may supply a quote for each such request.	<p>The biggest nonstandard option we offer is use of our Full Auction Technician Service.</p> <p>With this service we will actually send a representative out to your location to create the auctions for you. We will post the items on the website, handle the questions and help arrange times for buyer's to pickup the items.</p> <p>Most agencies prefer to handle this process themselves but if an agency doesn't have the time or staffing to do this then they can have us take on this serve for a fee of 4% on vehicles/equipment and 8% on low value surplus.</p>
57	Identify any element of the total cost of acquisition that is NOT included in the pricing submitted with your response. This includes all additional charges associated with a purchase that are not directly identified as freight or shipping charges. For example, list costs for items like pre-delivery inspection, installation, set up, mandatory training, or initial inspection. Identify any parties that impose such costs and their relationship to the Proposer.	There are no additional costs for our system outside of our standard auction fee and then optional services of payment collections and auction technician.
58	If freight, delivery, or shipping is an additional cost to the Sourcwell participating entity, describe in detail the complete freight, shipping, and delivery program.	We do not provide freight, shipping or delivery services. We encourage our agencies to require the buyer to pickup the items on site or have the buyer work with a transporter to remove the items and the buyer pay for that directly.
59	Specifically describe freight, shipping, and delivery terms or programs available for Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, or any offshore delivery.	We do not provide freight, shipping or delivery services. We encourage our agencies to require the buyer to pickup the items on site or have the buyer work with a transporter to remove the items and the buyer pay for that directly.
60	Describe any unique distribution and/or delivery methods or options offered in your proposal.	n/a

Table 12: Pricing Offered

Line Item	The Pricing Offered in this Proposal is: *	Comments
61	b. the same as the Proposer typically offers to GPOs, cooperative procurement organizations, or state purchasing departments.	

Table 13: Audit and Administrative Fee

Line Item	Question	Response *
62	Specifically describe any self-audit process or program that you plan to employ to verify compliance with your proposed Contract with Sourcwell. This process includes ensuring that Sourcwell participating entities obtain the proper pricing, that the Vendor reports all sales under the Contract each quarter, and that the Vendor remits the proper administrative fee to Sourcwell.	<p>We have an automated system that tracks, reports and pays out cooperative group contracts. Within our system we will create Sourcwell as an agency and we will add any agencies as a part of your account that wish to join the contract.</p> <p>Sourcwell will then be able to quickly see any agencies that are part of the contract and will also be able to pull reports from our website at any time that shows total sales and rebate amount to be paid back to Sourcwell. We can also e-mail out these reports it needed.</p> <p>An example of what these reports look like can be found on our attached proposal document on page ___ under item _____. You can also download these reports into an excel file or PDF file if needed.</p>
63	Identify a proposed administrative fee that you will pay to Sourcwell for facilitating, managing, and promoting the Sourcwell Contract in the event that you are awarded a Contract. This fee is typically calculated as a percentage of Vendor's sales under the Contract or as a per-unit fee; it is not a line-item addition to the Member's cost of goods. (See the RFP and template Contract for additional details.)	<p>We offer a 10% rebate on all sales revenue our company makes from agencies selling on this contract.</p> <p>For example: If an agency sell \$1,000,000 and we charge a 7% fee, our company will make \$70,000. We will then rebate Sourcwell 10% on that amount which would be \$7,000. We can pay out this rebate Quarterly or Annually depending on what Sourcwell would prefer.</p>

Table 14A: Depth and Breadth of Offered Equipment Products and Services

Line Item	Question	Response *
64	Provide a detailed description of the equipment, products, and services that you are offering in your proposal.	We are going to upload a separate document for this truly breaking down what we offer. The document is titled "Sourcwell RFP - Description".
65	Within this RFP category there may be subcategories of solutions. List subcategory titles that best describe your products and services.	E-procurement, Contract Management, Auction Services, Surplus Disposal.

Table 14B: Depth and Breadth of Offered Equipment Products and Services

Indicate below if the listed types or classes of equipment, products, and services are offered within your proposal. Provide additional comments in the text box provided, as necessary.

Line Item	Category or Type	Offered *	Comments
66	Online auction services	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Our system is 100% online and we allow any Government agency to sell on our website. They can sell at their own convenience and can sell from any computer or mobile device.
67	On site live auction services	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	N/A
68	Live streaming auctions	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	N/A
69	Auction-related services	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	We provide on-site auction technicians to come out and create the auctions for agencies that elect to use this service.

Table 15: Industry Specific Questions

Line Item	Question	Response *
69	If you are awarded a contract, provide a few examples of internal metrics that will be tracked to measure whether you are having success with the contract.	<p>For our internal metrics we measure the following items when it comes cooperative contracts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many agencies are using it? 2. How many agencies are aware of the cooperative group we are working with and why would they NOT join it if they are not piggybacking the contract? 3. How much sales revenue are we receiving from agency on the contract? <p>We would never cancel a cooperative contract for under performance but those are the metrics we use to decide on a renewal or not.</p>
70	Describe your roles and responsibilities for each service you are proposing.	<p>We have outlined our standard plan—which includes what is needed from the agency and from our staff. These roles vary and are subject to change as needed and will encompass training staff if necessary on security, problem identification and problem resolution.</p> <p>The Public Group's Role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Provide onsite or online auction training as needed to ensure the agency is comfortable as possible with the system. -Provide the buyers an easy-to-use system to bid on the items and provide all customer support for buyers as they attempt to bid on agency's items. -Provide an auction extension feature and marketing of items that will ensure we make more money for the agency than any other auction avenue available. -Provide a system that will make sure our buyers are qualified bidders and perform functions like a bid deposit that will keep buyer's accountable on the transactions they purchase. -Provide a payment collection service that will handle all payments from buyers on an agency's auction and remit the payment back to the agency on a Net30 cycle. -Provide constant improvements to the website that make the auction process easier for agency's and implement ideas that agency's may bring forth on their unique account. -Assist the agency with advertising items in their local newspaper as well as providing a logo link to bring more traffic to the agency's auctions. -Provide all website security measures and protocols to meet the rules and regulations that are needed during the government auction process. -Provide all report and audit functions that government agencies need including customizable reports they can access whenever needed. -Provide all customer support items an agency may need such as online chat, help tabs and a dedicated customer support representative. <p>Buyer's Role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Register on our website and meet all of our qualification processes in order to be a user in our system. -Place bid or proxy bid on an item that will exceed the agency's reserve price and complete the bid deposit process. -Provide adequate and approved payment of items within 5 business days after the auction closes.
71	Describe the agency's roles and responsibilities for each service you are proposing.	<p>Agency's Role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Setup users in the The Public Group's system that will have the permissions to create auctions and manage the auction system. -Provide pictures and descriptions of items that need to be sold. These description items include condition of item and VIN, hours or mileage if applicable. -Provide a location for buyers to be able to pick the items up. There can be multiple locations within an agencies account if needed. -Provide an auction contact person that will be available to view and answer any questions a buyer may ask about the item. -Provide the buyers with a pickup time for them to come and remove the property from the agency's location in a timely manner. -Provide the transfer of titles if needed on vehicle items.
72	Describe your process of assessing market value of the items to be auctioned (where applicable).	<p>With a platform like ours with hundreds of thousands of buyers the market really dictates what the value of an item is. If we receive multiple bidders on an auction then we generally feel solid about the price received. However, we also use certain tools like Kelly Blue Book and NADA to determine follow of rolling stock items.</p>

Table 16: Exceptions to Terms, Conditions, or Specifications Form

Line Item 73. NOTICE: To identify any exception, or to request any modification, to the Sourcewell template Contract terms, conditions, or specifications, a Proposer must submit the exception or requested modification on the **Exceptions to Terms, Conditions, or Specifications Form** immediately below. The contract section, the specific text addressed by the exception or requested modification, and the proposed modification must be identified in detail. Proposer's exceptions and proposed modifications are subject to review and approval of Sourcewell and will not automatically be included in the contract.

Contract Section	Term, Condition, or Specification	Exception or Proposed Modification

Proposer's Affidavit

PROPOSER AFFIDAVIT AND ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

I certify that I am the authorized representative of the Proposer submitting the foregoing Proposal with the legal authority to bind the Proposer to this Affidavit and Assurance of Compliance:

1. The Proposer is submitting this Proposal under its full and complete legal name, and the Proposer legally exists in good standing in the jurisdiction of its residence.
2. The Proposer warrants that the information provided in this Proposal is true, correct, and reliable for purposes of evaluation for contract award.
3. The Proposer, including any person assisting with the creation of this Proposal, has arrived at this Proposal independently and the Proposal has been created without colluding with any other person, company, or parties that have or will submit a proposal under this solicitation; and the Proposal has in all respects been created fairly without any fraud or dishonesty. The Proposer has not directly or indirectly entered into any agreement or arrangement with any person or business in an effort to influence any part of this solicitation or operations of a resulting contract; and the Proposer has not taken any action in restraint of free trade or competitiveness in connection with this solicitation. Additionally, if Proposer has worked with a consultant on the Proposal, the consultant (an individual or a company) has not assisted any other entity that has submitted or will submit a proposal for this solicitation.
4. To the best of its knowledge and belief, and except as otherwise disclosed in the Proposal, there are no relevant facts or circumstances which could give rise to an organizational conflict of interest. An organizational conflict of interest exists when a vendor has an unfair competitive advantage or the vendor's objectivity in performing the contract is, or might be, impaired.
5. The contents of the Proposal have not been communicated by the Proposer or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or legally authorized agent of the Proposer and will not be communicated to any such persons prior to Due Date of this solicitation.
6. If awarded a contract, the Proposer will provide to Sourcewell Participating Entities the equipment, products, and services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and scope of a resulting contract.
7. The Proposer possesses, or will possess before delivering any equipment, products, or services, all applicable licenses or certifications necessary to deliver such equipment, products, or services under any resulting contract.
8. The Proposer agrees to deliver equipment, products, and services through valid contracts, purchase orders, or means that are acceptable to Sourcewell Members. Unless otherwise agreed to, the Proposer must provide only new and first-quality products and related services to Sourcewell Members under an awarded Contract.
9. The Proposer will comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state, and local laws, regulations, rules, and orders.
10. The Proposer understands that Sourcewell will reject RFP proposals that are marked "confidential" (or "nonpublic," etc.), either substantially or in their entirety. Under Minnesota Statutes Section 13.591, subdivision 4, all proposals are considered nonpublic data until the evaluation is complete and a Contract is awarded. At that point, proposals become public data. Minnesota Statutes Section 13.37 permits only certain narrowly defined data to be considered a "trade secret," and thus nonpublic data under Minnesota's Data Practices Act.
11. Proposer its employees, agents, and subcontractors are not:
 - a. Included on the "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons" list maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury found at: <https://www.treasury.gov/ofac/downloads/sdnlist.pdf>;
 - b. Included on the government-wide exclusions lists in the United States System for Award Management found at: <https://sam.gov/SAM/>; or
 - c. Presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from programs operated

by the State of Minnesota; the United States federal government or the Canadian government, as applicable; or any Participating Entity. Vendor certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals have been convicted of a criminal offense related to the subject matter of this solicitation.

By checking this box I acknowledge that I am bound by the terms of the Proposer's Affidavit, have the legal authority to submit this Proposal on behalf of the Proposer, and that this electronic acknowledgment has the same legal effect, validity, and enforceability as if I had hand signed the Proposal. This signature will not be denied such legal effect, validity, or enforceability solely because an electronic signature or electronic record was used in its formation. - Zackary Corbett, Product Manager, The Public Group

The Proposer declares that there is an actual or potential Conflict of Interest relating to the preparation of its submission, and/or the Proposer foresees an actual or potential Conflict of Interest in performing the contractual obligations contemplated in the bid.

Yes No

The Bidder acknowledges and agrees that the addendum/addenda below form part of the Bid Document.

Check the box in the column "I have reviewed this addendum" below to acknowledge each of the addenda.

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