U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEST VALUE BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT GSA FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE

In the spirit of Acquisition streamlining, the U.S. Energy Research, Inc. of TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (GSA) Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) Contract(s)

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION and enter into an agreement to facilitate the acquisition from the General Service Administration

(S) GS-23F-0110M

Federal Supply Schedule contract BPAs reduce contracting and open market costs such as: search for sources, the development of technical documents, solicitations and the evaluation of bids and offers. Teaming Arrangements are permitted with Federal Supply Schedule BPA holders in accordance with the terms of their GSA contracts.

The parties agree that the Terms and Conditions set forth in the above referenced GSA FSS contract(s), this BPA and those set forth in the individual task order shall govern performance on that order. In no event will the Terms and Conditions set forth in either this BPA or the individual order be construed as changing the scope of the GSA FSS Contract(s) set forth above.

Signatures:

Contracting Officer

DATE

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

PA/Team Leader

DATE

Title

Energy Research, Inc.

Company Name

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Pursuant to General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) contract number(s) GS-23F-0110M ("Contract(s)"), a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) is hereby established between Energy Research, Inc. and the U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION under the terms and conditions of the above stated contract(s) and the following terms and conditions incorporated in this BPA:

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Primary Point of Contact:	Energy Research, Inc.				
(Provide complete name, title, corporate address, electronic	Mohsen Khatib-Rahbar				
mail address and phone number)	6167 Executive BLVD				
	Rockville , MD 20852				
	Phone: 301-881-0866				
Alternate Point of Contact:					
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Are you a Small Business under NAIC Code 5413	30 (FAR PART 19.102)? YES x NO				
Are you a Small Business Administration (SBA) ce	ertified Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)	YES NO x			
Are you a Woman-Owned Business? YES NO	X	-			
CAGE CODE: 3J6B7 DUNS NUMBER: 621211259 TIN:					
Cognizant DCAA Office (Include complete address):		- ·			

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(other auditing activity may be listed)				
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AUTHORITY

This BPA is entered into pursuant to the terms of the BPA holder's FSS contract and FAR 8.404(b) (4).

DESCRIPTION OF AGREEMENT

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Under this agreement, the BPA holder shall provide Technical Assistance. The above services and/or supplies shall be provided when ordered by an authorized Contracting Officer during the specified period stated in the paragraph titled "Term of BPA". This BPA is for support to U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (including geographically separated units and operating locations) only.

SERVICES AND/OR SUPPLIES AVAILABLE UNDER THIS BPA

Attachment A "STATEMENT OF WORK" details all services and/or supplies, with accompanying rates and category descriptions, which may be ordered under this BPA.

BASE Y	'EAR; 10/01/2007 – 0	9/30/2008			
CLIN	LABOR CATEGORY	EST. HOURS	BASE RATE 10/01/07 – 12/31/07	BASE RATE 01/01/08 - 09/30/08	ESTIMATE (BLENDED RATE X HOURS) LABOR
001	Executive				\$87,242.00
002	Executive Engineer/ Scientist				\$66,508.00
003	Senior Engineer/ Scientist				\$72,409.00
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004	Travel		Not to Exceed (NTE)		\$13,860.00
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005a	Other Direct Cost (Copies)	pages			\$600.00
005b**	Other Direct Cost (Phone & Courier)		Actual Cost	Actual Cost	\$200.00
			ESTIMATED TOTAL		\$240,819.50

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OPTION	YEAR1; 10/01/2008	- 09/30/20	09		
CLIN	LABOR CATEGORY	EST. HOURS	BASE RATE 10/01/07 – 12/31/07	BASE RATE 01/01/08 09/30/08	ESTIMATE (BLENDED RATE X HOURS) LABOR
006	Executive				\$90,553.50
007	Executive Engineer/ Scientist				\$69,190.00
008	Senior Engineer/ Scientist				\$75,069.00
009	Travel		Not to Exceed (NTE)		\$8,560.00
010a	Other Direct Cost (Copies)				\$600.00
011b**	Other Direct Cost (Phone & Courier)				\$200.00
			ESTIMATED TOTAL		\$244,172.50

OPTION	YEAR 2; 10/01/2009	- 09/30/20	010		
CLIN	LABOR CATEGORY	EST. HOURS	BASE RATE 10/01/07 – 12/31/07	BASE RATE 01/01/08 - 09/30/08	ESTIMATE (BLENDED RATE X HOURS) LABOR
012	Executive				\$93,724.50
013	Executive Engineer/ Scientist				\$71,610.00
014	Senior Engineer/ Scientist				\$77,692.50
015	Travel		Not to Exceed (NTE)		\$10,190.00
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016a	Other Direct Cost (Copies)				\$600.00
016b**	Other Direct Cost (Phone & Courier)				\$200.00
			ESTIMATED TOTAL		\$254,017.00

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(b) ** These items are Open Market and do not apply to the Federal Supply Schedule Terms and Conditions. These items must comply with the following clauses incorporated by reference:

	NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
REFERENCE	FAR 52.212-4	CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS COMMERCIAL ITEMS	MARCH 2001
REFERENCE	FAR 52.215-5	CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS - COMMERCIAL ITEM	MARCH 2001 S

TITLE: Technical Assistance for Probabilistic Risk Assessment and Severe Accident Review of Design Certification (DC) and Combined License (COL), Applications

1. BACKGROUND

The Office of New Reactors (NRO) serves the public interest by enabling the safe, secure, and environmentally responsible use of nuclear power in meeting the nation's future energy needs. It is responsible for accomplishing key components of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's nuclear reactor safety mission for new reactor facilities licensed in accordance with 10 CFR Part 52. As such, NRO is responsible for regulatory activities in the primary program areas of siting, licensing and oversight for new commercial nuclear power reactors, to protect the public health, safety, and the environment and to promote the common defense and security.

The Division of Safety Systems and Risk Assessment (DSRA) performs systems-related safety evaluations of applications for new facilities or designs and provides technical support and expertise for special projects, programs, and policy activities. It reviews and evaluates design-basis and severe accident issues as they relate to advanced plant designs and combined licenses, and develops and implements policies and guidance for the use of probabilistic risk assessments (PRA) and associated analyses in regulatory decision making for new reactors. It also applies risk informed methods to support resolution of regulatory issues, reviews PRA submittals and severe accident design features related to the certification and licensing of advanced designs and provides risk assessment support in areas of plant security and utility actions to reduce potential vulnerabilities.

Within DSRA, the PRA Licensing, Operations Support & Maintenance branches develop and implements policies and guidance for the use of probabilistic risk assessments (PRA) and associated analyses in regulatory decision making for new reactors, such as the ABWR and ESBWR designs. They apply risk-informed methods to support resolution of regulatory issues, review PRA submittals and severe accident design features related to the certification and licensing of advanced designs, provide risk assessment support in the areas of plant security and utility actions to reduce potential vulnerabilities, and support risk-informed oversight of operations and maintenance activities for new reactors.

2. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this contract is to obtain expert technical assistance to support and assist the DSRA staff in accomplishing its work-related activities aimed at ensuring the overall safety and adequacy of nuclear power plant design. This is to be carried out by performing independent evaluations of the completeness and technical adequacy of PRAs prepared to support design certification and COL submittals, and assisting in carrying out deterministic severe accident evaluations.

3. TECHNICAL PROGRAM AREAS

NEW REACTOR LICENSING

Provide technical assistance to the NRO Probabilistic Risk Assessment staff in its review of design certification and COL submittals.

4. WORK REQUIREMENTS

The contractor shall furnish the staff, materials, and facilities necessary to provide services ordered by the NRC under individual task orders which will specify the scope of work, schedule, deliverables, contractor expertise required, period of performance, etc.

The following are typical types of work that may be assigned as a task order.

(1) Completion of the review of initial PRA and severe accident evaluations;

The contractor shall perform a review of the applicant's Level 2 and (if available) Level 3 PRA and deterministic severe accident evaluations. The focus of the review will be on: establishing that the technical quality of the PRA is commensurate with the PRA application; developing insights into severe accident progression and phenomenology, containment performance, and important risk contributors and design features; and identifying any structures systems or components (SSCs) that should be subject to additional regulatory controls (i.e., ITAAC, RTNSS, or COL action items).

- (2) Preparation of additional RAIs, with accompanying draft technical evaluation report (TER) sections, describing the technical issue and how the requested information supports issue closure:
- (3) Review of supplemental submittals and RAI responses. The contractor shall review the applicant's responses to all issues raised during the review of the PRA. Any additional information needed to resolve any remaining technical concerns shall be identified by the contractor, and provided to the NRC in the form of an RAI for follow-up discussion with the applicant. The contractor shall support further interactions with the applicant, as appropriate, to ensure that the issues are well understood and to arrive at an acceptable path to resolution; and
- (4) Preparation of written evaluations for each review topic in a form that can be readily incorporated into an NRC staff safety evaluation report (SER). The contractor shall document the results of the evaluation with possible open items in a draft TER. The TER will consist of written evaluations for each review topic in a form that can be incorporated into an NRC staff safety evaluation report (SER) with minimal changes.

Although the emphasis of the review is on internal events while at-power, the review scope also includes an applicant's treatment of risk assessments for external events and events during shutdown.

It is expected that during the course of the review the Contractor will participate in technical meetings between NRR and RES staff concerning severe accident evaluations and analyses, and in technical meetings and conference calls between NRC and Applicant staff. As necessary, the Contractor will also provide presentations to the Advisory Committee for Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), Commission, and industry groups, and/or support to the NRC staff in preparing such presentations.

5. MEETINGS AND TRAVEL

Each task order will specify any required meetings or travel to nuclear power plant sites throughout the United States; NRC offices in Rockville, Maryland; NRC regional offices; and any other location required for performance of the work detailed in the task order statement of work.

Prior to any trip taken during the period of performance under this contract, the Contractor shall obtain approval from the NRC Contracting Officer. No foreign travel is anticipated as part of this contract.

NOTE: For purposes of preparing a proposal, the contractor shall assume that the regions of the country listed below will be visited at the frequency stated per year of contract performance.

Year One

2 one-person, one-day trips to NRC HQ

0 two-person, five-day trips to the West Coast

1 two-person, five-day trips to the Mid-West

2 two-person, five-day trips to the South-East

1 two-person, five-day trips to the North

Year Two

2 one-person, one-day trips to NRC HQ

0 one-person, five-day trips to the West Coast

1 one-person, five-day trips to the Mid-West

3 one-person, five-day trips to the South-East

1 one-person, five-day trips to the North

Year Three

2 one-person, one-day trips to NRC HQ

0 one-person, five-day trips to the West Coast

1 one-person, five-day trips to the Mid-West

4 one-person, five-day trips to the South-East

1 one-person, five-day trips to the North

6. TECHNICAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Technical reporting requirements will be specified in each task order Statement of Work. Some reports may be submitted in the form of computer files or on computer diskettes.

Technical reporting requirements and other deliverables will consist of identifying to whom the report is addressed, who should be on distribution, and how many copies each addressee should receive.

The format and content of each report will be specified. The report should reference the contract number, the Job Code Number (JCN), the task order assignment number, and the Technical Assignment Control (TAC) or inspection report number, as applicable. Other sections such as "Abstract," "Executive summary," "References," and any appendices will be specified.

If draft reports are required, the number of drafts expected will be stated.

If proprietary or other sensitive information will be included in the report, the means of handling this information will be specified.

Presentations or publication in the open literature of papers or data based on reports already approved for publication by NRC as final reports do not require NRC approval. Conversely, any document containing pre-decisional or draft material must be approved by NRC prior to release. Management Directive 3.7 provides further information. Requests for NRC approval for other

than approved reports are to be forwarded to the Project Officer for coordination and the NRC Contracting Officer for approval.

The report types are as follows:

6.1 TECHNICAL EVALUATION REPORT (TER)

Requests for this type of report are made when a formal report is required but the distribution is limited. In NRO, a TER is usually associated with "Licensing Actions" where a staff safety evaluation report (SER) will incorporate the TER by reference.

6.2 NUREG/CR REPORT

This is the most formal Contractor report and is requested when there is significant and important compilation of information and wide distribution of the report as a stand-alone document is required, and when the staff believes the document will be referenced frequently. NUREG/CR reports require the completion/execution of an NRC Form 426A, to be completed by the Contractor and sent to the Project Manager for processing. For further information, refer to Management Directive 3.7.

6.3 TRIP REPORT

In general, every trip for which results are not directly incorporated into either of the above two types of reports, except for inspections (see paragraph below), should be documented in a short, concise trip report.

6.4 TECHNICAL LETTER REPORT

All other reports and documents and other information (e.g., requests for additional information (RAIs), computer software, inspection report inputs) due to be delivered by the Contractor under the contract that do not fall under the other types of reports listed above are transmitted under the cover of a "Technical Letter Report."

7. PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS

7.1 PROJECT MANAGER

The Contractor shall provide a responsible Project Manager, who shall possess, at a minimum, a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering. This individual shall also be listed among the key personnel under the contract. The Contractor's Project Manager shall have the following responsibilities:

- 1. Oversight responsibility for all task orders placed under any resultant contract;
- 2. oversight responsibility for the efforts of any Contractor team that is assembled for each task order placed under any resultant contract;
- 3. perform other project management duties that are necessary for the successful completion of task orders and overall contract requirements; and
- 4. ensure the quality of deliverables so that all information and data are accurate and complete in accordance with the Statement of Work for each task order.

7.2 PERSONNEL

The contractor shall provide specialists with expertise and experience in the following areas:

- (a) development and peer review of PRAs and deterministic severe accident evaluations, including treatment of internal and external events during at-power and shutdown conditions;
- (b) BWR and PWR plant systems, including the design and functional performance of passive systems, containment systems, and severe accident features;
- (c) thermal-hydraulic, severe accident progression, and offsite consequence analyses, including familiarity with the MAAP, MELCOR, CONTAIN, and MACCS2 computer codes;
- (d) specialized techniques for treatment and quantification of severe accident phenomena (e.g., ROAAM);
- (e) PRA quality standards and the use of PRA methodologies and results in commercial nuclear reactor applications; and
- (f) NRC regulations, technical specifications, and inspections related to commercial nuclear power plant operations.

It is the responsibility of the contractor to assign technical staff, employees, subcontractors, or specialists who have the required educational background, experience, or combination thereof to meet both the technical and regulatory objectives of the work specified in each task order. The NRC will rely on representations made by the contractor concerning the qualifications of the personnel assigned to each task order including assurance that all information contained in the technical and cost proposal, including resumes, is accurate and truthful.

The use of key personnel and any proposed change to key personnel on this task order contract is subject to the NRC Contracting Officer's approval. This includes proposed use of principal persons (i.e., key contributors) during the life of the contract.

7.3 REQUIRED TECHNICAL DISCIPLINES AND OTHER SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL AREAS

Engineering and Scientific Disciplines Required:

Mechanical Systems Reactor Systems Severe Accident Progression Nuclear Systems Risk and Reliability Containment Systems

Specialized Technical Areas Risk and Reliability Assessment Accident Analysis

8. NRC FURNISHED MATERIALS

Any documents or information provided by NRC that are required for performance of work will be identified in each task order.

9. LICENSE FEE

Plant specific licensing actions are fee recoverable under 10 CFR Parts 170 and 171. Each task order will state whether or not the work is license fee recoverable. The license fee recovery status report must be on a separate page in the format below as part of the Financial Status Report and Technical Progress Report.

There should be only one License Fee Recovery Cost Status (LFRCS) table per contract each month. Unit numbers, for example, Beaver Valley 2, should be identified for each facility included in each table, the facilities should be sorted by docket number, and costs should be reported as whole numbers rounded to the nearest dollar. For work that involves more than one unit at the same site, each unit should be listed separately and the costs should be split appropriately between the units. Common costs, as defined below, must be identified separately in the LFRCS table each month and must be divided among all plants worked on under the program during the month. The total of the period costs reported in the LFRCS table should equal the total of the period costs reported in the Financial Status report. In the event the totals of the costs reported in these two tables are not equal, an explanation for the variance should be given as a footnote to the LFRCS table.

"Common costs" are those costs associated with the performance of an overall program that benefit all similar licensees covered under that program or that are required to satisfactorily carry out the program. Common costs include costs associated with the following: preparatory or startup efforts to interpret and reach agreement on methodology, approach, acceptance criteria, regulatory position, or technical reporting requirements; efforts associated with the lead-plant concept that might be involved during the first one or two plant reviews; meetings and discussions involving the above efforts to provide orientation, background knowledge, or guidance during the course of a program; any technical effort applied to a category of plants; and project management.

9.1 LICENSE FEE RECOVERY COST STATUS

Task Order	Facility Name	Docket	Identification	Costs	
Number	and Unit	Number	(TAC) Number	Period	Cumulative

Common Costs

_No license fee recoverable costs were incurred during the reporting period.

10. OTHER NRC TRACKING INFORMATION

JCNs: To be assigned with each task order

B&R Numbers: To be assigned with each task order Docket Numbers: To be assigned to each task order

TAC Numbers: To be assigned to each task order

Project Officer (PO): To be assigned

Technical Monitors (TM): To be assigned to each task order

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PREVAILING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All orders placed against this BPA are subject to the terms and conditions of the GSA FSS Contract and all clauses and provisions in full text or incorporated by reference herein:

A.1 CONSIDERATION AND OBLIGATION-TASK ORDERS

BASE YEAR:

10/01/2007 - 09/30/2008

- (a) The Maximum Ordering Limitation (MOL) for products and services ordered, delivered and accepted under this contract is \$240,819.50. The Contracting Officer may place orders with the contractor during the contract period provided the aggregate amount of such orders does not exceed the MOL.
 - (b) The guaranteed minimum obligated by the Government under this contract is \$(Task Order No. 1).

OPTION YEAR 1 10/01/2008 – 09/30/2009

(c) The Maximum Ordering Limitation (MOL) for products and services ordered, delivered and accepted under this contract may be increased by \$244,172.50 for OPTION YEAR 1. The Contracting Officer may place orders with the contractor during the contract period provided the aggregate amount of such orders does not exceed the MOL.

OPTION YEAR 2 10/01/2009 – 09/30/2010

- (d) The Maximum Ordering Limitation (MOL) for products and services ordered, delivered and accepted under this contract may be increased by \$254,017.00 for OPTION YEAR 2. The Contracting Officer may place orders with the contractor during the contract period provided the aggregate amount of such orders does not exceed the MOL.
- (e) A total estimated cost will be negotiated for each task order and will be incorporated as a ceiling in the resultant task order. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of 52.232-20 Limitation of Cost for fully funded task orders and 52.232-22 Limitation of Funds for incrementally funded task orders, issued hereunder.

A.2 SEGREGATION OF COSTS

- a. The "Payments under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts" clause provides for reimbursement to the contractor of costs incurred for certain items and services purchased directly for the contract, subject to certain limitations set forth in the clause. Such items may include the lease/purchase of equipment, travel expenses for Government- directed travel, consumable materials, tuition and registration fees for specialized training, and other services or items acquired for the Government's account under the Government Property clause. The items and services which the BPA holder is authorized to purchase on a cost- reimbursement basis shall be limited to only those specific items and services described in the order(s) issued to the BPA holder as authorized for purchase.
- b. The BPA holder shall segregate costs associated with materials and other items authorized to be purchased on a cost-reimbursement basis (to be specified in each order) from other costs associated with the performance of this contract in such a manner that at any time the costs subject to reimbursement under each order shall be readily ascertainable.
- c. The "Ceiling Price" referred to in the "Payments under Time and Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts" clause shall be the ceiling price as stated in each order.

A.3 TASK ORDERS

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- a. The BPA holder shall furnish all the necessary qualified personnel, materials, facilities and management resources to furnish the services set forth in the Statement of Objectives (SOO) or the Performance Work Statement (PWS) within the terms specified and at the price(s) stated.
- b. It is understood and agreed that the BPA holder shall provided Fixed-Price proposals when requested by the Contracting Officer (CO). The contractor's proposal shall be priced using labor rates and labor categories here in provided. The CO will issue Fixed Priced Task Orders upon completion of negotiations of contractor proposals.

A.4 LABOR HOUR ORDERS

- a. It is intended that the majority of orders issued for performance under this BPA will be Fixed-Priced Task Orders. However, on occasion Labor Hour Task Orders may be issued. This section applies to such orders only.
- b. The BPA holder shall furnish all the necessary qualified personnel, materials, facilities and management resources to furnish the services set forth in the Statement of Objectives (SOO) or the Performance Work Statement (PWS) within the terms specified and at the price(s) stated. All orders will be issued and modified at the labor rates in effect at the time the work is performed.
- c. It is understood and agreed that the BPA holder shall use in the performance of the contract, the labor categories and hours specified in each order.
- d. The labor categories and hours specified in each order represent the current best estimate of the services to be performed. To enhance flexibility and to allow the BPA holder to determine the optimum labor mix for the order the BPA holder may without notice to the Government, increase or decrease the number of hours for each category specified in the individual order by no more than n/a%. These adjustments are allowable only to the extent that the ceiling price and the total number of hours of the labor CLIN(s) are not exceeded. The BPA holder will not be paid more than the ceiling price of any individual order.
- e. Government Reimbursement of BPA holder-Incurred Training Costs in Support of Mission-Unique U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Requirements. BPA holder personnel are required to possess all the skills necessary to support at least the minimum requirements of the Performance Work Statement (PWS) tasking for the labor category under which they are performing. Training to meet such minimum requirements must be provided by the BPA holder and is included in the fixed price labor rates. In situations where the "Government User" being supported by an order under the basic contract requires some "unique" level of support beyond the minimum requirements of the PWS because of program/mission-unique needs, then the BPA holder may directly charge the Task order (in the same manner as one might charge work-related TDY expenses) in order to obtain the unique training required for successful support if authorized in the order. Such education/training might be provided by Government entities or by "third party" private entities such as companies who specialize in providing professional or specialized training/education seminars/classes. Direct labor expenses, and travel related expenses allowable under the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), may be allowed to be billed on a cost reimbursement basis. Tuition/Registration/Book fees (costs) that may be applicable to an individual course/seminar may be recoverable as a direct cost if specifically authorized in a particular order. Documentation (in the form of an U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Program Office signed memorandum that such contemplated labor, travel, and costs to be reimbursed by the Government are mission essential and in direct support of "unique" or special Program Office requirements) will be required to support the billing of such costs against the order, which authorized payment, therefore.
- f. In the event the BPA holder expends fewer hours than set forth in the individual order, the total order shall be adjusted to reflect the actual number of hours expended and the final order price. In no case will the final price exceed the ceiling price of the order.

- g. Notwithstanding any other provision, the BPA holder shall maintain sufficient accounting records for verification of the hours and categories of labor incurred in the performance of each order. It is further understood and agreed that the accounting records shall be available for Government review during the performance of the contract and until three years after final payment under the contract. In the event subcontract labor is included in the labor effort contained in paragraph (c) above, the foregoing records provisions shall be included in all applicable subcontracts.
- h. Payment under individual orders for CLINs (to be specified in order) will be in accordance with FAR 52.232-7 entitled "Payments under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts." Withholding of amounts due as contemplated by the clause will apply to the total contract and not to individual orders. Withholding will not exceed \$50,000.00 for the entire contract, regardless of the number of orders issued against the contract, and will apply to the first order and continue until the maximum withholding amount is reached. To facilitate closeout of early orders, the amount withheld may be transferred to any subsequent active order. Ceiling price, as used in the clause, applies to each individual order, not to the total contract.

A.5 FEDERAL HOLIDAYS

Unless specifically authorized in writing by the Contracting Officer, no services will be provided and no charges will be incurred and/or billed to any order on this contract on any of the Federal Holidays listed below.

New Years Day Martin Luther King Day Presidents' Day Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Day
Columbus Day
Veterans' Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

A.6 NONPERSONAL SERVICES

- a. In performance of this contract, the BPA holder will provide support in the form of services required by program offices to support management of their overall mission. This will be based upon the order's performance work statement for the specific effort. Orders will be formally issued to the BPA holder as opposed to individual BPA holder employees.
- b. The services required under the Agreement constitute professional and management services within the definition provided by FAR 37.201. Under this Agreement the Government will obtain professional services, which are essential to the U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION mission but not otherwise available within U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION.
- c. The Government will neither supervise BPA holder employees nor control the method by which the BPA holder performs the required tasks. Under no circumstances shall the Government assign tasks to, or prepare work schedules for, individual BPA holder employees. It shall be the responsibility of the BPA holder to manage their employees and to guard against any actions that are of the nature of personal services, or give the perception of personal services. If the BPA holder feels that any actions constitute, or are perceived to constitute personal services, it shall be the BPA holder's further responsibility to notify the Contracting Officer immediately.
- d. These services shall not be used to perform work of a policy/ decision making or management nature. All decisions relative to programs supported by BPA holders will be the sole responsibility of the Government. Support services will not be ordered to circumvent personnel ceilings, pay limitations, or competitive employment procedures.

A.7 TERM OF BPA

The ordering period for this BPA shall commence on <u>October 1, 2007</u> and will expire on <u>September 30, 2008</u>. Any orders issued during this period shall be completed within the time specified in the order, unless otherwise specified herein. The term of this contract may be extended at the option of the Government for an additional two 1-year options.

This BPA expires on 09-30-2008 or such later ending date as determined by the exercise of any "General Schedule extension" option by the GSA and exercise of the option to extend the term of the BPA by the U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION/CO. The BPA holder is required to immediately notify, in writing, the U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION/Contracting Officer if at any time prior to 09-30-2008the GSA Contract, upon which this BPA is based, is no longer in force. This BPA is not a contract. If the BPA holder fails to perform in a manner satisfactory to the U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Contracting Officer, this BPA may be canceled with 30 days written notice to the BPA holder by the U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Contracting Officer.

A.8 OBLIGATION OF FUNDS

This BPA does not obligate any funds. The Government is obligated only to the extent of authorized orders actually issued under the BPA by the Contracting Officer.

A.9 AUTHORIZED USERS

Government Contracting Officers representing U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION are the only users authorized to place orders under this BPA. Any authorized user shall only be allowed to issue an order under this BPA if funds are certified and the BPA awarding office's Task Order number is assigned. BPA holders shall not accept or perform any purported order that does not contain a Task Order number.

A.10 INVOICES

- a. Inspection and acceptance shall be accomplished as follows The Government for all services furnished under any resulting order hereby designates the COTR in the program office as the point of final inspection and acceptance. The BPA holder will submit each invoice, including all back-up data, to the Contracting Officer (CO) for review and signature. When the CO receives an accurate and complete invoice, he/she will return a signed copy to the BPA holder within five (5) working days. If the invoice is incomplete or inaccurate, the CO will return the unsigned invoice to the BPA holder for correction. The Contracting Officer will then forward the signed invoice to the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for payment. Final payment for each order will be accomplished by final invoice accompanied by a receiving report.
- b. An itemized invoice shall be submitted to the CO at least monthly or upon expiration of this BPA, whichever occurs first, for all deliveries made during a billing period and for which payment has not been received. Copies of delivery tickets shall support these invoices. "Approved-for-payment" invoices will be submitted to the payment address specified on each individual order issued under this BPA.

A.11 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE BPA

a. The Government may extend the term of this BPA by written notice to the Contractor at any time prior to the expiration of the BPA, provided, that the Government shall give the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 60 days before the BPA expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

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- b. If the Government exercises this option, the extended BPA shall be considered to include this option provision.
- c. The total duration of this BPA, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed the performance period of the governing GSA FSS Contract or 3 years.

A.12 2052.216-72 TASK ORDER PROCEDURES (OCT 1999)

- (a) Task order request for proposal. When a requirement within the scope of work for this contract is identified, the contracting officer shall transmit to the contractor a Task Order Request for Proposal (TORFP) which may include the following, as appropriate:
 - (1) Scope of work/meetings/travel and deliverables;
 - (2) Reporting requirements;
 - (3) Period of performance place of performance;
 - (4) Applicable special provisions;
 - (5) Technical skills required; and
 - (6) Estimated level of effort.
- (b) Task order technical proposal. By the date specified in the TORFP, the contractor shall deliver to the contracting officer a written or verbal (as specified in the TORFP technical proposal submittal instructions) technical proposal that provides the technical information required by the TORFP.
- (c) Cost proposal. The contractor's cost proposal for each task order must be fully supported by cost and pricing data adequate to establish the reasonableness of the proposed amounts. When the contractor's estimated cost for the proposed task order exceeds \$100,000 and the period of performance exceeds six months, the contractor may be required to submit a Contractor Spending Plan (CSP) as part of its cost proposal. The TORP indicates if a CSP is required.
- (d) Task order award. The contractor shall perform all work described in definitized task orders issued by the contracting officer. Definitized task orders include the following:
 - (1) Statement of work/meetings/travel and deliverables:
 - (2) Reporting requirements;
 - (3) Period of performance;
 - (4) Key personnel;
 - (5) Applicable special provisions; and
 - (6) Total task order amount including any fixed fee.

A.13 2052.216-73 ACCELERATED TASK ORDER PROCEDURES (JAN 1993)

- (a) The NRC may require the contractor to begin work before receiving a definitized task order from the contracting officer. Accordingly, when the contracting officer verbally authorizes the work, the contractor shall proceed with performance of the task order subject to the monetary limitation established for the task order by the contracting officer.
- (b) When this accelerated procedure is employed by the NRC, the contractor agrees to begin promptly negotiating with the contracting officer the terms of the definitive task order and agrees to submit a cost proposal with supporting cost or pricing data. If agreement on a definitized task order is not reached by the target date mutually agreed upon by the contractor and contracting officer, the contracting officer may determine a reasonable price and/or fee in accordance with Subpart 15.8 and Part 31 of the FAR, subject to contractor appeal as provided in 52.233-1, Disputes. In any event, the contractor shall proceed with completion of the task order, subject only to the monetary limitation established by the contracting officer and the terms and conditions of the basic contract.

A.14 2052.215-71 PROJECT OFFICER AUTHORITY (NOVEMBER 2006)

(a) The contracting officer's authorized representative (hereinafter referred to as the project officer) for this contract is:

Name: Karen Chapman

Address: Mail Stop: T7-F27

11555 Rockville Pike Rockville MD 20852

Telephone Number: 301-415-3653

- (b) Performance of the work under this contract is subject to the technical direction of the NRC project officer. The term "technical direction" is defined to include the following:
- (1) Technical direction to the contractor which shifts work emphasis between areas of work or tasks, authorizes travel which was unanticipated in the Schedule (i.e., travel not contemplated in the Statement of Work (SOW) or changes to specific travel identified in the SOW), fills in details, or otherwise serves to accomplish the contractual SOW.
- (2) Provide advice and guidance to the contractor in the preparation of drawings, specifications, or technical portions of the work description.
- (3) Review and, where required by the contract, approval of technical reports, drawings, specifications, and technical information to be delivered by the contractor to the Government under the contract.
- (c) Technical direction must be within the general statement of work stated in the contract. The project officer does not have the authority to and may not issue any technical direction which:
 - (1) Constitutes an assignment of work outside the general scope of the contract.
 - (2) Constitutes a change as defined in the "Changes" clause of this contract.

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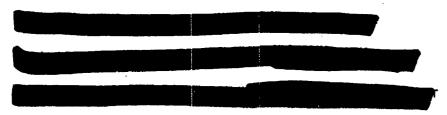
- (3) In any way causes an increase or decrease in the total estimated contract cost, the fixed fee, if any, or the time required for contract performance.
 - (4) Changes any of the expressed terms, conditions, or specifications of the contract.
- (5) Terminates the contract, settles any claim or dispute arising under the contract, or issues any unilateral directive whatever.
- (d) All technical directions must be issued in writing by the project officer or must be confirmed by the project officer in writing within ten (10) working days after verbal issuance. A copy of the written direction must be furnished to the contracting officer. A copy of NRC Form 445, Request for Approval of Official Foreign Travel, which has received final approval from the NRC must be furnished to the contracting officer.
- (e) The contractor shall proceed promptly with the performance of technical directions duly issued by the project officer in the manner prescribed by this clause and within the project officer's authority under the provisions of this clause.
- (f) If, in the opinion of the contractor, any instruction or direction issued by the project officer is within one of the categories as defined in paragraph (c) of this section, the contractor may not proceed but shall notify the contracting officer in writing within five (5) working days after the receipt of any instruction or direction and shall request the contracting officer to modify the contract accordingly. Upon receiving the notification from the contractor, the contracting officer shall issue an appropriate contract modification or advise the contractor in writing that, in the contracting officer's opinion, the technical direction is within the scope of this article and does not constitute a change under the "Changes" clause.
- (g) Any unauthorized commitment or direction issued by the project officer may result in an unnecessary delay in the contractor's performance and may even result in the contractor expending funds for unallowable costs under the contract.
- (h) A failure of the parties to agree upon the nature of the instruction or direction or upon the contract action to be taken with respect thereto is subject to 52.233-1 -Disputes.
- (i) In addition to providing technical direction as defined in paragraph (b) of the section, the project officer shall:
- (1) Monitor the contractor's technical progress, including surveillance and assessment of performance, and recommend to the contracting officer changes in requirements.
 - (2) Assist the contractor in the resolution of technical problems encountered during performance.
- (3) Review all costs requested for reimbursement by the contractor and submit to the contracting officer recommendations for approval, disapproval, or suspension of payment for supplies and services required under this contract.
 - (4) Assist the contractor in obtaining the badges for the contractor personnel.
- (5) Immediately notify the Security Branch, Division of Facilities and Security (SB/DFS) (via e-mail) when a contractor employee no longer requires access authorization and return of any NRC issued badge to SB/DFS within three days after their termination.

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- (6) Ensure that all contractor employees that require access to classified Restricted Data or National Security Information or matter, access to sensitive unclassified information (Safeguards, Official Use Only, and Proprietary information) access to sensitive IT systems or data, unescorted access to NRC controlled buildings/space, or unescorted access to protected and vital areas of nuclear power plants receive approval of SB/DFS prior to access in accordance with Management Directive and Handbook 12.3.
- (7) For contracts for the design, development, maintenance or operation of Privacy Act Systems of Records, obtain from the contractor as part of closeout procedures, written certification that the contractor has returned to NRC, transferred to the successor contractor, or destroyed at the end of the contract in accordance with instructions provided by the NRC Systems Manager for Privacy Act Systems of Records, all records (electronic or paper) which were created, compiled, obtained or maintained under the contract.

A.15 2052.215-70 KEY PERSONNEL (JAN 1993)

(a) The following individuals are considered to be essential to the successful performance of the work hereunder:



The contractor agrees that personnel may not be removed from the contract work or replaced without compliance with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.

- (b) If one or more of the key personnel, for whatever reason, becomes, or is expected to become, unavailable for work under this contract for a continuous period exceeding 30 work days, or is expected to devote substantially less effort to the work than indicated in the proposal or initially anticipated, the contractor shall immediately notify the contracting officer and shall, subject to the con-currence of the contracting officer, promptly replace the personnel with personnel of at least substantially equal ability and qualifications.
- (c) Each request for approval of substitutions must be in writing and contain a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions. The request must also contain a complete resume for the proposed substitute and other information requested or needed by the contracting officer to evaluate the proposed substitution. The contracting officer and the project officer shall evaluate the contractor's request and the contracting officer shall promptly notify the contractor of his or her decision in writing.
- (d) If the contracting officer determines that suitable and timely replacement of key personnel who have been reassigned, terminated, or have otherwise become unavailable for the contract work is not reasonably forthcoming, or that the resultant reduction of productive effort would be so substantial as to impair the successful completion of the contract or the service order, the contract may be terminated by the contracting officer for default or for the convenience of the Government, as appropriate. If the contracting officer finds the contractor at fault for the condition, the contract price or fixed fee may be equitably adjusted downward to compensate the Government for any resultant delay, loss, or damage.

A.16 2052.211-71 TECHNICAL PROGRESS REPORT (JAN 1993)

The contractor shall provide a monthly Technical Progress Report to the project officer and the contracting officer. The report is due within 15 calendar days after the end of the report period and must identify the title of the project, the contract number, appropriate financial tracking code specified by the NRC Project Officer,

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project manager and/or principal investigator, the contract period of performance, and the period covered by the report. Each report must include the following for each discrete task/task order:

- (a) A listing of the efforts completed during the period, and milestones reached or, if missed, an explanation provided;
- (b) Any problems or delays encountered or anticipated and recommendations for resolution. If the recommended resolution involves a contract modification, e.g., change in work requirements, level of effort (cost) or schedule delay, the contractor shall submit a separate letter to the contracting officer identifying the required change and estimated cost impact.
 - (c) A summary of progress to date; and
 - (d) Plans for the next reporting period.

A.17 2052.211-72 FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT-ALTERNATE 1 (OCT 1999)

The contractor shall provide a monthly Financial Status Report (FSR) to the Project Officer and the contracting officer. The FSR shall include the acquisition of, or changes in the status of, contractor-held property acquired with government funds valued at the time of purchase at \$50,000 or more. Whenever such changes occur, the contractor shall send a copy of the report to the Chief, Property and Acquisition Oversight Branch, Office of Administration. The report is due within 15 calendar days after the end of the report period and shall identify the title of the project, the contract number, project manager and/or principal investigator, the contract period of performance, and the period covered by the report. Each report shall include the following for each discrete task:

- (a) Total estimated contract amount.
- (b) Total funds obligated to date.
- (c) Total costs incurred this reporting period.
- (d) Total costs incurred to date.
- (e) Detail of all direct and indirect costs incurred during the reporting period for the entire contract or each task, if it is a task ordering contract.
 - (f) Balance of obligations remaining.
 - (g) Balance of funds required to complete contract/task order.
 - (h) Property status:
- (1) List property acquired for the project during the month with an acquisition cost between \$500 and \$49,999. Give the item number for the specific piece of equipment.
- (2) Provide a separate list of property acquired for the project during the month with an acquisition cost of \$50,000 or more. Provide the following information for each item of property: item description or nomenclature, manufacturer, model number, serial number, acquisition cost, and receipt date. If no property was acquired during the month, include a statement to that effect. The same information shall be provided for any component or peripheral equipment which is part of a "system or system unit."

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- (3) For multi-year projects, in the September monthly financial status report provide a cumulative listing of property with an acquisition cost of \$50,000 or more showing the information specified in paragraph (i)(3) of this clause.
- (4) In the final financial status report provide a closeout property report containing the same elements as described above for the monthly financial status reports, for all property purchased with NRC funds regardless of value unless title has been vested in the contractor. If no property was acquired under the contract, provide a statement to that effect. The report should note any property requiring special handling for security, health, safety, or other reasons as part of the report.
- (j) Travel status: List the starting and ending dates for each trip, the starting point and destination, and the traveler(s) for each trip.
- (k) If the data in this report indicates a need for additional funding beyond that already obligated, this information may only be used as support to the official request for funding required in accordance with the Limitation of Cost (LOC) Clause (FAR 52.232-20) or the Limitation of Funds (LOF) Clause FAR 52.232-22.

A.18 2052.209-72 CONTRACTOR ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (JAN 1993)

- (a) Purpose. The primary purpose of this clause is to aid in ensuring that the contractor:
- (1) Is not placed in a conflicting role because of current or planned interests (financial, contractual, organizational, or otherwise) which relate to the work under this contract; and
- (2) Does not obtain an unfair competitive advantage over other parties by virtue of its performance of this contract.
- (b) Scope. The restrictions described apply to performance or participation by the contractor, as defined in 48 CFR 2009.570-2 in the activities covered by this clause.
 - (c) Work for others.
- (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, during the term of this contract, the contractor agrees to forego entering into consulting or other contractual arrangements with any firm or organization the result of which may give rise to a conflict of interest with respect to the work being performed under this contract. The contractor shall ensure that all employees under this contract abide by the provision of this clause. If the contractor has reason to believe, with respect to itself or any employee, that any proposed consultant or other contractual arrangement with any firm or organization may involve a potential conflict of interest, the contractor shall obtain the written approval of the contracting officer before the execution of such contractual arrangement.
- (2) The contractor may not represent, assist, or otherwise support an NRC licensee or applicant undergoing an NRC audit, inspection, or review where the activities that are the subject of the audit, inspection, or review are the same as or substantially similar to the services within the scope of this contract (or task order as appropriate) except where the NRC licensee or applicant requires the contractor's support to explain or defend the contractor's prior work for the utility or other entity which NRC questions.
- (3) When the contractor performs work for the NRC under this contract at any NRC licensee or applicant site, the contractor shall neither solicit nor perform work in the same or similar technical area for that licensee

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or applicant organization for a period commencing with the award of the task order or beginning of work on the site (if not a task order contract) and ending one year after completion of all work under the associated task order, or last time at the site (if not a task order contract).

- (4) When the contractor performs work for the NRC under this contract at any NRC licensee or applicant site.
- (i) The contractor may not solicit work at that site for that licensee or applicant during the period of performance of the task order or the contract, as appropriate.
- (ii) The contractor may not perform work at that site for that licensee or applicant during the period of performance of the task order or the contract, as appropriate, and for one year thereafter.
- (iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the contracting officer may authorize the contractor to solicit or perform this type of work (except work in the same or similar technical area) if the contracting officer determines that the situation will not pose a potential for technical bias or unfair competitive advantage.
 - (d) Disclosure after award.
- (1) The contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief, and except as otherwise set forth in this contract, that it does not have any organizational conflicts of interest as defined in 48 CFR 2009.570-2.
- (2) The contractor agrees that if, after award, it discovers organizational conflicts of interest with respect to this contract, it shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the contracting officer. This statement must include a description of the action which the contractor has taken or proposes to take to avoid or mitigate such conflicts. The NRC may, however, terminate the contract if termination is in the best interest of the Government.
- (3) It is recognized that the scope of work of a task-order-type contract necessarily encompasses a broad spectrum of activities. Consequently, if this is a task-order-type contract, the contractor agrees that it will disclose all proposed new work involving NRC licensees or applicants which comes within the scope of work of the underlying contract. Further, if this contract involves work at a licensee or applicant site, the contractor agrees to exercise diligence to discover and disclose any new work at that licensee or applicant site. This disclosure must be made before the submission of a bid or proposal to the utility or other regulated entity and must be received by the NRC at least 15 days before the proposed award date in any event, unless a written justification demonstrating urgency and due diligence to discover and disclose is provided by the contractor and approved by the contracting officer. The disclosure must include the statement of work, the dollar value of the proposed contract, and any other documents that are needed to fully describe the proposed work for the regulated utility or other regulated entity. NRC may deny approval of the disclosed work only when the NRC has issued a task order which includes the technical area and, if site-specific, the site, or has plans to issue a task order which includes the technical area and, if site-specific, the site, or when the work violates paragraphs (c)(2), (c)(3) or (c)(4) of this section.
 - (e) Access to and use of information.
- (1) If in the performance of this contract, the contractor obtains access to information, such as NRC plans, policies, reports, studies, financial plans, internal data protected by the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a (1988)), or the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. Section 552 (1986)), the contractor agrees not to:
 - (i) Use this information for any private purpose until the information has been released to the public;

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- (ii) Compete for work for the Commission based on the information for a period of six months after either the completion of this contract or the release of the information to the public, whichever is first;
- (iii) Submit an unsolicited proposal to the Government based on the information until one year after the release of the information to the public; or
- (iv) Release the information without prior written approval by the contracting officer unless the information has previously been released to the public by the NRC.
- (2) In addition, the contractor agrees that, to the extent it receives or is given access to proprietary data, data protected by the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a (1988)), or the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. Section 552 (1986)), or other confidential or privileged technical, business, or financial information under this contract, the contractor shall treat the information in accordance with restrictions placed on use of the information.
- (3) Subject to patent and security provisions of this contract, the contractor shall have the right to use technical data it produces under this contract for private purposes provided that all requirements of this contract have been met.
- (f) Subcontracts. Except as provided in 48 CFR 2009.570-2, the contractor shall include this clause, including this paragraph, in subcontracts of any tier. The terms contract, contractor, and contracting officer, must be appropriately modified to preserve the Government's rights.
- (g) Remedies. For breach of any of the above restrictions, or for intentional nondisclosure or misrepresentation of any relevant interest required to be disclosed concerning this contract or for such erroneous representations that necessarily imply bad faith, the Government may terminate the contract for default, disqualify the contractor from subsequent contractual efforts, and pursue other remedies permitted by law or this contract.
- (h) Waiver. A request for waiver under this clause must be directed in writing to the contracting officer in accordance with the procedures outlined in 48 CFR 2009.570-9.
- (i) Follow-on effort. The contractor shall be ineligible to participate in NRC contracts, subcontracts, or proposals therefor (solicited or unsolicited), which stem directly from the contractor's performance of work under this contract. Furthermore, unless so directed in writing by the contracting officer, the contractor may not perform any technical consulting or management support services work or evaluation activities under this contract on any of its products or services or the products or services of another firm if the contractor has been substantially involved in the development or marketing of the products or services.
- (1) If the contractor, under this contract, prepares a complete or essentially complete statement of work or specifications, the contractor is not eligible to perform or participate in the initial contractual effort which is based on the statement of work or specifications. The contractor may not incorporate its products or services in the statement of work or specifications unless so directed in writing by the contracting officer, in which case the restrictions in this paragraph do not apply.
- (2) Nothing in this paragraph precludes the contractor from offering or selling its standard commercial items to the Government.

A.19 2052.209-71 CONTRACTOR ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (REPRESENTATION) (OCT 1999)

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I represent to the best of my knowledge and belief that:

The award to <u>Energy Research</u>, Inc. of a contract or the modification of an existing contract does / / does not / X / involve situations or relationships of the type set forth in 48 CFR 2009.570-3(b).

- (a) If the representation, as completed, indicates that situations or relationships of the type set forth in 48 CFR 2009.570-3(b) are involved, or the contracting officer otherwise determines that potential organizational conflicts of interest exist, the offeror shall provide a statement in writing which describes in a concise manner all relevant factors bearing on his representation to the contracting officer. If the contracting officer determines that organizational conflicts exist, the following actions may be taken:
 - (1) Impose appropriate conditions which avoid such conflicts,
 - (2) Disqualify the offeror, or
- (3) Determine that it is otherwise in the best interest of the United States to seek award of the contract under the waiver provisions of 48 CFR 2009-570-9.
- (b) The refusal to provide the representation required by 48 CFR 2009.570-4(b), or upon request of the contracting officer, the facts required by 48 CFR 2009.570-3(b), must result in disqualification of the offeror for award.

A.20 2052.204.70 SECURITY (MAR 2004)

- (a) Contract Security and/or Classification Requirements (NRC Form 187). The policies, procedures, and criteria of the NRC Security Program, NRC Management Directive (MD) 12 (including MD 12.1, "NRC Facility Security Program;" MD 12.2, "NRC Classified Information Security Program;" MD 12.3, "NRC Personnel Security Program;" MD 12.4, "NRC Telecommunications Systems Security Program;" MD 12.5, "NRC Automated Information Systems Security Program;" and MD 12.6, "NRC Sensitive Unclassified Information Security Program"), apply to performance of this contract, subcontract or other activity. This MD is incorporated into this contract by reference as though fully set forth herein. The attached NRC Form 187 (See List of Attachments) furnishes the basis for providing security and classification requirements to prime contractors, subcontractors, or others (e.g., bidders) who have or may have an NRC contractual relationship that requires access to classified Restricted Data or National Security Information or matter, access to sensitive unclassified information (e.g., Safeguards), access to sensitive Information Technology (IT) systems or data, unescorted access to NRC controlled buildings/space, or unescorted access to protected and vital areas of nuclear power plants.
- (b) It is the contractor's duty to protect National Security Information, Restricted Data, and Formerly Restricted Data. The contractor shall, in accordance with the Commission's security regulations and requirements, be responsible for protecting National Security Information, Restricted Data, and Formerly Restricted Data, and for protecting against sabotage, espionage, loss, and theft, the classified documents and material in the contractor's possession in connection with the performance of work under this contract. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this contract, the contractor shall, upon completion or termination of this contract, transmit to the Commission any classified matter in the possession of the contractor or any person under the contractor's control in connection with performance of this contract. If retention by the contractor of any classified matter is required after the completion or termination of the contract and the retention is approved by the contracting officer, the contractor shall complete a certificate of possession to be furnished to the Commission specifying the classified matter to be retained. The certification must identify the items and types or categories of matter retained, the conditions governing the retention of the matter and their period of retention, if known. If the retention is approved by the contracting officer, the security provisions of the contract continue to be applicable to the matter retained.

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- (c) In connection with the performance of the work under this contract, the contractor may be furnished, or may develop or acquire, safeguards information, or confidential or privileged technical, business, or financial information, including Commission plans, policies, reports, financial plans, internal data protected by the Privacy Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93.579), or other information which has not been released to the public or has been determined by the Commission to be otherwise exempt from disclosure to the public. The contractor shall ensure that information protected from public disclosure is maintained as required by NRC regulations and policies, as cited in this contract or as otherwise provided by the NRC. The contractor will not directly or indirectly duplicate, disseminate, or disclose the information in whole or in part to any other person or organization except as may be necessary to perform the work under this contract. The contractor agrees to return the information to the Commission or otherwise dispose of it at the direction of the contracting officer. Failure to comply with this clause is grounds for termination of this contract.
- (d) Regulations. The contractor agrees to conform to all security regulations and requirements of the Commission which are subject to change as directed by the NRC Division of Facilities and Security (DFS) and the Contracting Officer. These changes will be under the authority of the FAR Changes clause referenced in this document.

The contractor agrees to comply with the security requirements set forth in NRC Management Directive 12.1, NRC Facility Security Program which is incorporated into this contract by reference as though fully set forth herein. Attention is directed specifically to the section titled "Infractions and Violations," including "Administrative Actions" and "Reporting Infractions."

- (e) Definition of National Security Information. The term National Security Information, as used in this clause, means information that has been determined pursuant to Executive Order 12958 or any predecessor order to require protection against unauthorized disclosure and that is so designated.
- (f) Definition of Restricted Data. The term Restricted Data, as used in this clause, means all data concerning design, manufacture, or utilization of atomic weapons; the production of special nuclear material; or the use of special nuclear material in the production of energy, but does not include data declassified or removed from the Restricted Data category pursuant to Section 142 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.
- (g) Definition of Formerly Restricted Data. The term Formerly Restricted Data, as used in this clause, means all data removed from the Restricted Data category under Section 142-d of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.
- (h) Definition of Safeguards Information. Sensitive unclassified information that specifically identifies the detailed security measures of a licensee or an applicant for the physical protection of special nuclear material; or security measures for the physical protection and location of certain plant equipment vital to the safety of production of utilization facilities. Protection of this information is required pursuant to Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.
- (i) Security Clearance. The contractor may not permit any individual to have access to Restricted Data, Formerly Restricted Data, or other classified information, except in accordance with the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations or requirements applicable to the particular type or category of classified information to which access is required. The contractor shall also execute a Standard Form 312, Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement, when access to classified information is required.
- (j) Criminal Liabilities. It is understood that disclosure of National Security Information, Restricted Data, and Formerly Restricted Data relating to the work or services ordered hereunder to any person not entitled to receive it, or failure to safeguard any Restricted Data, Formerly Restricted Data, or any other classified matter that may come to the contractor or any person under the contractor's control in connection with work under this

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contract, may subject the contractor, its agents, employees, or subcontractors to criminal liability under the laws of the United States. (See the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.; 18 U.S.C. 793 and 794; and Executive Order 12958.)

- (k) Subcontracts and Purchase Orders. Except as otherwise authorized in writing by the contracting officer, the contractor shall insert provisions similar to the foregoing in all subcontracts and purchase orders under this contract.
- (I) In performing the contract work, the contractor shall classify all documents, material, and equipment originated or generated by the contractor in accordance with guidance issued by the Commission. Every subcontract and purchase order issued hereunder involving the origination or generation of classified documents, material, and equipment must provide that the subcontractor or supplier assign classification to all documents, material, and equipment in accordance with guidance furnished by the contractor.

A.21 2052.204-71 BADGE REQUIREMENTS FOR UNESCORTED BUILDING ACCESS TO NRC FACILITIES (MAR 2006)

During the life of this contract, the rights of ingress and egress for contractor personnel must be made available, as required, provided that the individual has been approved for unescorted access after a favorable adjudication from the Security Branch, Division of Facilities and Security (SB/DFS).

In this regard, all contractor personnel whose duties under this contract require their presence on site shall be clearly identifiable by a distinctive badge furnished by the NRC. The Project Officer shall assist the contractor in obtaining badges for the contractor personnel. All contractor personnel must present two forms of Identity Source Documents (I-9). One of the documents must be a valid picture ID issued by a state or by the Federal Government. Original I-9 documents must be presented in person for certification. A list of acceptable documents can be found at http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/recruit_employ/i9form.pdf. It is the sole responsibility of the contractor to ensure that each employee has a proper NRC-issued identification/badge at all times. All photo-identification badges must be immediately (no later than three days) delivered to SB/DFS for cancellation or disposition upon the termination of employment of any contractor personnel. Contractor personnel must display any NRC issued badge in clear view at all times during on site performance under this contract. It is the contractor's duty to assure that contractor personnel enter only those work areas necessary for performance of contract work, and to assure the protection of any Government records or data that contractor personnel may come into contact with.

A.22 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESS APPROVAL (FEB 2004)

The proposer/contractor must identify all individuals and propose the level of Information Technology (IT) approval for each, using the following guidance. The NRC sponsoring office shall make the final determination of the level, if any, of IT approval required for all individuals working under this contract.

The Government shall have and exercise full and complete control over granting, denying, withholding, or terminating building access approvals for individuals performing work under this contract.

SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LEVEL I.

Performance under this contract will involve prime contractor personnel, subcontractors or others who perform services requiring direct access to or operate agency sensitive information technology systems or data (IT Level I).

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The IT Level I involves responsibility for the planning, direction, and implementation of a computer security program; major responsibility for the direction, planning, and design of a computer system, including hardware and software; or the capability to access a computer system during its operation or maintenance in such a way that could cause or that has a relatively high risk of causing grave damage; or the capability to realize a significant personal gain from computer access. Such contractor personnel shall be subject to the NRC contractor personnel security requirements of NRC Management Directive (MD) 12.3, Part I and will require a favorably adjudicated Limited Background Investigation (LBI).

A contractor employee shall not have access to sensitive information technology systems or data until he/she is approved by Security Branch, Division of Facilities and Security (SB/DFS). Temporary access may be approved based on a favorable adjudication of their security forms and checks. Final access will be approved based on a favorably adjudicated LBI in accordance with the procedures found in NRC MD 12.3, Part I. However, temporary access authorization approval will be revoked and the employee may subsequently be removed from the contract in the event the employee's investigation cannot be favorably adjudicated. Such employee will not be authorized to work under any NRC contract without the approval of SB/DFS. Timely receipt of properly completed security applications is a contract requirement. Failure of the contractor to comply with this condition within the ten work.day period may be a basis to void the notice of selection. In that event, the Government may select another firm for award. When an individual receives final access, the individual will be subject to a reinvestigation every 10 years.

The contractor shall submit a completed security forms packet, including the SF-86, "Questionnaire for National Security Positions," and fingerprint charts, through the Project Officer to SB/ DFS for review and favorable adjudication, prior to the individual performing work under this contract. The contractor shall assure that all forms are accurate, complete, and legible (except for Part 2 of the questionnaire, which is required to be completed in private and submitted by the individual to the contractor in a sealed envelope), as set forth in MD 12.3 which is incorporated into this contract by reference as though fully set forth herein. Based on SB review of the applicant's security forms and/or the receipt of adverse information by NRC, the individual may be denied access to NRC facilities, sensitive information technology systems or data until a final determination is made of his/her eligibility under the provisions of MD 12.3. Any questions regarding the individual's eligibility for IT Level I approval will be resolved in accordance with the due process procedures set forth in MD 12.3 and E. O. 12968.

In accordance with NRCAR 2052.204.70 "Security," IT Level I contractors shall be subject to the attached NRC Form 187 (See Section J for List of Attachments) which furnishes the basis for providing security requirements to prime contractors, subcontractors or others (e.g., bidders) who have or may have an NRC contractual relationship which requires access to or operation of agency sensitive information technology systems or remote development and/or analysis of sensitive information technology systems or data or other access to such systems and data; access on a continuing basis (in excess of 30 days) to NRC Headquarters controlled buildings; or otherwise requires issuance of an NRC badge.

SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LEVEL II

Performance under this contract will involve contractor personnel that develop and/or analyze sensitive information technology systems or data or otherwise have access to such systems or data (IT Level II).

The IT Level II involves responsibility for the planning, design, operation, or maintenance of a computer system and all other computer or IT positions. Such contractor personnel shall be subject to the NRC contractor personnel requirements of MD 12.3, Part I, which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract as though fully set forth herein, and will require a favorably adjudicated Access National Agency Check with Inquiries (ANACI).

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A contractor employee shall not have access to sensitive information technology systems or data until he/she is approved by SB/DFS. Temporary access may be approved based on a favorable review of their security forms and checks. Final access will be approved based on a favorably adjudicated ANACI in accordance with the procedures found in MD 12.3, Part I. However, temporary access authorization approval will be revoked and the employee may subsequently be removed from the contract in the event the employee's investigation cannot be favorably adjudicated. Such employee will not be authorized to work under any NRC contract without the approval of SB/DFS. Timely receipt of properly completed security applications is a contract requirement. Failure of the contractor to comply with this condition within the ten work day period may be a basis to void the notice of selection. In that event, the Government may select another firm for award. When an individual receives final access, the individual will be subject to a reinvestigation every 10 years.

The contractor shall submit a completed security forms packet, including the SF-86, "Questionnaire for National Security Positions," and fingerprint charts, through the Project Officer to the NRC SB/DFS for review and favorable adjudication, prior to the individual performing work under this contract. The contractor shall assure that all forms are accurate, complete, and legible (except for Part 2 of the questionnaire, which is required to be completed in private and submitted by the individual to the contractor in a sealed envelope), as set forth in MD 12.3. Based on SB review of the applicant's security forms and/or the receipt of adverse information by NRC, the individual may be denied access to NRC facilities, sensitive information technology systems or data until a final determination is made of his/her eligibility under the provisions of MD 12.3. Any questions regarding the individual's eligibility for IT Level II approval will be resolved in accordance with the due process procedures set forth in MD 12.3 and E.O. 12968.

In accordance with NRCAR 2052.204.70 "Security," IT Level II contractors shall be subject to the attached NRC Form 187 (See Section J for List of Attachments) which furnishes the basis for providing security requirements to prime contractors, subcontractors or others (e.g. bidders) who have or may have an NRC contractual relationship which requires access to or operation of agency sensitive information technology systems or remote development and/or analysis of sensitive information technology systems or data or other access to such systems or data; access on a continuing basis (in excess of 30 days) to NRC Headquarters controlled buildings; or otherwise requires issuance of an NRC badge.

CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION OF IT ACCESS/REQUEST

When a request for investigation is to be withdrawn or canceled, the contractor shall immediately notify the Project Officer by telephone in order that he/she will immediately contact the SB/DFS so that the investigation may be promptly discontinued. The notification shall contain the full name of the individual, and the date of the request. Telephone notifications must be promptly confirmed in writing to the Project Officer who will forward the confirmation via email to the SB/DFS. Additionally, SB/DFS must be immediately notified when an individual no longer requires access to NRC sensitive automated information technology systems or data, including the voluntary or involuntary separation of employment of an individual who has been approved for or is being processed for access under the NRC "Personnel Security Program."

A.23 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR UNESCORTED ACCESS TO NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

(FEB 2004)

Performance under this contract may involve unescorted access to protected and vital areas of nuclear power plants or access to unclassified Safeguards Information (SGI).

Individual contractors requiring access to protected and vital areas of nuclear power plants or access to unclassified SGI will be approved for access in accordance with the following procedures:

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A. Interim Approval

(a) The contractor shall submit a completed security forms packet, including the SF-86, "Questionnaire for National Security Positions," fingerprint charts, copies of the contractor's five-year employment and education history checks, including verification of the highest degree obtained, a reference from at least one additional person not provided by the individual, results of a psychological evaluation, and a certification that the contractor has found all checks acceptable, through the Project Officer to SB/DFS for review and favorable adjudication, prior to the individual performing work under this contract. Interim access authorization approval will be revoked and the employee may subsequently be removed from the contract in the event the employee's investigation cannot be favorably adjudicated. Such employee will not be authorized to work under any NRC contract without the approval of SB/DFS. A signed NRC form 570, "Access Authorization Acknowledgment," from the individual that he or she understands his or her responsibility to report to the NRC, SB/DFS, any information bearing on his or her continued eligibility for access authorization as specified in 10 CFR Part 10. Section 10.11 "Criteria" must also be included. The results of a psychological examination, which uses a reliable written personality test or any other professionally accepted clinical evaluation procedure, will be used to evaluate a subject's trustworthiness, reliability, and stability. The contractor shall review all required nformation for accuracy, completeness, and legibility, except Part 2 of the SF.86 which is required to be completed in private and submitted by the individual to the contractor in a sealed envelope. Failure of the contractor to comply with this clause may be a basis to void the notice of selection. In that event, the Government may select another firm for award.

Or.

(b) The individual will arrange to be fingerprinted by the subject utility, and the contractor will submit to the utility's access authorization program.

In Section A above, SB/DFS will conduct criminal history and credit checks and a security assurance interview with the individual.

Based on the result of these checks, SB/DFS will determine the individual's eligibility for interim access and provide an objection or no objection to the sponsoring Office pending completion of the required background investigation by OPM. Interim access authorization approval will be revoked and the employee may subsequently be removed from the contract in the event the employee's investigation cannot be favorably adjudicated. Such employee will not be authorized to work under any NRC contract without the approval of SB/DFS.

B. Final Approval

(a) The required investigation on the individual has been completed, and is satisfactory, resulting in NRC's endorsement of the individual's unescorted access at all nuclear facilities.

Or.

(b) The contractor has obtained unescorted access authorization (other than temporary access) at the specific facility through that utility's access authorization program,

Or,

(c) The individual possesses a valid government issued clearance as verified by SB/DFS. A valid government-issued clearance is defined as a U.S. Government-issued security clearance equivalent or higher than an NRC "L" clearance (e.g., Secret) based on a comparable investigation not more than five years old.

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If an NRC contract is let to a foreign owned company employing foreign nationals, SB/DFS will attempt to obtain security assurance from the respective government that a comparable investigation has been conducted on the individual. If an acceptable assurance is obtained, SB/DFS will provide a NO SECURITY OBJECTION without further investigative checks.

The investigation in Section B above may involve Access National Agency Check with Inquiries (ANACI) or other investigation as deemed necessary by SB/DFS in accordance with 10 CFR Part 10 and NRC Management Directive and Handbook 12.3. Any questions regarding the individual's eligibility for unescorted access to protected or vital areas of nuclear power facilities will be resolved in accordance with the provisions specified in 10 CFR Part 10, which is incorporated into the contract by reference as though fully set forth herein.

Any questions regarding the individual's eligibility for access to nuclear power reactor SGI will be resolved in accordance with the provisions set forth in Management Directive 12.3. Based on the review of the applicant's security forms by SB/DFS and/or the receipt of adverse information by NRC, the individual may be denied access to nuclear power reactor SGI until a final determination of his or her eligibility for access is made under the provisions of 10 CFR Part 10. During the processing by SB/DFS of new individuals for access to nuclear power reactor SGI, access may be granted under licensee programs.

C. Fitness for Duty

Pursuant to NRC policy, all contract individuals proposed for performance of task orders requiring unescorted access to nuclear power plants will be subject to the requirements of the licensee's Fitness.for.Duty program.

D. Basic Exposure Control and Personnel Dosimetry Training Requirements

The contractor shall certify that personnel utilized under the scope of work herein have completed basic exposure control and personnel dosimetry training sufficient to meet the requirements of commercial nuclear power plants for unescorted access. Training will be provided on a one-time basis, upon issuance of the applicable task order(s), for those individual(s) for whom the contractor cannot certify as to having completed the above training within the past year. Site specific training obtained at each site will still be required during the performance of individual task orders in addition to the basic training.

A.24 52.232-7 PAYMENTS UNDER TIME-AND-MATERIALS AND LABOR-HOUR CONTRACTS (FEB 2007)

The Government will pay the Contractor as follows upon the submission of vouchers approved by the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative:

- (a) Hourly rate.
- (1) Hourly rate means the rate(s) prescribed in the contract for payment for labor that meets the labor category qualifications of a labor category specified in the contract that are--
 - (i) Performed by the Contractor;
 - (ii) Performed by the subcontractors; or
 - (iii) Transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the Contractor under a common control.

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- (2) The amounts shall be computed by multiplying the appropriate hourly rates prescribed in the Schedule by the number of direct labor hours performed.
- (3) The hourly rates shall be paid for all labor performed on the contract that meets the labor qualifications specified in the contract. Labor hours incurred to perform tasks for which labor qualifications were specified in the contract will not be paid to the extent the work is performed by employees that do not meet the qualifications specified in the contract, unless specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer.
- (4) The hourly rates shall include wages, indirect costs, general and administrative expense, and profit. Fractional parts of an hour shall be payable on a prorated basis.
- (5) Vouchers may be submitted once each month (or at more frequent intervals, if approved by the Contracting Officer), to the Contracting Officer or authorized representative. The Contractor shall substantiate vouchers (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule) by evidence of actual payment and by--
 - (i) Individual daily job timekeeping records;
- (ii) Records that verify the employees meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract; or
 - (iii) Other substantiation approved by the Contracting Officer.
- (6) Promptly after receipt of each substantiated voucher, the Government shall, except as otherwise provided in this contract, and subject to the terms of paragraph (e) of this clause, pay the voucher as approved by the Contracting Officer or authorized representative.
- (7) Unless otherwise prescribed in the Schedule, the Contracting Officer may unilaterally issue a contract modification requiring the Contractor to withhold amounts from its billings until a reserve is set aside in an amount that the Contracting Officer considers necessary to protect the Government's interests. The Contracting Officer may require a withhold of 5 percent of the amounts due under paragraph (a) of this clause, but the total amount withheld for the contract shall not exceed \$50,000. The amounts withheld shall be retained until the Contractor executes and delivers the release required by paragraph (g) of this clause.
- (8) Unless the Schedule prescribes otherwise, the hourly rates in the Schedule shall not be varied by virtue of the Contractor having performed work on an overtime basis. If no overtime rates are provided in the Schedule and overtime work is approved in advance by the Contracting Officer, overtime rates shall be negotiated. Failure to agree upon these overtime rates shall be treated as a dispute under the Disputes clause of this contract. If the Schedule provides rates for overtime, the premium portion of those rates will be reimbursable only to the extent the overtime is approved by the Contracting Officer.
 - (b) Materials.
 - (1) For the purposes of this clause--
- (i) Direct materials means those materials that enter directly into the end product, or that are used or consumed directly in connection with the furnishing of the end product or service.
 - (ii) Materials means--
- (A) Direct materials, including supplies transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the Contractor under a common control:

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- (B) Subcontracts for supplies and incidental services for which there is not a labor category specified in the contract;
- (C) Other direct costs (e.g., incidental services for which there is not a labor category specified in the contract, travel, computer usage charges, etc.); and
 - (D) Applicable indirect costs.
- (2) If the Contractor furnishes its own materials that meet the definition of a commercial item at 2.101, the price to be paid for such materials shall not exceed the Contractor's established catalog or market price, adjusted to reflect the--
 - (i) Quantities being acquired; and
 - (ii) Actual cost of any modifications necessary because of contract requirements.
- (3) Except as provided for in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause, the Government will reimburse the Contractor for allowable cost of materials provided the Contractor-
- (i) Has made payments for materials in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice; or
- (ii) Ordinarily makes these payments within 30 days of the submission of the Contractor's payment request to the Government and such payment is in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice.
- (4) Payment for materials is subject to the Allowable Cost and Payment clause of this contract. The Contracting Officer will determine allowable costs of materials in accordance with Subpart 31.2 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) in effect on the date of this contract.
 - (5) The Contractor may include allocable indirect costs and other direct costs to the extent they are-
 - (i) Comprised only of costs that are clearly excluded from the hourly rate;
 - (ii) Allocated in accordance with the Contractor's written or established accounting practices; and
 - (iii) Indirect costs are not applied to subcontracts that are paid at the hourly rates.
 - (6) To the extent able, the Contractor shall--
- (i) Obtain materials at the most advantageous prices available with due regard to securing prompt delivery of satisfactory materials; and
- (ii) Take all cash and trade discounts, rebates, allowances, credits, salvage, commissions, and other benefits. When unable to take advantage of the benefits, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer and give the reasons. The Contractor shall give credit to the Government for cash and trade discounts, rebates, scrap, commissions, and other amounts that have accrued to the benefit of the Contractor, or would have accrued except for the fault or neglect of the Contractor. The Contractor shall not deduct from gross costs the benefits lost without fault or neglect on the part of the Contractor, or lost through fault of the Government.

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- (7) Except as provided for in 31.205-26(e) and (f), the Government will not pay profit or fee to the prime Contractor on materials.
- (c) If the Contractor enters into any subcontract that requires consent under the clause at 52.244-2, Subcontracts, without obtaining such consent, the Government is not required to reimburse the Contractor for any costs incurred under the subcontract prior to the date the Contractor obtains the required consent. Any reimbursement of subcontract costs incurred prior to the date the consent was obtained shall be at the sole discretion of the Government.
- (d) Total cost. It is estimated that the total cost to the Government for the performance of this contract shall not exceed the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule, and the Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to perform the work specified in the Schedule and all obligations under this contract within such ceiling price. If at any time the Contractor has reason to believe that the hourly rate payments and material costs that will accrue in performing this contract in the next succeeding 30 days, if added to all other payments and costs previously accrued, will exceed 85 percent of the ceiling price in the Schedule, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer giving a revised estimate of the total price to the Government for performing this contract with supporting reasons and documentation. If at any time during performing this contract will be substantially greater or less than the then stated ceiling price, the Contractor shall so notify the Contracting Officer, giving a revised estimate of the total price for performing this contract, with supporting reasons and documentation. If at any time during performing this contract, the Government has reason to believe that the work to be required in performing this contract will be substantially greater or less than the stated ceiling price, the Contracting Officer will so advise the Contractor, giving the then revised estimate of the total amount of effort to be required under the contract.
- (e) Ceiling price. The Government will not be obligated to pay the Contractor any amount in excess of the ceiling price in the Schedule, and the Contractor shall not be obligated to continue performance if to do so would exceed the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule, unless and until the Contracting Officer notifies the Contractor in writing that the ceiling price has been increased and specifies in the notice a revised ceiling that shall constitute the ceiling price for performance under this contract. When and to the extent that the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule has been increased, any hours expended and material costs incurred by the Contractor in excess of the ceiling price before the increase shall be allowable to the same extent as if the hours expended and material costs had been incurred after the increase in the ceiling price.
- (f) Audit. At any time before final payment under this contract, the Contracting Officer may request audit of the vouchers and supporting documentation. Each payment previously made shall be subject to reduction to the extent of amounts, on preceding vouchers, that are found by the Contracting Officer or authorized representative not to have been properly payable and shall also be subject to reduction for overpayments or to increase for underpayments. Upon receipt and approval of the voucher designated by the Contractor as the "completion voucher" and supporting documentation, and upon compliance by the Contractor with all terms of this contract (including, without limitation, terms relating to patents and the terms of paragraph (g) of this clause), the Government shall promptly pay any balance due the Contractor. The completion voucher, and supporting documentation, shall be submitted by the Contractor as promptly as practicable following completion of the work under this contract, but in no event later than 1 year (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may approve in writing) from the date of completion.
- (g) Assignment and Release of Claims. The Contractor, and each assignee under an assignment entered into under this contract and in effect at the time of final payment under this contract, shall execute and deliver, at the time of and as a condition precedent to final payment under this contract, a release discharging the Government, its officers, agents, and employees of and from all liabilities, obligations, and claims arising out of or under this contract, subject only to the following exceptions:

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- (1) Specified claims in stated amounts, or in estimated amounts if the amounts are not susceptible of exact statement by the Contractor.
- (2) Claims, together with reasonable incidental expenses, based upon the liabilities of the Contractor to third parties arising out of performing this contract, that are not known to the Contractor on the date of the execution of the release, and of which the Contractor gives notice in writing to the Contracting Officer not more than 6 years after the date of the release or the date of any notice to the Contractor that the Government is prepared to make final payment, whichever is earlier.
- (3) Claims for reimbursement of costs (other than expenses of the Contractor by reason of its indemnification of the Government against patent liability), including reasonable incidental expenses, incurred by the Contractor under the terms of this contract relating to patents.
 - (h) Interim payments on contracts for other than services.
- (1) Interim payments made prior to the final payment under the contract are contract financing payments. Contract financing payments are not subject to the interest penalty provisions of the Prompt Payment Act.
- (2) The designated payment office will make interim payments for contract financing on the 30 day after the designated billing office receives a proper payment request. In the event that the Government requires an audit or other review of a specific payment request to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract, the designated payment office is not compelled to make payment by the specified due date.
- (i) Interim payments on contracts for services. For interim payments made prior to the final payment under this contract, the Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

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BILLING INSTRUCTIONS FOR LABOR HOUR TYPE CONTRACTS

General: The contractor shall prepare vouchers/invoices for reimbursement of costs in the manner and format described herein or a similar format. FAILURE TO SUBMIT VOUCHERS/INVOICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE VOUCHER/INVOICE AS IMPROPER.

<u>Number of Copies</u>: An original and three copies, including supporting documentation shall be submitted. A copy of all supporting documents must be attached to each copy of your voucher/invoice. Failure to submit all the required copies will result in rejection of the voucher/invoice as improper.

Designated Agency Billing Office: Vouchers/invoices shall be submitted to the following address:

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Division of Contracts Mail Stop T-7-I-2 Washington, D.C. 20555

HAND DELIVERY OF VOUCHERS/INVOICES IS DISCOURAGED AND WILL NOT EXPEDITE PROCESSING BY NRC. However, should you choose to deliver vouchers/invoices by hand, including delivery by any express mail services or special delivery services which use a courier or other person to deliver the

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voucher/invoice in person to the NRC, such vouchers/invoices must be addressed to the above Designated Agency Billing Office and will only be accepted at the following location:

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike - Mail Room Rockville, MD 20852

HAND-CARRIED SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT OTHER THAN THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

Note that the official receipt date for hand-delivered vouchers/invoices will be the date it is received by the official agency billing office in the Division of Contracts and Property Management.

Agency Payment Office: Payment will be made by the following office:

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Division of Accounting and Finance GOV/COMM
Mail Stop T-9-H4
Washington, DC 20555

<u>Frequency</u>: The contractor shall submit claims for reimbursement once each month, unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer.

<u>Format</u>: Claims should be submitted in the format depicted on the attached sample form entitled "Voucher/Invoice for Purchases and Services Other Than Personal" (see Attachment) or a similar format. THE SAMPLE FORMAT IS PROVIDED FOR GUIDANCE ONLY AND IS NOT REQUIRED FOR SUBMISSION OF A VOUCHER/INVOICE. ALTERNATE FORMATS ARE PERMISSIBLE PROVIDED ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE BILLING INSTRUCTIONS ARE ADDRESSED.

Billing of Costs After Expiration of Contract/Purchase Order: If the costs are incurred during the purchase order period and claimed after the purchase order has expired, the period during which these costs were incurred must be cited. To be considered a proper voucher/invoice, the contractor shall clearly mark it 'EXPIRATION VOUCHER" OR "EXPIRATION INVOICE".

<u>Currency</u>: Billings may be expressed in the currency normally used by the contractor in maintaining his accounting records; payments will be made in that currency. However, the U.S. dollar equivalent for all vouchers/invoices paid under the purchase order may not exceed the total U.S. dollars authorized in the purchase order.

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ATTACHMENT

INVOICE/VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

(SAMPLE FORMAT - COVER SHEET)

Official Agency Billi		(a) Purcha	se Order No:	
U.S. Nuclear Regul Division of Contrac	ts and Property	(b) Vouche	er/Invoice No:	
Management MS: T-7-I2 Washington, DC 20555-0001		(c) Date of Voucher/Invoice:		
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Name: Telephone No:	ontact Regarding Vouc voice represents reimborto		oilling period	
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(1) Direct Labor* (2) Travel*	Total Direct Costs:	\$ \$ \$	\$ \$ \$	

^{*} The contractor shall submit as an attachment to its invoice/voucher cover sheet a listing of labor categories, hours billed, fixed hourly rates, total dollars, and cumulative hours billed to date under each labor category, authorized under the purchase order. In addition, the contractor shall include travel costs incurred with the required supporting documentation (receipts/invoices for lodging, airfare, transportation, etc.), as well as, the cumulative total of travel costs billed to date.

Subpart 2009.5 Organizational Conflicts of Interest

§2009.500 Scope of subpart.

In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 2210a., NRC acquisitions are processed in accordance with §2009.570, which takes precedence over FAR 9.5 with respect to organizational conflicts of interest. Where non-conflicting guidance appears in FAR 9.5, that guidance must be followed.

§2009.570 NRC organizational conflicts of interest.

§2009.570-1 Scope of policy.

- (a) It is the policy of NRC to avoid, eliminate, or neutralize contractor organizational conflicts of interest. The NRC achieves this objective by requiring all prospective contractors to submit information describing relationships, if any, with organizations or persons (including those regulated by the NRC) which may give rise to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the event of contract award.
- (b) Contractor conflict of interest determinations cannot be made automatically or routinely. The application of sound judgment on virtually a case-by-case basis is necessary if the policy is to be applied to satisfy the overall public interest. It is not possible to prescribe in advance a specific method or set of criteria which would serve to identify and resolve all of the contractor conflict of interest situations that might arise. However, examples are provided in these regulations to guide application of this policy guidance. The ultimate test is as follows: Might the contractor, if awarded the contract, be placed in a position where its judgment may be biased, or where it may have an unfair competitive advantage?
- (c) The conflict of interest rule contained in this subpart applies to contractors and offerors only. Individuals or firms who have other relationships with the NRC (e.g., parties to a licensing proceeding) are not covered by this regulation. This rule does not apply to the acquisition of consulting services through the personnel appointment process, NRC agreements with other Government agencies, international organizations, or state, local, or foreign Governments. Separate procedures for avoiding conflicts of interest will be employed in these agreements, as appropriate.

§2009.570-2 Definitions.

Affiliates means business concerns which are affiliates of each other when either directly or indirectly one concern or individual controls or has the power to control another, or when a third party controls or has the power to control both.

Contract means any contractual agreement or other arrangement with the NRC except as provided in §2009.570-1(c).

Contractor means any person, firm, unincorporated association, joint venture, co-sponsor, partnership, corporation, affiliates thereof, or their successors in interest, including their chief executives, directors, key personnel (identified in the contract), proposed consultants or subcontractors, which are a party to a contract with the NRC.

Evaluation activities means any effort involving the appraisal of a technology, process, product, or policy.

Offeror or prospective contractor means any person, firm, unincorporated association, joint venture, co-sponsor, partnership, corporation, or their affiliates or successors in interest, including their chief executives, directors, key personnel, proposed consultants, or subcontractors, submitting a bid or proposal, solicited or unsolicited, to the NRC to obtain a contract.

Organizational conflicts of interest means that a relationship exists whereby a contractor or prospective contractor has present or planned interests related to the work to be performed under an NRC contract which:

- (1) May diminish its capacity to give impartial, technically sound, objective assistance and advice, or may otherwise result in a biased work product; or
- (2) May result in its being given an unfair competitive advantage.

Potential conflict of interest means that a factual situation exists that suggests that an actual conflict of interest may arise from award of a proposed contract. The term potential conflict of interest is used to signify those situations that

- (1) Merit investigation before contract award to ascertain whether award would give rise to an actual conflict; or
- (2) Must be reported to the contracting officer for investigation if they arise during contract performance.

Research means any scientific or technical work involving theoretical analysis, exploration, or experimentation.

Subcontractor means any subcontractor of any tier who performs work under a contract with the NRC except subcontracts for supplies and subcontracts in amounts not exceeding \$10,000.

Technical consulting and management support services means internal assistance to a component of the NRC in the formulation or administration of its programs, projects, or policies which normally require that the contractor be given access to proprietary information or to information that has not been made available to the public. These services typically include assistance in the preparation of program plans, preliminary designs, specifications, or statements of work.

§2009.570-3 Criteria for recognizing contractor organizational conflicts of interest.

- (a) General.
- (1) Two questions will be asked in determining whether actual or potential organizational conflicts of interest exist:
- (i) Are there conflicting roles which might bias an offeror's or contractor's judgment in relation to its work for the NRC?
- (ii) May the offeror or contractor be given an unfair competitive advantage based on the performance of the contract?
- (2) NRC's ultimate determination that organizational conflicts of interest exist will be made in light of common sense and good business judgment based upon the relevant facts. While it is difficult to identify and to prescribe in advance a specific method for avoiding all of the various situations or relationships that might involve potential organizational conflicts of interest, NRC

personnel will pay particular attention to proposed contractual requirements that call for the rendering of advice, consultation or evaluation activities, or similar activities that directly lay the groundwork for the NRC's decisions on regulatory activities, future procurements, and research programs. Any work performed at an applicant or licensee site will also be closely scrutinized by the NRC staff.

- (b) Situations or relationships. The following situations or relationships may give rise to organizational conflicts of interest:
- (1) The offeror or contractor shall disclose information that may give rise to organizational conflicts of interest under the following circumstances. The information may include the scope of work or specification for the requirement being performed, the period of performance, and the name and telephone number for a point of contact at the organization knowledgeable about the commercial contract.
- (i) Where the offeror or contractor provides advice and recommendations to the NRC in the same technical area where it is also providing consulting assistance to any organization regulated by the NRC.
- (ii) Where the offeror or contractor provides advice to the NRC on the same or similar matter on which it is also providing assistance to any organization regulated by the NRC.
- (iii) Where the offeror or contractor evaluates its own products or services, or has been substantially involved in the development or marketing of the products or services of another entity.
- (iv) Where the award of a contract would result in placing the offeror or contractor in a conflicting role in which its judgment may be biased in relation to its work for the NRC, or would result in an unfair competitive advantage for the offeror or contractor.
- (v) Where the offeror or contractor solicits or performs work at an applicant or licensee site while performing work in the same technical area for the NRC at the same site.
- (2) The contracting officer may request specific information from an offeror or contractor or may require special contract clauses such as provided in §2009.570-5(b) in the following circumstances:
- (i) Where the offeror or contractor prepares specifications that are to be used in competitive procurements of products or services covered by the specifications.
- (ii) Where the offeror or contractor prepares plans for specific approaches or methodologies that are to be incorporated into competitive procurements using the approaches or methodologies.
- (iii) Where the offeror or contractor is granted access to information not available to the public concerning NRC plans, policies, or programs that could form the basis for a later procurement action.
- (iv) Where the offeror or contractor is granted access to proprietary information of its competitors.
- (v) Where the award of a contract might result in placing the offeror or contractor in a conflicting role in which its judgment may be biased in relation to its work for the NRC or might result in an unfair competitive advantage for the offeror or contractor.

- (c) Policy application guidance. The following examples are illustrative only and are not intended to identify and resolve all contractor organizational conflict of interest situations.
- (1)(i) Example. The ABC Corp., in response to a Request For Proposal (RFP), proposes to undertake certain analyses of a reactor component as called for in the RFP. The ABC Corp. is one of several companies considered to be technically well qualified. In response to the inquiry in the RFP, the ABC Corp. advises that it is currently performing similar analyses for the reactor manufacturer.
- (ii) Guidance. An NRC contract for that particular work normally would not be awarded to the ABC Corp. because the company would be placed in a position in which its judgment could be biased in relationship to its work for the NRC. Because there are other well-qualified companies available, there would be no reason for considering a waiver of the policy.
- (2)(i) Example. The ABC Corp., in response to an RFP, proposes to perform certain analyses of a reactor component that is unique to one type of advanced reactor. As is the case with other technically qualified companies responding to the RFP, the ABC Corp. is performing various projects for several different utility clients. None of the ABC Corp. projects have any relationship to the work called for in the RFP. Based on the NRC evaluation, the ABC Corp. is considered to be the best qualified company to perform the work outlined in the RFP.
- (ii) Guidance. An NRC contract normally could be awarded to the ABC Corp. because no conflict of interest exists which could motivate bias with respect to the work. An appropriate clause would be included in the contract to preclude the ABC Corp. from subsequently contracting for work with the private sector that could create a conflict during the performance of the NRC contract. For example, ABC Corp. would be precluded from the performance of similar work for the company developing the advanced reactor mentioned in the example.
- (3)(i) Example. The ABC Corp., in response to a competitive RFP, submits a proposal to assist the NRC in revising NRC's guidance documents on the respiratory protection requirements of 10 CFR Part 20. ABC Corp. is the only firm determined to be technically acceptable. ABC Corp. has performed substantial work for regulated utilities in the past and is expected to continue similar efforts in the future. The work has and will cover the writing, implementation, and administration of compliance respiratory protection programs for nuclear power plants.
- (ii) Guidance. This situation would place the firm in a role where its judgment could be biased in relationship to its work for the NRC. Because the nature of the required work is vitally important in terms of the NRC's responsibilities and no reasonable alternative exists, a waiver of the policy, in accordance with §2009.570-9 may be warranted. Any waiver must be fully documented in accordance with the waiver provisions of this policy with particular attention to the establishment of protective mechanisms to guard against bias.
- (4)(i) Example. The ABC Corp. submits a proposal for a new system to evaluate a specific reactor component's performance for the purpose of developing standards that are important to the NRC program. The ABC Corp. has advised the NRC that it intends to sell the new system to industry once its practicability has been demonstrated. Other companies in this business are using older systems for evaluation of the specific reactor component.
- (ii) Guidance. A contract could be awarded to the ABC Corp. if the contract stipulates that no information produced under the contract will be used in the contractor's private activities unless this information has been reported to the NRC. Data on how the reactor component performs, which is reported to the NRC by contractors, will normally be disseminated by the NRC to others to preclude an unfair competitive advantage. When the NRC furnishes information about the reactor component to the contractor for the performance of contracted work, the information may not be used in the contractor's private activities unless the information is generally available to others. Further, the contract will stipulate that the contractor will inform the NRC contracting officer of all situations in which the information,

developed about the performance of the reactor component under the contract, is proposed to be used.

- (5)(i) Example. The ABC Corp., in response to a RFP, proposes to assemble a map showing certain seismological features of the Appalachian fold belt. In accordance with the representation in the RFP and §2009.570-3(b)(1)(i), ABC Corp. informs the NRC that it is presently doing seismological studies for several utilities in the eastern United States, but none of the sites are within the geographic area contemplated by the NRC study.
- (ii) Guidance. The contracting officer would normally conclude that award of a contract would not place ABC Corp. in a conflicting role where its judgment might be biased. Section 2052.209-72(c) Work for Others, would preclude ABC Corp. from accepting work which could create a conflict of interest during the term of the NRC contract.
- (6)(i) Example. AD Division of ABC Corp., in response to a RFP, submits a proposal to assist the NRC in the safety and environmental review of applications for licenses for the construction, operation, and decommissioning of fuel cycle facilities. ABC Corp. is divided into two separate and distinct divisions, AD and BC. The BC Division performs the same or similar services for industry. The BC Division is currently providing the same or similar services required under the NRC's contract for an applicant or licensee.
- (ii) Guidance. An NRC contract for that particular work would not be awarded to the ABC Corp. The AD Division could be placed in a position to pass judgment on work performed by the BC Division, which could bias its work for NRC. Further, the Conflict of Interest provisions apply to ABC Corp. and not to separate or distinct divisions within the company. If no reasonable alternative exists, a waiver of the policy could be sought in accordance with §2009.570-9.
- (7)(i) Example. The ABC Corp. completes an analysis for NRC of steam generator tube leaks at one of a utility's six sites. Three months later, ABC Corp. is asked by this utility to perform the same analysis at another of its sites.
- (ii) Guidance. Section 2052.290-72(c)(3) would prohibit the contractor from beginning this work for the utility until one year after completion of the NRC work at the first site.
- (8)(i) Example. ABC Corp. is assisting NRC in a major on-site analysis of a utility's redesign of the common areas between its twin reactors. The contract is for two years with an estimated value of \$5 million. Near the completion of the NRC work, ABC Corp. requests authority to solicit for a \$100K contract with the same utility to transport spent fuel to a disposal site. ABC Corp. is performing no other work for the utility.
- (ii) Guidance. The Contracting Officer would allow the contractor to proceed with the solicitation because it is not in the same technical area as the NRC work; and the potential for technical bias by the contractor because of financial ties to the utility is slight due to the relative value of the two contracts.
- (9)(i) Example. The ABC Corp. is constructing a turbine building and installing new turbines at a reactor site. The contract with the utility is for five years and has a total value of \$100 million. ABC Corp. has responded to an NRC Request For Proposal requiring the contractor to participate in a major team inspection unrelated to the turbine work at the same site. The estimated value of the contract is \$75K.
- (ii) Guidance. An NRC contract would not normally be awarded to ABC Corp. because these factors create the potential for financial loyalty to the utility that may bias the technical judgment of the contractor.
- (d) Other considerations.

- (1) The fact that the NRC can identify and later avoid, eliminate, or neutralize any potential organizational conflicts arising from the performance of a contract is not relevant to a determination of the existence of conflicts prior to the award of a contract.
- (2) It is not relevant that the contractor has the professional reputation of being able to resist temptations which arise from organizational conflicts of interest, or that a follow-on procurement is not involved, or that a contract is awarded on a competitive or a sole source basis.

§2009.570-4 Representation.

- (a) The following procedures are designed to assist the NRC contracting officer in determining whether situations or relationships exist which may constitute organizational conflicts of interest with respect to a particular offeror or contractor. The procedures apply to small purchases meeting the criteria stated in the following paragraph (b) of this section.
- (b) The organizational conflicts of interest representation provision at §2052.209-71 must be included in solicitations and contracts resulting from unsolicited proposals. The contracting officer must also include this provision for task orders and contract modifications for new work for:
- (1) Evaluation services or activities;
- (2) Technical consulting and management support services;
- (3) Research; and
- (4) Other contractual situations where special organizational conflicts of interest provisions are noted in the solicitation and would be included in the resulting contract. This representation requirement also applies to all modifications for additional effort under the contract except those issued under the "Changes" clause. Where, however, a statement of the type required by the organizational conflicts of interest representation provisions has previously been submitted with regard to the contract being modified, only an updating of the statement is required.
- (c) The offeror may, because of actual or potential organizational conflicts of interest, propose to exclude specific kinds of work contained in a RFP unless the RFP specifically prohibits the exclusion. Any such proposed exclusion by an offeror will be considered by the NRC in the evaluation of proposals. If the NRC considers the proposed excluded work to be an essential or integral part of the required work and its exclusion would be to the detriment of the competitive posture of the other offerors, the NRC shall reject the proposal as unacceptable.
- (d) The offeror's failure to execute the representation required by paragraph (b) of this section with respect to an invitation for bids is considered to be a minor informality. The offeror will be permitted to correct the omission.

§2009.570-5 Contract clauses.

- (a) General contract clause. All contracts and simplified acquisitions of the types set forth in §2009.570-4(b) must include the clause entitled, "Contractor Organizational Conflicts of Interest," set forth in §2052.209-72.
- (b) Other special contract clauses. If it is determined from the nature of the proposed contract that an organizational conflict of interest exists, the contracting officer may determine that the conflict can be avoided, or, after obtaining a waiver in accordance with §2009.570-9,

neutralized through the use of an appropriate special contract clause. If appropriate, the offeror may negotiate the terms and conditions of these clauses, including the extent and time period of any restriction. These clauses include but are not limited to:

- (1) Hardware exclusion clauses which prohibit the acceptance of production contracts following a related non-production contract previously performed by the contractor;
- (2) Software exclusion clauses;
- (3) Clauses which require the contractor (and certain of its key personnel) to avoid certain organizational conflicts of interest; and
- (4) Clauses which provide for protection of confidential data and guard against its unauthorized use.

§2009.570-6 Evaluation, findings, and contract award.

The contracting officer shall evaluate all relevant facts submitted by an offeror and other relevant information. After evaluating this information against the criteria of §2009.570-3, the contracting officer shall make a finding of whether organizational conflicts of interest exist with respect to a particular offeror. If it has been determined that real or potential conflicts of interest exist, the contracting officer shall:

- (a) Disqualify the offeror from award;
- (b) Avoid or eliminate such conflicts by appropriate measures; or
- (c) Award the contract under the waiver provision of §2009.570-9.

§2009.570-7 Conflicts identified after award.

If potential organizational conflicts of interest are identified after award with respect to a particular contractor and the contracting officer determines that conflicts do exist and that it would not be in the best interest of the Government to terminate the contract, as provided in the clauses required by §2009.570-5, the contracting officer shall take every reasonable action to avoid, eliminate, or, after obtaining a waiver in accordance with §2009.570-9, neutralize the effects of the identified conflict.

§2009.570-8 Subcontracts.

The contracting officer shall require offerors and contractors to submit a representation statement from all subcontractors (other than a supply subcontractor) and consultants performing services in excess of \$10,000 in accordance with §2009.570-4(b). The contracting officer shall require the contractor to include contract clauses in accordance with §2009.570-5 in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance of work under a prime contract.

§2009.570-9 Waiver.

(a) The contracting officer determines the need to seek a waiver for specific contract awards with the advice and concurrence of the program office director and legal counsel. Upon the recommendation of the Senior Procurement Executive, and after consultation with legal counsel, the Executive Director for Operations may waive the policy in specific cases if he determines that it is in the best interest of the United States to do so.

- (b) Waiver action is strictly limited to those situations in which:
- (1) The work to be performed under contract is vital to the NRC program;
- (2) The work cannot be satisfactorily performed except by a contractor whose interests give rise to a question of conflict of interest.
- (3) Contractual and/or technical review and surveillance methods can be employed by the NRC to neutralize the conflict.
- (c) The justification and approval documents for any waivers must be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

§2009.570-10 Remedies.

In addition to other remedies permitted by law or contract for a breach of the restrictions in this subpart or for any intentional misrepresentation or intentional nondisclosure of any relevant interest required to be provided for this section, the NRC may debar the contractor from subsequent NRC contracts.