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## SECTION B - CONTINUATION BLOCK

#### **B.1 GENERAL**

(a) The contractor will provide support for the "Child Care Subsidy Program" for the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Office of Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO);

(b) The contract term includes a base period of 12-months, and four (4) twelve (12) month option periods from time of award, for a total of five (5) years if all option years are exercised; and

(c) The contract will be a Commercial Item Contract with firm fixed prices.

#### **B.2 PRICE SCHEDULE**

All unit prices are fixed unit prices that include all costs (including, but not limited to: labor, fringe benefits, overhead, G&A, and profit) necessary to provide the course development, maintenance, and delivery services required in the contract.

#### BASE PERIOD: February 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014

#### **Child Care Services**

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
0001	Monthly Program Administration Cost	4 Quarters		

#### Child Care Subsidy

Item No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
0001	Monthly Subsidy	4 Quarters	· · ·	r:1 *

#### Total Cost – Base Period - \$54,123.04

#### **OPTION YEAR 1: February 1, 2014 – January 31, 2015**

#### Child Care Services

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
1001	Monthly Program Administration Cost	4 Quarters		1

#### Child Care Subsidy

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
1001	Monthly Subsidy	4 Quarters		

## Total Cost – Option Year 1 - \$55,185.76

## OPTION YEAR 2: February 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016

#### **Child Care Services**

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
2001	Monthly Program Administration Cost	4 Quarters	76.53	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

#### Child Care Subsidy

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
2001	Monthly Subsidy	4 Quarters	-	

## Total Cost – Option Year 2 - \$56,270.12

#### OPTION YEAR 3: February 1, 2016 – January 31, 2017

## **Child Care Services**

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
3001	Monthly Program Administration Cost	4 Quarters		00

#### Child Care Subsidy

ltem No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
3001	Monthly Subsidy	4 Quarters	î nî	•

## Total Cost – Option Year 3 - \$57,376.00

#### OPTION YEAR 4: February 1, 2017 – January 31, 2018

#### Child Care Services

Item No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
4001	Monthly Program Administration Cost	4 Quarters	· · ·	· ·

#### Child Care Subsidy

Item No.	Schedule of Supplies/Services	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Price
4001	Monthly Subsidy	4 Quarters		

#### Total Cost – Option Year 4 - \$55,431.52

#### TOTAL COST - FOR ALL YEARS - \$281,458.44

#### **B.3 STATEMENT OF WORK**

#### NRC CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

#### B.3.1 BACKGROUND

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Office of Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO) provides benefits, counseling and personnel services to NRC employees, which enhances the balance of work and family responsibilities and assists NRC in recruiting and retaining the skills necessary to accomplish its mission. As such, OCHCO plans, implements, and monitors a full range of employee benefits; plays an active leadership role in the development of new initiatives; and serves as an agency-wide clearinghouse for information on employee benefits and other related programs.

Congress enacted Public Law 107-67 (hereinafter referred to as the Act), which permits Federal agencies to assist their lower income Federal employees with the costs of child care. This legislation allows Federal agencies to provide subsidies directly to the child care provider and thus, can reduce the amount of money that parents pay for childcare. To be eligible to participate in this program, child care provided must be a family child care home or child care center. Either type of care must be licensed and/or regulated by the State and/or local authorities where the service is provided.

The NRC has established a child care subsidy program. The NRC solicits proposals from qualified organizations which demonstrate the ability to administer the NRC's child care subsidy program.

#### B.3.2 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF WORK

The contractor must appropriately and efficiently handle all administrative tasks associated with the child care subsidy program, including providing information to respond to requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act or Privacy Act. The contractor shall receive a specified sum of money from the agency and distribute it to child care providers as tuition assistance funds. It is anticipated that the amount of tuition assistance to be distributed to licensed or regulated child care providers will not exceed

a total of \$54,000 per year. The NRC currently has a limit of \$5000 annually per employee; this limit may be adjusted.

## B.3.3 SCOPE OF WORK

#### B.3.3.1 Determine Subsidy Eligibility and Subsidy Amount

The contractor must be responsible for providing the child care subsidy application forms to NRC employees upon request. Completed applications will be sent directly to the contractor, who must determine eligibility and the subsidy amount based on the formula provided in Attachment No. 1. NRC may adjust the total family income limits and percentages. The contractor shall maintain confidential all the information contained in the subsidy applications, and ensure that only the contractor and the child care provider know the identity of the applicant.

All full-time and part-time NRC employees are eligible to apply for child care subsidy if they meet the income requirements and use a licensed or regulated child care provider (see Attachment No. 1). Applications may be submitted at any time. Child care subsidy benefits will be awarded on the basis of income order. That is child care assistance requests from employees whose total family income (TFI) is \$45,000 or less will be approved first, then requests from employees whose TFI is between \$45,001 and \$70,000. Within each TFI category, requests from employees with the lowest TFI will be approved before requests from employees with a higher TFI in the same income category. Approvals will continue in this way until all eligible requests have been filled or until the funds allocated by the NRC to the program have been exhausted, whichever comes first. If all requests are filled and funds remain unexpended, requests from new employees or whose TFI qualifies them for the program during the year will be honored. In early April of each year, employees will be advised that they must re-apply to the program, submitting their current year's income tax forms as proof of income. A new round of child care subsidy awards will then be made, again on the basis of income order.

As provided in the Act, for the purposes of this program, a child is considered to be:

- (a) A biological child who lives with the Federal employee;
- (b) An adopted child;
- (c) A stepchild;
- (d) A foster child;
- (e) A child for whom judicial determination of support has been obtained; or
- (f) A child to whose support the Federal employee, the employee's spouse, or the employee's domestic partner makes regular and substantial contributions.

The Act covers the children of Federal employees, excluding contractor employees, from birth through age 12 (under the age of 13) and disabled children through age 17 (under the age of 18). A disabled child is defined as one who is unable to care for himself or herself based on a physical or mental incapacity as determined by a physician or licensed or certified psychologist. The contractor must notify the parents and child care providers of the amount of subsidy that each family will receive and the effective dates within 10 working days of receipt of the application. Such information must also include a statement that the employee may appeal a decision in writing to the NRC Child Care Subsidy Program Coordinator. NRC will keep the contractor apprised of the identity and contact information for the coordinator.

## B.3.3 Estimate Funding for Subsidy Payments

The contractor must provide the NRC Contracting Officer Representative (COR) and NRC Contracting Officer (CO) with an estimate of the funds required for child care subsidy payments to providers for the first year of contract performance no later than **March 31, 2013**. This date may be adjusted. These amounts will be directly deposited into a special account which is maintained by the contractor and drawn upon as needed. Any upward adjustment in this amount after the initial deposit must be negotiated with the NRC COR and CO. Child care subsidies provided may not exceed \$49,188.00 for the initial year from the date of award. Child care subsidies may not be provided for any services rendered after five years from the effective date of this contract. The contractor must return unexpended funds for tuition to the NRC no later than 60 days after the end of the fiscal year period of performance. Please see below for an NRC estimate of subsidy funding by fiscal year.

NRC Estimate of Subsidy Funding by Fiscal Year				
Fiscal Year	Tuition Assistance Cost			
2013	\$49,188			
2014	\$50,172			
2015	\$51,176			
2016	\$52,200			
2017	\$53,244			
Totals	\$255,980			

## B.3.3.4 <u>Ensure Child Care Providers are Licensed/Regulated by State and/or Local</u> <u>Authorities</u>

The contractor must ensure that those child care providers that receive Federal funds as the results of NRC's child care subsidy program are licensed and/or regulated by the State and/or local authorities. In doing so, the contractor must perform the following:

- a) Require that applications include a copy of their latest license and/or statement of compliance from the appropriate State and/or local authorities from each child care provider who would receive funds under the program.
- b) Require that applications include a completed copy of OPM Form 1644 for each provider who would receive funds under this program.
- c) Ensure that licensed child care providers understand that if, for any reason, the provider is no longer licensed and/or regulated by the State and/or local authorities, the provider will immediately notify the contractor that administers the subsidy program and the Federal employee whose child is enrolled in the child care program. In such cases, the provider will no longer be permitted to receive the subsidy funds.

#### B.3.3.5 PROVIDE PAYMENT TO CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

The contractor must receive monthly invoices for the child care subsidy amounts from the child care providers; verify services were received; and provide payment based on the invoiced amount within 30 days after the date of the invoice. The contractor must pay the subsidy directly to the child care provider and not to the Federal employee. The contractor must:

- a) Ensure that the child care provider submits a written invoice, on a monthly basis, to the contractor. Both the child care provider and the parent must certify on the invoice that the care was provided.
- b) Child care subsidy awards will be quoted as weekly amounts and the invoices must be prepared using full week amounts, unless services for the child end in the middle of a particular week.

#### B.1.4 <u>REPORTING REQUIREMENTS</u>

The contractor must submit monthly reports to the NRC COR on the status of the agency's tuition assistance program. The monthly reports are due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. If the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month falls on a weekend, the report must be submitted on the following Monday. The report must contain the following information:

- 1. The number of NRC applications received by organizational subcomponent (e.g., Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Office of Small Business and Civil Rights) and whether located in headquarters or in a regional office;
- 2. The number of NRC employees who submitted an application but were not eligible;

3. The number of NRC employees who submitted an application but were denied due to lack of funding;

- 4. The number of NRC employees who qualified for a subsidy and who are receiving the subsidy;
- 5. The number of children enrolled whose parents receive the child care subsidy;
- 6. The amount of subsidies disbursed in a given month;
- 7. The total family income of each family that receives a child care subsidy broken down to reflect the salary for each partner in the family;
- 8. The amount of the child care subsidy for each recipient;
- 9. The grade level of the NRC employee;
- 10. The name and address of each child care provider that provides services for the subsidy recipients;
- 11. The number of total applicants for the month;
- 12. The number of applications in process;

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13. The number of new child care subsidies;

- 14. The remaining balance of the agency's funds; and
- 15. Financial information for tax purposes: The name of each employee whose child care provider received tuition assistance that month, employee's social security number, and the amount of subsidy received by the employee's child care provider. NRC will work with the contractor to determine whether social security numbers can be eliminated from the reports. This information will be provided to NRC in an electronic format such as an attachment to e-mail.

Within 30 days after the end of the calendar year, the contractor must provide a completed form 1099, as required by law, to the child care providers who received subsidies under this program.

Within 60 days after the end of the program (or earlier, if required), the contractor must provide the COR with a final report containing the information listed above and any additional information required to be reported by the NRC to OPM or Congress.

#### B.1.5 <u>Period of Performance</u>

The period of performance of this contact shall be one base year plus four (4) additional Option years, to be exercised at the NRC's discretion.

## SECTION C - CONTRACT CLAUSES

## C.1 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (FEB 2012) ALTERNATE I (AUG 2012)

(a) Inspection/Acceptance.

(1) The Government has the right to inspect and test all materials furnished and services performed under this contract, to the extent practicable at all places and times, including the period of performance, and in any event before acceptance. The Government may also inspect the plant or plants of the Contractor or any subcontractor engaged in contract performance. The Government will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.

(2) If the Government performs inspection or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish and shall require subcontractors to furnish all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.

(3) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government will accept or reject services and materials at the place of delivery as promptly as practicable after delivery, and they will be presumed accepted 60 days after the date of delivery, unless accepted earlier.

(4) At any time during contract performance, but not later than 6 months (or such other time as may be specified in the contract) after acceptance of the services or materials last delivered under this contract, the Government may require the Contractor to replace or correct services or materials that at time of delivery failed to meet contract requirements. Except as otherwise specified in paragraph (a)(6) of this clause, the cost of replacement or correction shall be determined under paragraph (i) of this clause, but the "hourly rate" for labor hours incurred in the replacement or correction shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. Unless otherwise specified below, the portion of the "hourly rate" attributable to profit shall be 10 percent. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance materials and services required to be replaced or corrected without disclosing the former requirement for replacement or correction, and, when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken. [Insert portion of labor rate attributable to profit.]

(5)(i) If the Contractor fails to proceed with reasonable promptness to perform required replacement or correction, and if the replacement or correction can be performed within the ceiling price (or the ceiling price as increased by the Government), the Government may--

(A) By contract or otherwise, perform the replacement or correction, charge to the Contractor any increased cost, or deduct such increased cost from any amounts paid or due under this contract; or

(B) Terminate this contract for cause.

(ii) Failure to agree to the amount of increased cost to be charged to the Contractor shall be a dispute under the Disputes clause of the contract.

(6) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a)(4) and (5) above, the Government may at any time require the Contractor to remedy by correction or replacement, without cost to the Government, any failure by the Contractor to comply with the requirements of this contract, if the failure is due to--

(i) Fraud, lack of good faith, or willful misconduct on the part of the Contractor's managerial personnel; or

(ii) The conduct of one or more of the Contractor's employees selected or retained by the Contractor after any of the Contractor's managerial personnel has reasonable grounds to believe that the employee is habitually careless or unqualified.

(7) This clause applies in the same manner and to the same extent to corrected or replacement materials or services as to materials and services originally delivered under this contract.

(8) The Contractor has no obligation or liability under this contract to correct or replace materials and services that at time of delivery do not meet contract requirements, except as provided in this clause or as may be otherwise specified in the contract.

(9) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Contractor's obligation to correct or replace Government-furnished property shall be governed by the clause pertaining to Government property.

(b) Assignment. The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (e.g., use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.

(c) Changes. Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.

(d) Disputes. This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(e) Definitions.

(1) The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference. As used in 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) 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--

(A) Performed by the contractor;

(B) Performed by the subcontractors; or

(C) Transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the contractor under a common control.

(iii) Materials means--

(A) Direct materials, including supplies transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the contractor under a common control;

(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.);

(D) The following subcontracts for services which are specifically excluded from the hourly rate: [Insert any subcontracts for services to be excluded from the hourly rates prescribed in the schedule.]; and

(E) Indirect costs specifically provided for in this clause.

(iv) Subcontract means any contract, as defined in FAR Subpart 2.1, entered into with a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of the prime contract or a subcontract including transfers between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of a contractor or subcontractor. It includes, but is not limited to, purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.

(f) Excusable delays. The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.

#### (g) Invoice.

(1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies(or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include-

(i) Name and address of the Contractor;

(ii) Invoice date and number;

(iii) Contract number, contract line item number and, if applicable, the order number;

(iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;

(v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;

(vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;

(vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;

(viii) Name, title, and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and

(ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.

(x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.

(A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.

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(B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-- Central Contractor Registration, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer--Other Than Central Contractor Registration), or applicable agency procedures.

(C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.

(2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(h) Patent indemnity. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) Payments.

(1) Work performed. The Government will pay the Contractor as follows upon the submission of commercial invoices approved by the Contracting Officer:

(i) Hourly rate.

(A) The amounts shall be computed by multiplying the appropriate hourly rates prescribed in the contract by the number of direct labor hours performed. Fractional parts of an hour shall be payable on a prorated basis.

(B) The 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 individuals that do not meet the qualifications specified in the contract, unless specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer.

(C) Invoices may be submitted once each month (or at more frequent intervals, if approved by the Contracting Officer) to the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative.

(D) When requested by the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative, the Contractor shall substantiate invoices (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule) by evidence of actual payment, individual daily job timecards, records that verify the employees meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract, or other substantiation specified in the contract.

(E) 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.

(1) If no overtime rates are provided in the Schedule and the Contracting Officer approves overtime work in advance, overtime rates shall be negotiated.

(2) Failure to agree upon these overtime rates shall be treated as a dispute under the Disputes clause of this contract.

(3) 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.

(ii) Materials.

(A) If the Contractor furnishes 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--

(1) Quantities being acquired; and

(2) Any modifications necessary because of contract requirements.

(B) Except as provided for in paragraph (i)(1)(ii)(A) and (D)(2) of this clause, the Government will reimburse the Contractor the actual cost of materials (less any rebates, refunds, or discounts received by the contractor that are identifiable to the contract) provided the Contractor--

(1) Has made payments for materials in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice; or

(2) 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.

(C) To the extent able, the Contractor shall--

(1) Obtain materials at the most advantageous prices available with due regard to securing prompt delivery of satisfactory materials; and

(2) Give credit to the Government for cash and trade discounts, rebates, scrap, commissions, and other amounts that are identifiable to the contract.

(D) Other Costs. Unless listed below, other direct and indirect costs will not be reimbursed.

(1) Other Direct Costs. The Government will reimburse the Contractor on the basis of actual cost for the following, provided such costs comply with the requirements in paragraph (i)(1)(ii)(B) of this clause:

(2) Indirect Costs (Material Handling, Subcontract Administration, etc.). The Government will reimburse the Contractor for indirect costs on a pro-rata basis over the period of contract performance at the following fixed price:

(2) 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 aSAMue in performing this contract in the next succeeding 30 days, if added to all other payments and costs previously aSAMued, 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 the performing this contract, the Contractor has reason to believe that the total price to the Government for performing the 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 performance of 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 then revised estimate of the total amount of effort to be required under the contract.

(3) 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

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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.

(4) Access to records. At any time before final payment under this contract, the Contracting Officer (or authorized representative) will have access to the following (access shall be limited to the listing below unless otherwise agreed to by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer):

(i) Records that verify that the employees whose time has been included in any invoice meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract;

(ii) For labor hours (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule), when timecards are required as substantiation for payment--

(A) The original timecards (paper-based or electronic);

(B) The Contractor's timekeeping procedures;

(C) Contractor records that show the distribution of labor between jobs or contracts; and

(D) Employees whose time has been included in any invoice for the purpose of verifying that these employees have worked the hours shown on the invoices.

(iii) For material and subcontract costs that are reimbursed on the basis of actual cost--

(A) Any invoices or subcontract agreements substantiating material costs; and

(B) Any documents supporting payment of those invoices.

(5) Overpayments/Underpayments. Each payment previously made shall be subject to reduction to the extent of amounts, on preceding invoices, that are found by the Contracting Officer not to have been properly payable and shall also be subject to reduction for overpayments or to increase for underpayments. The Contractor shall promptly pay any such reduction within 30 days unless the parties agree otherwise. The Government within 30 days will pay any such increases, unless the parties agree otherwise. The Contractor's payment will be made by check. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on an invoice payment, the Contractor shall--

(i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the--

(A) Circumstances of the overpayment (e.g., duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);

(B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;

(C) Affected contract line item or subline item, if applicable; and

(D) Contractor point of contact.

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(6)(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury, as provided in section 611 of the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-563), which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, and then at the rate applicable for each six month period as established by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) Final Decisions. The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision as required by 33.211 if--

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt in a timely manner;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer (see FAR 32.607-2).

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on--

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in 32.608-2 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation in effect on the date of this contract.

(viii) Upon receipt and approval of the invoice designated by the Contractor as the "completion invoice" and supporting documentation, and upon compliance by the Contractor with all terms of this contract, any outstanding balances will be paid within 30 days unless the parties agree otherwise. The completion invoice, 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.

(7) Release of claims. The Contractor, and each assignee under an assignment entered into under this apparent 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.

(i) Specified claims in stated amounts, or in estimated amounts if the amounts are not susceptible to exact statement by the Contractor.

(ii) 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.

(iii) 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.

(8) Prompt payment. 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.

(9) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause.

(10) Discount. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(j) Risk of loss. Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:

(1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or

(2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) Taxes. The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.

(I) Termination for the Government's convenience. The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount for direct labor hours (as defined in the Schedule of the contract) determined by multiplying the number of direct labor hours expended before the effective date of termination by the hourly rate(s) in the contract, less any hourly rate payments already made to the Contractor plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system that have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred that reasonably could have been avoided.

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(m) Termination for cause. The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon written request, with adequate assurances of future performance. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount computed under paragraph (i) Payments of this clause, but the "hourly rate" for labor hours expended in furnishing work not delivered to or accepted by the Government shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. Unless otherwise specified in paragraph (a)(4) of this clause, the portion of the "hourly rate" attributable to profit shall be 10 percent. In the event of termination for cause, the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) Title. Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) Warranty. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) Limitation of liability. Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) Other compliances. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.

(r) Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts. The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 3701, et seq., Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986; 41 U.S.C. 265 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.

(s) Order of precedence. Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

(1) The schedule of supplies/services.

(2) The Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, and Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts paragraphs of this clause.

(3) The clause at 52.212-5.

(4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software.

(5) Solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation.

(6) Other paragraphs of this clause.

(7) The Standard Form 1449.

(8) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments

(9) The specification.

#### (t) System for Award Management (SAM).

(1) Unless exempted by an addendum to this contract, the Contractor is responsible during performance and through final payment of any contract for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the SAM database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the SAM database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates its information in the SAM database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the SAM does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.

(2)(i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, "doing business as" name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in FAR subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to (A) change the name in the SAM database; (B) comply with the requirements of subpart 42.12; and (C) agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor must provide with the notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.

(ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (t)(2)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (t)(2)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the SAM information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.

(3) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the SAM record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see Subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the SAM database. Information provided to the Contractor's SAM record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.

(4) Offerors and Contractors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via SAM accessed through https://www.acquisition.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.

#### ADDENDUM TO FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS

Clauses that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

The following clauses are incorporated into 52.212-4 as an addendum to this contract:

## C.2 52.217-8 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days.

## C.3 52.217-9 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 60 days, before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed five (5) years.

## C.4 52.228-5 INSURANCE - WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION (JAN 1997)

(a) The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance of this contract, at least the kinds and minimum amounts of insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract.

(b) Before commencing work under this contract, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing that the required insurance has been obtained. The policies evidencing required insurance shall contain an endorsement to the effect that any cancellation or any material change adversely affecting the Government's interest shall not be effective--

(1) For such period as the laws of the State in which this contract is to be performed prescribe; or

(2) Until 30 days after the insurer or the Contractor gives written notice to the Contracting Officer, whichever period is longer.

(c) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts under this contract that require work on a Government installation and shall require subcontractors to provide and maintain the insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of all subcontractors' proofs of required insurance, and shall make copies available to the Contracting Officer upon request.

# C.5 52.232-99 PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENT TO SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTORS (DEVIATION) (AUG 2012)

This clause implements the temporary policy provided by OMB Policy Memorandum M-12-16, Providing Prompt <sup>-</sup> Payment to Small Business Subcontractors, dated July 11, 2012.

(a) Upon receipt of accelerated payments from the Government, the contractor is required to make accelerated payments to small business subcontractors to the maximum extent practicable after receipt of a proper invoice and all proper documentation from the small business subcontractor.

(b) Include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts with small business concerns.

(c) The acceleration of payments under this clause does not provide any new rights under the Prompt Payment Act.

## C.6 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address (es):

https://www.acquisition.gov/far/

52.224-1	PRIVACY ACT NOTIFICATION	APR 1984
52.224-2	PRIVACY ACT	APR 1984
52.227-14	RIGHTS IN DATAGENERAL	DEC 2007
52.232-18	AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS	APR 1984
52.232-35	DESIGNATION OF OFFICE FOR GOVERNMENT	MAY 1999
	RECEIPT OF ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER	
	INFORMATION	
1030	NRC ACQUISITION REGULATION (NRCAR)	AUG 2011
	PROVISIONS AND CLAUSES	

(End of Addendum to 52.212-4)

## C.7 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2013)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

(1) <u>52.222-50</u>, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) (<u>22 U.S.C. 7104(g)</u>). \_\_Alternate I (Aug 2007) of <u>52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)</u>).

(2) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(3) <u>52.233-4</u>, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78).

(b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

\_X\_ (1) <u>52.203-6</u>, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Sept 2006), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) (<u>41 U.S.C. 253g</u> and <u>10 U.S.C. 2402</u>).

\_\_\_(2) <u>52.203-13</u>, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (Pub. L. 110-252, Title VI, Chapter 1 (<u>41 U.S.C. 251 note</u>)).

\_\_\_\_(3) <u>52.203-15</u>, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (June 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)

\_X\_ (4) <u>52.204-10</u>, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Aug 2012) (Pub. L. 109-282) (<u>31 U.S.C. 6101 note</u>).

\_\_\_ (5) <u>52.204-11</u>, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act—Reporting Requirements (Jul 2010) (Pub. L. 111-5).

\_X\_ (6) <u>52.209-6</u>, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Dec 2010) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

\_\_\_(7) <u>52.209-9</u>, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Feb 2012) (41 U.S.C. 2313).

\_\_\_\_(8) <u>52.209-10</u>, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (May 2012) (section 738 of Division C of Pub. L. 112-74, section 740 of Division C of Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Division D of Pub. L. 111-8, and section 745 of Division D of Pub. L. 110-161).

(9) <u>52.219-3</u>, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Nov 2011) (<u>15 U.S.C. 657a</u>).

 $\vec{X}_{1}$  (10) <u>52.219-4</u>, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (JAN 2011) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (<u>15 U.S.C. 657a</u>).

\_\_\_\_(11) [Reserved]

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\_ (12)(i) <u>52.219-6</u>, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011) (<u>15 U.S.C. 644</u>).

\_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2011).

(iii) Alternate II (Nov 2011).

\_ (13)(i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (June 2003) (15 U.S.C. 644).

(ii) Alternate I (Oct 1995) of <u>52.219-7</u>.

(iii) Alternate II (Mar 2004) of <u>52.219-7</u>.

\_X\_ (14) <u>52.219-8</u>, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Jan 2011) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2)</u> and (3)).

\_\_ (15)(i) <u>52.219-9</u>, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Jan 2011) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)</u>).

\_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2001) of <u>52.219-9</u>.

\_\_\_ (iii) Alternate II (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.

(iv) Alternate III (Jul 2010) of <u>52.219-9</u>.

(16) <u>52.219-13</u>, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Nov 2011)(<u>15 U.S.C. 644(r)</u>).

(17) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).

(18) <u>52.219-16</u>, Liquidated Damages—Subcon-tracting Plan (Jan 1999) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)</u>).

\_\_\_(19)(i) <u>52.219-23</u>, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (OCT 2008) (<u>10 U.S.C. 2323</u>) (if the offeror elects to waive the adjustment, it shall so indicate in its offer).

(ii) Alternate I (June 2003) of <u>52.219-23</u>.

\_\_\_(20) <u>52.219-25</u>, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Disadvantaged Status and Reporting (Dec 2010) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and <u>10 U.S.C. 2323</u>).

\_\_\_(21) <u>52.219-26</u>, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program— Incentive Subcontracting (Oct 2000) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and <u>10 U.S.C. 2323</u>).

\_\_\_(22) <u>52.219-27</u>, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011) (<u>15 U.S.C.</u> <u>657 f</u>).

\_X\_(23) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Apr 2012) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).

\_\_\_(24) <u>52.219-29</u>, Notice of Set-Aside for Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB) Concerns (Apr 2012) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(m)</u>).

\_\_\_(25) <u>52.219-30</u>, Notice of Set-Aside for Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Concerns Eligible Under the WOSB Program (Apr 2012) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(m)</u>).

\_X\_ (26) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).

\_\_\_ (27) 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Mar 2012) (E.O. 13126).

\_X\_(28) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Feb 1999).

X\_ (29) <u>52.222-26</u>, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).

\_X\_ (30) <u>52.222-35</u>, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Sep 2010)(<u>38 U.S.C. 4212</u>).

\_X\_(31) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Oct 2010) (29 U.S.C. 793).

\_X\_ (32) <u>52.222-37</u>, Employment Reports on Veterans (SEP 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

\_X\_ (33) <u>52.222-40</u>, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).

\_X\_ (34) <u>52.222-54</u>, Employment Eligibility Verification (JUL 2012). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in <u>22.1803</u>.)

\_X\_ (35)(i) <u>52.223-9</u>, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA–Designated Items (May 2008) (<u>42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)</u>). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shell items.)

\_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of <u>52.223-9</u> (<u>42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)</u>). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

\_\_\_ (36) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (DEC 2007) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).

\_\_\_(37)(i) <u>52.223-16</u>, IEEE 1680 Standard for the Environmental Assessment of Personal Computer Products (DEC 2007) (E.O. 13423).

(ii) Alternate I (DEC 2007) of <u>52.223-16</u>.

\_X\_ (38) <u>52.223-18</u>, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (AUG 2011) (E.O. 13513).

\_\_\_ (39) <u>52.225-1</u>, Buy American Act—Supplies (Feb 2009) (<u>41 U.S.C. 10a-10d</u>).

\_\_\_\_(40)(i) <u>52.225-3</u>, Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act (Nov 2012) (<u>41 U.S.C.</u> <u>chapter 83</u>, <u>19 U.S.C. 3301</u> note, <u>19 U.S.C. 2112</u> note, <u>19 U.S.C. 3805</u> note, <u>19 U.S.C. 4001</u> note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).

(ii) Alternate I (Mar 2012) of <u>52.225-3</u>.

(iii) Alternate II (Mar 2012) of <u>52.225-3</u>.

\_\_\_ (iv) Alternate III (Nov 2012) of <u>52.225-3</u>.

\_X\_ (41) <u>52.225-5</u>, Trade Agreements (Nov 2012) (<u>19 U.S.C. 2501</u>, et seq., <u>19 U.S.C. 3301</u> note).

\_X\_ (42) <u>52.225-13</u>, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (June 2008) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).

\_\_\_ (43) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

\_\_\_\_(44) <u>52.226-5</u>, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (<u>42 U.S.C.</u> <u>5150</u>).

\_\_\_\_(45) <u>52.232-29</u>, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (<u>41 U.S.C. 255(f)</u>, <u>10 U.S.C. 2307(f)</u>).

\_\_\_ (46) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 255(f), 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

\_X\_ (47) <u>52.232-33</u>, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Central Contractor Registration (Oct 2003) (<u>31 U.S.C. 3332</u>).

\_\_\_(48) <u>52.232-34</u>, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than Central Contractor Registration (May 1999) (<u>31 U.S.C. 3332</u>).

\_\_\_ (49) <u>52.232-36</u>, Payment by Third Party (Feb 2010) (<u>31 U.S.C. 3332</u>).

\_\_\_ (50) <u>52.239-1</u>, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (<u>5 U.S.C. 552a</u>).

\_\_\_(51)(i) <u>52.247-64</u>, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (<u>46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b)</u> and <u>10 U.S.C. 2631</u>).

(ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of <u>52.247-64</u>.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

\_X\_ (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965 (Nov 2007) (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).

\_X\_ (2) <u>52.222-42</u>, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 1989) (<u>29 U.S.C. 206</u> and <u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, *et seq.*).

\_X\_ (3) <u>52.222-43</u>, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act—Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Sep 2009) (<u>29 U.S.C. 206</u> and <u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, *et seq.*).

\_\_\_\_(4) <u>52.222-44</u>, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act—Price Adjustment (Sep 2009) (<u>29 U.S.C. 206</u> and <u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, *et seq*.).

\_\_\_\_(5) <u>52.222-51</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment—Requirements (Nov 2007) (<u>41 351</u>, *et seq.*).

(6) <u>52.222-53</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services—Requirements (Feb 2009) (<u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, *et seq.*).

(7) <u>52.222-17</u>, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (JAN 2013) (E.O.13495).

(8) <u>52.226-6</u>, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Mar 2009) (Pub. L. 110-247).

\_\_\_ (9) <u>52.237-11</u>, Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin (Sept 2008) (<u>31 U.S.C. 5112(p)(1)</u>).

(d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at <u>52.215-2</u>, Audit and Records—Negotiation.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR <u>Subpart 4.7</u>, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e)(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

(i) <u>52.203-13</u>, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (Pub. L. 110-252, Title VI, Chapter 1 (<u>41 U.S.C. 251 note</u>)).

(ii) <u>52.219-8</u>, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Dec 2010) (<u>15.U.S.C. 637(d)(2)</u> and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$650,000 (\$1.5 million for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include <u>52.219-8</u> in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(iii) <u>52.222-17</u>, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (JAN 2013) (E.O. 13495). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (I) of FAR clause <u>52.222-17</u>.

(iv) <u>52.222-26</u>, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).

(v) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Sep 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(vi) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Oct 2010) (29 U.S.C. 793).

(vii) <u>52.222-40</u>, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause <u>52.222-40</u>.

(viii) <u>52.222-41</u>, Service Contract Act of 1965 (Nov 2007) (<u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, et seq.).

(ix) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).

\_\_Alternate I (Aug 2007) of <u>52.222-50</u> (<u>22 U.S.C. 7104(g)</u>).

(x) <u>52.222-51</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (Nov 2007) (<u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, *et seq.*).

(xi) <u>52.222-53</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (Feb 2009) (<u>41 U.S.C. 351</u>, *et seq.*).

(xii) <u>52.222-54</u>, Employment Eligibility Verification (JUL 2012).

(xiii) <u>52.226-6</u>, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Mar 2009) (Pub. L. 110-247). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause <u>52.226-6</u>.

(xiv) <u>52.247-64</u>, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (<u>46 U.S.C.</u> <u>Appx. 1241(b)</u> and <u>10 U.S.C. 2631</u>). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause <u>52.247-64</u>.

(2) While not required, the contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

#### C.8 2052.215-71 PROJECT OFFICER AUTHORITY (NOVEMBER 2006)

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

Name:	Richard Stanfield
Address:	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
	Washington, DC 20555-0001
	Mailstop: 03-E17A
Email Address:	Richard Stanfield@nrc.gov
Telephone Number:	301-415-6974

(b) Performance of the work under this contract is subject to the technical direction of the NRC contracting officer representative. 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.

(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 contracting officer representative 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 representative.

(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 contracting officer representative's authority under the provisions of this clause.

(f) If, in the opinion of the contractor, any instruction or direction issued by the contracting officer representative 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.

(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.

#### C.9 PACKAGING AND MARKING (AUG 2011)

(a) The Contractor shall package material for shipment to the NRC in such a manner that will ensure acceptance by common carrier and safe delivery at destination. Containers and closures shall comply with the Surface Transportation Board, Uniform Freight Classification Rules, or regulations of other carriers as applicable to the mode of transportation.

(b) On the front of the package, the Contractor shall clearly identify the contract number under which the product is being provided.

(c) Additional packaging and/or marking requirements are as follows:

#### C.10 BRANDING (AUG 2012)

The Contractor is required to include the statement below in any publications, presentations, articles, products, or materials funded under this contract/order, to the extent practical, in order to provide NRC with recognition for its involvement in and contribution to the project. If the work performed is funded entirely with NRC funds, then the contractor must acknowledge that information in its documentation/presentation.

Work Supported by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of , under Contract/order number NRC-HQ-13-C-38-0020.

## C.11 PLACE OF DELIVERY--REPORTS (AUG 2011)

The items to be furnished hereunder shall be delivered, with all charges paid by the Contractor, to:

Name:	Richard Stanfield
Address:	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
	Washington, DC 20555-0001
	Mailstop: 03-E17A
Email Address:	Richard.Stanfield@nrc.gov
Telephone Number:	301-415-6974

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#### C.12 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE (AUG 2011) ALTERNATE III (AUG 2011)

This contract shall commence on <u>February 1, 2013</u> and will expire on <u>January 31, 2014</u>. The term of this contract may be extended at the option of the Government for an additional 12 months. The term of this contract may be extended at the option of the Government for an additional 4 years, for a total of 5 years.

Base Period:		February 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014
Option Period(s):	Option Year 1:	February 1, 2014 – January 31, 2015
	Option Year 2:	February 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016
	Option Year 3:	February 1, 2016 – January 31, 2017
	Option Year 4:	February 1, 2017 – January 31, 2018

#### C.13 ELECTRONIC PAYMENT (AUG 2011)

The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 requires that all payments except IRS tax refunds be made by Electronic Funds Transfer. Payment shall be made in accordance with FAR 52.232-33, entitled "Payment by Electronic Funds- Central Contractor Registration".

To receive payment, the contractor shall prepare invoices in accordance with NRC's Billing Instructions. Claims shall be submitted on the payee's letterhead, invoice, or on the Government's Standard Form 1034, "Public Voucher for Purchases and Services Other than Personal," and Standard Form 1035, "Public Voucher for Purchases Other than Personal - Continuation Sheet." The preferred method of submitting invoices is electronically to the Department of the Interior at NRCPayments\_NBCDenver@nbc.gov. If the contractor submits a hard copy of the invoice, it shall be submitted to the following address:

Department of the Interior National Business Center Attn: Fiscal Services Branch - D2770 7301 West Mansfield Avenue Denver, CO 80235-2230

# C.14 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROTECTING PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION (PII) (AUG 2011)

In accordance with the Office of Management and Budget's guidance to Federal agencies and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) implementing policy and procedures, a contractor (including subcontractors and contractor employees), who performs work on behalf of the NRC, is responsible for protecting, from unauthorized access or disclosure, personally identifiable information (PII) that may be provided, developed, maintained, collected, used, or disseminated, whether in paper, electronic, or other format, during performance of this contract.

A contractor who has access to NRC owned or controlled PII, whether provided to the contractor by the NRC or developed, maintained, collected, used, or disseminated by the contractor during the course of contract performance, must comply with the following requirements:

(1) General. In addition to implementing the specific requirements set forth in this clause, the contractor must adhere to all other applicable NRC guidance, policy and requirements for the handling and protection of NRC owned or controlled PII. The contractor is responsible for making sure that it has an adequate understanding of such guidance, policy and requirements.

(2) Use, Ownership, and Nondisclosure. A contractor may use NRC owned or controlled PII solely for purposes of this contract, and may not collect or use such PII for any purpose outside the contract without the prior written approval of the NRC Contracting Officer. The contractor must restrict access to such information to only those

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contractor employees who need the information to perform work under this contract, and must ensure that each such contractor employee (including subcontractors' employees) signs a nondisclosure agreement, in a form suitable to the NRC Contracting Officer, prior to being granted access to the information. The NRC retains sole ownership and rights to its PII. Unless the contract states otherwise, upon completion of the contract, the contractor must turn over all PII in its possession to the NRC, and must certify in writing that it has not retained any NRC owned or controlled PII except as otherwise authorized in writing by the NRC Contracting Officer.

(3) Security Plan. When applicable, and unless waived in writing by the NRC Contracting Officer, the contractor must work with the NRC to develop and implement a security plan setting forth adequate procedures for the protection of NRC owned or controlled PII as well as the procedures which the contractor must follow for notifying the NRC in the event of any security breach. The plan will be incorporated into the contract and must be implemented and followed by the contractor once it has been approved by the NRC Contracting Officer. If the contract does not include a security plan at the time of contract award, a plan must be submitted for the approval of the NRC Contracting Officer within 30 days after contract award.

(4) Breach Notification. The contractor must immediately notify the NRC Contracting Officer and the NRC Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) upon discovery of any suspected or confirmed breach in the security of NRC owned or controlled PII.

(5) Legal Demands for Information. If a legal demand is made for NRC owned or controlled PII (such as by subpoena), the contractor must immediately notify the NRC Contracting Officer and the NRC Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). After notification, the NRC will determine whether and to what extent to comply with the legal demand. The Contracting Officer will then notify the contractor in writing of the determination and such notice will indicate the extent of disclosure authorized, if any. The contractor may only release the information specifically demanded with the written permission of the NRC Contracting Officer.

(6) Audits. The NRC may audit the contractor's compliance with the requirements of this clause, including through the use of online compliance software.

(7) Flow-down. The prime contractor will flow this clause down to subcontractors that would be covered by any portion of this clause, as if they were the prime contractor.

#### (8) Remedies:

(a) The contractor is responsible for implementing and maintaining adequate security controls to prevent the loss of control or unauthorized disclosure of NRC owned or controlled PII in its possession. Furthermore, the contractor is responsible for reporting any known or suspected loss of control or unauthorized access to PII to the NRC in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article 4 above.

(b) Should the contractor fail to meet its responsibilities under this clause, the NRC reserves the right to take appropriate steps to mitigate the contractor's violation of this clause. This may include, at the sole discretion of the NRC, termination of the subject contract.

(9) Indemnification. Notwithstanding any other remedies available to the NRC, the contractor will indemnify the NRC against all liability (including costs and fees) for any damages arising out of violations of this clause.

## C.15 ANNUAL AND FINAL CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (AUG 2011)

Annual and final evaluations of contractor performance under this contract will be prepared in accordance with FAR Subpart 42.15, "Contractor Performance Information," normally at or near the time the contractor is notified of the NRC's intent to exercise the contract option. If the multi-year contract does not have option years, then an annual

evaluation will be prepared (state time for annual evaluation). Final evaluations of contractor performance will be prepared at the expiration of the contract during the contract closeout process.

The Contracting Officer will transmit the NRC Contracting Officer's Representative's (COR) annual and final contractor performance evaluations to the contractor's Project Manager, unless otherwise instructed by the contractor. The contractor will be permitted thirty days to review the document and submit comments, rebutting statements, or additional information.

Where a contractor concurs with, or takes no exception to an annual performance evaluation, the Contracting Officer will consider such evaluation final and releasable for source selection purposes. Disagreements between the parties regarding a performance evaluation will be referred to an individual one level above the Contracting Officer, whose decision will be final.

The Contracting Officer will send a copy of the completed evaluation report, marked "Source Selection Information", to the contractor's Project Manager for their records as soon as practicable after it has been finalized. The completed evaluation report also will be used as a tool to improve communications between the NRC and the contractor and to improve contract performance.

The completed annual performance evaluation will be used to support future award decisions in accordance with FAR 42.1502 and 42.1503. During the period the information is being used to provide source selection information, the completed annual performance evaluation will be released to only two parties - the Federal government personnel performing the source selection evaluation and the contractor under evaluation if the contractor does not have a copy of the report already.

## C.16 COMPLIANCE WITH U.S. IMMIGRATION LAWS AND REGULATIONS (AUG 2011)

NRC contractors are responsible to ensure that their alien personnel are not in violation of United States immigration laws and regulations, including employment authorization documents and visa requirements. Each alien employee of the Contractor must be lawfully admitted for permanent residence as evidenced by Permanent Resident Form I-551 (Green Card), or must present other evidence from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services that employment will not affect his/her immigration status. The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services provides information to contractors to help them understand the employment eligibility verification process for non-US citizens. This information can be found on their website, http://www.uscis.gov/portal/site/uscis.

The NRC reserves the right to deny or withdraw Contractor use or access to NRC facilities or its equipment/services, and/or take any number of contract administrative actions (e.g., disallow costs, terminate for cause) should the Contractor violate the Contractor's responsibility under this clause.

## C.17 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE PRODUCTION OF REPORT(S) OR THE PUBLICATION OF RESULTS UNDER CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AND GRANTS (AUG 2011)

#### Review and Approval of Reports

(a) Reporting Requirements. The contractor/grantee shall comply with the terms and conditions of the contract/grant regarding the contents of the draft and final report, summaries, data, and related documents, to include correcting, deleting, editing, revising, modifying, formatting, and supplementing any of the information contained therein, at no additional cost to the NRC. Performance under the contract/grant will not be deemed accepted or completed until it complies with the NRC's directions. The reports, summaries, data, and related documents will be considered draft until approved by the NRC. The contractor/ grantee agrees that the direction, determinations, and decisions on approval or disapproval of reports, summaries, data, and related documents created under this contract/grant remain solely within the discretion of the NRC.

(b) Publication of Results. Prior to any dissemination, display, publication, or release of actores, reports, summaries, data, or related documents developed under the contract/grant, the contractor/grantee shall submit them to the NRC for review and approval. The contractor/ grantee shall not release, disseminate, display or publish articles, reports, summaries, data, and related documents, or the contents therein, that have not been reviewed and approved by the NRC for release, display, dissemination or publication. The contractor/grantee agrees to conspicuously place any disclaimers, markings or notices, directed by the NRC, on any articles, reports, summaries, data, and related documents to release, display, disseminate or publish to other persons, the public, or any other entities. The contractor/grantee agrees, and grants, a royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable worldwide license to the government, to use, reproduce, modify, distribute, prepare derivative works, release, display or disclose the articles, reports, summaries, data, and related documents developed under the contract/grant, for any governmental purpose and to have or authorize others to do so.

(c) Identification/Marking of Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information (SUNSI) and Safeguards Information (SGI). The decision, determination, or direction by the NRC that information possessed, formulated or produced by the contractor/grantee constitutes SUNSI or SGI is solely within the authority and discretion of the NRC. In performing the contract/grant, the contractor/grantee shall clearly mark SUNSI and SGI, to include for example, OUO-Allegation Information or OUO-Security Related Information on any reports, documents, designs, data, materials, and written information, as directed by the NRC. In addition to marking the information as directed by the NRC, the contractor shall use the applicable NRC cover sheet (e.g., NRC Form 461 Safeguards Information) in maintaining these records and documents. The contractor/grantee shall ensure that SUNSI and SGI is handled, maintained and protected from unauthorized disclosure, consistent with NRC policies and directions. The contractor/grantee shall comply with the requirements to mark, maintain, and protect all information, including documents, summaries, reports, data, designs, and materials in accordance with the provisions of Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 as amended, its implementing regulations (10 CFR 73.21), Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards and Safeguards Information policies, and NRC Management Directives and Handbooks 12.5, 12.6 and 12.7.

(d) Remedies. In addition to any civil, criminal, and contractual remedies available under the applicable laws and regulations, failure to comply with the above provisions, and/or NRC directions, may result in suspension, withholding, or offsetting of any payments invoiced or claimed by the contractor/grantee.

(e) Flowdown. If the contractor/grantee intends to enter into any subcontracts or other agreements to perform this contract/grant, the contractor/grantee shall include all of the above provisions in any subcontracts or agreements.

## C.18 WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION FOR NRC CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES (AUG 2011)

(a) The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) contractor and its subcontractor are subject to the Whistleblower Employee Protection public law provisions as codified at 42 U.S.C. 5851. NRC contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) shall comply with the requirements of this Whistleblower Employee Protection law, and the implementing regulations of the NRC and the Department of Labor (DOL). See, for example, DOL Procedures on Handling Complaints at 29 C.F.R. Part 24 concerning the employer obligations, prohibited acts, DOL procedures and the requirement for prominent posting of notice of Employee Rights at Appendix A to Part 24 entitled: "Your Rights Under the Energy Reorganization Act".

(b) Under this Whistleblower Employee Protection law, as implemented by regulations, NRC contractor and subcontractor employees are protected from discharge, reprisal, threats, intimidation, coercion, blacklisting or other employment discrimination practices with respect to compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of their employment because the contractor or subcontractor employee(s) has provided notice to the employer, refused to engage in unlawful practices, assisted in proceedings or testified on activities concerning alleged violations of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (as amended) and the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (as amended).

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(c) The contractor shall insert this or the substance of this clause in any subcontracts involving work performed under this contract.

#### C.19 GREEN PURCHASING (JUN 2011)

(a) In furtherance of the sustainable acquisition goals of Executive Order 13514, "Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance" products and services provided under this contract/order shall be energy- efficient (Energy Star or Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) designated), water-efficient, biobased, environmentally preferable (e.g., Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT) certified), non-ozone depleting, contain recycled content, or are non-toxic or less toxic alternatives, where such products and services meet agency performance requirements. http://www.fedcenter.gov/programs/eo13514/

(b) The contractor shall flow down this clause into all subcontracts and other agreements that relate to performance of this contract/order.

## C.20 USE OF AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE (ACH) ELECTRONIC PAYMENT/REMITTANCE ADDRESS (AUG 2011)

The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 requires that all Federal payments except IRS tax refunds be made by Electronic Funds Transfer. It is the policy of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to pay government vendors by the Automated Clearing House (ACH) electronic funds transfer payment system. Item 15C of the Standard Form 33 may be disregarded.

## SECTION D - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, OR ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 - Billing Instructions for Fixed Price Contracts

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**ATTACHMENT** 1

#### BILLING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FIXED-PRICE TYPE CONTRACTS (JULY 2011)

<u>General</u>: During performance and through final payment of this contract, the contractor is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of data within the Central Contractor Registration (SAM) database and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete SAM data.

The contractor shall prepare invoices/vouchers for payment of deliverables identified in the contract, in the manner described herein. FAILURE TO SUBMIT INVOICES/VOUCHERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE INVOICE/VOUCHER AS IMPROPER.

**Standard Forms:** Payment requests for completed work, in accordance with the contract, shall be submitted on the payee's letterhead, invoice/voucher, or on the Government's Standard Form 1034, "Public Voucher for Purchases and Services Other than Personal," and Standard Form 1035, "Public Voucher for Purchases Other than Personal-Continuation Sheet."

<u>Electronic Invoice/Voucher Submissions</u>: The preferred method of submitting invoices/vouchers is electronically to the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Business Center, via email to: <u>NRCPayments\_NBCDenver@NBC.gov</u>.

<u>Hard-Copy Invoice/Voucher Submissions</u>: If you submit a hard-copy of the invoice/voucher, a signed original and supporting documentation shall be submitted to the following address:

Department of the Interior National Business Center Attn: Fiscal Services Branch - D2770 7301 West Mansfield Avenue Denver, CO 80235-2230

**Purchase of Capital Property:** (\$50,000 or more with life of one year or longer)

Contractors must report to the Contracting Officer, electronically, any capital property acquired with contract funds having an initial cost of \$50,000 or more, in accordance with procedures set forth in NRC Management Directive (MD) 13.1, IV, C – "Reporting Requirements" (revised 2/16/2011).

<u>Agency Payment Office</u>: Payment will continue to be made by the office designated in the contract in Block 12 of Standard Form 26, Block 25 of Standard Form 33, or Block 18a of Standard Form 1449, whichever is applicable.

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

**Format**: Invoices/Vouchers shall be submitted in the format depicted on the attached sample form entitled "Invoice/Voucher for Purchases and Services Other Than Personal". Alternate formats are permissible only if they address all requirements of the Billing Instructions. The instructions for preparation and itemization of the invoice/voucher are included with the sample form.

**Task Order Contracts**: The contractor must submit a separate invoice/voucher for each individual task order with pricing information. This includes items discussed in paragraphs (a) through (p) of the attached instructions. In addition, the invoice/voucher must specify the contract number, and the NRC-assigned task/delivery order number.

Final vouchers/invoices shall be marked "FINAL INVOICE" or "FINAL VOUCHER":

<u>Currency</u>: Invoices/Vouchers must be expressed in U.S. Dollars.

<u>Supersession</u>: These instructions supersede previous Billing Instructions for Fixed-Price Type Contracts (June 2008).

#### INVOICE/VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL (SAMPLE FORMAT - COVER SHEET)

#### 1. Official Agency Billing Office

Department of the Interior National Business Center Attn: Fiscal Services Branch - D2770 7301 West Mansfield Avenue Denver, CO 80235-2230

#### 2. Invoice/Voucher Information

a. <u>Payee's DUNS Number or DUNS+4</u>. The Payee shall include the Payee's Data Universal Number (DUNS) or DUNS+4 number that identifies the Payee's name and address. The DUNS+4 number is the DUNS number plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned at the discretion of the Payee to identify alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts for the same parent concern.

b. <u>Payee's Name and Address</u>. Show the name of the Payee as it appears in the contract and its correct address. Where the Payee is authorized to assign the proceeds of this contract in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.232-23, the Payee shall require as a condition of any such assignment, that the assignee shall register separately in the Central Contractor Registration (SAM) database at <u>http://www.SAM.gov</u> and shall be paid by EFT in accordance with the terms of this contract. See Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.232-33(g) Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer - Central Contractor Registration (October 2003).

c. <u>Contract Number</u>. Insert the NRC contract number (including Enterprise-wide Contract (EWC)), GSA Federal Supply Schedule (FSS), Governmentwide Agency Contract (GWAC) number, or Multiple Agency Contract (MAC) number, as applicable.

d. <u>Task Order Number</u>. Insert the task/delivery order number (If Applicable). **Do not include more than one task** order per invoice or the invoice may be rejected as improper.

e. <u>Invoice/Voucher</u>. The appropriate sequential number of the invoice/voucher, beginning with 001 should be designated. Contractors may also include an individual internal accounting number, if desired, in addition to the 3-digit sequential number.

f. Date of Invoice/Voucher. Insert the date the invoice/voucher is prepared.

g. <u>Billing Period</u>. Insert the beginning and ending dates (day, month, year) of the period during which deliverables were completed and for which payment is requested.

h. <u>Description of Deliverables</u>. Provide a brief description of supplies or services, quantity, unit price, and total price.

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i. <u>Work Completed</u>. Provide a general summary description of the services performed or products submitted for the invoice period and specify the section or Contract Line Item Number (CLIN) or SubCLIN in the contract pertaining to the specified contract deliverable(s).

j. Shipping. Insert weight and zone of shipment, if shipped by parcel post.

k. <u>Charges for freight or express shipments</u>. Attach prepaid bill if shipped by freight or express.

I. <u>Instructions</u>. Include instructions to consignee to notify the Contracting Officer of receipt of shipment.

m. For Indefinite Delivery contracts, the final invoice/voucher shall be marked FINAL INVOICE" or "FINAL VOUCHER".

n. Total Amount Billed. Insert columns for total amounts for the current and cumulative periods.

o. <u>Adjustments</u>. Insert columns for any adjustments, including outstanding suspensions for deficient or defective products or nonconforming services, for the current and cumulative periods.

p. Grand Totals.