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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS No. RFP-CA-202202

# SEALED OFFERS FOR

# 2023 STATE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HAWAI'I EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

WILL BE RECEIVED UP TO 2:00 PM HST ON

**FEBRUARY 04, 2022** 

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#### **SECTION ONE**

#### INTRODUCTION, TERMS AND ACRONYMS, KEY DATES

#### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

The State of Hawai'i, Department of Defense – Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) is requesting proposals from qualified applicants to update the State 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan, which shall comply with the 44 CFR, Sec 201.5 requirements and be FEMA-approved.

#### 1.2 CANCELLATION

The Request for Proposals (RFP) may be cancelled and any or all proposals rejected in whole or in part, without liability to the State, when it is determined to be in the best interest of the State, pursuant to HAR §3-122-96 thru §3-122-97.

#### 1.3 TERMS AND ACRONYMS USED THROUGHOUT THE SOLICITATION

BAFO = Best and Final Offer

CPO = Chief Procurement Officer

DAGS = Department of Accounting and General Services

GC = General Conditions, issued by the Department

of the Attorney General

GET = General Excise Tax

GP = General Provisions

HMP = Hazard Mitigation Plan

Procurement = The contracting officer for the State of

Officer Hawai'i, State Procurement Office

SHMF = State Hazard Mitigation Forum

SHMO = State Hazard Mitigation Officer

State = State of Hawai'i, including its

departments, agencies, and political

subdivisions

SOW = Statement of Work

#### 1.4 RFP SCHEDULE AND SIGNIFICANT DATES

The schedule represents the State's best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. All times indicated are Hawai'i Standard Time (HST). If a component of this schedule, such as "Proposal Due date/time" is delayed, the rest of the schedule will likely be shifted by the same number of days. Any change to the RFP Schedule and Significant Dates shall be reflected in and issued in an addendum. No questions will be received after the Question/Answer deadline.

The approximate schedule is as follows and the turnaround is based on <u>calendar</u> days (unless specified), which includes the day on when the activity occurs:

Release of Request for Proposals	01/04/2022
Deadline for Vendors to Submit Written Questions	01/17/2022 @ 2PM (HST)
Posting of the State's Response to Written Questions	01/24/2022
Deadline to Submit Proposals	02/04/2022 @2PM (HST)
Evaluations of Proposals are Performed and Request for Best and Final Offer (BAFO) from Top Rated Vendor (if required)	02/07/2022
Request for BAFO from highest rated vendor (if applicable)	02/09/2022
Deadline for Submission of BAFO (if applicable) and Evaluate	02/21/2022 @ 2PM (HST)
Issuance of the Notice of Award and Posting of the Award onto SPO website	03/08/2022 (estimate)
Deadline for Vendors to Request for Debriefing (3 full business days from posting of award)	03/09/2022 – 03/11/2022
Debriefing Period if needed <b>(See section 5.7)</b> within seven (7) working days to the extent practicable from the receipt date of written request.	03/14/2022 – 03/22/2022
Contract Start Date (depending on turnaround time to fully execute the contract)	07/07/2022 (or sooner)

#### 1.5 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PRIOR TO OPENING OF PROPOSALS

All questions must be submitted in writing to <a href="mailto:estelita.a.pumares@hawaii.gov">estelita.a.pumares@hawaii.gov</a> by the question deadline date and time shown in Section 1.4, RFP Schedule and Significant Dates. The answers will be publicized as listed in Section 1.4, RFP Schedule and Significant Dates.

The State will respond to questions through Addenda/Amendments by the date specified in Section 1.4, *RFP Schedule and Significant Dates*, as amended.

#### **SECTION TWO**

#### BACKGROUND AND SCOPE OF WORK

#### 2.1 PROJECT OVERVIEW AND HISTORY

#### Purpose:

The purpose of this contract is to provide hazard mitigation planning services to the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) for the update of the State of Hawai'i 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). The plan update process ensures that the HMP remains a "living" document. The HI-EMA is the responsible agency for the preparation and maintenance of the HMP; and the State Hazard Mitigation Officer (SHMO) is the individual responsible for overseeing the coordination, implementation, maintenance of the plan collaboratively across the State.

A major focus of the plan update will be incorporating new risk data to include climate change and sea level rise. In addition to this risk data, formal analyses that address threatsrelated to the following hazards will be incorporated: volcanic, vog, abnormal severe storm events of high wind gusts, sustained winds, heavy rainfall, flash flooding (NFIP 500-year / 0.2 precent annual percent flood), drought, biological incidents such as pandemics, wildland, and wildfire risks. Contract is to include ten level 3 HAZUS Level Analyses. These analyses are to be performed on Critical Infrastructure, Critical Service Infrastructure and Hawai'ian Cultural Heritage spatial area infrastructure as directed by HI-EMA to align with FEMA Hazard Mitigation BRIC Lifelines.

Federal Graphic Data Committee (FGDC) metadata will be included in the File Geodatabase for geo-spatial products submitted as part of this contract. The metadata will be attached to the feature class or if other types of data are included in the File Geodatabase the metadata will still need to be attached directly to the data. Please use Arc Catalog for metadata input. For data not included in the File Geodatabase FGDC metadata will still need to be submitted.

Additionally, five human-caused hazards are to be analyzed and included in the plan or as an annex. This is to meet standard requirements for the Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP) for the State of Hawai'i. These human-caused hazards to include hazardous materials, health risks, infrastructure failure, cyber threat, and terrorism. The HMP will also include elements that make the State Emergency Management Program compliant with mitigation related EMAP standards. Language text will include an annex of definitions, list of acronyms, indicate the relevant annexes for each section, use EMAP standard terms consistently. Risk Assessment, Vulnerability Assessment and consequence Analysis are to be separated in this HMP update.

Lastly, all public outreach materials related to the HMP update, and the finalized PDF version of the plan will be compliant with the Accessibility Standards and incorporate elements such as alternative text and screen reader software.

#### Background:

This will be the fifth update to the HMP, which is updated on a five-year cycle according to FEMA regulations. HI-EMA is committed to transitioning the plan from a static document to a web-based format that is easier to access and engage with. The process for implementing this HMP update includes the following: (1) participation of agencies, stakeholders and the public; (2) hazard identification and risk/vulnerability assessment; (3) mitigation strategy and specific actions; (4) plan adoption; and (5) plan maintenance.

The Plan update will involve support from the Hawai'i State Hazard Mitigation Forum (SHMF), which is an assembly of emergency management personnel, scientists, and State and County Agency subject matter experts from academia, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector. The individuals who comprise the forum provide the direction for mitigation strategies based on research and expertise on a range of Hawai'i natural hazards to prioritize mitigation actions. The modification of the Plan will be built upon consolidated recommendations of the consensus of Forum members.

In addition to input from the SHMF, the HI-EMA Hazard Mitigation team will collaborate with the Contractor to provide guidance and accommodate for unforeseen changes.

The HI-EMA Hazard Mitigation Team and the SHMO will be the facilitators between the Contractor, County Emergency Management Agencies, Forum Members, and subject matter experts, providing oversight of the final product.

#### 2.2 SCOPE OF WORK

Hazard Mitigation planning support. Scope of Work:

**Contractor Requirements**: The number of positions required is three, one Principal Investigator and two additional staff.

The Contractor shall assist in the development of a plan designed to document hazards throughout the state and track progress on reducing loss and damages from those hazards. The Contractor will assist in updating ongoing actions that will reduce exposure to, probability of, or potential loss to hazards that occur within the State of Hawai'i.

The scope of work that this planning effort proposes will result in a FEMA-approved State Hazard Mitigation Plan that will conform to 44 CFR, Section 201.4 requirements. To comply with the requirements, the State will review and revise the Plan to reflect changes in development and progress in the Statewide mitigation efforts, changes in priorities, and submit it for approval to the FEMA Region IX Administrator.

The following elements apply to the specific scope of work:

# Phase 1-Review of Current Plan (2 months: line items 1, 2 and 3 are happening simultaneously with item 4)

- Organize Planning Team/Steering Committee (1 month)
- Review Goals and Objectives (1 month)
- Update State Profile (1 month)
- Update State Building Inventory, maintenance for content of interactive web-basedplan (2 months)

# Phase 2-Hazard Analysis and Risk Assessment (3 months: item 1 is done simultaneously with item 2)

- Review new climate change and sea level hazard data with subject matter experts, quantitative assessment Risk and Vulnerabilities, consequence analysis for each hazard addressing all aspects, separate risk assessment, vulnerability, and consequence analysis(1 month)
- Incorporate new studies and analyses (1 month)
- Incorporate human-caused hazards (1 month)
- Conduct/Update HAZUS analyses of all State critical facilities in a geoplatform asdirected by HI-EMA (1 month)

#### Phase 3-Review and Update of Mitigation Strategy (3 months)

- Review and update 2018 strategy, actions, organize digital materials and graphics per each hazard, hyperlinks as appropriate in 4.1, 4.2 and suitable for sharing on websites and social media (2 months)
- Survey to generate mitigation actions separated by critical and non-critical facilities that alignwith FEMA HM BRIC Lifelines with sub-applicants (1 months)

#### Phase 4-Update Plan, Public Forums, Final Plan (3 months)

- Conduct public meetings, advance notice for language accessibility, and collect public trust data, ensure public meetings are compliant with Accessibility Standards and Civil Rights, identify translation services if applicable (1 month)
- Incorporate public input and prepare final draft (1 month)
- Final review and approval by State leadership (1 month)

#### Phase 5-Formal Adoption (2 months)

- Submit formal plan for FEMA approval (1 month)
- Formal adoption of plan by the Governor (1 month)

#### 2.3 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- A. The successful bidder shall have a minimum of five (5) years of verifiable professional experience in FEMA hazard mitigation planning. In-depth knowledge of the State of Hawai'i 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan and the local county HMP's is highly preferred but not required.
- B. The successful bidder shall have verifiable prior successful experience working with Hawai'i state agencies and its local counties. Previous collaborative efforts involving the HI-EMA and each emergency management agency located throughout the state (to include: Hawai'i County Civil Defense Agency, Maui County Emergency Management Agency, City and County of Honolulu Department of Emergency Management, and Kaua'i County Emergency Management Agency) is highly preferred but not required.

#### 2.4 TERM OF CONTRACT

The contract is estimated to begin on/or before **July 07, 2022** and end on/or before **August 03, 2023**. The expiration date is subject to the extension of the period of performance by the federal funding agency, and/or the contract has been terminated pursuant to the provisions contained in the General or Special Conditions.

The Contractor and the State may extend the term of the contract for additional 6-month period or portions thereof without the necessity of re-soliciting, upon mutual agreement in writing at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the contract. The contract price or commission paid to the Contractor for the extended period shall remain the same or as described in the offer, unless otherwise authorized by the State.

When interests of the State or the Contractor so require, the State or the Contractor may terminate the contract for convenience by providing six (6) weeks prior written notice to the other party.

#### 2.5 POINTS OF CONTACT

The HI-EMA DOD points of contact during the execution of this work are:

#### **Program Manager:**

HI-EMA Administrator Luke P. Meyers

Office: (808) 733-4300 Ext 570

# **Project Manager:**

State Hazard Mitigation Officer Theresa M. Woznick Office: (808) 753-7529

# **Contracting POC:**

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#### SECTION THREE

#### PROPOSAL FORMAT AND CONTENT

#### 3.1 OFFEROR'S AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT AN OFFER

The State will not participate in determinations regarding an Offeror's authority to sell a product or service. If there is a question or doubt regarding an Offeror's right or ability to obtain and sell a product or service, the Offeror shall resolve that question prior to submitting an offer.

**Competency of Offeror**. Prospective Offeror must be capable of performing the work for which offers are being called. Either before or after the deadline for an offer, the purchasing agency may require Offeror to submit answers to questions regarding facilities, equipment, experience, personnel, financial status or any other factors relating to the ability of the Offeror to furnish satisfactorily the goods or services being solicited by the STATE. Any such inquiries shall be made and replied to in writing; replies shall be submitted over the signatures of the person who signs the offer. Any Offeror who refuses to answer such inquiries will be considered non-responsive.

#### 3.2 REQUIRED REVIEW

- 3.2.1 Before submitting a proposal, each Offeror must thoroughly and carefully examine this RFP, any attachment, addendum, and other relevant document, to ensure Offeror understands the requirements of the RFP. Offeror must also become familiar with State, local, and Federal laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations that may in any manner affect cost, progress, or performance of the work required.
- 3.2.2 Should Offeror find defects and questionable or objectionable items in the RFP, Offeror shall notify the DOD/Engineering Office in writing prior to the deadline for written questions as stated in the RFP Schedule and Significant Dates, as amended. This will allow the issuance of any necessary corrections and/or amendments to the RFP by addendum and mitigate reliance of a defective solicitation and exposure of proposal(s) upon which award could not be made.

#### 3.3 PROPOSAL PREPARATION COSTS

Any and all costs incurred by the Offeror in preparing or submitting a proposal shall be the Offeror's sole responsibility whether or not any award results from this RFP. The State shall not reimburse such costs.

#### 3.4 TAX LIABILITY

3.4.1 Work to be performed under this solicitation is a business activity taxable under HRS Chapter 237, and if applicable, taxable under HRS Chapter 238. Contractor is advised that they are liable for the Hawai'i GET at the current 4.5% for sales made on O'ahu, and at the 4% rate for the islands of Hawai'i, Maui, Moloka'i, and Kaua'i. If, however, an Offeror is a person exempt by the HRS from paying the GETand therefore not liable for the taxes on this solicitation, Offeror shall state its tax exempt status and cite the HRS chapter or section allowing the exemption.

3.4.2 Federal I.D. Number and Hawai'i General Excise Tax License I.D. Offeror shall submit its current Federal I.D. No. and Hawai'i General Excise Tax License I.D. number in the space provided on Offer Form, page OF-1, thereby attesting that the Offeror is doing business in the State and that Offeror will pay such taxes on all sales made to the State

#### 3.5 PROPERTY OF STATE

All proposals become the property of the State of Hawai'i.

#### 3.6 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

- 3.6.1 If an Offeror believes that any portion of a proposal, offer, specification, protest, or correspondence contains information that should be withheld from disclosure as confidential, then the Offeror shall inform the Procurement Officer named on the cover of this RFP in writing and provided with justification to support the Offeror's confidentiality claim. Price is not considered confidential and will not be withheld.
- 3.6.2 An Offeror shall request in writing nondisclosure of information such as designated trade secrets or other proprietary data Offeror considers to be confidential. Such requests for nondisclosure shall accompany the proposal, be clearly marked, and shall be readily separable from the proposal in order to facilitate eventual public inspection of the non-confidential portion of the proposal.

#### 3.7 EXCEPTIONS

Should Offeror take any exception to the terms, conditions, specifications, or other requirements listed in the RFP, Offeror shall list such exceptions in this section of the Offeror's proposal. Offeror shall reference the RFP section where exception is taken, a description of the exception taken, and the proposed alternative, if any. The State reserves the right to accept or not accept any exceptions.

No exceptions to statutory requirements of the AG General Conditions shall be considered.

#### 3.8 PROPOSAL OBJECTIVES

- 3.8.1 One of the objectives of this RFP is to make proposal preparation easy and efficient, while giving Offerors ample opportunity to highlight their proposals. The evaluation process must also be manageable and effective.
- 3.8.2 Proposals shall be prepared in a straight forward and concise manner, in a format that is reasonably consistent and appropriate for the purpose. Emphasis will be on completeness and clarity and content.
- 3.8.3 When an Offeror submits a proposal, it shall be considered a complete plan for accomplishing the tasks described in this RFP and any supplemental tasks the Offeror has identified as necessary to successfully complete the obligations outlined in this RFP.

- 3.8.4 The proposal shall describe in detail the Offeror's ability and availability of services to meet the goals and objectives of this RFP as stated in Section 2.2 SCOPE OF WORK.
- 3.8.5 Offeror shall submit a proposal that includes an overall strategy, timeline and plan for the work proposed as well as expected results and possible shortfalls.

#### 3.9 PROPOSAL FORMS

To be considered responsive, the Offeror's proposal shall respond to and include all items specified in this RFP and any subsequent addendum. Any proposal offering any other set of terms and conditions that conflict with the terms and conditions providing in the RFP or in any subsequent addendum may be rejected without further consideration.

- 3.9.1 Offer Checklist (Attachment 1). Offeror must complete and submit all items noted on the Offer Checklist form
- 3.9.2 Offer Form, Page OF-1. Offer Form, OF-1 is required to be completed using Offeror's exact legal name as registered with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, if applicable, in the appropriate space on Offer Form, OF-1 (SECTION SEVEN, Attachment 1). Failure to do so may delay proper execution of the Contract.

The Offeror's authorized signature on the Proposal Transmittal Letter, which shall bear either a signature (electronic or original in ink), confirms that the Offeror will comply with the requirements, provisions, terms, and conditions specified in this RFP, and is required before an award, if any, can be made. If unsigned, the offer may automatically be rejected by the State. The submission of the proposal shall indicate the Offeror's intent to be bound.

- 3.9.2 Offer Form, OF-2 (Attachment 3). Pricing shall be submitted on Offer Form (OF-2). The price shall be the all-inclusive cost, to include labor, materials, supplies, all applicable taxes, and any other costs incurred to provide the specified services to the State. No other costs will be honored. Any unit prices shall be inclusive.
- 3.9.3 <u>Corporate Resolution (Attachment 4).</u> On the Offeror's business letterhead, include a copy of the corporate resolution or written authorization of Offeror's representative to sign this proposal.
- 3.9.4 <u>Certificate of Vendor Compliance Form.</u> Offeror may submit a copy of the Certificate of Vendor Compliance from Hawai'i Compliance Express, proof that one has been applied for from Hawai'i Compliance Express, or paper documentation forms from authorized agencies. Although this form is not required for proposal submission, no award can be made without verification of vendor compliance (see section 5.4).
- 3.9.5 <u>Qualifications Questionnaire (Attachment 6).</u> Offeror must respond to all questions on the qualification questionnaire form. See Attachment 5 for detailed questions.
- 3.9.6 Contractor Reference Form (Attachment 7). Offeror must use this form to provide three (3) references for previous work performed as the prime contractor and similar to this project. More recent and more relevant performance usually has a greater impact in the confidence assessment than less recent and less relevant projects. If subcontractors will be used, complete the Subcontractor Reference

Form (Attachment 7) for each subcontractor. If no subcontractors will be used, disregard the subcontractor reference form.

#### 3.10 PROPOSAL CONTENTS

#### Proposals **MUST**:

- 3.10.1 Include a Proposal Transmittal Letter (OF-1) on business letterhead, which shall include a signature (electronic or ink) and its price, which shall be identical to the all-inclusive cost that is listed on the Offer Form (OF-2).
- 3.10.2 Include a signed Offer Form (OF-2) with the complete name and address of Offeror's firm and the name, mailing address, telephone number, and fax number of the person the State should contact regarding the Offeror's proposal.
- 3.10.3 If subcontractor(s) will be used, append a statement to the transmittal letter from each subcontractor, signed by an individual authorized to legally bind the subcontractor and stating:
  - a. The general scope of work to be performed by the subcontractor;
  - b. The subcontractor's willingness to perform for the indicated.
- 3.10.4 Provide all of the information requested in this RFP in the order specified.
- 3.10.5 Be organized into sections, following the exact format using all titles, subtitles, and numbering, with tabs separating each section described below. Each section must be addressed individually, and pages must be numbered consecutively.
  - a. Table of Contents. A Table of Contents must be included with each proposal.

    All major parts of the RFP described in proposal forms and proposal contents must be identified by referencing page number.
  - b. Forms. All forms listed in Section 3.9, *Proposal Forms*, must be included.
  - c. Narrative project proposal including an overall strategy, timeline and plan.
  - d. Exceptions

#### 3.11 RECEIPT AND REGISTER OF PROPOSALS

Proposals will be received, and receipt verified by two or more procurement officials on or after the date and time specified in Section One, or as amended.

The register of proposals and proposals of the Offeror(s) shall be open to public inspection upon posting of award pursuant to section 103D-701, HRS.

#### 3.12 BEST AND FINAL OFFER (BAFO)

If the State determines a BAFO is necessary, it shall request one from the Offeror. The Offeror shall submit its BAFO and any BAFO received after the deadline or not received shall not be considered.

#### 3.13 MODIFICATION PRIOR TO SUBMITTAL DEADLINE OR WITHDRAWAL OF OFFERS

- 3.13.1 The Offeror may modify or withdraw a proposal before the proposal due date and time.
- 3.13.2 Any change, addition, deletion of attachment(s) or data entry of an Offer may be made prior to the deadline for submittal of offers.

#### 3.14 MISTAKES IN PROPOSALS

- 3.14.1 Mistakes shall be corrected after award of contract.
- 3.14.2 When the Procurement Officer knows or has reason to conclude before award that a mistake has been made, the Procurement Officer should request the offeror to confirm the proposal. If the Offeror alleges mistake, the proposal maybe corrected or withdrawn pursuant to this section.
- 3.14.3 Once discussions are commenced or after best and final offers are requested, any priority-listed Offeror may freely correct any mistake by modifying or withdrawing the proposal until the time and date set for receipt of best and final offers.
- 3.14.4 If discussions are not held, or if the best and final offers upon which award will be made have been received, mistakes shall be corrected to the intended correct offer whenever the mistake and the intended correct offer are clearly evident on he face of the proposal, in which event the proposal may not be withdrawn.
- 3.14.5 If discussions are not held, or if the best and final offers upon which award will be made have been received, an Offeror alleging a material mistake of fact which makes a proposal non-responsive may be permitted to withdraw the proposal if: the mistake is clearly evident on the face of the proposal but the intended correct offer is not; or the Offeror submits evidence which clearly and convincingly demonstrates that a mistake was made.

Technical irregularities are matters of form rather than substance evident from the proposal document, or insignificant mistakes that can be waived or corrected without prejudice to other Offerors; that is, when there is no effect on price, quality, or quantity. If discussions are not held or if best and final offers upon which award will be made have been received, the Procurement Officer may waive such irregularities or allow an Offeror to correct them if either is in the best interest of the State. Examples include the failure of an Offeror to: return the number of signed proposals required by the request for proposals; sign the proposal, but only if the unsigned proposal is accompanied by other material indicating the Offeror's intent to be bound; or to acknowledge receipt of an amendment to the request for proposal, but only if it is clear from the proposal that the Offeror received the amendment and intended to be bound by its terms; or the amendment involved had no effect on price, quality or quantity.

#### **SECTION FOUR**

#### **EVALUATION**

#### 4.1 EVALUATION CRITERIA

Evaluation criteria and the associated points are listed below. The award will be made to the responsible Offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the Statebased on the evaluation criteria listed in this section.

# The total number of points used to score this contract is 200.

- 1) Cost of services (10)
- 2) Previous experience, capability, and proficiency in dealing with the natural hazards of Hawai'i. (30)
  - a. Number of years in the business and number of years performing services specified in this RFP
  - b. Reference and client listings
- 3) Sample projects and/or examples of written *and* web-based plans, as well as related geo-products. (35)
- 4) Knowledge and proficiency with hazard mitigation planning, environmental matters, and GIS-mapping. (25)
- 5) Approach and Comprehensiveness of Proposal. (100)
  - a. A work plan which clearly describes how tasks and subtasks will be executed. (35)
  - b. Project proposal clearly describes ability to accomplish the entire project in the allotted timeframe. (25)
  - c. A work plan with timing, logistics, and assigned personnel. (20)
  - d. An itemized budget sheet that clearly defines cost for each task item. (15)
  - e. Proposal is free from typos and grammatical errors, tabbed and in correct order, and all sections are addressed. (5)

#### 4.2 SCORING PROCESS

The Procurement Officer or Evaluation Committee shall score proposals by reviewing the information submitted for each of the evaluation criteria above.

The Procurement Officer or Evaluation Committee shall use a rating of 0 to 5 for each evaluation criteria. Rating is defined as follows:

- 0 No confidence. Extreme doubt exists that the Offeror can successfully perform the required effort. The levels of insight and participation afforded the State are such that regardless of State intervention/oversight, successful performance is doubtful. The Proposal fails to address the criterion or cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information. Offeror has not demonstrated sufficient knowledge of the subject matter or has grossly failed to explain how requirement(s) is met.
- 1 Little Confidence. Doubt exists that the Offeror can successfully perform the required effort. The levels of insight and participation afforded the State are such that substantial State intervention/oversight will be required to achieve the proposed levels of performance. The criterion is inadequately addressed, Offeror demonstrates only slight ability to comply, or there are serious inherent weaknesses.
- 2 Confidence. The Offeror can successfully perform the required effort. The levels of insight and participation afforded the State are such that some State intervention/oversight may be required to achieve the proposed levels of performance. The Proposal broadly addresses the criterion, but there are significant weaknesses. May have one or more deficiencies, or Offeror has not adequately explained how its services fit the requirement.
- 3 Significant Confidence. Evaluated with a certainty that the Offeror can successfully perform the required effort. The levels of insight and participation afforded the State are such that little or no State intervention/oversight is expected to be required to achieve the proposed levels of performance. The Proposal addresses the criterion well; meets the requirement. Demonstrates knowledge and understanding of the subject matter, with no deficiencies noted regarding technical approach.
- 4 High Confidence. Evaluated that virtually no doubt exists that the Offeror can successfully perform the required effort. The levels of insight and participation afforded the State are such that little or no State intervention and no State oversight is expected to be required to achieve the proposed levels of performance. The Proposal addresses the criterion very well, highly comprehensive. No deficiencies noted.
- 5 Excellent. The Proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion. Excellent reply that goes beyond the requirements listed in the RFP to provide added value. In addition, the response may cover areas not originally addressed within the RFP and/or include additional information and recommendations that would prove both valuable and beneficial to the agency. The response includes a full, clear, detailed explanation of how requirement(s) are met. No errors in technical writing.

The following formula shall be used to convert the rating for each criterion into points to determine the score for each Proposal Evaluation Criteria:

Rating for that Scoring Criteria (0 through 5) ÷ 5 (Maximum Rating Achievable)

X Possible Points for the Scoring Criteria = Points for that Scoring Criteria

#### **SECTION FIVE**

#### **CONTRACTOR SELECTION AND CONTRACT AWARD**

#### 5.1 EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

The Procurement Officer, or an evaluation committee of at least three (3) qualified State employees selected by the Procurement Officer, shall evaluate proposals. The evaluation will be based solely on the evaluation criteria set out in Section Four of this RFP.

Prior to holding any discussion, a priority list shall be generated consisting of offers determined to be acceptable or potentially acceptable. However, proposals may be accepted without such discussions.

If numerous acceptable and potentially acceptable proposals are submitted, the evaluation committee may limit the priority list to the three highest ranked, responsible Offerors.

#### 5.2 DISCUSSION WITH PRIORITY LISTED OFFERORS

The State may invite priority listed Offerors to discuss with their proposals to ensure thorough, mutual understanding. The State in its sole discretion shall schedule the time and location for these discussions, generally within the timeframe indicated in *RFP Schedule and Significant Dates*. The State may also conduct discussions with priority listed Offerors to clarify issues regarding the proposals before requesting Best and Final Offers, if necessary.

#### 5.3 AWARD OF CONTRACT

<u>Method of Award.</u> Award will be made to the responsible Offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the State based on the evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP.

#### 5.4 RESPONSIBILITY OF OFFERORS

Offeror is advised that in order to be awarded a contract under this solicitation, Offeror will be required, to be compliant with all laws governing entities doing business in the State including the following chapters and pursuant to HRS §103D-310(c):

- 1. Chapter 237, General Excise Tax Law;
- 2. Chapter 383, Hawai'i Employment Security Law;
- 3. Chapter 386, Worker's Compensation Law;
- 4. Chapter 392, Temporary Disability Insurance;
- 5. Chapter 393, Prepaid Health Care Act; and
- 6. §103D-310(c), Certificate of Good Standing (COGS) for entities doing business in the State.

The State will verify compliance on Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE).

Hawai'i Compliance Express. The HCE is an electronic system that allows vendors/contractors/service providers doing business with the State to quickly and easily demonstrate compliance with applicable laws. It is an online system that replaces the

necessity of obtaining paper compliance certificates from the Department of Taxation, Federal Internal Revenue Service; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, and Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Vendors/Contractors/service providers should register with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE) prior to submitting an offer at <a href="https://vendors.ehawaii.gov">https://vendors.ehawaii.gov</a>. The annual registration fee is \$12.00 and the 'Certificate of Vendor Compliance' is accepted for the execution of contract and final payment.

<u>Timely Registration on HCE.</u> Vendors/Contractors/service providers are advised to register on HCE soon as possible. If a vendor/Contractor/service provider is not compliant on HCE at the time of award, an Offeror will not receive the award.

#### 5.5 PROPOSAL AS PART OF THE CONTRACT

This RFP and all or part of the successful proposal may be incorporated into the contract.

#### 5.6 PUBLIC EXAMINATION OF PROPOSALS

Except for confidential portions, the proposals shall be made available for public inspection upon posting of award pursuant to HRS §103D-701.

If a person is denied access to a State procurement record, the person may appeal the denial to the office of information practices in accordance with HRS §92F-42(12).

#### 5.7 DEBRIEFING

Pursuant to HAR §3-122-60, a non-selected Offeror may request a debriefing to understand the basis for award.

A written request for debriefing shall be made within three (3) working days after the posting of the award of the contract. The Procurement Officer or designee shall hold the debriefing within seven (7) working days to the extent practicable from the receipt date of written request.

Any protest by the requestor following a debriefing, shall be filed within five (5) working days, as specified in HAR §103D-303(h).

#### 5.8 PROTEST PROCEDURES

Pursuant to HRS §103D-701 and HAR §3-126-3, an actual or prospective Offeror who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract may submit a protest. Any protest shall be submitted in writing to the Procurement Officer at:

STATE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE 3949 DIAMOND HEAD ROAD, ROOM 228 HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96816-4495 ATTN: Estelita Pumares

estelita.a.pumares@hawaii.gov (808) 369-3491

A protest shall be submitted in writing within five (5) working days after the aggrieved person knows or should have known of the facts giving rise thereto; provided that a protest based upon the content of the solicitation shall be submitted in writing prior to the date set for receipt of offers. Further provided that a protest of an award or proposed award shall be submitted within five (5) working days after the posting of award or if requested, within five (5) working days after the PO's debriefing was completed.

The notice of award, if any, resulting from this solicitation shall be posted on the Procurement Awards, Notices and Solicitations (PANS), which is available on the SPO website: http://www.hawaii.gov/spo2/source/.

#### 5.9 APPROVALS

Any agreement arising out of this offer may be subject to the approval of the Department of the Attorney General, and to all further approvals, including the approval of the Governor, as required by statute, regulation, rule, order, or other directive.

#### 5.10 CONTRACT EXECUTION

Successful Offeror receiving award shall enter into a formal written contract in the form as in Exhibit B. No performance or payment bond is required for this contract.

No work is to be undertaken by the Contractor prior to the effective date of contract. The State of Hawai'i is not liable for any work, contract, costs, expenses, loss of profits, or any damages whatsoever incurred by the Contractor prior to the official starting date.

If an option to extend is mutually agreed upon, the Contractor shall be required to execute a supplement to the contract for the additional extension period.

#### 5.11 INSURANCE

5.11.1 Prior to the contract start date, the Contractor shall procure at its sole expense and maintain insurance coverage acceptable to the State in full force and effect throughout the term of the Contract. The Offeror shall provide proof of insurance for the following minimum insurance coverage(s) and limit(s) to be awarded a contract. The type of insurance coverage is listed as follows:

#### 1. Commercial General Liability Insurance

Commercial general liability insurance coverage against claims for bodily injury and property damage arising out of all operations, activities or contractual liability by the Contractor, its employees and subcontractors during the term of the Contract. This insurance shall include the following coverage and limits specified or required by any applicable law: bodily injury and property damage coverage with a minimum of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; personal and advertising injury of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; broadcasters' liability insurance of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; and with an aggregated limit of \$2,000,000. The commercial general liability policy shall be written on an occurrence basis and the policy shall provide legal defense costs and expenses in addition to the limits of liability stated above. The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of any deductible applicable to this policy.

- 2. Automobile Liability Insurance
  - Automobile liability insurance covering owned, non-owned, leased, and hired vehicles with a minimum of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury for each person, \$1,000,000 for bodily injury for each accident, and \$1,000,000 for property damage for each accident.
- 3. Appropriate levels of per occurrence insurance coverage for workers' compensation and any other insurance coverage required by Federal or State law.
- 5.11.2 The Contractor shall deposit with the SPO, on or before the effective date of the Contract, certificate(s) of insurance necessary to satisfy the SPO that the provisions of the Contract have been complied with, and to keep such insurance in effect and provide the certificate(s) of insurance to the SPO during the entire term of the Contract. Upon request by the SPO, the Contractor shall furnish a copy of the policy or policies.
- 5.11.3 The Contractor will immediately provide written notice to the SPO and contracting department or agency should any of the insurance policies evidenced on its Certificate of Insurance form be cancelled, limited in scope, or not renewed up expiration.
- 5.11.4 The certificates of insurance shall contain the following clauses:
  - 1. "The State of Hawai'i is added as an additional insured as respects to operations performed for the State of Hawai'i."
  - 2. "It is agreed that any insurance maintained by the State of Hawai'i will apply in excess of, and not contribute with, insurance provided by this policy."
- 5.11.5. Failure of the Contractor to provide and keep in force such insurance shall constitute a material default under the Contract, entitling the State to exercise any or all of the remedies provided in the Contract (including without limitation terminating the Contract). The procuring of any required policy or policies of insurance shall not be construed to limit the Contractor's liability hereunder, or to fulfill the indemnification provisions of the Contract. Notwithstanding said policy or policies of insurance, the Contractor shall be responsible for the full and total amount of any damage, injury, or loss caused by the Contractor's negligence or neglect in the provision of services under the Contract.
- **5.12 REQUIREMENTS FOR PERFORMANCE BONDS –** A performance bond is not required for this solicitation.

#### 5.13 PAYMENT

The awarded Contractor shall submit all invoices electronically, in accordance with the State's invoicing guidelines, to the designated Project Manager and cc the following email address: <a href="mailto:dod.hiema.admin@hawaii.gov">dod.hiema.admin@hawaii.gov</a>

Pursuant to HRS 103-10, the State shall have thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the invoice or satisfactory completion of deliverable to make payment. For this reason, the State will reject any offer submitted with a condition requiring payment within a shorter

period of time.

Incremental payments shall be made to the awarded Contractor on a quarterly basis, upon receipt of reports that meet the expectations of the RFP. The receipt of quarterly reports shall be due based on the timeline submitted by the Contractor in the proposal, or as amended.

#### 5.14 CONTRACT INVALIDATION

If any provision of this contract is found to be invalid, such invalidation will not be construed to invalidate the entire contract.

#### 5.15 ADA COMPLIANCE

At the request of the State, the Contractor shall produce all deliverables and reports in an accessible format that is compliant with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Sections 504 and 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The Contractor shall produce all reports and deliverables into the communication auxiliary aid(s), as directed by the State during the duration of the contract period.

#### 5.16 HAWAIIAN DIACRITICAL MARKINGS

The Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency recognizes the use of diacritical markings of the (modern) Hawaiian language including the 'okina ['] or glottal stop and the kahakō [ō] or macron. The Contractor shall produce all deliverables using Hawaiian diacritical markings as directed by the State during the duration of the contract period.

#### **SECTION SIX**

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

#### 6.1 OFFER GUARANTY

A proposal security deposit is NOT required for this RFP.

If an offer does not comply with the security requirements, the offer shall be rejected asnon-responsive, unless the failure to comply is determined by the chief procurement officer, the head of a purchasing agency, or the designee of such officer to be non-substantial pursuant to section 3-122-223, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR).

#### 6.2.1 REQUIRED (include as applicable)

- 1. WEB-BASED PRODUCTS REQUIRED
- 2. GIS PRODUCTS REQUIRED

Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) compliant metadata must be included for all GIS files submitted.

#### **SECTION SEVEN**

#### **ATTACHMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

Attachment 1: Offer Checklist

Attachment 2: Offer Form, OF-1

Attachment 3: Offer Form, OF-2

Attachment 4: Corporate Resolution

Attachment 5 Certification of Non-Debarment

Attachment 6: Qualifications Questionnaire

Attachment 7: Contractor and Subcontractor Reference Forms

Exhibit A: General Provisions for Goods and Services

Exhibit B: AG General Conditions

Exhibit C: Additional General Conditions for Goods and Services Contracts

Exhibit D: Overview of the RFP Process

# **OFFER CHECKLIST**

Offeror must address ALL sections and attachments and provide the information and documentation as required in the table below. Submit this checklist with proposal.

No	Description	Reference in RFP	Completed
1	Offer Checklist - submit checklist with all items checked "Completed." – Attachment 1	Reference Section 3.9.1	
2	Table of Contents	Reference Section 3.10.5(a)	
3	Proposal Transmittal Letter (OF-1) - Attachment 2	Reference Section 3.9.2	
4	Offer Form (OF-2) – Attachment 3	Reference Section 3.9.3	
5	Corporate Resolution – Attachment 4	Reference Section 3.9.4	
6	Certificate of Vendor Compliance, proof that one has been applied for or paper documentation forms.	Reference Sections 3.9.5, and 5.4	
7	Certification of non-Debarment to include a SAM.gov printout – Attachment 5	Reference Attachment 2	
8	Qualifications Questionnaire – Attachment 6	Reference Section 2.3	
9	References (3) for Contractor and Subcontractor(s) – Attachment 7	Reference Section 2.3	
10	Subcontractor(s) statement signed by an individual authorized to legally bind the subcontractor describing scope of work to be performed and willingness to perform the indicated work, if applicable.	Reference Section 3.10.3	
11	Exceptions, if applicable. If none, state none.	Reference Section 3.7 & 3.10.5(d)	
12	Narrative Project Proposal - Narrative project proposal, excluding the forms required in this RFP, shall include overall strategy, timeline, and plan.	Reference Section 3.10.5 (c)	

#### OFFER FORM OF-1

# 2023 STATE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RFP-CA-202202

Adjutant General State of Hawai'i Department of Defense Honolulu, Hawai'i 96816-4495

Dear Procurement Officer:

The undersigned has carefully read and understands the terms and conditions specified in the Specifications and Special Provisions attached hereto, and in the General Conditions, by reference made a part hereof and available upon request; and hereby submits the following offer to perform the work specified herein, all in accordance with the true intent and meaning thereof. The undersigned further understands and agrees that by submitting this offer, 1) he/she is declaring his/her offer is not in violation of Chapter 84, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, concerning prohibited State contracts, and 2) he/she is certifying that the price(s) submitted was (were) independently arrived at without collusion.

Offeror is:  Sole Proprietor Partnershi Other *State of incorporation:	p
Hawai'i General Excise Tax License I.D. No.	·
Federal I.D. No.	
Payment address (other than street address City, State, Zip C	below): Code:
Business address (street address):City, State, Zip C	Code:
F	Respectfully submitted:
Date: (	(x)
Telephone No.:	Authorized (Original) Signature
Fax No.:	Name and Title (Please Type or Print)
E-mail Address: *	Exact Legal Name of Company (Offeror)

ATTACHMENT 2
OFFER FORM
OF-1
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\*\*If Offeror is a "dba" or a "division" of a corporation, furnish the exact legal name of the

corporation under which the awarded contract will be executed:

#### OFFER FORM OF-2

Item No.	Estimated Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Total
1		Incorporation of new risk data of extreme weather conditions exacerbated by climate change in the plan.		
2		Analysis and incorporation of human-caused hazards into the plan or annex.		
3		Public outreach materials, and finalized PDF and website versions of the plan will be ADA compliant. Possible capabilities to include: alternative text and screen readable software.		
4		Develop interactive, digital, public outreach materials about each hazard identified in the plan.		
5		Web-based products: transfer plan onto an interactive, online platform and maintain/update as needed.		
6		GIS products: use geo-base and FGDC metadata in the update and final plan product; geo-platform incorporated into the risk assessment section.		

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Note: Pricing shall include labo	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	applicable taxes, and any other

Offeror\_

Total contract cost for accomplishing the development and delivery of the services.

ATTACHMENT 3
OFFER FORM

OF-2 RFP-CA-202202

Name of Company

# **CORPORATE RESOLUTION**

(To be submitted on	Offeror's	official busines	ss letterhead)
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Corporate resolution or written authorization of Offeror's representative to sign this proposal.

ATTACHMENT 4
CORPORATE RESOLUTION

#### **CERTIFICATION OF NON-DEBARMENT:**

By signature above, the Offeror must certify that neither the Offeror nor its principals, employees or agent of the Offeror are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any governmental department or agency. Printout of validation that your business entity is not debarred or suspended from receiving <u>federal</u> funding can be evidenced in www.SAM.gov. If the Offeror cannot certify this statement, attach a written explanation for review by the State.

Any debarment action	Yes	No
Is yes, attach written explanation		
PREFERENCES:		

ATTACHMENT 5
CERTIFICATION OF NON-DEBARMENT

No preferences apply to this solicitation.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE**

- 1. How many years has your organization been in business under your present business name?
- 2. How many years' experience does your organization have in this field of work? How many years your organization has performed services specified by this RFP?
- 3. Provide a list of key personnel and associated resumes for those who will be dedicated to this project.
- 4. Provide a complete, relevant, and current client listing.
- 5. Show the five most recent projects your organization has completed in the past five years that are related to this project. Include at least two projects accomplished during the preceding year.

Name of Project (owner and contact information)	Project Description (for projects your organization was the prime Contractor)	Project Period (dates)	Contract Amount	Comments

- 6. Have you every failed to complete any work awarded to you? If so, provide a brief description including when and where work took place and why work was not completed.
- 7. Provide a summary listing of judgments or pending lawsuits or actions against; adverse contract actions, including termination(s), suspension, imposition of penalties, or other actions relating to failure to perform or deficiencies in fulfilling contractual obligations against your firm. If yes, the Offeror must submit all non-confidential details. If none, so state.
- 8. Has any officer or partner of your organization in the past five years been an officer, partner, or individual of some other organization that failed to complete a contract? If so, state name of individual, other organization and reason.
- 9. For what entities within the State of Hawai'i other than government agencies have you performed work for?

Name of Project (owner and contact information)	Project Description (for projects your organization was the prime Contractor)	Project Period (dates)	Contract Amount	Comments

ATTACHMENT 6
QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

10.	. For what State depart	ments and	d county	agencies	of the	State of	Hawai'i	have	your
	performed work for?		•	_					-

Name of Project (owner and contact information)	Project Description (for projects your organization was the prime Contractor)	Project Period (dates)	Contract Amount	Comments

11. Have you performed work for the U.S. Government? If so, list.

Name of Project (owner and contact information)	Project Description (for projects your organization was the prime Contractor)	Project Period (dates)	Contract Amount	Comments

12. Have you performed work for any other governmental agencies outside the State of Hawai'i? It so, list.

Name of Project (owner and contact information)	Project Description (for projects your organization was the prime Contractor)	Project Period (dates)	Contract Amount	Comments

ATTACHMENT 6
QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE



#### **CONTRACTOR REFERENCES**

To be completed by the Offeror. At least three (3) references for whom services were rendered as the Prime Contractor and for work similar to this project.

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CLIENT #1 IN	IFORMATION		T	
3. Organization Name			4. Organization Add	ress
5. Project Name			6. Project Dates	
			Start:	End:
7. Contact				
Name/Title 8. Scope of Services	Email:	Phone		
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5. Project Name	Email:	Phone	6. Project Dates	

ATTACHMENT 7
CONTRACTOR REFERENCES

CLIENT #3 IN	FORMATION			
3. Organization Name			4. Organization Ad	dress
5. Project Name			6. Project Dates	
			Start:	End:
7. Contact				
Name/Title	Email:	Phone		
8. Scope of Services				

ATTACHMENT 7
CONTRACTOR REFERENCES



# SUBCONTRACTOR REFERENCES (If applicable)

To be completed by the Offeror.

A CONTRACTOR				
PROVIDER IN	FORMATION			
Name of Provider				2. Solicitation Reference Number
SUBCONTRAC	CTOR #1 INFOR	RMATION		
Organization Name			4. Organization Address	3
5. Project Name			6. Project Dates	
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ATTACHMENT 7
SUBCONTRACTOR REFERENCES

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES**

# 1. <u>DEFINITIONS OF TERMS</u>

Terms as used in these General Provisions, unless the context requires otherwise, must have the following meaning:

#### a. BID

Bid means any offer submitted in competitive sealed bidding or in the second phase of multistep bidding.

#### b. BID PROPOSAL GUARANTY OR SECURITY

The security when required, furnished by an offeror with his offer to ensure that the offeror will enter into the contract with the STATE and execute the required contract and payment bonds covering the work contemplated, if his offer is accepted.

#### c. CONTRACT

Contract means the combination of the solicitation, including the instructions to offerors, the specifications or scope of work, the special provisions, and the general terms and conditions; the offer and any best and final offers; and any amendments to the solicitation or to the contract; and any terms implied by law.

#### d. CONTRACT BOND

The approved form of security furnished by the CONTRACTOR and his surety or sureties or by the CONTRACTOR alone, to ensure completion and satisfactory performance of the contract in accordance with the terms of the contract and to guarantee full payment of all claims for labor, materials and supplies furnished, used or incorporated in the work.

#### e. CONTRACTOR

An individual, partnership, firm, corporation, joint venture or other legal entity undertaking the execution of work under the terms of the contract with the STATE and acting directly or through his, their or its agents, employees or sub-contractors.

# f. DAYS

Days mean calendar days unless otherwise specified.

# g. **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

General Conditions issued by the Department of the Attorney General of the State of Hawai'i, referred to as Form AG-008, as revised, and included in solicitations by reference. The applicable revised Form AG-008, which is included by reference, is the form dated and in effect at the date the solicitation is issued.

#### h. **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

General Provisions are standard terms and conditions.

#### i. <u>HAR</u>

Hawai'i Administrative Rules

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#### j. HEAD OF THE PURCHASING AGENCY

The head of any agency with delegated procurement authority by law or from a chief procurement officer of this STATE to enter into and, administer contracts.

#### k. HRS

Hawai'i Revised Statutes

#### I. IFB

Invitation for Bids

#### m. OFFER

An offer means a bid or proposal as defined in sections 1a and 1p, in response to any solicitation.

#### n. OFFEROR

Any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, joint venture or other legal entity, submitting directly or through a duly authorized representative or agent, an offer for the work or services contemplated in response to a solicitation as defined in 1s.

#### o. PROCUREMENT OFFICER

Procurement officer means the person with procurement delegation duly authorized to enter into and administer contracts and make written determinations with respect to the contract. The term includes an authorized representative acting within the limits of authority. The delegated authority is received from the chief procurement officer directly or through the head of a purchasing agency or designee to the procurement officer.

#### p. PROPOSAL

A proposal means any offer submitted in response to any solicitation, except a bid as defined in section 1a.

#### g. PURCHASING AGENCY

Purchasing agency means any governmental body which is authorized by law or rules, or by way of delegation to enter into contracts for procurement of goods, services, or construction.

#### r. RFQ

Request for Quotes

#### s. RFP

Request for Proposals

#### t. SOLICITATION

Solicitation means an invitation for bids ("IFB"), used in the competitive sealed bidding process, a request for quotes ("RFQ") used in the small purchases process, or a request for proposals ("RFP"), used in the competitive sealed proposal process for the purpose of obtaining quotes, bids or proposals to perform a STATE contract.

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#### u. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

The terms and conditions pertaining to the specific solicitation in which they are contained and in addition to these General Provisions; including but not limited to terms and conditions describing the preparation of solicitations, evaluation of offers, determination of award, plus those applicable to performance by the CONTRACTOR.

Additions or revisions to the General Provisions, which must be considered a part of the General Provisions, setting forth conditions or requirements applicable to the particular project or contract under consideration must be included in the Special Provisions. Should any Special Provisions conflict with these General Provisions, said Special Provisions must govern.

#### v. **SPECIFICATIONS**

A description of what the purchasing agency requires and, consequently, what an offeror must offer to be considered for award.

#### w. STATE

STATE means the remaining departments of the executive branch and all governmental bodies administratively attached to it, excluding the judiciary, the legislature, the department of education, University of Hawai'i, the division of community hospitals, and the office of Hawaiian affairs, except where specifically included in any particular solicitation.

#### x. SURETY

The individual, firm, partnership or corporation other than the CONTRACTOR, which executes a bond with and for the CONTRACTOR to ensure the CONTRACTOR's acceptable performance of the contract.

#### y. WORK

The furnishing by the CONTRACTOR of all labor, services, materials, equipment, and other incidentals necessary for the satisfactory performance of the contract.

#### 2. COMPETENCY OF OFFEROR

Prospective offeror must be capable of performing the work for which offers are being called. Either before or after the deadline for an offer, the purchasing agency may require offeror to submit answers to questions regarding facilities, equipment, experience, personnel, financial status or any other factors relating to the ability of the offeror to furnish satisfactorily the goods or services being solicited by the STATE. Any such inquiries must be made and replied to in writing; replies must be submitted over the signatures of the person who signs the offer. Any offeror who refuses to answer such inquiries will be considered non-responsive.

The purchasing agency reserves the right to visit an offeror's place of business to inspect its facilities and equipment and to observe its methods of operation in order to facilitate evaluation of performance capabilities.

# 3. OFFER INCORPORATES SOLICITATION

The solicitation, including the AG's General Conditions, Specifications, General Provisions nd any Special Provisions, and other documents referenced in or attached to the solicitation must be considered a part of the offer whether attached to the solicitation or not at the time of its submission. Such documents must not be altered in any way when the proposal is submitted and any alterations so made by the offeror may be cause for rejection of the offer.

#### 4. PREPARATION OF OFFER

An offeror may submit only one offer in response to a solicitation. If an offeror submits more than one offer in response to a solicitation, then all such offers must be rejected. Similarly, an offeror may submit only one offer for each line item (if any) of a solicitation. If an offeror submits more than one offer per line item, then all offers for that line item must be rejected.

Competing subsidiary or jointly-owned companies may submit bids or proposals and these may be accepted for evaluation and award if such companies submit with their bids or proposals a certificate of non-collusion, sworn to before a notary, which acknowledges that the offer is without collusion.

Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, all prices must include applicable Federal, State and local taxes. Any illegible or otherwise unrecognizable price offer must cause automatic rejection of the offer.

Offers submitted in response to an IFB or RFP must be signed in ink in the space provided on the bid or proposal page by (1) the owner of a sole proprietorship, (2) one or more members of a partnership, (3) one or more members or officers of each firm representing a joint venture, (4) one or more officers of a corporation, or (5) an agent of the offeror duly authorized to submit offers on the offeror's behalf.

## 5. LATE OFFERS, LATE WITHDRAWALS, AND LATE MODIFICATIONS

Any notice of withdrawal, notice of modification of an offer with the actual modification, or any offer received at the place designated for receipt and opening of an offer after the time and date set for receipt and opening of offers is late. A late offer, late modification, or late withdrawal must not be considered late if received before contract award and would have been timely but for the action or inaction of personnel within the procurement activity. A late offer or late modification that will not be considered for award must be returned to the bidder unopened as soon as practicable and accompanied by a letter from the procurement activity stating the reason for its return. A late withdrawal request must be responded to with a Statement of the reason for non-acceptance of the withdrawal.

## 6. DISQUALIFICATION OF OFFERORS

An offeror must be disqualified and his offer automatically rejected for any one of the following reasons: proof of collusion, in which case, all offers involved in the collusive action will be rejected and any participant to such collusion will be barred from future solicitations until reinstated; or offeror's delivery of the offer after the deadline specified in the public notice calling for offers, or as amended, except as allowed in Section 3-122-29 (1), HAR.

An offeror may be disqualified and his offer rejected for any one or more of the following reasons: offeror's lack of responsibility and cooperation as shown by past work or services; offeror's being in arrears on existing contracts with the STATE or having defaulted on previous contracts; offeror's lack of proper equipment and/or sufficient experience to perform the work contemplated; offeror does not possess proper license to cover the type of work contemplated, if required; or offeror's failure to pay, or satisfactorily settle, all bills overdue for labor and material on former STATE contracts at the time of issuance of solicitation.

#### IRREGULAR OFFERS

Offers will be considered irregular and must be rejected for the following reasons including but not limited to the following: if the offer is unsigned by the offeror, unless otherwise specified in the solicitation; if the required offer guaranty received separately from the offer is not identifiable as guaranty for a specific offer, or is received after the date and time set for the opening; if the required offer guaranty is not in accordance with the solicitation; if the offeror or

surety fails to sign the surety bond submitted as offer guaranty; if offeror fails to use the surety bond form furnished by the STATE or identical wording contained in the said form when submitting a surety bond as proposal guaranty; if the offer shows any non-compliance with applicable law or contains any unauthorized additions or deletions, conditioned, incomplete, or irregular or is in anyway making the proposal incomplete, indefinite, or ambiguous as to its meaning; or unbalanced offers in which the price for any item is obviously out of proportion to the prices for other items.

#### 8. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

All offerors should be certain that their offer is not in violation of HRS §84-15. This section provides as follows:

- a. A State agency must not enter into any contract to procure or dispose of goods or services, or for construction, with a legislator, an employee, or a business in which a legislator or an employee has a controlling interest, involving services or property of a value in excess of \$10,000 unless:
  - (1) The contract is awarded by competitive sealed bidding pursuant to section 1O3D-3O2:
  - (2) The contract is awarded by competitive sealed proposal pursuant to section 103D-3O3; or
  - (3) The agency posts a notice of its intent to award the contract and files a copy of the notice with the State ethics commission at least ten days before the contract is awarded.
- b. A State agency must not enter into a contract with any person or business which is represented or assisted personally in the matter by a person who has been an employee of the agency within the preceding two years and who participated while in State office or employment in the matter with which the contract is directly concerned.

## 9. CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS BY STATE AND COUNTY CONTRACTORS

Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, a legislative body has appropriated the funds for this contract.

Therefore, if awarded a contract in response to this solicitation, offeror agrees to comply with Section 11-205.5, HRS, which states that campaign contributions are prohibited from a State and county government Contractor during the term of the contract if the Contractor is paid with funds appropriated by a legislative body.

## 10. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER

a. Acceptance of offer, if any, will be made within sixty calendar days after the opening of offers, and the prices quoted by the offeror must remain firm for the sixty-day period. Unless otherwise provided, each individual item or group of items will be awarded to the responsive and responsible offeror whose offer complies with all the solicitation requirements. In determining the responsive and responsible offeror, offers will be evaluated not only on the amounts thereof, but on all factors relating to the satisfactory performance of the contract. Products or servicing capabilities must be of a quality and nature that will meet the needs and purposes of the intended use and must conform to

all requirements prescribed in the specifications. The offeror must have the ability to perform as called for in the contract terms. The STATE must be the sole judge of product or vendor capability. The successful vendor will be notified by letter that the offer has been accepted and that the vendor is being awarded the contract.

- b. If the offer is rejected or if the vendor to whom the contract was awarded fails to enter into the contract and furnish satisfactory security, if applicable, the purchasing agency may, at their discretion, award the contract to the next lowest or remaining responsible offeror or may publish another call for offers; provided in the case of only one remaining responsible offeror, the head of a purchasing agency may negotiate with such bidder to reduce the scope of work, if available funds are exceeded, and to award the contract at a price which reflects the reduction in the scope of work.
- c. The head of a purchasing agency further reserves the right to cancel the contract award at any time prior to execution of said contract by all parties, without any liability to the awardee and to any other offeror.

## 11. EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

The following subsections must not apply to any contract in which the total amount payable to the CONTRACTOR cannot be accurately estimated at the time the contract is to be awarded:

- a. In cases where the contract award equals or exceeds the dollar level specified in Section 103D-305, HRS, the STATE must forward a formal contract to the successful offeror for execution. The contract must be signed by the successful vendor and returned, together with a satisfactory contract bond if required, and other supporting documents, within ten days after receipt by the vendor or within such further time as the procurement officer may allow.
- b. No such contract must be considered binding upon the STATE until the contract has been fully and properly executed by all the parties thereto and the State Comptroller has, in accordance with Section 103D-309, HRS, endorsed thereon a certificate that there is an appropriation or balance of an appropriation over and above all outstanding contracts, sufficient to cover the amount required by the contract; with the exception of a multi-term contract, whereby, the State Comptroller must only be required to certify that there is an appropriation or balance of an appropriation over and above all outstanding contracts, that is sufficient to cover the amount required to be paid under the contract during the fiscal year or remaining portion of the fiscal year of each term of the multi-year contract.
- c. Pursuant to the Attorney General's General Conditions (AG-008, as revised), Section 18, in any contract involving not only STATE but supplemental funds from the Federal government, this section must be applicable only to that portion of the contract price as is payable out of STATE. As to the portion of the contract price as is expressed in the contract to be payable out of Federal funds, the contract must be construed to be an agreement to pay the portion to the CONTRACTOR, only out of Federal funds to be received from the Federal government. This subsection must be liberally construed so as not to hinder or impede the STATE in contracting for any project involving financial aid from the Federal government.

## 12. CONTRACT BOND

- a. The requirement for contract performance and payment bonds, if any, must be stated in the Special Provisions of the solicitation.
- b. When required by the Special Provisions, a performance bond and a payment bond must be delivered by the CONTRACTOR to the STATE at the same time the executed contract is delivered. Each amount of the performance and payment bonds must not exceed fifty per cent of the amount of the contract price; provided, for contracts where contract price cannot be determined at the time of award, the amounts of the bonds must be as stated in the solicitation.
- c. The acceptable performance and payment bonds are the same as the acceptable bid or proposal security deposit specified in Section 7. If a surety bond is submitted for either the performance or payment bond, in addition to the form prescribed, a power of attorney for the surety's attorney-in-fact executing the bond must be provided.

## 13. FAILURE TO EXECUTE CONTRACT

If the offeror to whom a contract is awarded must fail or neglect to enter into the contract, and to furnish satisfactory security as required by Section 30 within ten days after such award or within such further time as the procurement officer may allow, the purchasing agency must pay the amount of offeror's proposal guaranty, as required under Section 7, into the State Treasury as a realization of the STATE. The procurement officer may thereupon award the contract to the next lowest responsible offeror or may call for new offers, whichever method he may deem is in the best interest of the STATE.

## 14. RETURN OF OFFER GUARANTIES

All offer guaranties submitted as required by subchapter 24, chapter 3-122, HAR, must be retained until the successful offeror enters into contract and furnishes satisfactory security or if the contract is not awarded or entered into, until the procurement officer's determination is made to cancel the solicitation. At such time, all offer guaranties, except surety bonds, will be returned.

## 15. PAYMENT

Section 103-10, HRS, provides that the State must have thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of invoice or satisfactory completion of contract to make payment. For this reason, the State will reject any bid submitted with a condition requiring payment within a shorter period. Further, the State will reject any bid submitted with a condition requiring interest payments greater than that allowed by §103-10, HRS, as amended.

The State will not recognize any requirement established by the CONTRACTOR and communicated to the State after award of the contract, which requires payment within a shorter period or interest payment not in conformance with statute.

## 16. DELIVERY EXTENSIONS

In the case of contracts for the purchase of goods, the delivery date or the maximum number of days for delivery will be specified by the STATE in its solicitation requirements, and all goods must be delivered with the time specified. However, the CONTRACTOR will not be held responsible for delay due to fire, flood, riot, labor disturbances, war, shortage of transportation, act of God or other reason beyond his control, provided that he notifies the STATE of such delay and the reason therefore as soon as practicable after its occurrence and

requests extension prior to the specified date of delivery. Requests for extension of time must be accompanied by documents such as the CONTRACTOR's purchase order, manufacturer's acknowledgement, shipping manifest, and any other documents substantiating that the causes for delay were beyond the control of the CONTRACTOR. The STATE must be the sole judge of whether such delay is truly beyond the control of the CONTRACTOR and whether extension will be granted. The STATE reserves the right to terminate the contract or to assess liquidated damages, if provided for in the contract, for delays not covered by specific authorized extension.

## 17. PERSONAL LIABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

In carrying out any of the provisions of the contract or in exercising any power or authority granted to them by the contract, there must be no liability upon the procurement officer or his authorized representatives, either personally or as officials of the STATE, it being understood that in such matters, they act solely as agents and representatives of the STATE.

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#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

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

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

## 3. <u>Personnel Requirements.</u>

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

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

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

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

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

## 13. Termination for Default.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## d. <u>Compensation.</u>

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

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

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

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

## 17. Payment Procedures; Final Payment; Tax Clearance.

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

## c. <u>Prompt payment.</u>

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

#### 19. Modifications of Contract.

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

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

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

## 21. Price Adjustment.

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

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

## 24. <u>Confidentiality of Material.</u>

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

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

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

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

## 31. <u>Records Retention.</u>

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

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

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

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

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

## b. <u>Confidentiality of Material.</u>

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

#### c. Security Awareness Training and Confidentiality Agreements.

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

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

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

#### e. Records Retention.

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

#### **EXHIBIT C**

# ADDITIONAL GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS

## INTENT OF CONTRACT:

The intent of the contract is to provide for the service, complete in every detail, of the work described. The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment, tools, transportation and supplies required to complete the work in accordance with the specifications and terms of the contract.

## **INTERPRETATION OF SPECIFICATIONS:**

Should it appear that the work to be done or any of the matters relative thereto are not sufficiently detailed or explained in the specifications, the Contractor shall apply to the Contracting Officer for such further explanations as may be necessary and shall conform to same as part of the contract, so far as may be consistent with the original specifications; and in the event of any doubt or questions arising respecting the true meaning of the specifications, reference shall be made to the Contracting Officer whose decision thereon shall be final.

#### LIABILITY INSURANCE:

The Contractor shall not commence any work until it obtains, at its own expense, all required liability insurance. Such insurance must have the approval of the State as to limit form and amount and must be maintained with a company acceptable to the State. Such insurance must be maintained for the full period of the contract and shall provide protection from claims arising out of or resulting from the Contractor's operations under the Contract itself Subcontractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.

The contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract broad form public liability (Bodily Injury) and broad form property damage liability insurance in a combined single limit not less than \$1,000,000 and not less than \$2,000,000 in the aggregate to protect such contractor and all his subcontractors from claims for damages for personal injury, accidental death and property damage which may arise from operations under this contract, whether such operations be by himself or anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them.

The insurance described herein will be maintained by the Contractor for the full period of the Contract and in no event will be terminated or otherwise allowed to lapse prior to final acceptance of the work by the State.

A certificate of insurance acceptable to the State shall be filed with the State prior to commencement of the work. Such certificate shall contain a provision that coverage afforded under the policy will not be canceled or changes until at least thirty days written notice has been given to the State by registered mail at the address denominated for the State in the Contract for official communications to it should any policy be canceled before final acceptance by the State, and the Contractor fails to immediately procure replacement insurance as specified, the State reserves the right to procure such insurance and to deduct the cost thereof from any sum due the Contractor.

## LAWS TO BE OBSERVED:

The Contractor at all times shall observe and comply with all Federal, State and local laws or ordinances, rules and regulations which in any manner affect those engaged or employed in the work, the materials used in the work, and the conduct of the work. The Contractor shall also comply with all such orders and decrees of bodies or tribunals having any jurisdiction or authority over the work. Any reference to such laws, ordinances, rules and regulations shall include any amendments thereto.

The Contractor shall protect and indemnify the State and its Departments and Agencies and all their officers, representatives, employees or agents against any claim or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, orders and decrees, whether such violation is committed by the Contractor or his subcontractor or the employee of either or both. If any discrepancy or inconsistency is discovered in the contract for the work in relation to any such laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, orders or decrees, the Contractor shall forthwith report the same to the State of Hawai'i, Department of Defense, Engineer in writing.

Attention is directed to the Hawai'i Employment Relations Act, Chapter 377, HRS; Hawai'i Employment Security Law, Chapter 383, HRS; Wage and Hour Law, Chapter 387, HRS; Payment of Wages, Chapter 388, HRS; Industrial Safety, Chapter 376, HRS and Worker's Compensation Law, Chapter 386, HRS.

Workers' Compensation - The Contractor shall, in accordance with Sections 386-121 to 386-129 Hawai'i Revised Statutes, inclusive, take out adequate worker's compensation insurance for all of his employees who will be engaged in work at the site of the project.

## PERMITS AND LICENSES:

The Contractor shall procure all permits and licenses, pay all charges and fees and give all notices necessary and incident to the due and lawful prosecution of the work.

## CHARACTER OF WORKERS OR EQUIPMENT:

A. Character and Proficiency of Workers - All workers must have sufficient skill and experience to perform the work assigned to them and in the operation of the equipment.

Any worker employed on the project by the Contractor who, in the opinion of the Engineer or his authorized representative, is not careful and competent, does not perform his work in a proper and skillful manner or is disrespectful, intemperate, disorderly or neglects or refuses to comply with directions given, or is otherwise objectionable shall, at the written request of the Engineer, be removed forthwith by the Contractor employing such worker and shall not be employed again in any portion of the work without the written consent of the Engineer. Should the Contractor continue to employ, or again employ such person(s) on the project, the Engineer will withhold all estimates which are or may become due, or the Engineer will suspend the work until such orders are complied with.

- B. Insufficient Workers In the event that the Engineer, in his judgment, finds the condition whereby insufficient workers are present to accomplish the work and no corrective action is taken by the Contractor after being informed, the Engineer reserves the right to terminate the contract.
- C. Equipment Requirements All equipment furnished by the Contractor and used shall be of such size and of such mechanical condition that the work can be prosecuted in an acceptable manner.

## RIGHT TO AUDIT RECORDS

Pursuant to Section 103D-317 HRS the State, at reasonable times and places, may audit the books and records relating to the contractor's cost or pricing data. The books and records shall be maintained for a period of three years from the date of final payment under the contract, unless another period is otherwise authorized in writing.

Additionally, Sections 231-7, 235-108, 237-39 and other HRS chapters through reference, authorizes the Department of Taxation to audit all taxpayers conducting business within the State. Contractors must make available to the Department of Taxation all books and records necessary to verify compliance with the tax laws.

The following sections of the Hawai'i Administrative Rules, Chapter 3-125 are amended as shown below.

## CHANGE ORDERS TO GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS - HAR 3-125-2

- 1. <u>Change clause.</u> By written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the procurement officer may, unilaterally, order of the contractor:
  - a. Changes in the work within the scope of the contract; and
  - b. Changes in the time of performance of the contract that do not alter the scope of the contract work.
- 2. Adjustments of price or time for performance. If any change order increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, an adjustment shall be made and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined, where applicable, in accordance with the price adjustment clause of this contract or as negotiated. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the procurement officer promptly and duly makes the provisional adjustments in payment or time for the direct costs of the work as the State deems reasonable. The right of the contractor to dispute the contract price or time required for performance or both shall not be waived by its performing the work, provided however, that it follows the written notice requirements for disputes and claims established by the contract or these rules.
- 3. <u>Time Period for Claim.</u> Within 10 days after receipt of a written change order, unless the period is extended by the procurement officer in writing, the contractor shall respond with a claim for an adjustment. The requirement for a timely written response cannot be waived and shall be a condition precedent to the assertion of a claim.
- 4. <u>Claim barred after final payment.</u> No claim by the contractor for an adjustment here under shall be allowed if written response is not given prior to final payment under this contract.
- 5. <u>Claims not barred.</u> In the absence of a change order, nothing in this clause shall be deemed to restrict the contractor's right to pursue a claim under the contract or for breach of contract.

## MODIFICATIONS TO GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS – HAR 3-125-3

1. <u>Contract Modification</u>. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the procurement officer, subject to mutual agreement of the parties to the contract and all appropriate adjustments, may make modifications within the general scope of this contract to include any one or more of the following:

- a. Drawings, designs, or specifications, for the goods to be furnished;
- b. Method of shipment or packing;
- c. Place of delivery;
- d. Description of services to be performed;
- e. Time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.);
- f. Place of performance of the services; or
- g. Other provisions of the contract accomplished by mutual action of the parties to the contract.
- 2. Adjustments of price or time for performance. If any modification increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, an adjustment shall be made, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined, where applicable, in accordance with the price adjustment clause of this contract or as negotiated.
- 3. <u>Claim barred after final payment.</u> No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if written agreement of modification is not made prior to final payment under this contract.
- 4. <u>Claims not barred.</u> In the absence of a contract modification, nothing in this clause shall be deemed to restrict the contractor's right to pursue a claim under the contract or for a breach of contract.

## PRICE ADJUSTMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS – HAR 3-125-12

- 1. <u>Price adjustment</u>. Any adjustment in contract price pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be made in one or more of the following ways;
  - a. By agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;
  - b. By unit prices specified in the contract or subsequently agree upon;
  - c. By the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, plus appropriate profit or fee, all as specified in the contract or subsequently agreed upon;
  - d. In such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or
  - e. In the absence of agreement between the parties, by a unilateral determination by the procurement officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, plus appropriate profit or fee, all as computed by the procurement officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and applicable sections of chapters 3-122 and 3-126, Hawai'i Administrative Rules.
- 2. <u>Submission of cost or pricing data</u>. The contractor shall provide cost or pricing data for any price adjustments subject to the provision of subchapter 15, chapter 3, 122, Hawai'i Administrative Rules.

#### PROMPT PAYMENT BY CONTRACTORS TO SUBCONTRACTORS - HAR 3-125-23

1. <u>Prompt payment clause.</u> Any money, other than retainage, paid to a contractor shall be dispersed to subcontractors within ten days after receipt of the money in accordance with the terms of the subcontract; provided that the subcontractor has met all the terms and conditions of the subcontract and there are no bona fide disputes; and, upon final payment to the contractor, full payment to the subcontractor, including retainage, shall be made within ten days after receipt of the money; provided that there are no bona fide disputes over the subcontractor's performance under the subcontract.

#### **EXHIBIT D**

## **OVERVIEW OF THE RFP PROCESS**

- The RFP is issued pursuant to Subchapter 6 of HAR Chapter 3-122, implementing HRS §103D-303.
- The procurement process begins with the issuance of the RFP and the formal response to any written questions or inquiries regarding the RFP. Changes to the RFP will be made only by Addendum.
- Proposals shall be received on HePS. The register of proposals and Offerors' proposals shall be open to public inspection after posting of the award.
  - All proposals and other material submitted by Offerors become the property of the State and may be returned only at the State's option.
- The Procurement Officer, or an evaluation committee approved by the Procurement Officer, shall evaluate the proposals in accordance with the evaluation criteria in Section Four.
- Proposals may be accepted on evaluation without discussion. However, if deemed necessary, prior to entering into discussions, a "priority list" of responsible Offerors submitting acceptable and potentially acceptable proposals shall be generated. The priority list may be limited to a minimum of three responsible Offerors who submitted the highest-ranked proposals. The objective of these discussions is to clarify issues regarding the Offeror's proposal before the BAFO is tendered.
- If during discussions there is a need for any substantial clarification or change in the RFP, the RFP shall be amended by an addendum to incorporate such clarification or change. Addenda to the RFP shall be distributed only to priority listed Offerors who submit acceptable or potentially acceptable proposals.
- Following any discussions, Priority Listed Offerors will be invited to submit their BAFO, if required. The Procurement Officer or an evaluation committee reserves the right to have additional rounds of discussions with the top three
   (3) Priority Listed Offerors prior to the submission of the BAFO.
- The date and time for Offerors to submit their BAFO, if any, is indicated in Section 1.4, RFP Schedule and Significant Dates. If Offeror does not submit anotice of withdrawal or a BAFO, the Offeror's immediate previous offer shall be construed as its BAFO.
- After receipt and evaluation of the BAFOs in accordance with the evaluation criteria
  in Section Four, the Procurement Officer or an evaluation committee will make its
  recommendation. The Procurement Officer will award the contract to the Offeror
  whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the State taking into
  consideration price and the evaluation factors set forth in Section Four.

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- The contents of any proposal shall not be disclosed during the review, evaluation, or discussion. Once award notice is posted, all proposals, successful and unsuccessful, become available for public inspection. Those sections that the Offeror and the State agree are confidential and/or proprietary should be identified by the Offerors and shall be excluded from access.
- The Procurement Officer or an evaluation committee reserves the right to determine what is in the best interest of the State for purposes of reviewing and evaluating proposals submitted in response to the RFP. The Procurement Officer or an evaluation committee will conduct a comprehensive, fair and impartial evaluation of proposals received in response to the RFP.
- The RFP, any addenda issued, and the successful Offeror's proposal shall become a part of the contract. All proposals shall become the property of theState of Hawai'i.