



**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

**INVITATION TO BID (ITB)
FDVA-ITB-13-005B
"BENNETT SVNH FIRE ALARM SYSTEM UPGRADES"**

**ISSUED:
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2013**

**BID DUE DATE/TIME AND OPENING:
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2013, BY 3:00PM (LOCAL TIME).**

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REQUIRED COPIES: ONE (1) ORIGINAL AND TWO (2) COPIES.		BIDS ARE DUE BY AND WILL BE OPENED ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2013, AT 3:00PM LOCAL TIME. BIDS SHALL NOT BE WITHDRAWN WITHIN SIXTY (60) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER SUCH DATE AND TIME.	
VENDOR NAME: FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER: VENDOR MAILING ADDRESS		MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING AND ON-SITE VISIT AT THE EMORY L. BENNETT STATE VETERANS' NURSING HOME ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 3, 2013. SEE PAGE 5 FOR FURTHER DETAILS. DEADLINE FOR ANY VENDOR WRITTEN QUESTIONS: FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2013 BY 3:00PM LOCAL TIME.	
CITY – STATE – ZIP		POSTING OF BID TABULATIONS BID TABULATIONS AND INTENT TO AWARD NOTICE WILL BE POSTED FOR REVIEW BY INTERESTED PARTIES IN THE MyFLORIDAMarketPLACE VENDOR Bid SYSTEM AS WELL AT THE LOCATION WHERE BIDS WERE OPENED AND WILL REMAIN POSTED FOR A PERIOD OF 72 HOURS. FAILURE TO FILE A PROTEST WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 120.57(3), OR FAILURE TO POST THE BOND OR OTHER SECURITY REQUIRED BY LAW WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED FOR FILING A BOND SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF PROCEEDINGS UNDER CHAPTER 120, FLORIDA STATUTES.	
AREA CODE	PHONE NUMBER FREE NUMBER:		
I CERTIFY THAT THIS RESPONSE IS MADE WITHOUT PRIOR UNDERSTANDING, AGREEMENT, OR CONNECTION WITH ANY CORPORATION, FIRM, OR PERSON SUBMITTING AN OFFER FOR THE SAME MATERIAL, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES, AND IS IN ALL RESPECTS FAIR AND WITHOUT COLLUSION OR FRAUD. I AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION AND CERTIFY THAT I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THIS RESPONSE AND THAT THIS OFFER IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SOLICITATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. IN SUBMITTING A RESPONSE TO AN AGENCY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, RESPONDENT OFFERS AND AGREES THAT IF THIS OFFER IS ACCEPTED, THE RESPONDENT WILL CONVEY, SELL, ASSIGN OR TRANSFER TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA ALL RIGHTS, TITLE AND INTEREST IN AND TO ALL CAUSES OF ACTION IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER ACQUIRE UNDER THE ANTI-TRUST LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOR PRICE FIXING RELATING TO THE PARTICULAR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES PURCHASED OR ACQUIRED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA. AT THE STATE'S DISCRETION, SUCH ASSIGNMENT SHALL BE MADE AND BECOME EFFECTIVE AT THE TIME THE PURCHASING AGENCY TENDERS FINAL PAYMENT TO THE RESPONDENT.		_____ AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (MANUAL) _____ AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (TYPED) TITLE _____ DATE	
PLEASE NOTE: ADDENDUM MAY BE ISSUED TO THE INVITATION TO BID. ANY SUCH ADDENDUM WILL BE POSTED ON THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S VENDOR BID SYSTEM (VBS). BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR BID YOU SHOULD CHECK THE VBS TO DOWNLOAD ANY ADDENDUM THAT MAY HAVE BEEN ISSUED. PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN AND RETURN ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM SECTION "IX" WITH COMPLETE BID PACKAGE. RETURN THIS SHEET WITH YOUR BID PACKAGE.			

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1. Issuing Office.

(a) Points of contact with the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs (FDVA), for purposes of this solicitation are the Contracting Administrator or Purchasing Officer, identified as follows:

Primary Contact	Alternate Contact
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(b) The respondents shall not contact any other office or employee of FDVA for information with respect to this solicitation. FDVA shall not be bound by any information from whatever source that is not expressly contained within this solicitation.

2. Purpose and Scope. The Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs (FDVA) invites interested Contractors to submit bids in accordance with these solicitation documents. The purpose of this solicitation is to establish an Agreement for the Emory L. Bennett State Veterans' Nursing Home located at 1920 Mason Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL 32117. In accordance with Agreement, Contractor shall provide all labor, services, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies required to remove existing fire alarm system conventional devices, install and program new addressable (intelligent) devices, dispose of all project waste, as well as, the provision of one (1) year annual testing, maintenance, and repairs. Contractor must demonstrate the experience and capability to deliver and execute the requirements specified in this solicitation.

The Agreement is anticipated to commence on Thursday, April 25, 2013 and close out no later than Friday, June 21, 2013.

3. Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting and On-Site Visit. A mandatory pre-bid meeting and on-site visit will be held at the date, time, and location detailed below. Contractor failure to attend this meeting and on-site visit shall disqualify Contractor from submitting a bid. This opportunity allows Contractors to tour the facilities, ask questions, and seek clarifications about this solicitation. FDVA may answer questions at the mandatory pre-bid meeting and on-site visit or defer them to a later date as identified in the Timeline below.

This will be the only site visit conducted for this solicitation. Each Contractor bidding must satisfy themselves as to the exact nature and existing conditions of the site and the requirements of this solicitation. Failure to do so will not relieve the successful Contractor of their obligation to carry out the provisions of the Agreement. Facility drawings will be available for review at the mandatory pre-bid meeting and on-site visit. At the close of the mandatory pre-bid meeting and on-site visit, the issuing office will email facility drawings to only those in attendance.

Any person with a disability requiring special accommodations at the pre-bid meeting, on-site visit, or bid opening shall contact FDVA Primary Contact at the email address provided above at least five (5) business days prior to the event. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact Florida Relay Services at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Location: Emory L. Bennett State Veterans' Nursing Home
 1920 Mason Avenue
 Daytona Beach, FL 32117
Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2013
Time: 10:00AM (local time)
Check in/Sign in: Front Entrance Receptionist Desk

4. Timeline. The below dates are subject to change without notice. It is the Respondents responsibility to monitor the State of Florida Vendor Bid System (VBS) for any updates or changes.

Event	Event Date
Issue ITB.	Wednesday, March 27, 2013
Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting and On-Site Visit (Begin 10:00AM local time).	Wednesday, April 3, 2013
Questions from Respondents Due (No later than 3:00PM local time).	Friday, April 5, 2013
Anticipated Posting of Response to Respondent Questions.	Wednesday, April 10, 2013
Bid Due Date/Time and Opening (by 3:00PM local time).	Wednesday, April 17, 2013
"Anticipated" Posting of Notice of Intended Award.	Monday, April 22, 2013
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STATE OF FLORIDA
GENERAL CONTRACT CONDITIONS
PUR 1000

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1. Definitions. The definitions contained in s. 60A-1.001, F.A.C. shall apply to this agreement. The following additional terms are also defined:

- a) "Contract" means the legally enforceable agreement that results from a successful solicitation. The parties to the Contract will be the Customer and Contractor.
- b) "Customer" means the State agency or other entity identified in a contract as the party to receive commodities or contractual services pursuant to a contract or that orders commodities or contractual services via purchase order or other contractual instrument from the Contractor under the Contract. The "Customer" may also be the "Buyer" as defined in the PUR 1001 if it meets the definition of both terms.
- c) "Product" means any deliverable under the Contract, which may include commodities, services, technology or software.
- d) "Purchase order" means the form or format a Customer uses to make a purchase under the Contract (e.g., a formal written purchase order, electronic purchase order, procurement card, contract or other authorized means).

2. Purchase Orders. In contracts where commodities or services are ordered by the Customer via purchase order, Contractor shall not deliver or furnish products until a Customer transmits a purchase order. All purchase orders shall bear the Contract or solicitation number, shall be placed by the Customer directly with the Contractor, and shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the Contract and solicitation terms and conditions. Any discrepancy between the Contract terms and the terms stated on the Contractor's order form, confirmation, or acknowledgement shall be resolved in favor of terms most favorable to the Customer. A purchase order for services within the ambit of section 287.058(1) of the Florida Statutes shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the requirements of subparagraphs (a) through (f) thereof. Customers shall designate a contract manager and a contract administrator as required by subsections 287.057(15) and (16) of the Florida Statutes.

3. Product Version. Purchase orders shall be deemed to reference a manufacturer's most recently released model or version of the product at the time of the order, unless the Customer specifically requests in writing an earlier model or version and the Contractor is willing to provide such model or version.

4. Price Changes Applicable only to Term Contracts. If this is a term contract for commodities or services, the following provisions apply:

- a) Quantity Discounts: Contractors are urged to offer additional discounts for one time delivery of large single orders. Customers should seek to negotiate additional price concessions on quantity purchases of any products offered under the Contract. State Customers shall document their files accordingly.
- b) Best Pricing Offer: During the Contract term, if the Customer becomes aware of better pricing offered by the Contractor for substantially the same or a smaller quantity of a product outside the Contract, but upon the same or similar terms of the Contract, then at the discretion of the Customer the price under the Contract shall be immediately reduced to the lower price.
- c) Sales Promotions: In addition to decreasing prices for the balance of the Contract term due to a change in market conditions, a Contractor may conduct sales promotions involving price reductions for a specified lesser period. A Contractor shall submit to the Contract Specialist documentation identifying the proposed (1) starting and ending dates of the promotion, (2) products involved, and (3) promotional prices compared to then-authorized prices. Promotional prices shall be available to all Customers. Upon approval, the Contractor shall provide conspicuous notice of the promotion.
- d) Trade-In: Customer may trade-in equipment when making purchases from the Contract. A trade-in shall be negotiated between the Customer and the Contractor. Customers are obligated to actively seek current fair market value when trading equipment, and to keep accurate records of the process. For State agencies, it may be necessary to provide documentation to the Department of Financial Services and to the agency property custodian pursuant to Chapter 273, F.S.
- e) Equitable Adjustment: The Customer may, in its sole discretion, make an equitable adjustment in the Contract terms or pricing if pricing or availability of supply is affected by extreme and unforeseen volatility in the marketplace, that is, by circumstances that satisfy all the following criteria: (1) the

volatility is due to causes wholly beyond the Contractor's control, (2) the volatility affects the marketplace or industry, not just the particular Contract source of supply, (3) the effect on pricing or availability of supply is substantial, and (4) the volatility so affects the Contractor that continued performance of the Contract would result in a substantial loss.

5. Additional Quantities. For a period not exceeding ninety (90) days from the date of solicitation award, the Customer reserves the right to acquire additional quantities up to the amount shown on the solicitation but not to exceed the threshold for Category Two at the prices submitted in the response to the solicitation.

6. Packaging. Tangible product shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, storage, and stocking in appropriate, clearly labeled, shipping containers and according to accepted commercial practice, without extra charge for packing materials, cases, or other types of containers. All containers and packaging shall become and remain Customer's property.

7. Inspection at Contractor's Site. The Customer reserves the right to inspect, at any reasonable time with prior notice, the equipment or product or plant or other facilities of a Contractor to assess conformity with Contract requirements and to determine whether they are adequate and suitable for proper and effective Contract performance.

8. Safety Standards. All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies subject to operation under pressure, operation by connection to an electric source, or operation involving connection to a manufactured, natural, or LP gas source shall be constructed and approved in a manner acceptable to the appropriate State inspector. Acceptability customarily requires, at a minimum, identification marking of the appropriate safety standard organization, where such approvals of listings have been established for the type of device offered and furnished, for example: the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for pressure vessels; the Underwriters Laboratories and/or National Electrical Manufacturers' Association for electrically operated assemblies; and the American Gas Association for gas-operated assemblies. In addition, all items furnished shall meet all applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and state and federal requirements relating to clean air and water pollution.

9. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Contractors should identify any products that may be used or adapted for use by visually, hearing, or other physically impaired individuals.

10. Literature. Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish literature reasonably related to the product offered, for example, user manuals, price schedules, catalogs, descriptive brochures, etc.

11. Transportation and Delivery. Prices shall include all charges for packing, handling, freight, distribution, and inside delivery. Transportation of goods shall be FOB Destination to any point within thirty (30) days after the Customer places an Order. A Contractor, within five (5) days after receiving a purchase order, shall notify the Customer of any potential delivery delays. Evidence of inability or intentional delays shall be cause for Contract cancellation and Contractor suspension.

12. Installation. Where installation is required, Contractor shall be responsible for placing and installing the product in the required locations at no additional charge, unless otherwise designated on the Contract or purchase order. Contractor's authorized product and price list shall clearly and separately identify any additional installation charges. All materials used in the installation shall be of good quality and shall be free of defects that would diminish the appearance of the product or render it structurally or operationally unsound. Installation includes the furnishing of any equipment, rigging, and materials required to install or replace the product in the proper location. Contractor shall protect the site from damage and shall repair damages or injury caused during installation by Contractor or its employees or agents. If any alteration, dismantling, excavation, etc., is required to achieve installation, the Contractor shall promptly restore the structure or site to its original condition. Contractor shall perform installation work so as to cause the least inconvenience and interference with Customers and with proper consideration of others on site. Upon

completion of the installation, the location and surrounding area of work shall be left clean and in a neat and unobstructed condition, with everything in satisfactory repair and order.

13. Risk of Loss. Matters of inspection and acceptance are addressed in s. 215.422, F.S. Until acceptance, risk of loss or damage shall remain with the Contractor. The Contractor shall be responsible for filing, processing, and collecting all damage claims. To assist the Contractor with damage claims, the Customer shall: record any evidence of visible damage on all copies of the delivering carrier's Bill of Lading; report damages to the carrier and the Contractor; and provide the Contractor with a copy of the carrier's Bill of Lading and damage inspection report. When a Customer rejects a product, Contractor shall remove it from the premises within ten days after notification or rejection. Upon rejection notification, the risk of loss of rejected or non-conforming product shall remain with the Contractor. Rejected product not removed by the Contractor within ten days shall be deemed abandoned by the Contractor, and the Customer shall have the right to dispose of it as its own property. Contractor shall reimburse the Customer for costs and expenses incurred in storing or effecting removal or disposition of rejected product.

14. Transaction Fee. The State of Florida has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace, a statewide eProcurement System ("System"). Pursuant to section 287.057(23), Florida Statutes (2002), all payments shall be assessed a Transaction Fee of one percent (1.0%), which the Contractor shall pay to the State, unless exempt pursuant to 60A-1.032, F.A.C. For payments within the State accounting system (FLAIR or its successor), the Transaction Fee shall, when possible, be automatically deducted from payments to the Contractor. If automatic deduction is not possible, the Contractor shall pay the Transaction Fee pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031(2), F.A.C. By submission of these reports and corresponding payments, Contractor certifies their correctness. All such reports and payments shall be subject to audit by the State or its designee. Contractor shall receive a credit for any Transaction Fee paid by the Contractor for the purchase of any item(s) if such item(s) are returned to the Contractor through no fault, act, or omission of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Transaction Fee is non-refundable when an item is rejected or returned, or declined, due to the Contractor's failure to perform or comply with specifications or requirements of the agreement. Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute grounds for declaring the Contractor in default and recovering procurement costs from the Contractor in addition to all outstanding fees. Contractors delinquent in paying transaction fees may be subject to being removed from the Department of Management Services' vendor list as provided in rule 60A-1.006, F.A.C.

15. Invoicing and Payment. All invoicing shall be received no later than August 31, 2013. Invoices shall contain the Contract number, purchase order number if applicable, and the appropriate vendor identification number. The State may require any other information from the Contractor that the State deems necessary to verify any purchase order placed under the Contract. At the State's option, Contractors may be required to invoice electronically pursuant to guidelines of the Department of Management Services. Current guidelines require that Contractor supply electronic invoices in lieu of paper-based invoices for those transactions processed through the system. Electronic invoices shall be submitted to the Customer through the Ariba Supplier Network (ASN) in one of the following mechanisms – EDI 810, cXML, or web-based invoice entry within the ASN. Payment shall be made in accordance with sections 215.422 and 287.0585 of the Florida Statutes, which govern time limits for payment of invoices. Invoices that must be returned to a Contractor due to preparation errors will result in a delay in payment. Contractors may call (850) 413-7269 Monday through Friday to inquire about the status of payments by State Agencies. The Customer is responsible for all payments under the Contract. A Customer's failure to pay, or delay in payment, shall not constitute a breach of the Contract and shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligations to the Department or to other Customers.

16. Taxes. The State does not pay Federal excise or sales taxes on direct purchases of tangible personal property. The State will not pay for any personal property taxes levied on the Contractor or for any taxes levied on employees' wages. Any exceptions to this paragraph shall be explicitly noted by the Customer in the special contract conditions section of the solicitation or in the Contract or purchase order.

17. Governmental Restrictions. If the Contractor believes that any governmental restrictions have been imposed that require alteration of the material, quality, workmanship or performance of the products offered under the Contract, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Customer in writing, indicating the specific restriction. The Customer reserves the right and the complete discretion to accept any such alteration or to cancel the Contract at no further expense to the Customer.

18. Lobbying and Integrity. Customers shall ensure compliance with Section 11.062, FS and Section 216.347, FS. The Contractor shall not, in connection with this or any other agreement with the State, directly or indirectly (1) offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit on anyone as consideration for any State officer or employee's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, other exercise of discretion, or violation of a known legal duty, or (2) offer, give, or agree to give to anyone any gratuity for the benefit of, or at the direction or request of, any State officer or employee. For purposes of clause (2), "gratuity" means any payment of more than nominal monetary value in the form of cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. Upon request of the Customer's Inspector General, or other authorized State official, the Contractor shall provide any type of information the Inspector General deems relevant to the Contractor's integrity or responsibility. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, the Contractor's business or financial records, documents, or files of any type or form that refer to or relate to the Contract. The Contractor shall retain such records for the longer of (1) three years after the expiration of the Contract or (2) the period required by the General Records Schedules maintained by the Florida Department of State (available at: <http://dhis.dos.state.fl.us/barm/genschedules/gensched.htm>). The Contractor agrees to reimburse the State for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Inspector General or other authorized State official for investigations of the Contractor's compliance with the terms of this or any other agreement between the Contractor and the State which results in the suspension or debarment of the Contractor. Such costs shall include, but shall not be limited to: salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; and expert witness and documentary fees. The Contractor shall not be responsible for any costs of investigations that do not result in the Contractor's suspension or debarment.

19. Indemnification. The Contractor shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and Customers, and their officers, agents, and employees, from suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by Contractor, its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not indemnify for that portion of any loss or damages proximately caused by the negligent act or omission of the State or a Customer. Further, the Contractor shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and Customers from any suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to violation or infringement of a trademark, copyright, patent, trade secret or intellectual property right, provided, however, that the foregoing obligation shall not apply to a Customer's misuse or modification of Contractor's products or a Customer's operation or use of Contractor's products in a manner not contemplated by the Contract or the purchase order. If any product is the subject of an infringement suit or in the Contractor's opinion is likely to become the subject of such a suit, the Contractor may at its sole expense procure for the Customer the right to continue using the product or to modify it to become non-infringing. If the Contractor is not reasonably able to modify or otherwise secure the Customer the right to continue using the product, the Contractor shall remove the product and refund the Customer the amounts paid in excess of a reasonable rental for past use. The customer shall not be liable for any royalties. The Contractor's obligations under the preceding two paragraphs with respect to any legal action are contingent upon the State or Customer giving the Contractor (1) written notice of any action or threatened action, (2) the opportunity to take over and settle or defend any such action at Contractor's sole expense, and (3) assistance in defending the action at Contractor's sole expense. The Contractor shall not be liable for any cost, expense, or compromise incurred or made by the State or Customer in any legal action without the Contractor's prior written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

20. Limitation of Liability. For all claims against the Contractor under any contract or purchase order, and regardless of the basis on which the claim is made, the Contractor's liability under a contract or purchase order for direct damages shall be limited to the greater of \$100,000, the dollar amount of the contract or purchase order, or two times the charges rendered by the Contractor under the purchase order. This limitation shall not apply to claims arising under the Indemnity paragraph contain in this agreement. Unless otherwise specifically enumerated in the Contract or in the purchase order, no party shall be liable to another for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential damages, including lost data or records (unless the contract or purchase order requires the Contractor to back-up data or records), even if the party has been advised that such damages are possible. No party shall be liable for lost profits, lost revenue, or lost institutional operating savings. The State and Customer may, in addition to other remedies available to them at law or equity and upon notice to the Contractor, retain such monies from amounts due Contractor as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against them. The State may set off any liability or other obligation of the Contractor or its affiliates to the State against any payments due the Contractor under any contract with the State.

21. Suspension of Work. The Customer may in its sole discretion suspend any or all activities under the Contract or purchase order, at any time, when in the best interests of the State to do so. The Customer shall provide the Contractor written notice outlining the particulars of suspension. Examples of the reason for suspension include, but are not limited to, budgetary constraints, declaration of emergency, or other such circumstances. After receiving a suspension notice, the Contractor shall comply with the notice and shall not accept any purchase orders. Within ninety days, or any longer period agreed to by the Contractor, the Customer shall either (1) issue a notice authorizing resumption of work, at which time activity shall resume, or (2) terminate the Contract or purchase order. Suspension of work shall not entitle the Contractor to any additional compensation.

22. Termination for Convenience. The Customer, by written notice to the Contractor, may terminate the Contract in whole or in part when the Customer determines in its sole discretion that it is in the State's interest to do so. The Contractor shall not furnish any product after it receives the notice of termination, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the Contract, if any. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits.

23. Termination for Cause. The Customer may terminate the Contract if the Contractor fails to (1) deliver the product within the time specified in the Contract or any extension, (2) maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the Contract, (3) honor any term of the Contract, or (4) abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement. Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C., governs the procedure and consequences of default. The Contractor shall continue work on any work not terminated. Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the Contract arises from events completely beyond the control, and without the fault or negligence, of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is completely beyond the control of both the Contractor and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted products were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule. If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Customer. The rights and remedies of the Customer in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Contract.

24. Force Majeure, Notice of Delay, and No Damages for Delay. The Contractor shall not be responsible for delay resulting from its failure to perform if neither the fault nor the negligence of the Contractor or its employees or agents contributed to the delay and the delay is due directly to acts of God, wars, acts of public enemies, strikes, fires, floods, or other similar cause wholly beyond the Contractor's control, or for any of the foregoing that affect subcontractors or suppliers if no alternate source of supply is available to the Contractor. In case of any delay the Contractor believes is excusable, the Contractor shall notify the Customer in writing of the delay or potential delay and describe the cause

of the delay either (1) within ten (10) days after the cause that creates or will create the delay first arose, if the Contractor could reasonably foresee that a delay could occur as a result, or (2) if delay is not reasonably foreseeable, within five (5) days after the date the Contractor first had reason to believe that a delay could result. The foregoing shall constitute the Contractor's sole remedy or excuse with respect to delay. Providing notice in strict accordance with this paragraph is a condition precedent to such remedy. No claim for damages, other than for an extension of time, shall be asserted against the Customer. The Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract price or payment of any kind from the Customer for direct, indirect, consequential, impact or other costs, expenses or damages, including but not limited to costs of acceleration or inefficiency, arising because of delay, disruption, interference, or hindrance from any cause whatsoever. If performance is suspended or delayed, in whole or in part, due to any of the causes described in this paragraph, after the causes have ceased to exist the Contractor shall perform at no increased cost, unless the Customer determines, in its sole discretion, that the delay will significantly impair the value of the Contract to the State or to Customers, in which case the Customer may (1) accept allocated performance or deliveries from the Contractor, provided that the Contractor grants preferential treatment to Customers with respect to products subjected to allocation, or (2) purchase from other sources (without recourse to and by the Contractor for the related costs and expenses) to replace all or part of the products that are the subject of the delay, which purchases may be deducted from the Contract quantity, or (3) terminate the Contract in whole or in part.

25. Changes. The Customer may unilaterally require, by written order, changes altering, adding to, or deducting from the Contract specifications, provided that such changes are within the general scope of the Contract. The Customer may make an equitable adjustment in the Contract price or delivery date if the change affects the cost or time of performance. Such equitable adjustments require the written consent of the Contractor, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If unusual quantity requirements arise, the Customer may solicit separate bids to satisfy them.

26. Renewal. Upon mutual agreement, the Customer and the Contractor may renew the Contract, in whole or in part, for a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of the Contract, whichever period is longer. Any renewal shall specify the renewal price, as set forth in the solicitation response. The renewal must be in writing, subject to the same terms and conditions set forth in the original contract, signed by both parties, and contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations and subject to availability of funds.

27. Purchase Order Duration. Purchase orders issued pursuant to a state term or agency contract must be received by the Contractor no later than close of business on the last day of the contract's term to be considered timely. The Contractor is obliged to fill those orders in accordance with the contract's terms and conditions. Purchase orders received by the contractor after close of business on the last day of the state term or agency contract's term shall be considered void. Purchase orders for a one-time delivery of commodities or performance of contractual services shall be valid through the performance by the Contractor, and all terms and conditions of the state term or agency contract shall apply to the single delivery/performance, and shall survive the termination of the Contract. Contractors are required to accept purchase orders specifying delivery schedules exceeding the contracted schedule even when such extended delivery will occur after expiration of the state term or agency contract. For example, if a state term contract calls for delivery 30 days after receipt of order (ARO), and an order specifies delivery will occur both in excess of 30 days ARO and after expiration of the state term contract, the Contractor will accept the order. However, if the Contractor expressly and in writing notifies the ordering office within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the purchase order that Contractor will not accept the extended delivery terms beyond the expiration of the state term contract, then the purchase order will either be amended in writing by the ordering entity within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the contractor's notice to reflect the state term contract delivery schedule, or it shall be considered withdrawn. The duration of purchase orders for recurring deliveries of commodities or performance of services shall not exceed the expiration of the state term or agency contract by more than twelve months. However, if an extended pricing plan offered in the state term or agency contract is selected by the ordering entity, the contract terms on pricing plans and renewals shall govern the maximum duration of purchase orders reflecting such pricing plans and renewals. Timely purchase orders shall be valid through their specified term and

performance by the Contractor, and all terms and conditions of the state term or agency contract shall apply to the recurring delivery/performance as provided herein, and shall survive the termination of the Contract. Ordering offices shall not renew a purchase order issued pursuant to a state term or agency contract if the underlying contract expires prior to the effective date of the renewal.

28. Advertising. Subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall not publicly disseminate any information concerning the Contract without prior written approval from the Customer, including, but not limited to mentioning the Contract in a press release or other promotional material, identifying the Customer or the State as a reference, or otherwise linking the Contractor's name and either a description of the Contract or the name of the State or the Customer in any material published, either in print or electronically, to any entity that is not a party to Contract, except potential or actual authorized distributors, dealers, resellers, or service representative.

29. Assignment. The Contractor shall not sell, assign or transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under the Contract, or under any purchase order issued pursuant to the Contract, without the prior written consent of the Customer. In the event of any assignment, the Contractor remains secondarily liable for performance of the contract, unless the Customer expressly waives such secondary liability. The Customer may assign the Contract with prior written notice to Contractor of its intent to do so.

30. Antitrust Assignment. The Contractor and the State of Florida recognize that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the State of Florida. Therefore, the contractor hereby assigns to the State of Florida any and all claims for such overcharges as to goods, materials or services purchased in connection with the Contract.

31. Dispute Resolution. Any dispute concerning performance of the Contract shall be decided by the Customer's designated contract manager, who shall reduce the decision to writing and serve a copy on the Contractor. The decision shall be final and conclusive unless within twenty one (21) days from the date of receipt, the Contractor files with the Customer a petition for administrative hearing. The Customer's decision on the petition shall be final, subject to the Contractor's right to review pursuant to Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. Exhaustion of administrative remedies is an absolute condition precedent to the Contractor's ability to pursue any other form of dispute resolution; provided, however, that the parties may employ the alternative dispute resolution procedures outlined in Chapter 120. Without limiting the foregoing, the exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to the Contract shall be the appropriate state court in Leon County, Florida; in any such action, Florida law shall apply and the parties waive any right to jury trial.

32. Employees, Subcontractors, and Agents. All Contractor employees, subcontractors, or agents performing work under the Contract shall be properly trained technicians who meet or exceed any specified training qualifications. Upon request, Contractor shall furnish a copy of technical certification or other proof of qualification. All employees, subcontractors, or agents performing work under the Contract must comply with all security and administrative requirements of the Customer and shall comply with all controlling laws and regulations relevant to the services they are providing under the Contract. The State may conduct, and the Contractor shall cooperate in, a security background check or otherwise assess any employee, subcontractor, or agent furnished by the Contractor. The State may refuse access to, or require replacement of, any personnel for cause, including, but not limited to, technical or training qualifications, quality of work, change in security status, or non-compliance with a Customer's security or other requirements. Such approval shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to perform all work in compliance with the Contract. The State may reject and bar from any facility for cause any of the Contractor's employees, subcontractors, or agents.

33. Security and Confidentiality. The Contractor shall comply fully with all security procedures of the United States, State of Florida and Customer in performance of the Contract. The Contractor shall not divulge to third parties any confidential information obtained by the Contractor or its agents, distributors, resellers, subcontractors, officers or employees in the course of performing Contract work, including, but not limited to, security procedures, business operations information, or commercial proprietary information

in the possession of the State or Customer. The Contractor shall not be required to keep confidential information or material that is publicly available through no fault of the Contractor, material that the Contractor developed independently without relying on the State's or Customer's confidential information, or material that is otherwise obtainable under State law as a public record. To insure confidentiality, the Contractor shall take appropriate steps as to its personnel, agents, and subcontractors. The warranties of this paragraph shall survive the Contract.

34. Contractor Employees, Subcontractors, and Other Agents. The Customer and the State shall take all actions necessary to ensure that Contractor's employees, subcontractors and other agents are not employees of the State of Florida. Such actions include, but are not limited to, ensuring that Contractor's employees, subcontractors, and other agents receive benefits and necessary insurance (health, workers' compensations, and unemployment) from an employer other than the State of Florida.

35. Insurance Requirements. During the Contract term, the Contractor at its sole expense shall provide commercial insurance of such a type and with such terms and limits as may be reasonably associated with the Contract. Providing and maintaining adequate insurance coverage is a material obligation of the Contractor. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide certificate of insurance. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Contractor's liability and obligations under the Contract. All insurance policies shall be through insurers authorized or eligible to write policies in Florida.

36. Warranty of Authority. Each person signing the Contract warrants that he or she is duly authorized to do so and to bind the respective party to the Contract.

37. Warranty of Ability to Perform. The Contractor warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, there is no pending or threatened action, proceeding, or investigation, or any other legal or financial condition, that would in any way prohibit, restrain, or diminish the Contractor's ability to satisfy its Contract obligations. The Contractor warrants that neither it nor any affiliate is currently on the convicted vendor list maintained pursuant to section 287.133 of the Florida Statutes, or on any similar list maintained by any other state or the federal government. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Customer in writing if its ability to perform is compromised in any manner during the term of the Contract.

38. Notices. All notices required under the Contract shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, by reputable air courier service, or by personal delivery to the agency designee identified in the original solicitation, or as otherwise identified by the Customer. Notices to the Contractor shall be delivered to the person who signs the Contract. Either designated recipient may notify the other, in writing, if someone else is designated to receive notice.

39. Leases and Installment Purchases. Prior approval of the Chief Financial Officer (as defined in Section 17.001, F.S.) is required for State agencies to enter into or to extend any lease or installment-purchase agreement in excess of the Category Two amount established by section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes.

40. Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. (PRIDE). Section 946.515(2), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles which are the subject of, or required to carry out, the Contract shall be purchased from the corporation identified under Chapter 946 of the Florida Statutes (PRIDE) in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in section 946.515(2) and (4) of the Florida Statutes; and for purposes of the Contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of the Contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the agency insofar as dealings with such corporation are concerned." Additional information about PRIDE and the products it offers is available at <http://www.pridefl.com>.

41. Products Available from the Blind or Other Handicapped. Section 413.036(3), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "It is expressly understood and agreed that any

articles that are the subject of, or required to carry out, this contract shall be purchased from a nonprofit agency for the Blind or for the Severely Handicapped that is qualified pursuant to Chapter 413, Florida Statutes, in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in section 413.036(1) and (2), Florida Statutes; and for purposes of this contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of this contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the State agency insofar as dealings with such qualified nonprofit agency are concerned". Additional information about the designated nonprofit agency and the products it offers is available at <http://www.respectofflorida.org>.

42. Modification of Terms. The Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties, which terms and conditions shall govern all transactions between the Customer and the Contractor. The Contract may only be modified or amended upon mutual written agreement of the Customer and the Contractor. No oral agreements or representations shall be valid or binding upon the Customer or the Contractor. No alteration or modification of the Contract terms, including substitution of product, shall be valid or binding against the Customer. The Contractor may not unilaterally modify the terms of the Contract by affixing additional terms to product upon delivery (e.g., attachment or inclusion of standard preprinted forms, product literature, "shrink wrap" terms accompanying or affixed to a product, whether written or electronic) or by incorporating such terms onto the Contractor's order or fiscal forms or other documents forwarded by the Contractor for payment. The Customer's acceptance of product or processing of documentation on forms furnished by the Contractor for approval or payment shall not constitute acceptance of the proposed modification to terms and conditions.

43. Cooperative Purchasing. Pursuant to their own governing laws, and subject to the agreement of the Contractor, other entities may be permitted to make purchases at the terms and conditions contained herein. Non-Customer purchases are independent of the agreement between Customer and Contractor, and Customer shall not be a party to any transaction between the Contractor and any other purchaser. State agencies wishing to make purchases from this agreement are required to follow the provisions of s. 287.042(16) (a), F.S. This statute requires the Department of Management Services to determine that the requestor's use of the contract is cost-effective and in the best interest of the State.

44. Waiver. The delay or failure by the Customer to exercise or enforce any of its rights under this Contract shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the Customer's right thereafter to enforce those rights, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right.

45. Annual Appropriations. The State's performance and obligation to pay under this contract are contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.

46. Execution in Counterparts. The Contract may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

47. Severability. If a court deems any provision of the Contract void or unenforceable, that provision shall be enforced only to the extent that it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION "III"
STATE OF FLORIDA
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO RESPONDENTS
PUR 1001

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1. Definitions. The definitions found in s. 60A-1.001, F.A.C. shall apply to this agreement. The following additional terms are also defined:

- a) "Buyer" means the entity that has released the solicitation. The "Buyer" may also be the "Customer" as defined in the PUR 1000 if that entity meets the definition of both terms.
- b) "Procurement Officer" means the Buyer's contracting personnel, as identified in the Introductory Materials.
- c) "Respondent" means the entity that submits materials to the Buyer in accordance with these Instructions.
- d) "Response" means the material submitted by the respondent in answering the solicitation.
- e) "Timeline" means the list of critical dates and actions included in the Introductory Materials.

2. General Instructions. Potential respondents to the solicitation are encouraged to carefully review all the materials contained herein and prepare responses accordingly.

3. Electronic Submission of Responses (Replaced by Section IV, Item #3). Respondents are required to submit responses electronically. For this purpose, all references herein to signatures, signing requirements, or other required acknowledgments hereby include electronic signature by means of clicking the "Submit Response" button (or other similar symbol or process) attached to or logically associated with the response created by the respondent within MyFloridaMarketPlace. The respondent agrees that the action of electronically submitting its response constitutes:

- a) An electronic signature on the response, generally,
- b) An electronic signature on any form or section specifically calling for a signature, and
- c) An affirmative agreement to any statement contained in the solicitation that requires definite confirmation or acknowledgement.

4. Terms and Conditions. All responses are subject to the terms of the following sections of this solicitation, which, in case of conflict, shall have the order of precedence listed:

- a) Technical Specifications.
- b) Special Conditions and Instructions.
- c) Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001).
- d) General Conditions (PUR 1000).
- e) Introductory Materials.

The Buyer objects to and shall not consider any additional terms or conditions submitted by a respondent, including any appearing in documents attached as part of a respondent's response. In submitting its response, a respondent agrees that any additional terms or conditions, whether submitted intentionally or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect. Failure to comply with terms and conditions, including those specifying information that must be submitted with a response, shall be grounds for rejecting a response.

5. Questions. Respondents shall address all questions regarding this solicitation to the Procurement Officer. Questions must be submitted via the Question and Answer Board within MyFloridaMarketPlace and must be received no later than the time and date reflected on the Timeline. Questions shall be answered in accordance with the Timeline. All questions submitted shall be published and answered in a manner that all respondents will be able to view. Respondents shall not contact any other employee of the Buyer or the State for information with respect to this solicitation. Each respondent is responsible for monitoring the MyFloridaMarketPlace site for new or changing information. The Buyer shall not be bound by any verbal information or by any written information that is not contained within the solicitation documents or formally noticed and issued by the Buyer's contracting personnel. Questions to the Procurement Officer or to any Buyer personnel shall not constitute formal protest of the specifications or of the solicitation, a process addressed in paragraph 19 of these Instructions.

6. Conflict of Interest. This solicitation is subject to chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes. Respondents shall disclose with their response the name of any officer, director, employee or other agent who is also an employee of the State. Respondents shall also disclose the name of any State employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the respondent or its affiliates.

7. Convicted Vendors. A person or affiliate placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime is prohibited from doing any of the following for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list:

- a) Submitting a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity,
- b) Submitting a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work,
- c) Submitting bids on leases of real property to a public entity,
- d) Being awarded or performing work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and
- e) Transacting business with any public entity in excess of the Category Two threshold amount (\$35,000) provided in section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes.

8. Discriminatory Vendors. An entity or affiliate placed on the discriminatory vendor list pursuant to section 287.134 of the Florida Statutes may not:

- a) Submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity,
- b) Submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work,
- c) Submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity,
- d) Be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, or
- e) Transact business with any public entity.

9. Respondent's Representation and Authorization. In submitting a response, each respondent understands, represents, and acknowledges the following (if the respondent cannot so certify to any of following, the respondent shall submit with its response a written explanation of why it cannot do so):

- a) The respondent is not currently under suspension or debarment by the State or any other governmental authority.
- b) To the best of the knowledge of the person signing the response, the respondent, its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors, officers, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental authority and have not in the last ten (10) years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract.
- c) Respondent currently has no delinquent obligations to the State, including a claim by the State for liquidated damages under any other contract.
- d) The submission is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive response.
- e) The prices and amounts have been arrived at independently and without consultation, communication, or agreement with any other respondent or potential respondent; neither the prices nor amounts, actual or approximate, have been disclosed to any respondent or potential respondent, and they will not be disclosed before the solicitation opening.
- f) The respondent has fully informed the Buyer in writing of all convictions of the firm, its affiliates (as defined in section 287.133(1) (a) of the Florida Statutes), and all directors, officers, and employees of the firm and its affiliates for violation of state or federal antitrust laws with respect to a public contract for violation of any state or federal law involving fraud, bribery, collusion, conspiracy or material misrepresentation with respect to a public contract. This includes disclosure of the names of current employees who were convicted of contract crimes while in the employ of another company.
- g) Neither the respondent nor any person associated with it in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer, principal, investigator, project director, manager, auditor, or position involving the administration of federal funds:
 1. Has within the preceding three years been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them or is presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, state, or local government transaction or public contract.
 2. Violation of federal or state antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
 3. Has within a three-year period preceding this certification had one or more federal, state, or local government contracts terminated for cause or default.
- h) The product offered by the respondent will conform to the specifications without exception.
- i) The respondent has read and understands the Contract terms and conditions, and the submission is made in conformance with those terms and conditions.
- j) If an award is made to the respondent, the respondent agrees that it intends to be legally bound to the Contract that is formed with the State.
- k) The respondent has made a diligent inquiry of its employees and agents responsible for preparing, approving, or submitting the response, and has been advised by each of them that he or she has not participated in any communication, consultation, discussion, agreement, collusion, act or other conduct inconsistent with any of the statements and representations made in the response.
- l) The respondent shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Buyer and its employees against any cost, damage, or expense which may be incurred or be caused by any error in the respondent's preparation of its bid.
- m) All information provided by, and representations made by, the respondent are material and important and will be relied upon by the Buyer in awarding the Contract. Any misstatement shall be treated as fraudulent concealment from the Buyer of the true facts relating to submission of the bid. A misrepresentation shall be punishable under law, including, but not limited to, Chapter 817 of the Florida Statutes.

10. Manufacturer's Name and Approved Equivalents. Unless otherwise specified, any manufacturers' names, trade names, brand names, information or catalog numbers listed in a specification are descriptive, not restrictive. With the Buyer's prior approval, the Contractor may provide any product that meets or exceeds the applicable specifications. The Contractor shall demonstrate comparability, including appropriate catalog materials, literature, specifications, test data, etc. The Buyer shall determine in its sole discretion whether a product is acceptable as an equivalent.

11. Performance Qualifications. The Buyer reserves the right to investigate or inspect at any time whether the product, qualifications, or facilities offered by Respondent meet the Contract requirements. Respondent shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsive and responsible. In determining Respondent's responsibility as a vendor, the agency shall consider all information or evidence which is gathered or comes to the attention of the agency which demonstrates the Respondent's capability to fully satisfy the requirements of the solicitation and the contract. Respondent must be prepared, if requested by the Buyer, to present evidence of experience, ability, and financial standing, as well as a statement as to plant, machinery, and capacity of the respondent for the production, distribution, and servicing of the product bid. If the Buyer determines that the conditions of the solicitation documents are not complied with, or that the product proposed to be furnished does not meet the specified requirements, or that the qualifications, financial standing, or facilities are not satisfactory, or that performance is untimely, the Buyer may reject the response or terminate the Contract. Respondent may be disqualified from receiving awards if respondent, or anyone in respondent's employment, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts. This paragraph shall not mean or imply that it is obligatory upon the Buyer to make an investigation either before or after award of the Contract, but should the Buyer elect to do so, respondent is not relieved from fulfilling all Contract requirements.

12. Public Opening. Responses shall be opened on the date and at the location indicated on the Timeline. Respondents may, but are not required to, attend. The Buyer may choose not to announce prices or release other materials pursuant to s. 119.071(1) (b), Florida Statutes. Any person requiring a special accommodation because of a disability should contact the Procurement Officer at least five (5) workdays prior to the solicitation opening. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Buyer by using the Florida Relay Service at (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

13. Electronic Posting of Notice of Intended Award. Based on the evaluation, on the date indicated on the Timeline the Buyer shall electronically post a notice of intended award at http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa_vbs/owa/vbs_www.main_menu. If the notice of award is delayed, in lieu of posting the notice of intended award the Buyer shall post a notice of the delay and a revised date for posting the notice of intended award. Any person who is adversely affected by the decision shall file with the Buyer a notice of protest within 72 hours after the electronic posting. The Buyer shall not provide tabulations or notices of award by telephone.

14. Firm Response. The Buyer may make an award within sixty (60) days after the date of the opening, during which period responses shall remain firm and shall not be withdrawn. If award is not made within sixty (60) days, the response shall remain firm until either the Buyer awards the Contract or the Buyer receives from the respondent written notice that the response is withdrawn. Any response that expresses a shorter duration may, in the Buyer's sole discretion, be accepted or rejected.

15. Clarifications and Revisions. Before award, the Buyer reserves the right to seek clarifications or request any information deemed necessary for proper evaluation of submissions from all respondents deemed eligible for Contract award. Failure to provide requested information may result in rejection of the response.

16. Minor Irregularities and Right to Reject. The Buyer reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, or separable portions thereof, and to waive any minor irregularity, technicality, or omission if the Buyer determines that doing so will serve the State's best interests. The Buyer may reject any response not submitted in the manner specified by the solicitation documents.

17. Contract Formation. The Buyer shall issue a notice of award, if any, to successful respondent(s), however, no contract shall be formed between respondent and the Buyer until the Buyer signs the Contract. The Buyer shall not be liable for any costs incurred by a respondent in preparing or producing its response or for any work performed before the Contract is effective.

18. Contract Overlap. Respondents shall identify any products covered by this solicitation that they are currently authorized to furnish under any state term contract. By entering into the Contract, a Contractor authorizes the Buyer to eliminate duplication between agreements in the manner the Buyer deems to be in its best interest.

19. Public Records. Article 1, section 24, Florida Constitution, guarantees every person access to all public records, and Section 119.011, Florida Statutes, provides a broad definition of public record. As such, all responses to a competitive solicitation are public records unless exempt by law. Any respondent claiming that its response contains information that is exempt from the public records law shall clearly segregate and mark that information and provide the specific statutory citation for such exemption. The rights of access must not be limited to the required retention period but shall last as long as the records are retained. It is expressly understood that evidence of the Vendor's refusal to comply with this provision shall constitute a breach of contract.

In accordance with Florida Statute 215.985, the State of Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) has implemented the web-based Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System (FACTS). All State of Florida "cost" contracts are considered public records and shall be published to FACTS for public access. Published records include but are not limited to contract document images, financial information, and audit findings. Online public access is available via "<https://facts.fldfs.com>."

20. Protests. Any protest concerning this solicitation shall be made in accordance with sections 120.57(3) and 287.042(2) of the Florida Statutes and chapter 28-110 of the Florida Administrative Code. Questions to the Procurement Officer shall not constitute formal notice of a protest. It is the Buyer's intent to ensure that specifications are written to obtain the best value for the State and that specifications are written to ensure competitiveness, fairness, necessity and reasonableness in the solicitation process.

a) Section 120.57(3) (b), F.S. and Section 28-110.003, Fla. Admin. Code: requires that a notice of protest of the solicitation documents shall be made within seventy-two hours after the posting of the solicitation.

b) Section 120.57(3) (a), F.S.: requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes".

c) Section 28-110.005, Fla. Admin. Code: requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes".

21. Limitation on Vendor Contact with Agency During Solicitation Period. Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

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1. Bid. This solicitation represents what FDVA believes to be in the best interest of the State of Florida and FDVA. Respondents may not submit more than one bid; FDVA seeks each Respondent's single-best bid. By submitting a bid, each Respondent certifies that it satisfies all criteria specified in this solicitation. Bids must be received by the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs (FDVA) before the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation. Bids received after the bid opening time and date specified in this solicitation shall be rejected.

- a) Bids will be opened immediately after the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation at the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs (FDVA), 11351 Ulmerton Road, Suite 311-K, Largo, FL 33778-1630.
- b) The public may attend the bid opening, but may not immediately review any bids. In accordance with Section 119.071, Florida Statute, bids received by FDVA pursuant to a competitive solicitation shall be exempt to review as public records until such time as FDVA provides notice of an intended decision or until 30 days after opening the bids, whichever is earlier.
- c) Bids must follow the format, structure, and sequence of this solicitation.
- d) Respondents must demonstrate their experience in the engaged field of work and to the full satisfaction of FDVA provide four (4) customer references for which they have performed work of a similar nature as specified in this solicitation.
- e) FDVA does not pay excise, federal, sales, or State tax. FDVA tax exempt certificate is available upon request.
- f) Respondents shall thoroughly examine all available drawings, specifications, schedules, instructions, and other documents related to this solicitation.
- g) Respondents shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding facilities for delivery of commodities and services as required by this solicitation. No plea of ignorance by the Respondent of conditions that exist, or that may hereafter exist as a result of failure or

omission on the part of the Respondent to make the necessary examinations and investigations, or failure to fulfill in every detail the requirements of the contract documents, will be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of FDVA or the compensation to the vendor.

h) Respondents are advised that all FDVA solicitations and agreements are subject to all legal requirements provided for in Florida State Statutes and FDVA Purchasing Policy.

i) Respondents are advised that exceptions to any of the terms contained in this solicitation or the attached documents must be identified in its response to the solicitation. Failure to do so may lead FDVA to declare any such term non-negotiable. Respondent's desire to take exception to a non-negotiable term will not disqualify it from consideration for award.

j) If no request for clarification or questions are submitted by Respondent, according to the Timeline specified in this solicitation, all conditions and requirements contained within the solicitation shall be deemed accepted and understood by Respondent.

2. Sealed Bids. All forms required by this solicitation, as provided in their original format, must be executed and submitted in a sealed envelope; one (1) sealed original copy and two (2) individually sealed duplicate copies. All three (3) individually sealed envelopes will then be placed and sealed in one (1) outer package (size appropriate envelope or box). Each of the three (3) individually sealed envelopes and the outer package shall be clearly addressed as provided on page two (2) of this solicitation, including Respondent name and address, FDVA solicitation number and title, State certification(s), and the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation. All bids are subject to the conditions specified herein. Bids that do not comply with these conditions are subject to rejection.

3. Submission of Bids (this Section supersedes Section III #3, Electronic Submission of Responses).

a) Respondents must submit their bid by mail or in person to the attention of FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator) as identified in Section I of this solicitation.

b) Each Respondent is responsible for ensuring that their bid is submitted in accordance with this solicitation. Bids received after the bid opening time and date specified in this solicitation shall be rejected.

4. Cost Incurred. All costs involved with the preparation and submission of the bid to FDVA, or any work performed in connection therewith, shall be born solely by the Respondent. No payment will be made for any bids received or for any other effort required of, or made by, Respondent or the successful Contractor.

5. Order of Precedence. All bids are subject to the terms of the following sections of this solicitation, which, in case of conflict, shall have the order of precedence listed:

- a) Statement of Work.
- b) Agreement.
- c) Bid Form.
- d) Special Instructions.
- e) Special Conditions (if applicable).
- f) General Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001).
- g) General Contract Conditions (PUR 1000).
- h) Forms.

FDVA objects to and shall not consider any additional terms or conditions submitted by a Respondent, including any appearing in documents attached as part of a Respondent's bid. In submitting its bid, a Respondent agrees that any additional terms or conditions, whether submitted intentionally or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect.

6. Qualifications. At FDVA's sole discretion, award of the Agreement shall be made to the lowest priced bid which is responsive in all respects of this solicitation and where the Respondent is determined to be a responsible Respondent. The Respondent affirms and declares:

- a) They have the capacity to do business within the State of Florida.

- b) They have the capability to assure completion of services and provision of commodities within the required time.
- c) They presently have the necessary facilities, experience, and financial resources to complete the Agreement to the full satisfaction of FDVA.
- d) The Respondent is of lawful age and that no other person, contractor or corporation has any interest in this bid or the proceeds thereof.
- e) They are not in arrears to the State of Florida upon debt or contract and are not defaulting as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the State of Florida.
- f) No member, officer, or employee of FDVA during their tenure or for two years thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this solicitation or the proceeds thereof.
- g) They have all federal, State and local licenses and permits legally required to perform and complete the services as called for herein.
- h) They shall comply with all federal, State and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner could affect the services as called for herein.
- i) Respondent is in good standing with the State of Florida and is not on the State of Florida discriminatory, suspended, disbarred, convicted vendor lists, and the Federal Excluded Parties List.

7. Rights of FDVA. In addition to all rights of FDVA under Florida law, at its sole discretion, FDVA specifically reserves the following:

- a) FDVA reserves the right to select the bid it believes will serve in the best interest of the State of Florida and FDVA.
- b) FDVA reserves the right to withdraw or cancel any solicitation without cause.
- c) FDVA reserves the right to reject any bid without cause.
- d) FDVA reserves the right to remedy or waive technical or immaterial errors in this solicitation.
- e) FDVA reserves the right to determine what constitutes minor informalities or irregularities, and may waive minor informalities or irregularities.
- f) FDVA reserves the right to request any documentation, to include but not limited to supporting information, clarifications, and bid data without changing the terms.
- g) FDVA reserves the right to accept and award item-by-item, by group, or in the aggregate.
- h) FDVA reserves the right to change, add, and delete any requirements of this solicitation if FDVA deems it to be in its best interest of the State of Florida and FDVA.

8. Rejection of Bids. FDVA, at its sole discretion, shall reject a bid:

- a) If Respondent misstates or conceals any material fact in their bid.
- b) If the bid does not conform to the laws or requirements of this solicitation.
- c) With or without cause, whenever it is deemed in the best interest of the State of Florida and FDVA.
- d) If FDVA determines a respondent is not responsible and responsive.
- e) If Respondent fails to supply any requested documentation.
- f) If bid is received after the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation.
- g) If pricing is not submitted with the bid.
- h) If required bid response forms are not fully executed, in the provided format, and submitted as specified in this solicitation.

9. Withdrawal of Bids. Once submitted, bids shall not be withdrawn within sixty (60) business days after the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation. However, bids may be withdrawn, provided FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator) receives Respondent's written request prior to the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation. Respondent written request shall only be sent via email address shawt@fdva.state.fl.us.

10. Bid Modifications. FDVA will consider Respondent's written requests for bid modification, provided requests are received by FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator), by deadline to submit written questions as specified in this solicitation. Any bid modification(s) request received after that time shall not be accepted. Respondent written request shall only be sent via email address shawt@fdva.state.fl.us.

11. Addendums to the Solicitation Documents. FDVA reserves the right to issue addendums to solicitations. Notice of addendum will be posted on the Vendor Bid System (VBS), at www.myflorida.com, according to the Timeline specified in this solicitation. Such notice, if required, will contain the appropriate details for identifying and reviewing the formal changes to this solicitation. Each Respondent is solely responsible for monitoring the Vendor Bid System (VBS) for new or changing information concerning this solicitation. Respondents must sign and return the Addendum Acknowledgment Form (Section "IX") with the complete bid response.

12. Oral Instructions, Questions, and Answers. No negotiations, decisions, or actions will be initiated or executed by a Respondent as a result of any oral discussions with any State employee. Only Respondent written questions, which are signed by persons authorized to contractually bind the Respondent, will be recognized by FDVA as duly authorized expressions on behalf of the Respondent. Respondent written questions shall only be submitted, according to the Timeline specified in this solicitation, to FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator) via email address shawt@fdva.state.fl.us. FDVA formal response (addendum) to Respondent written questions will be posted on the Vendor Bid System (VBS) at www.myflorida.com, according to the Timeline specified in this solicitation. Only written communications from FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator) will be considered as a duly authorized expression on behalf of FDVA.

13. MyFloridaMarketPlace. Since Dec 15, 2003, FDVA has been using the State of Florida's web-based electronic procurement system, 'MyFloridaMarketPlace'. Respondents must be registered in the State of Florida's 'MyFloridaMarketPlace' system by the bid opening due date and time specified in this solicitation or they will be considered non-responsive. All Respondents that are not registered should go to <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com> to complete on-line registration, or call 1-866-352-3776 for assisted registration. To access online registration, log on to www.myflorida.com, and click on the 'MyFloridaMarketPlace/e-Pro' link under 'Hot Topics.' Once on the 'MyFloridaMarketPlace' website, click on the 'Online Vendor Registration' link to begin registration. In order to register, Respondent will need the following information:

- a) Company name.
- b) Tax Identification type and number, Social Security Number (SSN), or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN).
- c) Tax filing information, including the business name on Company 1099 tax form (where applicable).
- d) Location information.
- e) A business name for each company location (if different from the company name).
- f) A complete address for each location (including details for sending purchase orders, payments, and bills to each location).
- g) A contact person for each of company location.
- h) Commodity codes, found in MyFloridaMarketPlace, that describe the commodities and services company provides.
- i) Company Certified Minority Business Enterprises (CMBE) information if company is a certified minority business.
- j) If the company is a current vendor to the State of Florida, re-registration will require a State issued sequence number and PIN (available from the Department of Management Services by faxing a request on company letterhead to 850-414-8331).

Part of the Vendor Registration activity includes a section on terms and conditions in which a vendor accepts an agreement to pay a 1% fee on all State agency purchases effective July 1, 2003. This fee does not apply to contracts exempted by Rule 60A-1.032, vendors and respondents shall reference http://marketplace.myflorida.com/related/proposed_rule.htm.

Vendors and respondents must sign up for electronic notification of solicitations and related events via the Vendor Bid System (VBS) at www.myflorida.com. Vendor questions regarding the registration process shall be directed to the State of Florida Vendor Help Desk at 1-866-352-3776 or by directly e-mailing VendorHelp@myflorida.com. The State of Florida is not under any obligation and does not guarantee that

Vendors will receive e-mail notifications concerning the postings, amendments, or close of solicitations. Vendors are solely responsible for checking the Vendor Bid System (VBS) for information and updates concerning solicitations.

14. Certified Minority Business Enterprises. Respondents are encouraged to seek the participation of certified minority business enterprises (CMBE). Information on CMBEs is available from the Office of Supplier Diversity at <http://osd.dms.state.fl.us>.

15. Vendor Preference Florida Certified Wartime Veteran-owned Business Enterprise. FDVA, when considering two or more bids for the procurement of contractual commodities and/or services, and at least one of which is from a Florida Certified Wartime Veteran-owned Business Enterprise, that are equal with respect to all relevant considerations, including price, quality, and service, shall award such procurement or Agreement to the Florida Certified Wartime Veteran-owned Business Enterprise.

Notwithstanding amendment of Section 287.057(12), Florida Statute, effective 7/1/12: If a Florida Certified Wartime Veteran-owned Business Enterprise entitled to vendor preference under this section and one or more businesses entitled to this preference or another vendor preference provided by law submit bids for procurement of contractual commodities and/or services that are identical with respect to all relevant considerations, including price, quality, and service, then the State agency shall award the Agreement to the business having the smallest net worth. For Information on Certification Procedures for Vendor Preference programs, contact Thad Fortune, Certification Administrator, Office of Supplier Diversity, (850) 487-9863 or email: Thad.Fortune@dms.myflorida.com.

16. Certification of Drug-Free Workplace Program. The State supports and encourages initiatives to keep the workplaces of Florida's businesses drug free. Section 287.087, Florida Statute provides that, where identical (tie) bids are received, preference shall be given to a bid received from a Respondent that certifies it has implemented a drug-free workforce program. If applicable, Respondent shall certify that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program using the "Certification of Drug-Free Workplace" form included in Appendix "A" of this solicitation.

17. Insurance Requirements. At Contractor's sole expense, prior to commencement of work (including pre-staging of personnel, material, and equipment), Contractor must obtain the below specified insurance coverage's. Insurance company(s) shall be authorized to do business in the State of Florida and maintain a minimum rating of B+ as assigned by AM Best. Contractor failure to secure and maintain insurance coverage's throughout the life of the Agreement will result in suspension of all work until insurance has been obtained, reinstated, or replaced. Contractor failure to provide satisfactory evidence of insurance coverage's will result in suspension of all work until evidence is provided and accepted to the full satisfaction of FDVA. Additionally, Contractor failure to secure and maintain insurance coverage's, as well as, provide satisfactory evidence of insurance coverage's shall not extend deadlines. Any penalties and failure to perform assessments shall be imposed as if work had commenced as scheduled or not been suspended.

Prior to the commencement of work, Contractor shall provide satisfactory evidence of the required insurance to FDVA Project Manager. The following provides satisfactory evidence of the required insurance:

- a) Either a Certificate of Insurance, or
- b) A certified copy of the actual insurance policy.

Certificate of Insurance and policies must specify they are not subject to cancel, non-renewal, material change, or reduce coverage unless at least thirty (30) calendar days notice is given to FDVA. FDVA acceptance and approval of Contractor's Insurance shall not be construed as relieving Contractor from liability or obligation assumed under the Agreement or imposed by law. FDVA must be included in Contractor's broad form as additional insured on all policies, except Workers' Compensation. Minimum Commercial General Liability requirements are as follows:

- a) Premises Operations.

- b) Produces and Completed Operations.
- c) Blanket Contractual Liability.
- d) Personal Injury Liability.
- e) Expanded Definition of Property Damage.

The minimum limits shall be \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limit (CSL). An Occurrence Form policy is preferred. If coverage is a Claims Made policy, provisions shall include coverage for claims filed on or after the effective date of the Agreement. In addition, the period for which claims may be reported will extend for a minimum of twelve (12) months following the expiration of the Agreement.

Prior to the commencement of work, Contractor must obtain Workers' Compensation Insurance with limits sufficient to meet Florida Statute 440. Contractor shall provide documentation of Workers' Compensation Insurance to FDVA Project Manager upon request. If Contractor has been approved by the State Department of Labor, as an authorized self-insurer (self-insurance fund) for Workers' Compensation, FDVA shall recognize and honor such status. Contractor may be required to submit to FDVA Project Manager a Letter of Authorization issued by the State Department of Labor, Certificate of Insurance providing details on Contractor's Excess Insurance Program, and updated financial statements.

Prior to the commencement of work, recognizing that work governed by the Agreement requires the use of vehicles, Contractor must obtain Vehicle Liability Insurance. Coverage shall include, as a minimum, liability coverage for Owned, Non-owned, and Hired Vehicles with minimum limits at \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit (CSL). If split limits are given, the minimum limits acceptable shall be \$500,000 per Person; \$1,000,000 per Occurrence; \$500,000 Property Damage. Contractor shall provide documentation of Vehicle Liability Insurance to FDVA Project Manager upon request.

18. Performance/Labor and Material Bonds. FDVA, at its sole discretion, has the right to require a Performance/Labor and Material Bond equal to the executed Agreement's full value if such requirement is deemed to be in the best interest of the State of Florida and FDVA. If the Agreement award amount is \$100,000.00 or more, a Performance/Labor and Material Bond shall be required (255.05, Florida Statute). Bond shall be issued from a reliable Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of Florida and signed by a Licensed Florida Resident Agent. Bond shall be accompanied by a duly authenticated power of attorney evidencing that the person executing the bond in behalf of the Surety Company had the authority to do so on the date of the bond. The cost of the bond will be borne by the Contractor.

Bond shall state in its front page:

- a) Contractor's name, principle business address, and phone number.
- b) Surety company name.
- c) FDVA's full name (Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs).
- d) Bid number assigned by FDVA.
- e) General description of the required commodity or project.

Contractor shall provide bond to FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator) within five (5) business days of the executed Agreement. Contractor shall immediately provide replacement bond to FDVA Primary Contact (Contracting Administrator) in the event of material change or cancellation of the original bond.

Bond will remain in effect for the full term of the Agreement, including any renewal. FDVA shall be named as the beneficiary of the Contractor's bond. Bond must provide that the insurer or bonding company(s) pay losses suffered by FDVA directly to FDVA. Should Contractor terminate the Agreement prior to the end of the Agreement period, an assessment against the bond will be made by FDVA to cover the costs of issuing a new solicitation and selecting a new Contractor. Contractor agrees, in the event of termination of the Agreement by Contractor, FDVA damages shall be considered to be for the full amount of the bond. FDVA need not prove the damage amount in exercising its right of recourse against the bond.

19. Bid Guarantee. When deemed necessary by FDVA, a bid guarantee shall be required. A bid guarantee is a firm commitment which assures that Respondent shall, upon FDVA acceptance of Respondent's bid, perform the requirements of Agreement within the specified time. If required, the original bid response shall be accompanied by a bid guarantee payable to FDVA in the amount of **N/A** of the total bid submitted. Respondent must be the guarantor. If responding as a joint venture or legal partnership, at least one party of the joint venture or legal partnership shall be the guarantor. The form of the bid guarantee shall be a cashier's check, treasurer's check, bank draft, or certified check drawn upon a solvent clearing house bank, or a bid bond issued by a surety company located and licensed to do business in the State of Florida. Bid guarantee shall state the bid number assigned by FDVA. FDVA will not accept a personal check or letter of credit in lieu of the bid guarantee. All bid guarantees will be returned by FDVA upon execution of the Agreement with the successful Contractor. If the successful Contractor fails to execute the Agreement within ten (10) business days after the Agreement has been presented to the successful Contractor for signature, the bid guarantee shall be forfeited to FDVA. Bid guarantee from the successful Contractor will only be returned once FDVA has received the successful Contractor's performance/labor and materials bond if required. Failure of the Respondent to include the bid guarantee with the original bid submission will result in the rejection of the Respondent's bid.

20. Financial Consequences. In the event of delay in the completion of this project beyond the dates specified in this Agreement, not subject to unavoidable delays, FDVA reserves the right to recover actual damages which it estimates at this time to be in the amount of **\$390.80** per business day for each business day Contractor fails to complete the project and provide deliverables by the deadlines specified in this Agreement. FDVA reserves the right to increase this amount if its actual damages caused by Contractor's delay are higher. Deductions may be made from monies due or which may be due to Contractor. The burden of proof of unavoidable delay shall rest with Contractor. Contractor shall submit written notice requesting any extension of time to FDVA Project Manager for determination. FDVA, at its sole discretion, may approve extensions of the project completion date if delay is attributable to circumstances that are beyond the control of Contractor. If FDVA approves extension of time, a change order must be used to incorporate the extension in the executed Agreement.

21. Invoicing and Payment. Contractor shall submit invoicing to the attention of FDVA's Project Manager. FDVA Project Manager shall be responsible for monitoring Contractor performance of the Agreement and upon approval, certify invoicing for payment. Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number, FDVA Agreement number, FDVA purchase order number, and service location's name and address must appear on all invoices. Invoices shall be submitted in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit thereof. Prices shall be Contractor's net, delivered prices (F.O.B. destination), and must be in United States Dollars (USD). FDVA payment shall be made in accordance with Section 215.422, Florida Statutes, which states Contractor's rights and State Agency's responsibilities concerning interest penalties and time limits for payment of invoices. The State's performance and obligation to pay under this contract are contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.

Vendors wishing to do business with the State of Florida must register, complete, and submit an electronic Form W-9 to the Department of Financial Services (DFS). The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will receive and validate all vendor provided Form W-9 information. Vendor failure to submit valid Form W-9 information to DFS shall prevent State agencies from entering into agreements, creating purchase orders, and issuing any payment. To learn more and register for a webinar, please visit <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/aadir/SubstituteFormW9.htm>. For further assistance, vendors may contact the State of Florida Vendor W9 Help Desk directly at 850-413-5519.

22. Right to Inspect and Audit. In accordance with Article 1, Section 24, Florida Constitution, FDVA and its duly authorized representatives shall have the right to inspect and audit all facilities, commodities, services, records, papers, documents, drawings, books, and electronic storage media of Contractor and subcontractor(s) which FDVA and its duly authorized representatives deem relevant to the Agreement. Any information requested to be delivered, for purposes of inspection and audit, shall be furnished to FDVA and its duly authorized representatives within three (3) business days from date of FDVA provision of notice. At its sole discretion, without notice, FDVA and its duly authorized representatives may conduct

audits at any location during normal business days and hours. If an audit has been initiated and audit findings have not been resolved, the information shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings. The rights of access must not be limited to the required retention periods but shall be provided for as long as the records are retained and deemed relevant to the Agreement by FDVA and its duly authorized representatives. Contractor shall be solely responsible for all storage, maintenance, preparation, duplication, transfer, delivery, and any costs or fees associated with the all information to be stored, maintained, provided, and delivered under the Agreement. Contractor's failure to provide retention of and access to the above detailed shall constitute a breach of contract and may result in termination of the Agreement.

23. Employment Eligibility Verification. Pursuant to the State of Florida, Office of The Governor, Executive Order Number 11-02 entered on January 4, 2011; Contractor will utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's "E-Verify" system to verify the employment eligibility of:

- a) All persons employed during the term of the Agreement by the Contractor to perform employment duties within Florida within 3 business days after the date of hire, and
- b) All persons (including subcontractors) assigned by Contractor to perform work pursuant to the Agreement with FDVA within 90 calendar days after the date the Agreement is executed or within 30 days after such persons are assigned to perform work pursuant to the Agreement, whichever is later.

24. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The contractor must comply with all requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Any violation of requirements shall result in termination of the Agreement and all remedies available by law shall become available to FDVA.

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1. General. Contractor shall provide all labor, services, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies required to remove existing fire alarm system conventional devices, install and program new addressable devices, dispose of all project waste, as well as, the provision of one (1) annual testing and maintenance. Any services beyond the Agreement will require FDVA Project Manager to initiate another procurement action.

Contractor shall schedule an onsite, post-award project launch meeting with FDVA Project Manager within five (5) business days from date of fully executed Agreement. The purpose of the meeting is to establish lines of communications, verify contact persons, and discuss other relative project topics. Project shall begin ten (10) business days from date of fully executed Agreement. FDVA requires the project to be completed within forty (40) business days from date of fully executed Agreement, in accordance with the work schedule provided below.

2. Background. FDVA intent is to deploy an addressable system. All existing conventional devices (ceiling smoke detectors and mounting bases, duct smoke detectors with complete housing and sampling tubes, heat detectors and mounting bases, and manual pull stations) must be removed and replaced with new addressable devices (ceiling smoke detectors and mounting bases, duct smoke detectors with complete housing and sampling tubes, heat detectors and mounting bases, and manual pull stations). The new addressable (intelligent) devices shall be able to be disabled from the control panel (so entire

"areas" are not disabled). Existing control panel (Simplex 4100) was recently upgraded, including installation of addressable control board that utilizes existing zone wiring, as addressable circuits, throughout the entire Facility. Existing Simplex fire alarm system is backward and forward compatible.

3. Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ). Contractor shall schedule, secure, furnish, and pay all required fees and costs for any inspections, approvals, certifications, tagging, and exemptions required by local, State, or federal officials. Florida State Statutes shall be subservient to Volusia County specifications if applicable or in conflict. If no inspections and approvals are required, Contractor will provide a letter of exemption from respective AHJ to FDVA Project Manager prior to FDVA Final Acceptance. If inspections and approvals are required, Contractor will provide inspection and approval documents from respective AHJ to FDVA Project Manager prior to FDVA Final Acceptance. AHJ includes, but is not limited to the following:

- a) United States Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA).
- b) Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS).
- c) State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA).
- d) Office of the State of Florida Fire Marshall

4. Regulatory Compliance. Contractor and installed devices must be in compliance with the regulatory requirements of the following, to include but not limited to:

- a) NEC Compliance: Comply with NEC as applicable to construction and installation of fire alarm system components, accessories, cabling, and wiring.
- b) UL Compliance: Provide system components which are listed and labeled.
- c) ADA Compliance: Comply with Americans with Disabilities Act as applicable to construction and installation of fire alarm system components, accessories, cabling, and wiring.
- d) NFPA Compliance: Comply with NFPA as applicable to construction and installation of fire alarm system components, accessories, cabling, and wiring.

5. Regulatory Reference. Contractor shall reference the following, to include but not limited to:

- a) NFPA 70: National Electrical Code.
- b) NFPA 72: Installation, maintenance, and performance of fire alarm system, as well as, system components, accessories, cabling, and wiring.
- c) ADA: Americans with Disability Act.
- d) NFPA 101: Life Safety Code.
- e) NFPA 90A: Air Conditioning System.
- f) NEC 760: Cabling and wiring.

6. Project Management.

(a) FDVA Project Manager: Prior to commencement of project, FDVA shall appoint a Project Manager for the Agreement who will be responsible for managing, monitoring, and certifying that all required Contractor services were satisfactorily performed and that invoicing is in accordance with the Agreement. FDVA Project Manager will be Contractor's primary point of contact. FDVA Project Manager will represent FDVA requirements, review and approve Contractor deliverables, provide operating insight, resolve issues, and make decisions regarding alternate configuration choices. In the absence of FDVA Project Manager, FDVA will appoint an alternate to act on behalf of FDVA Project Manager.

(b) Contractor Project Manager: Prior to commencement of project, Contractor shall appoint a Project Manager who will be FDVA's primary point of contact. Contractor's Project Manager will coordinate all activities with FDVA Project Manager, report any adverse events occurring on State property to FDVA Project Manager, and be available to meet with FDVA as requested, at service location or FDVA Headquarters in Largo, FL. Contractor will be responsible for developing and maintaining a detailed project work plan and for reporting progress against the work plan on a daily basis. In the absence of Contractor's Project Manager, Contractor will appoint an alternate to act on behalf of Contractor's Project Manager.

7. Hours of Operation and Scheduling. Given the nature and dynamics of FDVA's mission, time is of the essence in the performance of the Agreement. Other than services required on an "as needed" basis, all services will be performed between the normal business hours of 8:00AM and 5:00PM local time, Monday through Friday. Prior to commencement of project, Contractor Project Manager shall provide a detailed work schedule to FDVA Project Manager for approval. Unless prior authorization has been obtained from FDVA Project Manager, all work shall be scheduled with FDVA Project Manager at least three (3) business days in advance. Any work to be scheduled and performed outside normal business hours shall require the approval of FDVA Home Administrator and FDVA Project Manager. Contractor shall provide sufficient personnel to perform project tasks and assume responsibility for managing the project team for the life of the Agreement.

8. Contractor Qualities. Licensed Contractor shall have the necessary experience, facilities, equipment, materials, ability, and financial resources to perform the required services. Licensed Contractor must have no less than five (5) years documented experience in fire alarm system removal and disposal, fire alarm system installation and programming, and fire alarm testing, maintenance, and repair services in long-term healthcare environments. As applicable, Contractor staff performing services shall be manufacturer's factory authorized. Upon request, Contractor may be required to provide documentation of manufacturer's factory authorization to FDVA Project Manager. As applicable, Contractor staff performing services or inspections shall be certified by any applicable AHJ to remove, dispose, transport, use, install, maintain, repair, or inspect all conditions, equipment, or materials required in performance of the Agreement. Upon request, evidence of Contractor staff certification shall be provided to FDVA Project Manager. Failure of Contractor to provide required documentation may result in termination of the Agreement.

9. Permits, Licenses, and Fees. Contractor is responsible for requesting, applying, paying for, securing and providing FDVA all permits, licenses, special variances, inspections, approvals, exemptions, certifications, tagging, and permissions required by applicable federal, State, and local AHJ to complete work required in performance of the Agreement, including coordinating and notifying any AHJ, prior to, during, or after completion of project, which require such communication(s). Contractor will provide all required documentation, including State of Florida Certificate of Competency (if applicable) to FDVA Project Manager for verification prior to commencement of work. Failure of Contractor to provide required documentation may result in termination of the Agreement. FDVA reserves the right to suspend work in progress due to any AHJ inspection, with no penalty assessed to Contractor.

10. Safety and Security Compliance.

a) FDLE Background Check: Contractor shall obtain FDLE Level Two background screening for all staff assigned to this project. FDVA Project Manager will describe the process and determine the field verification.

b) Check In: Contractor shall first check-in with FDVA Project Manager prior to commencing any work. This is to ensure that all residents and facility staff activities in the work area are curtailed, residents are alerted to secure all valuables, and facility staff acknowledges Contractors commencement of work. All package checks are to be pre-approved by the FDVA Home Administrator. Upon completion of daily work, Contractor shall notify FDVA Project Manager that Contractor staff assigned is leaving the facility.

c) Safety Inspection: A daily safety inspection will be performed by both Contractor and FDVA Project Manager to ensure all safety precautions have been taken to protect the health and welfare of workers, staff, residents, and visitors.

d) Jobsite Safety: Contractor shall ensure that facility staff, residents, and visitors are not in the immediate area and remain at a safe distance while performing the requirements of the Agreement. Contractor shall perform all work in a safe manner following all applicable safety rules and regulations. All equipment, tools, materials, and supplies used, application methods, and personal conduct of the Contractor shall conform to "best practice" methodologies as generally accepted by the engaged field. Equipment, tools, materials, and supplies will not be left unattended for any reason, at any time. Adherence to OSHA and applicable federal, State, and local laws and guidelines is required in the performance of the Agreement.

- e) Jobsite Security: Contractor is responsible for continuously maintaining a secure job site. Contractor shall ensure that adequate safeguards are implemented for the project. Contractor will wear ID badges or uniforms. Contractor must obtain FDVA Project Manager approval prior to access to secure areas.
- f) Material Safety Data: A copy of the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for all materials and supplies used on site shall be provided to FDVA Project Manager prior to application. The MSDS shall remain on file with FDVA Project Manager as it provides valuable safety and adverse reaction information.
- g) Removal, Installation, and Testing: Contractor must notify FDVA Project Manager prior to fire alarm system being taken offline, put back online, or the alarm being sounded for any reason. The Contractor shall not leave the Facility for any reason without first securing confirmation that the fire alarm system is online and fully operational from FDVA Project Manager.
- h) Respiratory Protection: Contractor shall provide vapor barriers (visqueen polyethylene plastic sheeting/temporary walls) and masking when necessary for performing the requirements of the Agreement. Contractor shall have a Respiratory Protection Program in place, meeting local, State, and federal requirements. Prior to commencement of work, Contractor will provide a copy of Contractor's Respiratory Protection Program to FDVA Project Manager. Contractor shall only utilize materials and supplies (chemicals, compounds, adhesives, patching, caulking, putty, primer/finish paint, and sealers) that are approved for use in long-term healthcare facilities and foodservice environments, to include but not limited to low odor and low volatile organic compound (VOC) materials.
- i) Cleanup: Contractor must ensure that the project jobsite is kept clean and safe on a daily basis. Contractor will immediately cleanup any spills or excess material throughout the duration of the project. All surface protective materials must be immediately removed after each given project area has been completed.
- j) Disposal of Non-regulated/Regulated Material and Equipment Waste: Contractor shall properly disposal of all non-regulated and regulated material and supplies waste, as well as, any equipment and tools waste resulting from performance of the Agreement, in accordance with all applicable local, State, and federal requirements. All non-regulated and regulated material and supplies waste, as well as, any equipment and tools waste resulting from the performance of the Agreement shall be removed via rear maintenance hallway. Any and all waste removal shall not involve the rest of the Home.
- k) Interruption of Fire Alarm System Service: Contractor shall not interrupt fire alarm system service to Facility unless proper written notice is issued forty-eight (48) hours in advance to FDVA Project Manager.
- l) Check Out: Contractor shall notify FDVA Project Manager upon completion of Contractor's daily work. After any fire alarm system work has been completed a fire alarm system check shall be performed to ensure that the system is fully operational. Confirmation will be obtained from the monitoring company's central station that the alarm signal was received prior to the contractor leaving the facility.
- m) Emergency Service Calls: Contractor must provide immediate emergency repair services upon FDVA Project Manager request. Cost of emergency repair services shall not be part of the Agreement resulting from this solicitation. Due to the nature and dynamics of the Facility and because services to residents would be curtailed, Contractor shall regard emergency services calls as a priority.

11. State Property Damage. FDVA Project Manager shall conduct a daily inspection of the work site to verify any potential damage of State property. Contractor shall not make any alteration to any surface of the Facility without prior written approval of FDVA Project Manager. Contractor will use care while exposing ceiling tiles. Any State property damaged by the Contractor must be reported immediately to FDVA Project Manager. Damaged property shall be immediately repaired or replaced at the Contractor's sole expense. All repairs, parts, or replacement of damaged property shall be of like quality and design and restored, at a minimum, to the condition that existed immediately prior to the time of damage. Repair or replacement of damaged property must be coordinated and pre-approved by FDVA Project Manager. FDVA Project manager will conduct a final project site inspection upon completion of the total project with Contractor. In compliance with AHJ, Contractor shall provide for and install fire caulking to seal in and

around any pre-existing or Contractor caused fire wall penetration. Prior to FDVA Final Acceptance, Contractor must provide photographic evidence of each pre-existing or Contractor caused fire wall penetration that was sealed. Photographic evidence shall be labeled to reflect the penetration number, date completed, and initials of Contractor personnel performing the sealing and inspecting to ensure compliance.

Note: All FDVA locations have wireless access to their network. All related devices are mission critical to resident care and have far reaching effects. Wireless access points are ceiling mounted, with wiring runs above the ceiling. Positions of these access points and the orientation of their antennas is vital to them working correctly. Wireless access points also run with "power over ethernet" (PoE), meaning that their network cables also carry low voltage power to each unit. Additionally, wall mounted kiosks in each facility also use PoE. Kiosks and wireless access points are visible and easily identifiable. Contractor shall not damage, alter, or disturb in any way all devices, units, wireless access points, kiosks, wiring, cables, fasteners, and mounting bases.

12. Contractor-Owned Equipment, Tools, Materials, and Supplies. Contractor will provide all equipment, tools, materials, and supplies needed to perform the requirements of the Agreement. FDVA assumes no liability for damage or loss to Contractor-owned equipment, tools, materials, and supplies. All equipment, tools, materials, and supplies required to perform the Agreement shall only enter and exit via the rear maintenance hallway.

13. Onsite Storage of Contractor-Owned Equipment, Tools, Materials, and Supplies. Onsite storage of Contractor-owned equipment, tools, materials, and supplies is not permitted unless prior approval is granted by FDVA Project Manager. FDVA assumes no liability for damage or loss to Contractor-owned equipment, tools, materials, and supplies. Public health and safety related to delivered and stored equipment, tools, materials, and supplies shall be the sole responsibility of Contractor. Upon completion of the project, Contractor will remove all Contractor-owned equipment and materials from the facility.

14. Removal of Existing Devices. Contractor shall remove the approximate number of existing devices as follows (see Item No, 17 for location of devices throughout Facility):

- a) Approximately 125 ceiling smoke detectors and mounting bases.
- b) Approximately 19 duct smoke detectors and complete housing with sampling tubes.
- c) Approximately 23 heat detectors and mounting bases.
- d) Approximately 22 manual pull stations.

15. New Device Requirements. Contractor will utilize existing wiring, interconnecting wiring, or cable between devices to provide a fully operational system. System control modules must be connected to devices to be controlled by the system. Ceiling smoke detectors and mounting bases, duct smoke detectors with complete housing and sampling tubes, heat detectors and mounting bases, and manual pull stations must be installed in existing locations, unless code requires relocation. Ceiling smoke detectors and mounting bases, duct smoke detectors with complete housing and sampling tubes, heat detectors and mounting bases shall be installed no closer than three (3) feet from supply air registers. All devices shall be attached to walls and ceiling assemblies and will be held in place by fasteners and supports designed specifically for such purpose.

- a) All new addressable devices installed must be compatible with existing Simplex 4100 system.
- b) Ceiling smoke detectors must comply with UL 268, and include factory nameplate (serial number/type identification). Features shall include 24-DC operating voltage (standard), self-restoring feature, plug-in arrangement, visual indicator, addressability, and remote controllability. Furthermore, smoke detectors will allow for sensitivity range adjustment in fire alarm control panel (FACP) node from each system keypad, within UL limits.
- c) Heat detectors shall be addressable and resettable (temperature vs. time feature).
- d) Addressable duct smoke detectors must be photoelectric with sampling tube of designs and dimensions recommended by the manufacturer for the specific duct and installation conditions were applied. Contractor shall provide FDVA Project Manager with one set sampling tubes and auxiliary contacts for air handling unit shut down and status indication.

e) Manual pull stations must be addressable, on command from control panel, and send data to the state of the manual switch and the addressable communication module status. Features shall include double action (push and pull) to initiate and alarm with clearly visible operating instructions on the front cover. Furthermore, they will be designed so that after actual emergency operation, they cannot be restored to normal use except by universal key or wrench. All manual pull stations must be keyed alike. The word "FIRE" must appear on the front cover in raised letter (1.75" or larger). Pull stations shall be suitable for surface or "semi-flush" mounting.

Note: FDVA Project Manager must pre-approve the "name" assigned to each new addressable device. Mapping will detail each new addressable device's location and specify each new addressable device's "name" as reflected in Simplex 4100 fire alarm control panel.

16. Disconnection, Removal, and Reinstallation of Items and Equipment. With FDVA Project Manager prior approval, in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and warranty guidelines, Contractor will provide for the disconnection, removal, and reinstallation of any and all mounted, fastened in place, plumbed, and electrical equipment, or any and all other items necessary to perform the requirements of the Agreement. If necessary, Contractor shall take pictures and measurements to aid in replacing items to their original positions.

17. New Device Installation. All devices must be new and the manufacturer's current models. Contractor shall install terminal cabinet in Room 222 (Area B), next to the fire alarm panel to connect multiple existing conventional zone circuits to one (1) addressable data circuit on new IDNET+ board. Contractor will install the following approximate devices in compliance with AHJ requirements and manufacturer's specifications:

a) Area "A"

1. Ceiling Smoke Detectors and Mounting Bases:

- Corridor 166 – by exit doors.
- Corridor 166 – by room 117.
- Corridor 166 – by room 119.
- Corridor 166 – by double doors.
- Room 109 – storage.
- Corridor 155 - by east exit doors.
- Corridor 155 – by room 133.
- Corridor 155 – by room 135.
- Corridor 155 – by room 136.
- Corridor 154 – by room 153.
- Corridor 154 – by room 137.
- Corridor 154 – by room 101 quiet room.
- Corridor 154 – by double doors to area C.
- Corridor 156 – by room 153.
- Corridor 156 – by room 143.
- Corridor 156 – by room 150.
- Corridor 156 – by room 148.
- Room 138 – soiled linen.
- Room 137 – cleaning.
- Room 140 – linen.
- Room 139 – telephone.
- Room 141 – whirlpool.
- Room 107 – nurse station.
- Room 105 – med prep.
- Room 123 – oxygen.
- Corridor 107N – by mechanical room 121.

2. Heat Detectors and Mounting Bases:

- Mechanical room 121.
 - Room 126 – janitor's closet.
 - Room 124 – electrical.
 - Room 142 – janitor's closet.
3. Duct Smoke Detectors and Complete Housing with Sampling Tubes:
- Mechanical room 121 #1.
 - Mechanical room 121 #2.
 - Mechanical room 121 #3.
 - Corridor 154 – by double doors to area C.
4. Manual Pull Stations:
- Corridor 166 – by exit doors.
 - Corridor 155 – by exit doors.
 - Room 107 – nurse station.
 - Corridor 154 – by room 137.
 - Corridor 154 – by double doors to area C.
 - Corridor 156 – by exit doors.
- b) **Area "B"**
1. Ceiling Smoke Detectors and Mounting Bases:
- Communications room 222.
 - Electrical room 224.
 - Corridor by room 222.
 - Storage room 225.
 - Bio-hazard room 228.
 - Corridor 241.
 - Corridor 240 by room 215 – building storage.
 - Corridor 240 by room 212 – resident storage.
 - Corridor 240 by room 209 - soiled linen.
 - Corridor 240 by room 207 – Laundry.
 - Room 215 – building storage #1.
 - Room 215 – building storage #2.
 - Room 215 – building storage #3.
 - Room 215 – building storage #4.
 - Room 215 – building storage #5.
 - Room 215 – building storage #6.
 - Room 215 – building storage #7.
 - Room 213 – maintenance.
 - Room 214 – maintenance work shop.
 - Room 212 – resident storage #1.
 - Room 212 – resident storage #2.
 - Room 209 – soiled linen.
 - Room 230 – janitor's closet.
 - Room 231 – storage.
 - Room 232 – kitchen dry storage.
 - Room 234 – kitchen dry storage.
 - Room 207 – laundry.
 - Room 206 – multi-purpose.
 - Room 204 – storage.
 - Corridor 238R – tray return.
 - Room 238 – service by double doors.
 - Room 239 – dining by double doors.

- Room 239 – dining NE.
- Room 239 – dining SE.
- Room 239 – dining center north.
- Room 239 – dining center south.
- Room 239 – dining NW.
- Room 239 – dining SW.
- Corridor – by keypad double doors.
- Room 205.
- Lobby entry from courtyard.
- In main lobby center.
- In main lobby west.
- In main lobby entry from area C #1.
- In main lobby entry from area C #2.

c) Area “C”

1. Ceiling Smoke Detectors and Mounting Bases:

- Room 326 – library westside.
- Room 326 – library eastside.
- Corridor 322B by entry to area C #1.
- Corridor 322B by entry to area C #2.
- Room 329D – store.
- Room 329 – pharmacy north.
- Room 329 – pharmacy south.
- Room 330 – OCC therapy north.
- Room 330 – OCC therapy east.
- Room 330 – OCC therapy SW.
- Room 330 – OCC therapy SE.
- Room 324 – storage.
- Corridor 322B.
- Corridor 322D by double doors to area D.
- Corridor 322D by room 321M.
- Corridor 322 by mail area.
- Corridor 322A.
- Corridor 322A by office 331.
- Corridor 322A by double doors to area A.
- Room 321 – staff lounge.
- Corridor 301C by double doors.
- Room 311 – personnel.
- Corridor 307H administrative office area.
- Room 307 – clerical area.
- Corridor 301C.
- Room 301 – waiting area.
- Room 304 – conference.

2. Heat Detectors and Mounting Bases:

- Mechanical room 229 west.
- Mechanical room 229 center north.
- Mechanical room 229 NE.
- Mechanical room 229 SE.
- Mechanical room 320 – west.
- Mechanical room 320 – east.
- Room 208 – laundry.

- Room 207 – laundry.
- Room 207 – laundry behind dryers.
- Room 235 – janitor's closet in kitchen.
- Room 237 – kitchen west.
- Room 237C – dishwashing.
- Room 237 – kitchen center.
- Room 237 – kitchen east.
- Room 236 – serving west.
- Room 236 – serving east.

3. Duct Smoke Detectors and Complete Housing with Sampling Tubes:

- Mechanical room 229 – west #1.
- Mechanical room 229 – west #2.
- Mechanical room 229 – west #3.
- Mechanical room 229 – south.
- Mechanical room 229 – SE.
- Room 329 – pharmacy.
- Corridor 322A by mail area.
- Mechanical room 320 #1.
- Mechanical room 320 #2.
- Mechanical room 320 #3.
- Mechanical room 320 #4.

4. Manual Pull Stations:

- Room 223 generator.
- In corridor by exit at communications room 222.
- Exit door by receiving.
- Mechanical room 229 at exit door.
- Room 239 dining at exit door.
- Room 201 – main lobby at east exit door.
- Room 201 – main lobby at exit to courtyard.
- Room 301 – main entrance waiting area.
- Room 307 clerical.
- Corridor 322A – at double doors to area A.
- Corridor 322D - at double doors to area D.

d) Area "D"

1. Ceiling Smoke Detectors and Mounting Bases:

- Corridor 457 – by exit door.
- Room 457D – equipment closet.
- Corridor 457 – by room 416.
- Corridor 457 – by room 418.
- Corridor 457 – by room 408 pantry.
- Room 409 – storage.
- Corridor 405N – by double doors.
- Corridor 454 – by east exit doors.
- Corridor 454 – alcove.
- Corridor 454 – west by double doors.
- Corridor 455 – east by double doors.
- Corridor 455 – by janitors closet 426.
- Corridor 455 – by alcove.
- Corridor 455 – by double doors to area C.

- Room 405 – nurse station.
 - Room 406 – med prep.
 - Room 403 – lounge west.
 - Room 403 – lounge east.
 - Room 423 – linen.
 - Room 437 – clean linen.
 - Room 438 – soiled linen.
 - Room 439 – telephone.
 - Room 440 – storage.
 - Corridor 456 – by room 453.
 - Corridor 456 – by room 442.
 - Corridor 456 – by room 450.
 - Corridor 456 – by room 448.
2. Heat Detectors and Mounting Bases:
- Mechanical room 421.
 - Room 424 – electrical.
 - Room 442 – janitor's closet.
3. Duct Smoke Detectors and Complete Housing with Sampling Tubes:
- Mechanical room 421 #1.
 - Mechanical room 421 #2.
 - Mechanical room 421 #3.
 - Corridor 452 by exit doors.
4. Manual Pull Stations:
- Corridor 457 at exit doors.
 - Room 405 – nurse station.
 - Corridor 454 by exit doors.
 - Corridor 456 by exit doors.
 - Corridor 455 by double doors to west exit.

18. Additional Devices. Contractor must provide for installation and programming of any and all additional devices, wiring, cabling, services, and labor to ensure the fire alarm system is in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines.

19. Backup Devices. Prior to FDVA Final Inspection, Contractor shall provide backup devices for FDVA's future use. Backup devices shall match the new installed devices, be in original protective packaging, and labeled to describe contents for FDVA storage. The following specifies the backup devices and quantities to be furnished to FDVA:

- a) Ten (10) addressable ceiling smoke detectors and mounting bases.
- b) Two (2) addressable heat detectors and mounting bases.
- c) Two (2) duct smoke detectors and complete housing with sampling tubes.
- d) Three (3) manual pull stations.
- e) Fifty (50) tamper or resistance proof devices, as required based on pull station model (i.e. glass rods, ties, etc.).

20. System Testing. Contractor shall provide for all required system pre-testing, testing, and adjustment(s). Contractor shall determine conformance of the system to the requirements of the Agreement. Deficiencies observed during pre-testing and testing must be corrected at the time of discovery. Any malfunctioning condition or damaged item will be replaced and retested until in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. Once Contractor system pre-testing and testing has been completed, to the full satisfaction of FDVA, Contractor will provide a certification letter to FDVA Project Manager. Letter shall include the

names and titles of witnesses to the pre-testing and testing, confirmation that the system is fully operational, and in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines.

21. System Demonstration. Prior to commencement of FDVA staff training, Contractor shall provide a demonstration of the system to FDVA Project Manager and engaged FDVA staff. Demonstration will be exhaustive and include but not be limited to operation, identification, trouble shooting, maintenance, adjustment, and repair. Any deficiencies observed during system demonstration must be corrected at time of discovery. Any malfunctioning condition or damaged item will be replaced and re-tested until in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. Once Contractor system demonstration is completed, to the full satisfaction of FDVA, Contractor will provide a certification letter to FDVA Project Manager. Letter shall include the names and titles of witnesses to the demonstration, confirmation that the system is fully operational, and in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines.

22. Training. Prior to FDVA Final Acceptance, Contractor shall provide comprehensive, user-friendly training on the new devices installed. Contractor will schedule all training for engaged Facility maintenance staff with FDVA Project Manager at least three (3) business days in advance of each event. Training curriculum must include but not limited to technical operation, feature identification, and trouble shooting. FDVA staff must be able to competently operate all required features and functions of the new devices. Additionally, Contractor will provide FDVA Project Manager with one (1) hard copy training guide and one (1) electronic copy training guide (DVD or power point on CD). All training curriculum (in both hard copy and electronic form) must be labeled for easy reference and be approved by FDVA Project Manager prior to Contractor provision of training.

23. Drawings and Mapping. Contractor must develop, submit, pay for, and secure AHJ approvals for all project related drawings and mapping of each new addressable device location. Contractor shall make all project related drawings and mapping of each new addressable device location available to FDVA Project Manager from project commencement through completion. Prior to FDVA Final Acceptance, in order for FDVA to update the Facility's drawing books, Contractor will provide FDVA Project Manager with one (1) complete original set of project related drawings and mapping of each new addressable device location in hard copy form and one (1) complete duplicate set of project related drawings and mapping of each new addressable device location in electronic form (pdf on CD). Drawings and mapping must be labeled for easy reference.

Note: FDVA Project Manager must pre-approve the "name" assigned to each new addressable device. Mapping will detail each new addressable device's location and specify each new addressable device's "name" as reflected in Simplex 4100 fire alarm control panel.

24. Operating and Maintenance Manuals. Prior to FDVA Final acceptance, Contractor shall provide FDVA Project Manager with one (1) set of all new device related manuals in hardcopy and one (1) set of all new device related manuals in electronic form (pdf on CD). Hardcopy manuals will be bound in hard plastic covers. Manuals, whether in electronic form or hardcopy, shall be neatly labeled, easily identifiable, and will be exhaustive in the coverage of the new devices to the extent that they may be used as the sole guide to operation, identification, trouble shooting, maintenance, adjustment, and repair of the system. The manuals shall include, but not be limited to diagrams, schematics, and functional details. All manuals, both hard copy and electronic form, must be approved by FDVA Project Manager prior to FDVA Final Acceptance.

25. Technical Support. Contractor shall provide ongoing technical support services in order to address malfunctions, operational questions, and enhancement requests. Support will be 24/7/365 days per year via telephone, email, and Contractor website. Current procedures to contact system support representatives will be available via Contractor website. Prior to FDVA Final Acceptance, Contractor shall provide, in writing, FDVA Project Manager with all 24/7/365 days per year support contact information.

Information must include names, phone numbers, fax numbers, mailing addresses, email addresses, and website addresses.

26. Inspection and Progress Payments. Upon completion of each Area (A, B, and C), FDVA Project Manager will conduct an inspection of each work area and develop a punch list of items that need correction or completion. Upon discovery, Contractor shall repair all deficiencies to the full satisfaction of FDVA. All deficiencies noted during inspection will be repaired in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. As each Area (A, B, and C) is approved by FDVA Project Manager, Contractor shall submit an invoice for the expenses borne by the Contractor to complete each Area (A, B, and C) to FDVA Project Manager.

Once Contractor has completed Area D, FDVA Project Manager will proceed with Final Inspection of Areas A, B, C, and D, and develop a punch list of items that need correction or completion. Upon discovery, Contractor will repair all deficiencies to the full satisfaction of FDVA. All deficiencies noted during Final Inspection will be repaired in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. With FDVA Project Manager's Final Inspection approval, FDVA Project Manager will proceed with review for Final Acceptance.

Upon FDVA Project Manager Final Acceptance approval and receipt of State Fire Marshall approval of new addressable devices and fully operation system (certification, service tagged), Contractor will submit the final invoice for expenses borne by Contractor to complete Area D to FDVA Project Manager. Total dollars invoiced shall not exceed the total Agreement sum.

27. Warranty. Contractor shall warrant that all services, labor, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies provided to be of the highest quality, free from all defects whatsoever, in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. Contractor shall provide warranty and all warranty repairs (including labor, services, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies) for a period of at minimum one (1) year from the date of FDVA's Final Acceptance. Upon completion of the project, written warranty documentation shall be provided to FDVA Project Manager.

28. Written Compliance Report and Tagging. Upon completion of the project, Contractor shall provide FDVA Project Manager with written report detailing system compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. System shall be certified and tagged by the office of the State of Florida Fire Marshall.

29. Annual Inspection, Testing, and Repairs. Contractor must provide one (1) annual inspection and testing to be completed, prior to the end of the warranty period, in the twelfth (12) month after FDVA Final Acceptance. The annual inspection and testing shall be in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. All deficiencies noted during annual inspection and testing will be repaired (including labor, services, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies) in compliance with regulatory requirements, AHJ codes, manufacturer's specifications, and warranty guidelines. Contractor must schedule annual inspection, testing, and repairs with FDVA Project Manager a least seven (7) business days in advance.

30. Final Acceptance and Approval of Deliverables. FDVA Final Acceptance and final invoice payment will be withheld until the following activities have been completed to the full satisfaction of FDVA:

- a) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager's acceptance and approval of removal of pre-existing devices in Areas A, B, C, and D..
- b) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of installation and programming of new addressable devices in Areas A, B, C, and D.
- c) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of fully operational fire alarm system.
- d) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of device and system testing.

- e) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of device and system demonstration.
- f) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of device training and training manuals.
- g) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of device operation and maintenance manuals.
- h) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of all required permits, licenses, certifications, tagging, inspection documents, and AHJ letters of approval and/or exemption.
- i) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of all project drawings and mapping of each new addressable device's location and name.
- j) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of all submittals.
- k) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of Contractor written compliance report, including State Fire Marshall system approval certification and tagging.
- l) FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of Contractor's proper disposal of all project waste.
- m) FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of Contractor's removal of all Contractor-owned equipment, tools, materials, and supplies.
- n) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of written Contractor service and technical support contact information.
- o) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of written warranty.
- p) Contractor delivery and FDVA Project Manager acceptance and approval of invoicing.

SECTION "VI"
BID FORM

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY AGREES TO FURNISH ALL LABOR, SERVICES, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, MATERIALS, AND SUPPLIES REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS ON FILE WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS, MARY GRIZZLE BLDG., SUITE 311-K, 11351 ULMERTON ROAD, LARGO, FL 33778, WHICH HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY EXAMINED AND ATTACHED HERETO.

INVITATION TO BID (ITB): FDVA-ITB-13-005B "BENNETT SVNH FIRE ALARM SYSTEM UPGRADES".

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE ALL LABOR, SERVICES, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, MATERIALS, AND SUPPLIES REQUIRED TO REMOVE EXISTING FIRE ALARM SYSTEM CONVENTIONAL DEVICES, INSTALL AND PROGRAM NEW ADDRESSABLE DEVICES, DISPOSE OF ALL PROJECT WASTE, AS WELL AS, THE PROVISION OF ONE (1) YEAR ANNUAL TESTING, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIRS.

PROJECT BID TOTAL PRICE: \$_____. PROJECT BID TOTAL PRICE SHALL BE INCLUSIVE OF ALL REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED COSTS AS STATED IN THIS ITN DOCUMENT AND ANY ADDENDUM ISSUED PRIOR TO BID OPENING DUE DATE AND TIME.

PROJECT COMPLETION: FDVA REQUIRES PROJECT SHALL BEGIN TEN (10) BUSINESS DAYS FROM DATE OF FULLY EXECUTED AGREEMENT; FDVA REQUIRES THE PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN FORTY (40) BUSINESS DAYS FROM DATE OF FULLY EXECUTED AGREEMENT.

CONTRACTOR ESTIMATED TIME FOR COMPLETION _____ DAYS.

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL):

FIRM'S FEDERAL I.D. #: _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

PERSON TO CONTACT AFTER AWARD: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: AS THE PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT, I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION, AND THAT THIS BID IS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE SOLICITATION.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

SECTION "VII"
STATEMENT OF NO BID

IF RESPONDENT DOES NOT INTEND TO SUBMIT A BID FOR THIS SOLICITATION, PLEASE FULLY EXECUTE THE BELOW FORM IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT AND RETURN TO FDVA PRIMARY CONTACT. FORM MAY BE SENT TO EMAIL ADDRESS shawt@fdva.state.fl.us OR MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING:

TIM SHAW, FCCM
CONTRACTING ADMINISTRATOR
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS
MARY GRIZZLE STATE OFFICE BUILDING
11351 ULMERTON ROAD, SUITE 311-K
LARGO FL. 33778-1630

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, DECLINE TO SUBMIT A BID IN RESPONSE TO FDVA SOLICITATION NO. _____ FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON(S):

- _____ WE DO NOT OFFER THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE.
- _____ SPECIFICATION TOO "TIGHT" (PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW).
- _____ SPECIFICATIONS UNCLEAR (PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW).
- _____ UNABLE TO MEET SPECIFICATIONS.
- _____ INSUFFICIENT TIME TO RESPOND TO SOLICITATION.
- _____ OUR SCHEDULE WOULD NOT PERMIT US TO PERFORM.
- _____ UNABLE TO MEET BOND REQUIREMENTS.
- _____ UNABLE TO MEET INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.
- _____ OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY BELOW).

REMARKS: _____

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL): _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: AS THE PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FIRM IDENTIFIED ABOVE DECLINES TO SUBMIT A BID IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

SECTION "VIII"
RESPONDENT REFERENCES

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL): _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

HOW LONG IN PRESENT LOCATION: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

IN THE FOLLOWING BELOW PROVIDED SPACES, RESPONDENT SHALL LIST ANY NAMES UNDER WHICH IT OPERATED DURING THE PAST FIVE (5) YEARS:

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO PROPERLY EVALUATE RESPONDENT RESPONSE. RESPONDENT MUST PROVIDE FOUR (4) VERIFIABLE CLIENT REFERENCES IN THE LONGTERM HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY. REFERENCES LISTED MUST BE FOR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES SIMILAR IN NATURE TO THAT REQUIRED BY THIS SOLICITATION.

THE SAME CLIENT MAY NOT BE LISTED FOR MORE THAN ONE (1) REFERENCE AND CONFIDENTIAL CLIENTS SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED. SUBCONTRACTORS LISTED AS REFERENCES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. ENTITIES HAVING AN AFFILIATION WITH THE RESPONDENT (I.E. CURRENTLY PARENT, SUBSIDIARY HAVING COMMON OWNERSHIP, HAVING COMMON DIRECTORS, OFFICERS OR AGENTS OR SHARING PROFITS OR LIABILITIES) WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AS REFERENCES.

IN THE EVENT THE RESPONDENT HAS HAD A NAME CHANGE SINCE THE TIME SIMILAR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES WERE PERFORMED FOR A LISTED REFERENCE, THE NAME UNDER WHICH THE RESPONDENT OPERATED AT THAT TIME MUST ALSO BE PROVIDED ADJACENT TO THE SPACE PROVIDED FOR VENDOR NAME.

REFERENCES SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR CONTACT DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS, 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM LOCAL TIME. FDVA WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTACT EACH REFERENCE UP TO THREE (3) TIMES (TWICE BY PHONE, ONCE BY EMAIL). IN THE EVENT THE REFERENCE CANNOT BE REACHED, FDVA WILL REQUEST RESPONDENT TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATE REFERENCE WITHIN ONE (1) BUSINESS DAY. RESPONDENT FAILURE TO PROVIDE ALTERNATE REFERENCE WITHIN THE REQUIRED TIME MAY RESULT IN THE RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE. FDVA WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO CORRECT AGED OR INCORRECTLY SUPPLIED INFORMATION.

ADDITIONALLY, FDVA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONTACT CLIENTS OTHER THAN THOSE IDENTIFIED BY THE RESPONDENT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONDENT PAST PERFORMANCE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED AS A RESULT OF SUCH CONTACT MAY BE USED TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE RESPONDENT IS "RESPONSIBLE VENDOR", AS DEFINED IN SECTION 287.012 (24), FLORIDA STATUTES.

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Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs

REFERENCE NUMBER 1:

VENDOR NAME: _____

CLIENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE PERIOD: _____

LOCATION OF SERVICES: _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SIMILAR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY RESPONDENT TO THIS CLIENT:

REFERENCE NUMBER 2:

VENDOR NAME: _____

CLIENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE PERIOD: _____

LOCATION OF SERVICES: _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SIMILAR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY RESPONDENT TO THIS CLIENT:

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Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs

REFERENCE NUMBER 3:

VENDOR NAME: _____

CLIENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE PERIOD: _____

LOCATION OF SERVICES: _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SIMILAR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY RESPONDENT TO THIS CLIENT:

REFERENCE NUMBER 4:

VENDOR NAME: _____

CLIENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE PERIOD: _____

LOCATION OF SERVICES: _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SIMILAR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY RESPONDENT TO THIS CLIENT:

SECTION "IX"
ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

PRIOR TO SUBMITTING A BID IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RESPONDENT TO CONFIRM IF ANY ADDENDUM HAS BEEN ISSUED VIA THE STATE OF FLORIDA VENDOR BID SYSTEM (VBS).

IF ANY ADDENDUM WERE ISSUED, THE AUTHORIZED UNDERSIGNED ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM TO THIS SOLICITATION:

ADDENDUM NO.: _____ DATED: _____ ADDENDUM NO.: _____ DATED: _____

ADDENDUM NO.: _____ DATED: _____ ADDENDUM NO.: _____ DATED: _____

FIRM'S FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ISSUED ADDENDUM MAY RESULT IN THEIR BID BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE TO THE SOLICITATION.

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL): _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: AS THE PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE ISSUED ADDENDUM TO THIS SOLICITATION.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

SECTION "X"
VENDOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

SECTION 287.135 FLORIDA STATUTES PROHIBITS STATE AGENCIES FROM CONTRACTING WITH COMPANIES, FOR GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ONE MILLION DOLLARS OR MORE, WHICH ARE EITHER ON THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN SUDAN LIST OR THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN THE IRAN PETROLEUM ENERGY SECTOR LIST. BOTH LISTS ARE CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 215.473, FLORIDA STATUTES.

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL):

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: AS THE PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FIRM IDENTIFIED ABOVE IS NOT LISTED ON EITHER THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN SUDAN LIST OR THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN THE IRAN PETROLEUM ENERGY SECTOR LIST.

I UNDERSTAND FDVA MAY IMMEDIATELY TERMINATE THE AGREEMENT FOR CAUSE IF THE RESPONDENT IS PLACED ON EITHER THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN SUDAN LIST OR THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN THE IRAN PETROLEUM ENERGY SECTOR LIST, PURSUANT TO SECTION 215.473, FLORIDA STATUTES.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF A FALSE CERTIFICATION MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT, AND SUBJECT THE RESPONDENT TO CIVIL PENALTIES, ATTORNEY'S FEE'S AND COSTS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.153 FLORIDA STATUTES.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

SECTION "XI"
ATTESTATION OF NO CONFLICT

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RESPONDENT FIRM ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE IF THEY HAVE ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS REGARDING THIS SOLICITATION.

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL):

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: EACH UNDERSIGNED INDIVIDUAL HEREBY ATTESTS THAT HE/SHE TOOK PART IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE DETAILED SOLICITATION AND THAT THEY HAVE NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

1. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

2. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

3. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

4. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

5. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

6. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

7. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

APPENDIX "A"
CERTIFICATION OF DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

SECTION 287.087, FLORIDA STATUTES, PROVIDES THAT WHERE IDENTICAL TIE BIDS ARE RECEIVED, PREFERENCE SHALL BE GIVEN TO A BID RECEIVED FROM A RESPONDENT THAT CERTIFIES IT HAS IMPLEMENTED A DRUG-FREE WORKFORCE PROGRAM. PLEASE REVIEW THE BELOW, SIGN, AND RETURN THIS FORM TO CERTIFY YOUR FIRM'S IMPLEMENTATION OF A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

1. PUBLISH A STATEMENT NOTIFYING EMPLOYEES THAT THE UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, DISPENSING, POSSESSION, OR USE OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE IS PROHIBITED IN THE WORKPLACE AND SPECIFYING THE ACTIONS THAT WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST EMPLOYEES FOR VIOLATION OF SUCH PROHIBITION.
2. INFORM EMPLOYEES ABOUT THE DANGERS OF DRUG ABUSE IN THE WORKPLACE, THE FIRM'S POLICY OF MAINTAINING A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE, ANY AVAILABLE DRUG COUNSELING, REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AND THE PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED UPON EMPLOYEES FOR DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS.
3. GIVE EACH EMPLOYEE ENGAGED IN PROVIDING THE GOODS OR SERVICES REQUIRED IN THIS SOLICITATION A COPY OF THE STATEMENT SPECIFIED ABOVE IN SECTION 1.
4. IN THE STATEMENT SPECIFIED ABOVE IN SECTION 1, NOTIFY EMPLOYEE(S) AS A CONDITION OF PROVIDING THE GOODS OR SERVICES REQUIRED IN THIS SOLICITATION, THAT EMPLOYEE(S) WILL ABIDE BY THE TERMS OF THE STATEMENT AND WILL NOTIFY FIRM OF ANY CONVICTION OF, OR PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE TO, ANY VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 893 OR OF ANY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE, FOR A VIOLATION OCCURRING IN THE WORKPLACE NO LATER THAN FIVE (5) CALENDAR DAYS AFTER SUCH CONVICTION.
5. IMPOSE A SANCTION ON, OR REQUIRE THE SATISFACTORY PARTICIPATION IN A DRUG ABUSE ASSISTANCE OR REHABILITATION PROGRAM IF SUCH IS AVAIBLE IN THE EMPLOYEE'S COMMUNITY BY ANY EMPLOYEE WHO IS SO CONVICTED.
6. MAKE A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAM.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: AS THE PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT, I CERTIFY THAT THIS FIRM FULLY COMPLIES WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF A FALSE CERTIFICATION MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT, AND SUBJECT THE RESPONDENT TO CIVIL PENALTIES, ATTORNEY'S FEE'S AND COSTS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.153, FLORIDA STATUTES.

FIRM'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (PHYSICAL):

TELEPHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

APPENDIX "B"
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

RESPONDENT MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM FULLY EXECUTED, IN THE PROVIDED FORMAT, WITH RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO FULLY EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN RESPONDENT BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____

FIRM'S NAME: _____

FIRM'S ADDRESS (PHYSICAL): _____

I STATE THAT I AM AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS AFFIDAVIT ON BEHALF OF MY FIRM, AND ITS OWNER, DIRECTORS, AND OFFICERS. I AM THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE IN MY FIRM FOR THE PRICE(S) AND THE AMOUNT(S) OF THIS BID, AND THE PREPARATION OF THIS BID. I STATE THAT:

1. THE PRICE(S) AND AMOUNT(S) OF THIS SUBMITTAL HAVE BEEN ARRIVED AT INDEPENDENTLY AND WITHOUT CONSULTATION, COMMUNICATION OR AGREEMENT WITH ANY OTHER PROVIDER, POTENTIAL PROVIDER, BIDDER, OR POTENTIAL BIDDER.
2. NEITHER THE PRICE(S) NOR THE AMOUNT(S) OF THIS BID, AND NEITHER THE APPROXIMATE PRICE(S) NOR APPROXIMATE AMOUNT(S) OF THIS BID, HAVE BEEN DISCLOSED TO ANY OTHER FIRM OR PERSON WHO IS A PROVIDER, POTENTIAL PROVIDER, BIDDER, OR POTENTIAL BIDDER, AND THEY WILL NOT BE DISCLOSED BEFORE THE BID OPENING.
3. NO ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE OR WILL BE MADE TO INDUCE ANY FIRM OR PERSONS TO REFRAIN FROM SUBMITTING A BID FOR THIS SOLICITATION, OR TO SUBMIT A PRICE(S) HIGHER THAT THE PRICE(S) IN THIS BID, OR TO SUBMIT ANY INTENTIONALLY HIGH OR NONCOMPETITIVE PRICE(S) OR OTHER FORM OF COMPLEMENTARY BID.
4. THE BID OF MY FIRM IS MADE IN GOOD FAITH AND NOT PURSUANT TO ANY AGREEMENT OR DISCUSSION WITH, OR INDUCEMENT FROM, ANY FIRM OR PERSON TO SUBMIT A COMPLEMENTARY OR OTHER NONCOMPETITIVE BID.
5. THE NAMED FIRM, ITS AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, OFFICERS, DIRECTOR, AND EMPLOYEES ARE NOT CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION, BY ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY AND HAVE NOT IN THE LAST THREE YEARS BEEN CONVICTED OR FOUND LIABLE FOR ANY ACT PROHIBITED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW IN ANY JURISDICTION, INVOLVING CONSPIRACY OR COLLUSION WITH RESPECT TO SUBMITTING A RESPONSE ON ANY PUBLIC CONTRACT.

I STATE THAT I, AND THE NAMED FIRM, UNDERSTAND AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE REPRESENTATIONS ARE MATERIAL AND IMPORTANT, AND WILL BE RELIED ON BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOR WHICH THIS BID IS SUBMITTED. I UNDERSTAND AND MY FIRM UNDERSTANDS ANY MISSTATEMENT IN THIS AFFIDAVIT IS AND SHALL BE TREATED AS FRAUDULENT CONCEALMENT FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA OF THE TRUE FACTS RELATING TO THE SUBMISSION OF BID FOR THIS CONTRACT.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY

STATE OF _____

PRINT, TYPE OR STAMP COMMISSIONED NAME OF NOTARY PUBLIC

PERSONALLY KNOWN OR PRODUCED IDENTIFICATION: _____

TYPE OF IDENTIFICATION PRODUCED: _____

ATTACHMENT "A"
SAMPLE AGREEMENT
"BENNETT SVNH FIRE ALARM SYSTEM DEVICES UPGRADES"

THIS AGREEMENT is made on this _____ day of _____, 2013, by and between State of Florida, Department of Veterans' Affairs ("FDVA"), with its principal location at the Mary Grizzle State Office Building, 11351 Ulmerton Road, Suite 311-K, Largo, FL 33778-1630 and _____ ("Contractor"), with its principal location at _____.

WHEREAS, FDVA issued Invitation to Bid 13-005B for the provision all labor, services, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies required to remove existing fire alarm system conventional devices, install and program new addressable devices, dispose of all project waste, as well as, the provision of one (1) year annual testing, maintenance, and repairs for the Emory L. Bennett State Veterans' Nursing Home located at 1920 Mason Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL 32117, on _____, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Contractor submitted a Response to the ITB ("Response") on _____, 2013; and

WHEREAS, FDVA awarded the proposal to Contractor and the parties wish to set forth the terms and conditions of their agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties in consideration of the mutual benefits and promises set forth herein, the adequacy of which is acknowledged by the parties, agree as follows:

1.1 DOCUMENTS:

1.1.1 "Contract Documents" shall mean and refer to this Agreement including any attachments, the ITB and all exhibits attached thereto including all duly executed and issued amendment (attached hereto as Exhibit "A"), and the Response (attached hereto as Exhibit "B"). All of the foregoing are incorporated herein by reference and are made a part of this Agreement.

1.1.2 To the extent of any conflict between the Contract Documents, the ITB and any amendment shall control then this Agreement, then FDVA's Purchase Order and then the Contractor's Response.

2.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:

2.1.1 Contractor shall provide all labor, services, equipment, tools, materials, and supplies required to remove existing fire alarm system conventional devices, install and program new addressable devices, dispose of all project waste, as well as, the provision of one (1) year annual testing, maintenance, and repairs, as set forth in the ITB for the following location:

Emory L. Bennett State Veterans' Nursing Home
1920 Mason Avenue
Daytona Beach, FL 32117

2.1.2 Contractor shall complete the tasks outlined in Section "V" of the ITB, as well as all services and work not mentioned but necessary for Contractor to complete the work outlined in the Contract Documents.

2.1.3 Contractor is responsible for securing any and all permits, licenses, special variances, inspections, certifications, tagging, permissions, approvals, and exemptions required to complete the work called for by the Contract Documents, including coordinating and notifying any agencies, prior to and during the work, which require such communication(s).

3.1 CONTRACT SUM AND TERMS OF PAYMENT:

3.1.1 In consideration of Contractor's faithful performance of the covenants in this Agreement and its completion and delivery of the scope of work as outlined in the Contract Documents, to the full satisfaction and acceptance of FDVA, FDVA agrees to pay or cause to be paid a total contract sum not to exceed \$ _____, as set forth in Contractor's Response.

3.1.2 It is agreed that Contractor's expenses, including but not limited to costs for travel, printing and photocopying, long distance telephone calls and facsimiles, and overnight delivery services, are included in the sum listed in 3.1.1 above.

3.1.3 FDVA does not pay any sales, excise, or "recovery fee" tax, and shall provide to the Contractor sales tax exemption information, where appropriate.

3.1.4 During the performance of the services under this Agreement, FDVA shall have the right, by written instrument, to make changes in, omissions from, or to require additions to the services called for by the Contract Documents. Contractor must receive prior written approval from FDVA before beginning any additional services related to the work under the Contract Documents. In the event that FDVA provides prior written approval for additional services, then, upon completion of such additional services, Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for the additional services rendered at the rate(s) or price(s) set forth in the Response, or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by the parties in writing. If Contractor performs additional services without first receiving prior written approval from FDVA, Contractor shall not be entitled to compensation for the unapproved services.

4.1 DELIVERABLES:

4.1.1 The deliverables, as defined in this Agreement, are outlined as the removal of existing fire alarm system conventional devices, installation and programming of new addressable devices, disposal of all project waste, as well as, the provision of one (1) year annual testing, maintenance, and repairs

5.1 PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

5.1.1 Performance measures will be based on the quality and timeliness of the deliverables as determined solely by FDVA.

6.1 FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES:

6.1.1 In the event of delay in the completion of this project beyond the dates specified in this Agreement, not subject to unavoidable delays, FDVA reserves the right to recover actual damages which it estimates at this time to be in the amount of **\$390.80** per business day for each business day the Contractor has failed to complete the project and provide deliverables by the deadlines specified in this Agreement. FDVA reserves the right to increase this amount if its actual damages caused by Contractor's delay are higher. Deductions may be made from monies due or which may be due to the Contractor. The burden of proof of unavoidable delay shall rest with the Contractor. Contractor shall submit written notice requesting extension of time to FDVA Project Manager for determination. FDVA, at its sole discretion, may approve extensions of the project completion date if delay is attributable to circumstances that are beyond the control of the Contractor. If FDVA approves extension of time, a change order must be used to incorporate the extension in the executed Agreement.

7.1 APPLICABLE LEGAL STANDARDS:

7.1.1 Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules and regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities that, in any manner, could bear on the provision of services under the Contract Documents.

7.1.2 As between the parties, Contractor shall obtain and maintain at its own expense all licenses, permits, inspections, exemptions, approvals, and regulatory authority required by law

with respect to Contractor's operation and provision of services as contemplated in the Contract Documents, and FDVA shall obtain and maintain at its own expense all licenses, permits, approvals, and regulatory authority required by law with respect to FDVA's use of the services contemplated in the Contract Documents. Unless specified otherwise in the Contract Documents, each party will give all notices, pay all fees, and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations relating to its performance obligations specified in this Agreement.

7.1.3 If the Contractor provides services in a manner that it knows is contrary to any laws, ordinances, orders, rules, and regulations, or that the Contractor should have known was contrary to the same, the Contractor shall assume full responsibility for such services and shall bear all attributable costs.

7.1.4 If the contract sum is for \$1 million dollars or more, and the Contractor is subsequently placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, FDVA, or if the Contractor has found to have submitted a false certification representing that Contractor has not been placed on these lists, then FDVA may terminate this agreement, in accordance with section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011).

8.1 NOTICES:

8.1.1 All notices required under the Contract shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, by reputable air courier service, or by personal delivery to the agency designee identified in the original solicitation, or as otherwise identified by the Customer. Notices to the Contractor shall be delivered to the person who signs the Contract. Either designated recipient may notify the other, in writing, if someone else is designated to receive notice.

9.1 TERM OF SERVICE:

9.1.1 The term of this Contract shall commence on _____, 2013 with no renewals. FDVA requires project shall begin ten (10) business days from date of fully executed Contract; FDVA requires the project to be completed within forty (40) business days from date of fully executed Contract.

10.1 MODIFICATION:

10.1.1 The Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties, which terms and conditions shall govern all transactions between the Customer and the Contractor. The Contract may only be modified or amended upon mutual written agreement of the Customer and the Contractor. No oral agreements or representations shall be valid or binding upon the Customer or the Contractor. No alteration or modification of the Contract terms, including substitution of product, shall be valid or binding against the Customer. The Contractor may not unilaterally modify the terms of the Contract by affixing additional terms to product upon delivery (e.g., attachment or inclusion of standard preprinted forms, product literature, "shrink wrap" terms accompanying or affixed to a product, whether written or electronic) or by incorporating such terms onto the Contractor's order or fiscal forms or other documents forwarded by the Contractor for payment. The Customer's acceptance of product or processing of documentation on forms furnished by the Contractor for approval or payment shall not constitute acceptance of the proposed modification to terms and conditions.

11.1 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:

11.1.1 The Contractor shall not sell, assign or transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under the Contract, or under any purchase order issued pursuant to the Contract, without the prior written consent of the Customer; provided, the Contractor assigns to the State any and all claims it has with respect to the Contract under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State. In

the event of any assignment, the Contractor remains secondarily liable for performance of the contract, unless the Customer expressly waives such secondary liability. The Customer may assign the Contract with prior written notice to Contractor of its intent to do so.

12.1 ENTIRE AGREEMENT:

12.1.1 The Contract Documents, including without limitation all exhibits that are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, sets forth the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all previous written or oral agreements or representations between the parties with respect hereto.

13.1 CLOSING:

13.1.1 In the event any portion of the Contract Documents shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the parties agree that such invalid or unenforceable portion shall be severable and the Contract Documents shall be treated as though that portion had never been part of the Contract Documents.

13.1.2 The headings of the sections of this Agreement and capitalizations are for the purpose of convenience only and shall not be deemed to expand or limit the provisions contained in such sections.

13.1.3 Both parties to this Agreement represent and warrant that they are authorized to enter into this Agreement without the consent and joinder of any other party and that the parties executing this Agreement have full power and authority to bind their respective parties to the terms hereof.

13.1.4 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida, and the parties stipulate any action or proceeding, which is the subject of this Contract, shall be in Leon County, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on _____, 2013.

Contractor Signature
Print Name: _____
Title: _____

State of Florida
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____

**Approved as to form and legality by
The Department General Counsel's
Office:**

Signature