

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION DIVISION OF BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR BASIC TERM LIFE, BASIC ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT, VOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT, AND VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAMS

RFP #31786 - 00138

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1. **INTRODUCTION**

The State of Tennessee, Department of Finance and Administration/State Insurance Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the State," has issued this Request for Proposals (RFP) to define minimum contract requirements; solicit responses; detail response requirements; and, outline the State's process for evaluating responses and selecting a contractor to provide the needed goods or services.

Through this RFP, the State seeks to procure necessary goods or services at the most favorable, competitive prices and to give ALL qualified businesses, including those that are owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business enterprises, an opportunity to do business with the state as contractors, subcontractors or suppliers.

1.1. Statement of Procurement Purpose

The State is issuing this RFP through the Department of Finance and Administration, Division of Benefits Administration with the intent of securing a single contract for 1. A group fully-insured, voluntary (employee pay all) term life insurance program; 2. A group fully-insured, voluntary (employee pay all) accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) insurance program; and 3. A group minimum premium insured basic term life and basic accidental death & dismemberment insurance program (employer/employee pay). The benefit period for the voluntary term life insurance program shall be January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022. The benefit period for the voluntary AD&D and basic term life/basic AD&D insurance programs shall be January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022.

The daily management of the life insurance programs is the responsibility of the Division of Benefits Administration (BA), which resides in the Department of Finance and Administration. The programs are currently available to approximately 69,000 state employees and their dependents.

The current life insurance vendor is Securian (Minnesota Life Insurance Company) under two separate contracts with the State. This procurement seeks to combine the programs into one single contract with one vendor.

The benefits under the contract through this procurement shall be the same as in the current two contracts, except that ported members may only port one-half (1/2) of their coverage as an active employee or spouse in the voluntary term life insurance program. The financial arrangements will stay the same, except there will be a separate premium rate table for active members versus ported members in the voluntary term life insurance program.

The State is requesting pricing for two different basic term life and basic AD&D benefit options - (1) the Traditional program and (2) the Contemporary program. The Traditional program benefits are the benefits currently in place and can be found in Contract Attachment D. The Contemporary program, described in Contract Attachment D may be implemented at the state's request in lieu of the Traditional program given adequate state appropriations.

Information which may be useful to a respondent in completing a response to this RFP may be found in the following appendices:

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- 1.1.2 The maximum liability for the resulting contract will be determined through the best evaluated cost proposal and estimated enrollment in the plan. The maximum liability will exceed one dollar (\$1.00).
- 1.2. Scope of Service, Contract Period, & Required Terms and Conditions

The RFP Attachment 6.6., Pro Forma Contract details the State's requirements:

- Scope of Services and Deliverables (Section A);
- Contract Period (Section B);
- Payment Terms (Section C);
- Standard Terms and Conditions (Section D); and,
- Special Terms and Conditions (Section E).

The *pro forma* contract substantially represents the contract document that the successful Respondent must sign.

1.3. Nondiscrimination

No person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of a Contract pursuant to this RFP or in the employment practices of the Contractor on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by federal, Tennessee state constitutional, or statutory law. The Contractor pursuant to this RFP shall, upon request, show proof of such nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.

1.4. RFP Communications

1.4.1. The State has assigned the following RFP identification number that must be referenced in all communications regarding this RFP:

RFP #31786 - 00138

1.4.2. Unauthorized contact about this RFP with employees or officials of the State of Tennessee except as detailed below may result in disqualification from consideration under this procurement process.

1.4.2.1. Prospective Respondents <u>must</u> direct communications concerning this RFP to the following person designated as the Solicitation Coordinator:

Seannalyn Brandmeir
Procurement and Contracting Manager
Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration, Division of Benefits Administration
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Suite 1900
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Seannalyn.Brandmeir@tn.gov Telephone: 615.532.4598

Fax: 615.253.8556

- 1.4.2.2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Prospective Respondents may alternatively contact:
 - a. staff of the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise for assistance available to minority-owned, woman-owned, Tennessee service-disabled veteran owned, and small businesses as well as general, public information relating to this RFP (visit http://www.tn.gov/generalservices/article/godbe-general-contacts for contact information); and
 - b. the following individual designated by the State to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of the State of Tennessee, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and associated federal regulations:

David Sledge
Title VI Coordinator
Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration
Office of Human Resources
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Suite 2100
Nashville, Tennessee 37243
Phone: 615.532.4595

Fax: 615.741.3470 David.Sledge@tn.gov

- 1.4.3. Only the State's official, written responses and communications with Respondents are binding with regard to this RFP. Oral communications between a State official and one or more Respondents are unofficial and non-binding.
- 1.4.4. Potential Respondents must ensure that the State receives all written questions and comments, including questions and requests for clarification, no later than the Written Questions & Comments Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
- 1.4.5. Respondents must assume the risk of the method of dispatching any communication or response to the State. The State assumes no responsibility for delays or delivery failures resulting from the Respondent's method of dispatch. Actual or digital "postmarking" of a communication or response to the State by a specified deadline is not a substitute for the State's actual receipt of a communication or response.
- 1.4.6. The State will convey all official responses and communications related to this RFP to the prospective Respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to RFP Section 1.8).
- 1.4.7. The State reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, the method of conveying official, written responses and communications related to this RFP. Such written communications may be transmitted by mail, hand-delivery, facsimile, electronic mail, Internet posting, or any other

means deemed reasonable by the State. For internet posting, please refer to the following website: http://tn.gov/generalservices/article/request-for-proposals-rfp-opportunities.

- 1.4.8. The State reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, the appropriateness and adequacy of responses to written comments, questions, and requests related to this RFP. The State's official, written responses will constitute an amendment of this RFP.
- 1.4.9. Any data or factual information provided by the State (in this RFP, an RFP amendment or any other communication relating to this RFP) is for informational purposes only. The State will make reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy of such data or information, however it is the Respondent's obligation to independently verify any data or information provided by the State. The State expressly disclaims the accuracy or adequacy of any information or data that it provides to prospective Respondents.

1.5. Assistance to Respondents With a Handicap or Disability

Prospective Respondents with a handicap or disability may receive accommodation relating to the communication of this RFP and participating in the RFP process. Prospective Respondents may contact the Solicitation Coordinator to request such reasonable accommodation no later than the Disability Accommodation Request Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.

1.6. Respondent Required Review & Waiver of Objections

- 1.6.1. Each prospective Respondent must carefully review this RFP, including but not limited to, attachments, the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract, and any amendments, for questions, comments, defects, objections, or any other matter requiring clarification or correction (collectively called "questions and comments").
- 1.6.2. Any prospective Respondent having questions and comments concerning this RFP must provide them in writing to the State no later than the Written Questions & Comments Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
- 1.6.3. Protests based on any objection to the RFP shall be considered waived and invalid if the objection has not been brought to the attention of the State, in writing, by the Written Questions & Comments Deadline.

1.7. Pre-Response Conference

A Pre-response Conference will be held at the time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. Pre-response Conference attendance is not mandatory, and prospective Respondents may be limited to a maximum number of attendees depending upon overall attendance and space limitations.

The conference will be held at:

William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower 3rd Floor – Conference Room M 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue N Nashville, TN 37243

Please enter the building on the Seventh Avenue side (adjacent to War Memorial Plaza). Check in at the security desk. <u>Arrive early due to heightened security.</u> <u>You must show a photo ID</u>. Proceed to the Conference Rooms past the security desk on the right hand side of the 3rd floor foyer. There will also be a webinar/call in option.

Join WebEx meeting

Meeting number (access code): 640 899 873

Meeting password: Mhp8UHR9

The purpose of the conference is to discuss the RFP scope of goods or services. The State will entertain questions, however prospective Respondents must understand that the State's oral response to any question at the Pre-response Conference shall be unofficial and non-binding. Prospective Respondents must submit all questions, comments, or other concerns regarding the RFP in writing prior to the Written Questions & Comments Deadline date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. The State will send the official response to these questions and comments to prospective Respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to respond as indicated in RFP Section 1.8 and on the date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.

1.8. Notice of Intent to Respond

Before the Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events, prospective Respondents should submit to the Solicitation Coordinator a Notice of Intent to Respond (in the form of a simple e-mail or other written communication). Such notice should include the following information:

- the business or individual's name (as appropriate)
- a contact person's name and title
- the contact person's mailing address, telephone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address

A Notice of Intent to Respond creates no obligation and is not a prerequisite for submitting a response, however, it is necessary to ensure receipt of any RFP amendments or other notices and communications relating to this RFP.

1.9. Response Deadline

A Respondent must ensure that the State receives a response no later than the response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. A response must respond, as required, to this RFP (including its attachments) as may be amended. The State will not accept late responses, and a Respondent's failure to submit a response before the deadline will result in disqualification of the response. It is the responsibility of the Respondent to ascertain any additional security requirements with respect to packaging and delivery to the State of Tennessee. Respondents should be mindful of any potential delays due to security screening procedures, weather, or other filing delays whether foreseeable or unforeseeable.

2. **RFP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

2.1. The following RFP Schedule of Events represents the State's best estimate for this RFP.

EVENT	TIME (central time zone)	DATE
1. RFP Issued		April 4, 2017
2. Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 7, 2017
3. Pre-response Conference	10:30 a.m.	April 10, 2017
4. Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 11, 2017
5. Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 21, 2017
6. State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		May 8, 2017
7. Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	May 22, 2017
State Completion of Technical Response Evaluations		June 5, 2017
9. State Opening & Scoring of Cost Proposals	2:00 p.m.	June 6, 2017
State Notice of Intent to Award Released <u>and</u> RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection	2:00 p.m.	1 Day after Insurance Committee Award of Contract
11. End of Open File Period		7 CALENDAR DAYS LATER
12. State sends contract to Contractor for signature		1 BUSINESS DAY LATER
13. Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	1 – 5 BUSINESS DAYS LATER

2.2. The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to adjust the RFP Schedule of Events as it deems necessary. Any adjustment of the Schedule of Events shall constitute an RFP amendment, and the State will communicate such to prospective Respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to section 1.8).

3. **RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS**

3.1. Response Form

A response to this RFP must consist of two parts, a Technical Response and a Cost Proposal.

3.1.1. <u>Technical Response</u>. RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide provides the specific requirements for submitting a response. This guide includes mandatory requirement items, general qualifications and experience items, and technical qualifications, experience, and approach items all of which must be addressed with a written response and, in some instances, additional documentation.

NOTICE: A technical response <u>must not</u> include <u>any</u> pricing or cost information. If any pricing or cost information amounts of any type (even pricing relating to other projects) is included in any part of the technical response, the state may deem the response to be non-responsive and reject it.

- 3.1.1.1. A Respondent must use the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide to organize, reference, and draft the Technical Response by duplicating the attachment, adding appropriate page numbers as required, and using the guide as a table of contents covering the Technical Response.
- 3.1.1.2. A response should be economically prepared, with emphasis on completeness and clarity, and should NOT exceed one hundred twenty-five (125) pages in length (maps, graphs, charts, communications material examples as noted and included as an appendix will not count against this page limit). A response, as well as any reference material presented, must be written in English and must be written on standard 8 ½" x 11" pages (although oversize exhibits are permissible) and use a 12 point font for text. All response pages must be numbered.
- 3.1.1.3. All information and documentation included in a Technical Response should respond to or address a specific requirement detailed in the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide. All information must be incorporated into a response to a specific requirement and clearly referenced. Any information not meeting these criteria will be deemed extraneous and will not contribute to evaluations.
- 3.1.1.4. The State may determine a response to be non-responsive and reject it if:
 - a. the Respondent fails to organize and properly reference the Technical Response as required by this RFP and the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide; or
 - b. the Technical Response document does not appropriately respond to, address, or meet <u>all</u> of the requirements and response items detailed in the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide.
- 3.1.2. <u>Cost Proposal</u>. A Cost Proposal <u>must</u> be recorded on an exact duplicate of the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide.

NOTICE: If a Respondent fails to submit a cost proposal <u>exactly</u> as required, the State may deem the response to be non-responsive and reject it.

- 3.1.2.1. A Respondent must <u>only</u> record the proposed cost exactly as required by the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide <u>and must NOT record any other rates</u>, amounts, or information.
- 3.1.2.2. The proposed cost shall incorporate <u>ALL</u> costs for services under the contract for the total contract period, including any renewals or extensions.
- 3.1.2.3. A Respondent must sign and date the Cost Proposal.
- 3.1.2.4. A Respondent must submit the Cost Proposal to the State in a <u>sealed</u> package separate from the Technical Response (as detailed in RFP Sections 3.2.3., *et seq.*).

3.2. Response Delivery

- 3.2.1. A Respondent must ensure that both the original Technical Response and Cost Proposal documents meet all form and content requirements, including all required signatures, as detailed within this RFP.
- 3.2.2. A Respondent must submit original Technical Response and Cost Proposal documents and copies as specified below.
 - 3.2.2.1. One (1) original Technical Response paper document labeled:

"RFP # 31786 - 00138 TECHNICAL RESPONSE ORIGINAL"

and seven (7) digital copies of the Technical Response each in the form of one (1) digital document in "PDF" format properly recorded on its own otherwise blank, standard CD-R recordable disc or USB flash drive labeled:

"RFP # 31786 - 00138 TECHNICAL RESPONSE COPY"

The digital copies should not include copies of sealed customer references, however any other discrepancy between the paper Technical Response document and any digital copies may result in the State rejecting the proposal as non-responsive.

3.2.2.2. One (1) original Cost Proposal paper document labeled:

"RFP # 31786 - 00138 COST PROPOSAL ORIGINAL"

and one (1) copy in the form of a digital document in "XLS" format properly recorded on separate, blank, standard CD-R recordable disc or USB flash drive labeled:

"RFP # 31786 - 00138 COST PROPOSAL COPY"

In the event of a discrepancy between the original Cost Proposal document and the digital copy, the original, signed document will take precedence.

- 3.2.3. A Respondent must separate, seal, package, and label the documents and copies for delivery as follows:
 - 3.2.3.1. The Technical Response original document and digital copies must be placed in a sealed package that is clearly labeled:

"DO NOT OPEN... RFP # 31786 - 00138 TECHNICAL RESPONSE FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]"

3.2.3.2. The Cost Proposal original document and digital copy must be placed in a <u>separate</u>, sealed package that is clearly labeled:

"DO NOT OPEN... RFP # 31786 - 00138 COST PROPOSAL FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]"

3.2.3.3. The separately, sealed Technical Response and Cost Proposal components may be enclosed in a larger package for mailing or delivery, provided that the outermost package is clearly labeled:

"RFP # 31786 - 00138 SEALED TECHNICAL RESPONSE & SEALED COST PROPOSAL FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]"

3.2.4. A Respondent must ensure that the State receives a response no later than the Response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events at the following address:

Seannalyn Brandmeir Procurement and Contracting Manager

Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration, Division of Benefits Administration

312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Suite 1900

Nashville, Tennessee 37243
<u>Seannalyn.Brandmeir@tn.gov</u>
Telephone: 615.532.4598

Fax: 615.253.8556

3.3. Response & Respondent Prohibitions

- 3.3.1. A response must <u>not</u> include alternate contract terms and conditions. If a response contains such terms and conditions, the State, at its sole discretion, may determine the response to be a non-responsive counteroffer and reject it.
- 3.3.2. A response must <u>not</u> restrict the rights of the State or otherwise qualify either the offer to deliver goods or provide services as required by this RFP or the Cost Proposal. If a response restricts the rights of the State or otherwise qualifies either the offer to deliver goods or provide services as required by this RFP or the Cost Proposal, the State, at its sole discretion, may determine the response to be a non-responsive counteroffer and reject it.
- 3.3.3. A response must <u>not</u> propose alternative goods or services (*i.e.*, offer services different from those requested and required by this RFP) unless expressly requested in this RFP. The State may consider a response of alternative goods or services to be non-responsive and reject it.
- 3.3.4. A Cost Proposal must be prepared and arrived at independently and must <u>not</u> involve any collusion between Respondents. The State will reject any Cost Proposal that involves collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement between Respondents. Regardless of the time of detection, the State will consider any such actions to be grounds for response rejection or contract termination.
- 3.3.5. A Respondent must <u>not</u> provide, for consideration in this RFP process or subsequent contract negotiations, any information that the Respondent knew or should have known was materially incorrect. If the State determines that a Respondent has provided such incorrect information, the State will deem the Response non-responsive and reject it.
- 3.3.6. A Respondent must <u>not</u> submit more than one Technical Response and one Cost Proposal in response to this RFP, except as expressly requested by the State in this RFP. If a Respondent submits more than one Technical Response or more than one Cost Proposal, the State will deem all of the responses non-responsive and reject them.

- 3.3.7. A Respondent must <u>not</u> submit a response as a prime contractor while also permitting one or more other Respondents to offer the Respondent as a subcontractor in their own responses. Such may result in the disqualification of all Respondents knowingly involved. This restriction does not, however, prohibit different Respondents from offering the same subcontractor as a part of their responses (provided that the subcontractor does not also submit a response as a prime contractor).
- 3.3.8. The State shall not consider a response from an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, a State employee. For purposes of this RFP:
 - 3.3.8.1. An individual shall be deemed a State employee until such time as all compensation for salary, termination pay, and annual leave has been paid;
 - 3.3.8.2. A contract with or a response from a company, corporation, or any other contracting entity in which a controlling interest is held by any State employee shall be considered to be a contract with or proposal from the employee; and
 - 3.3.8.3. A contract with or a response from a company, corporation, or any other contracting entity that employs an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, a State employee shall not be considered a contract with or a proposal from the employee and shall not constitute a prohibited conflict of interest.

3.4. Response Errors & Revisions

A Respondent is responsible for any and all response errors or omissions. A Respondent will not be allowed to alter or revise response documents after the Response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events unless such is formally requested, in writing, by the State.

3.5. **Response Withdrawal**

A Respondent may withdraw a submitted response at any time before the Response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events by submitting a written request signed by an authorized Respondent representative. After withdrawing a response, a Respondent may submit another response at any time before the Response Deadline. After the Response Deadline, a Respondent may only withdraw all or a portion of a response where the enforcement of the response would impose an unconscionable hardship on the Respondent.

3.6. Additional Services

If a response offers goods or services in addition to those required by and described in this RFP, the State, at its sole discretion, may add such services to the contract awarded as a result of this RFP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Respondent must not propose any additional cost amounts or rates for additional goods or services. Regardless of any additional services offered in a response, the Respondent's Cost Proposal must only record the proposed cost as required in this RFP and must not record any other rates, amounts, or information.

NOTICE: If a Respondent fails to submit a Cost Proposal exactly as required, the State may deem the response non-responsive and reject it.

3.7. Response Preparation Costs

The State will <u>not</u> pay any costs associated with the preparation, submittal, or presentation of any response.

4. GENERAL CONTRACTING INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

4.1. RFP Amendment

The State at its sole discretion may amend this RFP, in writing, at any time prior to contract award. However, prior to any such amendment, the State will consider whether it would negatively impact the ability of potential Respondents to meet the response deadline and revise the RFP Schedule of Events if deemed appropriate. If an RFP amendment is issued, the State will convey it to potential Respondents who submitted a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to RFP Section 1.8). A response must address the final RFP (including its attachments) as amended.

4.2. RFP Cancellation

The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel the RFP or to cancel and reissue this RFP in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

4.3. State Right of Rejection

- 4.3.1. Subject to applicable laws and regulations, the State reserves the right to reject, at its sole discretion, any and all responses.
- 4.3.2. The State may deem as non-responsive and reject any response that does not comply with all terms, conditions, and performance requirements of this RFP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State reserves the right to waive, at its sole discretion, minor variances from full compliance with this RFP. If the State waives variances in a response, such waiver shall not modify the RFP requirements or excuse the Respondent from full compliance, and the State may hold any resulting Contractor to strict compliance with this RFP.

4.4. Assignment & Subcontracting

- 4.4.1. The Contractor may not subcontract, transfer, or assign any portion of the Contract awarded as a result of this RFP without prior approval of the State. The State reserves the right to refuse approval, at its sole discretion, of any subcontract, transfer, or assignment.
- 4.4.2. If a Respondent intends to use subcontractors, the response to this RFP must specifically identify the scope and portions of the work each subcontractor will perform (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section B, General Qualifications & Experience Item B.15.).
- 4.4.3. Subcontractors identified within a response to this RFP will be deemed as approved by the State unless the State expressly disapproves one or more of the proposed subcontractors prior to signing the Contract.
- 4.4.4. After contract award, a Contractor may only substitute an approved subcontractor at the discretion of the State and with the State's prior, written approval.
- 4.4.5. Notwithstanding any State approval relating to subcontracts, the Respondent who is awarded a contract pursuant to this RFP will be the prime contractor and will be responsible for all work under the Contract.

4.5. Right to Refuse Personnel or Subcontractors

The State reserves the right to refuse, at its sole discretion and notwithstanding any prior approval, any personnel of the prime contractor or a subcontractor providing goods or services in the performance of a contract resulting from this RFP. The State will document in writing the reason(s) for any rejection of personnel.

4.6. **Insurance**

From time-to-time, the State may require the awarded Contractor to provide a Certificate of Insurance issued by an insurance company licensed or authorized to provide insurance in the State of Tennessee. Each Certificate of Insurance shall indicate current insurance coverages meeting minimum requirements as may be specified by this RFP. A failure to provide a current, Certificate of Insurance will be considered a material breach and grounds for contract termination.

4.7. Professional Licensure and Department of Revenue Registration

- 4.7.1. All persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal or financial opinions, which a Respondent provides for consideration and evaluation by the State as a part of a response to this RFP, shall be properly licensed to render such opinions.
- 4.7.2. Before the Contract resulting from this RFP is signed, the apparent successful Respondent (and Respondent employees and subcontractors, as applicable) must hold all necessary or appropriate business or professional licenses to provide the goods or services as required by the contract. The State may require any Respondent to submit evidence of proper licensure.
- 4.7.3. Before the Contract resulting from this RFP is signed, the apparent successful Respondent must be registered with the Tennessee Department of Revenue for the collection of Tennessee sales and use tax. The State shall not award a contract unless the Respondent provides proof of such registration or provides documentation from the Department of Revenue that the Contractor is exempt from this registration requirement. The foregoing is a mandatory requirement of an award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation. For purposes of this registration requirement, the Department of Revenue may be contacted at: TN.Revenue@tn.gov.

4.8. **Disclosure of Response Contents**

- 4.8.1. All materials submitted to the State in response to this RFP shall become the property of the State of Tennessee. Selection or rejection of a response does not affect this right. By submitting a response, a Respondent acknowledges and accepts that the full response contents and associated documents will become open to public inspection in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee.
- 4.8.2. The State will hold all response information, including both technical and cost information, in confidence during the evaluation process. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a list of actual Respondents submitting timely responses may be available to the public, upon request, after technical responses are opened.
- 4.8.3. Upon completion of response evaluations, indicated by public release of a Notice of Intent to Award, the responses and associated materials will be open for review by the public in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 10-7-504(a)(7).

4.9. Contract Approval and Contract Payments

- 4.9.1. After contract award, the Contractor who is awarded the contract must submit appropriate documentation with the Department of Finance and Administration, Division of Accounts.
- 4.9.2. This RFP and its contractor selection processes do not obligate the State and do not create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in either the Respondent with the apparent best-evaluated response or any other Respondent. State obligations pursuant to a contract award shall commence only after the contract is signed by the State agency head and the Contractor and after the Contract is approved by all other state officials as required by applicable laws and regulations.

- 4.9.3. No payment will be obligated or made until the relevant Contract is approved as required by applicable statutes and rules of the State of Tennessee.
 - 4.9.3.1. The State shall not be liable for payment of any type associated with the Contract resulting from this RFP (or any amendment thereof) or responsible for any goods delivered or services rendered by the Contractor, even goods delivered or services rendered in good faith and even if the Contractor is orally directed to proceed with the delivery of goods or the rendering of services, if it occurs before the Contract start date or after the Contract end date.
 - 4.9.3.2. All payments relating to this procurement will be made in accordance with the Payment Terms and Conditions of the Contract resulting from this RFP (refer to RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract, Section C).
 - 4.9.3.3. If any provision of the Contract provides direct funding or reimbursement for the competitive purchase of goods or services as a component of contract performance or otherwise provides for the reimbursement of specified, actual costs, the State will employ all reasonable means and will require all such documentation that it deems necessary to ensure that such purchases were competitive and costs were reasonable, necessary, and actual. The Contractor shall provide reasonable assistance and access related to such review. Further, the State shall not remit, as funding or reimbursement pursuant to such provisions, any amounts that it determines do not represent reasonable, necessary, and actual costs.

4.10. Contractor Performance

The Contractor who is awarded a contract will be responsible for the delivery of all acceptable goods or the satisfactory completion of all services set out in this RFP (including attachments) as may be amended. All goods or services are subject to inspection and evaluation by the State. The State will employ all reasonable means to ensure that goods delivered or services rendered are in compliance with the Contract, and the Contractor must cooperate with such efforts.

4.11. Contract Amendment

After contract award, the State may request the Contractor to deliver additional goods or perform additional services within the general scope of the contract and this RFP, but beyond the specified scope of service, and for which the Contractor may be compensated. In such instances, the State will provide the Contractor a written description of the additional goods or services. The Contractor must respond to the State with a time schedule for delivering the additional goods or accomplishing the additional services based on the compensable units included in the Contractor's response to this RFP. If the State and the Contractor reach an agreement regarding the goods or services and associated compensation, such agreement must be effected by means of a contract amendment. Further, any such amendment requiring additional goods or services must be signed by both the State agency head and the Contractor and must be approved by other state officials as required by applicable statutes, rules, policies and procedures of the State of Tennessee. The Contractor must not provide additional goods or render additional services until the State has issued a written contract amendment with all required approvals.

4.12. Severability

If any provision of this RFP is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, said decision will not affect the validity of the remaining RFP terms and provisions, and the rights and obligations of the State and Respondents will be construed and enforced as if the RFP did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.

4.13. Next Ranked Respondent

The State reserves the right to initiate negotiations with the next ranked Respondent should the State cease doing business with any Respondent selected via this RFP process.

5. **EVALUATION & CONTRACT AWARD**

5.1. Evaluation Categories & Maximum Points

The State will consider qualifications, experience, technical approach, and cost in the evaluation of responses and award points in each of the categories detailed below (up to the maximum evaluation points indicated) to each response deemed by the State to be responsive.

EVALUATION CATEGORY	MAXIMUM POINTS POSSIBLE
General Qualifications & Experience (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section B)	20
Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section C)	35
Cost Proposal (refer to RFP Attachment 6.3.)	45

5.2. Evaluation Process

The evaluation process is designed to award the contract resulting from this RFP not necessarily to the Respondent offering the lowest cost, but rather to the Respondent deemed by the State to be responsive and responsible who offers the best combination of attributes based upon the evaluation criteria. ("Responsive Respondent" is defined as a Respondent that has submitted a response that conforms in all material respects to the RFP. "Responsible Respondent" is defined as a Respondent that has the capacity in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance.)

- 5.2.1. <u>Technical Response Evaluation</u>. The Solicitation Coordinator and the Proposal Evaluation Team (consisting of three (3) or more State employees) will use the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide to manage the Technical Response Evaluation and maintain evaluation records.
 - 5.2.1.1. The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to request Respondent clarification of a Technical Response or to conduct clarification discussions with any or all Respondents. Any such clarification or discussion will be limited to specific sections of the response identified by the State. The subject Respondent must put any resulting clarification in writing as may be required and in accordance with any deadline imposed by the State.
 - 5.2.1.2. The Solicitation Coordinator will review each Technical Response to determine compliance with RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section A— Mandatory Requirements. If the Solicitation Coordinator determines that a response failed to meet one or more of the mandatory requirements, the Proposal Evaluation Team will review the response and document the team's determination of whether:
 - a. the response adequately meets RFP requirements for further evaluation;
 - b. the State will request clarifications or corrections for consideration prior to further evaluation; or,
 - c. the State will determine the response to be non-responsive to the RFP and reject it.
 - 5.2.1.3. Proposal Evaluation Team members will independently evaluate each Technical Response (that is responsive to the RFP) against the evaluation criteria in this RFP,

- and will score each in accordance with the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide.
- 5.2.1.4. For each response evaluated, the Solicitation Coordinator will calculate the average of the Proposal Evaluation Team member scores for RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, and record each average as the response score for the respective Technical Response section.
- 5.2.1.5. Before Cost Proposals are opened, the Proposal Evaluation Team will review the Technical Response Evaluation record and any other available information pertinent to whether or not each Respondent is responsive and responsible. If the Proposal Evaluation Team identifies any Respondent that does <u>not</u> to meet the responsive and responsible thresholds such that the team would <u>not</u> recommend the Respondent for Cost Proposal Evaluation and potential contract award, the team members will fully document the determination.
- 5.2.2. Cost Proposal Evaluation. The Solicitation Coordinator will open for evaluation the Cost Proposal of each Respondent deemed by the State to be responsive and responsible and calculate and record each Cost Proposal score in accordance with the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide.
- 5.2.3. <u>Total Response Score</u>. The Solicitation Coordinator will calculate the sum of the Technical Response section scores and the Cost Proposal score and record the resulting number as the total score for the subject Response (refer to RFP Attachment 6.5., Score Summary Matrix).

5.3. Contract Award Process

- 5.3.1 The Solicitation Coordinator will submit the Proposal Evaluation Team determinations and scores to the head of the procuring agency for consideration along with any other relevant information that might be available and pertinent to contract award.
- 5.3.2. The procuring agency head will determine the apparent best-evaluated Response. To effect a contract award to a Respondent other than the one receiving the highest evaluation process score, the head of the procuring agency must provide written justification and obtain the written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer and the Comptroller of the Treasury.
- 5.3.3. The State will issue a Notice of Intent to Award identifying the apparent best-evaluated response <u>and</u> make the RFP files available for public inspection at the time and date specified in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
 - NOTICE: The Notice of Intent to Award shall not create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in either the apparent best-evaluated Respondent or any other Respondent.
- 5.3.4. The Respondent identified as offering the apparent best-evaluated response <u>must</u> sign a contract drawn by the State pursuant to this RFP. The contract shall be substantially the same as the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract. The Respondent <u>must</u> sign the contract by the Contractor Signature Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. If the Respondent fails to provide the signed contract by this deadline, the State may determine that the Respondent is non-responsive to this RFP and reject the response.
- 5.3.5. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State may, at its sole discretion, entertain limited negotiation prior to contract signing and, as a result, revise the *pro forma* contract terms and conditions or performance requirements in the State's best interests, PROVIDED THAT such revision of terms and conditions or performance requirements shall <u>NOT</u> materially affect the basis of response evaluations or negatively impact the competitive nature of the RFP and contractor selection process.

5.3.6. If the State determines that a response is non-responsive and rejects it after opening Cost Proposals, the Solicitation Coordinator will re-calculate scores for each remaining responsive Cost Proposal to determine (or re-determine) the apparent best-evaluated response.

RFP # 31786 - 00138 STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

The Respondent must sign and complete the Statement of Certifications and Assurances below as required, and it must be included in the Technical Response (as required by RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section A, Item A.1.).

The Respondent does, hereby, expressly affirm, declare, confirm, certify, and assure ALL of the following:

- 1. The Respondent will comply with all of the provisions and requirements of the RFP.
- 2. The Respondent will provide all services as defined in the Scope of Services of the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract for the total contract period.
- 3. The Respondent, except as otherwise provided in this RFP, accepts and agrees to all terms and conditions set out in the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract.
- 4. The Respondent acknowledges and agrees that a contract resulting from the RFP shall incorporate, by reference, all proposal responses as a part of the contract.
- 5. The Respondent will comply with:
 - (a) the laws of the State of Tennessee;
 - (b) Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
 - (c) Title IX of the federal Education Amendments Act of 1972;
 - (d) the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued there under by the federal government; and,
 - (e) the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued there under by the federal government.
- 6. To the knowledge of the undersigned, the information detailed within the response submitted to this RFP is accurate.
- 7. The response submitted to this RFP was independently prepared, without collusion, under penalty of perjury.
- 8. No amount shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Respondent in connection with this RFP or any resulting contract.
- 9. Both the Technical Response and the Cost Proposal submitted in response to this RFP shall remain valid for at least 120 days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract pursuant to the RFP.
- 10. The Respondent affirms the following statement, as required by the Iran Divestment Act Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-111: "By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each Respondent is not on the list created pursuant to §12-12-106." For reference purposes, the list is currently available online at: http://www.tn.gov/generalservices/article/Public-Information-library.

By signing this Statement of Certifications and Assurances, below, the signatory also certifies legal authority to bind the proposing entity to the provisions of this RFP and any contract awarded pursuant to it. If the signatory is not the Respondent (if an individual) or the Respondent's company *President* or *Chief Executive Officer*, this document <u>must</u> attach evidence showing the individual's authority to bind the Respondent.

DO NOT SIGN THIS DOCUMENT IF YOU ARE NOT LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE RESPONDENT

SIGNATURE:	
PRINTED NAME & TITLE:	
DATE:	
RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:	

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SECTION A: MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS. The Respondent must address all items detailed below and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below.

The Solicitation Coordinator will review the response to determine if the Mandatory Requirement Items are addressed as required and mark each with pass or fail. For each item that is not addressed as required, the Proposal Evaluation Team must review the response and attach a written determination. In addition to the Mandatory Requirement Items, the Solicitation Coordinator will review each response for compliance with all RFP requirements.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:		ENTITY		
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section A— Mandatory Requirement Items		Pass/Fail
			se must be delivered to the State no later than the Response cified in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.	
			al Response and the Cost Proposal documentation must be parately as required (refer to RFP Section 3.2., et. seq.).	
		The Technica type.	al Response must NOT contain cost or pricing information of any	
			al Response must NOT contain any restrictions of the rights of other qualification of the response.	
		A Respondent must NOT submit alternate responses (refer to RFP Section 3.3.).		
		A Respondent must NOT submit multiple responses in different forms (as a prime and a sub-contractor) (refer to RFP Section 3.3.).		
	A.1.	Provide the Statement of Certifications and Assurances (RFP Attachment 6.1.) completed and signed by an individual empowered to bind the Respondent to the provisions of this RFP and any resulting contract. The document must be signed without exception or qualification.		
	A.2.	Provide a statement, based upon reasonable inquiry, of whether the Respondent or any individual who shall cause to deliver goods or perform services under the contract has a possible conflict of interest (e.g., employment by the State of Tennessee) and, if so, the nature of that conflict. NOTE: Any questions of conflict of interest shall be solely within the discretion of the State, and the State reserves the right to cancel any award.		
	A.3.	Provide a current bank reference indicating that the Respondent's business relationship with the financial institution is in positive standing. Such reference must be written in the form of a standard business letter, signed, and dated within the past three (3) months.		
	A.4.	Provide two current positive credit references from vendors with which the Respondent has done business written in the form of standard business letters, signed, and dated within the past three (3) months.		
	A.5.	Provide an official document or letter from an accredited credit bureau, verified and dated within the last three (3) months and indicating a satisfactory credit rating for the Respondent (NOTE: A credit bureau report		

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:

Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section A— Mandatory Requirement Items	Pass/Fail
		number without the full report is insufficient and will <u>not</u> be considered responsive.)	
	A.6.	Submit a written statement indicating that the Proposer has at least ten (10) years' experience providing Group Term Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance benefits to at least five (5) employer accounts, one (1) of which serves at least 30,000 members.	
	A.7.	Submit a written statement indicating that the Proposer acknowledges it is required to, and agrees to administer the Life Insurance Program benefits as contained in Attachment 6.6 - Pro Forma Contract Attachment D.	
	A.8.	Submit a written statement indicating the Proposer will comply with the State's requirement that no minimum membership enrollment levels are contained as a provision of the proposal.	
	A.9	The Respondent must hold a current certificate of authority from the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance which authorizes the Respondent to issue group term life insurance and accidental death & dismemberment insurance benefits in Tennessee. Submit a copy of your organization's current State of Tennessee Certificate of Authority.	

State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:

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SECTION B: GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE. The Respondent must address all items detailed below and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below. Proposal Evaluation Team members will independently evaluate and assign one score for all responses to Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items.

RESPONDENT NAME:	LEGAL E	ENTITY	
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items	
	B.1.	Detail the name, e-mail address, mailing address, telephone number, and facsimile number of the person the State should contact regarding the response.	
	B.2.		e Respondent's form of business (<i>i.e.</i> , individual, sole proprietor, corporation, non-profit partnership, limited liability company) and business location (physical location or
	B.3.	Detail the nu	umber of years the Respondent has been in business.
	B.4.	Briefly describe how long the Respondent has been providing the goods or services required by this RFP.	
	B.5.	Describe the Respondent's number of employees, client base, and location of offices.	
	B.6.	Provide a statement of whether there have been any mergers, acquisitions, or change of control the Respondent within the last ten (10) years. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.	
	B.7.	Provide a statement of whether the Respondent or, to the Respondent's knowledge, any of the Respondent's employees, agents, independent contractors, or subcontractors, involved in the delivery of goods or performance of services on a contract pursuant to this RFP, have been convicted of, pled guilty to, or pled <i>nolo contendere</i> to any felony. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.	
	B.8.	Provide a statement of whether, in the last ten (10) years, the Respondent has filed (or had against it) any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, whether voluntary or involuntary, or undergone the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee for the benefit of creditors. If include an explanation providing relevant details.	
	B.9.	Provide a statement of whether there is any material, pending litigation against the Responder that the Respondent should reasonably believe could adversely affect its ability to meet contra requirements pursuant to this RFP or is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Respondent's financial condition. If such exists, list each separately, explain the relevant deta and attach the opinion of counsel addressing whether and to what extent it would impair the Respondent's performance in a contract pursuant to this RFP.	
		NOTE: All persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal opinions regarding the Respondent must be properly licensed to render such opinions. The State may require the Respondent to submit proof of license for each person or entity that renders such opinions.	
	B.10.	Provide a statement of whether there are any pending or in progress Securities Exchange Commission investigations involving the Respondent. If such exists, list each separately, explain the relevant details, and attach the opinion of counsel addressing whether and to what extent it we	

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RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:

Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items
		impair the Respondent's performance in a contract pursuant to this RFP.
		NOTE: All persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal opinions regarding the Respondent must be properly licensed to render such opinions. The State may require the Respondent to submit proof of license for each person or entity that renders such opinions.
	B.11.	Provide a brief, descriptive statement detailing evidence of the Respondent's ability to deliver the goods or services sought under this RFP (e.g., prior experience, training, certifications, resources, program and quality management systems, etc.).
	B.12.	Provide a narrative description of the proposed project team, its members, and organizational structure along with an organizational chart identifying the key people who will be assigned to deliver the goods or services required by this RFP.
	B.13.	Provide a personnel roster listing the names of key people who the Respondent will assign to meet the Respondent's requirements under this RFP along with the estimated number of hours that each individual will devote to that performance. Follow the personnel roster with a resume for each of the people listed. The resumes must detail the individual's title, education, current position with the Respondent, and employment history.
	B.14.	Provide a statement of whether the Respondent intends to use subcontractors to meet the Respondent's requirements of any contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, and if so, detail:
		(a) the names of the subcontractors along with the contact person, mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address for each;
		(b) a description of the scope and portions of the goods each subcontractor involved in the delivery of goods or performance of the services each subcontractor will perform; and
		(c) a statement specifying that each proposed subcontractor has expressly assented to being proposed as a subcontractor in the Respondent's response to this RFP.
	B.15.	Provide documentation of the Respondent's commitment to diversity as represented by the following:
		(a) <u>Business Strategy</u> . Provide a description of the Respondent's existing programs and procedures designed to encourage and foster commerce with business enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business enterprises. Please also include a list of the Respondent's certifications as a diversity business, if applicable.
		(b) <u>Business Relationships</u> . Provide a listing of the Respondent's current contracts with business enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises. Please include the following information:
		(i) contract description;
		(ii) contractor name and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, Tennessee service- disabled);
		(iii) contractor contact name and telephone number.
		(c) <u>Estimated Participation</u> . Provide an estimated level of participation by business enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business enterprises if a contract is awarded to the Respondent pursuant to this RFP. Please include the following information:
		 (i) a percentage (%) indicating the participation estimate. (Express the estimated participation number as a percentage of the total estimated contract value that will be dedicated to business with subcontractors and supply contractors having such ownership characteristics only and DO NOT INCLUDE DOLLAR AMOUNTS);
		(ii) anticipated goods or services contract descriptions;
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RESPONDENT NAME:	LEGAL E	ENTITY		
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items		
		(iii) names and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, Tennessee service-disabled veterans) of anticipated subcontractors and supply contractors.		
		NOTE: In order to claim status as a Diversity Business Enterprise under this contract, businesses must be certified by the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE). Please visit the Go-DBE website at https://tn.diversitysoftware.com/FrontEnd/StartCertification.asp?TN=tn&XID=9810 for information.		
		(d) Workforce. Provide the percentage of the Respondent's total current employees by ethnicity and gender.		
		NOTE: Respondents that demonstrate a commitment to diversity will advance State efforts to expand opportunity to do business with the State as contractors and subcontractors. Response evaluations will recognize the positive qualifications and experience of a Respondent that does business with enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises and who offer a diverse workforce.		
	B.16.	Provide a statement of whether or not the Respondent has any current contracts with the State of Tennessee or has completed any contracts with the State of Tennessee within the previous five (5) year period. If so, provide the following information for all of the current and completed contracts: (a) the name, title, telephone number and e-mail address of the State contact knowledgeable about the contract; (b) the procuring State agency name; (c) a brief description of the contract's scope of services;		
		(d) the contract period; and		
		(e) the contract number.		
		 NOTES: Current or prior contracts with the State are not a prerequisite and are not required for the maximum evaluation score, and the existence of such contracts with the State will not automatically result in the addition or deduction of evaluation points. Each evaluator will generally consider the results of inquiries by the State regarding all contracts noted. 		
	B.17.	Provide customer references from individuals who are <u>not</u> current or former State employees for projects similar to the goods or services sought under this RFP and which represent:		
		• two (2) accounts Respondent currently services that are similar in size to the State; and		
		• three (3) completed projects (three former or current accounts where Respondent implemented group term life and accidental death & dismemberment insurance programs).		
		References from at least three (3) different individuals are required to satisfy the requirements above, e.g., an individual may provide a reference about a completed project and another reference about a currently serviced account. The standard reference questionnaire, which <u>must</u> be used and completed, is provided at RFP Attachment 6.4. References that are not completed as required may be deemed non-responsive and may not be considered.		
		The Respondent will be <u>solely</u> responsible for obtaining fully completed reference questionnaires and including them in the sealed Technical Response. In order to obtain and submit the completed reference questionnaires follow the process below.		
		(a) Add the Respondent's name to the standard reference questionnaire at RFP Attachment 6.4. and make a copy for each reference.		
		(b) Send a reference questionnaire and new, standard #10 envelope to each reference.		
		(c) Instruct the reference to:		
		(i) complete the reference questionnaire;(ii) sign and date the completed reference questionnaire;		

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Response Page # Item				
(Respondent completes)	Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items		
		 (iii) seal the completed, signed, and dated reference questionnaire within the envelope provided; (iv) sign his or her name in ink across the sealed portion of the envelope; and (v) return the sealed envelope directly to the Respondent (the Respondent may wish to give each reference a deadline, such that the Respondent will be able to collect all required references in time to include them within the sealed Technical Response). (d) Do NOT open the sealed references upon receipt. (e) Enclose all sealed reference envelopes within a larger, labeled envelope for inclusion in the Technical Response as required. NOTES: The State will not accept late references or references submitted by any means other than that which is described above, and each reference questionnaire submitted must be completed as required. The State will not review more than the number of required references indicated above. 		
	B.18.	 While the State will base its reference check on the contents of the sealed reference envelopes included in the Technical Response package, the State reserves the right to confirm and clarify information detailed in the completed reference questionnaires, and may consider clarification responses in the evaluation of references. The State is under no obligation to clarify any reference information. Provide a statement and any relevant details addressing whether the Respondent is any of the following:		
		 (a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency; 		
		(b) has within the past three (3) years, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against the contracting party from commission of fraud, or a criminal offence in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; 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;		
		 (c) is presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed above; and 		
		(d) has within a three (3) year period preceding the contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.		
		SCORE (for <u>all</u> Section B—Qualifications & Experience Items above): (maximum possible score = 20)		

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SECTION C: TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & APPROACH. The Respondent must address all items (below) and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below.

A Proposal Evaluation Team, made up of three or more State employees, will independently evaluate and score the response to each item. Each evaluator will use the following whole number, raw point scale for scoring each item:

0 = little value 1 = poor 2 = fair 3 = satisfactory 4 = good 5 = excellent

The Solicitation Coordinator will multiply the Item Score by the associated Evaluation Factor (indicating the relative emphasis of the item in the overall evaluation). The resulting product will be the item's Raw Weighted Score for purposes of calculating the section score as indicated.

RESPONDENT NAME:	LEGAL	ENTITY				
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Sec	ction C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
	C.1.	manage t services, State's pr b. Describe	narrative illustrating how the Respondent will the project, ensure completion of the scope of and accomplish required objectives within the roject schedule. Your experience delivering the services In this contract to large employer groups.		9	
	C.2.	projects in vendor. b. Provide a major imp Responde of the go-(RFP Atta c. Describe be the mosuccessfud. Include a who will be member's e. Describe who are of How will yet qualifi	your experience with large implementation including the transition of a large group to a new a project implementation plan describing the elementation tasks that will ensure the ent is prepared to assume all responsibilities as live date described in the <i>Pro Forma</i> Contract eachment 6.6). The major implementation tasks you deem to est critical and high risk and your ability to cally manage these tasks. Toster of the implementation team members be assigned to this project detailing each is primary role and responsibility. Your plan for how you will handle members currently out on Waiver of Premium. You address members who are out but have not lived for Waiver of Premium to ensure there is no verage and no one "falls through the cracks?"		7	
	C.3.	Call Center: a. What	is the location of the proposed call center and		7	

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		what are the hours of operation? b. Provide the following statistics for the call center that will be assigned to this contract for calendar year 2016 by quarter: • Average seconds to answer • Average Hold in Queue (in minutes) • First call resolution rates c. Describe how the quality of member service calls is measured, reported and used to enhance the member experience. d. Provide a summary of customer satisfaction results for the last two years for the call center that will be			
	C.4	assigned to this account. e. Submit a copy of the survey you intend to utilize to measure customer satisfaction.			
	C.4.	 Call Center Staff: a. What is your staffing ratio of customer service representatives (CSRs) to members? b. What are the qualifications and experience of the CSRs? c. What are the average annual turnover rates for this call center? d. What data can a customer service representative access in response to an inquiry? e. How many member services representatives will be assigned to this account? What percentage will be dedicated to this account versus shared with other accounts? f. How many clients are you currently serving with this Call Center? 		7	
	C.5.	 Member Communications: a. Describe how you would effectively communicate with and educate plan members regarding the life insurance benefit during the annual enrollment period. b. Describe the various communications methods (written, electronic, in person, etc.) and the schedule of outreach you would utilize to reach members. Provide sample materials you propose to use for this account. c. Describe the information received by a member once enrolled. 		6	

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	C.6.	 Claims Processing: a. Provide a description of the claims accuracy testing processes that occur both during implementation and after implementation. b. Is your claims processing system fully customizable? c. What is your average claims turnaround time? d. How are members notified of the status of their claims? e. Indicate your 2016 performance standards for claims processing and member payments. f. How many Life claims does your organization process annually? g. How many AD&D claims does your organization process annually? Describe your organization's process utilized to evaluate qualifications for payments of AD&D claims. h. How many Waiver of Premiums claims does your organization process annually? Describe your organization's process utilized in evaluating "Waiver of Premium" based on disability and how you communicate the decision to both the Employer and the covered person. i. Describe your capability and process to coordinate the Waiver of Premium determination with and from the current STD and LTD carrier. j. How many Accelerated Death Benefit claims does your organization process annually? Describe your organization's process utilized in evaluating "Accelerated Death Benefit" claims. 		7	
	C.7.	Reporting: a. Describe your reporting systems and capabilities and how they will support your ability to deliver timely and accurate reports as required in Pro Forma Contract Attachment C. b. What plan performance data will be shared so that we can collaborate on plan strategy?		7	
	C.8.	Website and Mobile Tools: a. Describe the website, apps, and mobile tools that the Respondent will make available to members. Include a list of available materials and services. b. Identify which required capabilities are in current operation and any that would be developed to comply with a contract pursuant to this RFP.		4	# 31786-00138

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		c. Share links and materials that describe your member tools.			
	C.9.	Describe the specific information systems that the Proposer will use. Specifically address: a. Your premium administration, eligibility/enrollment, and claims processing system(s), indicating when it/they was/were implemented and last updated; b. Any modifications to existing hardware and software that will be required; c. The extent to which these information systems are already in operation; d. The timeframe for any implementation of components not currently in operation; e. How soon the system(s) can be updated to reflect plan changes; and f. The process for producing a monthly invoice to the State; and g. Member centric systems (websites, apps, etc.) and their capabilities.		6	
	C.10.	Describe the conversion option available to employees who are terminating their employment, including your organization's procedures for notifying them of the availability of the conversion of their policy. Please submit a copy of the conversion policy(ices).		2	
	C.11.	Describe the Portability option available to employees who are terminating their employment, including your organization's procedures for notifying them of the availability of the Portability of their policy. Please submit a copy of the conversion policy(ices).		2	
	C.12.	In the event of Group Master Policy termination, what provisions would you make for waiver of premium?		2	
	C.13.	Do you anticipate establishing additional reserves? What is the basis for establishing each reserve?		3	
	C.14.	 a. Will you accept and honor existing Beneficiary Designations or will new designations be required? 1. If you will accept existing designations on file, describe how you will assist and manage the migration of designations to your systems. 2. If new designations are required, how will you assist 		4	

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		and manage obtaining the new documentation for all covered persons? 3. Describe your process to how you would help ensure 100% of all covered persons have documented Beneficiary Designation information on file.			
	C.15.	 a. Do you accept assignment and absolute assignment of this coverage? b. Will you accept and honor existing assignments or will new assignments be required? 1. If you will accept existing assignments, describe how you will assist and manage the migration of assignments to your systems. 2. If new assignments will be required, how will you assist and manage obtaining the new documentation? 		2	
	C.16.	Describe how you will administer decreases in the face amount of coverage each calendar year based upon Member elections during a time period specified by the State or upon an employee's termination of employment.		5	
	C.17.	 a. Describe the underwriting guidelines you will use to administer increases, with medical qualifications, in the face amount of coverage subject to the guarantee issue amount limitations based upon Member application during a time period specified by the State. b. Indicate your 2015 and 2016 performance standards for medical underwriting turnaround times and approval percentages. 		5	
	C.18.	Describe how you will administer increases, without medical qualification, in the face amount of coverage of up to \$5,000 each calendar year subject to the guarantee issue amount limitations based upon Member elections during a time period specified by the State.		2	
	C.19.	Child Term Riders: Describe: a. Your capability to maintain existing child term riders with face values of \$2,500 each while offering only new child term riders in the amounts of \$5,000 or \$10,000; b. Your capability to allow current holders of child term riders during an open enrollment period to increase the face value of a rider to \$5,000 or \$10,000 without dependent medical qualification; c. The level of work that will be required to accomplish "a."		2	

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		and "b." above:			
		d. Any potential problems with the above items; and			
		If you are administering this type of arrangement for other clients.			
	C.20.	Portability:			
		Describe:			
		Your capability to issue individual term life or whole life insurance policies to former Members upon their termination of employment with the State;			
		 Your capability to receive premium payments directly from former Members who have elected a new policy; 		2	
		The level of work that will be required to accomplish "a." and "b." above;			
		b. Any potential problems with the above items; and			
		If you are administering this type of arrangement for other clients.			
	C.21.	Benefits:			
		a. For Basic Life (incl. Dependent Life) and AD&D, AND Voluntary Life (incl. Vol. Dependent Life) and Voluntary AD&D, confirm whether any of the following benefits and/or Value Added Items are included as part of your standard filed language at no additional charge and which lines of coverage they apply. If so, include copies of the filed wording, benefits, limitations, and copies of marketing materials used in communications to employees.			
		 Accelerated Death Benefit Living Benefit Child Care Benefit Educational Benefit / Higher Education Seat Belt Benefit Air Bag Benefit Plegia Benefits (Quadri, Tri, Para, Hemi, Uni) Repatriation Benefit Beneficiary Grief Counseling Will Preparation Benefits Funeral Planning Benefits Life Planning Benefits Legal Resource Benefits Common Disaster Benefit 		7	
		Common Carrier Benefit Line of Duty Coma Benefit			

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	C.22.	AD&D (incl. De	mple Certificates of Coverage for Basic Life and Dependent Life), Voluntary Life (incl. Dependent oluntary AD&D.				
The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the section score. All calculations will use and result in numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point. Total Raw Weighted Score: (sum of Raw Weighted Scores above)							
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			w Weighted Score m weights above)	X 35 (maximum possible so	core)	= SCORE:	
State Use – Evaluator Identification:							
State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:							

COST PROPOSAL & SCORING GUIDE

NOTICE: THIS COST PROPOSAL MUST BE COMPLETED EXACTLY AS REQUIRED

COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE— The Cost Proposal, detailed below, shall indicate the proposed price for goods or services defined in the Scope of Services of the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract and for the entire contract period. The Cost Proposal shall remain valid for at least one hundred twenty (120) days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract resulting from this RFP. All monetary amounts shall be in U.S. currency and limited to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point.

Any blank cells will be calculated as a zero (0).

NOTICE:

The Evaluation Factor associated with each cost item is for evaluation purposes <u>only</u>. The evaluation factors do NOT and should NOT be construed as any type of volume guarantee or minimum purchase quantity. The evaluation factors shall NOT create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in the Respondent.

Notwithstanding the cost items herein, pursuant to the second paragraph of the *Pro Forma* Contract section C.1. (refer to RFP Attachment 6.6.), "The State is under no obligation to request work from the Contractor in any specific dollar amounts or to request any work at all from the Contractor during any period of this Contract."

This Cost Proposal must be signed, in the space below, by an individual empowered to bind the Respondent to the provisions of this RFP and any contract awarded pursuant to it. If said individual is not the *President* or *Chief Executive Officer*, this document <u>must</u> attach evidence showing the individual's authority to legally bind the Respondent.

RESPONDENT SIGNATURE:	
PRINTED NAME & TITLE:	
DATE:	
RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:	

Tables A & B apply to both the Traditional and the Contemporary Plans as defined in Contract Attachment D.

TABLE A: CONVERSION CHARGE, ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE, AND RESERVING FACTOR		Guaranteed M	Ionthly Rates	State Us	e Only	
	Cost Item Description	1/1/2018-1/1/2022	1/1/19-1/1/2022	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)	
Α.	Basic Term and Basic AD&D Conversion Charge Charge against the plan for each \$1,000 of Conversion Life Insurance issued	N/A	\$ /per \$1000 per month	10		
B.	Basic Term, Basic AD&D and Voluntary AD&D Per Employee per Month Administrative Charge (Charge against the plan for program administration)	N/A	\$/per Employee per month	130		
C.	Voluntary Term Per Employee per Month Administrative Charge	\$ Fee/Month	N/A	20		
D.	Voluntary Term Per Spouse per Month Administrative Charge	\$ Fee/Month	N/A	15		
Gu	aranteed Monthly Rate January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2	019 (Year One of the	benefit period in th	e contract only.)		
E.	Basic Term and Basic AD&D first year reserve amount (Charge against the plan during the initial year of the benefit period in the contract, 2019, per employee per month (PEPM), for the purpose of establishing the Incurred but Unreported Claim Reserves	\$ /per Em	oloyee per month	105		
EV	EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above):					
The RFP Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations.						
	lowest evaluation cost amount from all proposals evaluation cost amount being evaluated	x (maximum se	7 ection score)	= SCORE:		

In Table B below indicate your organization's guaranteed factors, by which Reserves are to be established, for each of the following lines of coverage, expressed as a percentage of annual premiums.

TABLE B: RESERVE PERCENTAGES		ed Monthly Rates rough December 31, 2022	State U	se Only
Cost Item Description	Pro	posed Cost	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)
A. Employee Basic Term Life	% of Annual Er	nployee Term Life Premium	10	
B. Dependent Basic Term Life	% of Annual De	ependent Term Life Premium	5	
C. Employee Basic AD&D	% of Annual Er	nployee AD&D Premium	10	
D. Dependent Basic AD&D	% of Annual Dependent AD&D Premium		5	
EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs	above):			
The RFP Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations.				
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TRADITIONAL PROGRAM PROPOSED COSTS (Tables C - D)

The State is requesting pricing for two different basic term life and basic AD&D benefit options - (1) the Traditional program and (2) the Contemporary program. The Traditional program benefits are the benefits currently in place. The Contemporary program may be implemented at the state's request in lieu of the Traditional program given adequate state appropriations.

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TABLE C: TRADITIONAL PROGRAM BASIC TERM BENEFITS		nteed Monthly Rates 2019 – December 31, 2022	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)	
A. Employee Basic Term Life	\$/per \$1000	of Benefit		10	
B. Dependent Basic Term Life: Spouse Only *Unit refers to spouse	\$/per unit* \$	Spouse	6		
C. Dependent Basic Term Life: Spouse & Child(ren) **Unit refers to spouse plus all eligible children	\$/per unit**	Spouse and Child(ren)	6		
D. Dependent Basic Term Life: Child(ren) only *** Unit refers to all eligible children	\$/per unit***	* Child(ren) only		3	
E. Employee Basic AD&D	\$ /per \$1,00	00 of benefit		10	
F. Dependent Basic AD&D	\$ /per \$1,00	00 of benefit		6	
TOTAL EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers round calculations.					
lowest evaluation cost amount from all p evaluation cost amount being evalua		x 7 (maximum possible score)		= SCORE:	

State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:

TABLE D:						State Use ONLY		
TRADITIONAL PROGRAM VOLUNTARY AD&D BENEFITS	Guaranteed January 1, 2019 –		/aluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)				
A. Employee Voluntary AD&D	\$/per \$1000 of Benefit	\$/per \$1000 of Benefit						
B. Dependent (Spouse & Children) Voluntary AD&D	\$/per Unit	\$/per Unit						
TOTAL EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above):							
	The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calc Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be							
lowest evaluation cost amount be	x 7 (maximum possible score)	SCOR	= !E:					

CONTEMPORARY PROGRAM PROPOSED COSTS (Tables E-F)

The State is requesting pricing for two different basic term life and basic AD&D benefit options - (1) the Traditional program and (2) the Contemporary program. The Traditional program benefits are the benefits currently in place. The Contemporary program may be implemented at the state's request in lieu of the Traditional program given adequate state appropriations.

TABLE E: CONTEMPORARY PROGRAM BASIC TERM BENEFITS	Guara January 1, 201	se Only					
Cost Item Description		Evaluatio n Cost (cost x factor)					
A. Employee Basic Term Life	\$/per \$1000 of Be	\$/per \$1000 of Benefit 10					
B. Employee Basic AD&D	\$/per \$1000 of Be	\$/per \$1000 of Benefit 10					
The RFP Coordinator will use this sum and th	EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above): The RFP Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations.						
lowest evaluation cost amount from evaluation cost amount being	x 1 (maximum section score)		= SCORE:				

TABLE F: CONTEMPORARY PROGRAM VOLUNTARY AD&D BENEFITS	Januar	Guaranteed Monthly Rates January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022					
Cost Item Description		Proposed Cost		Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)		
A. Employee Voluntary AD&D	\$/per \$1000	0 of Benefit		10			
B. Spouse Voluntary AD&D	\$/per unit* *unit is \$30,000 Be	\$/per unit* 7 funit is \$30,000 Benefit for Spouse					
C. Child Voluntary AD&D	\$/per unit** **unit is \$10,000 b	enefit applicable to all children		7			
EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above): The RFP Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations.							
lowest evaluation cost amount from		x 1 (maximum section score)		= SCORE:			

VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE (Tables G - I)

TABLE G – GUARANTEED MONTHLY PREMIUM RATES PER \$1000 OF TERM INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR <u>ACTIVE</u> EMPLOYEES AND SPOUSES

- Propose the monthly premium for <u>ACTIVE</u> employees and spouses in the attained age brackets listed below.
- Note: The payment of premium taxes will be the responsibility of the Contractor.
- The Proposer should not complete the shaded areas; the State will perform this calculation.

TABLE	TABLE G: GUARANTEED MONTHLY <u>ACTIVE</u> EMPLOYEE AND SPOUSE PREMIUMS						OR STATE US	E ONLY
Attained Age Brackets	1/1/2018- 12/31/2018	1/1/2019- 12/31/2019	1/1/2020- 12/31/2020	1/1/2021- 12/31/2021	1/1/2022- 12/31/2022	Sum	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (sum x volume/1,000)
Under 20	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		1	
20-24	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		3	
25-29	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		34	
30-34	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		139	
35-39	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	T		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		262	
40-44	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		361	

45-49	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		Premium/ Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	444	
50-54		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage				\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	468	
55-59		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage					386	
60-64	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage			\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	242	
65-69	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage			Premium/ Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	92	
70-74		\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage				\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	27	
75-79	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage			\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	5	
80 and over	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage			\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	1	
EVALUATION	N COST AMOUNT	Γ (sum of evaluati	on costs above):					
EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above): The RFP Coordinator will use the Evaluation Cost Amount in the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations								
lowest evaluation cost amount from all proposals evaluation cost amount being evaluated					(maximur	x 7 m section score)	= SCORE:	

TABLE H – GUARANTEED MONTHLY PREMIUM RATES PER \$1000 OF TERM INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR <u>PORTED</u> EMPLOYEES AND SPOUSES

- Propose the monthly premium for <u>ported</u> employees and spouses in the attained age brackets listed below.
- The proposed ported premium rates must not exceed, in each age bracket, the proposed active premium rates by more than 20 percent (20%).
- Note: The payment of premium taxes will be the responsibility of the Contractor.
- The Proposer should not complete the shaded areas; the State will perform this calculation.

TABLE H: GU	TABLE H: GUARANTEED MONTHLY PORTED EMPLOYEE AND SPOUSE PREMIUMS						R STATE USE	ONLY
Attained Age Brackets	1/1/2018- 12/31/2018	1/1/2019- 12/31/2019	1/1/2020- 12/31/2020	1/1/2021- 12/31/2021	1/1/2022- 12/31/2022	Sum	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (sum x volume/1,000)
Under 20	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		1	
20-24	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		1	
25-29	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		2	
30-34	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		5	
35-39	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		12	
40-44	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		19	
45-49	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		18	

50-54	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		30	
55-59	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		46	
60-64	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		61	
65-69	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		50	
70-74	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		1	
75-79	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		1	
80 and over	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage	\$Premium/ \$1000 Coverage		1	
EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above): The RFP Coordinator will use the Evaluation Cost Amount in the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations								
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TABLE I – GUARANTEED MONTHLY PREMIUM RATES FOR CHILD TERM RIDER

- Propose the monthly premium for the child term rider coverage levels listed below.
- The Proposer should not complete the shaded areas; the State will perform this calculation.

TABLE I: GUARAN	TABLE I: GUARANTEED MONTHLY CHILD TERM RIDER PREMIUMS						R STATE USE	ONLY
COVERAGE OPTION	Calendar Year 2018	Calendar Year 2019	Calendar Year 2020	Calendar Year 2021	Calendar Year 2022	Sum	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (sum x factor)
Child Term Rider - \$2,500 face amount (Existing riders only. New riders for this amount will not be issued.)	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider		1	
Child Term Rider - \$5,000 face amount	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider		7	
Child Term Rider - \$10,000 face amount	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider	\$ Premium/ Rider		10	
The RFP Coordinat	EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above): The RFP Coordinator will use the Evaluation Cost Amount in the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations							
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	es derived from the proposed cost amounts above and the formula to calculate lations shall result in numbers rounded to two decimal places.
TABLE A SCORE:	
TABLE B SCORE:	
TABLE C SCORE:	
TABLE D SCORE:	
TABLE E SCORE:	
TABLE F SCORE:	
TABLE G SCORE:	
TABLE H SCORE:	
TABLE I SCORE:	
TOTAL COST PROPOSAL SCORE	
State Use – RFP Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date	te:

REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

The standard reference questionnaire provided on the following pages of this attachment MUST be completed by all individuals offering a reference for the Respondent.

The Respondent will be <u>solely</u> responsible for obtaining completed reference questionnaires as required (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section B, Item B.17.), and for enclosing the sealed reference envelopes within the Respondent's Technical Response.

RFP # 00138 REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

REFERENCE SUBJECT: RESPONDENT NAME (completed by Respondent before reference is requested)

The "reference subject" specified above, intends to submit a response to the State of Tennessee in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) indicated. As a part of such response, the reference subject must include a number of completed and sealed reference questionnaires (using this form).

Each individual responding to this reference questionnaire is asked to follow these instructions:

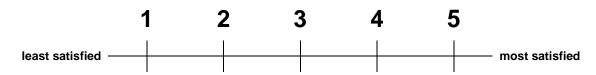
- complete this questionnaire (either using the form provided or an exact duplicate of this document);
- sign and date the completed questionnaire;
- seal the completed, signed, and dated questionnaire in a new standard #10 envelope;
- sign in ink across the sealed portion of the envelope; and
- return the sealed envelope containing the completed questionnaire directly to the reference subject.
- (1) What is the name of the individual, company, organization, or entity responding to this reference questionnaire?
- (2) Please provide the following information about the individual completing this reference questionnaire on behalf of the above-named individual, company, organization, or entity.

NAME:	
TITLE:	
TELEPHONE #	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	

(3) What goods or services does/did the reference subject provide to your company or organization?

(4) What is the level of your overall satisfaction with the reference subject as a vendor of the goods or services described above?

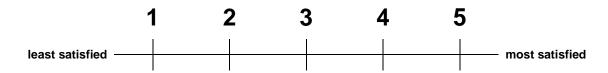
Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



If you circled 3 or less above, what could the reference subject have done to improve that rating?

- (5) If the goods or services that the reference subject provided to your company or organization are completed, were the goods or services provided in compliance with the terms of the contract, on time, and within budget? If not, please explain.
- (6) If the reference subject is still providing goods or services to your company or organization, are these goods or services being provided in compliance with the terms of the contract, on time, and within budget? If not, please explain.
- (7) How satisfied are you with the reference subject's ability to perform based on your expectations and according to the contractual arrangements?
- (8) In what areas of goods or service delivery does/did the reference subject excel?
- (9) In what areas of goods or service delivery does/did the reference subject fall short?
- (10) What is the level of your satisfaction with the reference subject's project management structures, processes, and personnel?

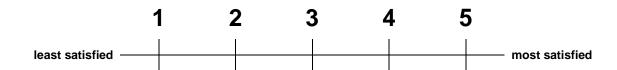
Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

(11) Considering the staff assigned by the reference subject to deliver the goods or services described in response to question 3 above, how satisfied are you with the technical abilities, professionalism, and interpersonal skills of the individuals assigned?

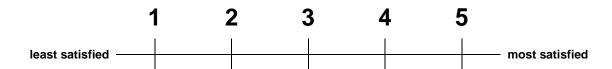
Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

(12) Would you contract again with the reference subject for the same or similar goods or services?

Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

REFERENCE SIGNATURE: (by the individual completing this request for reference information)

(must be the same as the signature across the envelope seal)

DATE:

SCORE SUMMARY MATRIX

	RESPONDENT NAME		RESPONDENT NAME		RESPONDENT NAME	
GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE (maximum: 20 points)						
EVALUATOR NAME						
EVALUATOR NAME						
REPEAT AS NECESSARY						
	AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:	
TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & APPROACH (maximum: 35 points)						
EVALUATOR NAME						
EVALUATOR NAME						
REPEAT AS NECESSARY						
	AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:	
COST PROPOSAL (maximum: 45 points)	SCORE:		SCORE:		SCORE:	
TOTAL RESPONSE EVALUATION SCORE: (maximum: 100 points)						
Solicitation Coordinator Signatura, Printed Name & Data:						

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RFP # 00138 PRO FORMA CONTRACT

The *Pro Forma* Contract detailed in following pages of this exhibit contains some "blanks" (signified by descriptions in capital letters) that will be completed with appropriate information in the final contract resulting from the RFP.

CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, STATE INSURANCE COMMITTEE AND CONTRACTOR NAME

This Contract, by and between the State of Tennessee, Department of Finance and Administration/State Insurance Committee ("State") and Contractor Legal Entity Name ("Contractor"), is for the provision of group term life (basic and voluntary) and accidental death & dismemberment (basic and voluntary) insurance programs, as further defined in the "SCOPE." State and Contractor may be referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties" to this Contract.

The Contractor is a/an Individual, For-Profit Corporation, Non-Profit Corporation, Special Purpose Corporation Or Association, Partnership, Joint Venture, Or Limited Liability Company. Contractor Place of Incorporation or Organization: Location Contractor Edison Registration ID # Number

A. SCOPE:

- A.1. The Contractor shall provide all goods or services and deliverables as required, described, and detailed below and shall meet all service and delivery timelines as specified by this Contract.
 - a. The Contractor agrees to provide a group minimum premium insured basic term life insurance and basic accidental death & dismemberment (AD&D) program, a voluntary group employee pay-all fully insured accidental death & dismemberment program, and a voluntary group employee pay-all fully insured term life insurance program to eligible employees of State agencies and their dependents (hereafter referred to as "Members" if enrolled), in accordance with Contract Attachment D. The Contractor shall initially provide a group basic term life and basic accidental death & dismemberment insurance program with benefits as described in Contract Attachment D as the "Traditional" program. Upon request by the State, the Contractor shall on a date determined by the State change the benefits of the basic term life, basic accidental death & dismemberment, and voluntary accidental death & dismemberment insurance program to be as described in Contract Attachment D as the "Contemporary" program.

The basic term life, basic AD&D, and voluntary AD&D benefit period under this contract shall be January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022. The voluntary term life benefit period under this contract shall be January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022. The time period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 shall be considered a claims run-out period during which the Contractor shall adjudicate basic term life/basic AD&D claims incurred during the term of this contract prior to January 1, 2023.

- b. The Contractor shall administer the State Group Basic Term Life Insurance Program, the Basic Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program, the Voluntary Accidental Death & Dismemberment, and the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program (hereinafter referred to as the "Program") in accordance with this Contract, the applicable Group Master Policy, and the applicable Certificate of Coverage.
- c. The Contractor shall accept confirmation from the State of the in-force status of each Member's basic term life/basic AD&D and/or voluntary AD&D coverage and the eligibility of each claimant as claims are submitted, on the basis of information maintained electronically in the State's computer system ("Edison"). The Contractor shall accept and maintain enrollment records in its computer system for the voluntary term life insurance program and utilize this information for claims processing. The Contractor shall process said claims in a timely and accurate manner.
- d. For the basic term life/basic AD&D and voluntary AD&D programs, the Contractor shall accept from the State, as accurate and complete confirmation of eligibility as a beneficiary, a

printed statement listing the beneficiary(ies) of record at time of death as maintained electronically in the State's Edison system. The Contractor shall maintain beneficiary information in its computer system for the voluntary term life insurance program and utilize this information for claims processing. The contractor shall also accept hand signed beneficiary statements from the State.

- The Contractor shall provide customary corporate office services and functions including but not limited to actuarial services, underwriting, claims payment, administration and accounting.
- f. The Contractor shall provide assistance with regard to questions as raised by the State, individual employees, former employees and/or survivors.
- g. The Contractor shall provide assistance and information with regard to applicable Federal and State laws, court holdings and regulations affecting group insurance, and other Program related matters as needed.
- h. The Contractor shall accept all current policy holders' coverage transferred from the prior contracts (including ported members in the voluntary term life insurance program), without any break or lapse in coverage. Coverages held by current members shall be at the rates indicated in Section C.3 of this contract.
- i. The Contractor shall provide for conversion of the Basic Term Life insurance coverage by former Members through the conversion provisions of the Group Master Policy and/or Certificate of Coverage and payment of premium directly to the Contractor through individual whole life policies or individual term life policies. This conversion option shall at a minimum be offered to:
 - Employees and their dependents upon the employee's termination of employment
 - Employees and their dependents upon retirement of the employee
 - Enrolled spouses who lose dependent eligibility due to a divorce
 - Enrolled dependent children who lose eligibility due to age
 - Employees who lose basic term life insurance face value coverage upon transition from the Traditional Program to the Contemporary Program as described in Contract Attachment D. (Conversion shall be offered for the amount of face value lost due to the transition.)
 - Enrolled dependents who lose coverage upon transition from the Traditional Program to the Contemporary Program as described in Contract Attachment D
 - Employees who lose basic term life insurance face value coverage due to reaching a specific age or have a reduction in salary. (Conversion shall be offered for the amount of face value lost.)

Members are to be notified by the Contractor of their options through written correspondence. Such notification shall be the responsibility of the Contractor and shall be mailed to the member's home address within fifteen (15) days of receipt of notice from the State of such terminations or loss of coverage as stated above.

- j. The Contractor shall provide a full range of actuarial services related to the insurance provided through this Contract. Such services shall be certified by a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries or a member of the American Academy of Actuaries.
- k. The Contractor shall provide all necessary forms, including but not limited to, submission and processing of claims, waiver of premium requests, and advanced payment of life insurance benefits unless otherwise directed by the State.
- The Contractor shall furnish information to each claimant regarding the payment or rejection of claims.
- m. The Contractor shall assess applications for the advanced payment of life insurance benefits as provided in the Group Master Policy and/or Certificate of Coverage and Contract

Attachment D. Any payment shall be considered an incurred claim for the purpose of determining payments by the State to the Contractor for the basic term life insurance program.

- n. The Contractor shall maintain through the basic term life insurance/basic AD&D program the coverage to State of Tennessee active employees also enrolled in the closed Permaplan insurance product. The coverage under this contract is consistent with the policies and benefits of other eligible active state employees, except that the face amount of coverage for this group of individuals is not subject to reduction at age 70 or any subsequent age. There is no additional cost to these employees who are not subject to the reduction at age 70 or beyond in face amount of basic term life/basic AD&D coverage by virtue of age.
- o. The Contractor shall process statements of health for delayed or revised enrollment applications for the voluntary term life insurance program.
- p. The Contractor shall provide for continuation of the Voluntary Term Life insurance coverage by former employees through the portability provisions of the Group Master Policy and payment of premium directly to the Contractor or through individual life policies. An active member may port a maximum of one-half (1/2) of his or her benefit coverage up to one-half (1/2) the Plan Maximum as shown in Contract Attachment D, but no less than \$5,000. Premium for portability continuation of the group voluntary term life certificate shall be as stated in Contract Section C.3 whereby it is shown that the premium rates for the ported option shall not exceed the premium rates for the active coverage by more than twenty-percent (20%) the same as those for employees. Employees who terminate their employment are to be notified by the Contractor of their options through written correspondence. Such notification shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

A.2. Staffing

- a. The Contractor shall provide and maintain qualified personnel and staffing to provide the deliverables and services in accordance with this Contract.
- b. The Contractor shall ensure that all staff, including the Contractor's employees, independent contractors, consultants, and subcontractors, performing services under this contract, has the experience and qualifications to perform the applicable services. The State may also direct the Contractor to replace staff members providing core services and/or interacting regularly with the State as it deems necessary and appropriate. The decision of the State on these matters shall not be subject to appeal.
- c. The Contractor shall designate an Account Manager and a back-up with overall responsibility for the State Program for the duration of the Contract. The Account Manager shall serve as the single point of contact for the State and have overall responsibility for the Contractor's functions under the Contract. The Account Manager shall have the authority to make decisions and resolve problems on behalf of the Contractor with the State.
- d. In addition to the Account Manager, the Contractor shall designate a Customer Service Manager, who shall manage the Call Center operations and staff for the duration of the Contract.
- e. The Contractor shall also designate an Information Systems Project Coordinator who shall be responsible for implementation of the systems requirements necessary to administer the Program and interface with the State.
- f. All key Contractor project staff shall attend a project kick-off meeting at the State of Tennessee offices in Nashville, TN within the first thirty (30) days after the Contract Award Date or on a date established by the State.

- g. The Contractor shall train its representatives/operators and other staff regarding the provisions of the State's Program. The Contractor's staff shall successfully complete the training program prior to assuming their duties. The Contractor shall conduct regular staff refresher training to address current Program benefits, process, and policy.
- h. For work under this Contract, the Contractor shall employ no employees or contract with subcontractors that are on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Inspector General (OIG) exclusions list unless the Contractor receives prior, written approval from the State.
- i. The Contractor agrees that, prior to the execution of the Contract, it will provide the State with a list of the subcontractors that will be utilized in connection with this Contract and will provide reasonable advance notice of any additional subcontractors that may be used. The State may approve or disapprove the Contractor's Subcontractors or its staff assigned to this Contract if the State is not satisfied with the service delivered by the subcontractor or its staff. Should the State disapprove of any particular subcontractor, the Contractor will work with the State in good faith to procure a reasonable alternative subcontractor.
- j. Key personnel commitments made by the Contractor shall not be changed unless prior approval is received from the State. For these purposes, such commitments shall include any named individuals in the proposal and the levels of effort proposed. The Contractor shall notify the State at least fifteen (15) days in advance of proposed changes and shall submit justification (including proposed substitutions) in sufficient detail to the State to evaluate the impact upon the Contract.
- k. The Contractor shall survey State staff named by the State annually to determine the State's satisfaction with the Account Team and report the results of the survey to the State (see Contract Attachment C Reporting Requirements # 5).

A.3. Call Center

a. The Contractor shall maintain a Call Center and provide a dedicated toll-free line, by the date specified in A.13.e.10.,for the exclusive purpose of responding to Member inquiries. The Contractor shall provide advice and assistance to Members regarding issues such as, but not limited to, Program benefits, frequency limitations met, and claims status.

b. Call Center Requirements

- (1) The Contractor shall operate a Call Center that uses a designated toll–free number as the "front-end" entry point for callers. The Contractor's Call Center shall have designated representatives/operators to respond to inquiries from Members.
- (2) The Contractor's call center and staff shall be located in the continental United States.
- (3) The Contractor's Call Center shall accept calls, at a minimum, from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Central Time (CT), Monday through Friday.

c. Call Center Processes

- (1) The Contractor's call center shall maintain a monthly average rate of thirty (30) seconds or less for the Average Speed of Answer (ASA)
- (2) The Contractor's call center shall maintain a monthly average rate of ninety percent (90%) for First Call Resolution.
- d. The Contractor shall provide statistics related to the call center performance standards above to the State on a weekly basis during the period from the date the call center begins accepting calls for this Program as identified in Contract Section A.13.e.10. through sixty (60)

days after the go-live date. After sixty (60) days from the go-live date, the call center statistics report shall be submitted to the State only on a monthly basis. (See Contract Attachment C – Reporting Requirements # 4.)

- e. The Contractor's call center shall have call management systems and communications infrastructure that can manage the potential call volume and achieve the performance standards described in this Contract.
- f. The Contractor's call management systems shall be scalable and flexible so they can be adapted as needed, within negotiated timeframes where applicable, in response to Program, benefit, or enrollment changes.
- g. The Contractor's call management systems shall be equipped with caller identification. In addition, the Contractor's call center shall adopt caller identification for itself.
- h. The Contractor's call management system shall record and index all calls such that the Contractor can easily retrieve recordings of individual calls based on the phone number of the caller, the caller's name, the date/time of the call and the staff member who handled the call. The Contractor shall be able to provide a full recording of each call upon the State's request. The Contractor shall archive the recordings for one year from the date of each call.
- i. The Contractor may use an automated interactive voice response (IVR) system for managing inbound calls, provided that the caller always has the ability to leave the IVR system and wait in the queue in order to speak directly with a live-voice call center staff member rather than continuing through additional prompts.
- The Contractor shall have the ability to make outbound calls without interrupting the ability of callers to continue to access the call center.
- k. The call management system shall enable the logging of all calls, including:
 - (1) The caller's identifying information (e.g., Edison employee ID);
 - (2) The call date and time;
 - (3) The reason for the call;
 - (4) The member services representative that handled the call;
 - (5) The length of call; and
 - (6) The resolution of the call and if unresolved, the action taken and follow up steps required.
- I. The call management system shall maintain a history of correspondence and call transactions for performance management, quality management and audit purposes. This history shall contain the actual information, a date/time stamp that corresponds to when the transaction took place, the origin of the transaction (e.g., the State and /or one of its authorized representatives or the Member), and the member services representative that processed the transaction. Related correspondence and calls shall be indexed and properly recorded such that they can be treated in reporting and analysis as part of a distinct transaction.
- m. Call Center Systems Access: The Contractor's call center staff shall have access to claims management and other systems as necessary to respond to inquiries from Members.

A.4. <u>Member Communications/Materials</u>

- a. The Contractor shall, in consultation with and following written approval by the State, develop and disseminate Member information and communication materials (hereinafter referred to as Member materials). Contractor shall ensure that Member material meets any regulatory compliance, if applicable. Member materials shall include, but are not limited to, Member handbooks, administrative forms, letters, manuals, brochures, fliers, webinars and online videos.
- b. Member materials for go-live shall be finalized (including State review and sign-off) and ready for distribution on a date established by the State in contract section A.13.e.
- c. In addition to the Member materials referenced above, the Contractor shall provide and disseminate, if requested by the State, general information regarding the Program. This may include but not be limited to:
 - (1) Written information;
 - (2) Audio/video presentations;
 - (3) Attendance at meetings, workshops, and conferences;
 - (4) Preparing materials and participating in educational training for human resources professionals and members; and
 - (5) Educating State staff and other persons on Contractor's administrative and benefits procedures.
- d. Unless otherwise specified in this Contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for all costs related to the design, development, printing, distribution, mailing (if applicable), and revision of all Member materials that are required to be produced under the terms of this Contract.
- e. If the State requires mailings above those identified in the contract, the State shall pay the postage, printing and production costs of such mailings pursuant to Contract Sections. C.3.d.
- f. Unless otherwise directed by the State, the Contractor shall obtain approval in writing from the State prior to printing, using or distributing any Member materials under this contract.
- g. The Contractor shall work in conjunction with the State's staff to ensure continuity of branding across all Program and Member materials, mailings, website, and any other communications information. This branding shall include, but is not limited to, use of the ParTNers for Health logo, color scheme and applicable taglines. All uses of these branding elements shall be subject to prior written approval by the State.
- h. The Contractor shall have the exclusive responsibility to write, edit, and arrange for clearance of materials (such as securing full time use of a stock photograph for perpetuity) for any and all member materials in time for the materials to be approved by the State and printed.
- i. The Contractor shall ensure that its member materials are culturally sensitive and professional in content, appearance, and design.
- j. The Contractor shall prominently display the Contractor's call center telephone number and website address in large, bolded typeface on all Member materials, unless otherwise approved by the State.
- k. The Contractor shall, to the extent practicable, use relatively large and legible fonts in its Member materials. Additionally, the Contractor shall make maximum use of graphics to communicate key messages to populations with limited literacy, limited insurance plan literacy or limited English proficiency.
- I. Unless otherwise prior approved in writing by the State, the Contractor shall design all member materials at the sixth (6.0) grade level or lower using the Flesch-Kincaid Index or other suitable metric that the State prior approves in writing. The Contractor shall evaluate materials using the entire text of the materials (except return addresses). When submitting

- draft materials to the State for approval, the Contractor shall provide a reading level analysis and certification of the reading level of each piece of material.
- m. The Contractor covenants that all materials distributed to Members and prepared or produced by the Contractor shall be accurate in all material respects.
- n. The Contractor shall ensure that up-to-date versions of all printed Member materials can be downloaded from its website/portal and/or splash page.
- The number of Member handbooks and other relevant information to be printed shall be in sufficient quantities for distribution by the Contractor to the State's Subscribers, plus a quantity of handbooks and brochures as requested by the State for distribution to potential new Members.
- p. At the State's request, the Contractor shall attend meetings, workshops, and conferences to discuss and market the Program. Any on-site visits to agencies covered under this Program shall require prior approval by the State.
- q. Prohibition on Promotional Materials: Unless approved in advance and in writing by the State, the Contractor shall not distribute any promotional materials or gifts to employees or Program Members, even if such gifts are of a deminimus value (e.g., magnets, pens, etc.).
- r. The Contractor shall not publish or distribute terms and conditions binding on plan members using Contractor's services under this Contract unless these terms and conditions are approved by the State in writing. This includes terms and conditions on a website that plan members must click on to accept as a condition of using the Contractor's website for services or information relating to this Contract.

A.5. Member Handbook

- a. The Contractor, following review and approval by the State, shall write, update, print and distribute, upon the State's request, Member handbooks and shall maintain on the State's splash page (Contract Section A.6.) an up-to-date version of the Member handbook.
- b. The Member handbook shall be specific to the Program and shall detail benefits and provide other information helpful to Members.
- c. The Contractor shall distribute the Member handbook with a cover letter, if requested by the State, to every Subscriber no later than the date specified in Contract section A.13.e.13. and thereafter if requested by the State.
- d. During the benefit year, the Contractor shall mail handbooks to new Subscribers, if requested by the State, no later than ten (10) days from receipt of new enrollment and State's delivery of the new Subscriber's address or email to Contractor. With the State's approval, electronic means may be utilized to provide the Member handbook. The Contractor shall mail a hard copy of the Member handbook to a Member who requests a printed version of the handbook.
- e. Upon the State's request, the Contractor shall provide Member handbooks to specified parties, e.g., Agency Benefits Coordinators, within fifteen (15) days of the State's request to provide copies.
- f. The Contractor shall provide an electronic copy of the Member handbook to the State for posting on the State's website.

A.6. Website

a. The Contractor shall maintain a "splash" page (defined A.15.hh.) dedicated to and customized for this Contract containing general Program information, specific to the State

program membership, which does not require a Member to login. The design of the splash page; inclusive of the site map, page layout, color/font scheme and branding, static content and any documents which can be accessed via, or downloaded from the splash page; must be prior approved in writing by the State. Additionally, the Contractor shall obtain prior written approval from the State for any links from the site to an external website/portal or webpage.

- b. The Contractor shall link to Benefits Administration's (a division of the Department of Finance and Administration responsible for benefits management) websites, other State contracted vendor websites, microsites, content or other web or mobile device enabled video/multimedia tools or apps as determined by the State that are useful or applicable for members (Stateapproved tools from other approved vendors).
- c. Contractor's own website shall have a member log-in portal so members can apply or make changes for voluntary term life insurance coverage, view member-specific documents including but not limited to claims information, plan documents and other material pertaining to benefits.
- d. The splash page shall be fully operational on or before the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.14.
- e. Unless otherwise approved by the State, the Contractor shall update content and/or documents posted to the splash page within five (5) business days of the State's approval of changes to said content and/or documents.
- f. The Contractor shall provide all information pertinent to each new Plan year on the splash page by the date specified by the State.
- g. The Contractor shall grant the State access to the customized development splash page for review and approval no later than the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.15.
- h. The Contractor shall host the splash page on a non-governmental server, which shall be located within the United States.
- i. The Contractor shall ensure that the splash page meets all of the capacity, availability, performance and security requirements outlined in Contract Sections A.8. and A.9.
- j. To ensure accessibility among persons with a disability, the Contractor's splash page shall substantially comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC Section 794d) and implementing regulations at 36 CFR 1194 Parts A-D.
- k. At a minimum the splash page shall contain a home page with general information and links to additional information including, but not limited to, benefits, frequently asked questions (FAQs), the Member handbook, certificates of coverage, forms, and other information as requested by the State.

A.7. Administrative Services

- a. The Contractor, upon request by the State, shall review and comment on benefits provisions in the Program. When so requested, the Contractor shall comment in regard to:
 - (1) industry practices; and/or
 - (2) the general financial impact to premium rates and claims expense if future changes were made to the benefits of the Program.
- b. The Contractor shall provide assistance and information to the State regarding applicable existing and proposed Federal and State laws, court holdings and regulations affecting the Program, and other Program related matters as needed.

- c. The Contractor shall provide assistance with questions raised by the State, individual employees/retirees, former Members and others identified by the State.
- d. Unless otherwise directed by the State, the Contractor shall refer calls regarding eligibility and premium payment issues to the State.
- e. The Contractor shall respond to all inquiries in writing from the State within three (3) business days after receipt of said inquiry. In cases where additional information to answer the State's inquiry is required, the Contractor shall notify the State within two (2) business days as to when the response can be furnished to the State. For matters designated as urgent by the State, the Contractor shall provide a response to the State within four (4) hours during normal business hours. During non-business hours, the Contractor shall provide a response to urgent matters to the State within twenty-four (24) hours. Staff members, from the applicable business unit, with final decision making authority shall provide responses. Said responses may be communicated through the Account Manager.
- f. The Contractor shall answer, in writing, within five (5) business days, all written inquiries from Members concerning the status of claims submitted, all benefits available through the benefit option, its clarifications and revisions, and other relevant information.
- g. The Contractor shall establish a formal grievance procedure for Members and providers to appeal decisions in regard to administration of the Program and to resolve disputes that may arise in the administration of the Program. The Contractor shall provide the State with a written copy of this grievance procedure by the date specified on contract section A.13.e.16. and the State reserves the right to require changes in the procedures when appropriate.
- h. To maintain the privacy of personal information, the Contractor shall enable Transport Layer Security (TLS), or other encryption software as directed by the State, on the mail server used for daily communications between the State and the Contractor. TLS, or other protocols that provide data encryption, shall be enabled no later than the go-live date as listed in contract section A.13.e.17. and shall remain in effect throughout the term of the contract unless otherwise directed by the State.
- i. The Contractor shall meet with representatives of the State periodically, but no less than annually, to discuss programmatic, operational and contractual issues related to the Program. The Contractor shall have in attendance the staff requested by the State, which shall include the Account Manager and representatives from the Contractor's organizational units required to respond to topics indicated by the agenda. These meetings will take place at the State of Tennessee offices in Nashville, TN. Quarterly meetings between the Contractor and the State may also be held upon request by either the Contractor or the State. However, at its discretion, the State may allow the Contractor to participate in quarterly meetings by teleconference.
- j. The Contractor shall perform, following review and approval by the State, annual customer satisfaction surveys. The survey instrument shall be developed and approved by the State by the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.19. and annually thereafter. The survey shall be conducted at a time mutually agreed upon by the State and the Contractor and shall involve a statistically valid random sample of State members. The Contractor shall guarantee a statistically valid response rate consistent with the sample size. Based upon the results of the survey, the Contractor and the State shall jointly develop an action plan to correct problems or deficiencies identified through this activity.
- k. The Contractor shall not modify the services or benefits provided to Members during the term of this Contract without the prior written consent of the State.
- I. The Contractor shall refer all media and legislative inquiries concerning the Program to the State's Division of Benefits Administration, which will have the sole and exclusive

responsibility to respond to all such inquiries. However, the Contractor shall respond directly to audit requests from the Comptroller, to audit requests from divisions within the Department of Finance & Administration, and to subpoenas; in all such instances, the Contractor shall copy the State's Division of Benefits Administration on all correspondence.

- m. Unless prior approved in writing by the State and in compliance with State and Federal law, the Contractor shall not use information gained through this Contract, including but not limited to utilization and pricing information, in marketing or expanding non-State business relationships or for any pecuniary gain.
- n. The Contractor shall ensure that the U. S. Postal Service or other mailing service does not return any undeliverable mail to the State.

A.8. Information Systems

- a. The Contractor shall save in its computer system the State's Edison employee identification number for Members and shall include the Edison identification number when communicating with the State about a particular Member.
- b. The Contractor shall for reporting purposes capture in its system the Member's agency of employment as identified in the State's Eligibility File.
- c. All Contractor systems shall maintain linkages between initial and related subsequent interactions/transactions/events/activities. Additionally, when the Contractor houses indexed images of documents used by Members and subcontractors to transact with the Contractor, the Contractor shall ensure that these documents maintain logical relationships to certain key data such as Member identification and subcontractor identification numbers. The Contractor shall also ensure that records associated with a common event, transaction or customer service issue have a common index that facilitates search, retrieval and analysis of related activities, e.g., interactions with a particular Member about the same matter/problem/issue.
- d. Upon the State's request, the Contractor shall be able to generate a listing of all Members (including each Member's Edison identification number) that were sent a particular document, the date and time that the document was generated, and the date and time that it was sent to particular Members or groups thereof. The Contractor shall also be able to generate a sample of said document.
- e. Retention and Accessibility of Information
 - (1) The Contractor shall provide and maintain a comprehensive information retention plan that is in compliance with applicable State and Federal requirements, including but not limited to 508 compliance (See Section A.15.o).
 - (2) The Contractor shall maintain information on-line for a minimum of one (1) year, based on the last date of update activity, and update detailed and summary history data for up to two (2) years to reflect adjustments.
 - (3) The Contractor shall provide within three (3) business days turnaround or better on requests for access to information. Such requests for information shall be made by the State or its authorized designee.
 - (4) If an audit or administrative, civil or criminal investigation or prosecution is in progress or audit findings or administrative, civil or criminal investigations or prosecutions are unresolved, information shall be kept in electronic form until all tasks or proceedings are complete.
- f. Information Ownership. All information, whether data or documents, and reports that contain or make references to said information, involving or arising out of this Contract is owned by

- the State. The Contractor is expressly prohibited from sharing or publishing State information and reports or releasing such information to external entities, affiliates, parent company, or subsidiaries without the prior written consent of the State.
- g. Upon termination of this Contract or request by the State, the Contractor shall provide to the State or its designated agent, pertinent data identified by the State for Members to effect a transition of the Program from the Contractor. The information shall be furnished in a format and medium as is compatible with the data processing system maintained by the State or its designated agent. Additionally, the Contractor shall provide all information necessary to properly interpret the data supplied. To ensure the continuous operation of the Program and upon 30 days' notice, this information shall be provided to the State or its designated agent at least 45 days prior to the termination date of this Contract; further, the State may require the Contractor to provide this information at various other times prior to or after the termination date of this Contract. Upon termination of the Contract, all Confidential Information in the Contractor's possession shall be returned to the State or destroyed in accordance with NIST Special Publication 800-88.
- h. System Availability, Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery (BC-DR)
 - (1) The Contractor shall ensure that critical Member and other web-accessible and/or telephone-based functionality and information, including the website described in Contract Section A.6. (to be agreed to in writing by the State and the Contractor), are available to the applicable System users twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, except during periods of scheduled system unavailability agreed upon in writing by the State and the Contractor. Unavailability caused by events outside of the Contractor's span of control is outside of the scope of this requirement. Notification of any scheduled maintenance shall be posted on the member website/portal. The Contractor shall make efforts to minimize any down-time between 5:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. Central Time.
 - (2) The Contractor shall ensure that the systems within its span of control that support its data exchanges with the State are available and operational according to the specifications and schedule associated with each exchange.
 - (3) Regardless of the architecture of its systems, the Contractor shall develop and be continually ready to invoke a business continuity and disaster recovery (BC-DR) plan. The BC-DR plan shall encompass all information systems supporting this Contract. At a minimum the Contractor's BC-DR plan shall address the following scenarios:
 - Central and/or satellite data processing, telecommunications, print and mailing facilities and functions therein, hardware and software are destroyed or damaged;
 - System interruption or failure resulting from network, operating hardware, software, communications infrastructure or operational errors that compromise the integrity of transactions that are active in a live system at the time of the outage;
 - iii. System interruption or failure resulting from network, operating hardware, software, communications infrastructure or operational errors that compromise the integrity of data maintained in a live or archival system; and
 - iv. System interruption or failure resulting from network, operating hardware, software, communications infrastructure or operational errors that does

not compromise the integrity of transactions or data maintained in a live or archival system but does prevent access to the system.

- (4) The Contractor shall provide the State a written summary of its BC-DR plan and latest test results by the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.20. The Contractor shall provide the State a copy of its BC-DR plan within ten (10) business days of the Contractor's revision of the plan.
- (5) The Contractor shall periodically, but no less than annually, test its BC-DR plan through simulated disasters and lower level failures in order to demonstrate to the State that it can restore system functions. The Contractor shall submit a written summary of its annual BC-DR test results to the State.
- (6) In the event that the Contractor fails to demonstrate in the tests of its BC-DR plan that it can restore system functions per the standards outlined in this Contract, the Contractor shall submit to the State a summary of its BC-DR corrective action plan that describes how the failure will be resolved. If the summary results show failure or that remedial action is necessary, the Contractor shall also provide a timeline of how long exposure is and when remediation will be implemented.
- (7) In the event of a declared major failure or disaster, as defined in the Contractor's BC-DR plan, the Contractor's critical functionality as discussed in Contract Section A.8. shall be restored within seventy-two (72) hours of the failure's or disaster's occurrence.
- (8) The Contractor shall maintain a duplicate set of all records relating to this Program in electronic medium, usable by the State and the Contractor for the purpose of disaster recovery or data restoration. A duplicate set of records shall be created every 24-hours of business processing. Prior versions of duplicate records may be destroyed when the Contractor has tested and verified that a replacement duplicate set of records is valid and usable for this purpose.
- i. Prior to implementing any major modifications to, or replacement of, the Contractor's core information systems functionality and/or associated operating environment, the Contractor shall notify the State in writing of the change or modification within a reasonable amount of time (commensurate with the nature and effect of the change or modification) if the change or modification; (a) would affect the Contractor's ability to perform one or more of its obligations under this Contract; (b) would be visible to State system users and Members; (c) might have the effect of putting the Contractor in noncompliance with the provisions or substantive intent of this Contract; or (d) would materially reduce the coverage amounts payable or services provided to the average member. If so directed by the State, the Contractor shall discuss the proposed change with the State prior to implementing the change. Subsequent to this discussion, the State may require the Contractor to demonstrate the readiness of the impacted systems prior to the effective date of the actual modification or replacement.
- j. System and Information Security and Access Management Requirements
 - (1) The Contractor shall make system information available to duly authorized representatives of the State and other State and Federal agencies to evaluate, through inspections or other means, the quality, appropriateness and timeliness of services performed.
 - (2) The Contractor's systems shall contain controls to maintain information integrity. These controls shall be in place at all appropriate points of processing. The controls shall be tested in periodic and spot audits following a methodology to be mutually agreed upon by the Contractor and the State.

- (3) Audit trails shall be incorporated into all systems to allow information on source data files and documents to be traced through the processing stages to the point where the information is finally recorded.
- (4) The Contractor shall provide for the physical safeguarding of its data processing facilities and the systems and information housed therein. The Contractor shall provide the State or a third party who performs assessment work for the State with access to data facilities upon request. The physical security provisions shall be in effect for the life of this Contract. All data must be stored in the United States.
- (5) Unless the State prior-approves in writing the Contractor's use of alternate mitigating controls, the Contractor shall use Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-2 complaint technologies to encrypt all member specific information in motion or rest, including back-up media.
- k. The Contractor shall provide the State a written copy of its most current FedRamp, ISO 27000 or SOC2 Type 2 report at least one (1) month prior to the go-live date as shown in Contract Section A.13.e.27. The Contractor shall provide the State a copy of its FedRamp, ISO 27000 or SOC2 Type 2 report on an annual basis beginning with the second year of the contract term. (See Contract Attachment C.8.) The Contractor shall also provide a copy of the SOC2 Type 2 report at least one (1) month prior to the go-live date (see Contract Section A.13.e.27.) and on an annual basis for any subcontractor processing claims that represent more than twenty percent (20%) of Member claims.

A.9. Data Integration and Technical Requirements

- The Contractor shall maintain an electronic data interface with the State's Enterprise Resource Planning application for the purpose of retrieving and processing eligibility and payroll records and any other files which may be identified and generated by the State. The Contractor shall be responsible for providing and installing the necessary hardware and software to maintain this interface. The State requires the use by the Contractor of second level authentication for the exchange of member personal information. This is accomplished using the State's standard software product, which supports Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). The Contractor shall design a solution, in coordination with the State, to connect to the State's Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) server using a combination of the password and the authentication certificate. The initial sign-on and transmission testing will use a password. Certificate testing may also be performed during the test cycle. Subsequent production sign-on will be done using the authentication certificate. The Contractor will then download the file and decrypt the file in its secure environment. The State of Tennessee uses public key encryption with Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) to encrypt PHI. If the State adopts a different or additional encryption standard or tool in the future, the Contractor shall, with adequate notice, cooperate with the State to maintain the security of protected information according to all applicable State and Federal standards.
 - (1) Weekly Eligibility Update: To ensure that the State's eligibility and enrollment records remain accurate and complete, the Contractor shall, unless otherwise directed by the State, retrieve, via secure medium weekly eligibility files from the State, in the State's Edison format, which may be revised- files will include full population records for all eligible employees, including recent terminations.
 - (2) Monthly Premiums Due Update: To ensure that the State deducts from members paychecks issued by the State through its Edison Payroll System a current amount due for voluntary term life premium payment, the Contractor shall, unless otherwise directed by the State, submit on or before the 5th calendar day of each month, via secure medium monthly premium due update files for the State, in the State's Edison format, which may be revised- files will include new or changed records for members on payroll deduction.

- (3) Monthly Premiums Collected Update: To ensure that the Contractor's premiums collected records remain accurate and complete, the Contractor shall, unless otherwise directed by the State, retrieve, via secure medium monthly voluntary term life premiums collected via payroll files from the State, in the State's Edison format, which may be revised- files will include full population records for all employees for whom a premium amount was deducted via the State's Edison Payroll System. Members set-up on payroll deduction for which no deduction was taken will not appear in the file.
- (4) The Contractor and/or its subcontractors, as applicable, shall electronically process one hundred percent (100%) of electronically transmitted eligibility records within three (3) business days of receipt of the Weekly Eligibility Update file.
- (5) The Contractor and/or its subcontractors, as applicable, shall electronically process one hundred percent (100%) of electronically transmitted monthly premiums collected records within three (3) business days of receipt of the Monthly Premiums Collected Update file.
- (6) The Contractor and/or its subcontractors, as applicable, shall resolve all discrepancies identified by the processing of the eligibility file within five (5) business days of receipt of the file from the State. The State and the Contractor shall work to develop a process for responding to invalid or non-processed records.
- (7) State Enrollment/Elig Data Match: Upon request by the State, not to exceed four (4) times annually, the Contractor shall submit to the State, in a secure manner, its full file of State Members in the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program, by which the State may conduct a data match against the State's Edison eligibility database. The purpose of this data match will be to determine the extent to which the Contractor is maintaining its database of State members. The State will communicate results of this match to the Contractor, including any Contractor requirements, and associated timeframes, for resolving the discrepancies identified by the data match.
- b. The Contractor will accept an email from the State requesting an add, change, or termination of eligibility information in an urgent situation prior to the information being included in the State's Edison eligibility file.
- c. Prior to the go-live date, the Contractor shall complete testing of the transmission, receipt, and loading of the eligibility file from the State as specified in Contract Section A.13.e.21. The Contractor shall certify, in writing, to the State that the Contractor understands and can fully accept and utilize the eligibility files as provided by the State as specified in Contract Section A.13.e.21.
- d. Prior to the go-live date, the Contractor shall load, test, verify, and make available online for use the State's eligibility information by the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.22.
- e. The Contractor shall maintain, in its systems, in-force enrollment records of all individuals covered by the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program.
- f. The Contractor shall reconcile, within ten (10) business days of receipt, payment information provided by the State. Upon identification of any discrepancies, the Contractor shall immediately advise the State.
- g. The Contractor's systems shall conform to any future federal and state specific standards for data exchange by the standard's effective date.

- h. The Contractor shall partner with the State and member agencies in the management of current and future data exchange formats and methods and in the development and implementation planning of future data exchange methods not specific to HIPAA or other federal effort.
- i. The Contractor's system(s) shall possess mailing address standardization functionality in accordance with U.S. Postal Service conventions.

A.10. Privacy & Confidentiality

The following privacy and confidentiality standards apply to all forms of assistance that the Contractor provides.

- a. The Contractor shall develop, adopt, and implement standards to safeguard the privacy and confidentiality of all personal information about eligible employees and Members. For example, the Contractor shall ensure that it does not have completed forms containing personal information sitting in public view, left in unsecured boxes or files, or left unattended in any off-site location (e.g., in an automobile). The Contractor's procedures shall include but not be limited to safeguarding the identity of Members as Members of the Program and preventing the unauthorized disclosure of personal information. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws concerning the privacy and confidentiality of Members' information, and shall implement any regulations when they become effective.
- b. In the absence of exigent circumstances, the Contractor shall not disclose any Member's personal information to another business associate for pecuniary gain unless the State specifically prior authorizes such disclosure in writing or the Member specifically prior authorizes such disclosures in writing.
- c. The Contractor shall use appropriate safeguards to prevent the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Members' personal information. The Contractor shall report to the State any unauthorized use or disclosure of the Members' personal information within twenty-four (24) hours of any incident of which it becomes aware.
- d. The Contractor shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to the Contractor of a use or disclosure of Members' personal information by the Contractor in violation of the requirements of this contract or federal or state laws.
- e. The Contractor shall (i) implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the electronic personal information of Members that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits, (ii) report to the State any security incident of which the Contractor becomes aware, and (iii) ensure that any agent of the Contractor, including any subcontractor, agrees to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to the Contractor with respect to such information.
- f. The Contractor shall not sell Member information. The Contractor shall not use Member information for purposes other than those permitted by this Contract unless it is aggregated blinded data, which is not identifiable on a Member basis.
- g. The Contractor shall not use Member identified or non-aggregated information for advertising, marketing, promotion or any activity intended to influence sales or market share of any product or service except when permitted by the State, such as advertisements of the Program for enrollment purposes.
- h. The Contractor shall have full financial responsibility for any penalties, fines, or other payments imposed or required as a result of the Contractor's non-compliance with, or violation of, federal or state requirements, and the Contractor shall indemnify the State with respect to any such penalties, fines, or payments.

- i. The Contractor shall assure that all Contractor staff is trained in all privacy requirements, as applicable.
- j. At the request of the State, the Contractor shall offer credit protection for those times in which a Member's personal information is accidentally or inappropriately disclosed.

A.11. Audits and Quality Assurance

- a. The Contractor shall cooperate fully with audits the State may conduct related to any aspect of the Program the State deems appropriate (at the Contractor's expense). The State may select any qualified persons or organization to conduct the audits. To the extent allowed by applicable law, the State agrees that persons or organizations conducting audits of the Contractor shall be prohibited from disclosing confidential patient records or proprietary or confidential information reasonably designated as such by the Contractor.
- b. The Contractor shall maintain an internal quality assurance plan. The Contractor shall provide by the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.24. a summary of the internal quality assurance plan indicating areas addressed, established criteria and standards and those methods employed to evaluate results.
- c. The Contractor shall submit to the State by the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.24. a summary of its methodology for conducting internal claims and operational audits, including audits to determine claims payment and processing accuracy and claims payment turnaround. The Contractor shall notify the State in writing at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of any significant changes to its methodology. The State reserves the authority to review the change and require changes, where appropriate.
- d. Security Audit. The State may conduct audits of Contractor's compliance with the State's Enterprise Information Security Policy ("The Policy") or under this Contract, including those obligations imposed by Federal or State law, regulation or policy. The Policy, as may be periodically revised and will be provided to the Contractor by the State. The State's right to conduct security audits is independent of any other audit or monitoring required by this Contract. The timing and frequency of such audits shall be at the State's discretion and may, but not necessarily shall, be in response to a security incident.

A security audit may include the following: (i) review of access logs, screen shots and other paper or electronic documentation relating to Contractor's compliance with the Policy. This may include review of documentation relevant to subcontractors or suppliers of security equipment and services used with respect to State data; (ii) physical inspection of controls such as door locks, file storage, communications systems, and employee identification procedures; and (iii) interviews of responsible technical and management personnel regarding security procedures.

Contractor shall provide reports or additional information upon request of the state and access by the State or the State's designated staff to Contractor's facilities and/or any location involved with providing services to the State or involved with processing or storing State data, and Contractor shall cooperate with State staff and audit requests submitted under this Section. Any confidential information of either party accessed or disclosed during the course of the security audit shall be treated as set forth under this Contract or federal or state law or regulations. Each party shall bear its own expenses incurred in the course of conducting this security audit. Contractor shall at its own expense promptly rectify any non-compliance with the Policy or other requirements identified by this security audit and provide proof to the State thereof.

A.12. Reporting

a. As required by this Contract, the Contractor shall submit reports to the State. Reports shall be submitted electronically, in the format specified by the State (e.g. Excel instead of PDF), and

shall be of the type and at the frequency indicated in Contract Attachment C. The State reserves the right to modify reporting requirements as deemed necessary to monitor the Program. The State will provide the Contractor with at least ninety (90) days' notice prior to implementation of a report modification.

- b. Unless prior approved in writing by the State, each report required in Contract Attachment C shall be specific to the Program (not the Contractor's book of business).
- c. The Contractor shall ensure that reports submitted by the Contractor to the State shall meet the following standards:
 - (1) The Contractor shall verify the accuracy and completeness of data and other information in reports submitted.
 - (2) The Contractor shall ensure delivery of reports or other required data on or before scheduled due dates.
 - (3) Reports or other required data shall conform to the State's defined written standards.
 - (4) All required information shall be fully disclosed in a manner that is responsive and with no material omission.
 - (5) Each report shall be accompanied by a brief narrative that describes the content of the report and highlights salient findings of the report.
 - (6) As applicable, the Contractor shall analyze the reports for any early patterns of change, identified trend, or outliers and shall submit a written summary with the report including such analysis and interpretation of findings. At a minimum, such analysis shall include the identification of change(s), the potential reasons for change(s), and the proposed action(s).
 - (7) The Contractor shall notify the State regarding any significant changes in its ability to collect information relative to required data or reports.
 - (8) The submission of late, inaccurate or otherwise incomplete reports shall be considered failure to report within the specified timeframe (see Contract Attachment B.7.).
 - (9) State requirements regarding reports, report content and frequency of submission may change during the term of the Contract. The Contractor shall have at least forty-five (45) days to comply with changes specified in writing by the State.
- d. The Contractor shall notify the State, within three (3) business days of identification, about any situation that appears to negatively impact the administration or delivery of the program or benefits. Failure to do so may result in Liquidated Damages as specified in Attachment B. The situation shall be researched and resolved in a timeframe mutually agreed upon with the State.

A.13. <u>Implementation</u>

- a. The Contractor shall provide to the State a comprehensive Implementation Plan no later than thirty (30) days after the Contract Award Date as specified in Contract Section A.13.e.1. or upon another date established by the State. The plan shall outline the steps necessary for the Contractor to submit deliverables by the dates specified in Contract Section A.13.e. for the Contractor to be fully operational by the go-live date of January 1, 2018. This plan shall include a detailed timeline description of all work to be performed both by the Contractor and the State. The implementation plan shall also provide specific details on the following:
 - (1) Identification, timing, and assignment of significant responsibilities and tasks;

- (2) Names and titles of key implementation staff;
- (3) Identification and timing of the State's responsibilities;
- (4) Processing of test data for appropriate interpretation of data values;
- (5) Identification and timing for the testing, acceptance and certification of exchange of data between the Contractor and Edison and other relevant information systems;
- (6) Member communications and their timing (consistent with Benefits Administration's larger member communication strategy); and
- (7) Schedule of in-person meetings and conference calls with the State.
- b. The Contractor shall have a designated full-time implementation team to service this account. All of the Contractor's implementation team members shall have participated, as team members, in the implementation of a life insurance program for at least one other large client (i.e., a client plan with at least 10,000 members). The Contractor's implementation team shall include a full-time, designated project manager ready to begin work immediately following the contract signing until thirty (30) days after the go-live date. The team shall also include an Account Manager dedicated to this Contract, who will be the main contact with the State for all of the day-to-day matters relating to the implementation and ongoing operations of this Contract. Also, the Contractor shall assign a backup to the Account Manager. An Information Systems Project Manager shall be part of the implementation team. All implementation team members shall be available as needed during the implementation as well as thirty (30) days after the go-live date.

c. Staffing Plan:

- (1) As part of its Project Implementation Plan described above, the Contractor shall submit to the State for review and approval a detailed staffing plan. The Contractor shall submit to the State its Staffing Plan with its Project Implementation Plan by the date specified in Contract Section A.13.e.8.
- (2) The staffing plan shall provide staffing estimates for all functions and requirements of the Contract, including:
 - i. Representatives/operators, serving in the Call Center
 - ii. Contractor supervisory/account management staff; and
 - iii. Technical Staff, as required to process the State's Program enrollment files from the State's Edison system.
- d. The State may conduct a comprehensive readiness review of the Contractor at least sixty (60) days prior to January 1, 2018, per Contract Section A.13.e.5. in order to ensure that the Contractor is able and prepared to perform all functions required by this Contract and to provide high quality services to Members. Such review by the State may include an on-site review of the Contractor's customer service, claims adjudication, and operations facilities. Contractor shall participate in all readiness review activities conducted by the State staff and/or the State's benefit consultants to ensure the Contractor's operational readiness for all products and services (e.g. claims adjudication, enrollment, Member services, reporting requirements, Edison interface, etc.). The State will provide the Contractor with a summary of findings that may include areas requiring corrective action prior to January 1, 2018.
- e. Due Dates for Project Deliverables/Milestones

Unless otherwise specified in writing by the State, the Contractor shall adhere to the following schedule for the deliverables and milestones for which it is responsible under this Contract:

	Deliverables/Milestones:	Contract Reference(s):	Deliverable Due Dates:				
Implementation							
1.	Provide Implementation plan with Timetable and Staffing Plan	A.13.a. and c.	Within 30 days post Contract Award Date or on a date determined by the State				
2.	Submit list of all Subcontractors for approval by State	A.2.i.	Within 45 days post Contract Award Date or on a date determined by the State				
3.	Go-Live	A.1.a.	January 1, 2018				
4.	Kick-off meeting for all key Contractor Staff	A.2.f	No later than 30 days after Contract Award Date or on a date determined by the State				
5.	State readiness review if requested by State	A.13.d.	November 1, 2017				
Staffing							
8.	Staff identified and assigned responsibilities with Staffing Plan presented to State	A.2.a., A.13.c.	30 days post Contract Award Date or on a date determined by the State				
9.	Initial Account Team Satisfaction Survey	A.2.k.	Within 60 days after Go-Live				
Cal	I Center						
10.	Call center open and accepting calls	A.3.a.	September 5, 2017				
11.	Call center statistics	A.3.d.	Weekly from, September 5, 2017 through March 2, 2018 and thereafter monthly				
Me	mber Communications/Materials						
12.	Approved Member Handbook and Certificates of Coverage on website	A.5.a.	Annually by September 5				
13.	Member Handbook and Certificates of Coverage mailed to Members unless otherwise approved by the State	A.4.b., A.5.a.	Annually by December 14				
We	bsite						
14.	Web site go-live	A.6.d.	September 5, 2017				
15.	State access to website for review	A.8.g.	August 1, 2017				
Adı	ministrative Services						

Deliverables/Miles	tones:	Contract Reference(s):	Deliverable Due Dates:			
16. Grievance procedur	e description	A.7.g.	October 1, 2017			
17. Transport Layer Sec	curity (TLS)	A.7.h.	December 1, 2017			
18. First quarterly meeti State	ing with the	A.7.i.	Between April 23, 2018 and May 18, 2018			
19. Customer Satisfacti template approved I	,	A.7.j.	July 2, 2018			
Information Systems						
	20. Initial Business Continuity Disaster Recovery (BC/DR) Results Report		October 1, 2017			
Data Integration & Tec	hnical Requirem	ents				
21. Completion of eligib	ility and payroll	A.9.c.	November 1, 2017			
,	22. Edison System Interface/Eligibility file acceptance/Eligibility data online		December 11, 2017			
Reporting	Reporting					
	Confirm with State the format, data needed, and due dates for each required report		October 1, 2017			
Quality Assurance						
24. Copy of internal quality assurance plan and methodology for conducting internal claims and operational audits		A.11.b. and c.	October 1, 2017			
Regulatory Requireme	nts					
25. Draft of Group Mast Certificate of Covera		A.14.a.	October 1, 2017			
Security Reporting						
26. Provide the State a its most current Fed 27000 or SOC2 Typ	Ramp, IS0	A.8.k.	December 1, 2017			
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A.14. Regulatory Requirements

a. The Contractor shall prepare and submit to the State for approval no later than sixty

(90) days prior to the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program go-live on January 1, 2018, the Group Master Policy and/or Certificate of Coverage for approval by the Division of Benefits Administration before submission to the State of Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance. The Contractor shall prepare and submit to the State for approval no later than sixty (90) days prior to the Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D/Voluntary AD&D Insurance Programs go-live on January 1, 2019, the Group Master Policies and/or Certificates of Coverage for approval by the Division of Benefits Administration before submission to the State of Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance. Such final approved Group Master Policies and/or Certificates of Coverage shall be added as a Contract Attachment incorporated by reference once approved. The Certificates of Coverage shall include at a minimum the following:

- (1) General Benefit and Eligibility Provisions;
- (2) Description of Claims Process;
- (3) General Limitations, Exclusions and Elimination Periods;
- (4) Optional Services; and
- (5) Schedule of Benefits
- b. The Contractor shall post the most current Certificates of Coverage on its State of Tennessee Member website and provide a copy of the Certificates for the State to post on its website.
- c. The Contractor shall submit to the State a revised Certificate within thirty (30) days of any changes to the benefits, limitations, exclusions or other provisions of the Program which are detailed in the Certificate.
- d. The Contractor shall immediately notify the State of any pending disciplinary action initiated by the State of Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance that may materially impact its ability to perform under this Contract.
- e. The Contractor shall perform, if applicable, the administration of tax calculations, payments, and filing of appropriate federal and/or state tax forms.

A.15. Definitions

- a. <u>Active Pay Status:</u> Means conditions under which an employee is eligible to receive pay, and includes, but is not limited to, vacation leave, sick leave, bereavement leave, administrative leave, compensatory time, holidays, and personal leave. For the purpose of determining overtime or compensatory time for an employee who is eligible for overtime compensation, active pay status does not include sick leave or leave used in lieu of sick leave.
- b. <u>Affiliate:</u> A business organization or entity that, directly or indirectly, is owned or controlled by the Contractor, or owns or controls the Contractor, or is under common ownership or control with the Contractor.
- c. <u>Agency Benefits Coordinator:</u> The individual within each agency or department who is the officially-designated liaison between Benefits Administration and employees.
- d. Average Speed of Answer (ASA): The mean time between (a) the moment at which a caller to the Contractor's call center first hears an introductory greeting and enters the queue and (b) the time at which a call center representative at the call center answers the call. For this definition, the term "answer" shall mean to begin an uninterrupted dialogue with the caller. If a call center representative asks the caller to hold during the first 60 seconds of the dialogue, the Contractor shall not consider the call to be "answered" for purposes of this definition until the call center representative returns to the caller and begins an uninterrupted dialogue.

- e. <u>BC/DR:</u> Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery. Disaster Recovery and its associated planning refer to specific steps that must be undertaken to resume operations in the aftermath of a catastrophic natural disaster or complete technology failure. Business Continuity describes the higher-level processes that must be put in place so that an organization's mission-critical functions can continue during and after a disaster.
- f. <u>Benefits:</u> The services available to members and the corresponding amounts that Members and the Program will pay for covered services under this contract.
- g. <u>Benefits Administration:</u> The division of the Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration that administers the Program on behalf of the State Insurance Committee.
- h. <u>Business Days:</u> Traditional workdays, including Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. State Holidays are excluded.
- i. Calendar Days: All seven days of the week.
- j. <u>Claim:</u> Notification to an insurance company requesting payment of an amount due under the terms of the policy.
- k. <u>Claims Payment Accuracy:</u> The measurement of claims processed with an accurate payment of benefits divided by the total number of claims with payments in the audited population.
- I. <u>Claims Processing Accuracy:</u> The measurement of claims processed without any type of error divided by the total number of claims in the audited population.
- m. <u>Claims Processing Turnaround:</u> The time elapsed from the date all information necessary to process a claim is received to the date the claim is processed.
- n. <u>Clean Claim:</u> A claim received by the Contractor for adjudication that requires no further information, adjustment, or alteration by the provider in order to be processed by the Contractor. In addition to the provider, this includes information, adjustment, or alteration by the Member, the Subscriber, third-party payers, and/or Plan Sponsor.
- Compliance with Section 508: To ensure accessibility among persons with a disability, the Contractor's multimedia/video tools, website content shall substantially comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d) and implementing regulations at 36 CFR 1194 Parts A-D.
- p. <u>Contract Award Date:</u> The date on which the State, Local Education, and Local Government Insurance Committees approved entering into a contract with the best evaluated respondent on RFP 31786-00137.
- q. Days: Unless otherwise specified, refers to calendar days.
- r. <u>Deliverable:</u> A document, manual, or report (in hard copy, electronic format or specific medium as required) that the Contractor submits to the State to fulfill requirements of this Contract.
- s. **Denied Claim:** A claim that is not paid for reasons such as eligibility and coverage rules.
- t. **Dependent:** The child or spouse of an employee or retiree.
- u. <u>Edison:</u> The State's enterprise resource planning system, which supports human resources, payroll, employee benefits, contracting, procurement and other agency functions.
- v. <u>First Call Resolution</u>: A Member or employee's question(s) is answered during their first call eliminating the need for the Contractor to call back.
- w. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA): Title I of HIPAA protects health insurance coverage for workers and their families when they change or lose their jobs. Title II, the Administrative Simplification (AS) provisions, requires the establishment of national standards for electronic healthcare transactions and national identifiers for providers, health insurance plans and employers. The HIPAA Administration Simplification provisions also address the security and privacy of health information.

- x. <u>Holidays:</u> Days on which official holidays and commemorations as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated § 15-1-101 *et seg.*, are observed.
- y. Information Technology (IT): A combination of computing hardware and software that is used in: (a) the capture, storage, manipulation, movement, control, display, interchange and/or transmission of information, i.e. structured data (which may include digitized audio and video) and documents; and/or (b) the processing of such information for the purposes of enabling and/or facilitating a business process or related transaction.
- z. <u>Loss Ratio:</u> The percentage ratio derived from the sum of total claims dollars paid divided by the total collected premiums.
- aa. Member(s): Eligible dependents, employees, and retirees enrolled in the Program.
- bb. Open Call/Inquiry Closure: The completion (responding with an answer to the appropriate caller or other identified entity) of calls which required additional handling beyond the initial call.
- cc. <u>Paid Claim:</u> A claim that meets all coverage criteria of the Program and is paid by the Contractor.
- dd. Plan Sponsor: The State Insurance Committee.
- ee. Plan Year: January 1 through December 31 of the same calendar year.
- ff. **Processed Claim**: The action by the Contractor of adjudicating a claim which results in assigning a status to the claim of denied, paid, or externally pended for missing information needed to process a claim.
- gg. <u>Protected Health Information (PHI):</u> individually identifiable health information that is transmitted by electronic media, maintained in electronic media; or transmitted or maintained in any other form or medium.
- hh. **Splash Page**: Dedicated and customized webpage for this Contract containing general program information, specific to the State program membership, which does not require a Member to login.
- ii. <u>State Employee:</u> An employee of the State of Tennessee, including employees of one of the Tennessee Board of Regents schools and one of the University of Tennessee schools.
- jj. <u>State Insurance Committee:</u> Policy making body for the State Group Insurance Plan established under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapter 27-201.
- kk. <u>State Plan:</u> Refers to all group insurance plan options sponsored by the State Insurance Committee.
- II. <u>Subcontractor:</u> Any organization or person who provides any function or service for the Contractor specifically related to securing or fulfilling the Contractor's obligations to the State under the terms of this Contract.
- mm. Subscriber: An employee or retiree enrolled in the Life/AD&D Insurance Program.
- nn. Week: The traditional seven-day week, Sunday through Saturday.
- oo. Traditional Plan: benefit plan design as defined in Contract Attachment D.
- pp. Contemporary Plan: benefit plan design as defined in Contract Attachment D.
- A.16. Warranty. Contractor represents and warrants that the term of the warranty ("Warranty Period") shall be the greater of the Term of this Contract or any other warranty general offered by Contractor, its suppliers, or manufacturers to customers of its goods or services. The goods or services provided under this Contract shall conform to the terms and conditions of this Contract throughout the Warranty Period. Any nonconformance of the goods or services to the terms and conditions of this Contract shall constitute a "Defect" and shall be considered "Defective." If

Contractor receives notice of a Defect during the Warranty Period, then Contractor shall correct the Defect, at no additional charge.

Contractor represents and warrants that the State is authorized to possess and use all equipment, materials, software, and deliverables provided under this Contract.

Contractor represents and warrants that all goods or services provided under this Contract shall be provided in a timely and professional manner, by qualified and skilled individuals, and in conformity with standards generally accepted in Contractor's industry.

If Contractor fails to provide the goods or services as warranted, then Contractor will re-provide the goods or services at no additional charge. If Contractor is unable or unwilling to re-provide the goods or services as warranted, then the State shall be entitled to recover the fees paid to Contractor for the Defective goods or services. Any exercise of the State's rights under this Section shall not prejudice the State's rights to seek any other remedies available under this Contract or applicable law.

A.17. <u>Inspection and Acceptance</u>. The State shall have the right to inspect all goods or services provided by Contractor under this Contract. If, upon inspection, the State determines that the goods or services are Defective, the State shall notify Contractor, and Contractor shall re-deliver the goods or provide the services at no additional cost to the State. If after a period of thirty (30) days following delivery of goods or performance of services the State does not provide a notice of any Defects, the goods or services shall be deemed to have been accepted by the State.

B. TERM OF CONTRACT:

This Contract shall be effective on August 1, 2017 ("Effective Date") and extend for a period of seventy-seven (77) months after the Effective Date ("Term"). The State shall have no obligation for goods or services provided by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date.

C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- C.1. <u>Maximum Liability</u>. In no event shall the maximum liability of the State under this Contract exceed Written Dollar Amount (\$Number) ("Maximum Liability"). This Contract does not grant the Contractor any exclusive rights. The State does not guarantee that it will buy any minimum quantity of goods or services under this Contract. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Contract, the Contractor will only be paid for goods or services provided under this Contract after a purchase order is issued to Contractor by the State or as otherwise specified by this Contract.
- C.2. <u>Compensation Firm</u>. The payment methodology in Section C.3. of this Contract shall constitute the entire compensation due the Contractor for all goods or services provided under this Contract regardless of the difficulty, materials or equipment required. The payment methodology includes all applicable taxes, fees, overhead, and all other direct and indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Contractor.
- C.3. <u>Payment Methodology</u>. The Contractor shall be compensated based on the payment methodology for goods or services authorized by the State in a total amount as set forth in Section C.1.
 - a. The Contractor's compensation shall be contingent upon the satisfactory provision of goods or services as set forth in Section A.
 - b. The Contractor shall be compensated based upon the following payment methodology:
 - i. <u>Premium Rates:</u> The Contractor shall be compensated for the basic term life, basic AD&D, and voluntary AD&D programs based upon the following guaranteed premium rates for the term of the contract:

Traditional* Basic Term Life & Basic AD&D Program (*as defined in Contract Amendment D) January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2022	Amount per month (per compensable increment)
Employee Basic Group Term Life	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit
Dependent Basic Group Term Life: Spouse Only	\$0.XX /per unit
Dependent Basic Group Term Life: Spouse & Child(ren)	\$0.XX /per unit
Dependent Basic Group Term Life: Child(ren) Only	\$0.XX /per unit
Employee Basic Group AD&D	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit
Dependent Basic Group AD&D	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit

Traditional* Voluntary Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program (*as defined in Contract Amendment D) January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2022	Amount per month (per compensable increment)	
Employee Voluntary AD&D	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit	
Dependent (Spouse & Children) Voluntary AD&D	\$0.XX /per Unit	

ii. Should the State implement the Contemporary Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D program at any point during the life of this contract, the following guaranteed premium rates shall apply for the remainder of the term of the contract:

Contemporary* Basic Term Life & Basic AD&D Program (*as defined in Contract Amendment D) January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2022	Amount per month (per compensable increment)
Employee Basic Group Term Life	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit
Employee Basic Group AD&D	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit

Contemporary* Voluntary Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program (*as defined in Contract Amendment D) January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2022	Amount per month (per compensable increment)
Employee Voluntary AD&D	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit
Spouse Voluntary AD&D	\$0.XX /per Unit

Children Voluntary AD&D	\$0.XX /per Unit

The above premium rates, multiplied by the appropriate volumes of insurance outstanding, constitute the maximum monthly liability of the State. Actual compensation of the Contractor will be governed by the terms of Section C.3, Payment Methodology, of this Contract.

iii. Reserves:

BASIC TERM LIFE and BASIC AD&D PROGRAM (Traditional or Contemporary) In addition to the charges listed in Section C.3.b.i. and C.3.b.ii. above, the Contractor shall include, only in the first year of benefits for these products (2019), a per employee per month charge of \$\$\$XXXX to establish the reserves outlined below. After the first year, the Contractor shall revise this rate to reflect only adjustments required to maintain the reserve percentages below. All reserves accumulated under either the Traditional or Contemporary Program shall be carried forward to the other program when/if a change in the program is approved by the state.

The Contractor is permitted to apply the following factors for the purpose of establishing reserves for incurred but unreported claims at Contract termination:

Basic Term Life & Basic AD&D Program January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2022	Amount per month (per compensable increment)	
Employee Basic Group Term Life	XX% of Annual Premium	
Dependent Basic Group Term Life	XX% of Annual Premium	
Employee Basic Group AD&D	XX% of Annual Premium	
Dependent Basic Group AD&D	XX% of Annual Premium	

Should the total membership in either of the Basic Employee Term Life, Basic Dependent Term Life, Basic Employee AD&D and Basic Dependent AD&D products change from one year to the next by more than twenty percent (20%) during any given year of the Contract, the Contractor may request a change in the percentage upon which the reserves are accumulated. Request for such change must be made at least ninety days (90) prior to the proposed effective date, and must be approved by the State and implemented via an amendment to this contract.

iv. WAIVER OF PREMIUM

The Contractor may establish a reserve of forty percent (40%) of the face amount of the basic term life insurance coverage for any participating State employee who satisfactorily demonstrates eligibility for the Program's "Insurance During Disability Before Age 60" provision. Such reserving charges shall be reported as a disability claim for the purpose of the monthly statement and annual accounting. In the event of recovery from disability during the term of this Contract, the Program shall be credited with the reserve amount established for such employee. Any amount of basic term life insurance being continued under the Program's "Insurance During Disability Before Age 60" provision will continue, until the month in which the employee reaches age 70, as long as the employee is disabled. The premium will be waived by the Contractor for the employee and dependents during the period.

Should an employee who is approved for the "Insurance During Disability Before Age 60" provision be insured with respect to dependents at the time disability occurs, the premium for Dependent Life Insurance will also be waived by the Contractor, as long as the employee is eligible for the "Insurance During Disability Before Age 60" provision. The Contractor may establish a reserve of five percent (5%) of the dependent's face amount of basic term coverage at the same time as the reserve for the employee is established. Such reserving charges shall be reported by the Contractor as a disability claim for the purpose of the monthly statement and annual accounting. In the event of the employee's recovery from disability during the term of this Contract, the Program shall be credited with the reserve amount established.

v. REFUND

Upon expiration or termination of this Contract, all basic term life and basic AD&D reserves specified above, except those reserves established for the Program's "Insurance During Disability Before Age 60" provision under Section C.3.b.iv. above, shall be refunded to the State following completion of the final accounting. If a deficit exists at Contract expiration or termination, the Contractor may, after payment of all claims filed within one (1) year of the Contract expiration or termination date, recover such deficit from the reserves prior to refund of reserves to the State. Upon refund of the reserves established above, the Contractor shall not be liable for any claims incurred during the term of the Contract which are not reported to the Contractor prior to the Contract expiration or termination date except for claims arising from employees and dependents on approved waiver of premium.

vi. Administrative & Conversion Charge:

The Basic Term Life, Basic AD&D, and Voluntary AD&D Administrative fee includes all retention charges, except the premium tax and incurred claims reserves listed above (if applicable), and is to be paid once a month, for the preceding month. The Basic Term Life and Basic AD&D Conversion charge is for per One-Thousand dollars (\$1,000) of life insurance converted during the preceding calendar month.

Administrative & Conversion Charges Traditional & Contemporary Plan January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2022	Amount per month (per compensable increment)
Basic Term, Basic AD&D and Voluntary AD&D Administrative Charge (Charge against the plan for program administration)	\$0.XX /per Employee per month
Basic Term and Basic AD&D Conversion Charge (Charge against the plan for each \$1,000 of Conversion Life insurance issued)	\$0.XX /per \$1000 of Benefit

vii. <u>Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D Expenses and Earned Premium</u>: In months when the expenses are less than the earned premium, based on the provisions of Sections C.3.b. and C.5. of this Contract, the Contractor shall be paid the expenses. When monthly expenses exceed the monthly premium, year to date expenses are compared to year to date earned premium and the monthly expenses are paid, if they are less than the difference between the year to date earned premium and year to date expenses or there is sufficient balance in Prior Surplus of Premiums. To the extent that a deficit exists on a year to date basis, the amount of the monthly deficit can be carried forward to a following month(s), and treated as an expense.

If, at the end of any Contract year, except the last, subject to the payment provisions of Section C.3 above, the total annual charges exceed the maximum annual liability, the deficit may be carried forward into the next contract year. The Contractor may amortize the deficit over the next Contract year and include it in the monthly cost

statement. The deficit can only be recovered each year up to the maximum annual liability. Any deficit incurred during the final year of this Contract shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

If, at the end of any Contract year, subject to the payment provisions of Section C.3 above, the maximum annual liability exceeds the total annual charges, the excess premium (up to 10% of the year's annual premium) may be carried forward by the State to the next Contract year. Although the excess premium will be determined on a cumulative basis, the amount of the excess premium carried forward cannot exceed Ten Percent (10%) of the annual premium for the prior Contract year.

viii. Annual Financial Statement for Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D. Within ninety (90) days of the end of each calendar year, the Contractor shall prepare and provide to the State an annual financial statement. The statement shall include all premiums earned, all claims payments, the change in reserves for incurred but unreported claims, administrative charges, conversion fees, interest earnings, premium tax, and interest on premium due. To the extent that the annual expenses exceed the sum of the monthly payments determined under the provision of Section C.3, the State shall make a payment to the Contractor of the difference. The annual expenses may not exceed the maximum annual liability.

The State shall receive an annual interest credit or charge based upon the total cash flow of the Program, including all reserves established thereunder. On an annual basis, the Contractor shall perform a cash flow analysis to establish the actual interest credit or charge to the Program for the prior year. In performing the analysis, the Contractor shall calculate interest to the Program monthly at a rate equal to the discount rate on six-month U.S. Treasury Bill plus one-half (1/2) percent divided by twelve (12). The U.S. Treasury Bill rate used for a given month shall be the discount rate determined by the first auction of six-month Treasury Bills occurring on or after the fifteenth day of the prior month.

Following the presentation of the annual financial statement, the Contractor will provide to the State a summary of the invoicing and payment dates for the monthly invoices for the year covered by the annual statement. The Contractor and the State will confer on ways to improve the payment practices if either party determines such discussions are necessary.

- ix. Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D Liability Upon Termination of Contract:

 Upon expiration or termination of this Contract, the Contractor shall have the claim liability for all claims incurred on or before December 31, 2022. This liability shall include all employees who have been approved for or who have applied for the Program's "Insurance During Disability Before Age 60" provision on or before the date of Contract termination or expiration and who are granted such waiver and continue to provide annual proof of total disability.
- x. <u>Basic Term Life Converted Members</u>: The Contractor shall accept payments directly from members who are no longer employed and have converted to an individual policy.
- xi. <u>Premium Rates:</u> The Contractor shall be compensated for the voluntary term life program based upon the following guaranteed premium rates for January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022. The ported rates shall not exceed the active rates by more than twenty-percent (20%).

GUARANTEED MONTHLY ACTIVE EMPLOYEE AND SPOUSE VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUM RATES

Attained Age Brackets	1/1/2018- 12/31/2018	1/1/2019- 12/31/2019	1/1/2020- 12/31/2020	1/1/2021- 12/31/2021	1/1/2022- 12/31/2022
Under 20	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
20-24	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
25-29	\$0.XX /\$1000				
20 20	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
30-34	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000
33 3 .	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
35-39	\$0.XX /\$1000				
33 33	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
40-44	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
45-49	\$0.XX /\$1000				
.0 .0	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
50-54	\$0.XX /\$1000				
33 3 .	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
55-59	\$0.XX /\$1000				
33 33	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
60-64	\$0.XX /\$1000				
33 3 .	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
65-69	\$0.XX /\$1000				
33 33	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
70-74	\$0.XX /\$1000				
7071	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
75-79	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
80 and over	\$0.XX /\$1000				
22 4114 2701	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage

GUARANTEED MONTHLY PORTED EMPLOYEE AND SPOUSE VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUM RATES					
Attained Age Brackets	1/1/2018- 12/31/2018	1/1/2019- 12/31/2019	1/1/2020- 12/31/2020	1/1/2021- 12/31/2021	1/1/2022- 12/31/2022
Under 20	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
20-24	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
25-29	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
30-34	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000	\$0.XX/\$1000
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
35-39	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
40-44	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
45-49	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
50-54	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
55-59	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
60-64	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
65-69	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage

70-74	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
75-79	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
80 and over	\$0.XX /\$1000				
	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage

COVERAGE OPTION	GUARANTEED MONTHLY CHILD TERM LIFE RIDER PREMIUM RATES				
Component	1/1/2018- 12/31/2018	1/1/2019- 12/31/2019	1/1/2020- 12/31/2020	1/1/2021- 12/31/2021	1/1/2022- 12/31/2022
Child Term Rider - \$2,500 face amount	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider
Child Term Rider - \$5,000 face amount	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider
Child Term Rider - \$10,000 face amount	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider	\$0.XX/Rider

xii. The contractor shall be compensated the following administrative fee for each covered employee and spouse enrolled in the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program for the contract term of January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2022:

VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE		
Administrative Fee January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2022		
Employee \$0.XX/Month		
Spouse	\$0.XX/Month	

The above premium rates and fees, multiplied by the appropriate volumes of insurance outstanding, constitute the maximum monthly liability of the State. Actual compensation of the Contractor will be governed by the terms of Section C.3, Payment Methodology, of this Contract.

- c. If Member materials containing an error were approved by the State in writing and the error was detected after the materials were mailed, the State will reimburse the Contractor the production and postage cost of mailing the corrected version pursuant to Contract Section C.3.d.
- d. For mailings in addition to those identified in the contract, the State shall reimburse the Contractor for the following, selected actual costs in the performance of this Contract upon Contractor providing documentation of actual costs incurred.
 - (1) Postage. The State shall reimburse the Contractor for the actual cost of postage for mailing materials produced under the terms of this Contract and as directed and authorized by the State.
 - (2) Printing/Production. The State shall reimburse the Contractor an amount equal to the actual cost of document printing/production as required and authorized by

the State and as detailed by the Contract Scope of Services as referred to in A.5.e.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State retains the option to authorize the Contractor to deliver a product to be printed. The State also retains the option to approve and accept the product but not use the Contractor to print the material. In those situations, the State shall have the discretion to use other printing and production services at its disposal.

- C.4. <u>Travel Compensation</u>. The Contractor shall not be compensated or reimbursed for travel time, travel expenses, meals, or lodging.
- C.5. Invoice Requirements for Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D.

The Contractor shall invoice the State only for goods delivered and accepted by the State or services satisfactorily provided at the amounts stipulated in Section C.3. above. Contractor shall submit via email invoices and necessary supporting documentation, no more frequently than once a month, and no later than thirty (30) days after goods or services have been provided to staff identified by the State in the following State department:

Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration

- a. Each invoice, on Contractor's letterhead, shall clearly and accurately detail all of the following information (calculations must be extended and totaled correctly):
 - (1) Invoice number (assigned by the Contractor);
 - (2) Invoice date;
 - (3) Contract number (assigned by the State);
 - (4) Customer account name: Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration/Benefits Administration;
 - (5) Customer account number (assigned by the Contractor to the above-referenced Customer);
 - (6) Contractor name;
 - (7) Contractor Tennessee Edison registration ID number;
 - (8) Contractor contact for invoice questions (name, phone, or email);
 - (9) Contractor remittance address;
 - (10) Description of delivered goods or services provided and invoiced, including identifying information as applicable;
 - (11) Number of delivered or completed units, increments, hours, or days as applicable, of each good or service invoiced;
 - (12) Applicable payment methodology (as stipulated in Section C.3.) of each good or service invoiced:
 - (13) Amount due for each compensable unit of good or service; and
 - (14) Total amount due for the invoice period.
- b. Contractor's invoices shall:
 - (1) Only include charges for goods delivered or services provided as described in Section A and in accordance with payment terms and conditions set forth in Section C:
 - (2) Only be submitted for goods delivered or services completed and shall not include any charge for future goods to be delivered or services to be performed;
 - (3) Not include Contractor's taxes, which includes without limitation Contractor's sales and use tax, excise taxes, franchise taxes, real or personal property taxes, or income taxes; and
 - (4) Include shipping or delivery charges only as authorized in this Contract.
- c. The timeframe for payment (or any discounts) begins only when the State is in receipt of an invoice that meets the minimum requirements of this section.

C.6. <u>Purchase Order in lieu of Invoicing for Voluntary Accidental Death & Dismemberment and for Voluntary Term Life Insurance</u>

The State will generate a monthly purchase order for the Voluntary Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program and for the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program and initiate payment of the purchase orders, based upon payroll deduction information provided by the State, utilizing the rates listed above in Contract Section C.3.

- C.7. Payment of Invoice or Purchase Order. A payment by the State shall not prejudice the State's right to object to or question any payment, invoice, or other matter. A payment by the State shall not be construed as acceptance of goods delivered, any part of the services provided, or as approval of any amount invoiced.
- C.8. <u>Invoice or Payment Reductions</u>. The Contractor's invoice or purchase order shall be subject to reduction for amounts included in any invoice or payment that is determined by the State, on the basis of audits conducted in accordance with the terms of this Contract, to not constitute proper compensation for goods delivered or services provided.
- C.8. <u>Deductions</u>. The State reserves the right to deduct from amounts, which are or shall become due and payable to the Contractor under this or any contract between the Contractor and the State of Tennessee, any amounts that are or shall become due and payable to the State of Tennessee by the Contractor.
- C.9. <u>Prerequisite Documentation</u>. The Contractor shall not invoice the State or be paid by purchase order under this Contract until the State has received the following, properly completed documentation.
 - a. The Contractor shall complete, sign, and present to the State the "Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposit Form" provided by the State. By doing so, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, once this form is received by the State, payments to the Contractor, under this or any other contract the Contractor has with the State of Tennessee, may be made by ACH; and
 - b. The Contractor shall complete, sign, and return to the State the State-provided W-9 form. The taxpayer identification number on the W-9 form must be the same as the Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number referenced in the Contractor's Edison registration information.

D. MANDATORY TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- D.1. Required Approvals. The State is not bound by this Contract until it is duly approved by the Parties and all appropriate State officials in accordance with applicable Tennessee laws and regulations. Depending upon the specifics of this Contract, this may include approvals by the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, the Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Chief Procurement Officer. Approvals shall be evidenced by a signature or electronic approval.
- D.2. Communications and Contacts. All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications required or contemplated by this Contract shall be in writing and shall be made by certified, first class mail, return receipt requested and postage prepaid, by overnight courier service with an asset tracking system, or by email or facsimile transmission with recipient confirmation. All communications, regardless of method of transmission, shall be addressed to the respective Party at the appropriate mailing address, facsimile number, or email address as stated below or any other address provided in writing by a Party.

The State:

Seannalyn Brandmeir, Procurement and Contracting Manager Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration Division of Benefits Administration 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Suite 1900 Nashville, Tennessee 37243 Seannalyn.Brandmeir@tn.gov Telephone: 615.532.4598

Fax: 615.253.8556

The Contractor:

Contractor Contact Name & Title Contractor Name Address Email Address Telephone # Number FAX # Number

All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications shall be considered effective upon receipt or recipient confirmation as may be required.

- D.3. <u>Modification and Amendment</u>. This Contract may be modified only by a written amendment signed by all Parties and approved by all applicable State officials.
- D.4. <u>Subject to Funds Availability</u>. The Contract is subject to the appropriation and availability of State or federal funds. In the event that the funds are not appropriated or are otherwise unavailable, the State reserves the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to the Contractor. The State's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract shall not constitute a breach of Contract by the State. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Contractor shall cease all work associated with the Contract. If the State terminates this Contract due to lack of funds availability, the Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for all conforming goods requested and accepted by the State and for all satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the termination date. Should the State exercise its right to terminate this Contract due to unavailability of funds, the Contractor shall have no right to recover from the State any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages of any description or amount.
- D.5. <u>Termination for Convenience</u>. The State may terminate this Contract for convenience without cause and for any reason. The State shall give the Contractor at least thirty (30) days written notice before the termination date. The Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for all conforming goods delivered and accepted by the State or for satisfactory, authorized services completed as of the termination date. In no event shall the State be liable to the Contractor for compensation for any goods neither requested nor accepted by the State or for any services neither requested by the State nor satisfactorily performed by the Contractor. In no event shall the State's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract for convenience relieve the Contractor of any liability to the State for any damages or claims arising under this Contract.
- D.6. <u>Termination for Cause</u>. If the Contractor fails to properly perform its obligations under this Contract in a timely or proper manner, or if the Contractor materially violates any terms of this Contract ("Breach Condition"), the State shall have the right to immediately terminate the Contract and withhold payments in excess of compensation for completed services or provided goods. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the State for damages sustained by virtue of any Breach Condition and the State may seek other remedies allowed at law or in equity for breach of this Contract.
- D.7. <u>Assignment and Subcontracting</u>. The Contractor shall not assign this Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the goods or services provided under this Contract without the prior written approval of the State. Notwithstanding any use of the approved subcontractors, the Contractor shall be the prime contractor and responsible for compliance with all terms and conditions of this

Contract. The State reserves the right to request additional information or impose additional terms and conditions before approving an assignment of this Contract in whole or in part or the use of subcontractors in fulfilling the Contractor's obligations under this Contract.

D.8. Conflicts of Interest. The Contractor warrants that no part of the Contractor's compensation shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Contractor in connection with any work contemplated or performed under this Contract.

The Contractor acknowledges, understands, and agrees that this Contract shall be null and void if the Contractor is, or within the past six (6) months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee or if the Contractor is an entity in which a controlling interest is held by an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee.

- D.9. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. The Contractor hereby agrees, warrants, and assures that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Contract or in the employment practices of the Contractor on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by federal or state law. The Contractor shall, upon request, show proof of nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.
- D.10. <u>Prohibition of Illegal Immigrants</u>. The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-309 addressing the use of illegal immigrants in the performance of any contract to supply goods or services to the state of Tennessee, shall be a material provision of this Contract, a breach of which shall be grounds for monetary and other penalties, up to and including termination of this Contract.
 - a. The Contractor agrees that the Contractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall reaffirm this attestation, in writing, by submitting to the State a completed and signed copy of the document at Attachment A, semi-annually during the Term. If the Contractor is a party to more than one contract with the State, the Contractor may submit one attestation that applies to all contracts with the State. All Contractor attestations shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to State officials upon request.
 - b. Prior to the use of any subcontractor in the performance of this Contract, and semiannually thereafter, during the Term, the Contractor shall obtain and retain a current, written attestation that the subcontractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant to perform work under this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant to perform work under this Contract. Attestations obtained from subcontractors shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to State officials upon request.
 - c. The Contractor shall maintain records for all personnel used in the performance of this Contract. Contractor's records shall be subject to review and random inspection at any reasonable time upon reasonable notice by the State.
 - d. The Contractor understands and agrees that failure to comply with this section will be subject to the sanctions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-309 for acts or omissions occurring after its effective date.
 - e. For purposes of this Contract, "illegal immigrant" shall be defined as any person who is not: (i) a United States citizen; (ii) a Lawful Permanent Resident; (iii) a person whose physical presence in the United States is authorized; (iv) allowed by the federal Department of Homeland Security and who, under federal immigration laws or

regulations, is authorized to be employed in the U.S.; or (v) is otherwise authorized to provide services under the Contract.

- D.11. Records. The Contractor shall maintain documentation for all charges under this Contract. The books, records, and documents of the Contractor, for work performed or money received under this Contract, shall be maintained for a period of five (5) full years from the date of the final payment and shall be subject to audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives. The financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- D.12. Monitoring. The Contractor's activities conducted and records maintained pursuant to this Contract shall be subject to monitoring and evaluation by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.
- D.13. <u>Progress Reports</u>. The Contractor shall submit brief, periodic, progress reports to the State as requested.
- D.14. <u>Strict Performance</u>. Failure by any Party to this Contract to require, in any one or more cases, the strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or provisions of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of any term, covenant, condition, or provision. No term or condition of this Contract shall be held to be waived, modified, or deleted except by a written amendment signed by the Parties.
- D.15. <u>Independent Contractor</u>. The Parties shall not act as employees, partners, joint venturers, or associates of one another. The Parties are independent contracting entities. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to create an employer/employee relationship or to allow either Party to exercise control or direction over the manner or method by which the other transacts its business affairs or provides its usual services. The employees or agents of one Party are not employees or agents of the other Party.
- D.16 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The Contractor agrees that it will be responsible for compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA") with respect to itself and its employees, including any obligation to report health insurance coverage, provide health insurance coverage, or pay any financial assessment, tax, or penalty for not providing health insurance. The Contractor shall indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any costs to the State arising from Contractor's failure to fulfill its PPACA responsibilities for itself or its employees.
- D.17. <u>Limitation of State's Liability</u>. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in this Contract. In no event will the State be liable to the Contractor or any other party for any lost revenues, lost profits, loss of business, decrease in the value of any securities or cash position, time, money, goodwill, or any indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary or consequential damages of any nature, whether based on warranty, contract, statute, regulation, tort (including but not limited to negligence), or any other legal theory that may arise under this Contract or otherwise. The State's total liability under this Contract (including any exhibits, schedules, amendments or other attachments to the Contract) or otherwise shall under no circumstances exceed the Maximum Liability. This limitation of liability is cumulative and not per incident.
- D.18. Limitation of Contractor's Liability. In accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-701, the Contractor's liability for all claims arising under this Contract shall be limited to an amount equal to two (2) times the Maximum Liability amount detailed in Section C.1. and as may be amended, PROVIDED THAT in no event shall this Section limit the liability of the Contractor for: (i) intellectual property or any Contractor indemnity obligations for infringement for third-party intellectual property rights; (ii) any claims covered by any specific provision in the Contract providing for liquidated damages; or (iii) any claims for intentional torts, criminal acts, fraudulent conduct, or acts or omissions that result in personal injuries or death.

D.19. Hold Harmless. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Tennessee as well as its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, and causes of action which may arise, accrue, or result to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity which may be injured or damaged as a result of acts, omissions, or negligence on the part of the Contractor, its employees, or any person acting for or on its or their behalf relating to this Contract. The Contractor further agrees it shall be liable for the reasonable cost of attorneys for the State to enforce the terms of this Contract.

In the event of any suit or claim, the Parties shall give each other immediate notice and provide all necessary assistance to respond. The failure of the State to give notice shall only relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent that the Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the failure to give notice. This Section shall not grant the Contractor, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State in any legal matter, as the right to represent the State is governed by Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-6-106.

- D.20. Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System. Subject to statutory exceptions contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-36-801, et seq., the law governing the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS"), provides that if a retired member of TCRS, or of any superseded system administered by TCRS, or of any local retirement fund established under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-35-101, et seq., accepts State employment, the member's retirement allowance is suspended during the period of the employment. Accordingly and notwithstanding any provision of this Contract to the contrary, the Contractor agrees that if it is later determined that the true nature of the working relationship between the Contractor and the State under this Contract is that of "employee/employer" and not that of an independent contractor, the Contractor, if a retired member of TCRS, may be required to repay to TCRS the amount of retirement benefits the Contractor received from TCRS during the Term.
- D.21. <u>Tennessee Department of Revenue Registration.</u> The Contractor shall comply with all applicable registration requirements contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 67-6-601 608. Compliance with applicable registration requirements is a material requirement of this Contract.
- D.22. <u>Debarment and Suspension</u>. The Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, its current and future principals, its current and future subcontractors and their principals:
 - a. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;
 - b. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them from commission of fraud, or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; 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;
 - c. are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed in section b. of this certification; and
 - d. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

The Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to the State if at any time it learns that there was an earlier failure to disclose information or that due to changed circumstances, its principals or the principals of its subcontractors are excluded, disqualified, or presently fall under any of the prohibitions of sections a-d.

- D.23. Force Majeure. "Force Majeure Event" means fire, flood, earthquake, elements of nature or acts of God, wars, riots, civil disorders, rebellions or revolutions, acts of terrorism or any other similar cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party except to the extent that the non-performing Party is at fault in failing to prevent or causing the default or delay, and provided that the default or delay cannot reasonably be circumvented by the non-performing Party through the use of alternate sources, workaround plans or other means. A strike, lockout or labor dispute shall not excuse either Party from its obligations under this Contract. Except as set forth in this Section, any failure or delay by a Party in the performance of its obligations under this Contract arising from a Force Majeure Event is not a default under this Contract or grounds for termination. The non-performing Party will be excused from performing those obligations directly affected by the Force Majeure Event, and only for as long as the Force Majeure Event continues, provided that the Party continues to use diligent, good faith efforts to resume performance without delay. The occurrence of a Force Majeure Event affecting Contractor's representatives, suppliers, subcontractors, customers or business apart from this Contract is not a Force Majeure Event under this Contract. Contractor will promptly notify the State of any delay caused by a Force Majeure Event (to be confirmed in a written notice to the State within one (1) day of the inception of the delay) that a Force Majeure Event has occurred, and will describe in reasonable detail the nature of the Force Majeure Event. If any Force Majeure Event results in a delay in Contractor's performance longer than forty-eight (48) hours, the State may, upon notice to Contractor: (a) cease payment of the fees until Contractor resumes performance of the affected obligations; or (b) immediately terminate this Contract or any purchase order, in whole or in part, without further payment except for fees then due and payable. Contractor will not increase its charges under this Contract or charge the State any fees other than those provided for in this Contract as the result of a Force Majeure Event.
- D.24. <u>State and Federal Compliance</u>. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations in the performance of this Contract.
- D.25. Governing Law. This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee. The Tennessee Claims Commission or the state or federal courts in Tennessee shall be the venue for all claims, disputes, or disagreements arising under this Contract. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that any rights, claims, or remedies against the State of Tennessee or its employees arising under this Contract shall be subject to and limited to those rights and remedies available under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 9-8-101 407.
- D.26. Entire Agreement. This Contract is complete and contains the entire understanding between the Parties relating to its subject matter, including all the terms and conditions of the Parties' agreement. This Contract supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, negotiations, and agreements between the Parties, whether written or oral.
- D.27. <u>Severability</u>. If any terms and conditions of this Contract are held to be invalid or unenforceable as a matter of law, the other terms and conditions of this Contract shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect. The terms and conditions of this Contract are severable.
- D.28. <u>Headings</u>. Section headings of this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not be construed as part of this Contract.
- D.29. <u>Incorporation of Additional Documents</u>. Each of the following documents is included as a part of this Contract by reference. In the event of a discrepancy or ambiguity regarding the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, and performance under this Contract, these items shall govern in order of precedence below:
 - any amendment to this Contract, with the latter in time controlling over any earlier amendments:
 - b. this Contract with any attachments or exhibits (excluding the items listed at subsections c. through f., below), which includes;
 - i. Contract Attachment A Attestation Re Personnel Used in Contract Performance

- ii. Contract Attachment B Performance Guarantees and Liquidated Damages
- iii. Contract Attachment C Reporting Requirements
- iv. Contract Attachment D Plan Benefits
- c. any clarifications of or addenda to the Contractor's proposal seeking this Contract;
- d. the State solicitation, as may be amended, requesting responses in competition for this Contract:
- e. any technical specifications provided to proposers during the procurement process to award this Contract; and
- f. the Contractor's response seeking this Contract.
- D.30. <u>Iran Divestment Act.</u> The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-101 et.seq., addressing contracting with persons with investment activities in Iran, shall be a material provision of this Contract. The Contractor agrees, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that it is not on the list created pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106.
- D.31. <u>Insurance</u>. Contractor shall provide the State a certificate of insurance ("COI") evidencing the coverages and amounts specified below. The COI shall be provided ten (10) business days prior to the Effective Date and again upon renewal or replacement of coverages required by this Contract. If insurance expires during the Term, the State must receive a new COI at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the insurance's expiration date. If the Contractor loses insurance coverage, does not renew coverage, or for any reason becomes uninsured during the Term, the Contractor shall notify the State immediately.

The COI shall be on a form approved by the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance ("TDCI") and signed by an authorized representative of the insurer. The COI shall list each insurer's national association of insurance commissioners (also known as NAIC) number or federal employer identification number and list the State of Tennessee, Risk Manager, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., 3rd floor Central Procurement Office, Nashville, TN 37243 in the certificate holder section. At any time, the State may require the Contractor to provide a valid COI detailing coverage description; insurance company; policy number; exceptions; exclusions; policy effective date; policy expiration date; limits of liability; and the name and address of insured. The Contractor's failure to maintain or submit evidence of insurance coverage is considered a material breach of this Contract.

If the Contractor desires to self-insure, then a COI will not be required to prove coverage. In place of the COI, the Contractor must provide a certificate of self-insurance or a letter on the Contractor's letterhead detailing its coverage, liability policy amounts, and proof of funds to reasonably cover such expenses. Compliance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-6-405 and the rules of the TDCI is required for the Contractor to self-insure workers' compensation. All insurance companies must be: (a) acceptable to the State; (b) authorized by the TDCI to transact business in the State of Tennessee; and (c) rated A- VII or better by A. M. Best. The Contractor shall provide the State evidence that all subcontractors maintain the required insurance or that the subcontractors are included under the Contractor's policy.

The Contractor agrees to name the State as an additional insured on any insurance policies with the exception of workers' compensation (employer liability) and professional liability (errors and omissions) ("Professional Liability") insurance. Also, all policies shall contain an endorsement for a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State.

The deductible and any premiums are the Contractor's sole responsibility. Any deductible over fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) must be approved by the State. The Contractor agrees that the insurance requirements specified in this Section do not reduce any liability the Contractor has assumed under this Contract including any indemnification or hold harmless requirements. The State agrees that it shall give written notice to the Contractor as soon as practicable after the State becomes aware of any claim asserted or made against the State, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days after the State becomes aware of such claim. The failure of the State to give notice shall only relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent that

the Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the failure to give notice. This Section shall not grant the Contractor or its insurer, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State in any legal matter, as the right to represent the State is governed by Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-6-106.

All coverage required shall be on a primary basis and noncontributory with any other insurance coverage or self-insurance carried by the State. The State reserves the right to amend or require additional endorsements, types of coverage, and higher or lower limits of coverage depending on the nature of the work. Purchases or contracts involving any hazardous activity or equipment, tenant, concessionaire and lease agreements, alcohol sales, cyber-liability risks, environmental risks, special motorized equipment, or property may require customized insurance requirements (e.g. umbrella liability insurance) in addition to the general requirements listed below.

The Contractor shall obtain and maintain, at a minimum, the following insurance coverages and policy limits.

- a. Commercial General Liability Insurance
 - The Contractor shall maintain commercial general liability insurance, which shall be written on an Insurance Services Office, Inc. (also known as ISO) occurrence form (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage) and shall cover liability arising from property damage, premises/operations, independent contractors, contractual liability, completed operations/products, personal and advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract).
 - 2) The Contractor shall maintain bodily injury/property damage with a combined single limit not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate for bodily injury and property damage, including products and completed operations coverage with an aggregate limit of at least two million dollars (\$2,000,000).
- b. Workers' Compensation and Employer Liability Insurance
 - 1) For Contractors statutorily required to carry workers' compensation and employer liability insurance, the Contractor shall maintain:
 - i. Workers' compensation and employer liability insurance in the amounts required by appropriate state statutes; or
 - ii. In an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) including employer liability of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury by accident, one million dollars (\$1,000,000) policy limit by disease, and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per employee for bodily injury by disease.
 - 2) If the Contractor certifies that it is exempt from the requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 50-6-101 103, then the Contractor shall furnish written proof of such exemption for one or more of the following reasons:
 - i. The Contractor employees fewer than five (5) employees;
 - ii. The Contractor is a sole proprietor;
 - iii. The Contractor is in the construction business or trades with no employees;

- iv. The Contractor is in the coal mining industry with no employees;
- v. The Contractor is a state or local government; or
- vi. The Contractor self-insures its workers' compensation and is in compliance with the TDCI rules and Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-6-405.

E. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- E.1. <u>Conflicting Terms and Conditions</u>. Should any of these special terms and conditions conflict with any other terms and conditions of this Contract, the special terms and conditions shall be subordinate to the Contract's other terms and conditions.
- E.2. Confidentiality of Records. Strict standards of confidentiality of records and information shall be maintained in accordance with applicable state and federal law. All material and information, regardless of form, medium or method of communication, provided to the Contractor by the State or acquired by the Contractor on behalf of the State that is regarded as confidential under state or federal law shall be regarded as "Confidential Information." Nothing in this Section shall permit Contractor to disclose any Confidential Information, regardless of whether it has been disclosed or made available to the Contractor due to intentional or negligent actions or inactions of agents of the State or third parties. Confidential Information shall not be disclosed except as required or permitted under state or federal law. Contractor shall take all necessary steps to safeguard the confidentiality of such material or information in conformance with applicable state and federal law.

The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

E.3. Ownership of Software and Work Products.

- a. Definitions.
 - (1) "Contractor-Owned Software," shall mean commercially available software the rights to which are owned by Contractor, including but not limited to commercial "off-the-shelf" software which is not developed using State's money or resources.
 - (2) "Custom-Developed Application Software," shall mean customized application software developed by Contractor solely for State.
 - (3) "Rights Transfer Application Software," shall mean any pre-existing application software owned by Contractor or a third party, provided to State and to which Contractor will grant and assign, or will facilitate the granting and assignment of, all rights, including the source code, to State.
 - (4) "Third-Party Software," shall mean software not owned by the State or the Contractor.
 - (5) "Work Product," shall mean all deliverables exclusive of hardware, such as software, software source code, documentation, planning, etc., that are created, designed, developed, or documented by the Contractor exclusively for the State during the course of the project using State's money or resources, including Custom-Developed Application Software. If the deliverables under this Contract include Rights Transfer Application Software, the definition of Work Product shall also include such software. Work Product shall not include Contractor-Owned Software or Third-Party Software.

- b. Rights and Title to the Software
 - (1) All right, title and interest in and to the Contractor-Owned Software shall at all times remain with Contractor, subject to any license granted under this Contract.
 - All right, title and interest in and to the Work Product, and to modifications thereof made by State, including without limitation all copyrights, patents, trade secrets and other intellectual property and other proprietary rights embodied by and arising out of the Work Product, shall belong to State. To the extent such rights do not automatically belong to State, Contractor hereby assigns, transfers, and conveys all right, title and interest in and to the Work Product, including without limitation the copyrights, patents, trade secrets, and other intellectual property rights arising out of or embodied by the Work Product. Contractor and its employees, agents, contractors or representatives shall execute any other documents that State or its counsel deem necessary or desirable to document this transfer or allow State to register its claims and rights to such intellectual property rights or enforce them against third parties.
 - (3) All right, title and interest in and to the Third-Party Software shall at all times remain with the third party, subject to any license granted under this Contract.
- c. The Contractor may use for its own purposes the general knowledge, skills, experience, ideas, concepts, know-how, and techniques obtained and used during the course of performing under this Contract. The Contractor may develop for itself, or for others, materials which are similar to or competitive with those that are produced under this Contract.
- E.4. <u>State Furnished Property</u>. The Contractor shall be responsible for the correct use, maintenance, and protection of all articles of nonexpendable, tangible, personal property furnished by the State for the Contractor's use under this Contract. Upon termination of this Contract, all property furnished by the State shall be returned to the State in the same condition as when received, less reasonable wear and tear. Should the property be destroyed, lost, or stolen, the Contractor shall be responsible to the State for the fair market value of the property at the time of loss.
- E.5. <u>Contractor Commitment to Diversity</u>. The Contractor shall comply with and make reasonable business efforts to exceed the commitment to diversity represented by the Contractor's response to RFP-31786-00137 (RFP Attachment 6.2, Section B.15) and resulting in this Contract.
 - The Contractor shall assist the State in monitoring the Contractor's performance of this commitment by providing, as requested, a quarterly report of participation in the performance of this Contract by small business enterprises and businesses owned by minorities, women, and Tennessee service-disabled veterans. Such reports shall be provided to the state of Tennessee Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise in the required form and substance.
- E.6. <u>Liquidated Damages</u>. If the Contractor fails to perform in accordance with any term or provision of this contract, occurs, ("Liquidated Damages Event"), the State may assess damages on Contractor ("Liquidated Damages"). The State shall notify the Contractor of amounts to be assessed as Liquidated Damages. The Parties agree that due to the complicated nature of the Contractor's obligations under this Contract it would be difficult to specifically designate a monetary amount for Contractor's failure to fulfill its obligations regarding the Liquidated Damages Event as these amounts are likely to be uncertain and not easily proven. Contractor has carefully reviewed the Liquidated Damages contained in Attachment B and agrees that these amounts represent a reasonable relationship between the amount and what might reasonably be expected in the event of a Liquidated Damages Event, and are a reasonable estimate of the damages that would occur from a Liquidated Damages Event. The Parties agree that the

Liquidated Damages represent solely the damages and injuries sustained by the State in losing the benefit of the bargain with Contractor and do not include any injury or damage sustained by a third party. The Contractor agrees that the Liquidated Damages are in addition to any amounts Contractor may owe the State pursuant to the indemnity provision or any other sections of this Contract.

The State is not obligated to assess Liquidated Damages before availing itself of any other remedy. The State may choose to discontinue Liquidated Damages and avail itself of any other remedy available under this Contract or at law or equity.

- E.7. Partial Takeover of Contract. The State may, at its convenience and without cause, exercise a partial takeover of any service that the Contractor is obligated to perform under this Contract, including any service which is the subject of a subcontract between Contractor and a third party (a "Partial Takeover"). A Partial Takeover of this Contract by the State shall not be deemed a breach of contract. The Contractor shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of a Partial Takeover. The notice shall specify the areas of service the State will assume and the date the State will be assuming. The State's exercise of a Partial Takeover shall not alter the Contractor's other duties and responsibilities under this Contract. The State reserves the right to withhold from the Contractor any amounts the Contractor would have been paid but for the State's exercise of a Partial Takeover. The amounts shall be withheld effective as of the date the State exercises its right to a Partial Takeover. The State's exercise of its right to a Partial Takeover of this Contract shall not entitle the Contractor to any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages irrespective of any description or amount.
- E. 8. Personally Identifiable Information. While performing its obligations under this Contract, Contractor may have access to Personally Identifiable Information held by the State ("PII"). For the purposes of this Contract, "PII" includes "Nonpublic Personal Information" as that term is defined in Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 or any successor federal statute, and the rules and regulations thereunder, all as may be amended or supplemented from time to time ("GLBA") and personally identifiable information and other data protected under any other applicable laws, rule or regulation of any jurisdiction relating to disclosure or use of personal information ("Privacy Laws"). Contractor agrees it shall not do or omit to do anything which would cause the State to be in breach of any Privacy Laws. Contractor shall, and shall cause its employees, agents and representatives to: (i) keep PII confidential and may use and disclose PII only as necessary to carry out those specific aspects of the purpose for which the PII was disclosed to Contractor and in accordance with this Contract, GLBA and Privacy Laws; and (ii) implement and maintain appropriate technical and organizational measures regarding information security to: (A) ensure the security and confidentiality of PII; (B) protect against any threats or hazards to the security or integrity of PII; and (C) prevent unauthorized access to or use of PII. Contractor shall immediately notify State: (1) of any disclosure or use of any PII by Contractor or any of its employees, agents and representatives in breach of this Contract; and (2) of any disclosure of any PII to Contractor or its employees, agents and representatives where the purpose of such disclosure is not known to Contractor or its employees, agents and representatives. The State reserves the right to review Contractor's policies and procedures used to maintain the security and confidentiality of PII and Contractor shall, and cause its employees, agents and representatives to, comply with all reasonable requests or directions from the State to enable the State to verify and/or procure that Contractor is in full compliance with its obligations under this Contract in relation to PII. Upon termination or expiration of the Contract or at the State's direction at any time in its sole discretion, whichever is earlier, Contractor shall immediately return to the State any and all PII which it has received under this Contract and shall destroy all records of such PII.

The Contractor shall report to the State any instances of unauthorized access to or potential disclosure of PII in the custody or control of Contractor ("Unauthorized Disclosure") that come to the Contractor's attention. Any such report shall be made by the Contractor within twenty-four (24) hours after the Unauthorized Disclosure has come to the attention of the Contractor. Contractor shall take all necessary measures to halt any further Unauthorized Disclosures. The Contractor, at the sole discretion of the State, shall provide no cost credit monitoring services for

individuals whose PII was affected by the Unauthorized Disclosure. The Contractor shall bear the cost of notification to all individuals affected by the Unauthorized Disclosure, including individual letters and public notice. The remedies set forth in this Section are not exclusive and are in addition to any claims or remedies available to this State under this Contract or otherwise available at law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,	
CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME:	
CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE	DATE
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTOR SIGNATORY (above)	
STATE INSURANCE COMMITTEE:	
STATE INSURANCE COMMITTEE:	
LARRY MARTIN, CHAIRMAN	DATE

ATTESTATION RE PERSONNEL USED IN CONTRACT PERFORMANCE

SUBJECT CONTRACT NUMBER:	
CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME:	
EDISON VENDOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:	
The Contractor, identified above, does here the Contractor shall not knowingly utilize t performance of this Contract and shall not subcontractor who will utilize the services this Contract.	he services of an illegal immigrant in the
CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE	
NOTICE: This attestation MUST be signed by an individual empowe the individual's authority to contractually bind the Contractor, unless	red to contractually bind the Contractor. Attach evidence documenting the signatory is the Contractor's chief executive or president.
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY	
DATE OF ATTESTATION	

CONTRACT ATTACHMENT B

PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

To effectively manage contractual performance, the State has established performance guarantees to evaluate the Contractor's obligations with respect to the Contract. The Contractor is expected to perform according to a certain level of standards. If these standards are not met, the State is entitled to impose liquidated damage assessments. The list of Performance Guarantees and associated Liquidated Damages are included in this Attachment.

- 1. Performance Reporting: The Contractor shall develop a Performance Report Card as a means to measure compliance on a quarterly basis. The Contractor shall provide the quarterly performance report card in a manner acceptable to the State, on or before the 20th day of the month following the reporting quarter unless approved otherwise in writing by the State. Supporting documentation used to calculate the performance guarantees shall be provided with the Performance Report Card. The Performance Report Card shall include cumulative data over the life of the contract.
- 2. Payment of Liquidated Damages: It is agreed by the State and the Contractor that any liquidated damages assessed by the State shall be due and payable to the State within forty-five (45) calendar days after Contractor receipt of the Invoice containing an assessment of liquidated damages. If payment is not made by the due date, said liquidated damages may be withheld from future payments by the State without further notice.
- 3. **Maximum Assessment:** The maximum amount of Liquidated Damages payable over any twelve (12) month period shall not exceed five percent (5%) of the annual maximum liability in the Contract at the beginning of the calendar year during which the assessments occurred. In the event that a single occurrence subjects the Contractor to Liquidated Damages in multiple subsections of this provision, the State is entitled to assess a single Liquidated Damage selected at the discretion of the State.
- 4. **Waiver of Liquidated Damages:** The State, in its sole discretion, may elect not to assess Liquidated Damages against the Contractor in certain instances, including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Where the State determines that only inconsequential damage has occurred, unless the deficiency is part of a recurring or frequent pattern of deficiency, with regard to one (1) or more Contract deliverables or requirements
 - b. For performance measures that are resolved based on the Contractor's corrective action plan
 - If the failure is not due to Contractor fault (i.e. caused by factors beyond the reasonable control and without any material error or negligence of the Contractor, its staff or subcontractors)
 - d. Where no damage or injury has been sustained by the State or its Members
 - e. Where the failure does not result in increased Contract management time or expense
 - f. Where the failure results from the State's failure to perform
 - g. For other reasons at the State's sole discretion
- 5. General Liquidated Damages: In the event that the Contractor has failed to meet a performance guarantee that is set out in the Contract, but for which the Liquidated Damage standards are not spelled out in this Attachment, the State may assess liquidated damages under this General Liquidated Damages provision. The liquidated damages may be assessed at the rate of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per business day or percentage point missed until the guarantee has been met.
- 6. The Contractor shall pay to the State the indicated total dollar assessment upon notification by the State that an amount is due, through the term of this Contract.
- 7. As prior approved by the State in writing, performance guarantees shall be measured specific to the Program.

This section does not prohibit or restrict the State's right to claim actual damages pursuant to the Contract.

Performance Guarantees:

1.	Program Start-up (s	see Contract Section A.13.)
	Guarantee	All services required by this contract between the "contract start date" and the "go-live" date as specified in contract section A.13. shall be completed as specified.
	Assessment	One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each day beyond the deadline that any service deliverable is not completed.
	Measurement	Measured, reported, reconciled, and paid no later than three (3) months after the go-live date.
2.	Program Go-Live (s	see Contract Section A.)
	Guarantee	All services required by this contract shall take effect (i.e. "go-live") and be fully operational on January 1, 2018.
	Assessment	One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each day beyond the deadline that all services are not fully operational.
	Measurement	Measured, reported, reconciled, and paid no later than four (4) months after the go-live date.
3.	Approval of Commi	unication Materials (see Contract Section A.4.)
	Guarantee	All materials, including but not limited to: brochures, handbooks, and letters produced by the Contractor shall be provided to the State for review and approval prior to planned printing, assembly, and/or distribution, as required in Contract Section A.4.f.
	Assessment	One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each occurrence the standard is not met. An occurrence is defined as per mailing and not per mail piece.
	Measurement	Reported, reconciled, and paid per occurrence through the duration of the Contract.
4.	Tennessee Edison	System Interface (see Contract Section A.9.)
	Guarantee	Contractor's interface with the Edison System shall be fully operational by the date specified in Contract Sections A.13.e.22., and the contractor shall maintain, from December 1, 2017 through the term of the contract, a valid interface with the Edison System.
	Assessment	One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per day for every day out of compliance.
	Measurement	Fully operational shall mean the Edison Certification of Interface Acceptance has been executed and that weekly files obtained by the Contractor from the State's Edison system will be timely and accurately processed and the data loaded directly into the Contractor's production database. Ongoing measurement, reconciled quarterly, and quarterly assessment paid annually.
5.	Average Speed of A	Answer (see Contract Section A.3.)
	Guarantee	The Contractor's call center shall maintain a monthly average speed of answer (ASA) of thirty (30) seconds or less, as required in Contract Section A.3.c.(1).
	Assessment	One thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each calendar month that the average speed of answer exceeds the threshold above.
	Measurement	The Contractor shall calculate the number of instances during each day during which a caller's time-to-answer exceeds this threshold (based on Contractor's internal telephone support system reports) compared to the total number of calls per day. Measured and reported on a weekly basis from September 5, 2017

		through March 2, 2018. Thereafter, measured and reported monthly. Reconciliation shall be guarterly and quarterly assessment paid annually.
_	First Call Decalutio	
6.	First Call Resolutio	n (see Contract Section A.3.)
	Guarantee	The Contractor's call center shall maintain a monthly average rate of ninety percent (90%) for first call resolution, as required in Contract Section A.3.c.(2).
	Assessment	One thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each calendar month that the average first call resolution rate exceeds the threshold above.
	Measurement	The Contractor shall calculate the number of instances during each day during which a caller's initial call was answered without requiring a call back from the Contractor (based on Contractor's internal telephone support system reports) compared to the total number of calls. Measured and reported on a weekly basis from September 5, 2017 through March 2, 2018. Thereafter, measured and reported monthly. Reconciliation shall be quarterly and quarterly assessment paid annually.
7.	Management Repor	rting (see Contract Section A.12.)
	Guarantee	All reports shall be delivered as specified in Section A.12 and Contract Attachment C, unless otherwise directed by the state.
	Assessment	One hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each report not delivered within the time frame specified in the contract.
	Measurement	Measured based on report due date (weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, and annually); Reconciled quarterly and quarterly assessment paid annually.
8.	Unauthorized Usa	ge of Information (see Contract Section A.7.m.)
	Guarantee	Unless prior approved in writing by the State, and in compliance with State and Federal law, the Contractor shall not use information gained through this Contract, including but not limited to utilization and pricing information, in marketing or expanding non-State business relationships or for any pecuniary gain.
	Assessment	One hundred dollars (\$100) per impacted member per instance unless that cannot be determined in which case the assessment shall be one hundred dollars per enrollee per instance.
	Measurement	Measured, reported, reconciled upon identification of occurrence.
	Measurement	The Contractor's aggregate average annual member out-of-pocket costs for contact lenses, frames, single vision lenses, and premium progressive lens for the Basic Plan and contact lenses, frames, and single vision lenses for the Expanded Plan.
		Measured, reported, and reconciled on an annual calendar year basis.

Liquidated Damages:

1. Privacy and S	I. Privacy and Security of Member Information (see Contract Section A.10.)		
Guarantee	The Contractor shall not release, intentionally or unintentionally, members' personal information, enrollment information, or claims information to unauthorized parties.		
Liquidated Damages Assessment	For releases affecting fewer than five hundred (500) members: Two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for the first violation, five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the second violation and ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the third and any additional violations.		
	For releases affecting five hundred (500) or more members: Twenty-five thousand		

	dollars (\$25,000) per violation.
	The assessment will be imposed on a per incident basis and the assessment will be levied on the graduated basis detailed above.
	In the event Contractor is responsible for any Federal or State Penalties related to a privacy violation, the State may, at its discretion waive any Liquidated Damages due the State in association with the same violation.
Measurement	Measured, reported, reconciled, and paid per occurrence.

CONTRACT ATTACHMENT C

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

As required by Contract Section A.12., the Contractor shall submit Management Reports to the State. The reports shall be used by the State to assess the Life Insurance Program costs and utilization as well as reconcile the Liquidated Damages. All reports shall be submitted in Microsoft Excel format, unless otherwise specified by the State, and shall be sent to the State via secure email.

Unless otherwise directed by the State, the Contractor shall submit reports as follows:

- 1) Weekly reports shall be submitted by Tuesday of the following week;
- 2) Monthly reports shall be submitted by the 15th of the following month;
- 3) Quarterly reports shall be submitted by the 20th of the following month;
- 4) Semi-Annual Reports shall be submitted by the 20th of the following month;
- 5) Annual reports shall be submitted within sixty (60) days after the end of the calendar year.

Reports shall include:

- Performance Guarantees and Liquidated Damages Tracking, as detailed in Contract Attachment B, each component to be listed with guarantee and actual results, submitted quarterly and annually using the template prior approved in writing by the State; the report shall also include a narrative statement regarding the status of each item
- 2) Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D/Voluntary AD&D Summary Plan Information: submitted quarterly and annually.

Premium Level	Subscribers	Premium	Claims Paid
Employee			
Spouse			
Children			
Total			

3) Program Loss Ratio

As defined by Contract Section A.15.z. Contractor shall quarterly and annually calculate its Loss Ratio (LR) on each program and submit such calculation and any necessary supporting data to the State.

- 4) Call Center Activity Reports, as detailed in Contract Section A.3.c, submitted weekly, then monthly.
 - a. Average Speed of Answer statistics to support an average speed of answer (ASA) of thirty (30) seconds or less during each month
 - b. First Call Resolution statistics to support a monthly average rate of ninety percent (90%) for first call resolution
- 5) **Account Team Satisfaction Survey Report**, submitted annually using the template prior approved in writing by the State
- 6) **BC/DR Test Results Report**, submitted annually by email using the template prior approved in writing by the State.
- 7) AdHoc Reports, The Contractor shall submit such ad hoc reports as are deemed by the State to be necessary to analyze the Life Insurance Program. The exact format, frequency and due dates for such reports shall be mutually agreed upon with the Contractor and shall be submitted at no cost to the State.
- 8) FedRamp, ISO 27000 or SOC2 Type 2 report, submitted annually as required in A.8.k.

- 9) **Basic Term Life/Basic AD&D Monthly Invoice**, as detailed in Contract Section C.5. submitted monthly by email using the template prior approved in writing by the State
- Annual Financial Analysis and Invoice Summary, submitted annually using a template approved by the State.
- 11) Claims Listing and Summary, submitted monthly, using a template approved by the State, showing
 - Monthly volume of claims and dollars paid by line of coverage
 - · Monthly loss ratio by lines of coverage
 - Monthly turnaround time from receipt to payment of death and AD&D claims
 - Monthly summary of newly approved and existing waiver of premium cases
 - Monthly summary of issued conversion policies
 - Monthly summary of approved advance benefit claims
 - Monthly summary of AD&D supplemental benefit paid on claims
 - Monthly summary of cause of death on life insurance claims
 - A year to date cumulative total for each item above which in the December report will be an annual summary
- 12) **Quality Assurance**, submitted annually showing a summary for the previous calendar year of the claims payment accuracy of claims selected on the State programs for auditing by the Contractor
- 13) **Financial Rating**, submitted annually showing the Contractor's most recent rating by A. M. Best or other nationally recognized rating firm approved by the State
- 14) **Voluntary Term Life Summary Plan Information:** Must be submitted each quarter separately for payroll deduction and pay-direct members with a summary for both.
 - a. Number of certificates in force by type of coverage
 - b. Total amount of insurance in force by type of coverage
 - c. Premium earned by type of coverage
 - d. Gross and net claims paid by type of coverage
- 15) **Issue and Attained Age** Provide at the end of each calendar year a listing for the voluntary term life insurance program showing the number of participant lives and volume of insurance coverage by issue and attained age. The listing will distinguish between premium payment method (payroll deduction and pay direct) and provide separate counts for employees and spouses. The data will reflect enrollment at December 31.
- 16) **Policy Master Report** Provide at the end of each calendar year, a monthly listing of the voluntary term life insurance policies issued including face amount, annual premium, and tally of policies that were in effect as of the end of the calendar year.

CONTRACT ATTACHMENT D

Unless otherwise approved by the State, the Contractor shall provide the following benefits as of the benefit golive date specified in Contract Section A.1. Enhanced, additional, or subsequently modified benefits may be provided by the Contractor for the Members upon approval by the State with no premium costs other than those specified in Contract Section C.3. Complete benefit details shall be described in the Contractor's Certificate of Coverage as approved by the State.

TRADITIONAL BASIC TERM LIFE and BASIC ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS					
Benefit/Provision	Description				
Plan Policy	The basic term life and basic accidental death & dismemberment insurance must be based				
Requirements	on a group plan platform issued to	o the State o	f Tennessee.		
Underwriting					
Criteria	1) Fligible Employees and depende	ante who ann	ly for coverage	during an one	n enrollment
Guaranteed Issue	1) Eligible Employees and dependents who apply for coverage during an open enrollment period, eligible Employees employed on and after January 1, 2019 who enroll themselves and dependents within thirty (31) days of the first day of work, and eligible Employees and/or dependents who enroll within sixty (60) days of a special qualifying event.				
Underwritten	2) Not applicable				
Annual Enrollment	Each year during a time period spe				
	the State's Group Health Insurance for the basic term life/basic AD&D is section.				
Benefit Amounts					
Employee and dependents					
	Employees with Base Under Age 65 Age 70 Age 75				
	Annual Earnings of:	Age 65	but Under 70	but Under 75	or Over
	Less than \$15,000	\$20,000	\$13,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 6,000
	\$15,000 but less than \$17,500	\$22,000	\$14,300	\$ 9,900	\$ 6,600
	\$17,500 but less than \$20,000	\$25,000	\$16,250	\$11,250	\$ 7,500
	\$20,000 but less than \$22,500	\$30,000	\$19,500	\$13,500	\$ 9,000
	\$22,500 but less than \$25,000	\$33,500	\$21,775	\$15,075	\$10,050
	\$25,000 but less than \$27,500	\$37,000	\$24,050	\$16,650	\$11,100
	\$27,500 but less than \$30,000	\$40,500	\$26,325	\$18,225	\$12,150
	\$30,000 but less than \$32,500	\$44,000	\$28,600	\$19,800	\$13,200
	\$32,500 but less than \$35,000	\$47,500	\$30,875	\$21,375	\$14,250
	\$35,000 and over	\$50,000	\$32,500	\$22,500	\$15,000
	Employees not enrolled in the State have \$20,000 of basic term life and Employees enrolled in the State of coverage based upon the employe The determination of coverage for a and salary as of September 1 of ea with the effective date of the recalculation.	d shall not be Tennessee's e's annual be an employee ach year or a	e eligible to add s Group Health ase salary as s shall be based n alternative da	dependent cov Insurance Plan hown in the tab I upon the empate established	verage. In shall have ble above. Iloyee's age by the State

on an alternative date established by the State.

The amount of basic term life insurance coverage for the employee begins to decrease at age 65. Reductions are to 65 percent of the scheduled amount at age 65; to 45 percent at age 70; and to 30 percent at age 75. Basic Term Life face amounts do not reduce at age 70 or above for those employees enrolled in the State's Permaplan program. Basic term life insurance coverage for dependents does not reduce.

Dependent Schedule of Benefits

Definition	Amount
Eligible Dependents of Insured who are:	
Spouse	\$3,000
Each dependent child (from live birth)	\$3,000

TRADITIONAL BASIC ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D) Schedule of Benefits

		Family Coverage		
			Spouse	and Children
Employees with Base Annual Earnings of:	Employee	Spouse Only (No Children)	Spouse	Each Child
Less than \$15,000	\$ 40,000	\$24,000	\$16,000	\$ 4,000
\$15,000 but less than \$17,500	\$ 44,000	\$26,000	\$18,000	\$ 4,000
\$17,500 but less than \$20,000	\$ 50,000	\$30,000	\$20,000	\$ 5,000
\$20,000 but less than \$22,500	\$ 60,000	\$36,000	\$25,000	\$ 5,000
\$22,500 but less than \$25,000	\$ 67,000	\$40,000	\$27,000	\$ 6,000
\$25,000 but less than \$27,500	\$ 74,000	\$44,000	\$30,000	\$ 7,000
\$27,500 but less than \$30,000	\$ 81,000	\$49,000	\$32,000	\$ 8,000
\$30,000 but less than \$32,500	\$ 88,000	\$53,000	\$35,000	\$ 9,000
\$32,500 but less than \$35,000	\$ 95,000	\$57,000	\$38,000	\$ 9,000
\$35,000 and over	\$100,000	\$60,000	\$40,000	\$10,000

The amount of basic accidental death and dismemberment coverage for the employee and dependent(s) begin to decrease at age 65. Reductions are to 65 percent of the scheduled amount at age 65; to 45 percent at age 70; and to 30 percent at age 75. Basic accidental death and dismemberment face amounts do not reduce at age 70 or above for those employees enrolled in the State's Permaplan program and their dependents.

Table of Losses

These losses must:

- 1. Be the result of bodily injury caused solely by accident and independent of all other causes:
- 2. Occur within 90 days of the date of the accident; and
- 3. Be losses for which Proof of Loss is submitted within 180 days of the accident.

Accidental Death Both hands or both feet Sight of both eyes One hand and one foot One hand and sight of one eye One foot and sight of one eye	THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT
One hand One foot Sight of one eye	ONE-HALF THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT
Thumb and index finger of either hand	ONE-FOURTH THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT

The amount of payment will be determined by the Maximum Benefit shown for this coverage in the Schedule of Benefits. With respect to hands or feet, "loss" means actual severance at or above wrist or ankle joints; with respect to eyes, permanent and total loss of sight; with respect to thumb and index finger, actual severance of entire digit at or above joints. No more than 100 percent of the Maximum Benefit will be paid for any one accident, no matter how many of the above listed losses occur as a result of that accident. **Limitations**

There are some limitations. A benefit will not be paid if the accident results from or is due to:

- 1. Any disease or infirmity of mind or body, and any medical or surgical treatment thereof:
- 2. Suicide or attempted suicide, while sane or insane;
- 3. Any intentionally self-inflicted injury;
- 4. War, declared or undeclared war, whether or not you are a member of any armed force:
- 5. Commission of, participation in, or an attempt to commit an assault or felony;
- 6. Being under the influence of any narcotic, hallucinogen, barbiturate, gas or fumes, poison or any other controlled substance as defined in Title II of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, as now or hereafter amended, unless as prescribed by the Insured's licensed physician. Conviction is not necessary for a determination of being under the influence;
- 7. Intoxication as defined by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the accident occurred. Conviction is not necessary for a determination of being intoxicated; or
- 8. Active participation in a riot. "Riot" means all forms of public violence, disorder, or disturbance of the public peace, by three or more persons assembled together, whether with or without a common intent and whether or not damage to person or property or unlawful act is the intent or the consequence of such disorder.

Advance Benefit Option

If the employee is terminally ill with a diagnosed life expectancy of no more than nine months, the employee can request a payment of up to 50 percent of the scheduled amount of his basic term life insurance. This advanced payment is subject to a minimum withdrawal of \$5,000 and will reduce the scheduled amount of coverage paid to the designated beneficiary. The advanced payment will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service, and it may be considered taxable income.

Limitations. There are some limitations on the advanced benefit option. A benefit will not be paid if:

- 1. The terminal illness resulted from attempted suicide or self-inflicted injury;
- 2. The coverage has been assigned;
- 3. The coverage is payable to an irrevocable beneficiary;
- 4. You are required by law to use this option to meet the claims of creditors; or
- 5. You are required by a government agency to use this option in order to get or keep a government benefit or entitlement.

Supplemental Basic AD&D Benefits

A supplemental basic accidental death benefit is payable if the employee dies as a result of an automobile accident for which a basic accidental death and dismemberment benefit is paid and the employee was properly secured by a seatbelt. The vehicle must have been operated by a licensed driver who was not intoxicated, driving while impaired, or under the influence of certain substances. The benefit will be the lesser of: \$25,000; the basic accidental death and dismemberment benefit; or \$1,000 if an official police report certifying proper seatbelt use is not submitted with the claim.

If the employee dies as the result of an accident which occurs more than 75 miles from the employee's principal residence, a supplemental benefit of up to \$5,000 for preparation and transportation of the body will be paid. The accident must qualify for the provision of basic accidental death and dismemberment benefits for the repatriation benefit to be provided.

Waiver of Premium

If the employee is totally disabled prior to age 70, the employee's basic term life coverage will continue for one year from the last day of the month following end of positive pay status.

In addition, if the employee becomes totally and permanently disabled before age 60 and remains disabled for nine consecutive months, the employee may be eligible to continue the basic term life coverage on him/herself and his covered dependents until the employee turns age 70. The Contractor determines whether the employee's disability is considered

total and permanent. To be granted a continuation under the waiver of premium provision the employee must: 1. apply within twelve months following the last day of the month following end of positive pay status; 2. provide proof of the disability each year that is satisfactory to the Contractor; and 3. remain totally disabled. Any amount payable under the Waiver of Premium or one year extension provision will be reduced by the amount of a conversion policy. The employee is not allowed to increase coverage above the level the employee had as an active employee. The conversion policy can be surrendered and the employee would be eligible for full coverage under the extension and approved Waiver of Premium claim. There are no extended benefits for the basic accidental death and dismemberment coverage. Beneficiary Benefits for the loss of life under the basic term life and the basic and accidental death and Designation dismemberment coverages will be paid to a beneficiary designated by the employee. The beneficiary information shall be maintained by the State. Changes in beneficiary take effect when made by the employee. The beneficiary for all dependent coverage and for the dismemberment coverage is the employee. If two or more persons are designated beneficiaries and the employee does not indicate otherwise, they will share the benefits equally. If one of them does not survive the employee, that share will pass to the surviving beneficiaries. If no beneficiary is designated, the benefits will be paid according to the Contractor's standard order of payment. Conversion of If the employee's basic term life insurance coverage ends because his employment with the State of Tennessee ceases, for any reason including retirement, or because the class of Coverage employees is no longer eligible, the employee will be entitled to enroll in an individual life policy of insurance offered by the Contractor. No evidence of insurability will be required. This coverage will not be the same as that provided to the employee as an active employee and the premium will be affected by the form and amount of the policy, the employee's age, and the class of risk to which the employee belongs. The Contractor will send a notice concerning the former employee's eligibility to convert coverage. Payment of premium will be made directly to the Contractor by the former employee. Dependents may exercise a conversion option when they become ineligible for coverage, as well. If the employee or dependent dies during the 31-day period following the termination of insurance, the Contractor shall pay the maximum amount of life insurance for which an individual policy could have been issued.

CONTEMPORARY BASIC TERM LIFE and BASIC ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS		
Benefit/Provision	Description	
Plan Policy	The basic term life and basic accidental death & dismemberment insurance must be	
Requirements	based on a group plan platform issued to the State of Tennessee.	
Underwriting Criteria Guaranteed Issue	Eligible Employees and dependents who apply for coverage during an open enrollment period, eligible Employees employed on and after January 1, 2019 who enroll themselves and dependents within thirty (31) days of the first day of work, and eligible Employees and/or dependents who enroll within sixty (60) days of a special qualifying event.	
Underwritten	Not applicable	
Annual Enrollment	There are no options available during the State's annual enrollment period.	

Benefit Amounts

CONTEMPORARY BASIC TERM LIFE

The guaranteed issue amount of insurance under the Contemporary Basic Term Life Insurance Program shall be one times (1x) the employee's base annual salary rounded to the next highest thousand. For example, an employee whose base annual salary is \$39,000 shall receive a basic term life coverage amount of \$39,000, and an employee whose base annual salary is \$39,001 will receive a basic term life coverage amount of \$40,000. The total maximum amount of basic term life insurance coverage in force per employee shall not exceed \$250,000. The Contemporary Basic Term Life Insurance Program does not include coverage for dependents.

The amount of basic term life insurance coverage for the employee begins to decrease at age 65. Reductions are to 65 percent of the scheduled amount at age 65; to 45 percent at age 70; and to 30 percent at age 75. Basic Term Life face amounts do not reduce at age 70 or above for those employees enrolled in the State's Permaplan program. The determination of coverage for an employee shall be based upon the employee's age and salary as of September 1 of each year or an alternative date established by the State with the effective date of the recalculated coverage to be on October 1 of the same year or on an alternative date established by the State.

CONTEMPORARY BASIC ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D)

The guaranteed issue amount of insurance under the Contemporary Basic Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program shall be one times (1x) the employee's base annual salary rounded to the next highest thousand. For example, an employee whose base annual salary is \$39,000 shall receive a basic AD&D coverage amount of \$39,000, and an employee whose base annual salary is \$39,001 will receive a basic AD&D coverage amount of \$40,000. The total maximum amount of basic AD&D insurance coverage in force per employee shall not exceed \$250,000. The Contemporary Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance Program does not include coverage for dependents.

The amount of basic accidental death and dismemberment coverage for the employee begins to decrease at age 65. Reductions are to 65 percent of the scheduled amount at age 65; to 45 percent at age 70; and to 30 percent at age 75. Basic accidental death and dismemberment face amounts do not reduce at age 70 or above for those employees enrolled in the State's Permaplan program.

Table of Losses

These losses must:

- Be the result of bodily injury caused solely by accident and independent of all other causes:
- 2. Occur within 90 days of the date of the accident; and
- 3. Be losses for which Proof of Loss is submitted within 180 days of the accident.

Accidental Death Both hands or both feet Sight of both eyes One hand and one foot One hand and sight of one eye One foot and sight of one eye	THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT
One hand One foot Sight of one eye	ONE-HALF THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT
Thumb and index finger of either hand	ONE-FOURTH THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT

The amount of payment will be determined by the Maximum Benefit shown for this coverage in the Schedule of Benefits. With respect to hands or feet, "loss" means actual severance at or above wrist or ankle joints; with respect to eyes, permanent and total loss of sight; with respect to thumb and index finger, actual severance of entire digit at or above joints.

No more than 100 percent of the Maximum Benefit will be paid for any one accident, no matter how many of the above listed losses occur as a result of that accident.

Limitations

There are some limitations. A benefit will not be paid if the accident results from or is due to:

- 1. Any disease or infirmity of mind or body, and any medical or surgical treatment thereof:
- 2. Suicide or attempted suicide, while sane or insane;
- 3. Any intentionally self-inflicted injury;
- 4. War, declared or undeclared war, whether or not you are a member of any armed force:
- 5. Commission of, participation in, or an attempt to commit an assault or felony;
- 6. Being under the influence of any narcotic, hallucinogen, barbiturate, gas or fumes, poison or any other controlled substance as defined in Title II of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, as now or hereafter amended, unless as prescribed by the Insured's licensed physician. Conviction is not necessary for a determination of being under the influence;
- 7. Intoxication as defined by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the accident occurred. Conviction is not necessary for a determination of being intoxicated; or
- 8. Active participation in a riot. "Riot" means all forms of public violence, disorder, or disturbance of the public peace, by three or more persons assembled together, whether with or without a common intent and whether or not damage to person or property or unlawful act is the intent or the consequence of such disorder.

Advance Benefit Option

If the employee is terminally ill with a diagnosed life expectancy of no more than nine months, the employee can request a payment of up to 50 percent of the scheduled amount of his basic term life insurance. This advanced payment is subject to a minimum withdrawal of \$5,000 and will reduce the scheduled amount of coverage paid to the designated beneficiary. The advanced payment will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service, and it may be considered taxable income.

Limitations. There are some limitations on the advanced benefit option. A benefit will not be paid if:

- 1. The terminal illness resulted from attempted suicide or self-inflicted injury;
- The coverage has been assigned;
- 3. The coverage is payable to an irrevocable beneficiary;
- 4. You are required by law to use this option to meet the claims of creditors; or
- 5. You are required by a government agency to use this option in order to get or keep a government benefit or entitlement.

Supplemental Basic AD&D Benefits

A supplemental basic accidental death benefit is payable if the employee dies as a result of an automobile accident for which a basic accidental death and dismemberment benefit is paid and the employee was properly secured by a seatbelt. The vehicle must have been operated by a licensed driver who was not intoxicated, driving while impaired, or under the influence of certain substances. The benefit will be the lesser of: \$25,000; the basic accidental death and dismemberment benefit; or \$1,000 if an official police report certifying proper seatbelt use is not submitted with the claim.

If the employee dies as the result of an accident which occurs more than 75 miles from the employee's principal residence, a supplemental benefit of up to \$5,000 for preparation and transportation of the body will be paid. The accident must qualify for the provision of basic accidental death and dismemberment benefits for the repatriation benefit to be provided.

Waiver of Premium

If the employee is totally disabled prior to age 70, the employee's basic term life coverage will continue for one year from the last day of the month following end of positive pay status.

In addition, if the employee becomes totally and permanently disabled before age 60 and remains disabled for nine consecutive months, the employee may be eligible to continue

	the basic term life coverage on him/herself and his covered dependents until the employee turns age 70. The Contractor determines whether the employee's disability is considered total and permanent. To be granted a continuation under the waiver of premium provision the employee must: 1. apply within twelve months following the last day of the month following end of positive pay status; 2. provide proof of the disability each year that is satisfactory to the Contractor; and 3. remain totally disabled.
	Any amount payable under the Waiver of Premium or one year extension provision will be reduced by the amount of a conversion policy. The employee is not allowed to increase coverage above the level the employee had as an active employee. The conversion policy can be surrendered and the employee would be eligible for full coverage under the extension and approved Waiver of Premium claim.
	There are no extended benefits for the basic accidental death and dismemberment coverage.
Beneficiary Designation	Benefits for the loss of life under the basic term life and the basic and accidental death and dismemberment coverages will be paid to a beneficiary designated by the employee. The beneficiary information shall be maintained by the State. Changes in beneficiary take effect when made by the employee. If two or more persons are designated beneficiaries and the employee does not indicate
	otherwise, they will share the benefits equally. If one of them does not survive the employee, that share will pass to the surviving beneficiaries. If no beneficiary is designated, the benefits will be paid according to the Contractor's standard order of payment.
Conversion of Coverage	If the employee's basic term life insurance coverage ends because his employment with the State of Tennessee ceases, for any reason including retirement, or because the class of employees is no longer eligible, the employee will be entitled to enroll in an individual life policy of insurance offered by the Contractor. No evidence of insurability will be required. This coverage will not be the same as that provided to the employee as an active employee and the premium will be affected by the form and amount of the policy, the employee's age, and the class of risk to which the employee belongs. The Contractor will send a notice concerning the former employee's eligibility to convert coverage. Payment of premium will be made directly to the Contractor by the former employee.
	If the employee dies during the 31-day period following the termination of insurance, the Contractor shall pay the maximum amount of life insurance for which an individual policy could have been issued.

TRADITIONAL VOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS		
Benefit/Provision	Description	
Plan Policy	The voluntary accidental death & dismemberment insurance must be based on a group plan	
Requirements	platform issued to the State of Tennessee.	
Underwriting		
Criteria Criteria		
Guaranteed Issue	Eligible Employees and dependents who apply for coverage during an open enrollment period, eligible Employees employed on and after January 1, 2019 who enroll themselves and dependents within thirty (31) days of the first day of work, and eligible Employees and/or dependents who enroll within sixty (60) days of a special qualifying event.	
	Not applicable	
Underwritten		
Annual Enrollment	Each year during the State's Annual Enrollment Period specified by the State, employees may elect to participate in the voluntary accidental death & dismemberment program by enrolling themselves and if desired, any eligible dependents.	

Benefit Amounts

Employee and dependents

In-force coverage being transferred to the Contractor on January 1, 2019, shall transfer with the same coverage amount. The guaranteed issue amount of insurance under the Traditional Voluntary AD&D Insurance Program shall be as shown below.

TRADITIONAL VOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D) Schedule of Benefits

		Family Coverage		
		Spouse	Spouse and Children	
Employees with Base Annual Earnings of:	Employee	Only (No Children)	Spouse	Each Child
Less than \$3,000	\$6,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$1,000
\$3,000 but less than \$4,000	\$9,000	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$1,000
\$4,000 but less than \$5,000	\$12,000	\$7,000	\$4,000	\$2,000
\$5,000 but less than \$6,000	\$15,000	\$9,000	\$5,000	\$2,000
\$6,000 but less than \$7,000	\$18,000	\$11,000	\$7,000	\$2,000
\$7,000 but less than \$8,000	\$21,000	\$13,000	\$8,000	\$3,000
\$8,000 but less than \$9,000	\$24,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$3,000
\$9,000 but less than \$10,000	\$27,000	\$17,000	\$11,000	\$3,000
\$10,000 but less than \$12,500	\$32,000	\$19,000	\$13,000	\$3,000
\$12,500 but less than \$15,000	\$38,000	\$23,000	\$15,000	\$4,000
\$15,000 but less than \$17,500	\$44,000	\$26,000	\$18,000	\$4,000
\$17,500 but less than \$20,000	\$50,000	\$30,000	\$20,000	\$5,000
\$20,000 and over	\$60,000	\$36,000	\$25,000	\$5,000

The determination of coverage for an employee shall be based upon the employee's age and salary as of September 1 of each year or an alternative date established by the State with the effective date of the recalculated coverage to be on October 1 of the same year or on an alternative date established by the State.

Table of Losses

Please refer to the Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage.

Limitations

Please refer to Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage.

Reductions

There are no age benefit reductions in the Voluntary (Optional) Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage.

Beneficiary Designation

Benefits for the loss of life under the voluntary (optional) accidental death and dismemberment coverage will be paid to a beneficiary designated by the employee. This beneficiary designation is separate from the beneficiary designation under the Basic Term Life and Basic Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program. The beneficiary information shall be maintained by the State. Changes in beneficiary take effect when made by the employee.

The beneficiary for all dependent coverage and for the dismemberment coverage is the employee.

If two or more persons are designated beneficiaries and the employee does not indicate otherwise, they will share the benefits equally. If one of them does not survive the employee, that share will pass to the surviving beneficiaries.

If no beneficiary is designated, the benefits will be paid according to the Contractor's standard order of payment.

CONTEMPORARY VOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS		
Benefit/Provision	Description	

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Plan Policy	The voluntary accidental death & dismemberment insurance must be based on a group
Requirements	plan platform issued to the State of Tennessee.
Underwriting Criteria	
Guaranteed Issue	Eligible Employees and dependents who apply for coverage during an open enrollment period, eligible Employees employed on and after January 1, 2019 who enroll themselves and dependents within thirty (31) days of the first day of work, and eligible Employees and/or dependents who enroll within sixty (60) days of a special qualifying event.
Underwritten	Not applicable
Annual Enrollment	Each year during the State's Annual Enrollment Period specified by the State, employees may elect to participate in the voluntary accidental death & dismemberment program by enrolling themselves and if desired, any eligible dependents.
Benefit Amounts	
Employee and dependents	In-force coverage being transitioned from the Traditional program shall be as shown below. The guaranteed issue amount of insurance under the Contemporary Voluntary AD&D Insurance Program shall be as shown below.
	CONTEMPORARY VOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D) Schedule of Benefits
	The employee guaranteed issue amount of insurance available under the Contemporary Voluntary Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program shall be five times (5x) the employee's base annual salary rounded to the next highest thousand. For example, an employee whose base annual salary is \$39,000 shall receive a voluntary AD&D coverage amount of \$195,000, and an employee whose base annual salary is \$39,001 will receive a voluntary AD&D coverage amount of \$196,000. The total maximum amount of voluntary AD&D insurance coverage in force per employee shall not exceed \$500,000.
	The determination of coverage for an employee shall be based upon the employee's salary as of September 1 of each year or an alternative date established by the State with the effective date of the recalculated coverage to be on October 1 of the same year or on an alternative date established by the State.
	The employee may, if enrolled, purchase coverage for an eligible spouse in the amount of \$30,000.
	The employee may, if enrolled, purchase a unit of coverage for all children in the amount of \$10,000 per child.
	Table of Losses Please refer to the Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage. Limitations Please refer to Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage. Reductions There are no age benefit reductions in the Voluntary Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage.

Beneficiary Designation

Benefits for the loss of life under the voluntary (optional) accidental death and dismemberment coverage will be paid to a beneficiary designated by the employee. This beneficiary designation is separate from the beneficiary designation under the Basic Term Life and Basic Accidental Death & Dismemberment Program. The beneficiary information shall be maintained by the State. Changes in beneficiary take effect when made by the employee.

The beneficiary for all dependent coverage and for the dismemberment coverage is the employee.

If two or more persons are designated beneficiaries and the employee does not indicate otherwise, they will share the benefits equally. If one of them does not survive the employee, that share will pass to the surviving beneficiaries.

If no beneficiary is designated, the benefits will be paid according to the Contractor's standard order of payment.

VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS		
Benefit/Provision	Description	
Plan Policy Requirements	The voluntary term life insurance must be based on a group plan platform issued to the State of Tennessee.	
Underwriting Criteria		
Guaranteed Issue	Eligible Employees who apply for coverage during an open enrollment period or Employees employed on and after January 1, 2018 who enroll within thirty-one days of the hire date on a guaranteed issue and maximum issue basis.	
	A spouse who has not been hospitalized, advised to seek medical treatment, or received disability benefits during the six months prior to the date of the application to enroll	
	3) A child term rider may be issued without answering health questions for the children.	
Underwritten	 New Employees who choose to apply for coverage more than 31 days after their hire date; A Member who applies for a coverage amount above the guaranteed issue amount: and A spouse who has been hospitalized, advised to seek medical treatment, or received disability benefits during the six months prior to the date of the application to enroll. 	
Benefit Amounts/Maximum		
Amounts Employee	In-force active and ported certificates of coverage being transferred to the Contractor on January 1, 2018, shall transfer with the same coverage amount. The guaranteed issue amount of insurance under the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Plan shall be five (5) times the employee's Annual Base Salary, rounded to the next highest \$5,000 increment. The minimum base amount is \$5,000 for each employee. The maximum issue amount of insurance under the Voluntary Term Life Insurance Program shall be seven (7) times Annual Base Salary, then rounded to the next highest \$5,000 increment up to a maximum of \$500,000. A participating employee may increase his or her face value of coverage annually by \$5,000 subject to the guaranteed issue amount and maximum coverage on a date mutually established by the State and the Contractor.	
Spouse	In-force active and ported certificates of coverage being transferred to the Contractor on January 1, 2018, shall transfer with the same coverage amount. Spouse under age 55: increments of \$5,000 up to a maximum of \$30,000. Spouse age 55 and over: increments of \$5,000 up to a maximum of \$15,000.	
Child Term Rider	All child term riders in force as of December 31, 2017, including those in the amount of \$2,500, shall carryover to the Contractor as of January 1, 2018. A new child term rider to be effective January 1, 2018 or later shall be issued in the amount of \$5,000 or \$10,000.	
Revisions	The State reserves the right to negotiate with the Contractor to increase the maximum issue amounts and to adjust the unit rates based on the increase in coverage. Such changes would be effected through an amendment to the	

	contract.
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Annual Enrollment	Each year during a time period specified by the State, employees may qualify to
	participate in the Program or to increase amounts of coverage by demonstrating insurability through the response to health questions. Employees may also elect to
	decrease the face amount during the same time period. Coverage shall become
	effective within three (3) months of receipt of application. Decrease in coverage
	shall become effective on January 1 of the subsequent year.
	Each year during a time period specified by the State, current members may
	increase the face amount of their coverage by up to \$5,000 if that action will not
Advance Benefit Rider	exceed the guaranteed issue amount, without answering health questions.
Advance Benefit Rider	A rider may be issued if the Member becomes terminally ill and is not expected to live more than nine (9) months, as certified by a medical doctor, in an amount up to
	fifty percent (50%) of the face amount not to exceed \$500,000. Any payout will
	reduce the death benefit.
Exclusions/Limitations	Benefits will not be paid for deaths caused by suicide in the first 24 months after a
	Member's coverage takes effect. Additional or increased coverage amounts will
	not be paid for deaths caused by suicide within 24 months of the date the changes
	were made.
	In the event an individual is approved for coverage through medical underwriting,
	that coverage will be in full force on the general effective date unless limited by
	another provision of the Group Master Policy.
Premiums/Fees	The premium rates and administrative fees may be found in section C.3 of the <i>Pro</i>
	Forma Contract. Premiums for each Certificate are based upon the Member's age
	as of his or her last birthday. The monthly premium amount will automatically increase as age increases. The monthly premium will be based on age as of
	January 1 of each year.
Premium Rate	
Guarantee	The entire term of the contract.
Waiver of Premium	The premium payment will be waived during a period of disability if a Member
	becomes totally disabled before age 60 and remains disabled for nine consecutive
	months. The Member may continue the waiver of premium provision up to age 70. This provision only applies to an employee or spouse who is enrolled.
Grace Period	The Insured shall have a grace period of at least thirty-one (31) days for late
0.400.1.01.04	payment of premium. The Certificate will remain in force during the grace period.
Reinstatement	If the insurance Lapses, coverage may be reinstated within three (3) years after
	the date of Lapse as long as:
	(1) The Group Policy has not terminated;
	(2) Acceptable evidence of insurability, at the Member's cost, is submitted to
	the Contractor; and
	(3) A premium is paid which is sufficient to keep the insurance in force for at
<u></u>	least three (3) months after the reinstatement.
Continuation and Conversion of	The Contractor shall provide for continuation of the Voluntary Term Life insurance
Conversion of Coverage	coverage by former employees and spouses with any affiliated child term riders through participation in the coverage offered through this contract and payment of
Ouverage	premium directly to the Contractor. The continued (ported) amount of coverage for
	a former employee or spouse may not exceed one-half (1/2) the amount the
	employee or spouse had under active coverage, but no less than \$5,000, subject
	to an overall maximum of \$250,000. The former employee, spouse, or child may
	convert coverage to an individual life policy, instead of continuing (porting) the
	group program. Premium for continuation (porting) of individual certificates shall be
	as shown in Contract Section C.3. Conversion policies will be priced according to the type of individual life insurance product selected, the classification risk to which
	The type of individual life insurance product selected, the classification risk to which

the individual belongs, and the Contractor's premium rate. Employees who terminate their employment are to be notified by the Contractor of their options through written correspondence. Such notification shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the preceding, the Member may not continue (port) coverage if termination is due to non-payment of premium.

For an Employee Member whose employment is terminated or a Spouse Member who becomes ineligible for coverage because of the Employer's eligibility rules, the following options will apply:

- (1) If younger than age 70, the Certificate may be:
 - a. Continued by paying the premiums on a direct bill basis to the Contractor. If this option is elected, the coverage provided by the Certificate will automatically terminate on the last day of the year in which age 70 is obtained. A request to convert to an individual life policy may be made within 31 days of when the Certificate terminates at age 70; or
 - b. Converted to an individual life policy.
- (2) If age 70 or older, the Certificate may be converted to an individual life policy.

The above options will not be available if the Member fails to notify the Contractor of a change in the eligibility status of the Spouse.

If conversion to an individual life policy is chosen by the Member as described above, the application must be made for the policy within 31 days from the date of the notification offering the conversion. Proof of insurability will not be required. The premium for the policy will be based upon the Member's:

- (1) Age;
- (2) Class of risk; and
- (3) The policy form and face amount of the policy.

If the Member dies during the 31 day period before applying for an individual life policy, the amount of life insurance he/she had under the Certificate will be paid to the beneficiary.

If the life insurance provided by the Group Policy has been in effect for at least five (5) years and the Plan ends or the Plan ceases to include a Member's class of employees, coverage may be converted to an individual life policy, subject to the same conversion restrictions above, except as provided below. The converted policy will be limited to the less of:

- (1) The amount of life insurance the Member had under the Plan, less any amount of life insurance the Member becomes eligible for under another group policy within 31 days after the Plan ends; or
- (2) \$2,000.