STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
INFORMATION SECURITY ASSESSMENT AND
CONSULTING SERVICES (ISACS)

RFP # 32110-03024

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1. **INTRODUCTION**

The State of Tennessee, Department of General Services, hereinafter referred to as "the State," issues 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 respondents, including those that are owned by minorities, women, service-disabled veterans, persons with disabilities and small business enterprises, an opportunity to do business with the state as contractors, subcontractors or suppliers.

1.1. **Statement of Procurement Purpose**

1.1.1. The State intends to secure a contract for Information Security Assessment and Consulting Services (ISACS) Consultants to assist in strengthening the State's security posture. Services include vulnerability, compliance, and application assessments, risk assessments, penetration tests, source code reviews, information security program assessment services, system design services, data loss prevention services, data recovery, and data and network forensics services. Vulnerability assessments and penetration testing services will be used to identify and validate configuration and/or technical flaws within a given system or network. System components include, but are not limited to, load-balancers, firewalls, routers, servers, workstations, operating systems, system software, applications, and databases. Application assessments (including mobile applications assessments) including code review will be conducted to identify vulnerabilities and programming errors and shall be evaluated against Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) top 10 and SANS top 25 guidelines. Information security program assessment services will be used to determine the maturity and effectiveness of the State’s information security program. Developer workshops will be conducted where findings are explained, and remediation steps detailed with examples. System design services will be used to assist with the architecture and detailed design of complete systems such as networks and physical security. Data Loss Prevention (DLP) services will be used to assess the State’s or individual agency’s infrastructure, policies and procedures around the storage and handling of confidential data. This may include data discovery and data classification. Data and network forensics services will be limited to the "root cause" analysis of information security incidents within the State’s environment. Any other services not specifically mentioned above will be included in this contract as “general security consulting services.” See Pro Forma Contract Section A.2.b.vii.

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 TERM (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 # 32110-03024**

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 must direct communications concerning this RFP to the following person designated as the Solicitation Coordinator:

Richard Kotler, Solicitation Coordinator
Department of General Services, Central Procurement Office
WRS Tennessee Tower, 3rd Floor
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37243
Telephone #: 615-253-4723
E-mail Address: Richard.Kotler@tn.gov

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, service-disabled veteran-owned, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and small businesses as well as general, public information relating to this RFP (visit [https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement/central-procurement-office-cpo/governor-s-office-of-diversity-business-enterprise-godbe-godbe-general-contacts.html](https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement/central-procurement-office-cpo/governor-s-office-of-diversity-business-enterprise-godbe-godbe-general-contacts.html) 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:

Helen Crowley
Tennessee Department of General Services
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 3rd Floor
Nashville, TN 37243
Phone: 615-741-3836
E-mail: helen.crowley@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: https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement/central-procurement-office--cpo/supplier-information/request-for-proposals--rfp--opportunities1.html to the following: https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement/central-procurement-office--cpo-/supplier-information/request-for-proposals--rfp--opportunities1.html.

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 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 PRE-RESPONSE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD VIA WEBEX ON AUGUST 26, 2021 AT 10:00 A.M. CST AND WILL CONCLUDE AT 12:00 P.M.

When it's time, join your Webex meeting here.

Join meeting

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Join by meeting number
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Meeting password: iMHHkMZY576

Tap to join from a mobile device (attendees only)
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Join from a video system or application
Dial 1807370982@tn.webex.com
You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number.

Join using Microsoft Lync or Microsoft Skype for Business
Dial 1807370982.tn@lync.webex.com

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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; and
- 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. 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.

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<td>4. Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline</td>
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<td>5. Written “Questions &amp; Comments” Deadline</td>
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<td>9. State Opening &amp; Scoring of Cost Proposals</td>
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<td>10. State Notice of Intent to Award Released and RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection</td>
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<td>11. End of Open File Period</td>
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<td>12. State sends contract to Contractor for signature</td>
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<td>13. Contractor Signature Deadline</td>
<td>2:00 p.m.</td>
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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. Technical Response. 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 must not include any 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 should duplicate and 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. 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 correspond 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 all of the requirements and response items detailed in the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide.


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

3.1.2.1. A Respondent must only record the proposed cost exactly as required by the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide and must NOT record any other rates, amounts, or information.
3.1.2.2. The proposed cost shall incorporate **ALL** 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 **sealed** 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, as may be amended.

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:

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“RFP # 32110-03024 TECHNICAL RESPONSE ORIGINAL”
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and five (5) 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 USB flash drive labeled:

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“RFP # 32110-03024 TECHNICAL RESPONSE COPY”
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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:

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“RFP # 32110-03024 COST PROPOSAL ORIGINAL”
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and three (3) copies in the form of a digital document in “PDF/XLS” format properly recorded on separate, blank, standard USB flash drive labeled:

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“RFP # 32110-03024 COST PROPOSAL COPY”
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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:

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“DO NOT OPEN... RFP # 32110-03024 TECHNICAL RESPONSE FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]”
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3.2.3.2. The Cost Proposal original document and digital copy must be placed in a separate, sealed package that is clearly labeled:

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“DO NOT OPEN... RFP # 32110-03024 COST PROPOSAL FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]”
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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 # 32110-03024 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:

Richard Kotler  
Solicitation Coordinator  
Department of General Services, Central Procurement Office  
WRS Tennessee Tower, 3rd Floor  
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243  
Telephone: 615-253-4723  
E-mail: Richard.Kotler@tn.gov

3.3. **Response & Respondent Prohibitions**

3.3.1. A response must not 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 not 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 not 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 not 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 not 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 not 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 not 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.

3.3.9. This RFP is also subject to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-101—105.

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 not 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.14.).

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**

The State will 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. To register, please visit the Department of Revenue’s Tennessee Taxpayer Access Point (TNTAP) website for Online Registration and the Vendor Contract Questionnaire. These resources are available at the following: https://tntap.tn.gov/eservices/#1

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.

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 Tenn. Code Ann. § 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 Effective Date or after the Contract Term.

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, 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.

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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. Technical Response Evaluation. 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 not meet the responsive and responsible thresholds such that the team would not 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. **Total Response Score.** 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 and 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 must 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 must 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 terms and conditions or pricing negotiations 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 NOT 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 ATTACHMENT 6.1.

RFP # 32110-03024 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 the RFP Attachment 6.6., Pro Forma Contract for the total Contract Term.
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 bidder is not on the list created pursuant to §12-12-106.” For reference purposes, the list is currently available online at: https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement/central-procurement-office-cpo-library-public-information-library.html.

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 must 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: ______________________
TECHNICAL RESPONSE & EVALUATION GUIDE

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.

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<td>The Response must be delivered to the State no later than the Response Deadline specified in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.</td>
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<td>The Technical Response and the Cost Proposal documentation must be packaged separately as required (refer to RFP Section 3.2., et. seq.).</td>
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<td>The Technical Response must NOT contain cost or pricing information of any type.</td>
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<td>A Respondent must NOT submit alternate responses (refer to RFP Section 3.3.).</td>
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<td>A.1.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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|                                       | 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. |          |
<p>|                                       | 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. |          |</p>
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<td>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 number without the full report is insufficient and will not be considered responsive.)</td>
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| A.6.                                 |           | The Proposer must have performed a security assessment on a government entity or corporation that supports multiple operating systems and networking technologies and that:  
  • has a minimum of 5,000 employees; or  
  • has a minimum of 5,000 endpoint devices including 2,000 servers  

**Evidence of this should be in the form of a list of the Proposer’s clients meeting this requirement with the total number for each client identified with the client name.** The count should be the total number of employees or endpoint devices in the entire organization (federal agency, state government, county government, corporation, etc.), including all divisions, agencies, sections, etc. and may be rounded to the nearest hundred. (For example, the State of Tennessee has approximately 40,000 employees or approximately 45,000 endpoint devices.) |          |
| A.7                                  |           | Background Checks. Provide confirmation, on Company Letterhead signed by an authorized person, that all of the Proposer’s consultants that will be used on the contract have passed name-based background checks for FTI data and fingerprint-based background checks for CJIS and FTI data and have certificates available upon request by the State. |          |

*State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:*
TECHNICAL RESPONSE & EVALUATION GUIDE

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.

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<td>Detail the name, e-mail address, mailing address, telephone number, and facsimile number of the person the State should contact regarding the response.</td>
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<td>B.2.</td>
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<td>Describe the Respondent’s form of business (i.e., individual, sole proprietor, corporation, non-profit corporation, partnership, limited liability company) and business location (physical location or domicile).</td>
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<td>Detail the number of years the Respondent has been in business.</td>
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<td>Briefly describe how long the Respondent has been providing the goods or services required by this RFP.</td>
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<td>Describe the Respondent’s number of employees, client base, and location of offices.</td>
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<td>Provide a statement of whether there have been any mergers, acquisitions, or change of control of the Respondent within the last ten (10) years. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.</td>
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<td>B.7.</td>
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<td>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 nolo contendere to any felony. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.</td>
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<td>B.8.</td>
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<td>Provide a statement of whether, in the last ten (10) years, the Respondent has filed (or had filed 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 so, include an explanation providing relevant details.</td>
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<td>B.9.</td>
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<td>Provide a statement of whether there is any material, pending litigation against the Respondent that the Respondent should reasonably believe could adversely affect its ability to meet contract 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 details, 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.</td>
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<td>B.10.</td>
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<td>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 will impair the Respondent’s performance in a contract pursuant to this RFP.</td>
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### Section B—General Qualifications & Experience Items

**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.

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<td><strong>B.11.</strong></td>
<td>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.).</td>
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<td><strong>B.12.</strong></td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td><strong>B.13.</strong></td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td><strong>B.14.</strong></td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td><strong>B.15.</strong></td>
<td>Provide documentation of the Respondent’s commitment to diversity as represented by the following: (a) Business Strategy. Provide a description of the Respondent’s existing programs and procedures designed to encourage and foster commerce with business enterprises owned by minorities, women, service-disabled veterans, persons with disabilities, and small business enterprises. Please also include a list of the Respondent’s certifications as a diversity business, if applicable. (b) Business Relationships. Provide a listing of the Respondent’s current contracts with business enterprises owned by minorities, women, service-disabled veterans, persons with disabilities, and small business enterprises. Please include the following information: (i) contract description; (ii) contractor name and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, service-disabled veteran-owned or persons with disabilities); (iii) contractor contact name and telephone number. (c) Estimated Participation. Provide an estimated level of participation by business enterprises owned by minorities, women, service-disabled veterans, persons with disabilities 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 <strong>DO NOT INCLUDE DOLLAR AMOUNTS</strong>); (ii) anticipated goods or services contract descriptions; (iii) names and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, service-disabled veterans, or disability) of anticipated subcontractors and supply contractors.</td>
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### Section B—General Qualifications & Experience Items

**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 (Go-DBE). Please visit the Go-DBE website at [https://tn.diversitysoftware.com/FrontEnd/StartCertification.asp?TN=tn&amp;XID=9810](https://tn.diversitysoftware.com/FrontEnd/StartCertification.asp?TN=tn&amp;XID=9810) for more 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, service-disabled veterans, persons with disabilities, 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.

#### B.17. Provide customer references from individuals who are not 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.**

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 must 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 _solely_ 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;
  - **(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.
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<td>▪ 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.</td>
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<td>▪ The State is under no obligation to clarify any reference information.</td>
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<td>Provide a statement and any relevant details addressing whether the Respondent is any of the following:</td>
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<td>(a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;</td>
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## TECHNICAL RESPONSE & EVALUATION GUIDE

### 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.

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Total Raw Weighted Score: (sum of Raw Weighted Scores above)  
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X 50  
(maximum possible score) = SCORE:  

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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.

The proposed hourly rates must be fully loaded to include all administrative, software tools, and excludes travel costs.

The Respondent must enter only one rate per cost cell; the Respondent must NOT enter more than one rate or a range of rates in a single cost cell. The Respondent must NOT add any other information to the Cost Proposal.

The Respondent may enter zero (0) in a required proposed cost cell; however, the Respondent should not leave any proposed cost cell blank. For evaluation and contractual purposes, the State shall interpret a blank Proposed Cost cell as zero (0).

NOTICE: The Evaluation Factor associated with each cost item is for evaluation purposes only. 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 must attach evidence showing the individual’s authority to legally bind the Respondent.

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**EVALUATION COST AMOUNT (sum of evaluation costs above):**
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**State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:**
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 solely 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.
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.

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(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.

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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.*

1 2 3 4 5

least satisfied  most satisfied

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.*

1 2 3 4 5

least satisfied most satisfied

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.*

1 2 3 4 5

least satisfied most satisfied

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)

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| **Average:** | **Average:** | **Average:** |
| **Cost Proposal**  
  (maximum: 30)  
  **Score:** | **Score:** | **Score:** |
| **Total Response Evaluation Score:**  
  (maximum: 100) | | |

Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:
RFP # 32110-03024  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.
This Contract, by and between the State of Tennessee, Department of General Services ("State") and Contractor Legal Entity Name ("Contractor"), is for the provision of Information Security Assessment and Consulting Services (ISACS), 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:

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.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.2. The purpose of this Contract is to provide a source for information security assessment and consulting services (ISACS). The Department of General Services and the Department of Finance & Administration (F&A), Strategic Technology Solutions (STS) will manage the Contract. The services provided by this Contract will be offered to State agencies through STS. State agencies interested in using the services will contact STS and may assist in developing the statements of work (SOWs). SOW development is performed by the Contractor based on requirements defined by STS or the agencies. In addition to the SOW, a work breakdown structure (WBS) will be developed by the Contractor. (See Attachment E for general WBS format and required information.)

The Contractor must include STS in any and all discussions with State agencies regarding services provided under this Contract. All SOWs will be initiated and issued by STS and will be approved and signed by STS and the Contractor.

a. Under the terms of this Contract and at the State's request, the Contractor will provide vulnerability assessment and penetration testing services, application source code review services, information security program assessment services, system design services, data loss prevention services and limited data and network forensics services, to the State using the consultants listed in Contract Section A.2.b, below (collectively, "Consultants").

b. Depending upon the requirements of each specific security assessment project, the Contractor must be prepared to provide Consultants in one or more of the following classifications:

i. Information Security Assessor/Penetration Tester. This individual must possess information security-related experience.

ii. Security Program Assessor. This individual must possess security program assessment experience and must be a certified information security manager (CISM), or certified information systems auditor (CISA), or certified information systems security professional (CISSP).
iii. Data loss prevention (DLP) consultant. This individual must possess DLP experience.

iv. Forensic Investigator. This individual must possess computer forensics experience and forensics certifications recognized by state and federal courts.

v. Security System Design Engineer/Architect. This individual must possess security system design experience, must be a CISSP, and must hold a technical certification such as a Cisco certified security professional (CCSP) and/or Juniper Networks certified internet specialist (JNCIP).

vi. Incident Response Consultant. This individual must possess incident response certifications such as those from global information assurance certification (GIAC) GIAC certified incident handler (GCIH) and/or certified computer security incident handler (CSIH).

vii. General Security Consultants. These individuals must have expertise in the compliance areas the State of Tennessee is subject to, including but not limited to Payment Card Industry - Data Security Standards (PCI-DSS) (https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) (https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis), Internal Revenue Service Publication 1075 (IRS Pub 1075), Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA).

vii. Data Recovery Specialist. These individuals shall provide data recovery services to recover lost data from failed or damaged storage media and mobile devices.

c. In each of the above classifications, the Contractor must be prepared to supply Consultants with varying levels of experience, as follows:

Level I – Less than five (5) years of experience;
Level II – From five (5) to less than ten (10) years of experience;
Level III – From ten (10) to less than fifteen (15) years of experience;
Level IV – Fifteen (15) or more years of experience.

d. At the Contractor’s expense, all Consultants assigned to engagements through this contract must have passed a fingerprint based national criminal history check. The Contractor shall provide the results to the State upon request.

The State, in its discretion, may refuse Consultants if the results reveal a criminal conviction that renders such persons unsuitable for the contract work assignment.

A.3 The specific roles and responsibilities of Contractor consultants shall be as defined in the Contract and future SOW’s.

a. All consultants employed by the company that will engage with the State, at any time during the resulting contract, must pass – name based background checks for FTI data and fingerprint – based background checks for CJIS and FTI data and have certificates available upon request by the State.

A.4 The SOW will specify the work location(s) of Contractor consultants. Contractor consultants shall provide services under this Contract at one of the following locations:

a. Contractor consultants may be based on-site and perform their work at State or local government facilities (see A.13), maintained and managed in Tennessee;
b. Contractor consultants may be based off-site and perform their work at a Contractor location;

c. The work may be performed at physical facilities of third parties housing State applications or data.

In any event, the State reserves the right to specify the work location, in the best interest of the project.

A.5. Standard State work schedules are based on a Monday through Friday, thirty seven and one-half (37.5) hour workweek, typically comprised of five (5) seven and one-half (7.5) hour workdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. CST and 4:30 p.m. CST, excluding State holidays. Unless specific times are designated in the SOW, work performed under this Contract may occur during the standard State work schedule, on weekends, on State holidays, and/or at off-hours Monday through Friday. Contractor consultants will be compensated at the payment rates in Contract Section C.3., regardless of the day, date, or time the tasks are performed or the total number of hours worked during a work week.

A.6. Contractor consultants must provide their own personal computing devices (desktop, laptop, etc.) and licenses for software installed on the devices. Commensurate with the needs of a given project, the State will provide Contractor consultants with office and meeting space, access to telephones, printers, and copiers, and connections to the Internet and/or State network. The State shall be the sole determinant with regard to facilities, supplies, access, and connections required for any given project.

A.7. The Contractor shall understand and agrees that the State may execute contracts with other parties for services the same as or similar to those described herein.

A.8. The purpose of this Contract is to establish a source of supply for information security assessment Consultants. However, due to the dynamic nature of projects within State government, the State cannot predict the numbers of Contractor Consultants that will be required under this Contract. Therefore, the State makes no guarantees, either stated or implied, about the demand for resources provided through this procurement. The State is not obligated to use any of the Contractor's Consultants. Throughout the term of the Contract, the State retains full control and flexibility with regard to the types, quantities, and timing of Contractor consultant usage.

A.9. Contractor Objectives and Deliverables

a. **Objective 1: Provide Security Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing Services**

The Contractor shall conduct vulnerability assessments and penetration tests to assist in strengthening the security posture of the State of Tennessee. Vulnerability assessments and penetration testing services shall be used in identifying and validating configuration and/or technical flaws within a given system or network system components include but are not limited to load-balancers, firewalls, routers, servers, workstations, operating systems, system software, applications, databases, and mobile applications.

Objective 1 Deliverables:

i. An Assessment Report outlining:

   1. Details of the methodology used to conduct the security vulnerability assessments and penetration tests;
   2. The results including, but not limited to, the full details of the actions taken; and
   3. The detailed documentation of security flaws and remediation recommendations of those flaws found.
ii. Any additional deliverables as defined in the SOW.

b. **Objective 2: Provide Code Review Services**

The Contractor shall conduct code review services to assist the ISACS User in strengthening the security posture of the State of Tennessee. The Contractor shall evaluate source code for programming errors that may lead to security issues (i.e. format string mistakes, buffer overflows, memory leaks, input validation/sanitization mistakes, etc.).

Objective 2 Deliverables:

i. A code review report outlining:
   
   (1) Details of the methodology used to conduct code reviews;
   
   (2) The results including, but not limited to, the full details of the actions taken; and
   
   (3) The detailed documentation of security flaws and remediation recommendations of those flaws found.

ii. Any additional deliverables as defined in the SOW.

c. **Objective 3: Provide Forensics Services**

The Contractor shall provide services for data and network forensics which help to identify the “root cause” of information security incidents within the State’s environment. This includes but is not limited to investigation and retrieval of deleted or modified files, electronic messages and Internet activity; expert testimony; and dedicated hands-on case work investigating intrusions.

Objective 3 Deliverables:

i. A forensics report outlining:
   
   (1) Details of the methodology used to conduct forensics;
   
   (2) The results including, but not limited to, the full details of the actions taken; and
   
   (3) The detailed documentation of findings.

ii. Any additional deliverables as defined in the SOW.

iii. A forensic investigation must be started within 24 hours of first contact by the State.

d. **Objective 4: Provide Enterprise Security Program Assessment**

The Contractor shall analyze current information security programs and determine the adequacy and effectiveness of the program and its associated administrative, technical and management controls using regulatory requirements including, but not limited to, FERPA, PCI-DSS, HIPAA, CJIS, IRS Pub 1075, FISMA, MARS-E, SSA and frameworks including but not limited to NIST controls 800-53 and 800-88 and ISO 27000.

Objective 4 Deliverables:

i. A security program assessment report outlining:
Objective 5: Provide Data Loss Prevention (DLP) Assessment

The Contractor shall perform onsite assessments inspecting facilities and operations gaining an understanding of the level of protection desired and effectiveness of policies and controls.

Objective 5 Deliverables:

i. A DLP assessment report outlining:
   (1) Details of the methodology used to conduct the assessment;
   (2) The results including, but not limited to, the full details of the actions taken; and
   (3) The detailed documentation of findings.

ii. Any additional deliverables as defined in the SOW.

Objective 6: Security System Design and Configuration Consultation

The Contractor shall provide security system(s) design consulting services including but not limited to, networking, storage, intrusion detection/prevention systems, routers, switches, firewalls, logging, physical security systems, server and workstation security configuration.

Objective 6 Deliverables:

i. System Specifications: detailed system specification documents and diagrams; and

ii. Any additional deliverables as defined in the SOW.

Objective 7: Data Recovery Services

The Contractor shall provide data recovery services. These services should be applicable to failed or damaged storage media and mobile devices.

Objective 7 Deliverables:

i. A data recovery report outlining:
   ii. Details of the methodology used to recover the data
   iii. The results including, but not limited to, all artifacts retrieved in a digital format or provided on physical media, as per the SOW.
   iv. Any additional deliverables as defined in the SOW.

a. **Statement of Work.**

The State will work with the Contractor to develop an SOW describing the requested services, including as follows.

i. Project number, which will be used to track the services through completion;

ii. Description and scope of the requested services including the specific information security and other state standard technologies involved and any special data handling due to issues such as confidentiality;

iii. Requested project timeframe and any non-standard work schedule tasks;

iv. Deliverable(s);

v. Work location;

vi. State project coordinator; and

vii. Deadline for the Contractor to respond to the State’s request (i.e., response period), which will be no more than ten (10) business days measured from the date the SOW was distributed.

viii. Project maximum cost.

b. **Submission of Project Proposal.**

A project proposal is initiated by a request for service and is defined by two documents, the SOW and WBS. It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to develop the WBS. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to work with the State to develop the SOW. The State will provide all information required to refine requirements. The SOW and WBS process is as follows:

The State contacts the Contractor and briefly discusses a proposed project, which is the request for service. Requirements are gathered via meetings and email until the Contractor understands the project well enough to prepare an SOW and WBS. The SOW and WBS combined constitute the project proposal. If the State agrees to the timeline, scope, description, hours, resource assignments and cost, the SOW is signed by the State and the Contractor. There is no financial obligation from the State until the SOW is executed.

Within the requested response period, the Contractor will respond to the request for a proposal with the SOW and WBS that include the following:

i. The SOW;

ii. Contractor understanding of the work to be performed;

iii. WBS, including a project timeframe, tasks, hours by consultant classification from Contract Section C.3 and rates (See Attachment E for more details on WBS requirements.);

iv. Maximum project consultant cost, which the Contractor shall calculate by using the payment rates per hour set forth in Section C.3.b. for each Consultant Classification needed for the project. **If the project timeframe spans more than one year of the Contract term, the Contractor must calculate the maximum project consultant cost using the payment rates for every effective year.** In other words, if the project begin and end dates lie completely within year one of the Contract term, the Contractor would calculate maximum project consultant cost using the payment rates for that Contract year. **If the dates begin in Contract year one and extend into any portion of Contract year two, the Contractor must calculate the maximum project consultant cost using the payment rates for every year of the Contract.**
cost using the payment rates for both years based on the dates in the WBS. The same rule would apply for all contract years; the maximum project consultant cost must be calculated using the payment rates for the effective years. This maximum project consultant cost shall be a “not to exceed” total cost; the State shall pay no more than this cost for the consultant cost for the project, unless amended in the resulting SOW; and

v. Any Contractor assumptions on which the project proposal are based. These assumptions cannot conflict with the terms and provisions of the Contract. In the event of a conflict, the Contract will prevail.

c. **State's Right to Reject Project Proposals.** The State has the sole discretion to accept the Contractor's project proposal, request modifications to the Contractor's project proposal, or to reject the Contractor’s project proposal in its entirety.

d. **Contractor Must Respond to All Requests for Service.** The Contractor must respond with a viable project proposal as described in A.10.b. Failure to respond to a request for service may result with the State deeming the Contractor to be in breach of the Contract.

e. **Statement of Work.**

After the State has approved the project proposal, it will finalize an SOW, which the Contractor must sign, to bind the Contractor to its project proposal for the associated SOW.

The State will provide a copy of the fully executed SOW, containing signatures from Strategic Technology Solutions and the Contractor, to the Contractor. Receipt of a fully executed SOW authorizes the Contractor to provide the requested services and the Contractor consultants to begin work. The State will not be liable to pay the Contractor for any work performed prior to the Contractor's receipt of a fully executed SOW.

If additional funds are required due to expanded Scope requirements identified by the State, the State, at its discretion, will amend the SOW Maximum Compensation to accommodate completion of the project.

A.11. **Contractor Consultant Performance and Replacement.**

a. The Contractor shall select the Consultants to perform the services requested in the SOW. The State shall be the sole judge of the quality of services provided and the project progress achieved by the Contractor's consultants. The Contractor agrees to remove and replace at the Contractor's expense, consultants whom the State judges to be incompetent, careless, unsuitable or otherwise objectionable, or whose continued use is deemed contrary to the best interests of the State or deemed not to make substantial contributions to the project. The Contractor agrees not to charge the State for services performed which the State designates as being unacceptable.

This provision will not be deemed to give the State the right to require the Contractor to terminate any Contractor employee’s employment. Rather, this provision is intended to give the State only the right to require that the Contractor discontinue using an employee in the performance of services for the State.

b. With the State's approval, the Contractor shall replace an individual that has voluntarily withdrawn or that the Contractor has voluntarily removed from State assignment. Any requirements for such replacement will be at the State's sole discretion; the State is not obligated to accept replacement of removed or withdrawn Consultants. The State will compensate the Contractor for acceptable services completed by the consultant prior to voluntary withdrawal or removal.
c. If the State requests a replacement, an individual has voluntarily withdrawn, or the Contractor has voluntarily removed an individual from State assignment as described in Contract Sections A.11.a. and A.11.b., the Contractor shall (a) within two (2) Business Days, after the individual becomes unavailable, temporarily replace such individual with another individual properly qualified to perform the functions of such replaced individual, and (b) within twenty (20) Business Days, after the individual becomes unavailable, permanently replace such replaced individual with another individual approved by the State and properly qualified to perform the functions of such replaced. A properly qualified individual is defined as a consultant of equal or greater years experience as the consultant proposed in the associated project proposal for the SOW. The Contractor will be compensated for the replacement Consultant at the rate established for the original Consultant unless otherwise approved by the State in writing.

d. The termination of an individual Consultant’s assignment will not necessarily result in the termination of the SOW related to that Consultant.

A.12. **Miscellaneous Policies and Procedures.**

a. The State will not provide parking for Contractor Consultants.

b. Contractor consultants do not have access to the State health clinics provided for State employees. This includes the State Employee Health Center located in the WRS Tennessee Tower.

A.13. **Information Security Compliance.**

Contractor warrants to the State that it will cooperate with the State in the course of performance of the Contract so that both parties will be in compliance with State of Tennessee’s enterprise security policies requirements and any other State and federal computer security regulations including cooperation and coordination with the State’s Strategic Technology Solutions security management team and other compliance officers required by its regulations. The enterprise security policies can be found on the State’s public website at: https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/finance/Enterprise-Information-Security-Policies-V%202.4.1%20Final.pdf.

A.14. **Periodic Meetings.**

The State reserves the right, at the State’s option, to request periodic meetings with Contractor management staff to discuss topics including, but not limited to, the following: general project direction, management, and coordination; State technical infrastructure and standards; SOW clarifications; and time keeping and other project progress records. These meetings shall occur at a State location or via conference call as agreed to by the parties and shall be at no additional cost to the State.

A.15. **Command and Data Retention**

The Contractor shall retain the data that they provide to the State and the methodology used to collect it for the duration of the contract for comparative analysis of the same environments. This requirement is subject to change at the State’s discretion and may be unique for a given SOW.

Data retained by the Contractor will be encrypted at rest and in motion and with access controls based on job function where only personnel involved with a given project have access to the data.

The Contractor shall provide the State all retained data upon the State’s request. The State shall dictate the format in which the data is provided.

A.16. **Project Management – Central Repository and Portal**
The Contractor shall record project status in a central repository and provide access to the approved State personnel. The central repository to include at a minimum:

a. List of all projects
b. Project phases (e.g. “initiation”, “planning”, “implementation”, etc.)
c. Project status (e.g. “not started yet”, “on schedule”, “delayed”, “completed”, “cancelled”)
d. Project issues
e. Project risks
f. Project resources (ISACS assigned resources as well as the state point of contact)

The project central repository shall include the ability to run reports, to export project data (in format such as spreadsheet, xml, html, pdf, csv, etc.)

The project central repository shall include the ability to run and display dashboards.

The project central repository shall provide a dedicated area for project deliverables and artifacts as defined via SOW.

A.17. Required Staffing Levels.

The Contractor shall have the staff available to perform at a minimum 5 ongoing engagements at one given time. Further detail regarding engagement types can be found in Attachment B. The types of engagements and the number of employees required for each type of engagement are as follows:

a. Data recovery - 1 to 2 people
b. Forensics - 1 to 2 people
c. Application assessment – 1 to 2 people
d. Risk assessment – up to 5 people
e. SCA (strategic controls assessment) – 1 to 2 people
f. Adversarial simulation - 1 to 2 people
g. Tactical controls assessment (TCA) - 1 to 2 people

A.18. 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 generally 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.19. **Inspection and Acceptance.** 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:**

B.1 This Contract shall be effective on November 10th, 2021 ("Effective Date") and extend for a period of thirty-six (36) 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.

B.2. **Renewal Options.** This Contract may be renewed upon satisfactory completion of the Term. The State reserves the right to execute up to two (2) renewal options under the same terms and conditions for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months each by the State, at the State's sole option. In no event, however, shall the maximum Term, including all renewals or extensions, exceed a total of sixty (60) months.

B.3. **Term Extension.** The State may extend the Term an additional period of time, not to exceed one hundred-eighty (180) days beyond the expiration date of this Contract, under the same terms and conditions, at the State's sole option. In no event, however, shall the maximum Term, including all renewals or extensions, exceed a total of sixty (60) months.

**C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

C.1. **Estimated Liability.** The total purchases of any goods or services under the Contract are not known. The State estimates the purchases during the Term shall be Three Million Dollars ($3,000,000.00) ("Estimated 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. **Compensation Firm.** The payment methodology in Section C.3 and the Travel Compensation provided in Section C.4 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 or indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Contractor.

C.3. **Payment Methodology.** 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:
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C.4. **Travel Compensation.** The Contractor shall not be compensated or reimbursed for travel time, travel expenses, meals, or lodging.

C.5. **Invoice Requirements.** 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 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 the following address:

**State Agency Billing Address**

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: State Agency & Division Name;
(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.5.

C.6. Payment of Invoice. 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.7. Invoice Reductions. The Contractor's invoice 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. Deductions. 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. Prerequisite Documentation. The Contractor shall not invoice the State 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:

Richard Kotler
Category Specialist
Department of General Services, Central Procurement Office
Tennessee Tower 3rd Floor
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue
Nashville, TN 37243
Email: Richard.Kotler@tn.gov
Telephone # 615-253-4723

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. Modification and Amendment. This Contract may be modified only by a written amendment signed by all Parties and approved by all applicable State officials.

D.4. Subject to Funds Availability. 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. **Termination for Convenience.** 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. **Termination for Cause.** 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. **Assignment and Subcontracting.** 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. **Nondiscrimination.** 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. **Prohibition of Illegal Immigrants.** 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 semi-annually 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. Progress Reports. The Contractor shall submit brief, periodic, progress reports to the State as requested.

D.14. Strict Performance. 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. Independent Contractor. 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 from any costs to the
State arising from Contractor’s failure to fulfill its PPACA responsibilities for itself or its employees.

D.17. **Limitation of State’s Liability.** 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, 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. Notwithstanding anything else herein, the State’s total liability under this Contract (including without limitation any exhibits, schedules, amendments or other attachments to the Contract) or otherwise shall under no circumstances exceed the Estimated 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 Estimated 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’ fees, court costs, expert witness fees, and other litigation expenses 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. **HIPAA Compliance.** The State and Contractor shall comply with obligations under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health ("HITECH") Act and any other relevant laws and regulations regarding privacy (collectively the “Privacy Rules”). The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

a. Contractor warrants to the State that it is familiar with the requirements of the Privacy Rules and will comply with all applicable requirements in the course of this Contract.

b. Contractor warrants that it will cooperate with the State, including cooperation and coordination with State privacy officials and other compliance officers required by the Privacy Rules, in the course of performance of the Contract so that both parties will be in compliance with the Privacy Rules.

c. The State and the Contractor will sign documents, including but not limited to business associate agreements, as required by the Privacy Rules and that are reasonably necessary to keep the State and Contractor in compliance with the Privacy Rules. This provision shall not apply if information received or delivered by the parties under this Contract is NOT “protected health information” as defined by the Privacy Rules, or if the
Privacy Rules permit the parties to receive or deliver the information without entering into a business associate agreement or signing another document.

d. The Contractor will indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any violation by the Contractor or its subcontractors of the Privacy Rules. This includes the costs of responding to a breach of protected health information, the costs of responding to a government enforcement action related to the breach, and any fines, penalties, or damages paid by the State because of the violation.

D.21. 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.22. Tennessee Department of Revenue Registration. 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.23. Debarment and Suspension. 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.24. 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 for the affected obligations 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.25. **State and Federal Compliance.** The Contractor shall comply with all State and federal laws and regulations applicable to Contractor in the Contractor’s performance of this Contract.

D.26. **Governing Law.** This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee, without regard to its conflict or choice of law rules. 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 - 408.

D.27. **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.28. **Severability.** 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.29. **Headings.** Section headings of this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not be construed as part of this Contract.

D.30. **Incorporation of Additional Documents.** 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:

a. 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 [attachments A, B, C, D, E, F, and G];

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.31. **Iran Divestment Act.** The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-101, et seq., addressing contracting with persons as defined at Tenn. Code Ann. §12-12-103(5) that engage in investment activities in Iran, shall be a material provision of this Contract. The Contractor certifies, under
D.32. **Insurance.** Contractor shall maintain insurance coverage as specified in this Section. The State reserves the right to amend or require additional insurance coverage, coverage amounts, and endorsements required under this Contract. Contractor’s failure to maintain or submit evidence of insurance coverage, as required, is a material breach of this Contract. If Contractor loses insurance coverage, fails to renew coverage, or for any reason becomes uninsured during the term, Contractor shall immediately notify the State. All insurance companies providing coverage must be: (a) acceptable to the State; (b) authorized by the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance ("TDCI"); and (c) rated A- / VII or better by A.M. Best. All coverage must be on a primary basis and noncontributory with any other insurance or self-insurance carried by the State. Contractor agrees to name the State as an additional insured on any insurance policy with the exception of workers’ compensation (employer liability) and professional liability (errors and omissions) insurance. All policies must contain an endorsement for a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State. Any deductible or self-insured retention ("SIR") over fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) must be approved by the State. The deductible or SIR and any premiums are the Contractor’s sole responsibility. 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.

To achieve the required coverage amounts, a combination of an otherwise deficient specific policy and an umbrella policy with an aggregate meeting or exceeding the required coverage amounts is acceptable. For example: If the required policy limit under this Contract is for two million dollars ($2,000,000) in coverage, acceptable coverage would include a specific policy covering one million dollars ($1,000,000) combined with an umbrella policy for an additional one million dollars ($1,000,000). If the deficient underlying policy is for a coverage area without aggregate limits (generally Automobile Liability and Employers’ Liability Accident), Contractor shall provide a copy of the umbrella insurance policy documents to ensure that no aggregate limit applies to the umbrella policy for that coverage area. In the event that an umbrella policy is being provided to achieve any required coverage amounts, the umbrella policy shall be accompanied by an endorsement at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office, Inc. (also known as “ISO”) “Noncontributory—Other Insurance Condition” endorsement or shall be written on a policy form that addresses both the primary and noncontributory basis of the umbrella policy if the State is otherwise named as an additional insured.

Contractor shall provide the State a certificate of insurance ("COI") evidencing the coverages and amounts specified in this Section. The COI must be on a form approved by the TDCI (standard ACORD form preferred). The COI must list each insurer’s National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) number and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer. The COI must list the State of Tennessee – CPO Risk Manager, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., 3rd floor Central Procurement Office, Nashville, TN 37243 as the certificate holder. Contractor shall provide the COI ten (10) business days prior to the Effective Date and again thirty (30) calendar days before renewal or replacement of coverage. Contractor shall provide the State evidence that all subcontractors maintain the required insurance or that subcontractors are included under the Contractor’s policy. At any time, the State may require Contractor to provide a valid COI. The Parties agree that failure to provide evidence of insurance coverage as required is a material breach of this Contract. If Contractor self-insures, then a COI will not be required to prove coverage. Instead Contractor shall provide a certificate of self-insurance or a letter, on Contractor’s letterhead, detailing its coverage, policy amounts, and proof of funds to reasonably cover such expenses. The State reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

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.

The insurance obligations under this Contract shall be: (1)—all the insurance coverage and policy limits carried by the Contractor; or (2)—the minimum insurance coverage requirements and policy limits shown in this Contract; whichever is greater. Any insurance proceeds in excess of or broader than the minimum required coverage and minimum required policy limits, which are applicable to a given loss, shall be available to the State. No representation is made that the minimum insurance requirements of the Contract are sufficient to cover the obligations of the Contractor arising under this Contract. The Contractor shall obtain and maintain, at a minimum, the following insurance coverages and policy limits.

a. Commercial General Liability (“CGL”) Insurance

1) The Contractor shall maintain CGL, which shall be written on an ISO Form CG 00 01 occurrence form (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage) and shall cover liability arising from property damage, premises and operations products and completed operations, bodily injury, personal and advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract). The Contractor shall maintain single limits not less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this policy or location of occurrence or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

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 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 employs 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


c. Automobile Liability Insurance
1) The Contractor shall maintain automobile liability insurance which shall cover liability arising out of any automobile (including owned, leased, hired, and non-owned automobiles).

2) The Contractor shall maintain bodily injury/property damage with a limit not less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence or combined single limit.

d. Technology Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions)/Cyber Liability Insurance

1) The Contractor shall maintain technology professional liability (errors & omissions)/cyber liability insurance appropriate to the Contractor's profession in an amount not less than ten million dollars ($10,000,000) per occurrence or claim and ten million dollars ($10,000,000) annual aggregate, covering all acts, claims, errors, omissions, negligence, infringement of intellectual property (including copyright, patent and trade secret); network security and privacy risks, including but not limited to unauthorized access, failure of security, information theft, damage to destruction of or alteration of electronic information, breach of privacy perils, wrongful disclosure and release of private information, collection, or other negligence in the handling of confidential information, and including coverage for related regulatory fines, defenses, and penalties.

2) Such coverage shall include data breach response expenses, in an amount not less than ten million dollars ($10,000,000) and payable whether incurred by the State or Contractor, including but not limited to consumer notification, whether or not required by law, computer forensic investigations, public relations and crisis management firm fees, credit file or identity monitoring or remediation services and expenses in the performance of services for the State or on behalf of the State hereunder.

e. Crime Insurance

1) The Contractor shall maintain crime insurance, which shall be written on a "loss sustained form" or "loss discovered form" providing coverage for third party fidelity, including cyber theft and extortion. The policy must allow for reporting of circumstances or incidents that may give rise to future claims, include an extended reporting period of no less than two (2) years with respect to events which occurred but were not reported during the term of the policy, and not contain a condition requiring an arrest or conviction.

2) Any crime insurance policy shall have a limit not less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) per claim and one million dollars ($1,000,000) in the aggregate. Any crime insurance policy shall contain a Social Engineering Fraud Endorsement with a limit of not less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000). This insurance may be written on a claims-made basis, but in the event that coverage is cancelled or non-renewed, the Contractor shall purchase an extended reporting or "tail coverage" of at least two (2) years after the Term.

D.33. Major Procurement Contract Sales and Use Tax. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-39-102 and to the extent applicable, the Contractor and the Contractor’s subcontractors shall remit sales and use taxes on the sales of goods or services that are made by the Contractor or the Contractor’s subcontractors and that are subject to tax.

D.34. 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. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

E.1. Conflicting Terms and Conditions. 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. Additional lines, items, or options. At its sole discretion, the State may make written requests to the Contractor to add lines, items, or options that are needed and within the Scope but were not included in the original Contract. Such lines, items, or options will be added to the Contract through a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”), not an amendment.

a. After the Contractor receives a written request to add lines, items, or options, the Contractor shall have ten (10) business days to respond with a written proposal. The Contractor’s written proposal shall include:

   (1) The effect, if any, of adding the lines, items, or options on the other goods or services required under the Contract;
   (2) Any pricing related to the new lines, items, or options;
   (3) The expected effective date for the availability of the new lines, items, or options; and
   (4) Any additional information requested by the State.

b. The State may negotiate the terms of the Contractor’s proposal by requesting revisions to the proposal.

c. To indicate acceptance of a proposal, the State will sign it. The signed proposal shall constitute a MOU between the Parties, and the lines, items, or options shall be incorporated into the Contract as if set forth verbatim.

d. Only after a MOU has been executed shall the Contractor perform or deliver the new lines, items, or options.

E.3. Intellectual Property Indemnity. 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 or suits which may be brought against the State concerning or arising out of any claim of an alleged patent, copyright, trade secret or other intellectual property infringement. In any such claim or action brought against the State, the Contractor shall satisfy and indemnify the State for the amount of any settlement or final judgment, and the Contractor shall be responsible for all legal or other fees or expenses incurred by the State arising from any such claim. The State shall give the Contractor notice of any such claim or suit, however, the failure of the State to give such notice shall only relieve Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the State’s failure to give notice. This Section shall not grant the Contractor, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State of Tennessee in any legal matter, as provided in Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-6-106.

E.4. Extraneous Terms and Conditions. Contractor shall fill all orders submitted by the State under this Contract. No purchase order, invoice, or other documents associated with any sales, orders, or supply of any good or service under this Contract shall contain any terms or conditions other than as set forth in the Contract. Any such extraneous terms and conditions shall be void, invalid and unenforceable against the State. Any refusal by Contractor to supply any goods or services under this Contract conditioned upon the State submitting to any extraneous terms and conditions shall be a material breach of the Contract and constitute an act of bad faith by Contractor.
E.5. Contractor Hosted Services Confidential Data, Audit, and Other Requirements

a. “Confidential State Data” is defined as data deemed confidential by State or Federal statute or regulation. The Contractor shall protect Confidential State Data as follows:

(1) The Contractor shall ensure that all Confidential State Data is housed in the continental United States, inclusive of backup data.

(2) The Contractor shall encrypt Confidential State Data at rest and in transit using the current version of Federal Information Processing Standard ("FIPS") 140-2 validated encryption technologies.

(3) The Contractor shall maintain a Security Management Certification from the Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program ("FedRAMP"). A “Security Management Certification” shall mean written confirmation from FedRAMP that FedRAMP has assessed the Contractor’s information technology Infrastructure, using a standardized approach to security assessment, authorization, and continuous monitoring for cloud products and services, and has certified that the Contractor meets FedRAMP standards. Information technology “Infrastructure” shall mean the Contractor’s entire collection of hardware, software, networks, data centers, facilities and related equipment used to develop, test, operate, monitor, manage and/or support information technology services. The Contractor shall provide proof of current certification annually and upon State request. No additional funding shall be allocated for these certifications, authorizations, or audits as these are included in the Estimated Liability of this Contract.

Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements of the most current version of Internal Revenue Service Publication 1075.

Contractor shall meet requirements of current version of Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges (“MARS-E”) controls.

(4) The Contractor must annually perform Penetration Tests and Vulnerability Assessments against its Processing Environment. “Processing Environment” shall mean the combination of software and hardware on which the Application runs. “Application” shall mean the computer code that supports and accomplishes the State’s requirements as set forth in this Contract. “Penetration Tests” shall be in the form of attacks on the Contractor’s computer system, with the purpose of discovering security weaknesses which have the potential to gain access to the Processing Environment’s features and data. The “Vulnerability Assessment” shall be designed and executed to define, identify, and classify the security holes (vulnerabilities) in the Processing Environment. The Contractor shall allow the State, at its option, to perform Penetration Tests and Vulnerability Assessments on the Processing Environment.

(5) Contractor shall be certified to host Payment Card Industry (“PCI”) data in accordance with the current version of PCI DSS ("Data Security Standard"), maintained by the PCI Security Standards Council.

(6) Upon State request, the Contractor shall provide a copy of all Confidential State Data it holds. The Contractor shall provide such data on media and in a format determined by the State.

(7) Upon termination of this Contract and in consultation with the State, the Contractor shall destroy all Confidential State Data it holds (including any copies such as backups) in accordance with the current version of National...
Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST") Special Publication 800-88. The Contractor shall provide a written confirmation of destruction to the State within ten (10) business days after destruction.

b. Minimum Requirements

(1) The Contractor and all data centers used by the Contractor to host State data, including those of all Subcontractors, must comply with the State's Enterprise Information Security Policies as amended periodically. The State's Enterprise Information Security Policies document is found at the following URL: https://www.tn.gov/finance/strategic-technology-solutions/strategic-technology-solutions/nts-security-policies.html.

(2) The Contractor agrees to maintain the Application so that it will run on a current, manufacturer-supported Operating System. "Operating System" shall mean the software that supports a computer's basic functions, such as scheduling tasks, executing applications, and controlling peripherals.

(3) If the Application requires middleware or database software, Contractor shall maintain middleware and database software versions that are at all times fully compatible with current versions of the Operating System and Application to ensure that security vulnerabilities are not introduced.

c. Comptroller Audit Requirements

Upon reasonable notice and at any reasonable time, the Contractor and Subcontractor(s) agree to allow the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives to perform information technology control audits of the Contractor and all Subcontractors used by the Contractor. Contractor will maintain and cause its Subcontractors to maintain a complete audit trail of all transactions and activities in connection with this Contract. Contractor will provide to the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives access to Contractor and Subcontractor(s) personnel for the purpose of performing the information technology control audit.

The information technology control audit may include a review of general controls and application controls. General controls are the policies and procedures that apply to all or a large segment of the Contractor’s or Subcontractor’s information systems and applications and include controls over security management, access controls, configuration management, segregation of duties, and contingency planning. Application controls are directly related to the application and help ensure that transactions are complete, accurate, valid, confidential, and available. The audit shall include the Contractor’s and Subcontractor’s compliance with the State’s Enterprise Information Security Policies and all applicable requirements, laws, regulations or policies.

The audit may include interviews with technical and management personnel, physical inspection of controls, and review of paper or electronic documentation.

For any audit issues identified, the Contractor and Subcontractor(s) shall provide a corrective action plan to the State within 30 days from the Contractor or Subcontractor receiving the audit report.

Each party shall bear its own expenses incurred while conducting the information technology controls audit.
d. The Contractor and any Subcontractor used by the Contractor to host State data, including data center vendors, shall be subject to an annual engagement by a CPA firm in accordance with the standards of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“AICPA”) for a System and Organization Controls for service organizations (“SOC”) Type II audit. The State shall approve the SOC audit control objectives. The Contractor shall provide the State with the Contractor’s and Subcontractor’s annual audit report within 30 days from when the CPA firm provides the audit report to the Contractor or Subcontractor. The Contractor shall submit corrective action plans to the State for any issues included in the audit report within 30 days after the CPA firm provides the audit report to the Contractor and Subcontractor.

If the scope of the most recent SOC audit report does not include all of the current State fiscal year, upon request from the State, the Contractor must provide to the State a letter from the Contractor or Subcontractor stating whether the Contractor or Subcontractor made any material changes to their control environment since the prior audit and, if so, whether the changes, in the opinion of the Contractor or Subcontractor, would negatively affect the auditor’s opinion in the most recent audit report.

No additional funding shall be allocated for these audits as they are included in the Estimated Liability of this Contract.

E.6. **Prohibited Advertising or Marketing.** The Contractor shall not suggest or imply in advertising or marketing materials that Contractor’s goods or services are endorsed by the State. The restrictions on Contractor advertising or marketing materials under this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

E.7. **Contractor Commitment to Diversity.** The Contractor shall comply with and make reasonable business efforts to exceed the commitment to diversity represented by the Contractor’s Response to RFP # 32110-03024 (Attachment G) 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 monthly report of participation in the performance of this Contract by small business enterprises and businesses owned by minorities, women, service-disabled veterans, and persons with disabilities. Such reports shall be provided to the State of Tennessee Governor’s Office of Diversity Business Enterprise in the TN Diversity Software available online at: https://tn.diversitysoftware.com/FrontEnd/StartCertification.asp?TN=tn&XID=9810

E.8. **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.9. **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 or ensure 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. The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

E.10. Statewide Contract. This Contract establishes a source or sources of supply for all Tennessee State Agencies. “Tennessee State Agency” refers to the various departments, institutions, boards, commissions, and agencies of the executive branch of government of the State of Tennessee with exceptions as addressed in Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0690-03-01-.01. The Contractor shall provide all goods or services and deliverables as required by this Contract to all Tennessee State Agencies. The Contractor shall make this Contract available to the following entities, who are authorized to and who may purchase off of this Statewide Contract (“Authorized Users”):

a. all Tennessee State governmental entities (this includes the legislative branch; judicial branch; and, commissions and boards of the State outside of the executive branch of government);

b. Tennessee local governmental agencies;

c. members of the University of Tennessee or Tennessee Board of Regents systems;

d. any private nonprofit institution of higher education chartered in Tennessee; and,

e. any corporation which is exempted from taxation under 26 U.S.C. Section 501(c) (3), as amended, and which contracts with the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse to provide services to the public (Tenn. Code Ann. § 33-2-1001).

These Authorized Users may utilize this Contract by purchasing directly from the Contractor according to their own procurement policies and procedures. The State is not responsible or liable for the transactions between the Contractor and Authorized Users.
E.11. **Statewide Contract Reports.** All reports shall be submitted electronically in Microsoft Excel format. Reports shall include the ability to sort or summarize data in accordance with the Contract Administrator's specifications. All reports shall be provided at no additional cost to the State.

**Quarterly Reports:** Contractor(s) will submit quarterly reports to the Contract Administrator no later than ten (10) days after the end of the State's quarter (e.g., a fiscal year quarter 2 report for October - December is due no later than January 10th). At the Contract Administrator's sole discretion, the State may extend the time allowed to complete quarterly reports. Quarterly reports shall provide statistical data on all purchases under this Contract by Tennessee State Agencies and Authorized Users. At minimum, the quarterly report's statistical data shall be detailed and broken down by line item to include:

1. Edison contract number
2. Contract line item number
3. Invoice date
4. Invoice number
5. Supplier part number
6. Item or bundle description
7. Quantity purchased
8. Unit of measure
9. Unit of measure description
10. Name of State Agency or Authorized User
11. Identity of purchaser: State or Local entity
12. State Agency location
13. Unit/Contract price per line item
14. List price as listed in supplier's catalog if catalog item
15. Subtotals for each category above
16. Grand totals for each category above

**Custom Reports:** When requested by the State, the Contractor shall submit custom reports to the Contract Administrator within thirty (30) days of the request.

E.12. **Survival.** The terms, provisions, representations, and warranties contained in this Contract which by their sense and context are intended to survive the performance and termination of this Contract, shall so survive the completion of performance and termination of this Contract.

E.13. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

b. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

c. The Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal
complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

d. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

e. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

f. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

g. In the event of the Contractor's non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

h. The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain
from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME:

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DEPARTMENT GENERAL SERVICES:

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The Contractor, identified above, does hereby attest, certify, warrant, and assure 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.

**CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE**

NOTICE: This attestation MUST be signed by an individual empowered to contractually bind the Contractor. Attach evidence documenting the individual’s authority to contractually bind the Contractor, unless the signatory is the Contractor’s chief executive or president.

**PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY**

**DATE OF ATTESTATION**
ISACS Engagement Definitions and Staffing Requirements

1. Application Assessments – One to two people per assessment

Application assessments test browser-based applications against the Open Web Application Security Project’s (OWASP)* Top Ten programming flaws as defined at https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/. The Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) is a nonprofit foundation that works to improve the security of software (https://owasp.org/). Specialized software and training are required for thorough application assessments. Testers must understand the underlying technology of browser-based applications since manipulating these technologies is a fundamental part of application testing.

With copious and continuous training focused on browser-based application testing, Level I and Level II analysts can be highly effective. They do require more advanced resources for support, such as Level III who might not perform tests themselves but help with manual validation of findings, recasting severity, steps to reproduce, and reporting.

Application assessments typically take two weeks with a 30-day follow-up question and answer period as developers work on fixes.

2. Strategic Controls Assessment (SCA) – One to two people per assessment

Testing for an SCA is usually performed on-site using an STS-provided workstation, however remote testing can be accommodated. In an SCA, a playlist consisting of dozens of attack scenarios and techniques is performed with all parties actively watching the “attacker” as they monitor their usual defensive systems.

Participation in the two-day, on-site/off-site collaborative SCA by selected IT and security personnel from the State, if applicable, and STS is required for a successful outcome.

The value of an SCA is largely realized during the two-day event, but a report with findings and recommendations is also to be provided. An SCA can be part of a risk assessment or a stand-alone engagement.

3. Tactical Controls Assessment (TCA) – One to two people per assessment

Testing for a TCA includes vulnerability scans, interviews, and documentation review. A TCA is usually directed more toward compliance than security.

A TCA is conducted primarily on-site with some documentation review conducted off-site. Coordination between the State (STS and/or agencies) and the Contractor to schedule interviews and provide documentation for review will be critical to the successful completion of a TCA within the allotted timeframe, which is approximately two weeks.
A TCA can be part of a risk assessment or a stand-alone engagement.

4. **Adversarial Simulation – One to two people per assessment**

An adversarial simulation finds one way, not the only way, to obtain predetermined objectives. The primary reason to perform these simulations is to persuade senior management that serious weaknesses exist and that additional resources should be directed to security.

Adversarial simulations are performed in a “threat faithful” manner to ensure the most accurate representation of the tactics, techniques, and procedures used by today’s adversary. “Threat faithful” means to only use knowledge of the environment that an external attacker would possess. No vulnerability or infrastructure knowledge from prior engagements could be leveraged while being “threat faithful.”

Due to the sensitivity and confidentiality of objectives of an Adversarial Simulation, it is necessary to keep knowledge of these engagements to a minimum.

Engagements begin with a “rules of engagement” discussion to identify the top three assets or data that, if compromised, would result in the greatest impact to the State (STS or the agency). A 90-day timeframe to conduct the engagement will be defined. Once the Rules of Engagement have been signed, the vendor will begin the assessment. Due to the nature of an Adversarial Simulation, communication between the vendor and STS or the agency will be limited to preserve threat faithfulness for the engagement.

Adversarial simulations can be part of a risk assessment or stand-alone engagements.

5. **Risk Assessments – up to five people**

Risk assessments require extensive support from the State to plan and execute. The vendor will assist by providing requirements such as types of equipment and categories or roles of STS and/or agency staff.

Risk assessments take place on-site and remotely, depending on scope. Contractor resources include interviewers, documentation reviewers, technical analysts, and report and presentation writers. It is common for up to five different vendor resources to perform a risk assessment.

Risk assessments can be divided into three phases.

1. Perform review and validation of the following risk components:
   - STS/agency risk mitigation strategy
   - Business impact assessment
   - Cyber threat level

2. Perform Risk Assessment, determine:
• cybersecurity level
  ▪ Strategic controls assessment
• likelihood of risk
• magnitude of impact
• overall risk

3. Develop final risk assessment report

6. Forensics – One to two people per engagement

Forensics is organized into three primary functions:

1. Gather existing evidence in the form of logs, images, and network capture data as necessary
2. Analyze evidence to determine extent and impact of the incident
3. Document results of analysis

7. Data Recovery - One to two people per engagement

1. Recover lost data from failed or damaged storage media and mobile devices
FEDERALLY MANDATED REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICES CONTRACTS WITH ACCESS TO FEDERAL TAX RETURN INFORMATION

Federal Tax Information ("FTI") includes return or return information received directly from the IRS or obtained through an authorized secondary source, such as Social Security Administration (SSA), Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE), Bureau of the Fiscal Service (BFS), or Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), or another entity acting on behalf of the IRS pursuant to an IRC 6103(p)(2)(B) Agreement. FTI includes any information created by the recipient that is derived from federal return or return information received from the IRS or obtained through a secondary source.

CONTRACT LANGUAGE FOR GENERAL SERVICES

I. PERFORMANCE

In performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with and assume responsibility for compliance by his or her employees with the following requirements:

(1) All work will be performed under the supervision of the Contractor or the Contractor’s responsible employees.

(2) The Contractor and the Contractor’s employees with access to or who use FTI must meet the background check requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075.

(3) Any Federal tax returns or return information (hereafter referred to as returns or return information) made available shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this Contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone other than an officer or employee of the Contractor is prohibited.

(4) All returns and return information will be accounted for upon receipt and properly stored before, during, and after processing. In addition, all related output and products will be given the same level of protection as required for the source material.

(5) No work involving returns and return information furnished under this Contract will be subcontracted without prior written approval of the IRS.

(6) The Contractor will maintain a list of employees authorized access. Such list will be provided to the State and, upon request, to the IRS reviewing office.
(7) The State will have the right to void the Contract if the Contractor fails to provide the safeguards described above.

II. CRIMINAL/CIVIL SANCTIONS

(1) Each officer or employee of any person to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that returns or return information disclosed to such officer or employee can be used only for a purpose and to the extent authorized herein, and that further disclosure of any such returns or return information for a purpose or to an extent unauthorized herein constitutes a felony punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as $5,000 or imprisonment for as long as five years, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized future disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount not less than $1,000 with respect to each instance of unauthorized disclosure. These penalties are prescribed by IRCs 7213 and 7431 and set forth at 26 CFR 301.6103(n)-1.

(2) Each officer or employee of any person to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that any return or return information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this Contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone without an official need-to-know constitutes a criminal misdemeanor punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as $1,000 or imprisonment for as long as 1 year, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized inspection or disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount equal to the sum of the greater of $1,000 for each act of unauthorized inspection or disclosure with respect to which such defendant is found liable or the sum of the actual damages sustained by the plaintiff as a result of such unauthorized inspection or disclosure plus in the case of a willful inspection or disclosure which is the result of gross negligence, punitive damages, plus the costs of the action. The penalties are prescribed by IRCs 7213A and 7431 and set forth at 26 CFR 301.6103(n)-1.

(3) Additionally, it is incumbent upon the Contractor to inform its officers and employees of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a(i)(1), which is made applicable to Contractors by 5 U.S.C. 552a(m)(1), provides that any officer or employee of a Contractor, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position, has possession of or access to State records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is so prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or entity not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than $5,000.

(4) Granting a Contractor access to FTI must be preceded by certifying that each individual understands the State's security policy and procedures for safeguarding IRS information. Contractors must maintain their authorization to access FTI through
annual recertification. The initial certification and recertification must be documented and placed in the State's files for review. As part of the certification and at least annually afterwards, Contractors must be advised of the provisions of IRCs 7431, 7213, and 7213A (see Exhibit 4, Sanctions for Unauthorized Disclosure, and Exhibit 5, Civil Damages for Unauthorized Disclosure. The training provided before the initial certification and annually thereafter must also cover the incident response policy and procedure for reporting unauthorized disclosures and data breaches. (See Section 10) For both the initial certification and the annual certification, the Contractor must sign, either with ink or electronic signature, a confidentiality statement certifying their understanding of the security requirements.

III. INSPECTION

The IRS and the State, with 24 hour notice, shall have the right to send its inspectors into the offices and plants of the Contractor to inspect facilities and operations performing any work with FTI under this Contract for compliance with requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075. The right of inspection shall include the use of manual and/or automated scanning tools to perform compliance and vulnerability assessments of information technology (IT) assets that access, store, process or transmit FTI. On the basis of such inspection, corrective actions may be required in cases where the Contractor is found to be noncompliant with Contract safeguards.
HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (BAA) MODEL

A Business Associate Agreement should be completed when required by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and related regulations. The use of this model is optional and serves as a guide. Add, delete, or revise information in the model as needed.
HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT
COMPLIANCE WITH PRIVACY AND SECURITY RULES

THIS BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (hereinafter “Agreement”) is between The State of Tennessee, STATE AGENCY NAME (hereinafter “Covered Entity”) and BUSINESS ASSOCIATE NAME (hereinafter “Business Associate”). Covered Entity and Business Associate may be referred to herein individually as “Party” or collectively as “Parties.”

BACKGROUND

Parties acknowledges that they are subject to the Privacy and Security Rules (45 CFR Parts 160 and 164) promulgated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Public Law 104-191 as amended by Public Law 111-5, Division A, Title XIII (the HITECH Act), in certain aspects of its operations.

Business Associate provides services to Covered Entity pursuant to one or more contractual relationships detailed below and hereinafter referred to as “Service Contracts.”

LIST OF AGREEMENTS AFFECTED BY THIS BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT:

LIST OF CONTRACTS AFFECTED BY HIPAA REQUIREMENTS OR NOT APPLICABLE

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In the course of executing Service Contracts, Business Associate may come into contact with, use, or disclose Protected Health Information (“PHI”). Said Service Contract(s) are hereby incorporated by reference and shall be taken and considered as a part of this document the same as if fully set out herein.

In accordance with the federal privacy and security regulations set forth at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, Subparts A, C, D and E, which require Covered Entity to have a written memorandum with each of its Business Associates, the Parties wish to establish satisfactory assurances that Business Associate will appropriately safeguard PHI and, therefore, make this Agreement.

DEFINITIONS

Terms used, but not otherwise defined, in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as those terms in 45 CFR §§ 160.103, 164.103, 164.304, 164.501 and 164.504.

1.1 “Breach of the Security of the [Business Associate’s Information] System” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at T.C.A. § 47-18-2107

1.2 “Business Associate” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.
1.3 “Covered Entity” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

1.4 “Designated Record Set” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

1.5 “Electronic Protected Health Care Information” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

1.6 “Genetic Information” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

1.7 “Health Care Operations” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

1.8 “Individual” shall have the same meaning as the term “individual” in 45 CFR § 160.103 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.502(g).

1.9 “Information Holder” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at T.C.A. § 47-18-2107

1.10 “Marketing” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

1.11 “Personal information” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at T.C.A. § 47-18-2107

1.12 “Privacy Official” shall have the meaning as set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 164.530(a)(1).

1.13 “Privacy Rule” shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164, subparts A, and E.

1.14 “Protected Health Information” shall have the same meaning as the term “protected health information” in 45 CFR § 160.103, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity.

1.15 “Required by Law” shall have the meaning set forth in 45 CFR § 164.512.

1.16 “Security Incident” shall have the meaning set out in its definition at 45 C.F.R. § 160.304.

1.17 “Security Rule” shall mean the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and C.

2. OBLIGATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE (Privacy Rule)

2.1 Business Associate is authorized to use PHI for the purposes of carrying out its duties under the Services Contract. In the course of carrying out these duties, including but not limited to carrying out the Covered Entity’s duties under HIPAA, Business Associate shall fully comply with the requirements under the Privacy Rule applicable to “business associates,” as that term is defined in the Privacy Rule and not use or further disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by this Agreement, the Service Contracts, or as Required By Law. Business
Associate is subject to requirements of the Privacy Rule as required by Public Law 111-5, Section 13404 [designated as 42 U.S.C. 17934] in case of any conflict between this Agreement and the Service Contracts, this Agreement shall govern.

2.2 The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH) was adopted as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. HITECH and its implementing regulations impose new requirements on Business Associates with respect to privacy, security, and breach notification. Business Associate hereby acknowledges and agrees that to the extent it is functioning as a Business Associate of Covered Entity, Business Associate shall comply with HITECH. Business Associate and the Covered Entity further agree that the provisions of HIPAA and HITECH that apply to business associates and that are required to be incorporated by reference in a business associate agreement have been incorporated into this Agreement between Business Associate and Covered Entity. Should any provision not be set forth specifically, it is as if set forth in this Agreement in its entirety and is effective as of the Applicable Effective Date, and as amended.

2.3 Business Associate shall use appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by this Agreement, Services Contract(s), or as Required By Law. This includes the implementation of Administrative, Physical, and Technical Safeguards to reasonably and appropriately protect the Covered Entity’s PHI against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards, utilizing the technology commercially available to the Business Associate. The Business Associate shall maintain appropriate documentation of its compliance with the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, its policies, procedures, records of training and sanctions of members of its Workforce.

2.4 Business Associate shall require any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom it provides PHI received from, maintained, created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity or that carries out any duties for the Business Associate involving the use, custody, disclosure, creation of, or access to PHI or other confidential information, to agree, by written contract with Business Associate, to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to Business Associate with respect to such information.

2.5 Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Agreement.

2.6 Business Associate shall require its employees, agents, and subcontractors to promptly report, to Business Associate, immediately upon becoming aware of any use or disclosure of PHI in violation of this Agreement. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any use or disclosure of the PHI not provided for by this Agreement. Business Associate will also provide additional information reasonably requested by the Covered Entity related to the breach.

2.7 As required by the Breach Notification Rule, Business Associate shall, and shall require its subcontractor(s) to, maintain systems to monitor and detect a Breach of Unsecured PHI, whether in paper or electronic form.

2.7.1 Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notice of a Provisional or Actual Breach of Unsecured PHI immediately upon becoming aware of the Breach.

2.7.2 Business Associate shall cooperate with Covered Entity in timely providing the appropriate and necessary information to Covered Entity.
2.7.3 Covered Entity shall make the final determination whether the Breach requires notification and whether the notification shall be made by Covered Entity or Business Associate.

2.8 If Business Associate receives PHI from Covered Entity in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate shall provide access, at the request of Covered Entity, to PHI in a Designated Record Set to Covered Entity, in order to meet the requirements under 45 CFR § 164.524, provided that Business Associate shall have at least 30 business days from Covered Entity notice to provide access to, or deliver such information.

2.9 If Business Associate receives PHI from Covered Entity in a Designated Record Set, then Business Associate shall make any amendments to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the Covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to the 45 CFR § 164.526 at the request of Covered Entity or an Individual, and in the time and manner designated by Covered Entity, provided that Business Associate shall have at least 30 business days from Covered Entity notice to make an amendment.

2.10 Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books, and records including policies and procedures and PHI, relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, created by or received by Business Associate on behalf of, Covered Entity available to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health in Human Services or the Secretary’s designee, in a time and manner designated by the Secretary, for purposes of determining Covered Entity’s or Business Associate’s compliance with the Privacy Rule.

2.11 Business Associate shall document disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosure of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.528.

2.12 Business Associate shall provide Covered Entity or an Individual, in time and manner designated by Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this Agreement, to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for and accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.528, provided that Business Associate shall have at least 30 business days from Covered Entity notice to provide access to, or deliver such information which shall include, at minimum, (a) date of the disclosure; (b) name of the third party to whom the PHI was disclosed and, if known, the address of the third party; (c) brief description of the disclosed information; and (d) brief explanation of the purpose and basis for such disclosure. Business Associate shall provide an accounting of disclosures directly to an individual when required by section 13405(c) of Public Law 111-5 [designated as 42 U.S.C. 17935(c)].

2.13 Business Associate agrees it must limit any use, disclosure, or request for use or disclosure of PHI to the minimum amount necessary to accomplish the intended purpose of the use, disclosure, or request in accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Rule.

2.13.1 Business Associate represents to Covered Entity that all its uses and disclosures of, or requests for, PHI shall be the minimum necessary in accordance with the Privacy Rule requirements.

2.13.2 Covered Entity may, pursuant to the Privacy Rule, reasonably rely on any requested disclosure as the minimum necessary for the stated purpose when the information is requested by Business Associate.

2.13.3 Business Associate acknowledges that if Business Associate is also a covered entity, as defined by the Privacy Rule, Business Associate is required, independent of Business Associate’s obligations under this Memorandum, to comply with the Privacy Rule’s minimum necessary requirements when making any request for PHI from Covered Entity.
2.14 Business Associate shall adequately and properly maintain all PHI received from, or created or received on behalf of, Covered Entity.

2.15 If Business Associate receives a request from an Individual for a copy of the individual's PHI, and the PHI is in the sole possession of the Business Associate, Business Associate will provide the requested copies to the individual and notify the Covered Entity of such action. If Business Associate receives a request for PHI in the possession of the Covered Entity, or receives a request to exercise other individual rights as set forth in the Privacy Rule, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity of such request and forward the request to Covered Entity. Business Associate shall then assist Covered Entity in responding to the request.

2.16 Business Associate shall fully cooperate in good faith with and to assist Covered Entity in complying with the requirements of the Privacy Rule.

3 OBLIGATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE (Security Rule)

3.1 Business Associate shall fully comply with the requirements under the Security Rule applicable to "business associates," as that term is defined in the Security Rule. In case of any conflict between this Agreement and Service Agreements, this Agreement shall govern.

3.2 Business Associate shall implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the electronic PHI that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of the covered entity as required by the Security Rule and Public Law 111-5. This includes specifically, but is not limited to, the utilization of technology commercially available at the time to the Business Associate to protect the Covered Entity's PHI against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards. The Business Associate understands that it has an affirmative duty to perform a regular review or assessment of security risks, conduct active risk management and supply best efforts to assure that only authorized persons and devices access its computing systems and information storage, and that only authorized transactions are allowed. The Business Associate will maintain appropriate documentation to certify its compliance with the Security Rule.

3.3 Business Associate shall ensure that any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom it provides electronic PHI received from or created for Covered Entity or that carries out any duties for the Business Associate involving the use, custody, disclosure, creation of, or access to PHI supplied by Covered Entity, to agree, by written contract (or the appropriate equivalent if the agent is a government entity) with Business Associate, to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to Business Associate with respect to such information.

3.4 Business Associate shall require its employees, agents, and subcontractors to report to Business Associate within five (5) business days, any Security Incident (as that term is defined in 45 CFR § 164.304) of which it becomes aware. Business Associate shall promptly report any Security Incident of which it becomes aware to Covered Entity.

3.5 Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books, and records including policies and procedures relating to the security of electronic PHI received from, created by or received by Business Associate on behalf of, Covered Entity available to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health in Human Services or the Secretary's designee, in a time and manner designated by the Secretary, for purposes of determining Covered Entity’s or Business Associate’s compliance with the Security Rule.
3.6 Business Associate shall fully cooperate in good faith with and to assist Covered Entity in complying with the requirements of the Security Rule.

3.7 Notification for the purposes of Sections 2.8 and 3.4 shall be in writing made by email/fax, certified mail or overnight parcel immediately upon becoming aware of the event, with supplemental notification by facsimile and/or telephone as soon as practicable, to:

COVERED ENTITY NAME
NAME AND TITLE
ADDRESS
Telephone: NUMBER
Fax: NUMBER

3.8 Business Associate identifies the following key contact persons for all matters relating to this Agreement:


Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity of any change in the key contact during the term of this Agreement in writing within ten (10) business days.

4. PERMITTED USES AND DISCLOSURES BY BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

4.1 Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may use or disclose PHI to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, Covered Entity as specified in Service Contract(s), provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy and Security Rule, if done by Covered Entity. Business Associate’s disclosure of PHI shall be subject to the limited data set and minimum necessary requirements of Section 13405(b) of Public Law 111-5, [designated as 42 U.S.C. 13735(b)]

4.2 Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may use PHI as required for Business Associate's proper management and administration or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Business Associate.

4.3 Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of the Business Associate, provided that disclosures are Required By Law, or provided that, if Business Associate discloses any PHI to a third party for such a purpose, Business Associate shall enter into a written agreement with such third party requiring the third party to: (a) maintain the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of PHI and not to use or further disclose such information except as Required By Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed, and (b) notify Business Associate of any instances in which it becomes aware in which the confidentiality, integrity, and/or availability of the PHI is breached immediately upon becoming aware.
4.4 Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may use PHI to provide data aggregation services to Covered Entity as permitted by 42 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).

4.5 Business Associate may use PHI to report violations of law to appropriate Federal and State Authorities consistent with 45 CFR 164.502(j)(1).

4.6 Business Associate shall not use or disclose PHI that is Genetic Information for underwriting purposes. Moreover, the sale, marketing or the sharing for commercial use or any purpose construed by Covered Entity as the sale, marketing or commercial use of member’s personal or financial information with affiliates, even if such sharing would be permitted by federal or state laws, is prohibited.

4.7 Business Associate shall enter into written agreements that are substantially similar to this Business Associate Agreements with any Subcontractor or agent which Business Associate provides access to Protected Health Information.

4.8 Business Associate shall implement and maintain information security policies that comply with the HIPAA Security Rule.

5. OBLIGATIONS OF COVERED ENTITY

5.1 Covered Entity shall provide Business Associate with the Notice of Privacy Practices that Covered Entity produces in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.520, as well as any changes to such notice. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any limitations in its notice that affect Business Associate’s use or disclosure of PHI.

5.2 Covered Entity shall provide Business Associate with any changes in, or revocation of, permission by an Individual to use or disclose PHI, if such changes affect Business Associate’s permitted or required uses.

5.3 Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate’s use of PHI.

6. PERMISSIBLE REQUESTS BY COVERED ENTITY

Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy or Security Rule, if done by Covered Entity.

7. TERM AND TERMINATION

7.1 Term. This Agreement shall be effective as of the date on which it is signed by both parties and shall terminate when all of the PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, is destroyed or returned to Covered Entity, or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI, Section 7.3. below shall apply.

7.2 Termination for Cause.
7.2.1 This Agreement authorizes and Business Associate acknowledges and agrees Covered Entity shall have the right to immediately terminate this Agreement and Service Contracts in the event Business Associate fails to comply with, or violates a material provision of, requirements of the Privacy and/or Security Rule or this Memorandum.

7.2.2 Upon Covered Entity’s knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:

7.2.2.1 Provide a reasonable opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation, or

7.2.2.2 If Business Associate has breached a material term of this Agreement and cure is not possible or if Business Associate does not cure a curable breach or end the violation within a reasonable time as specified by, and at the sole discretion of, Covered Entity, Covered Entity may immediately terminate this Agreement and the Service Agreement.

7.2.2.3 If neither cure nor termination is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health in Human Services or the Secretary’s designee.

7.3 Effect of Termination.

7.3.1 Except as provided in Section 7.3.2. below, upon termination of this Agreement, for any reason, Business Associate shall return or destroy all PHI received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of, Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the PHI.

7.3.2 In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the PHI is not feasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make return or destruction unfeasible. Upon mutual agreement of the Parties that return or destruction of PHI is unfeasible; Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Memorandum to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction unfeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such PHI.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

8.1 Regulatory Reference. A reference in this Agreement to a section in the Privacy and or Security Rule means the section as in effect or as amended.

8.2 Indemnity. The Business Associate shall indemnify the Covered Entity and hold it harmless for any claims, losses or other damages arising from or associated with any act or omission of Business Associate under this Agreement. This includes the costs of responding to a breach of the Agreement or the release of PHI contrary to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the costs of responding to a government enforcement action related to the breach, and any resultant fines, penalties, or damages paid by the Covered Entity.

8.3 Amendment. The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Rules and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Public
Law 104-191, including any amendments required by the United States Department of Health and Human Services to implement the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health and related regulations upon the effective date of such amendment, regardless of whether this Agreement has been formally amended, including, but not limited to changes required by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law 111-5.

8.4 Survival. The respective rights and obligations of Business Associate under Section 7.3. of this Memorandum shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

8.5 Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity and the Business Associate to comply with the Privacy and Security Rules.

8.6 Notices and Communications. All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications required or contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand, by facsimile transmission, by overnight courier service, or by first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the respective party at the appropriate facsimile number or address as set forth below, or to such other party, facsimile number, or address as may be hereafter specified by written notice.

COVERED ENTITY:  
ENTITY NAME  
NAME AND TITLE  
ADDRESS  
Telephone: NUMBER  
Fax: NUMBER  

BUSINESS ASSOCIATE:  
ENTITY NAME  
NAME AND TITLE  
ADDRESS  
Telephone: NUMBER  
Fax: NUMBER  

All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications shall be considered effectively given as of the date of hand delivery; as of the date specified for overnight courier service delivery; as of three (3) business days after the date of mailing; or on the day the facsimile transmission is received mechanically by the facsimile machine at the receiving location and receipt is verbally confirmed by the sender.

8.7 Strict Compliance. No failure by any Party to insist upon strict compliance with any term or provision of this Agreement, to exercise any option, to enforce any right, or to seek any remedy upon any default of any other Party shall affect, or constitute a waiver of, any Party's right to insist upon such strict compliance, exercise that option, enforce that right, or seek that remedy with respect to that default or any prior, contemporaneous, or subsequent default. No custom or practice of the Parties at variance with any provision of this Agreement shall affect, or constitute a waiver of, any Party's right to demand strict compliance with all provisions of this Agreement.

8.8 Severability. With respect to any provision of this Agreement finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, such court shall have jurisdiction to reform such provision so that it is enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, and the Parties shall abide by such court's determination. In the event that any provision of this Agreement cannot be reformed, such provision shall be deemed to be severed from this Agreement, but every other provision of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
8.9 **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee except to the extent that Tennessee law has been pre-empted by HIPAA.

8.10 **Compensation.** There shall be no remuneration for performance under this Agreement except as specifically provided by, in, and through, existing administrative requirements of Tennessee State government and services contracts referenced herein.

8.11 **Security Breach.** A violation of HIPAA or the Privacy or Security Rules constitutes a breach of this Business Associate Agreement and a breach of the Service Contract(s) listed on page one of this agreement, and shall be subject to all available remedies for such breach.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

**COVERED ENTITY LEGAL ENTITY NAME:**

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### Draft Work Breakdown Structure (WBS)

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**PROJECT YYYY-MM NAME**

**Work Breakdown Structure**

06-30-2021 RFP

ATTACHMENT E

RFP #32110-03024
State of Tennessee
Information Security Assessment Services
Statement of Work

Confidential Under TCA 10-7-504

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State Project Coordinator: Steve Swann
Job Title: Application Security Consultant
Address: Finance & Admin. - STS

Telephone: 615.253.8844
Mobile: 931.446.4437
E-mail: Steve.Swann@tn.gov

901 5th Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37243

Project Proposal:
- This SOW and the Work Breakdown Structure constitute the project proposal.

Project Timeframe (Specific dates will be mutually agreed to at task kickoff):
- Project Start: DATE
- Report Due: Upon completion of the Assessment

Work Location: [Onsite and/or Offsite]

Project Goals:
- Goal 1
- Goal 2

Project Description and Scope:
The Department of Finance & Administration - Strategic Technology Solutions (STS) is requesting an assessment of [X] that meets Project Goals outlined above. This engagement will [DESCRIPTION]. Schedule of events:
- Event 1
- Event 2

The assessment project team shall consist of one project manager and a capable mix of level I, II, III, and IV assessors.

The project manager is responsible for working with the State Project Coordinator to schedule the engagement meetings, keeping the assessment project team on schedule, making sure the deliverables required by this Statement of Work are met, writing the assessment report, and presenting the final presentation to the Comptroller and/or Selected Agencies. The project manager may delegate any of these responsibilities to another team member as appropriate.

Statement of Work:
This SOW is organized into [X] primary functions:

4. Assessment
   a. Interviews
   b. Testing
5. Reporting
a. Develop draft report  
b. Perform internal review of draft report and document edits  
c. Develop final report and presentation  

6. Prepare and Present Out-Brief  
a. Coordinate with customer to schedule the out-brief  
b. Present the out-brief to the customer on-site  
c. Post-engagement Q&A period  

Deliverables:

I. Executive Summary PPT Presentation following the assessment including:  
   • Executive summary of the results and recommendations of the engagement  
   • Recommended mitigation strategies  

II. Documents and Data  
   • All analyzed data shall be delivered to the State via secure file transfer, accessible only to the project team and those persons identified by the State  
   • All documents, correspondence and/or data related to the project are deemed confidential and shall be identified with “Confidential Under TCA 10-7-504.”

III. Post-Engagement Questions and Answers Period  
   • Once the Executive Summary has been delivered, the State shall have a timeframe for posing questions to the tester(s) regarding the recommendation and/or remediation suggestions detailed in the Assessment Report. The time allotted for the questions and answers period shall not exceed 10 hours.

STS Contact Information:

1. Steve Swann  
   a. Work: (615) 253-8844  
   b. Mobile: (931) 446-4437  

2. Prentice Morgan  
   a. Work: (615) 532-3673  

3. Robby Bayless  
   a. Mobile: 423-280-3318  
   b. Work: 615-770-6964  

SOW Agreement:

The Contractor understands and agrees that this SOW is governed by the provisions of Department of General Services Contract Number Edison ID#, hereinafter referred to as the "Master Contract". In the provision of services pursuant to this SOW, the Contractor will conform to these provisions in their entirety.

The Contractor will provide the services as described in this SOW and its Addenda, Work Breakdown Structure (WBS), which are attached hereto. In the event of a conflict between the SOW (and its Addenda), and the Master Contract, the documents shall govern in the order of preference given in the Master Contract.

This SOW shall be effective for the period commencing on DATE and ending on DATE, unless amended.

Excluding travel estimated at $##,###.## in no event shall the maximum liability of the State under this SOW exceed $##,###.## unless amended at the State’s discretion. Travel reimbursement is above and beyond the total fee. For the services provided pursuant to this SOW, the maximum liability amount shall constitute the entire potential compensation due the Contractor for the services and all of the Contractor’s
obligations hereunder regardless of the difficulty, or materials or equipment required. The Contractor shall be compensated, and invoices submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Master Contract.

The State may, at any time and for any reason, terminate this SOW in accordance with the provisions of the Master Contract. Termination of this SOW does not necessarily mean that the State will terminate the Master Contract.

This agreement may be modified only by a written amendment which has been executed and approved by the appropriate State officials as indicated below:

SOW Signatures:

CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME

NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTOR SIGNATORY DATE

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

NAME AND TITLE OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR DATE

NAME AND TITLE OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR DATE
SAMPLE LETTER OF DIVERSITY COMMITMENT

(Company Letterhead/Logo)
(Address)
(Date)
(Salutation),

(Company Name) is committed to achieving or surpassing a goal of (numeral) percent spend with certified diversity business enterprise firms on State of Tennessee contract # (Edison document #). Diversity businesses are defined as those that are owned by minority, women, service-disabled veterans, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and small businesses which are certified by the Governor’s Office of Diversity Business Enterprise (Go-DBE).

We confirm our commitment of (percentage) participation on the (Contract) by using the following diversity businesses:

(i) Name and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, service-disabled veteran, or disability) of anticipated diversity subcontractors and suppliers:

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(ii) Participation estimates (expressed as a percent of the total contract value to be dedicated to diversity subcontractors and suppliers):

_______%.

(iii) Description of anticipated services to be performed by diversity subcontractors and suppliers:

_____________________________________________________________________________

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We accept that our commitment to diversity advances the State’s efforts to expand opportunity of diversity businesses to do business with the State as contractors and sub-contractors.

Further, we commit to:

1. Using applicable reporting tools that allow the State to track and report purchases from businesses owned by minority, women, service-disabled veterans, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and small businesses.

2. Reporting monthly to the Go-DBE office the dollars spent with certified diversity businesses owned by minority, women, service-disabled veterans, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and small business accomplished under contract # (Edison number).

(Company Name) is committed to working with the Go-DBE office to accomplish this goal.

Regards,

(Company authority – signature and title)