

ATTACHMENT A - CONTRACT

Department of Information Technology (DoIT)

"Statewide Network Management Services (SNMS)"

060B8400023

THIS CONTRACT (the "Contract") is made this 1st day of March, 2019 by and between DIGITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC. and, on behalf of the STATE OF MARYLAND, the MARYLAND Department of Information Technology (DoIT).

IN CONSIDERATION of the following, the parties agree as follows:

1. Definitions

In this Contract, the following words have the meanings indicated.

- 1.1. "COMAR" means the Code of Maryland Regulations.
- 1.2. "Contract" means this contract for Statewide Network Management Services (SNMS).
- 1.3. "Contract Manager" means the individual identified in Section 1.6 of the Request for Proposals (RFP), or a successor designated by the State.
- 1.4. "Contractor" means the entity first named above whose principal business address is **6550 ROCK SPRING DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR, BETHESDA MD 20817**, whose Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number is [REDACTED] and whose eMaryland Marketplace vendor ID number is [REDACTED]
- 1.5. "Department" means the Department of Information Technology (DoIT).
- 1.6. "eMM" means eMaryland Marketplace.
- 1.7. "Financial Proposal" means the Contractor's financial proposal dated, 12/8/2017, as modified by any Best and Final Offer thereto.
- 1.8. "Minority Business Enterprise" (MBE) means an entity meeting the definition at COMAR 21.0 1.02.01B(54), which is certified by the Maryland Department of Transportation under COMAR 21.11.03.
- 1.9. "Procurement Officer" means the person identified in Section 1.5 of the RFP or a successor designated by the State.
- 1.10. "Proposal" means, as appropriate, either or both the Contractor's Technical or Financial Proposal.
- 1.11. "RFP" means the Request for Proposals for Statewide Network Management Services (SNMS), Solicitation # 060B8400023 and any amendments, addenda, and attachments thereto issued in writing by the State.
- 1.13. "Software" means the object code version of computer programs licensed pursuant to this Contract. Embedded code, firmware, internal code, microcode, and any other term referring to software that is necessary for proper operation is included in this definition of Software. Software includes all prior, current, and future versions of the Software and all maintenance updates and error corrections. "Software" also includes any upgrades, updates, bug fixes or modified versions or backup copies of the Software licensed to the State by Contractor or an authorized distributor.
- 1.14. "State" means the State of Maryland.
- 1.15. "Technical Proposal" means the Contractor's technical proposal, dated 12/8/2017, as modified and

supplemented by the Contractor's responses to requests clarifications and requests for cure, and by any Best and Final Offer.

- 1.16 Third Party Software – Software and supporting documentation that:
- 1) are owned by a party other than the State or the Contractor,
 - 2) are included in, or necessary or helpful to the operation, maintenance, support or modification of the Solution; and
 - 3) were specifically identified and listed as Third Party Software in the Proposal.
- 1.17. "Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprise" (VSBE) means a business that is verified by the Center for Veterans Enterprise of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as a veteran-owned small business. See Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 21.11.13.
- 1.18 Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the RFP.

2. Scope of Contract

- 2.1. The Contractor shall provide the products and services set forth in the RFP.
- 2.2. These products and services shall be provided in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and the following Exhibits, which are attached and incorporated herein by reference. If there are any inconsistencies between this Contract and Exhibits A through D, the terms of this Contract shall control. If there is any conflict among the exhibits, the following order of precedence shall determine the prevailing provision:

Exhibit A – The RFP

Exhibit B – The Contract Affidavit dated December 13, 2018.

Exhibit C – The Technical Proposal.

Exhibit D – The Financial Proposal

- 2.3 Except as otherwise provided, any reference to the Contract shall be deemed to include reference to any Work Order or Task Order issued thereunder.

3. Period of Performance

- 3.1. The Contract shall start as of the date first set forth above ("Effective Date") and shall continue until the 3rd anniversary thereof ("Initial Term"). In its sole discretion, the State shall have the right to exercise an option(s) to extend the Contract for two additional periods of two years each (each a "Renewal Term" and collectively with the Initial Term, the "Term").
- 3.2. The Contractor's performance under the Contract shall commence as of the date provided in a written NTP.
- 3.3. The Contractor's obligation to pay invoices to Subcontractors, as well as the audit, confidentiality, document retention, patents, copyrights & intellectual property (see §5), warranty, payment and indemnification obligations, and limitations of liability under this Contract, and any other obligations specifically identified, shall survive expiration or termination of the Contract.

4. Consideration and Payment

- 4.1. In consideration of the satisfactory performance of the work set forth in this Contract, the State shall pay the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Contract and at the prices quoted in the Financial Proposal. Unless properly modified, payment to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract, including the Initial Term and any Renewal Term, shall not exceed the price set forth in the Financial Proposal.

- 4.2 The total payment for products and services provided under the fixed price element of this combined fixed price – time and materials Contract, shall be the firm fixed price submitted by the Contractor in its Financial Proposal, as follows:

	Base Year 1	Base Year 2	Base Year 3	Option Period 1 (24 Months)	Option Period 2 (24 Months)	Total
MDOT Capacity Management FFP						

For the time and materials portion of this Contract, total payments to the Contractor for all services shall not exceed [REDACTED] for the Initial Term, [REDACTED] for Option Period 1, and [REDACTED] for Option Period 2, each a Not-to-Exceed Amount ("NTE Amount").

The Contractor shall notify the Contract Manager, in writing, at least 60 days before time and material obligations are expected to reach the NTE Amount. The Contractor shall have no obligation to perform the time and materials requirements under this Contract after payments reach the NTE Amount. The cessation of the Contractor's obligation to perform under this paragraph 4.2 is expressly conditioned on the following: that prior to the NTE Amount being reached, the Contractor shall: (i) give the notice required under this paragraph 4.1; (ii) promptly consult with the State and cooperate in good faith with the State to establish a plan of action to assure that every reasonable effort is undertaken by the Contractor to complete critical work in progress prior to the date the NTE Amount will be reached; and (iii) secure databases, systems, platforms and applications on which the Contractor is working in an industry standard manner designed to prevent damage or vulnerabilities to any of the same.

- 4.2. Unless a payment is unauthorized, deferred, delayed, or set-off under COMAR 21.02.07, payments to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract shall be made no later than 30 days after the State's receipt of a proper invoice from the Contractor as required by RFP section 3.3.

The Contractor may be eligible to receive late payment interest at the rate of 9% per annum if:

- (1) The Contractor submits an invoice for the late payment interest within thirty days after the date of the State's payment of the amount on which the interest accrued; and
- (2) A contract claim has not been filed under State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 15, Subtitle 2, Annotated Code of Maryland.

The State is not liable for interest:

- (1) Accruing more than one year after the 31st day after the agency receives the proper invoice; or
- (2) On any amount representing unpaid interest. Charges for late payment of invoices are authorized only as prescribed by Title 15, Subtitle 1, of the State Finance and Procurement Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, or by the Public Service Commission of Maryland with respect to regulated public utilities, as applicable.

Final payment under this Contract will not be made until after certification is received from the Comptroller of the State that all taxes have been paid.

Electronic funds transfer shall be used by the State to pay Contractor pursuant to this Contract and any other State payments due Contractor unless the State Comptroller's Office grants Contractor an exemption.

- 4.3. In addition to any other available remedies, if, in the opinion of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor fails to perform in a satisfactory and timely manner, then Contractor will be notified and provided a time specified by the State to cure the breach. If the breach is not cured within the time specified within the notification, the Procurement Officer may refuse or limit approval of any invoice for payment, and may cause payments to the Contractor to be reduced or withheld until such time as the Contractor meets performance standards as established by the Procurement Officer.
- 4.4. Payment of an invoice by the State is not evidence that services were rendered as required under this Contract.

5. Patents, Copyrights, Intellectual Property

- 5.1. If the Contractor furnishes any design, device, material, process, or other item, which is covered by a patent or copyright or which is proprietary to or a trade secret of another, the Contractor shall obtain the necessary permission or license to permit the State to use such item or items.
- 5.2. Except as provided in **Section 5.4** of this Contract, the Contractor agrees that all documents and materials, including but not limited to, reports, drawings, studies, specifications, estimates, tests, maps, photographs, designs, software, graphics, mechanical, artwork, computations and data prepared by or for the Contractor for purposes of this Contract (Work Product) shall become and remain the sole and exclusive property of the State and shall be available to the State at any time. The State shall have the right to use the same without restriction and without compensation to the Contractor other than that specifically provided by this Contract.
- 5.3. Except as provided in Section 5.4 of this Contract, the Contractor agrees that all Work Product shall be "works made for hire" as that term is interpreted under U.S. copyright law and shall be owned by the State. Ownership includes the right to copyright, patent, register and the ability to transfer these rights and all information used to formulate such Work Product. In the event any Work Product is or may not be considered a work made for hire under applicable law, Contractor assigns and transfers to the State the entire right, title and interest in and to all rights in the Work Product and any registrations and copyright applications relating thereto and any renewals and extensions thereof. Contractor shall execute all documents and perform such other proper acts as the State may deem necessary to secure for it the rights pursuant to this section.
- 5.4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Contract, to the extent (i) the Work Product incorporates any commercial-off-the shelf software (COTS) or any Pre-Existing Intellectual Property or (ii) any COTS or Pre-Existing Intellectual Property (other than a computer's operating system, supported internet browser, browser accessibility software or hardware if needed by the user, and software required to access a commonly-available data transmission tool or export format) is required to access, install, build, compile or otherwise use the Work Product (such COTS and Pre-Existing Intellectual Property individually and collectively referred to herein as "Third-party Intellectual Property," which shall be the sole property of Contractor or its third-party licensors, as applicable), Contractor hereby grants to the State, on behalf of itself and any third-party licensors, a royalty-free, paid-up, non-exclusive, unrestricted, unconditional, irrevocable, worldwide right and license, with the right to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, distribute copies of internally, modify and prepare derivative works based upon, such Third-party Intellectual Property as may be necessary for the State to use the Work Product for

the purposes for which such Work Product was designed and intended. "Pre-Existing Intellectual Property" means any program, utility or tool owned by Contractor or its third-party licensors that was created by Contractor or its third-party licensors independently from its performance of this Contract and not solely using funds from this Contract.

- 5.5. Subject to the terms of **Section 6**, Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State, including, but not limited to, the State and its agents, officers, and employees, from and against any and all claims, costs, losses, damages, liabilities, judgments and expenses (including without limitation reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of or in connection with any claim the Work Product or any Third-party Intellectual Property infringes, misappropriates or otherwise violates any Third-party Intellectual Property rights. Contractor shall not enter into any settlement involving third party claims that contains any admission of or stipulation to any guilt, fault, liability or wrongdoing by the State or that adversely affects the State's rights or interests, without the State's prior written consent, which consent may be withheld in the State's sole and absolute discretion.
- 5.6. Contractor shall be entitled to control the defense or settlement of such claim (with counsel reasonably satisfactory to the State), provided that the State will, upon requesting indemnification hereunder: (a) provide reasonable cooperation to Contractor in connection with the defense or settlement of any such claim, at Contractor's expense; and (b) be entitled to participate in the defense of any such claim at its own expense. Except if Contractor has pre-existing knowledge of such infringement, Contractor's obligations under this section will not apply to the extent any Third-party Intellectual Property infringes, misappropriates or otherwise violates any third party intellectual rights as a result of modifications made by the State in violation of the license granted to the State pursuant to section 5.4; provided that such infringement, misappropriation or violation would not have occurred absent such modification.
- 5.7. Without limiting Contractor's obligations under Section 5.5, if all or any part of the Work Product or any Third Party Intellectual Property is held, or Contractor or the State reasonably determines that it could be held, to infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate any third party intellectual property right, Contractor (after consultation with the State and at no cost to the State): (a) shall procure for the State the right to continue using the item or service in accordance with its rights under this Contract; (b) replace the item or service with an item that does not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate any third party intellectual property rights and, in the State's sole and absolute determination, complies with the item's specifications, and all rights of use and ownership set forth in this Contract; or (c) modify the item or service so that it no longer infringes, misappropriates or otherwise violates any third party intellectual property right and, in the State's sole and absolute determination, complies with the item's specifications and all rights of use and ownership set forth in this Contract.
- 5.8. Except for any Pre-Existing Intellectual Property and Third-Party Intellectual Property, Contractor shall not acquire any right, title or interest (including any intellectual property rights subsisting therein) in or to any goods, Software, technical information, specifications, drawings, records, documentation, data or any other materials (including any derivative works thereof) provided by the State to the Contractor. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the State may, in its sole and absolute discretion, grant the Contractor a license to such materials, subject to the terms of a separate writing executed by the Contractor and an authorized representative of the State.
- 5.9. Contractor, on behalf of itself and its Subcontractors, hereby agrees not to incorporate, link, distribute or use any Third-party Intellectual Property in such a way that: (a) creates, purports to create or has the potential to create, obligations with respect to any State software (including any deliverable hereunder), including without limitation the distribution or disclosure of any source

code; or (b) grants, purports to grant, or has the potential to grant to any third-party any rights to or immunities under any State intellectual property or proprietary rights. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, neither Contractor nor any of its Subcontractors shall incorporate, link, distribute or use, in conjunction with the Work Product, any code or software licensed under the GNU General Public License ("GPL"), Lesser General Public License ("LGPL"), Affero GPL ("AGPL"), European Community Public License ("ECPL"), Mozilla, or any other open source license, in any manner that could cause or could be interpreted or asserted to cause any State software (or any modifications thereto) to become subject to the terms of the GPL, LGPL, AGPL, ECPL, Mozilla or such other open source software.

- 5.10. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, neither Contractor nor any of its Subcontractors shall use any Software or technology in a manner that will cause any patents, copyrights or other intellectual property which are owned or controlled by the State or any of its affiliates (or for which the State or any of its Subcontractors has received license rights) to become subject to any encumbrance or terms and conditions of any third-party or open source license (including, without limitation, any open source license listed on <http://www.opensource.org/licenses/alphabetical>) (each an "Open Source License"). These restrictions, limitations, exclusions and conditions shall apply even if the State or any of its Subcontractors becomes aware of or fails to act in a manner to address any violation or failure to comply therewith. No act by the State or any of its Subcontractors that is undertaken under this Contract as to any Software or technology shall be construed as intending to cause any patents, copyrights or other intellectual property that are owned or controlled by the State (or for which the State has received license rights) to become subject to any encumbrance or terms and conditions of any Open Source License.
- 5.11. The Contractor shall report to the State, promptly and in written detail, each notice or claim of copyright infringement received by the Contractor with respect to all Work Product delivered under this Contract.

6. Indemnification

- 6.1. At its sole cost and expense, Contractor shall (i) indemnify and hold the State, its employees and agents harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, suits, damages, liabilities, losses, settlements, judgments, costs and expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees and costs), whether or not involving a third party claim, which arise out of or relate to the Contractor's, or any of its subcontractors', performance of this Contract and (ii) cooperate, assist, and consult with the State in the defense or investigation of any such claim, demand, action or suit. Contractor shall not enter into any settlement involving third party claims that contains any admission of or stipulation to any guilt, fault, liability or wrongdoing by the State or that adversely affects the State's rights or interests, without the State's prior written consent.
- 6.2. The State has no obligation to provide legal counsel or defense to the Contractor or its Subcontractors in the event that a suit, claim or action of any character is brought by any person not party to this Contract against the Contractor or its Subcontractors as a result of or relating to the Contractor's obligations under this Contract.
- 6.3. The State has no obligation for the payment of any judgments or the settlement of any claims against the Contractor or its Subcontractors as a result of or relating to the Contractor's obligations under this Contract.
- 6.4. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Procurement Officer of any claim or suit made or filed against the Contractor or its Subcontractors regarding any matter resulting from or relating to the Contractor's obligations under the Contract; and will cooperate, assist, and consult with the State in the defense or investigation of any third party claim, suit, or action made or filed against

the State as a result of or relating to the Contractor's performance under this Contract.

6.5. Section 6 shall survive expiration of this Contract.

7. Limitations of Liability

7.1. Contractor shall be liable for any loss or damage to the State occasioned by the acts or omissions of Contractor, its Subcontractors, agents or employees, including but not limited to personal injury; physical loss; or violations of the Patents, Copyrights, Intellectual Property sections of this Contract, as follows:

7.1.1. For infringement of patents, trademarks, trade secrets and copyrights, as provided in Section 5 ("Patents, Copyrights, Intellectual Property") of this Contract;

7.1.2. Without limitation for damages for bodily injury (including death) and damage to real property and tangible personal property; and

7.1.3. For all other claims, damages, loss, costs, expenses, suits or actions in any way related to this Contract where liability is not otherwise set forth as being "without limitation," and regardless of the basis on which the claim is made, Contractor's liability shall not exceed 1.5 times the awarded value of the Contract. Third-party claims arising under Section 6 ("Indemnification") of this Contract are included in this limitation of liability only if the State is immune from liability. Contractor's liability for third-party claims arising under Section 6 of this Contract shall be unlimited if the State is not immune from liability for claims arising under Section 6.

7.1.4. In no event shall the existence of a subcontract operate to release or reduce the liability of Contractor hereunder. For purposes of this Contract, Contractor agrees that that all subcontractors shall be held to be agents of Contractor.

8. Prompt Pay Requirements

8.1. If the Contractor withholds payment of an undisputed amount to its subcontractor, the State, at its option and in its sole discretion, may take one or more of the following actions:

(a) Not process further payments to the Contractor until payment to the subcontractor is verified;

(b) Suspend all or some of the Contract work without affecting the completion date(s) for the Contract work;

(c) Pay or cause payment of the undisputed amount to the subcontractor from monies otherwise due or that may become due to the Contractor;

(d) Place a payment for an undisputed amount in an interest-bearing escrow account; or

(f) Take other or further actions as appropriate to resolve the withheld payment.

8.2. An "undisputed amount" means an amount owed by the Contractor to a subcontractor for which there is no good faith dispute. Such "undisputed amounts" include (a) retainage which had been withheld and is, by the terms of the agreement between the Contractor and subcontractor, due to be distributed to the subcontractor and (b) an amount withheld because of issues arising out of an agreement or occurrence unrelated to the agreement under which the amount is withheld.

8.3. An act, failure to act, or decision of a Procurement Officer or a representative of the State concerning a withheld payment between the Contractor and subcontractor under this Contract, may not:

(a) Affect the rights of the contracting parties under any other provision of law;

(b) Be used as evidence on the merits of a dispute between the State and the Contractor in any

other proceeding; or

(c) Result in liability against or prejudice the rights of the State.

- 8.4 The remedies enumerated above are in addition to those provided under COMAR 21.11.03.13 with respect to Subcontractors that have contracted pursuant to the Minority Business Enterprise program.

9. Risk of Loss; Transfer of Title

Risk of loss for conforming supplies, equipment and materials specified as deliverables to the State hereunder shall remain with the Contractor until the supplies, equipment, materials and other deliverables are received and accepted by the State. Title of all such deliverables passes to the State upon acceptance by the State.

10. Source Code Escrow

Source code escrow does not apply to this Contract.

11. Loss of Data

The State will own all right, title and interest in its data that is related to the services provided under this Contract. Public jurisdiction user accounts or public jurisdiction data shall not be accessed, except (1) in the course of data center operations, (2) in response to service or technical issues, (3) as required by the express terms of this contract or (4) at the State's written request.

In the event of loss of any State data or records where such loss is due to the act, omission, or negligence of the Contractor or any of its Subcontractors or agents, the Contractor shall be responsible for restoring such lost data in the manner and on the schedule set by the Contract Manager. The Contractor shall ensure that all data is backed up and is recoverable by the Contractor. In accordance with prevailing federal or state law or regulations, the Contractor shall report the loss of non-public data as directed in Section 16.17.

Protection of data and personal privacy (as further described and defined in section 16.17) shall be an integral part of the business activities of the Contractor to ensure there is no inappropriate or unauthorized use of State information at any time. To this end, the Contractor shall safeguard the confidentiality, integrity and availability of State information and comply with the following conditions:

- 11.1 The Contractor shall implement and maintain appropriate administrative, technical and organizational security measures to safeguard against unauthorized access, disclosure or theft of Sensitive Data and non-public data. Such security measures shall be in accordance with recognized industry practice and not less stringent than the measures the Contractor applies to its own Sensitive Data and non-public data.
- 11.2 All data collected or created in the performance of this Contract is and shall remain property of the State.
- 11.3 All Sensitive Data shall be encrypted at rest and in transit with controlled access, including back-ups. Unless otherwise stipulated, the Contractor is responsible for the encryption of the Sensitive Data.

12. Markings

The Contractor shall not affix (or permit any third party to affix), without the Department's consent, any restrictive markings upon any Work Product and if such markings are affixed, the State shall have the right at any time to modify, remove, obliterate, or ignore such warnings.

13. Exclusive Use and Ownership

Contractor shall not use, sell, sub-lease, assign, give, or otherwise transfer to any third party any other information or material provided to Contractor by the State or developed by Contractor relating to the Contract, except that Contractor may provide said information to any of its officers, employees and Subcontractors who Contractor requires to have said information for fulfillment of Contractor's obligations hereunder. Each officer, employee and subcontractor to whom any of the State's confidential information is to be disclosed shall be advised by Contractor of and bound by the confidentiality and intellectual property terms of this Contract.

14. Notification of Legal Requests

The Contractor shall contact the State upon receipt of any electronic discovery, litigation holds, discovery searches and expert testimonies related to the State's data under this Contract, or which in any way might reasonably require access to the data of the State, unless prohibited by law from providing such notice. The Contractor shall not respond to subpoenas, service of process and other legal requests related to the State without first notifying the State, unless prohibited by law from providing such notice.

15. Effect of Contractor Bankruptcy

All rights and licenses granted by the Contractor under this Contract are and shall be deemed to be rights and licenses to "intellectual property," and the subject matter of this Contract, including services, is and shall be deemed to be "embodiments of intellectual property" for purposes of and as such terms are used and interpreted under § 365(n) of the United States Bankruptcy Code ("Code") (11 U.S.C. § 365(n) (2010)). The State has the right to exercise all rights and elections under the Code and all other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws with respect to this Contract (including all executory statement of works). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, if the Contractor or its estate becomes subject to any bankruptcy or similar proceeding: (a) subject to the State's rights of election, all rights and licenses granted to the State under this Contract shall continue subject to the respective terms and conditions of this Contract; and (b) the State shall be entitled to a complete duplicate of (or complete access to, as appropriate) all such intellectual property and embodiments of intellectual property, and the same, if not already in the State's possession, shall be promptly delivered to the State, unless the Contractor elects to and does in fact continue to perform all of its obligations under this Contract.

14. Confidentiality

Subject to the Maryland Public Information Act and any other applicable laws, all confidential or proprietary information and documentation relating to either party (including without limitation, any information or data stored within the Contractor's computer systems) shall be held in absolute confidence by the other party. Each party shall, however, be permitted to disclose relevant confidential information to its officers, agents and employees to the extent that such disclosure is necessary for the performance of their duties under this Contract, provided the data may be collected, used, disclosed, stored and disseminated only as provided by and consistent with the law. The provisions of this section shall not apply to information that (a) is lawfully in the public domain; (b) has been independently developed by the other party without violation of this Contract; (c) was already in the possession of such party; (d) was supplied to such party by a third party lawfully in possession thereof and legally permitted to further disclose the information; or (e) which such party is required to disclose by law.

15. Parent Company Guarantee (If Applicable)

Parent Company Guarantee does not apply to this Contract.

16. General Terms and Conditions

Unless otherwise noted, the General Terms and Conditions are mandatory Contract Terms and cannot

and will not be revised.

16.1. Pre-Existing Regulations

In accordance with the provisions of Section 11-206 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the regulations set forth in Title 21 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR 21) in effect on the date of execution of this Contract are applicable to this Contract.

16.2. Maryland Law Prevails

This Contract shall be construed, interpreted, and enforced according to the laws of the State of Maryland. The Maryland Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act (Commercial Law Article, Title 22 of the Annotated Code of Maryland) does not apply to this Contract, the Software, or any Software license acquired hereunder. Any and all references to the Annotated Code of Maryland contained in this Contract shall be construed to refer to such Code sections as from time to time amended.

16.3. Multi-year Contracts contingent upon Appropriations

If the General Assembly fails to appropriate funds or if funds are not otherwise made available for continued performance for any fiscal period of this Contract succeeding the first fiscal period, this Contract shall be canceled automatically as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which funds were not appropriated or otherwise made available; provided, however, that this will not affect either the State's rights or the Contractor's rights under any termination clause in this Contract. The effect of termination of the Contract hereunder will be to discharge both the Contractor and the State of Maryland from future performance of the Contract, but not from their rights and obligations existing at the time of termination. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any nonrecurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the Contract. The State shall notify the Contractor as soon as it has knowledge that funds may not be available for the continuation of this Contract for each succeeding fiscal period beyond the first.

16.4. Cost and Price Certification

16.4.1. The Contractor, by submitting cost or price information certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, the information submitted is accurate, complete, and current as of a mutually determined specified date prior to the conclusion of any price discussions or negotiations for:

- (1) A negotiated contract, if the total contract price is expected to exceed \$100,000, or a smaller amount set by the Procurement Officer; or
- (2) A change order or contract modification, expected to exceed \$100,000, or a smaller amount set by the Procurement Officer.

16.4.2. The price under this Contract and any change order or modification hereunder, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant price increases occurring because the Contractor furnished cost or price information which, as of the date agreed upon between the parties, was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current.

16.5. Contract Modifications

The Procurement Officer may, at any time, by written order, make changes in the work within the general scope of the Contract. No other order, statement or conduct of the Procurement Officer or any other person shall be treated as a change or entitle the Contractor to an equitable adjustment under this section. Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, if any change under this section causes an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or

the time required for, the performance of any part of the work, an equitable adjustment in the Contract price shall be made and the Contract modified in writing accordingly. Pursuant to COMAR 21.10.04, the Contractor must assert in writing its right to an adjustment under this section and shall include a written statement setting forth the nature and cost of such claim. No claim by the Contractor shall be allowed if asserted after final payment under this Contract. Failure to agree to an adjustment under this section shall be a dispute under Section 16.8, Disputes. Nothing in this section shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the Contract as changed.

16.6. Termination for Default

If the Contractor fails to fulfill its obligations under this Contract properly and on time, or otherwise violates any provision of the Contract, the State may terminate the Contract by written notice to the Contractor. The notice shall specify the acts or omissions relied upon as cause for termination. All finished or unfinished work provided by the Contractor shall, at the State's option, become the State's property. The State of Maryland shall pay the Contractor fair and equitable compensation for satisfactory performance prior to receipt of notice of termination, less the amount of damages caused by the Contractor's breach. If the damages are more than the compensation payable to the Contractor, the Contractor will remain liable after termination and the State can affirmatively collect damages. Termination hereunder, including the termination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of COMAR 21.07.01.11B.

16.7. Termination for Convenience

The performance of work under this Contract may be terminated by the State in accordance with this clause in whole, or from time to time in part, whenever the State shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the State. The State will pay all reasonable costs associated with this Contract that the Contractor has incurred up to the date of termination, and all reasonable costs associated with termination of the Contract. However, the Contractor shall not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits that have not been earned up to the date of termination. Termination hereunder, including the determination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of COMAR 21.07.01.12 (A)(2).

16.8. Disputes

This Contract shall be subject to the provisions of Title 15, Subtitle 2, of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as from time to time amended, and COMAR 21.10 (Administrative and Civil Remedies). Pending resolution of a claim, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with the performance of the Contract in accordance with the Procurement Officer's decision. Unless a lesser period is provided by applicable statute, regulation, or the Contract, the Contractor must file a written notice of claim with the Procurement Officer within 30 days after the basis for the claim is known or should have been known, whichever is earlier. Contemporaneously with or within 30 days of the filing of a notice of claim, but no later than the date of final payment under the Contract, the Contractor must submit to the Procurement Officer its written claim containing the information specified in COMAR 21.10.04.02.

16.9. Living Wage

If a Contractor subject to the Living Wage law fails to submit all records required under COMAR 21.11.10.05 to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry at the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the State may withhold payment of any invoice or retainage. The State may require certification from the Commissioner on a quarterly basis that such records were properly submitted.

16.10. Non-Hiring of Employees

No official or employee of the State of Maryland, as defined under General Provisions Article, §5-101, Annotated Code of Maryland, whose duties as such official or employee include matters relating to or affecting the subject matter of this Contract, shall during the pendency and Term of this Contract and while serving as an official or employee of the State become or be an employee of the Contractor or any entity that is a subcontractor on this Contract.

16.11. Nondiscrimination in Employment

The Contractor agrees: (a) not to discriminate in any manner against an employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, sexual identity, ancestry, or disability of a qualified person with a disability, sexual orientation, or any otherwise unlawful use of characteristics; (b) to include a provision similar to that contained in subsection (a), above, in any underlying subcontract except a subcontract for standard commercial supplies or raw materials; and (c) to post and to cause Subcontractors to post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the substance of this clause.

16.12. Commercial Non-Discrimination

16.12.1. As a condition of entering into this Contract, Contractor represents and warrants that it will comply with the State's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Title 19 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. As part of such compliance, Contractor may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, sexual identity, genetic information or an individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test or on the basis of disability, or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring, or commercial treatment of Subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall Contractor retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. Contractor shall provide equal opportunity for Subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that this clause does not prohibit or limit lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the marketplace. Contractor understands that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and may result in termination of this Contract, disqualification of Contractor from participating in State contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party.

16.12.2. As a condition of entering into this Contract, upon the request of the Commission on Civil Rights, and only after the filing of a complaint against Contractor under Title 19 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended from time to time, Contractor agrees to provide within 60 days after the request a complete list of the names of all Subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers that Contractor has used in the past four (4) years on any of its contracts that were undertaken within the State of Maryland, including the total dollar amount paid by Contractor on each subcontract or supply contract. Contractor further agrees to cooperate in any investigation conducted by the State pursuant to the State's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as set forth under Title 19 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and to provide any documents relevant to any investigation that are requested by the State. Contractor

understands that violation of this clause is a material breach of this Contract and may result in Contract termination, disqualification by the State from participating in State contracts, and other sanctions.

16.13. Subcontracting and Assignment

The Contractor may not subcontract any portion of its obligations under this Contract without obtaining the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer, nor may the Contractor assign this Contract or any of its rights or obligations hereunder, without the prior written approval of the State, each at the State's sole and absolute discretion. Any such subcontract or assignment shall include the terms of this Contract and any other terms and conditions that the State deems necessary to protect its interests. The State shall not be responsible for the fulfillment of the Contractor's obligations to any Subcontractors.

16.14. Minority Business Enterprise Participation

16.14.1. Establishment of Goal and Subgoals.

An overall MBE subcontractor participation goal and subgoals have been established for this procurement as described in **section 1.33** of the RFP.

16.14.2. Liquidated Damages for MBE Program

16.14.2.1. This Contract requires the Contractor to make good faith efforts to comply with the MBE Program and Contract provisions. The State and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that the State will incur damages, including but not limited to loss of goodwill, detrimental impact on economic development, and diversion of internal staff resources, if the Contractor does not make good faith efforts to comply with the requirements of the MBE Program and MBE Contract provisions. The parties further acknowledge and agree that the damages the State might reasonably be anticipated to accrue as a result of such lack of compliance are difficult to ascertain with precision.

16.14.2.2. Therefore, upon a determination by the State that the Contractor failed to make good faith efforts to comply with one or more of the specified MBE Program requirements or Contract provisions, the Contractor agrees to pay liquidated damages to the State at the rates set forth below. The Contractor expressly agrees that the State may withhold payment on any invoices as a set-off against liquidated damages owed. The Contractor further agrees that for each specified violation, the agreed upon liquidated damages are reasonably proximate to the loss the State is anticipated to incur as a result of such violation.

- i. Failure to submit each monthly payment report in full compliance with COMAR 21.11.03.13B (3): \$100 per day until the monthly report is submitted as required.
- ii. Failure to include in its agreements with MBE Subcontractors a provision requiring submission of payment reports in full compliance with COMAR 21.11.03.13B (4): \$444 per MBE subcontractor.
- iii. Failure to comply with COMAR 21.11.03.12 in terminating, canceling, or changing the scope of work/value of a contract with an MBE subcontractor or amendment of the MBE participation schedule: the difference between the dollar value of the MBE participation commitment on the MBE participation schedule for that specific MBE firm and the dollar value of the work performed by that MBE firm for the contract.

- iv. Failure to meet the Contractor's total MBE participation goal and sub goal commitments: the difference between the dollar value of the total MBE participation commitment on the MBE participation schedule and the MBE participation actually achieved.
- v. Failure to promptly pay all undisputed amounts to an MBE subcontractor in full compliance with the prompt payment provisions of this Contract: \$100 per day until the undisputed amount due to the MBE subcontractor is paid.

Notwithstanding the use of liquidated damages, the State reserves the right to terminate the Contract and exercise all other rights and remedies provided in the Contract or by law.

16.14.3. MBE Prompt Pay Requirements

- 16.14.3.1. To ensure compliance with certified MBE subcontract participation goals, the State may, consistent with COMAR 21.11.03.13, take the following measures:
 - A) Verify that the certified MBEs listed in the MBE participation schedule actually are performing work and receiving compensation as set forth in the MBE participation schedule. This verification may include, as appropriate:
 - (1) Inspecting any relevant records of the Contractor;
 - (2) Inspecting the jobsite; and
 - (3) Interviewing Subcontractors and workers.
 - (4) Verification shall include a review of:
 - (a) The Contractor's monthly report listing unpaid invoices over 30 days old from certified MBE Subcontractors and the reason for nonpayment; and
 - (b) The monthly report of each certified MBE subcontractor, which lists payments received from the Contractor in the preceding 30 days and invoices for which the subcontractor has not been paid.
 - B) If the State determines that the Contractor is not in compliance with certified MBE participation goals, then the State will notify the Contractor in writing of its findings, and will require the Contractor to take appropriate corrective action. Corrective action may include, but is not limited to, requiring the Contractor to compensate the MBE for work performed as set forth in the MBE participation schedule.
 - C) If the State determines that the Contractor is in material noncompliance with MBE Contract provisions and refuses or fails to take the corrective action that the State requires, then the State may:
 - (1) Terminate the Contract;
 - (2) Refer the matter to the Office of the Attorney General for appropriate action; or
 - (3) Initiate any other specific remedy identified by this

Contract:

- 16.14.3.2. Upon completion of the contract, but before final payment or release of retainage or both, the Contractor shall submit a final report, in affidavit form under the penalty of perjury, of all payments made to, or withheld from MBE Subcontractors.

16.15. Insurance Requirements

See the RFP Section 3.17.

16.16. Veteran Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation

An overall VSBE subcontractor participation goal has been established for this procurement as described in **section 1.41** of the RFP.

16.17. Security Incident Response and Data Breach Responsibilities

16.17.1 Security Requirements

- A. The Contractor shall notify the State in accordance with **Section 3.7.9A-D** when any Contractor system that may access, process, or store State data or State systems experiences a Security Incident or a Data Breach as follows:
- 1) notify the State within twenty-four (24) hours of the discovery of a Security Incident by providing notice via written or electronic correspondence to the Contract Manager, State chief information officer and State chief information security officer;
 - 2) notify the State within two (2) hours if there is a threat to Contractor's Solution as it pertains to the use, disclosure, and security of State data; and
 - 3) provide written notice to the State within one (1) Business Day after Contractor's discovery of unauthorized use or disclosure of State data and thereafter all information the State (or Requesting Agency) requests concerning such unauthorized use or disclosure.
- B. Contractor's notice shall identify:
- 1) the nature of the unauthorized use or disclosure;
 - 2) the State data used or disclosed;
 - 3) who made the unauthorized use or received the unauthorized disclosure;
 - 4) what the Contractor has done or shall do to mitigate any deleterious effect of the unauthorized use or disclosure; and
 - 5) what corrective action the Contractor has taken or shall take to prevent future similar unauthorized use or disclosure.
 - 6) The Contractor shall provide such other information, including a written report, as reasonably requested by the State.
- C. The Contractor may need to communicate with outside parties regarding a Security Incident, which may include contacting law enforcement, fielding media inquiries and seeking external expertise as mutually agreed upon, defined by law or contained in the Contract. Discussing Security Incidents with the State should be handled on an urgent as-needed basis, as part of Contractor communication and mitigation processes as mutually agreed upon, defined by law or contained in the Contract.

- D. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws that require the notification of individuals in the event of unauthorized release of State data or other event requiring notification, and, where notification is required, assume responsibility for informing all such individuals in accordance with applicable law and to indemnify and hold harmless the State (or Requesting Agency) and its officials and employees from and against any claims, damages, and actions related to the event requiring notification.
- E. The Contractor shall limit access to and possession of State data to only Contractor Personnel whose responsibilities reasonably require such access or possession and shall train such Contractor Personnel on the confidentiality obligations set forth herein.
- F. At no time shall any data or processes – that either belong to or are intended for the use of the State or its officers, agents or employees – be copied, disclosed or retained by the Contractor or any party related to the Contractor for subsequent use in any transaction that does not include the State.
- G. The Contractor shall not use any information collected in connection with the services furnished under the Contract for any purpose other than fulfilling such services.

16.17.2 Data Breach Responsibilities

- A. If the Contractor reasonably believes or has actual knowledge of a Data Breach, the Contractor shall, unless otherwise directed:
 - 1) Notify the appropriate State-identified contact within 24 hours by telephone in accordance with the agreed upon security plan or security procedures unless a shorter time is required by applicable law;
 - 2) Cooperate with the State to investigate and resolve the data breach;
 - 3) Promptly implement commercially reasonable remedial measures to remedy the Data Breach; and
 - 4) Document responsive actions taken related to the Data Breach, including any post-incident review of events and actions taken to make changes in business practices in providing the services.
- B. If a Data Breach is a direct result of the Contractor's breach of its Contract obligation to encrypt State data or otherwise prevent its release, the Contractor shall bear the costs associated with (1) the investigation and resolution of the data breach; (2) notifications to individuals, regulators or others required by State law; (3) a credit monitoring service required by State or federal law; (4) a website or a toll-free number and call center for affected individuals required by State law; and (5) complete all corrective actions as reasonably determined by Contractor based on root cause; all [(1) through (5)] subject to the Contract's limitation of liability.

16.17.3 Additional security requirements may be established in a Task Order or a Work Order.

16.17.4 The State shall, at its discretion, have the right to review and assess the Contractor's compliance to the security requirements and standards defined in the Contract.

This Section shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract. **Contractor shall flow down the provisions of Sections 16.17 (or the substance thereof) in all subcontracts.**

16.18. Suspension of Work

The Procurement Officer unilaterally may order the Contractor in writing to suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of its performance for such period of time as the Procurement Officer may determine to be appropriate for the convenience of the State,

16.19. Nonvisual Accessibility Warranty

- 16.19.1. The Contractor warrants that the Information Technology to be provided under the Contract,
- (a) provides equivalent access for effective use by both visual and non-visual means;
 - (b) will present information, including prompts used for interactive communications, in formats intended for both visual and non-visual use;
 - (c) if intended for use in a network, can be integrated into networks for obtaining, retrieving, and disseminating information used by individuals who are not blind or visually impaired; and
 - (d) is available, whenever possible, without modification for compatibility with Software and hardware for non-visual access.
- 16.19.2. The Contractor further warrants that the cost, if any, of modifying the Information Technology for compatibility with Software and hardware used for non-visual access does not increase the cost of the Information Technology by more than five percent. For purposes of this Contract, the phrase "equivalent access" means the ability to receive, use and manipulate information and operate controls necessary to access and use Information Technology by non-visual means. Examples of equivalent access include keyboard controls used for input and synthesized speech, Braille, or other audible or tactile means used for output.

16.20. Compliance with Laws/Arrearages

The Contractor hereby represents and warrants that:

- 16.20.1. It is qualified to do business in the State of Maryland and that it will take such action as, from time to time hereafter, may be necessary to remain so qualified;
- 16.20.2. It is not in arrears with respect to the payment of any monies due and owing the State of Maryland, or any department or unit thereof, including but not limited to the payment of taxes and employee benefits, and that it shall not become so in arrears during the term of this Contract;
- 16.20.3. It shall comply with all federal, State and local laws, regulations, and ordinances applicable to its activities and obligations under this Contract; and,
- 16.20.4. It shall obtain, at its expense, all licenses, permits, insurance, and governmental approvals, if any, necessary to the performance of its obligations under this Contract.

16.21. Contingent Fee Prohibition

The Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or bona fide agent working for the Contractor to solicit or secure this Contract, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or bona fide agent, any fee or other consideration contingent on the making of this Contract.

16.22. Delays and Extensions of Time

The Contractor agrees to perform this Contract continuously and diligently. No charges or claims for damages shall be made by the Contractor for any delays or hindrances from any cause whatsoever during the progress of any portion of the work specified in this Contract. Time extensions will be granted only for excusable delays that arise from unforeseeable

causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, including but not restricted to acts of God, acts of the public enemy, acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the State, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, or delays of Subcontractors or suppliers arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of either the Contractor or the Subcontractors or suppliers.

16.23. Financial Disclosure

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of §13-221 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which requires that every business that enters into contracts, leases, or other agreements with the State of Maryland or its agencies during a calendar year under which the business is to receive in the aggregate \$100,000 or more, shall, within 30 days of the time when the aggregate value of these contracts, leases or other agreements reaches \$100,000, file with the Secretary of State of Maryland certain specified information to include disclosure of beneficial ownership of the business.

16.24. Political Contribution Disclosure

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Md. Code Ann., Election Law Article, Title 14, which requires that every person that enters into a contract for procurement with the State, a county or a municipal corporation or other political subdivision of the State, during a calendar year in which the person receives a contract with a governmental entity in the aggregate \$200,000 or more, shall file with the State Board of Elections statements disclosing: (a) any contributions made during the reporting period to a candidate for elective office in any primary or general election and (b) the name of each candidate to whom one or more contributions in a cumulative amount of \$500 or more were made during the reporting period.. The statement shall be filed with the State Board of Elections: (a) before execution of a contract by the State, a county, a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, and shall cover the 24 months prior to when a contract was awarded; and (b) if the contribution is made after the execution of a contract, then twice a year, throughout the contract term, on or before: (i) May 31, to cover the six (6) month period ending April 30; and (ii) November 30, to cover the six (6) month period ending October 31. Additional information is available on the State Board of Elections website: http://www.elections.state.md.us/campaign_finance/index.html.

16.25. Retention of Records and Audit

- 16.25.1. The Contractor and Subcontractors shall retain and maintain all records and documents in any way relating to this Contract for three (3) years after final payment by the State under this Contract, or any applicable statute of limitations, prevailing federal or State law or regulation, or condition of award, whichever is longer, and shall make them available for inspection and audit by authorized representatives of the State, including the Procurement Officer or the Procurement Officer's designee, at all reasonable times. The Contractor shall, upon request by the State, surrender all and every copy of documents needed by the State, including, but not limited to itemized billing documentation containing the dates, hours spent and work performed by the Contractor and its Subcontractors under the Contract. The Contractor agrees to cooperate fully in any audit conducted by or on behalf of the State, including, by way of example only, making records and employees available as, where, and to the extent requested by the State and by assisting the auditors in reconciling any audit variances. Contractor shall not be compensated for providing any such cooperation and assistance. All records related in any way to the Contract are to be retained for

the entire time provided under this section.

- 16.25.2 The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion and at any time, to perform an audit of the Contractor's performance under this Contract. In this Contract, an audit is defined as a planned and documented independent activity performed by qualified personnel, including but not limited to State and federal auditors, to determine by investigation, examination, or evaluation of objective evidence from data, statements, records, operations and performance practices (financial or otherwise) the Contractor's compliance with the Contract, including but not limited to the adequacy and compliance with established procedures and internal controls over the services being performed for the State.
- 16.25.3 Upon three (3) business days' notice, Contractor shall provide the State reasonable access during Normal State Business Hours to their records to verify conformance to the terms of this Contract. The State shall be permitted to conduct these audits with any or all of its own internal resources or by securing the services of a third party accounting/audit firm, solely at the State's election. The State shall have the right to copy, at its own expense, any record related to the services performed pursuant to this Contract.
- 16.25.4 Contractor shall cooperate with the State or the designated auditor and shall provide the necessary assistance for the State or the designated auditor to conduct the audit.
- 16.25.5 The right to audit shall include subcontracts in which goods or services are subcontracted by Contractor and that provide essential support to the services provided to the State under this Contract. Contractor shall ensure the State has the right to audit with any lower tier Subcontractor.
- 16.25.2. This provision shall survive expiration of this Contract.

R17 Other Mandatory Items

R17.1 Data Location

The Contractor shall provide its services to the State and its end users solely from data centers in the United States ("U.S."). Storage of State data at rest shall be located solely in data centers in the U.S. The Contractor shall not allow its personnel or contractors to store State data on portable devices, including personal computers, except for devices that are used and kept only at its U.S. data centers. The Contractor shall permit its personnel and contractors to access State data remotely only as required to provide technical support. If requested by the State, the Contractor shall provide technical user support on a 24/7 basis.

R17.2 Import and Export of Data

The State shall have the ability to import or export data in piecemeal or in entirety at its discretion without interference from the Contractor. This includes the ability for the State to import or export data to/from third parties.

R17.3 Encryption of Data at Rest

The Contractor shall ensure hard drive encryption consistent with validated cryptography standards as referenced in FIPS 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules for all Sensitive Data, unless the State approves the storage of Sensitive Data on a Contractor portable device in order to accomplish Contract work. A minimum of AES-256 or better is acceptable to the State.

17.4 Return and Maintenance of State Data

- 17.4.1 Upon termination or the expiration of the Contract Term, the Contractor shall: (a)

return to the State all State data in either the form it was provided to the Contractor or in a mutually agreed format along with the schema necessary to read such data; (b) preserve, maintain, and protect all State data until the earlier of a direction by the State to delete such data or the expiration of 90 days ("the retention period") from the date of termination or expiration of the Contract term; (c) after the retention period, the Contractor shall securely dispose of and permanently delete all State data in all of its forms, such as disk, CD/DVD, backup tape and paper such that it is not recoverable, according to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)-approved methods with certificates of destruction to be provided to the State; and (d) prepare an accurate accounting from which the State may reconcile all outstanding accounts. The final monthly invoice for the services provided hereunder shall include all charges for the 90-day data retention period.

- 17.4.2 During any period of service suspension, the Contractor shall maintain all State data in its then existing form, unless otherwise directed in writing by the Contract Manager.
- 17.4.3 In addition to the foregoing, the State shall be entitled to any post-termination/expiration assistance generally made available by Contractor with respect to the services.

18. Miscellaneous

- 18.1 Any provision of this Contract which contemplates performance or observance subsequent to any termination or expiration of this Contract shall survive termination or expiration of this Contract and continue in full force and effect.
- 18.2 If any term contained in this Contract is held or finally determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, in whole or in part, such term shall be severed from this Contract, and the remaining terms contained herein shall continue in full force and effect, and shall in no way be affected, prejudiced, or disturbed thereby.
- 18.3 Headers Provision: The headings of the sections contained in this Contract are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to control or affect the meaning or construction of any provision of this Contract.
- 18.4 Electronic signatures provision. This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Signatures provided by facsimile or other electronic means, e.g. and not by way of limitation, in Adobe .PDF sent by electronic mail, shall be deemed to be original signatures.

19. Administrative Information

19.1. Procurement Officer and Contract Manager

The day-to-day work to be accomplished under this Contract shall be performed under the direction of the Contract Manager and, as appropriate, the Procurement Officer. All matters relating to the interpretation of this Contract shall be referred to the Procurement Officer for determination.

19.2. Notices

All notices hereunder shall be in writing and either delivered personally or sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid as follows:

If to the State:

David Mangrum
100 Community Place
Phone Number: 410-697-9393
E-Mail: David.Mangrum@Maryland.gov

With a copy to:

Sini Jacob
Department of Information Technology (DoIT)
100 Community Place, Suite 2.333
Crownsville, MD 21032
Phone Number: 410-697-9667
E-Mail: sini.jacob@maryland.gov

If to the Contractor:

Digital Management, LLC
6550 Rock Spring Drive, 7th Floor
Bethesda, MD 20817
Phone Number: 240-720-0404
E-Mail: Gebert@dminc.com

Attn: Greta Ebert

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract as of the date hereinabove set forth.

CONTRACTOR



By: Greta Ebert

STATE OF MARYLAND

Department of Information Technology
(DoIT)



By: Michael G. Leahy, Secretary

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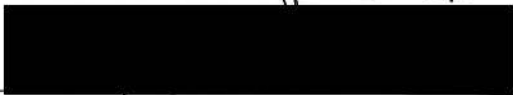
By: Thomas Ford

December 13, 2018 Date

Or designee:

12 FEB 2019
Date

Approved for form and legal sufficiency
this 8th day of July, 2019.



Assistant Attorney General

APPROVED BY BPW: 2/6/19
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