Amendment 1 to

MITDP Project Management Support Services

CATS + TORFP # R95R4400395

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This amendment makes the following changes to subject procurement in order to provide VSBE requirements and forms. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in full effect.

Section 1.13

Delete contents of Section 1.13 and substitute the following Text:

1.13. VETERAN OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOALS

1.13.1 NOTICE TO OFERORS

Questions or concerns regarding the Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise (VSBE) subcontractor participation goal of this solicitation must be raised before the due date for submission of Proposals.

1.13.2 PURPOSE

The TO Contractor shall structure its procedures for the performance of the work required in this TO to attempt to achieve the VSBE subcontractor participation goal stated in this solicitation. VSBE performance must be in accordance with this section and **Attachment 15**, as authorized by COMAR 21.11.13. The TO Contractor agrees to exercise all good faith efforts to carry out the requirements set forth in this section and **Attachment 15**.

Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprises, or VSBEs, must be verified by the Center for Veterans Enterprise of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The listing of verified VSBEs may be found at <u>http://www.vetbiz.gov</u>.

1.13.3 VSBE GOALS

A VSBE subcontract participation goal has been established for this TORFP in accordance with information found on the Key Information Summary Sheet.

By submitting a response to this solicitation, the Offeror agrees that this percentage of the total dollar amount of the TO will be performed by verified veteran-owned small business enterprises.

1.13.4 Solicitation and TO Formation

The Offeror shall include with its Proposal a <u>separate completed</u> Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise Utilization Affidavit and Subcontractor Participation Schedule (Attachment 15-V-1A and Attachment 15-V-1 whereby:

1. Offeror acknowledges it: a) intends to meet the VSBE participation goal; or b) requests a full or partial waiver of the VSBE participation goal. If Offeror commits to the full VSBE goal or

requests a partial waiver, it shall commit to making a good faith effort to achieve the stated goal.

2. Offeror responds to the expected degree of VSBE participation as stated in the TORFP, by identifying the specific commitment of VSBEs at the time of Proposal submission. Offeror shall specify the percentage of TO value associated with each VSBE subcontractor identified on the VSBE Participation Schedule.

If Offeror fails to submit Attachment 15-V-1A and Attachment 15-V-1 with the TO Proposal as required, the TO Procurement Officer may determine that the offer is non-responsive or that the TO Proposal is not reasonably susceptible of being selected for award.

Within 10 Working Days from notification that it is apparent awardee, the Master Contractor shall provide the following documentation to the TO Procurement Officer.

- 1. VSBE Subcontractor Project Participation Statement (Attachment 15-V-2);
- 2. If the apparent awardee believes a full or partial waiver of the overall VSBE goal is necessary, it must submit a fully-documented waiver request that complies with COMAR 21.11.13.07; and
- 3. Any other documentation required by the TO Procurement Officer to ascertain Offeror's responsibility in connection with the VSBE subcontractor participation goal.

If the apparent awardee fails to return each completed document within the required time, the TO Procurement Officer may determine that the apparent awardee is not responsible and therefore not eligible for TO award.

1.13.5 TO Administration Requirements

The TO Contractor, once awarded the TO, shall:

- 1. Submit monthly to BCCC a report listing any unpaid invoices, over 45 days old, received from any VSBE subcontractor, the amount of each invoice, and the reason payment has not been made. (Attachment 15-3)
- 2. Include in its agreements with its VSBE subcontractors a requirement that those subcontractors submit monthly to BCCC a report that identifies the prime contract and lists all payments received from TO Contractor in the preceding 30 days, as well as any outstanding invoices, and the amount of those invoices. (Attachment 15-V-4)
- 3. Maintain such records as are necessary to confirm compliance with its VSBE participation obligations. These records must indicate the identity of VSBE and non-VSBE subcontractors employed on the TO, the type of work performed by each, and the actual dollar value of work performed. The subcontract agreement documenting the work performed by all VSBE participants must be retained by the Contractor and furnished to the Procurement Officer on request.
- 4. Consent to provide such documentation as reasonably requested and to provide right-of entry at reasonable times for purposes of the State's representatives verifying compliance with the VSBE participation obligations. TO Contractor must retain all records concerning VSBE participation and make them available for State inspection for three years after final completion of the TO.

At the option of BCCC, upon completion of the TO and before final payment and/or release of retainage, submit a final report in affidavit form and under penalty of perjury, of all payments made to, or withheld from VSBE subcontractors.

List of Attachments

For Attachment 15, make the text substitution shown below:

Attachment 15	Veteran Owned Small Business	Applicable	Submit with TO Technical Proposal as
	Enterprise Forms		required by Section 1.13

Amendment 15

Delete the contents of Amendment 15 and substitute the following text:

STATE OF MARYLAND VETERAN SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION (VSBE) VSBE FORMS

- V-1A Offeror Acknowledgement of Task Order VSBE Requirements
- V-1 (Parts 1 and 2) Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise Utilization Affidavit and VSBE Participation Schedule (Attachment 15-V-1) (must be submitted with bid or offer)
- <u>V-2 VSBE Subcontractor Project Participation Statement (Attachment 15-V-2) (must be</u> submitted within 10 working days of notification of apparent award or actual award, whichever is earlier)
- <u>V-3 VSBE Prime Contractor Unpaid Invoice Report (Submitted monthly)</u>
- <u>V-4 VSBE Subcontractor Unpaid Invoice Report (Submitted monthly)</u>

TO CONTRACTOR VETERAN SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

These instructions provide guidance on the VSBE reporting requirements. If, after reading these instructions, you have additional questions or need further clarification, please contact the TO Manager immediately.

- As the TO Contractor, you have entered into a TO Agreement with the State of Maryland. As such, your company/firm is responsible for successful completion of all deliverables under the contract, including your commitment to making a good faith effort to meet the VSBE participation goal established for this TORFP. Part of that effort, as outlined in the TORFP, includes submission of monthly reports to the State regarding the previous month's VSBE payment activity. Reporting forms V-3 (VSBE TO Contractor Unpaid Invoice Report) and V-4 (VSBE Subcontractor Unpaid Invoice Report) are attached for your use and convenience.
- 2) The TO Contractor must complete a separate Form V-3 for each VSBE subcontractor for each month of the contract and submit one copy to each of the locations indicated at the bottom of the form. The report is due no later than the 15th of the month following the month that is being reported. For example, the report for January's activity is due no later than the 15th of

February. With the approval of the TO Manager, the report may be submitted electronically. Note: Reports are required to be submitted each month, regardless of whether there was any VSBE payment activity for the reporting month.

- 3) The TO Contractor is responsible for ensuring that each subcontractor receives a copy (e-copy of and/or hard copy) of Form V-4. The TO Contractor should make sure that the subcontractor receives all the information necessary to complete the form properly, i.e., all of the information located in the upper right corner of the form. It may be wise to customize Form V-4 (upper right corner of the form) for the subcontractor the same as the Form V-4 was customized by the Contract Manager for the benefit of the TO Contractor. This will help to minimize any confusion for those who receive and review the reports.
- 4) It is the responsibility of the TO Contractor to make sure that all subcontractors submit reports no later than the 15th of each month, regardless of whether there was any VSBE payment activity for the reporting month. Actual payment data is verified and entered into the State's financial management tracking system from the subcontractor's V-4 report only. Therefore, if the subcontractor(s) do not submit their V-4 payment reports, the TO Contractor cannot and will not be given credit for subcontractor payments, regardless of the TO Contractor's proper submission of Form V-4. The TO Manager will contact the TO Contractor if reports are not received each month from either the prime contractor or any of the identified subcontractors. The TO Contractor must promptly notify the TO Manager if, during the course of the TO, a new VSBE subcontractor is utilized.

ATTACHMENT 15-V1A

Master Contractor Acknowledgement of Task Order VSBE Requirements

This document shall be included with the submittal of the Offeror's response to the TORFP. If Offeror fails to complete and submit this form with its response to the TORFP, the TO Procurement Officer shall determine that the Offeror's response to the TORFP is not reasonably susceptible of being selected for award.

In conjunction with the offer submitted in response to Solicitation No. R95R4400395, I affirm the following:

1. If I am awarded a TO Contract in response to this TORFP, I commit to making a good faith effort to achieve the VSBE goal established for this TORFP.

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this paper are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Offeror Name

Signature of Affiant

Printed Name, Title

Address

Date

ATTACHMENT 15-V-1 VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE UTILIZATION AFFIDAVIT AND PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE

This document **MUST BE** included with the offer. If Offeror fails to complete and submit this form (Parts 1 and 2) with the offer, the TO Procurement Officer may determine that the offer is non-responsive or that the proposal is not reasonably susceptible of being selected for award.

Part 1 - Affidavit

In conjunction with the bid or proposal submitted in response to Solicitation No. R95R4400395 ______, I affirm the following:

1. \Box I acknowledge and intend to meet the overall verified VSBE participation goal of _.5%____. Therefore, I will not be seeking a waiver.

OR

□ I conclude that I am unable to achieve the VSBE participation goal. I hereby request a waiver, in whole or in part, of the overall goal. Within 10 business days of receiving notice that our firm is the apparent awardee, I will submit all required waiver documentation in accordance with COMAR 21.11.13.07.

2. I understand that if I am notified that I am the apparent awardee, I must submit the following additional documentation within 10 working days of receiving notice of the apparent award or from the date of conditional award (per COMAR 21.11.13.06), whichever is earlier.

(a) Subcontractor Project Participation Statement

(b) Any other documentation, including waiver documentation, if applicable, required by the Procurement Officer to ascertain bidder or offeror responsibility in connection with the VSBE participation goal.

I understand that if I fail to return each completed document within the required time, the Procurement Officer may determine that I am not responsible and therefore not eligible for contract award. If the contract has already been awarded, the award is voidable.

3. In the solicitation of subcontract quotations or offers, VSBE subcontractors were provided not less than the same information and amount of time to respond as were non-VSBE subcontractors.

4. Set forth below are the (i) verified VSBEs I intend to use and (ii) the percentage of the total contract amount allocated to each VSBE for this project. I hereby affirm that the VSBE firms are only providing those products and services for which they are verified.

ATTACHMENT 15-V-1 VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE UTILIZATION AFFIDAVIT AND PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE (CONT'D) Part 2 - VSBE Participation Schedule

Prime Contractor:	Project Description:
(Firm Name, Address, Phone)	
Project Number:	

List information for each verified VSBE subcontractor on this project

Name of Veteran-Owned Firm	DUNS Number
Percentage of Total Contract: %	
Description of work to be performed:	
Name of Veteran-Owned Firm	DUNS Number
Percentage of Total Contract: %	
Description of work to be performed:	
Name of Veteran-Owned Firm	DUNS Number
Percentage of Total Contract: %	
Description of work to be performed:	
Name of Veteran-Owned Firm	DUNS Number
Percentage of Total Contract: %	
Description of work to be performed:	

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Total VSBE Participation

____%

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this Affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Bidder/ Offeror Name (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE) Signature of Affiant

Name:_____

Title:_____

Date:_____

SUBMIT AS INSTRUCTED IN TORFP.

ATTACHMENT 15-V-2 VSBE SUBCONTRACTOR PROJECT PARTICIPATION STATEMENT

Please complete and submit one form for each verified VSBE listed on Attachment 15-V-2 within 10 working days of notification of apparent award.

(prime contractor) has entered into a contract with (subcontractor) to provide services in connection with the

solicitation described below.

Prime Contractor Address and Phone	Project Description
Project Number	Total Contract Amount
Name of Veteran-Owned Firm	
Work to be Performed	
Percentage of Total Contract	

The undersigned Prime Contractor and Subcontractor hereby certify and agree that they have fully complied with the State Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise law, State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 14, Subtitle 6, Annotated Code of Maryland.

By:

PRIME CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE

SUBCONTRACTOR SIGNATURE

Name, Title

Name, Title

Date

Date

ATTACHMENT 15-V-3 VSBE PRIME CONTRACTOR UNPAID INVOICE REPORT

In accordance with COMAR 21.11.13.09 and Section 1.13 of the TORFP, TO Contractors of Task Orders with VSBE requirements are required to monthly submit to the Contract Manager a report of all unpaid invoices received from VSBE Subcontractors that are older than 45 days. Submit one report for each VSBE contractor working on the Task Order.

	Date:	
Task Order Title:	Task Order Number:	
Master Contractor Name:	Subcontractor Name:	

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Invoice Amount	Reason for Non-Payment

Master Contractor Signature

Date

ATTACHMENT 15-V -4 VSBE SUBCONTRACTOR UNPAID INVOICE REPORT

In accordance with COMAR 21.11.13.09 and Section 1.13 of the TORFP, Subcontractors of Task Orders with VSBE requirements are required to monthly submit to the TO Manager a report of all payments received from the prime contractor within 30 days as well as all outstanding invoices.

	Date:	
Task Order Title:	Task Order Number:	
Subcontractor Name:	Prime Contractor Name:	

Payments:

Invoice Number	Payment Date	Payment Amount	Comments

Outstanding Invoices:

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Invoice Amount	Comments

Subcontractor Signature

Date
