

## SAMPLE AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF MONTEREY AND CONTRACTOR

This AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the County of Monterey, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as “County”, and \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as “CONTRACTOR.”

### SAMPLE RECITALS

WHEREAS, County has invited proposals through the Request for Proposals (RFP # \_\_\_\_\_) for \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the specifications set forth in this AGREEMENT; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has submitted a responsive and responsible proposal to perform such services; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has the expertise and capabilities necessary to provide the services requested.

NOW THEREFORE, County and CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter named, agree as follows:

### S1.0 PERFORMANCE OF THE AGREEMENT

S1.1 After consideration and evaluation of the CONTRACTOR’S proposal, the County hereby engages CONTRACTOR to provide the services set forth in RFP # \_\_\_\_\_ and in this AGREEMENT on the terms and conditions contained herein and in RFP # \_\_\_\_\_. The intent of this AGREEMENT is to summarize the contractual obligations of the parties. The component parts of this AGREEMENT include the following:

This AGREEMENT including all its attachments, Exhibits and Appendix  
RFP # \_\_\_\_\_ Addendum (or Addenda) # \_\_\_\_\_

RFP # \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_, including all attachments and exhibits  
CONTRACTOR’S Proposal dated \_\_\_\_\_,

Payment and Performance Bonds

Certificate of Insurance

Additional Insured Endorsements

S1.2 All of the above-referenced contract documents are intended to be complementary. Work required by one of the above-referenced contract documents and not by others shall be done as if required by all. In the event of a conflict between or among component parts of the contract, the contract documents shall be construed in the following order: AGREEMENT including all Attachments, Exhibits and Appendix, RFP # \_\_\_\_\_ Addendum/Addenda # \_\_\_, RFP # \_\_\_\_\_ including all attachments and exhibits, Bonds, Certificate of Insurance, and Additional Insured Endorsements.

S1.3 CONTRACTOR warrants that CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR's agents, employees, and subcontractors performing services under this AGREEMENT are specially trained, experienced, competent, and appropriately licensed to perform the work and deliver the services required under this AGREEMENT and are not employees of the County, or immediate family of an employee of the County.

S1.4 CONTRACTOR, its agents, employees, and subcontractors shall perform all work in a safe and skillful manner and in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. All work performed under this AGREEMENT that is required by law to be performed or supervised by licensed personnel shall be performed in accordance with such licensing requirements.

S1.4.1 CONTRACTOR must maintain all licenses throughout the term of the AGREEMENT.

S1.5 CONTRACTOR shall furnish, at its own expense, all materials, equipment, and personnel necessary to carry out the terms of this AGREEMENT, except as otherwise specified in this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall not use County premises, property (including equipment, instruments, or supplies) or personnel for any purpose other than in the performance of its obligations under this AGREEMENT.

**S2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICE**

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*(Shall be consistent with Scope of Work defined in this Solicitation and shall include description of goods and/or services provided including timelines and deliverables. Shall also include itemized pricing (including tax), a total price, and all associated payment provisions. Additional conditions may be stated such as details regarding training, meetings, any "Acceptance Testing" or "Notice to Proceed" clauses and project management requirements if applicable.*

**S3.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT**

S3.1 The initial term shall commence with the signing of this AGREEMENT through and including \_\_\_\_\_, with the option to extend this AGREEMENT for \_\_\_\_\_ additional \_\_\_\_\_ year periods.

S3.1.1 County is not required to state a reason if it elects not to renew this AGREEMENT.

S3.2 CONTRACTOR shall commence negotiations for any desired rate changes a minimum of ninety days (90) prior to the expiration of this AGREEMENT in order to be considered.

S3.2.1 Both parties shall agree upon rate extension(s) or changes in writing.



submit such invoice to County Auditor-Controller for payment. County Auditor-Controller shall pay the amount certified within 30 days of receiving the certified invoice.

S5.3 All County of Monterey Purchase Orders issued for the AGREEMENT are valid only during the fiscal year in which they are issued (the fiscal year is defined as July 1 through June 30).

S5.4 Unauthorized Surcharges or Fees: Invoices containing unauthorized surcharges or unauthorized fees of any kind shall be rejected by County. Surcharges and additional fees not included the AGREEMENT must be approved by County in writing via an Amendment.

## **S6.0 STANDARD INDEMNIFICATION**

S6.1 CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, liabilities, and losses whatsoever (including damages to property and injuries to or death of persons, court costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees) occurring or resulting to any and all persons, firms or corporations furnishing or supplying work, services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of this AGREEMENT, and from any and all claims, liabilities, and losses occurring or resulting to any person, firm, or corporation for damage, injury, or death arising out of or connected with CONTRACTOR's performance of this AGREEMENT, unless such claims, liabilities, or losses arise out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of County. "CONTRACTOR's performance" includes CONTRACTOR's action or inaction and the action or inaction of CONTRACTOR's officers, employees, agents and subcontractors.

## **S6.0 DESIGN PROFESSIONAL INDEMNIFICATION**

S6.1 For purposes of the following indemnification provisions ("Indemnification AGREEMENT"), "design professional" has the same meaning as set forth in California Civil Code section 2782.8. If any term, provision or application of this Indemnification AGREEMENT is found to be invalid, in violation of public policy or unenforceable to any extent, such finding shall not invalidate any other term or provision of this Indemnification AGREEMENT and such other terms and provisions shall continue in full force and effect. If there is any conflict between the terms, provisions or application of this Indemnification AGREEMENT and the provisions of California Civil Code Sections 2782 or 2782.8, the broadest indemnity protection for County under this Indemnity AGREEMENT that is permitted by law shall be provided by CONTRACTOR.

S6.2 Indemnification for Design Professional Services Claims:  
CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County, its governing board, directors, officers, employees, and agents against any claims that arise out of, or pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of CONTRACTOR, its employees, subcontractors, and agents in the performance of design professional services

under this AGREEMENT, excepting only liability arising from the sole negligence, active negligence or willful misconduct of County, or defect in a design furnished by County.

S6.3 Indemnification for All Other Claims or Loss:

For any claim, loss, injury, damage, expense or liability other than claims arising out of CONTRACTOR's performance of design professional services under this AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless COUNTY, its governing board, directors, officers, employees, and agents against any claim for loss, injury, damage, expense or liability resulting from or alleging injury to or death of any person or loss of use of or damage to property, arising from or related to the performance of services under this AGREEMENT by CONTRACTOR, its employees, subcontractors or agents, excepting only liability arising from the sole negligence, active negligence or willful misconduct of COUNTY, or defect in a design furnished by COUNTY.

## **S7.0 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**(FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES, SUBSTITUTE INSURANCE LANGUAGE FROM HAZARDOUS WASTE PSA TEMPLATE)**

S7.1 Evidence of Coverage:

S7.1.1 Prior to commencement of this AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall provide a "Certificate of Insurance" certifying that coverage as required herein has been obtained. Individual endorsements executed by the insurance carrier shall accompany the certificate. In addition CONTRACTOR upon request shall provide a certified copy of the policy or policies.

S7.1.2 This verification of coverage shall be sent to the County's Contracts/Purchasing Department, unless otherwise directed. CONTRACTOR shall not receive a "Notice to Proceed" with the work under this AGREEMENT until it has obtained all insurance required and such, insurance has been approved by County. This approval of insurance shall neither relieve nor decrease the liability of CONTRACTOR.

S7.2 Qualifying Insurers: All coverages, except surety, shall be issued by companies which hold a current policy holder's alphabetic and financial size category rating of not less than A- VII, according to the current Best's Key Rating Guide or a company of equal financial stability that is approved by County's Purchasing Officer.

S7.3 Insurance Coverage Requirements:

S7.3.1 Without limiting CONTRACTOR's duty to indemnify, CONTRACTOR shall maintain in effect throughout the term of this AGREEMENT a policy or policies of insurance with the following minimum limits of liability:

S7.3.1.1 Commercial general liability insurance, including but not limited to premises and operations, including coverage for Bodily Injury and Property Damage, Personal Injury, Contractual Liability, Broadform

Property Damage, Independent Contractors, Products and Completed Operations, with a combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

S7.3.1.2 Business automobile liability insurance, covering all motor vehicles, including owned, leased, non-owned, and hired vehicles, used in providing services under this AGREEMENT, with a combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

S7.3.1.3 Workers' Compensation Insurance, if CONTRACTOR employs others in the performance of this AGREEMENT, in accordance with California Labor Code section 3700 and with Employer's Liability limits not less than \$1,000,000 each person, \$1,000,000 each accident and \$1,000,000 each disease.

S7.3.1.4 Professional liability insurance, if required for the professional services being provided, (e.g., those persons authorized by a license to engage in a business or profession regulated by the California Business and Professions Code), in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, to cover liability for malpractice or errors or omissions made in the course of rendering professional services. If professional liability insurance is written on a "claims-made" basis rather than an occurrence basis, CONTRACTOR shall, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this AGREEMENT, obtain extended reporting coverage ("tail coverage") with the same liability limits. Any such tail coverage shall continue for at least three years following the expiration or earlier termination of this AGREEMENT.

#### S7.4 Other Insurance Requirements:

S7.4.1 All insurance required by this AGREEMENT shall be with a company acceptable to County and issued and executed by an admitted insurer authorized to transact Insurance business in the State of California. Unless otherwise specified by this AGREEMENT, all such insurance shall be written on an occurrence basis, or, if the policy is not written on an occurrence basis, such policy with the coverage required herein shall continue in effect for a period of three years following the date CONTRACTOR completes its performance of services under this AGREEMENT.

S7.4.2 Each liability policy shall provide that County shall be given notice in writing at least thirty days in advance of any endorsed reduction in coverage or limit, cancellation, or intended non-renewal thereof. Each policy shall provide coverage for CONTRACTOR and additional insureds with respect to claims arising from each subcontractor, if any, performing work under this AGREEMENT, or be accompanied by a certificate of insurance from each subcontractor showing each subcontractor has identical insurance coverage to the above requirements.

S7.4.3 Commercial general liability and automobile liability policies shall provide an endorsement naming the County of Monterey, its officers, agents, and employees as Additional Insureds with respect to liability arising out of the CONTRACTOR'S work, including ongoing and completed operations, and shall further provide that such insurance is primary insurance to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County and that the insurance of the Additional Insureds shall not be called upon to contribute to a loss covered by the CONTRACTOR'S insurance. The required endorsement form for Commercial General Liability Additional Insured is ISO Form CG 20 10 11-85 or CG 20 10 10 01 in tandem with CG 20 37 10 01 (2000). The required endorsement form for Automobile Additional Insured endorsement is ISO Form CA 20 48 02 99.

S7.4.4 Prior to the execution of this AGREEMENT by County, CONTRACTOR shall file certificates of insurance with County's contract administrator and County's Contracts/Purchasing Division, showing that CONTRACTOR has in effect the insurance required by this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall file a new or amended certificate of insurance within five calendar days after any change is made in any insurance policy, which would alter the information on the certificate then on file. Acceptance or approval of insurance shall in no way modify or change the indemnification clause in this AGREEMENT, which shall continue in full force and effect.

S7.4.5 CONTRACTOR shall at all times during the term of this AGREEMENT maintain in force the insurance coverage required under this AGREEMENT and shall send, without demand by County, annual certificates to County's Contract Administrator and County's Contracts/Purchasing Division. If the certificate is not received by the expiration date, County shall notify CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR shall have five calendar days to send in the certificate, evidencing no lapse in coverage during the interim. Failure by CONTRACTOR to maintain such insurance is a default of this AGREEMENT, which entitles County, at its sole discretion, to terminate this AGREEMENT immediately.

## **S8.0 RECORDS AND CONFIDENTIALITY**

S8.1 Confidentiality: CONTRACTOR and its officers, employees, agents, and subcontractors shall comply with any and all federal, state, and local laws, which provide for the confidentiality of records and other information. CONTRACTOR shall not disclose any confidential records or other confidential information received from the County or prepared in connection with the performance of this AGREEMENT, unless County specifically permits CONTRACTOR to disclose such records or information. CONTRACTOR shall promptly transmit to County any and all requests for disclosure of any such confidential records or information. CONTRACTOR shall not use any confidential information gained by CONTRACTOR in the performance of this AGREEMENT except for the sole purpose of carrying out CONTRACTOR's obligations under this AGREEMENT.

- S8.2 County Records: When this AGREEMENT expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall return to County any County records which CONTRACTOR used or received from County to perform services under this AGREEMENT.
- S8.3 Maintenance of Records: CONTRACTOR shall prepare, maintain, and preserve all reports and records that may be required by federal, state, and County rules and regulations related to services performed under this AGREEMENT.
- S8.4 Access to and Audit of Records: County shall have the right to examine, monitor and audit all records, documents, conditions, and activities of CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors related to services provided under this AGREEMENT. The parties to this AGREEMENT may be subject, at the request of County or as part of any audit of County, to the examination and audit of the State Auditor pertaining to matters connected with the performance of this AGREEMENT for a period of three years after final payment under the AGREEMENT.

## **S9.0 NON-DISCRIMINATION**

- S9.1 During the performance of this contract, CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, age (over 40), sex, or sexual orientation. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of its employees and applicants for employment are free of such discrimination. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, §12900, et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, §7285.0, et seq.).
- S9.2 The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code, §12900, et seq., set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations are incorporated into this AGREEMENT by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.
- S9.3 CONTRACTOR shall include the non-discrimination and compliance provisions of the clause in all AGREEMENTs with subcontractors to perform work under the contract.

## **S10.0 OVERRIDING CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- S10.1 Independent Contractor: CONTRACTOR shall be an independent contractor and shall not be an employee of Monterey County, nor immediate family of an employee of County. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all insurance (General Liability, Automobile, Workers' Compensation, unemployment, etc.) and all payroll-related taxes. CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any employee benefits. CONTRACTOR shall control the manner and means of accomplishing the result contracted for herein.

S10.2 Non-Assignment: CONTRACTOR shall not assign this contract or the work required herein without the prior written consent of County.

S10.3 Any subcontractor shall comply with all of County of Monterey requirements, including insurance and indemnification requirements as detailed in SAMPLE AGREEMENT.

## **S11.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

S11.1 CONTRACTOR covenants that it presently has no interest, and shall not have any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required under this AGREEMENT. Without limitation, CONTRACTOR represents to and agrees with COUNTY that CONTRACTOR has no present, and will have no future, conflict of interest between providing COUNTY services hereunder and any other person or entity (including but not limited to any federal or state environmental or regulatory agency) which has any interest adverse or potentially adverse to COUNTY, as determined in the reasonable judgment of the Board of Supervisors of COUNTY.

S11.2 CONTRACTOR agrees that any information, whether proprietary or not, made known to or discovered by it during the performance of or in connection with this AGREEMENT for COUNTY will be kept confidential and not be disclosed to any other person. CONTRACTOR agrees to immediately notify COUNTY in accordance with the Notices Section of this AGREEMENT, if it is requested to disclose any information made known to or discovered by it during the performance of or in connection with this AGREEMENT. These conflict of interest and future service provisions and limitations shall remain fully effective five (5) years after termination of services to COUNTY hereunder.

## **S12.0 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS**

S12.1 CONTRACTOR shall keep itself informed of and in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and orders, including but not limited to all state and federal tax laws that may affect in any manner the Project or the performance of the Services or those engaged to perform Services under this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall procure all permits and licenses, pay all charges and fees, and give all notices required by law in the performance of the Services.

S12.2 CONTRACTOR shall report immediately to County's Contracts/Purchasing Officer, in writing, any discrepancy or inconsistency it discovers in the laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, and/or guidelines in relation to the Project of the performance of the Services.

S12.3 All documentation prepared by CONTRACTOR shall provide for a completed project that conforms to all applicable codes, rules, regulations and guidelines that are in force at the time such documentation is prepared.

### **S13.0 DRUG FREE WORKPLACE**

S13.1 CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR'S employees shall comply with the COUNTY'S policy of maintaining a drug free workplace. Neither CONTRACTOR nor CONTRACTOR'S employees shall unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use controlled substances, as defined in 21 U.S. Code § 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any COUNTY facility or work site. If CONTRACTOR or any employee of CONTRACTOR is convicted or pleads nolo contendere to a criminal drug statute violation occurring at a COUNTY facility or work site, the CONTRACTOR shall, within five days thereafter notify the head of the COUNTY department/agency for which the AGREEMENT services are performed. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this AGREEMENT.

### **S14.0 TIME OF ESSENCE**

S14.1 Time is of the essence in respect to all provisions of this AGREEMENT that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this AGREEMENT.

### **S15.0 PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE AND WAIVER OF BREACH**

S15.1 Assurance of Performance: If at any time County believes CONTRACTOR may not be adequately performing its obligations under this AGREEMENT or that CONTRACTOR may fail to complete the Services as required by this AGREEMENT, County may request from CONTRACTOR prompt written assurances of performance and a written plan acceptable to County, to correct the observed deficiencies in CONTRACTOR'S performance. CONTRACTOR shall provide such written assurances and written plan within ten (10) calendar days of its receipt of County's request and shall thereafter diligently commence and fully perform such written plan. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that any failure to provide such written assurances and written plan within the required time is a material breach under this AGREEMENT. If County accepts the plan it shall issue a signed waiver.

S15.1.1 Waiver: No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this AGREEMENT shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure, right or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.

## **0.0 RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE COUNTY FOR DEFAULT**

### ***(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE)***

In the case of default by CONTRACTOR, County may procure the articles or services from other sources and may recover the loss occasioned thereby from any unpaid balance due to CONTRACTOR or by proceeding against any performance bond of CONTRACTOR, if any, or by suit against CONTRACTOR. The prices paid by County shall be considered the prevailing market price at the time such purchase(s) may be made. Inspections of deliveries or offers for deliveries that do not meet specifications shall be made at the expense of CONTRACTOR.

*(Note: If deemed applicable by County, a Liquidated Damages Clause may also be applied)*

## **0.0 DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

**Applicable to all AGREEMENTS funded in part or whole with federal funds.**

By signing this AGREEMENT CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with applicable federal suspension and debarment regulations, including but not limited to Title 7 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 3016.35, 28 CFR 66.35, 29 CFR 97.35, 34 CFR 80.35, 45 CFR 92.35 and Executive Order 12549.

By signing this AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntary excluded by any federal department or agency; and

Shall not knowingly enter into any covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under federal regulations, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in such transaction.

## **0.0 FORCE MAJEURE**

### ***(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE)***

"Force Majeure" means any cause beyond the reasonable control of a party, including but not limited to acts of God, civil or military disruption, fire, strike, flood, riot, war, or inability due to the aforementioned causes to obtain necessary labor, materials or facilities.

If any party hereto is delayed or prevented from fulfilling its obligations under this AGREEMENT by Force Majeure, said party will not be liable under this AGREEMENT for said delay or failure, nor for damages or injuries resulting directly from the inability to perform scheduled work due to Force Majeure.

CONTRACTOR shall be granted an automatic extension of time commensurate with any delay in performing scheduled work arising from Force Majeure. CONTRACTOR agrees to resume such work within three (3) days after the Force Majeure has subsided enough to do so.

## **0.0 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT**

*(OPTIONAL: This clause is only included if County approves travel reimbursement as part of the AGREEMENT):*

Travel reimbursements shall not exceed the IRS allowance rates as per County of Monterey Travel Policy. A copy of County's Travel Policy is available on the Auditor-Controller's web site at: <http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/auditor/policy.htm>.

## **0.0 PUBLIC WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS**

*(OPTIONAL: Only when project pertains to works of public improvement)*

Prevailing Wages: If applicable, CONTRACTOR shall comply with provisions of the Labor Code (sections 1720, et seq.) governing public works, including payment of prevailing wages, payroll records and employment of apprentices. Copies of the determination of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages are available to interested parties at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/DPreWageDetermination.htm>.

Local Hiring per County of Monterey Code 5.08.120: All provisions included in County of Monterey Code 5.08.120 are applicable to this AGREEMENT, including but not limited to:

xx.2.1 County of Monterey Code Section 5.08.120 General Provisions; Unless such a provision would conflict with a State or Federal law or regulation applicable to a particular contract for public works of improvement, all County contracts for public works of improvement shall contain provisions pursuant to which the contractor promises to make a good-faith effort to hire qualified individuals who are, and have been for at least one year prior to the opening of bids, residents of the Monterey Bay Area in sufficient numbers so that no less than fifty (50) percent of the contractor's total construction work force, including any subcontractor work force, measured in labor work hours, is comprised of Monterey Bay Area residents.

xx.2.2 For the purpose of this Section, the following terms have the meanings indicated:

"Board" shall mean the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

"Qualified individual" shall mean a person who is specially trained, skilled, and experienced in the work, trade, or craft specified in the portion of the public work of improvement to be performed or who is enrolled in a certified State or federally approved apprenticeship program in the applicable trade or who is a journey person in his or her applicable trade.

"Resident of Monterey Bay Area" shall mean a person who resides within the boundaries of Monterey County, Santa Cruz County, or San Benito County.

## **0.0 BOND REQUIREMENTS**

*(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE)*

*C/P Staff should discuss the recommended Bond requirements for this project with Counsel. There is Bid Bond, Performance Bond, and Time & Materials Bond clause on the G Drive, and there are Bond Documents to use as attachments as well. However, bond requirements tend to be unique per each project so again, work with Counsel on this section.*

## **0.0 INFORMATION PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT—HIPAA COMPLIANCE**

*(OPTIONAL: This section is used only when health records are relevant or if CONTRACTOR may be working in or around a facility which involves patient records):*

CONTRACTOR agrees to operate its business in a manner as necessary to permit County to comply with its obligations under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Subtitle F, Public Law 104-191, relating to the privacy and security of confidential health information, and any final regulations or rules promulgated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services thereunder (collectively, the "HIPAA Standards").

## **0.0 REQUIREMENTS FOR WORK/SERVICES PERFORMED AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

*(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE)*

CONTRACTOR shall procure all necessary permits and licenses and abide by all applicable laws, regulations and ordinances of the United States and of the State of California. The Agency will be in compliance with Title 22, OSHA, Federal and State Labor Laws and the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations.

## **0.0 EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

*(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE)*

*(NOTE: This clause may contradict the Force Majeure Clause below so it's not advised to use both together in the AGREEMENT):*

CONTRACTOR shall provide the name and contact information of a representative who shall be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in the event of an emergency. During the emergency, CONTRACTOR shall provide County with all available supplies, materials, equipment and/or services on a priority basis.

County expects emergency deliveries to occur within 4 hours of order placement and may be required during evenings, weekends, and holidays. Time is of the essence for delivery during emergency situations. Delivery location(s) and estimated arrival will be mutually

agreed upon, by County and CONTRACTOR, at time of order and will be determined based on need and existing conditions. It is understood that current conditions, such as power outages, road closures, and damages to CONTRACTOR's facility and/or equipment, will be taken into consideration.

## **0.0 NON-APPROPRIATIONS CLAUSE**

*(OPTIONAL: This clause must be included for goods or services which are to be purchased with funds such as State, or Federal funds, grant funding, etc. that are beyond County control. C/P Staff: If you include this clause you must delete Sections 6.2 and 20.3 herein):*

Notwithstanding anything contained in this AGREEMENT to the contrary, if insufficient funds are appropriated, or funds are otherwise unavailable in the budget for County for any reason whatsoever in any fiscal year, for payments due under this AGREEMENT, County will immediately notify CONTRACTOR of such occurrence, and this AGREEMENT shall terminate after the last day during the fiscal year for which appropriations shall have been budgeted for County or are otherwise available for payments.

## **0.0 BACKGROUND CHECKS**

*(OPTIONAL: This clause is required for services performed on site at any of the legal departments within the County):*

CONTRACTOR shall be required to obtain State and Federal level criminal background clearance(s) for all personnel required to work within County facilities that are deemed restricted or high security, including but not limited to the Sheriff's Office, Probation Department, 911 Center, and District Attorney's Office.

A California licensed Investigator must perform the required State level criminal background check(s) which must then be submitted to County prior to the personnel being allowed to work within such County facilities. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the cost of these background check costs unless otherwise informed by County. In some circumstances, a specific County department may request that County Sheriff's Office perform the background checks.

All CONTRACTOR personnel who are designated to provide services at any of the County Sheriff's facilities are required to undergo fingerprinting and background checks through the Sheriff's main office specifically.

## **0.0 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

*(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE FOR SHIPMENT TO MOCO)*

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:** Transportation of any hazardous materials to County must be done so in conformance with SARA Title 3 as amended. Appropriate documentation must be provided in a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) and other documentation as necessary relating to the traits, characteristics, and pervasive properties of any hazardous materials shipped to the County of Monterey. The shipper understands

that County shall not accept any shipment of hazardous materials without complete documentation and safety information as required by law. County shall not take responsibility for the accidental or purposeful discharge or release of any hazardous material. County does not take responsibility for the improper packaging and/or transportation of any hazardous materials ordered by County while in transit or storage prior to delivery and acceptance by County.

## **0.0 WARRANTY BY CONTRACTOR**

CONTRACTOR shall fully warrant all materials, equipment, and service against poor and inferior quality or workmanship for a period of not less than one (1) year from date of final acceptance by the COUNTY. Time is of the essence of this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall repair or replace any inoperable materials or equipment in a timely manner during warranty period.

## **0.0 ACCESSIBILITY**

CONTRACTOR shall inform himself regarding any peculiarities and limitations of the spaces available for the installation of all work and materials furnished and installed under the AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall exercise due and particular caution to determine that all parts of CONTRACTORS work are made quickly and easily accessible.

## **0.0 CLEANUP**

Cleanup: During performance and completion of work on this project CONTRACTOR shall remove all unused equipment and instruments of service, all excess or unsuitable material, trash, rubbish and debris, and legally dispose of same, unless otherwise directed by the AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall leave entire area in a neat, clean and acceptable condition as approved by County.

Waste Removal: Once the collection of waste materials has commenced, CONTRACTOR has exercised control of and taken possession of the waste, and the assumption of risk and liability is solely with CONTRACTOR. County shall not take responsibility for the accidental or purposeful discharge or release of any waste material.

## **0.0 DAMAGE**

CONTRACTOR shall be held responsible for any breakage, loss of County's equipment or supplies through negligence of CONTRACTOR or his employee while working on County's premises. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for restoring/replacing any

equipment, facilities, etc. so damaged. CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to County any damages to the premises resulting from services performed under this AGREEMENT.

## **0.0 PROTECTION OF PUBLIC**

CONTRACTOR shall provide adequate warning devices, barricades, guards, flagmen, or other necessary precautions shall be taken by CONTRACTOR to give advice and reasonable protection, safety and warning to persons and vehicular traffic concerned in the area(s) affected by this AGREEMENT.

## **0.0 GUARANTEE OF MALWARE-FREE GOODS**

### ***(OPTIONAL SAMPLE AGREEMENT CLAUSE)***

All software/hardware purchased must be free of malicious code such as viruses, Trojan horse programs, worms, spyware, etc. Validation of this must be written into the contract. Malicious code or malware (short for malicious software) is defined as software (or firmware) designed to damage or do other unwanted actions on a computer system. Common examples of malware include viruses, worms, Trojan horses and spyware. Viruses, for example, can cause havoc on a computer's hard drive by deleting files or directory information. Spyware can gather data from a user's system without the user knowing it. This can include anything from the web pages a user visits to personal information, such as credit card numbers.

## **0.0 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

***(OPTIONAL: This clause is required for Software Systems or printed media, including but not limited to website design and online database services. Portions of this section may be included in other types of AGREEMENTs in which intellectual property rights are relevant.):***

All data provided by County belongs to County. All records compiled by CONTRACTOR in completing the work described in this AGREEMENT, including but not limited to written reports, studies, drawings, blueprints, negatives of photographs, graphs, charts, plans, source codes, specifications and all other similar recorded data, shall become and remain the property of County. Use or distribution of County data by CONTRACTOR is prohibited unless CONTRACTOR obtains prior written consent from County.

For systems hosted or stored on equipment not owned by County, CONTRACTOR shall furnish all data to County upon request by County at any time during the term of this AGREEMENT in a useable format as specified by County and at no additional cost to County.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this AGREEMENT, it is understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR shall retain all of its rights in its proprietary

information including, without limitation, methodologies and methods of analysis, ideas, concepts, expressions, know how, methods, techniques, skills, knowledge and experience possessed by CONTRACTOR prior to this AGREEMENT.

## **0.0 PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNITY**

CONTRACTOR represents that it knows of no allegations, claims, or threatened claims that the materials, services, hardware or software (“CONTRACTOR Products”) provided to County under this AGREEMENT infringe any patent, copyright or other proprietary right. CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless County, from and against all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs expenses and amounts (collectively, “Losses”) arising out of or in connection with an assertion that any CONTRACTOR Products or the use thereof, infringe any patent, copyright or other proprietary right of any third party. County will: (1) notify CONTRACTOR promptly of such claim, suit or assertion; (2) permit CONTRACTOR to defend, compromise, or settle the claim; and, (3) provide, on a reasonable basis, information to enable CONTRACTOR to do so. CONTRACTOR shall not agree without County’s prior written consent, to any settlement, which would require County to pay money or perform some affirmative act in order to continue using the CONTRACTOR Products.

If CONTRACTOR is obligated to defend County pursuant to this Section 17.0 and fails to do so after reasonable notice from County, County may defend itself and/or settle such proceeding, and CONTRACTOR shall pay to County any and all losses, damages and expenses (including attorney’s fees and costs) incurred in relationship with County’s defense and/or settlement of such proceeding.

In the case of any such claim of infringement, CONTRACTOR shall either, at its option, (1) procure for County the right to continue using the CONTRACTOR Products; or (2) replace or modify the CONTRACTOR Products so that that they become non-infringing, but equivalent in functionality and performance.

County retains the right and ability to defend itself, at its own expense, against any claims that CONTRACTOR products infringe any patent, copyright, or other intellectual property right.

## **0.0 NOTICES**

Notices required to be given to the respective parties under this AGREEMENT shall be deemed given by any of the following means: (1) when personally delivered to County’s contract administrator or to CONTRACTOR’S responsible officer; (2) when personally delivered to the party’s principle place of business during normal business hours, by leaving notice with any person apparently in charge of the office and advising such person of the import and contents of the notice; (3) 24 hours after the notice is transmitted by FAX machine to the other party, at the party’s FAX number specified pursuant to this AGREEMENT, provided that the party giving

notice by FAX must promptly confirm receipt of the FAX by telephone to the receiving party's office; or, (4) three (3) days after the notice is deposited in the U. S. mail with first class or better postage fully prepaid, addressed to the party as indicated below.

Notices mailed or faxed to the parties shall be addressed as follows:

**TO COUNTY:**

Contracts/Purchasing Officer  
County of Monterey, Contracts/Purchasing  
1488 Schilling Place  
Salinas, CA 93901  
Tel. No.: (831) 755-4990  
FAX No.: (831) 755-4969  
[derrm@co.monterey.ca.us](mailto:derrm@co.monterey.ca.us)

**TO CONTRACTOR:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
  
Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
FAX No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

**0.0 LEGAL DISPUTES**

CONTRACTOR agrees that this AGREEMENT and any dispute arising from the relationship between the parties to this AGREEMENT, shall be governed and interpreted by the laws of the State of California, excluding any laws that direct the application of another jurisdiction's laws.

Any dispute that arises under or relates to this AGREEMENT (whether contract, tort, or both) shall be resolved in the Superior Court of California in Monterey County, California.

CONTRACTOR shall continue to perform under this AGREEMENT during any dispute.

The parties agree to waive their separate rights to a trial by jury. This waiver means that the trial will be before a judge.

**INCLUDE EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS HERE**

- **EXHIBITS ARE TYPICALLY REFERENCE DOCUMENTS**
- **ATTACHMENTS ARE TYPICALLY FORMS WHICH CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO FILL OUT AND SUBMIT WITH THEIR PROPOSAL**