

## **Invoice and Payment Instructions for Contracts and Awards Above the Micro-Purchase Threshold (MPT) to be Paid via Governmentwide Commercial Purchase Card (GCPC)**

The following is applicable to all contracts and awards above the micro-purchase threshold where the Governmentwide Commercial Purchase Card (GCPC) will be used as the payment mechanism. All such awards will have an 18 digit award number and end in the letters "PC".

### **I. Invoice Requirements**

- A. An invoice is the Contractor's bill or written request for payment under the contract for supplies delivered or services performed. Payment will be based on receipt of a proper invoice and satisfactory contract performance. A proper invoice must include the items listed in paragraphs A (1) through A (7) below. If the invoice does not comply with these requirements, the Contracting Officer will return it with the reasons why it is not a proper invoice.
1. Name and address of the contractor
  2. Invoice date and invoice number (Contractors should date invoices as close as possible to the date of mailing or transmission)
  3. Contract number or other authorization for supplies, delivered or services performed (including order number and contract line item number)
  4. Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price, and extended price of supplies delivered or services performed
  5. Shipping and payment terms (e.g., shipment number and date of shipment, discount for prompt payment terms) must be invoiced as stated on the award document
  6. Name (where practicable), title, phone number, mailing address and email address of person to notify in the event of a defective invoice.
  7. Name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address of contractor official to whom payment information (Governmentwide Commercial Purchase Card number) will be transmitted. Failure to provide this information may delay or prevent payment.
- B. Shipping costs will be reimbursed only if authorized by the contract. If authorized, shipping costs must be itemized. Where shipping costs exceed \$10.00, (except for shipments via USPS) the invoice must be supported by a bill of lading or a paid carrier's receipt.
- C. Submit an original itemized invoice to the Contracting Officer shown in Block 21 on the OF-347, or Block 18a on the SF-1449, or as specified in the order.
- D. The Contractor shall not process a charge to the Governmentwide Commercial Purchase Card until 1) the supplies have been shipped or the services performed; 2) the contractor has submitted an invoice; and 3) the Government cardholder has authorized payment in accordance with Block 16 on the OF-347 or Block 12 on the SF-1449.

- E. Do not include any purchase card information on any shipping documents/delivery tickets or other correspondence.

## II. Invoice Payment

- A. The due date for making invoice payments by the designated payment office shall be the later of the following two events:
  - 1. The 30th day after the designated billing office has received a proper invoice.
  - 2. The 30th day after Government acceptance of supplies delivered or services performed.
- B. Agencies are encouraged to make payments to small businesses and all prime contractors as soon as practicable, with a goal of paying them within 15 days of receipt of a proper invoice. This temporary policy expires December 31, 2016 in accordance with OMB Memorandums M-12-16, M-13-15 and M-14-10 "Extension of Policy to Provide Accelerated Payment to Small Business Subcontractors".

## III. FAR 52.232-40 - Providing Accelerated Payment to Small Business Subcontractors (December 2013)

- (a) Upon receipt of accelerated payments from the Government, the Contractor shall make accelerated payments to its small business subcontractors under this contract, to the maximum extent practicable and prior to when such payment is otherwise required under the applicable contract or subcontract, after receipt of a proper invoice and all other required documentation from the small business subcontractor.
- (b) The acceleration of payments under this clause does not provide any new rights under the Prompt Payment Act.
- (c) Include the substance of this clause; including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts with small business concerns, including subcontracts with small business concerns for the acquisition of commercial items.

## IV. FAR 52.232-36 - Payment by Third Party (May 2014)

### (a) General.

- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this clause, the Contractor agrees to accept payments due under this contract, through payment by a third party in lieu of payment directly from the Government, in accordance with the terms of this clause. The third party and, if applicable, the particular Governmentwide commercial purchase card to be used are identified elsewhere in this contract.
- (2) The Governmentwide commercial purchase card is not authorized as a method of payment during any period the System for Award Management (SAM) indicates that the Contractor has delinquent debt that is subject to collection under the [Treasury Offset Program \(TOP\)](#). If the SAM subsequently indicates that the Contractor no longer has delinquent debt, the Contractor may request the Contracting Officer to authorize payment by Governmentwide commercial purchase card.

*(b) Contractor payment request.*

- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause, the Contractor shall make payment requests through a charge to the Government account with the third party, at the time and for the amount due in accordance with those clauses of this contract that authorize the Contractor to submit invoices, contract financing requests, other payment requests, or as provided in other clauses providing for payment to the Contractor.
- (2) When the Contracting Officer has notified the Contractor that the Governmentwide commercial purchase card is no longer an authorized method of payment, the Contractor shall make such payment requests in accordance with instructions provided by the Contracting Officer during the period when the purchase card is not authorized.

(c) *Payment.* The Contractor and the third party shall agree that payments due under this contract shall be made upon submittal of payment requests to the third party in accordance with the terms and conditions of an agreement between the Contractor, the Contractor's financial agent (if any), and the third party and its agents (if any). No payment shall be due the Contractor until such agreement is made. Payments made or due by the third party under this clause are not payments made by the Government and are not subject to the Prompt Payment Act or any implementation thereof in this contract.

(d) *Documentation.* Documentation of each charge against the Government's account shall be provided to the Contracting Officer upon request.

(e) *Assignment of claims.* Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, if any payment is made under this clause, then no payment under this contract shall be assigned under the provisions of the assignment of claims terms of this contract or the Assignment of Claims Act of 1940 (31 U.S.C. 3727, 41 U.S.C. 6305).

(f) *Other payment terms.* The other payment terms of this contract shall govern the content and submission of payment requests. If any clause requires information or documents in or with the payment request, that is not provided in the third party agreement referenced in paragraph (c) of this clause, the Contractor shall obtain instructions from the Contracting Officer before submitting such a payment request.

**52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998)**

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the [full text of a clause](#) may be accessed electronically.

**The following clauses are incorporated by reference.**

- 52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors Commercial Items (April 2014)**
- 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Items (May 2014)**
- 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Items (May 2014)—Alternate I (May 2014)**  
(For use when a time-and-materials or labor-hour contract is contemplated)

- 52.239-1 **Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996)** (applicable when contract requires security of information technology, and/or are for the design, development, or operation of a system of records using commercial information technology services or support services.)
- 52.242-15 **Stop-Work Order (Aug 1989)**

**OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS**

The offeror makes the following Representations and Certifications as part of its proposal (check/complete all appropriate boxes or blanks on the following pages).

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(Name of Offeror)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Authorized Individual)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Typed Name of Authorized Individual)

**Note: The penalty for making false statements in offers is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.**

**FAR 52.212-3  
OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCTOBER 2014)**

An offeror shall complete only paragraphs (b) of this provision if the offeror has completed the annual representations and certificates electronically via the [Acquisition Central](#) website . If an offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at the System for Award Management (SAM) website, the offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (o) of this provision.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision--

“Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern” means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

“Forced or indentured child labor” means all work or service—

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

“Inverted domestic corporation,” as used in this section, means a foreign incorporated entity which is treated as an inverted domestic corporation under 6 U.S.C. 395(b), *i.e.*, a corporation that used to be incorporated in the United States, or used to be a partnership in the United States, but now is incorporated in a foreign country, or is a subsidiary whose parent corporation is incorporated in a foreign country, that meets the criteria specified in 6 U.S.C. 395(b), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of 6 U.S.C. 395(c). An inverted domestic corporation as herein defined does not meet the definition of an inverted domestic corporation as defined by the Internal Revenue Code at 26 U.S.C. 7874.

“Manufactured end product” means any end product in Federal Supply Classes (FSC) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) FSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Federal Supply Group (FSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) FSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) FSG 89, Food and Related Consumables;
- (5) FSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) FSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) FSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) FSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) FSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) FSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

“Place of manufacture” means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

“Restricted business operations” means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
- (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;
- (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;
- (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;
- (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or
- (6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

Sensitive technology—

- (1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—
  - (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or

- (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and
- (2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

“Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern”—

- (1) Means a small business concern—
  - (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
  - (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

“Small business concern” means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

“Small disadvantaged business concern, consistent with 13 CFR 124.1002,” means a small business concern under the size standard applicable to the acquisition, that--

- (1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by--
  - (i) One or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the United States; and
  - (ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13.CFR 124.106) by individuals, who meet the criteria in paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

“Subsidiary” means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

“Veteran-owned small business concern” means a small business concern—

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans(as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

“Women-owned business concern” means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the its stock is

owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

“Women-owned small business concern” means a small business concern --

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

“Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127),” means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States.

(b) (1) *Annual Representations and Certifications.* Any changes provided by the offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications posted on the SAMwebsite.

(2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the SAM website accessed through [Acquisition Central](#). After reviewing the SAM database information, the offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representation and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs \_\_\_\_\_. *[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (o) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer. Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted electronically on SAM.]*

(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract is to be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.

- (1) *Small business concern.* The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a small business concern.
- (2) *Veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a veteran-owned small business concern.
- (3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.
- (4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror

represents that it  is,  is not, a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.

- (5) Women-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it  is,  is not a women-owned small business concern.

**Note:** Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

- (6) WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

(i) It  is,  is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.

- (7) Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

(i) It  is,  is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

- (8) Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern). [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it  is, a women-owned business concern.

- (9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on

account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:

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(10) HUBZone small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that—

(i) It  is,  is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material changes in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage have occurred since it was certified in accordance with 13 CFR part 126; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a HUBZone joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture. [*The offeror shall enter the names of each of the HUBZone small business concerns participating in the HUBZone joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.*] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

(d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246 –

(1) Previous contracts and compliance. The offeror represents that –

(i) It  has,  has not, participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and

(ii) It  has,  has not, filed all required compliance reports.

(2) *Affirmative Action Compliance.* The offeror represents that –

(i) It  has developed and has on file,  has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or

(ii) It  has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* (31 U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to

provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

(f) *Buy American Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American – Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)

(1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.” The terms “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Supplies.”

(2) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
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(List as necessary)

(3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.

(g)

(1) *Buy American -- Free Trade Agreements -- Israeli Trade Act Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American -- Free Trade Agreements -- Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)

(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms “Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product,” “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” “Free Trade Agreement country,” “Free Trade Agreement country end product,” “Israeli end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act.”

(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(List as necessary)

(iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act." The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of "domestic end product."

Other Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(List as necessary)

(iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.

(2) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I.* If Alternate I to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian End Products:

Line Item No.:

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(List as necessary)

(3) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II.* If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act":

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____

(List as necessary)

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

(4) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III.* If Alternate III to the clause at 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(i) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____

(List as necessary)

(5) *Trade Agreements Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)

- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Trade Agreements.”
- (ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____

(List as necessary)

(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting

Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

- (h) *Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689)*. (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals--
- (1)  Are,  are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;
  - (2)  Have,  have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property; and
  - (3)  Are,  are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and
  - (4)  Have,  have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds \$3,000 for which the liability remains unsatisfied.
    - (i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:
      - (A) *The tax liability is finally determined.* The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.
      - (B) *The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment.* A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.
    - (ii) Examples.
      - (A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.
      - (B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals Contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to

contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.

(D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. §362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

(i) Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126). [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at 22.1503(b).]

(1) Listed End Product

Listed End Product

Listed Countries of Origin

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(2) Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]

(i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.

(ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

(j) *Place of manufacture.* (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly—

(1)  In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or

(2)  Outside the United States.

(k) Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards. (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also

constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.)

*[The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]*

- (1)  Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR 22.1003-4(c)(1). The offeror  does  does not certify that—
  - (i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;
  - (ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(c)(2)(ii)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and
  - (iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.
- (2)  Certain services as described in FAR 22.1003-4(d)(1). The offeror  does  does not certify that—
  - (i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;
  - (ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(d)(2)(iii));
  - (iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and
  - (iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.
- (3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies—
  - (i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and

- (ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.
- (l) *Taxpayer identification number (TIN)* (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to the SAM database to be eligible for award.)

- (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
- (2) The TIN may be used by the government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

- (3) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

TIN: \_\_\_\_\_.

TIN has been applied for.

TIN is not required because:

Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government;

- (4) Type of organization.

Sole proprietorship;

Partnership;

Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);

Corporate entity (tax-exempt);

Government entity (Federal, State, or local);

Foreign government;

International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;

Other \_\_\_\_\_.

- (5) Common parent.

Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent:

Name and TIN of common parent:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

TIN \_\_\_\_\_

- (m) *Restricted business operations in Sudan*. By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

- (n) Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—

- (1) *Relation to Internal Revenue Code.* An inverted domestic corporation as herein defined does not meet the definition of an inverted domestic corporation as defined by the Internal Revenue Code 25 U.S.C. 7874.
  - (2) *Representation.* By submission of its offer, the offeror represents that—
    - (i) It is not an inverted domestic corporation; and
    - (ii) It is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.
- (o) Prohibition on contracting with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran.
- (1) The offeror shall email questions concerning sensitive technology to the [Department of State](#).
  - (2) Representation and Certification. Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror—
    - (i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;
    - (ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and
    - (iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds \$3,000 with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (see [OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List](#)).
  - (3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if—
    - (i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (e.g., 52.212-3(g) or a comparable agency provision); and
    - (ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.

(End of Provision)

### **Addenda to FAR Clause 52.212-3**

#### **1. Representation By Corporations Regarding an Unpaid Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction Under Any Federal Law**

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 Pub. L 112-74 and the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, Pub. L 112-55 prohibit covered agencies from using funds to enter into contracts with corporations with have unpaid federal tax delinquencies or certain felony convictions unless certain conditions are met.

- (a) The Offeror represents that —

- (1) It is  is not  a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal or State law within the preceding 24 months.
- (2) It is  is not  a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

(End of provision)

**The following are clauses incorporated by full text.**

### **FAR Clause 52.212-5**

#### **CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCT 2014)**

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

- (1) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (FEB 2009) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).  
\_\_\_\_ Alternate I (AUG 2007) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).
- (2) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).
- (3) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Public Laws 108-77, 108-78 (19 U.S.C. 3805 note)).

- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the contracting officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:  
*[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]*

- \_\_\_\_ (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Sept 2006), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 2402).
- \_\_\_\_ (2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
- \_\_\_\_ (3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub L. 111-5) (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009).
- \_\_\_\_ (4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Jul 2013) (Pub. L. 109-282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
- \_\_\_\_ (5) [Reserved]
- \_\_\_\_ (6) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (Jan 2014) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- \_\_\_\_ (7) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (Jan 2014) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- \_\_\_\_ (8) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment (Aug 2013) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

- \_\_\_ (9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Jul 2013) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
- \_\_\_ (10) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (May 2012) (section 738 of Division C of Public Law 112-74, section 740 of Division C of Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Division D of Pub. L. 111-8, and section 745 of Division D of Pub. L. 110-161).
- \_\_\_ (11) (i) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2011) of 52.219-3.
- \_\_\_ (12) (i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Oct 2014) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer)(15 U.S.C. 657a).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Jan 2011) of 52.219-4.
- \_\_\_ (13) [Reserved]
- \_\_\_ (14) (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Aside (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2011).
  - \_\_\_ (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2011).
- \_\_\_ (15) (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (June 2003) (15 U.S.C. 644).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 1995) of 52.219-7.
  - \_\_\_ (iii) Alternate II (Mar 2004) of 52.219-7.
- \_\_\_ (16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2014) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
- \_\_\_ (17) (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Oct 2014) (15 U.S.C. 637 (d)(4)).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.
  - \_\_\_ (iii) Alternate II (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.
  - \_\_\_ (iv) Alternate III (Oct 2014) of 52.219-9.
- \_\_\_ (18) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
- \_\_\_ (19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).
- \_\_\_ (20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (Jan 1999) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
- \_\_\_ (21) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
- \_\_\_ (22) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).
- \_\_\_ (23) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB) Concerns (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- \_\_\_ (24) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Concerns Eligible Under the WOSB Program (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- \_\_\_ (25) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).
- \_\_\_ (26) 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Jan 2014) (E.O. 13126).
- \_\_\_ (27) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Feb 1999).
- \_\_\_ (28) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- \_\_\_ (29) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jul 2014) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- \_\_\_ (30) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jul 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- \_\_\_ (31) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jul 2014) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- \_\_\_ (32) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).

- \_\_\_ (33) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Aug 2013). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in 22.1803.)
- \_\_\_ (34) (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Items (May 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- \_\_\_ (35) (i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT® -Registered Imaging Equipment (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514)
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-13.
- \_\_\_ (36) (i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT® -Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-14.
- \_\_\_ (37) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (Dec 2007) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).
- \_\_\_ (38) (i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT® -Registered Personal Computer Products (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-16.
- \_\_\_ (39) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging while Driving (Aug 2011) (E.O. 13513).
- \_\_\_ (40) 52.225-1, Buy American--Supplies (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).
- \_\_\_ (41) (i) 52.225-3, Buy American--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.C. 4001 note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).
  - \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (May 2014) of 52.225-3.
  - \_\_\_ (iii) Alternate II (May 2014) of 52.225-3.
  - \_\_\_ (iv) Alternate III (May 2014) of 52.225-3.
- \_\_\_ (42) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (Nov 2013) (19 U.S.C. 2501, *et seq.*, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
- \_\_\_ (43) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (Jun 2008) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
- \_\_\_ (44) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Jul 2013) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).
- \_\_\_ (45) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- \_\_\_ (46) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- \_\_\_ (47) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505), 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- \_\_\_ (48) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- \_\_\_ (49) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer— System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- \_\_\_ (50) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other Than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- \_\_\_ (51) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (May 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

- \_\_\_ (52) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- \_\_\_ (53) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
- \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of 52.247-64.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- \_\_\_ (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67.).
- \_\_\_ (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_\_ (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards -- Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (May 2014) (29 U.S.C.206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_\_ (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards -- Price Adjustment (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_\_ (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment--Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_\_ (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services--Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_\_ (7) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (May 2014) (E.O. 13495).
- \_\_\_ (8) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations. (May 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792).
- \_\_\_ (9) 52.237-11, Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin (Sep 2008) (31 U.S.C. 5112(p)(1)).

(d) *Comptroller General Examination of Record* The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records -- Negotiation.

- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e)

(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause—

- (i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
- (ii) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2014) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$650,000 (\$1.5 million for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
- (iii) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (May 2014) (E.O. 13495). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (1) of FAR clause 52.222-17.
- (iv) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- (v) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jul 2014) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (vi) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jul 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (vii) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jul 2014) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (viii) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.
- (ix) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (May 2014), (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (x) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)). Alternate I (Aug 2007) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).
- (xi) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment--Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67.)
- (xii) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services--Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67)
- (xiii) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Aug 2013).

- (xiv) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Jul 2013) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).
- (xv) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations. (May 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.
- (xvi) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately-Owned U.S. Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.

(2) While not required, the contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of Clause)

**\*\*\* (Note: Include the following only if the Head of the Agency has waived the examination of records by the Comptroller General. If this is not the case, DELETE Alternate I, below, before including in any contract.) \*\*\***

**Alternate I (Feb 2000)**

As prescribed in [12.301](#)(b)(4)(i), delete paragraph (d) from the basic clause, redesignate paragraph (e) as paragraph (d), and revise the reference to “paragraphs (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this clause” in the redesignated paragraph (d) to read “paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this clause”.

**\*\*\* (Note: If this acquisition will use funds appropriated or otherwise made available by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub.L. 111-5), the following Alternate II is required. Additionally, Alternate I of this clause may not be used when Alternate II is applicable.) \*\*\***

**Alternate II (Oct 2014)**

As prescribed in [12.301](#)(b)(4)(ii), substitute the following paragraphs (d)(1) and (e)(1) for paragraphs (d)(1) and (e)(1) of the basic clause as follows:

(d)(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, an appropriate Inspector General appointed under section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), or an authorized representative of either of the foregoing officials shall have access to and right to—

- (i) Examine any of the Contractor’s or any subcontractors’ records that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, this contract; and
- (ii) Interview any officer or employee regarding such transactions.

(e)(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause in a subcontract for commercial items, other than—

- (i) *Paragraph (d) of this clause.* This paragraph flows down to all subcontracts, except the authority of the Inspector General under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) does not flow down; and
- (ii) *Those clauses listed in this paragraph (e)(1).* Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause—
  - (A) 52.203–13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
  - (B) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5).
  - (C) 52.219–8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2014) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$650,000 (\$1.5 million for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
  - (D) 52.222–26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
  - (E) 52.222–35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jul 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
  - (F) 52.222–36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jul 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).
  - (G) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.
  - (H) 52.222–41, Service Contract Labor Standards (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
  - (I) 52.222–50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).
  - (J) 52.222–51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
  - (K) 52.222–53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services--Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
  - (L) 52.222–54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Aug 2013).
  - (M) 52.226–6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations. (May 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226–6.

(N) 52.247–64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247–64.

## Health and Human Services Acquisition Regulations (HHSAR Clauses)

The Contractor shall comply with the following Department of Health and Human Services Acquisition Regulation/Public Health Service Acquisition Regulation (HHSAR/PHSAR) (48 CFR CHAPTER 3) Clauses, incorporated by reference, when the applicable circumstances apply:

- HHS 352.201-70 **Paperwork Reduction Act** (Jan 06) (applicable to all contracts.)
- HHS 352.202-1 **Definitions** (Jan 06)
- HHS 352.203-70 **Anti-Lobbying** (Mar 12)
- HHS 352.204-16 **Prevention and Public Health Fund—Reporting Requirements** (Mar 12)  
(applicable for all solicitations and contracts funded in whole or in part with PPHF funds.  
Clause included in full text as attachment to this document.)
- HHS 352.222-70 **Contractor Cooperation in Equal Employment Opportunity Investigations** (Jan 10)
- HHS 352.223-70 **Safety and Health** (Jan 06) (applicable to services involving hazardous materials or operations)
- HHS 352.224-70 **Privacy Act** (Jan 06) (applicable when records on individuals will be designed, developed or operated.)
- HHS 352.227-70 **Publication and Publicity** (Jan 06) (applicable to all contracts.)
- HHS 352-231-70 **Salary Rate Limitation** (AUG 12) (applicable for all extramural contracts & orders, including R&D support EXCEPT fixed-price completion contracts & orders)
- HHS 352.231-71 **Pricing of Adjustments** (Jan 01) (applicable for fixed-price contracts)
- HHS 352.233-70 **Choice of Law (Overseas)** (Jan 10)
- HHS 352.237-70 **Pro-Children Act** (Jan 06) (applicable with kindergarten, elementary or secondary education or library services or health or day care services provided to children under 18 yrs.)
- HHS 352.237-71 **Crime Control Act—Reporting of Child Abuse** (Jan 06) (applicable when performance will take place on Federal land or at a federally-operated facility involving professions/ activities including but not limited to physicians, nurses, and others specified in the Crime Control Act of 1990.)
- HHS 352.237-72 **Crime Control Act—Requirement for Background Checks** (Jan 06) (applicable for all child care services to children under age 18, including social services, health, mental health care, education and rehab programs covered under the Crime Control Act of 1990.)
- HHS 352.237-73 **Non-Discrimination in Service Delivery** (Mar 12) (applicable in solicitations, contracts & orders to deliver services under HHS’ programs directly to the public. Clause included in full text as attachment to this document.)
- HHS 352.239-70 **Standard for Security Configurations** (Jan 10) (applicable for operation or acquisition of an information technology system)
- HHS 352.239-71 **Standard for Encryption Language** (Jan 10) (applicable for acquisition or lease of, or requirement to use desktop, laptop computers, mobile devices or portable media to store or process HHS sensitive information categorized as “moderate” or “high.”)
- HHS 352.239-72 **Security Requirements** (Jan 10) (applicable when Federal information or information systems will be accessed.)
- HHS 352-239-73 **Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility** (Jan 10) (applicable when EIT will be developed, purchased, maintained, or used.)
- HHS 352.242-70 **Key Personnel** (Jan 06)
- HHS 352-242-71 **Tobacco-free Facilities** (Jan 06) (applicable when some or all of contractor’s

performance will take place on HHS property.

- HHS 352.270-1 **Accessibility of Meetings, Conferences and Seminars to Persons with Disabilities** (Jan 01) (applicable for conduct of meetings, conferences, or seminars open to the public or DHHS employees.)
- HHS 352.270-4(b) **Protection of Human Subjects** (Jan 06) (applicable when human subjects will be used as research subjects)
- HHS 352.270-5(b) **Care of Live Vertebrate Animals** (Oct 09) (Applicable to services involving live vertebrate animals.)
- HHS 352.270-6 **Restriction on Use of Human Subjects** (Jan 06) (applicable when project is awaiting IRB approval.)
- HHS 352.270-7 **Conference Sponsorship Request and Conference Materials Disclaimer** (Jan 10) (applicable when funding, in whole or in part, support a conference.)
- HHS 352.270-8 **Prostitution and Related Activities** (Jan 10) (applicable for HIV/AIDS programs or where funding under U.S. Leadership against HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and Malaria Act of 2003.)

The Offeror shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and Department of Health and Human Services Acquisition Regulation (HHSAR) provisions, incorporated by reference, when the applicable circumstances apply:

- 52.204-7 **System for Award Management** (Jun 2013)(applicable when contractor is required to register in the System for Award Management (SAM) database.)
- 52.204-6 **Data Universal Numbering System Number** (Jul 2013)(applicable when contractor is exempt from registering in the System for Award Management (SAM) database.)
- 52.214-34 **Submission of Offers in the English Language** (Apr 91) (applicable when contract will be subject to NAFTA or contracting officer specifies its use.)
- 52.214-35 **Submission of Offers in U.S. Currency** (Apr 91) (applicable when contract will be subject to NAFTA or contracting officer specifies its use.)
- 52.223-4 **Recovered Material Certification** (May 08) (Certification established by order acceptance.)
- 52.237-1 **Site Visit** (Apr 84) (applicable for services to be performed on Government installations.)
  
- HHS 352.270-4a **Notice to Offerors of Requirements of 45 CFR Part 46, Protection of Human Subjects** (Jan 06)
- HHS 352.270-5a **Notice to Offerors of Requirement for Adequate Assurance of Protection Of Vertebrate Animal Subjects** (Jan 06)
- HHS 352.270-9 **Nondiscrimination for Conscience** (Jan 10) (applicable over micro-purchase threshold.)

(End of Clause)

## **YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE**

In accordance with FAR 39.106, Information Technology acquired under this contract must be Year 2000 compliant as set forth in the following clause(s):

Services Involving the Use of Information Technology (applicable when acquiring services involving the use of computer items in the performance of the requirement.)

### **YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE--SERVICE INVOLVING THE USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

The Contractor agrees that each item of hardware, software, and firmware used under this contract shall be able to accurately process date data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing and sequencing) from, into and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries and the Year 1999 and the Year 2000 and leap year calculations.

(End of Clause)

Noncommercial Supply Items Warranty (applicable when acquiring custom computer items (e.g., hardware, software and systems). NOTE: The words "listed below" in the clause refer to products that the offeror has identified as being Year 2000 compliant in response to the procuring agency's specifications.

### **YEAR 2000 WARRANTY--NONCOMMERCIAL SUPPLY ITEMS**

The contractor warrants that each noncommercial item of hardware, software, and firmware delivered or developed under this contract and listed below shall be able to accurately process date data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing and sequencing) from, into and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries and the Year 1999 and the Year 2000 and leap year calculations, when used in accordance with the item documentation provided by the contractor, provided that all listed or unlisted items (e.g., hardware, software and firmware) used in combination with such listed item properly exchange date data with it. If the contract requires that specific listed items must perform as a system in accordance with the foregoing warranty, then that warranty shall apply to those listed items as a system. The duration of this warranty and the remedies available to the Government for breach of this warranty shall be as defined in, and subject to, the terms and limitations of any general warranty provisions of this contract provided that notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in such warranty provision(s), or in the absence of any such warranty provision(s), the remedies available to the Government under this warranty shall include repair or replacement of any listed item whose noncompliance is discovered and made known to the contractor in writing within ninety (90) days after acceptance. Nothing in this warranty shall be construed to limit any rights or remedies the Government may otherwise have under this contract with respect to defects other than Year 2000 performance.

### **YEAR 2000 COMPLIANT ITEMS:**

(End of clause)

Commercial Supply Products Warranty (applicable when acquiring Year 2000 Compliant Software, Hardware and Systems comprised of Commercial Information Technology Products. NOTE: The words "listed below" in the clause refer to products that the offeror has identified as being Year 2000 compliant in response to the procuring agency's specifications.

## **YEAR 2000 WARRANTY--COMMERCIAL SUPPLY ITEMS**

The contractor warrants that each hardware, software and firmware product delivered under this contract and listed below shall be able to accurately process date data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing, and sequencing) from, into, and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries and the Year 1999 and the Year 2000 and leap year calculations, when used in accordance with the product documentation provided by the contractor, provided that all listed or unlisted products (e.g., hardware, software, firmware) used in combination with such listed product properly exchange date data with it. If the contract requires that specific listed products must perform as a system in accordance with the foregoing warranty, then that warranty shall apply to those listed products as a system. The duration of this warranty and the remedies available to the Government for breach of this warranty shall be as defined in, and subject to, the terms and limitations of the contractor's standard commercial warranty or warranties contained in this contract, provided that notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in such commercial warranty or warranties, the remedies available to the Government under this warranty shall include repair or replacement of any listed product whose non-compliance is discovered and made known to the contractor in writing within ninety (90) days after acceptance. Nothing in this warranty shall be construed to limit any rights or remedies the Government may otherwise have under this contract with respect to defects other than Year 2000 performance.

### **YEAR 2000 COMPLIANT ITEMS:**

(End of clause)

## Promoting Efficient Spending

**In accordance with the OMB Memorandum M-11-35 Eliminating Excess Conference Spending and Promoting Efficiency in Government dated September 21, 2011; and HHS Memorandum HHS Policy on Promoting Efficient Spending: Use of Appropriated Funds for Conferences and Meetings, Food, Promotional Items, and Printing and Publications dated January 3, 2012 (Revised June 7, 2012); and NIH Memorandum NIH Guidance Related to the HHS Policy on Promoting Efficient Spending: Use of Appropriated Funds for Conferences and Meetings, Food, Promotional Items, and Printing and Publications dated January 30, 2012 (Amended June 15, 2012), the following addendum is to be incorporated into all applicable award documents and any modifications issued after January 3, 2012:**

### Conferences and Meetings

The Contractor shall not use contract funds, (direct or indirect), to conduct meetings or conferences without prior written Contracting Officer approval.

### Food including Meals, Light Refreshments and Beverages

The Contractor shall not use contract funds to conduct meetings or conferences without prior written Contracting Officer approval.

The use of contract funds to purchase food for meals, light refreshments, or beverages is expressly prohibited. Registration fees cannot be used to acquire food, light refreshments or beverages for NIH sponsored conferences or meetings.

NIH solicitations, funding opportunity announcements, contracts, and purchase orders for conferences or meeting space must specifically prohibit the inclusion of food and meals and state that food and meals are not to be provided and are an unallowable expense. In effect, when acquiring space to conduct conference meetings, the government may not accept food even if the space being offered would be the same cost with or without the food.

### Promotional Items

The Contractor shall not use contract funds to purchase promotional items. Promotional items include, but are not limited to clothing and commemorative items such as pens, mugs/cups, folders/folios, lanyards, and conference bags that are sometimes provided to visitors, employees, grantees, or conference attendees. This includes items or tokens given to individuals as these are considered personal gifts for which contract funds may not be expended.

### Printing and Publications

It is NIH's policy that printing and publication of hard copy materials be consistent with HHS and NIH missions, objectives and existing policies; represent the efficient and effective use of taxpayer funds; and withstand public scrutiny, while not creating barriers for the public in obtaining NIH information. Information should now be presumed to be provided in an electronic form, whenever practicable, permitted by law, and consistent with applicable records and retention requirements. The contractor should therefore limit the publication and printing of hard copy documents for internal and external use. This policy is in addition to existing statutory and regulatory requirements for Printing and Publications.

When the printing of hard copy documents is required in performance of the contract, the contractor shall adhere to the requirements of FAR Clause 52.204-4 Printed or Copied Double-Sided on Postconsumer Fiber Content Paper (May 2011) in solicitations and contracts.

## **Clauses Included in Full Text**

### **1. HHSAR Clause 352.204-16, Prevention and Public Health Fund-- Reporting Requirements (March 2012)**

*(applicable for all solicitations and contracts funded in whole or in part with PPHF funds.)*

- (a) Pursuant to Public Law 112-74, FY2012 Labor, HHS and Education Appropriations Act, Sec. 220, this contract requires the contractor to provide products and/or services that are funded from the Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPHF), Public Law 111-148, sec. 4002. Section 220(a)(5) requires each contractor to report on its use of these funds under this contract. These reports will be made available to the public.
- (b) Semi-annual reports from the Contractor for all work funded, in whole or in part, by the PPHF, are due no later than 20 days following the end of each six-month period. The six-month reporting periods are January through June and July through December. The first report is due no later than 20 days after the end of the six-month period following contract award. Subsequent reports are due no later than 20 days after the end of each reporting period. If applicable, the Contractor shall submit its final report for the remainder of the contract period no later than 20 days after the end of the reporting period in which the contract ended.
- (c) The Contractor shall provide the following information in an electronic and 508 compliant format to the Contracting Officer.
  - (1) The Government contract and order number, as applicable.
  - (2) The amount of PPHF funds invoiced by the contractor for the reporting period and the cumulative amount invoiced for the contract or order period.
  - (3) A list of all significant services performed or supplies delivered, including construction, for which the contractor invoiced in the reporting period.
  - (4) Program or project title, if any.
  - (5) The Contractor shall report any subcontract funded in whole or in part with PPHF funding, that is valued at \$25,000 or more. The Contractor shall advise the subcontractor that the information will be made available to the public. The Contractor shall report:
    - (i) Name and address of the subcontractor.

- (ii) Amount of the subcontract award.
- (iii) Date of the subcontract award.
- (iv) A description of the products or services (including construction) being provided under the subcontract.

(End of clause)

**2. HHSAR Clause 352.237-73, Non-Discrimination in Service Delivery** (March 2012).  
*(applicable in solicitations, contracts & orders to deliver services under HHS' programs directly to the public. )*

It is the policy of the Department of Health and Human Services that no person otherwise eligible will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in the administration of HHS programs and services based on non-merit factors such as race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, or disability (physical or mental). By acceptance of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with this policy in supporting the program and in performing the services called for under this contract. The contractor shall include this clause in all subcontracts awarded under this contract for supporting or performing the specified program and services. Accordingly, the contractor shall ensure that each of its employees, and any sub-contractor staff, is made aware of, understands, and complies with this policy.

(End of Clause)