

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND  
DDS ENTERPRISES, LLC, FOR  
ON-CALL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**

**RSQ # 25-904C**

This is an Agreement between Lake County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (the COUNTY), by and through its Board of County Commissioners, and DDS Enterprises, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, its successors and/or assigns (the CONTRACTOR), (each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties").

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the COUNTY publicly submitted a Request for Statement of Qualification (RSQ) #25-904 seeking firms or individuals qualified to provide on-call facility construction services; and

**WHEREAS**, the CONTRACTOR desires to perform such services subject to the terms of this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the provision of such services will benefit the Parties and the residents of Lake County, Florida.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION** of the mutual terms, understandings, conditions, promises, covenants, and payment set forth in this Agreement, and intending to be legally bound, the parties hereby agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. LEGAL FINDINGS.**

**1.1 Legal Findings of Fact.** The foregoing recitals are hereby adopted as legislative findings of the Board of County Commissioners and are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Agreement upon adoption hereof.

**ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE**

**2.1 Purpose.** The purpose of this Agreement is for the CONTRACTOR to provide on-call, as-needed facility construction, repair, and related services ("the Service") for the COUNTY as detailed in the Scope of Services, attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit A (Composite)**. This is an indefinite quantity contract with no guarantee of a volume of services or expenditure. The COUNTY has developed a vendor pool under 25-904 for On-Call Facility Construction Services and will award Projects on an as-needed basis to vendors within the vendor pool, as set forth herein. CONTRACTOR will be eligible to provide COUNTY Project-specific proposals, including a proposed completion schedule and lump-sum quote to perform requested services, for COUNTY'S consideration to be awarded work under this Agreement.

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**ARTICLE 3. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

**3.1 Scope.**

A. On the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the COUNTY hereby engages the CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all labor, materials, and equipment to complete the Service, as more specifically described in the Scope of Services, as modified or clarified by any addendums, along with CONTRACTOR'S Submittal Forms, and CONTRACTOR'S Proposed Solution, attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit A (Composite)**, as well as any Project-specific scope of work for Services awarded under this Agreement. It is understood that the Scope of Services / Projects may be modified by change order or written Amendment, as applicable, as the Service / Project progresses, but to be effective and binding, any such agreement must be in writing, executed by the Parties, and in accordance with the COUNTY'S Purchasing Policies and Procedures. A copy of these policies and procedures will be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request.

B. Services provided by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement will be provided to COUNTY on an as-needed basis as set forth in the Scope of Services, attached hereto as part of **Exhibit A (Composite)**.

C. CONTRACTOR may only respond to RSQ's or requests for Services by the COUNTY for which it holds appropriate licensure to perform. CONTRACTOR has identified the following licensure as part of its Team Composition, attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit B**:

1. Certified General Contractor (CGC 1535446).
2. (Subcontractor) Certified Underground Utility Contractor (CUC 1225660)
3. (Subcontractor) Certified Electrical Contractor (EC 13006757)

D. All work must be performed in accordance with good commercial practice and in accordance with the Project-specific scope of work, including any project specific documents, and exhibits or attachments thereto; the CONTRACTOR'S project proposal; and this Agreement. The work schedule and completion dates as set forth in each Project-specific scope and proposal must be adhered to by the CONTRACTOR except in such cases where the completion date will be delayed due to acts of God, strikes, or other causes beyond the control of CONTRACTOR. In these cases, CONTRACTOR shall notify the COUNTY of the delays in advance of the original completion date so that a revised delivery schedule can be appropriately considered by the COUNTY, as provided for herein. CONTRACTOR will be solely responsible for obtaining all necessary approvals and permits to complete the Service. CONTRACTOR shall not initiate awarded Projects without an agreed upon scope, proposal, and express direction from the COUNTY in writing.

**3.2 Effective Date and Term.**

A. This Agreement will be effective upon the first day of the next calendar month after approval by the Lake County Board of County Commissioners (the "**Effective Date**").

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**B.** The Term of this Agreement will be for an initial one (1) year term with the option for two (2) subsequent two (2) year renewal terms. Renewals are contingent upon written mutual agreement of the Parties. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, for the entirety of the stated additional period(s), if any, the same prices, terms, and conditions included within this Agreement. Continuation of this Agreement beyond the initial period is a prerogative of the COUNTY and not a right of CONTRACTOR. This prerogative may be exercised only when such continuation is in the best interest of the COUNTY. The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in effect until completion of all express- and implied-warranty periods. The COUNTY reserves the right to negotiate for additional services/items similar in nature not known at the time of solicitation.

**3.3 Continuation of Work.** Any work that commences prior to and will extend beyond the expiration date of the current Agreement period shall, unless terminated by mutual written agreement between the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR, continue until completion at the same prices, terms and conditions.

**3.4 Contract Extension.** The COUNTY has the unilateral option to extend this Agreement for up to ninety (90) calendar days beyond the current term of the Agreement. In such event, the COUNTY will notify the CONTRACTOR in writing of such extensions. The Agreement be extended beyond the initial ninety (90) day extension upon mutual agreement between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR

**3.5 Open Quantity Contract.** CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement is an open quantity contract. The COUNTY does not guarantee to CONTRACTOR any minimum or maximum amount of work throughout the term of this Agreement. Furthermore, CONTRACTOR agrees and acknowledges that in the event CONTRACTOR cannot meet the COUNTY'S specifications, including, but not limited to, time for completion or cost for individual project, that the COUNTY reserves the sole right to offer the individual project to the COUNTY'S other contractor(s) or to procure needed services separately utilizing the COUNTY'S procurement procedures.

#### **ARTICLE 4. PAYMENT**

**4.1 Pricing.** Upon request by the COUNTY, CONTRACTOR shall provide COUNTY with lump-sum pricing for Services provided under this Agreement on a Project basis. If CONTRACTOR'S quote or bid is selected by COUNTY to provide Services for a Project under this Agreement, payment to CONTRACTOR shall be per the lump sum pricing provided by CONTRACTOR in response to the Project-specific COUNTY RFQ or request for Services, as described in **Exhibit A**. COUNTY will pay, and CONTRACTOR will accept as full and complete payment for the timely and complete performance of its obligations hereunder, compensation as provided for in CONTRACTOR'S Project-specific quote or bid as accepted by the COUNTY. Agreement prices will prevail for the full duration of the Agreement.

**4.2 Invoicing.**

**A.** CONTRACTOR shall submit an original invoice to COUNTY after work has been completed via email to the Office of Facilities Management at [FacilitiesInvoices@LakeCountyFL.gov](mailto:FacilitiesInvoices@LakeCountyFL.gov), unless directed otherwise by the Project Manager, after each service has been completed. Invoice submission shall not exceed ten (10) calendar days beyond the date the work was completed. Under no circumstances shall the invoices be submitted to COUNTY in advance of the delivery and acceptance of the work. All invoices shall be accompanied by the PDF documentation including but not limited to service

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tickets, suppliers' invoices, purchase orders, time sheets, approved proposals, and any other pertinent backup documentation in COUNTY'S discretion. COUNTY will make payment on all undisputed invoices in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act, Part VII, Chapter 218, Florida Statutes.

**B.** Services provided under this Agreement shall be based on a lump sum rate as provided by CONTRACTOR'S Project-specific quote or bid, as accepted by the COUNTY. If time and material rates are expressly requested by COUNTY in an RSQ, rather than a lump sum, the pricing section shall include the hours of labor, labor rate (based on the pricing herein), and total cost for the hours worked. CONTRACTOR shall be allowed to charge a minimum of one (1) hour of labor time whether or not the technician is on site for the entire first hour. Time after the first hour shall be calculated into fifteen (15) minutes increments.

**4.3 Progress Invoicing.**

**A.** Work equal to \$25,000 or less. COUNTY will provide a lump sum payment when all work tasks are completed by CONTRACTOR and approved by COUNTY Project Manager. For COUNTY to provide payment, CONTRACTOR will submit a documented invoice that provides the basic information set forth herein.

**B.** Work Greater than \$25,000. CONTRACTOR may receive periodic payments on a 30-day interval for Work tasks completed during that period by CONTRACTOR and approved by COUNTY Project Manager. Retention of funds will be held in accordance with Florida Prompt Payment Act. In order for COUNTY to provide payment, CONTRACTOR will submit a documented invoice that provides the basic information set forth in this Section.

**4.4** The COUNTY will make payment on all invoices in accordance with the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act, Chapter 218, Part VII, Florida Statutes; payment will be made within thirty (30) days, as specified in § 218.73, Fla. Stat. Failure to submit invoices in the prescribed manner will delay payment and CONTRACTOR may be considered in default and this Agreement may be terminated. COUNTY will pay interest not to exceed one percent (2%) per month on all undisputed invoices not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date. CONTRACTOR must invoice COUNTY for any interest accrued in order to receive the interest payment. No interest will accrue when payment is delayed because of a dispute between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR, or a dispute as to the accuracy or completeness of any request for payment received; this exception to the accrual of interest will apply only to that portion of a delayed payment which is the subject of the dispute and will apply only for the duration of such disagreement.

**4.5** Other than CONTRACTOR'S Project-specific quote or bid, CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to payment for any expenses, fees, or other costs it may incur at any time and in any connection with its performance hereunder.

**4.6 Improper Payment Requests and Invoice Disputes.** Improper payment requests or invoices submitted by the CONTRACTOR shall be resolved as provided for in the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act, Section 218.76, Florida Statutes.

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**4.7 Grant Funding.** In the event any part of this Agreement is to be funded by federal, state, or other local agency monies, CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all requirements of the funding entity applicable to the use of the monies, including full application of requirements involving the use of minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. CONTRACTOR is advised that payments under this Agreement may be withheld pending completion and submission of all required forms and documents required of CONTRACTOR pursuant to the grant funding requirements.

A copy of general federal requirements are set forth in **Exhibit C**, however specific funding sources may have alternate or additional requirements. COUNTY will provide specific grant funding terms with Project-specific RSQ's which CONTRACTOR will be required to comply with and provide any additional documentation required for compliance with grant funding terms.

**ARTICLE 5. COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

**5.1** COUNTY shall pay in accordance with the provisions set forth in this Agreement.

**5.2** COUNTY retains the right to inspect all work to verify compliance with the contract documents. COUNTY will promptly review the deliverables and other materials submitted by CONTRACTOR and provide direction to CONTRACTOR as needed.

**5.3 Project Manager.** COUNTY shall designate one COUNTY staff member to act as COUNTY'S Project Manager. It is agreed to by the Parties that the COUNTY'S Project Manager will decide all questions, difficulties, or disputes, of whatever nature, which may arise relative to the interpretation of the plans, construction, prosecution, and fulfillment of the Scope of Services, and as to the character, quality, amount, and value of any work done, and materials furnished, under or by reason of this agreement. The COUNTY'S Project Manager may appoint representatives as desired that will be authorized to inspect all work done and all materials furnished

**ARTICLE 6. FACILITIES PROVISIONS**

**6.1 Licenses and Permits.** CONTRACTOR will be solely responsible for obtaining all necessary approvals and permits to complete the service, unless specifically agreed otherwise in the Scope of Services. The CONTRACTOR shall remain appropriately licensed throughout the course of the Service and maintain at least the minimum thresholds of education and professional experience required to perform the services required under this Agreement. If the CONTRACTOR employs the services of a subcontractor, the CONTRACTOR shall ensure that any subcontractor is appropriately licensed throughout the course of the Service. Failure to maintain all required licenses will entitle the COUNTY, at its option, to terminate this Agreement. Damages, penalties, or fines imposed on the COUNTY or CONTRACTOR for failure to obtain required licenses, permits, inspections, or other fees, or inspections, will be borne by the CONTRACTOR.

**6.2 Existing Conditions.** The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it has sufficient understanding of the nature and location of the work; the general and local conditions including, but not limited to, those bearing upon transportation, disposal, handling and storage of materials; availability of labor, water, electric power, and roads; and uncertainties of weather or similar physical conditions at the site; the character of equipment and facilities needed preliminary to and during the completion of the Service. The CONTRACTOR further acknowledges that the CONTRACTOR has satisfied itself as to the character,

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quality and quantity of surface and subsurface materials, obstacles, and conditions of the site. Any failure by the CONTRACTOR to acquaint itself with any aspect of the work or with any of the applicable conditions will not relieve the CONTRACTOR from responsibility for adequately evaluating the difficulty or cost of successfully performing the work required, nor will it be considered a basis for any claim for additional time or compensation. The COUNTY assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the CONTRACTOR on the basis of the information made available by the COUNTY. The COUNTY also assumes no responsibility for any understanding or representations made by its officers or agents during or prior to the execution of this Agreement, unless such understanding or interpretations are made in writing and incorporated in this Agreement by reference.

**6.3 Intent of the Contract Documents.**

**A.** For purposes of this Agreement, the term “contract documents” includes all bid documents, drawings, the Scope of Work, attachments to this Agreement, and provisions within this Agreement, along with any change orders or amendments to this Agreement, as well as each Project-specific scope, proposal, exhibits, and documents included therein.

**B.** It is the intent of the contract documents to describe a functionally complete Service which defines the Scope of Work. Any work, materials, or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the contract documents as being required to produce the intended result must be supplied whether or not specifically called for. When words which have a well-known technical or trade meaning are used to describe work, material or equipment, such words must be interpreted in accordance with that meaning. Reference to standard specifications, manuals or codes of any technical society, organization or association or to the laws or regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Service, whether such reference be specified or by implication, will mean the latest standard specification, manual, code, law or regulation in effect at the time the work performed, unless specifically stated otherwise in this Agreement.

**C.** The contract documents and all referenced standards cited in the contract documents are essential parts of the contract requirements. A requirement occurring in one is binding as though occurring in all.

**D.** Drawings and specifications are intended to agree and be mutually complete. Any item not contained within the drawings, but are contained in the specifications, or vice-versa, must be provided and executed as shown in either the drawing or specification at no extra costs to the COUNTY. Should anything not included in either the drawing or the specifications be necessary for the proper construction and operation of the Service as specified in this Agreement, or should any error or disagreement between the specifications and drawings exist or appear to exist, the CONTRACTOR may not derive any unjust benefit, or use such disagreement counter to the best interests of the COUNTY. The CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the COUNTY’S Project Manager of any discrepancy and await the Project Manager’s direction before proceeding with the work in question.

**6.4 Errors and Omissions.** The CONTRACTOR shall not take advantage of any apparent error or omission in the contract documents. If any error or omission appears in the contract documents, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the COUNTY in writing of such errors or omissions. In the event the CONTRACTOR knows or should have known of any error or omission and failed to provide such

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notification, the CONTRACTOR will be deemed to have waived any claim for increased time or compensation the CONTRACTOR may have had and the CONTRACTOR will be responsible for the results and the costs of rectifying any such error or omission.

**6.5 Rentals.** Costs for rentals of equipment to complete the work must be included in the lump-sum pricing provided by CONTRACTOR to COUNTY in response to a request for Services or RSQ. **CONTRACTOR is solely responsible for determining whether rentals are required when submitting a quote or bid; there will be no allowance for rental if it is reasonably ascertained that the equipment is needed to complete the work as outlined in the scope of work and was not included in the CONTRACTOR'S original estimate.**

**6.6 Contractor Personnel.**

**A.** CONTRACTOR agrees that each person listed or referenced in CONTRACTOR'S proposal package provided in response to RSQ # 25-904, shall be available to perform the services described herein for the COUNTY barring illness, accident, or other unforeseeable events of a similar nature, in which case CONTRACTOR must be able to promptly provide a qualified replacement. In the event CONTRACTOR desires to substitute personnel, CONTRACTOR shall propose a person with equal or higher qualifications; each replacement person is subject to prior written approval of the COUNTY. In the event the requested substitute is not satisfactory to the COUNTY and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the COUNTY, the COUNTY reserves the right to terminate this Agreement. A list of CONTRACTOR'S Key Personnel under this Agreement are attached hereto and incorporated herein as part of **Exhibit B**.

**B.** The CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all personnel are competent, careful and reliable. All personnel must have sufficient skill and experience to perform their assigned task properly and satisfactorily and to operate any equipment involved and must make due and proper effort to execute the work in the manner prescribed in the contract documents.

**C.** When the COUNTY determines that any person is incompetent, unfaithful, intemperate, disorderly, or insubordinate, such person will be immediately discharged from the Service and will not again be employed on the Service without the written consent of the COUNTY. Should the CONTRACTOR fail to remove such person or persons, the COUNTY may withhold all payments which are or may become due or may suspend the work with approval of the COUNTY until such orders are complied with.

**D. E-Verify.** CONTRACTOR shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system in accordance with the terms governing use of the system to confirm the employment eligibility of all new persons hired by CONTRACTOR during the term of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall include in all contracts with subcontractors performing work pursuant to any contract arising from this Agreement an express requirement that the subcontractors utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system in accordance with the terms governing use of the system to confirm the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractors during the term of the Agreement.

**E. Superintendent.** The CONTRACTOR shall at all times have at the Service site as its agent a competent superintendent capable and thoroughly experienced in the type of work being performed, who will receive instructions from the COUNTY. The superintendent shall supervise all trades, direct all Service

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activities, establish and maintain installation schedules, and provide the COUNTY'S Project Manager with progress reports as requested. The superintendent shall have full authority to execute the orders or directions of the COUNTY, and if applicable to promptly supply any materials, tools, equipment, labor and incidentals which may be required. Such superintendent must be furnished regardless of the amount of work sublet. The CONTRACTOR'S superintendent shall speak, write, and understand English and shall be on the job site during all working hours.

**F.** No alcoholic beverages or drugs are permitted on any COUNTY properties. Evidence of alcoholic beverages or drug use by an individual will result in immediate termination from the job site.

**G. Dress Code & Identification.** The CONTRACTOR shall maintain a dress code for their employees with a minimum of shirts, pants, and work shoes/boots, in decent condition, at all times while the work is being performed. Additionally, there may be times in which the COUNTY will require all workers on a particular individual Service to wear ID badges. The COUNTY shall supply the ID badges. If ID badges are necessary, the CONTRACTOR will ensure that all workers employed for that particular Service, whether employed by the CONTRACTOR or a subcontractor, are scheduled, prior to assignment, for an appointment during the COUNTY'S normal working hours with the COUNTY'S Project Manager, to process and receive ID badges. All new workers must be assigned an ID badge prior to starting work for that Service. The CONTRACTOR shall be aware that it may take up to one (1) week to receive ID badges after required information has been received and pictures have been taken.

**H. Documentation.** If required by the COUNTY for the Service, the CONTRACTOR shall provide the COUNTY'S Project Manager with all requested documentation for all personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR that will be utilized for the Service. Documentation must be provided within five (5) working days of the request and must be submitted electronically in PDF format. This information must also be provided when new personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR are hired at any time during the contract period for the Service. The information supplied will be used to run background checks and to provide identification badging, proximity cards, and keys. All documentation required below must be supplied in one (1) PDF attachment that must be titled with the company's name, the person's name, and the person's birthdate. Example: *ACME Plumbing - John H. Smith - 10/10/96*. The documentation must include the following:

1. Full name.
2. Address.
3. Email address.
4. Telephone number.
5. Copy valid of driver's license, State of Florida identification card, passport, and/or work visa.
6. A current, clear, color photo (head shot) taken with a plain background.
7. Building names and addresses of the facilities where the individual will be working.
8. Any additional information that may be requested by the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

**H. Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS).** When advised by the COUNTY'S Project Manager, the CONTRACTOR'S personnel, subcontractors, and representatives will be required to

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complete an online training class that includes testing in order to have access to some secure areas of COUNTY facilities. Finger printing may also be required and will be performed by the Lake County Sheriff's Office at no expense to the CONTRACTOR.

**I. Background Checks.** Background checks may be performed by the Lake County Sheriff's Office for projects or services being done at the Lake County Courthouse at no expense to CONTRACTOR. On sites other than the Lake County Courthouse, all personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of CONTRACTOR will be required to submit to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for a "Certified Background Check." CONTRACTOR will be responsible for all costs associated with the "Certified Background Check." A copy of the "Certified Background Check" will be supplied to COUNTY Project Manager prior to any work starting. COUNTY Project Manager will notify CONTRACTOR electronically of approved and denied background checks. Reasons for denials will not be provided.

**J. Identification Badging / Proximity Cards / Keys.**

1. The CONTRACTOR'S personnel, subcontractors, and representatives that are approved to work in restricted areas will receive an identification badge which will also act as a proximity card.
2. All approved personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR will be issued identification badges and will be required to wear them at all times while on the COUNTY'S property. At no time will personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR be allowed to work on the COUNTY'S property prior to being given approval by the Facilities Maintenance Division Manager and the assignment of a CONTRACTOR identification badge.
3. For facilities that do not have proximity card readers, keys will be issued to approved personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR.
4. The Facilities Maintenance Division Manager will notify the CONTRACTOR by email that identification badges, proximity cards, and keys are ready for pickup, and will have the CONTRACTOR complete release forms and then distribute them to the CONTRACTOR for disbursement to their personnel, subcontractors, and representatives. The COUNTY'S Project Manager must be copied on the email.

**K. Lost/Stolen/Damaged Identification Badges / Proximity Cards / Keys.**

1. In the event that an identification badge, proximity card or key is lost, stolen or damaged, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately email the Facilities Maintenance Division Manager and the COUNTY'S Project Manager.
2. Personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR must be temporarily substituted by the CONTRACTOR with a suitable replacement until the CONTRACTOR has obtained a new identification badge/proximity card.

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3. The CONTRACTOR will be assessed a \$25.00 fee for each lost, stolen, or damaged card and key in order to reimburse costs incurred by the COUNTY. All fees due will be deducted from the CONTRACTOR'S next invoice.

**L. Reports.** The CONTRACTOR shall provide an initial report within thirty (30) business days of the start date and then annually for all employees currently being utilized for the Service. All additions and changes must be highlighted in yellow. The COUNTY'S Project Manager will provide a standardized Excel form at contract initiation that will be used. Reports must be provided for the duration of the Service. Reports must be delivered electronically in PDF format to the Lake County Sheriff's Office Representative, the Facilities Maintenance Division Manager, and the COUNTY'S Project Manager. Reports must include the following information: (1) individual's name, birthdate, and driver's license number; (2) identification badge/proximity card number; (3) all facilities where the employee works; (4) all facilities accessible by proximity card or key; (5) the date the identification badge/proximity card was issued; (6) dates of subsequently issued identification badges/proximity cards due to loss, theft, or damage; (7) the date that the individual left employment of CONTRACTOR; and (8) the date the identification badge/proximity card was returned.

**M. Worker Dismissal / Leave Reporting**

1. The CONTRACTOR shall immediately email the Facilities Maintenance Division Manager and the COUNTY'S Project Manager upon the dismissal or permanent leave of any personnel, subcontractors, and representatives of the CONTRACTOR that are utilized for projects or services for the COUNTY.
2. The CONTRACTOR shall contact the Facilities Maintenance Division Manager to arrange to drop off identification badges, proximity cards, and keys of a dismissed workers within three (3) working days of dismissal or leave.

**N. Service Completion**

1. At the completion of the Service, the CONTRACTOR shall, within three (3) business days, arrange to meet with the Facilities Maintenance Division Manager to return all identification badges, proximity cards, and keys.
2. The CONTRACTOR will be assessed a \$25.00 fee for each missing identification badge, proximity card, and key in order to reimburse costs incurred by the COUNTY. All fees due will be deducted from the CONTRACTOR's final invoice.

**O. State Funding – Employment of State Residents.** CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that, in accordance with Section 255.099, Florida Statutes, if work assigned to CONTRACTOR is being supported in whole or in part by State funding CONTRACTOR will give preference to the employment of state residents in the performance of the work if state residents have substantially equal qualifications to those of non-residents. If CONTRACTOR is required to employ state residents, CONTRACTOR will contact the Department of Economic Opportunity to post the employment needs in the State's job bank system. However, in work involving the expenditure of federal aid funds, this section may not be enforced in such a manner that would conflict with or be contrary to federal law prescribing a

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labor preference to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, or marines, or prohibiting as unlawful any other preference or discrimination among the citizens of the United States.

**6.7 Subcontractors.**

A. CONTRACTOR will be fully responsible to the COUNTY for the acts and omissions of the CONTRACTOR'S subcontractors and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them.

B. All subcontractors, for as long as the subcontractor is working on the job site, must have at least one supervisor/foreman on the job site that speaks and understands English.

C. CONTRACTOR shall cause its subcontractors and suppliers to comply with the Service schedule and applicable sub-schedules.

D. CONTRACTOR shall include with the final invoice a completed CONTRACTOR'S FINAL PAYMENT AFFIDAVIT, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by reference as **Exhibit D (Composite)**. The invoice will not be processed without the form.

E. Subcontracting without the prior consent of COUNTY may result in termination of the Agreement for default.

**6.8 Completion of the Scope of Services.** The CONTRACTOR shall give the work the attention necessary to assure the scheduled progress and shall cooperate fully with the COUNTY and with other contractors on the job site. All work must be done in accordance with the contract documents. When not specifically identified in the technical specifications, such materials and equipment must be of a suitable type and grade for the purpose. All material, workmanship, and equipment will be subject to the inspection and approval of the COUNTY.

**6.9 Emergencies.** Dependent on COUNTY need, the CONTRACTOR must have a responsible person available at, or reasonably near, the Service on a twenty-four (24) hour basis, seven (7) days a week, who may be contacted in emergencies and in cases where immediate action must be taken to maintain traffic or to handle any other problem that might arise. The CONTRACTOR'S responsible person for supervision of emergencies must speak and understand, both verbally and in writing, the English language. The CONTRACTOR shall submit to the COUNTY'S Project Manager, the phone numbers and names of personnel designated to be contacted in cases of emergencies. Included in this list must be a twenty-four (24) hour contact phone number for all subcontractors, if any, performing work under this Agreement. This list must contain the name of their supervisors responsible for work pertaining to this Agreement.

In the event of an emergency affecting the safety or protection of persons, or the work or property at a Service site or adjacent to a Service site, the CONTRACTOR, without special instruction or authorization from the COUNTY, is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss. The CONTRACTOR shall contact the COUNTY as soon as possible by telephone and with written notice as soon as feasible after the emergency, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the occurrence of the emergency, if the CONTRACTOR believes that any significant changes in the work or variations from the contract documents has occurred. If the COUNTY determines that a change in the contract documents is required

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because of the action taken in response to an emergency, a change order request will be issued to document the consequences of the changes or variations. If the CONTRACTOR fails to provide written notice within the twenty-four (24) hour limitation noted above, the CONTRACTOR will be deemed to have waived any right it otherwise may have had to seek an adjustment to the contract amount or an extension to the contract time.

**6.10 Safety.**

**A.** The CONTRACTOR shall initiate, maintain, and supervise all safety precautions and programs in connection with the work, and shall comply with all requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and any other industry, Federal, State or local government standards, including the National Institute of Occupational Safety Hazards (NIOSH), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). The CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to, persons or property. The CONTRACTOR shall be aware that while working for the COUNTY, representatives from agencies such as OSHA are invitees and need not have warrants or permission to enter the work site. Any fines levied by the above-mentioned authorities for failure to comply with these requirements will be borne solely by the CONTRACTOR.

**B.** The CONTRACTOR certifies that all material, equipment, etc. to be used in an individual Service meets all Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements. The CONTRACTOR further certifies that if any of the material, equipment, etc. is found to be deficient in any OSHA requirement in effect on the date of delivery, all costs necessary to bring the material, equipment, etc. into compliance with these requirements will be borne by the CONTRACTOR. All standard equipment, work operations, safety equipment, personal protective equipment, and lighting required or mandated by State, Federal, OSHA, or Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations must be provided and used by the CONTRACTOR and its employees.

**C.** All safety devices installed by the manufacturer on equipment utilized by the CONTRACTOR on the jobsite must be in place and in proper working order at all times. If the COUNTY determines that equipment is deficient in safety devices, the CONTRACTOR will be notified immediately. The CONTRACTOR shall immediately repair or remove the equipment from service until the deficiency is corrected to the satisfaction of the COUNTY.

**D.** The COUNTY may periodically monitor the work site for safety. Should there be safety or health violations, the COUNTY will have the authority, but not the duty, to require the CONTRACTOR to correct the violation in an expeditious manner. If there is any situation that is deemed unsafe by the COUNTY, the Service will be shut down immediately upon notice and will not resume work until the unsafe condition has been remedied. CONTRACTOR shall receive no additional compensation, no extension of time, and shall not be entitled to reimbursement of any demobilization costs, remobilization costs, or other out-of-pocket expenses incurred as a result of such work stoppage. If the violation is not corrected within a reasonable time, COUNTY may in its sole discretion declare CONTRACTOR to be in default of this Agreement.

**E.** Should the work site be in a hazardous area, the COUNTY shall take reasonable actions to furnish the CONTRACTOR with information concerning hazards such as the types or the identification of

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known toxic material, machine hazards, Safety Data Sheets, or any other information that would assist the CONTRACTOR in the planning of a safe work site. The CONTRACTOR retains the ultimate responsibility to ensure all work is performed in a manner consistent with all applicable safety standards and directives. The CONTRACTOR retains the ultimate responsibility to ensure all work is performed in a manner consistent with all applicable safety standards and directives. **CONTRACTOR is solely responsible for ensuring safety related to any additional or unique hazards due to the nature and location of the work.**

F. The CONTRACTOR shall erect and maintain, as required by existing conditions and contract performance, safeguards for safety and protection such as barricades, danger signs, a construction fence, and other warnings against hazardous conditions.

G. The CONTRACTOR shall remove all surplus material and debris from the Service site at the end of each workday. All costs associated with clean-up and debris removal must be included in the lump sum price stated elsewhere in this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall leave the site clean and neat. All work must be cleaned up prior to the next day of business. At no time may the specified work interfere with the regular operating hours of Lake County.

H. CONTRACTOR must have sufficient and Service appropriate supplies on-site for clean-up. At no time may the CONTRACTOR use COUNTY cleaning supplies or equipment. Upon final completion, the CONTRACTOR shall thoroughly clean-up all areas where work has been involved as mutually agreed with the COUNTY'S Project Manager. **If at any time the CONTRACTOR fails to clean up the work area to acceptable levels, the COUNTY may retain outside cleaning services and the actual costs for this service will be deducted from the CONTRACTOR'S final payment with the minimum cost of \$50.00 to offset the COUNTY'S time for securing services to properly clean and inspect the site.**

I. The CONTRACTOR shall confine all equipment, materials and operations to the Service site and areas identified in the agreement documents. The CONTRACTOR shall assume all responsibility for any damage to any such area resulting from the performance of the work.

J. Hazardous Materials. CONTRACTOR is responsible for notifying the COUNTY of any hazardous materials used on the work site and providing the COUNTY a copy of the Safety Data Sheets (SDS). Any spillage of hazardous chemicals or wastes by the CONTRACTOR will be reported immediately to the COUNTY and cleaned up in accordance with all State and Federal Regulations. The cost of cleanup of any spillage of hazardous chemicals or wastes caused by CONTRACTOR will be the sole responsibility of CONTRACTOR and the COUNTY will share no responsibility of these costs. A copy of the complete report showing compliance with local, state, and federal agencies will be given to the COUNTY. If any hazardous chemicals or conditions are discovered during the normal operation, it is the responsibility of CONTRACTOR to immediately contact the COUNTY with a description and location of the condition. The SDS must meet the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1200(g), and include the following information:

- Section 1: Identification;
- Section 2: Hazard(s) identification;
- Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients;
- Section 4: First-aid measures;

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- Section 5: Fire-fighting measures;
- Section 6: Accidental release measures;
- Section 7: Handling and storage;
- Section 8: Exposure controls / personal protection;
- Section 9: Physical and chemical properties;
- Section 10: Stability and reactivity;
- Section 11: Toxicological information;
- Section 12: Ecological information;
- Section 13: Disposal considerations;
- Section 14: Transport information;
- Section 15: Regulatory information; and
- Section 16: Other information, including date of preparation or last revision.

The CONTRACTOR shall designate a competent person of its organization whose duty will be the prevention of accidents. This person must be literate and able to communicate fully in the English language because of the necessity to read job instructions and signs, as well as the need for conversing with management personnel. This person will be the CONTRACTOR'S superintendent unless otherwise designated in writing to the COUNTY'S Project Manager. All communications to the superintendent will be as binding as if given to the CONTRACTOR.

**6.11 Underground Utilities.** Any required digging or subsurface work will be done in accordance with Chapter 556, Florida Statutes. It will be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR to have all underground utilities located before any work begins (Sunshine State One Call 1-800-432-4770). The repairs of any damaged underground utilities because of the work being performed by CONTRACTOR will be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. The proper utility company will be contacted immediately to expedite the repairs if damage has occurred. CONTRACTOR will notify the COUNTY and provide a written explanation of the incident within two days of the damage to any underground utilities.

**6.12 Maintenance of Traffic.**

**A.** In the event that any of the work is conducted within any public right of way, the CONTRACTOR shall provide proper Maintenance of Traffic (MOT). Unless otherwise specified, the standard specifications to be used for the Service will be the strictest and latest edition as promulgated by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) or the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

**B.** Maintenance of traffic will be the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR, is part of the CONTRACTOR'S proposal price, and must conform to FDOT'S most current editions and supplements of Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Roadway and Traffic Design Standards, Manual or Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways, or the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), as applicable. These documents can be ordered from FDOT, Maps and Publications Department, 605 Suwannee Street, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0450, or by going to the FDOT website at: <https://www.fdot.gov/publications/publications.shtm>.

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C. All costs associated with MOT must be included in the CONTRACTOR'S proposal price. No separate line items for MOT will be included in the cost estimate. If the CONTRACTOR does not comply with all of the FDOT and the FHWA standards (i.e., signs, qualified flaggers, and barricades), the COUNTY reserves the right to direct the CONTRACTOR to cease operation until deficiencies are corrected. In addition, no road closures will be allowed except in the case of emergencies.

D. If the CONTRACTOR feels that assistance from an off-duty police officer is needed, it will be the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR'S sole cost and expense, to hire and pay for this service.

E. All lane closures must have the prior approval of the COUNTY.

F. These requirements are to be considered a minimum and the CONTRACTOR'S compliance will in no way relieve the CONTRACTOR of final responsibility for providing adequate traffic control devices for the protection of the public and the CONTRACTOR'S employees throughout the work area.

G. The use of public roads and streets by the CONTRACTOR must provide minimal inconvenience to the public and traffic. Furthermore, if the CONTRACTOR is utilizing a road by driving slow moving equipment, the operator must allow no more than three (3) vehicles to be backed up behind them at any time before pulling to the side to let traffic pass.

**6.13 General Inspection Requirements.**

A. The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the COUNTY with every reasonable accommodation for ascertaining whether the work performed and materials used are in accordance with the requirements and intent of the contract documents. If the COUNTY so requests, the CONTRACTOR shall, at any time before final acceptance of the work, remove or uncover such portions of the finished work as may be directed. After examination, the CONTRACTOR shall restore the uncovered portions of the work to the standard required by the specifications. Should the work so exposed or examined prove unacceptable in the opinion of the COUNTY, the uncovering or removal, and the replacing of the covering or making good of the parts removed, will be at the CONTRACTOR'S expense. However, should the work thus exposed or examined prove acceptable in the opinion of the COUNTY, the uncovering or removing and the replacing or the covering or making good of the parts removed, will be paid for as unforeseen work.

B. If the COUNTY should, at any point before, during, or after, completion of construction activities, fail to reject defective work or materials, whether from lack of discovery of such defect or for any other reason, such initial failure to reject will in no way prevent the COUNTY'S later rejection when such defect is discovered, nor obligate the COUNTY to final acceptance or payment, and the CONTRACTOR will make no claim for losses suffered due to any necessary removals or repairs of such defects.

C. If, during or prior to construction operations, the COUNTY rejects any portion of the work on the grounds that the work or materials are defective, the COUNTY shall give the CONTRACTOR notice of the defect, which notice may be confirmed in writing. The CONTRACTOR will then have seven (7) calendar days from the date the notice is given to correct the defective condition. If the CONTRACTOR fails to correct the deficiency within the seven (7) calendar days after receipt of the notice, the COUNTY

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may take any action necessary, including correcting the deficient work utilizing another CONTRACTOR, returning any non-compliant goods to the CONTRACTOR at the CONTRACTOR's expense or terminating the contract. The CONTRACTOR may not assess any additional charges for any conforming action taken by the COUNTY. The COUNTY will not be responsible to pay for any product or service that does not conform to the contract specifications.

**D.** Should the CONTRACTOR fail to remove and renew any defective materials used or work performed, or to make any necessary corrections in an acceptable manner and in accordance with the contract requirements, within the time indicated in writing, the COUNTY will have the authority to cause the unacceptable or defective materials or work to be corrected as necessary at the CONTRACTOR'S expense. Any expense incurred by the COUNTY, whether direct, indirect or consequential, in making these repairs, removals, or renewals will be paid for out of any monies due or which may become due to the CONTRACTOR. A change order will be issued, incorporating the necessary revisions to the contract documents, including an appropriate decrease to the contract amount. Such costs will include, but not be limited to, costs of repair and replacement of work destroyed or damaged by correction, removal or replacement of the CONTRACTOR'S defective work and additional compensation due the COUNTY. The CONTRACTOR will not be allowed an extension of the contract time because of any delay in performance of the Service attributable to the exercise by the COUNTY of the COUNTY'S rights and remedies under this Agreement. If the CONTRACTOR fails to honor the change order, the COUNTY may terminate this Agreement for default.

**E.** All work performed and all materials furnished must be in reasonably close conformity with the tolerances indicated in the specifications. In the event the COUNTY'S Project Manager finds the materials or the finished product in which the materials are used and not within reasonably close conformity to the specifications, the COUNTY'S Project Manager will then make a determination if the work will be accepted and remain in place. In this event, the COUNTY'S Project Manager will document the basis of acceptance by a Change Order that will provide for an appropriate deduction as needed in the contract price for such work or materials as the COUNTY'S Project Manager deems necessary to conform to the determination based on the COUNTY'S Project Manager's professional judgment.

**F.** When the United States Government or the State of Florida is to pay a portion of the cost of construction, the work will be subject to such inspection by Federal or State representatives as deemed necessary, but such inspections will in no case make the United States Government or the State of Florida a party to this contract.

**6.14 Service Materials and Storage.**

**A.** Unless otherwise specified within the contract documents, all materials to be used to complete the Service, except where recycled content is specifically requested, must be new, unused, of recent manufacture, and suitable for its intended purpose. All goods must be assembled, fully serviced and ready for operation when delivered. In the event any of the materials supplied by the CONTRACTOR are found to be defective or do not conform to specifications: (1) the materials may be returned to the CONTRACTOR at the CONTRACTOR'S expense and this Agreement may be terminated or (2) the COUNTY may require the CONTRACTOR to replace the materials at the CONTRACTOR'S expense.

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**B.** Materials must be placed to permit easy access for proper inspection and identification of each shipment. Any material which has deteriorated, become damaged, or is otherwise unfit for use, as determined by the COUNTY, must not be used for the Service, and must be removed from the site by the CONTRACTOR at the CONTRACTOR'S expense. Until incorporated into the work, materials will be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR will not be paid for such materials until incorporated into the work. If any chemicals, materials or products containing toxic substances are to be used at any time, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish a Material Safety Data Sheet to the COUNTY prior to commencing such use.

**C.** When not specifically identified in the technical specifications, materials and equipment must be of a suitable type and grade for the purpose which they are used.

**D.** All unusable materials and debris must be removed from the premises by the CONTRACTOR at the end of each workday and disposed of in an appropriate manner.

**6.15 Time for Completion and Extensions.**

**A.** A written Notice to Proceed is required for the CONTRACTOR to schedule or begin work. Purchase Orders will be issued for Services to the CONTRACTOR. Issuance of a Purchase Order is not a directive to begin work unless otherwise specified. Email notice is acceptable.

**B.** The CONTRACTOR shall diligently pursue the completion of the work and coordinate the work being done on the Service by its subcontractors and material suppliers, as well as coordinate the CONTRACTOR'S work with the work of other contractors so that the CONTRACTOR'S work or the work of others will not be delayed or impaired. The CONTRACTOR will be solely responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures, as well as coordination of all portions of the work under the contract documents. The time for completion requirements will be agreed to by the Parties for each Project awarded to CONTRACTOR by COUNTY.

**C.** Should the CONTRACTOR be obstructed or delayed in the completion of the work as a result of unforeseeable causes beyond the control of the CONTRACTOR, and not due to the CONTRACTOR'S fault or neglect, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the COUNTY in writing within twenty-four (24) hours after the commencement of such delay, stating the cause or causes of the delay, or be deemed to have waived any right which the CONTRACTOR may have had to request a time extension.

**D.** If the CONTRACTOR complies with the twenty-four (24) hour notice requirement, the COUNTY will ascertain the facts and the extent of the delay being claimed and recommend an extension to the contract time when, in the COUNTY'S sole judgment, the findings of fact justify such an extension. The CONTRACTOR shall cooperate with the COUNTY'S investigation of the delays by providing any schedules, correspondence or other data that may be required to complete the findings of fact. Extensions to the contract time may be granted only for those delays which impact the CONTRACTOR'S construction schedule. Extensions of contract time, if approved by the COUNTY, must be authorized by written change order.

**6.16 Changes in the Scope of Services.**

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**A.** The COUNTY may at any time, by written change order, in accordance with the COUNTY'S Purchasing Policy and Procedures, increase or decrease the scope of the work. For changes in work requested by the CONTRACTOR, the CONTRACTOR must prepare and submit change order requests for the COUNTY'S approval. Each change order will include time and monetary impacts of the change, whether the change order is considered alone or with all other changes during the course of the Service. Both the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR must execute the change order for the order to become effective.

**B.** The value of such extra work or change will be determined by the contract unit values, if applicable unit values are set forth in this Agreement or Project-specific bid/quote. The amount of the change will be computed from such values and added to or deducted from the contract price.

**C.** If the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR are unable to agree on the change order for a requested change, the CONTRACTOR shall, nevertheless, promptly perform the change as directed in writing by the COUNTY. If the CONTRACTOR disagrees with the COUNTY'S adjustment determination, the CONTRACTOR must make a claim pursuant to the Claims and Disputes section in this Agreement, or else be deemed to have waived any claim on this matter the CONTRACTOR might have otherwise had.

**D.** For work not contemplated by the original Agreement or Project where the Project Manager determines the CONTRACTOR is best suited to complete the work, CONTRACTOR may complete the work by lump sum change order. -Payment to CONTRACTOR will be limited to the amount quoted by the CONTRACTOR for the additional work, which the CONTRACTOR exceeds at its own risk.

**E.** The COUNTY will not be liable to the CONTRACTOR for any increased compensation in the absence of a written change order executed in accordance with the COUNTY'S policy. The payment authorized by such a change order will represent full and complete compensation to the CONTRACTOR for labor, materials, incidental expenses, overhead, profit, impact costs and time associated with the work authorized by such change order.

**F.** Execution by the CONTRACTOR of a properly authorized change order will be considered a waiver of all claims or requests for additional time or compensation for any activities prior to the time of execution related to items included in the change order.

**G.** Upon receipt of an approved change order, changes in the Scope of Services must be promptly performed. All changes in work must be performed under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**H.** Change orders will not be issued for incidental items or tasks that should have been reasonably construed to be part of the project by the CONTRACTOR.

**6.17 Sales Tax Recovery Program.** In accordance with Section 212.08(6), Florida Statutes, and Rule 12A-1.094, Florida Administrative Code, the COUNTY is tax exempt when it purchases tangible personal property for use in public works projects, subject to certain restrictions. In the event this project is declared a sales tax recovery project by the COUNTY, the following procedures will apply:

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**A.** The COUNTY, through its Project Manager, shall determine whether the COUNTY will directly purchase certain materials required for the Work.

**B.** If requested by the Project Manager, the CONTRACTOR shall prepare a list of proposed items that may be desirable for COUNTY direct purchasing. Proposed items will be items that are purchased in a single order from a single vendor with a value greater than \$10,000. Upon reviewing this list, the COUNTY will determine whether it will directly purchase certain materials. The COUNTY shall notify the CONTRACTOR in writing of the specific materials which are intended to be purchased.

**C.** Within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the written notice described in Article 4.16.B, the CONTRACTOR shall advise the COUNTY in writing of: (a) the date upon which the materials must be on-site according to the construction schedule approved at that time, (b) the date that the CONTRACTOR directs that the COUNTY place the order for the described materials, (c) the location to which the materials are to be delivered, and (d) any other particular details of the order which the CONTRACTOR requests that the COUNTY include in the Purchase Order to the vendor.

**D.** The COUNTY may, but is not required to, provide the CONTRACTOR with the proposed Purchase Order for the materials. In that case, the CONTRACTOR shall review the Purchase Order for compliance with the construction documents, including, without limitation, the plans, specifications, and construction schedule. Within five (5) calendar days from the receipt of the proposed Purchase Order, the CONTRACTOR shall provide the COUNTY with written approval of the Purchase Order or shall provide written revisions to the Purchase Order, in order that the materials and the delivery will comply with the Construction Documents, including, without limitation, the plans, specifications and Construction Schedule.

**E.** The COUNTY will place the Order for the materials with the vendor.

**F.** The COUNTY will take title to those materials directly from the vendor and will bear the risk of loss or damage to the materials which are delivered by the vendor through the time that the materials are delivered to the location designated by the CONTRACTOR. After the materials are delivered to the location designated by the CONTRACTOR, the CONTRACTOR will have full responsibility for their storage, protection, risk-of-loss, and installation pursuant to the construction documents, including, without limitation, the plans, specifications, and construction schedule.

**G.** The vendor will invoice the COUNTY directly for the materials purchased from the vendor. The COUNTY shall pay the invoices for the materials directly, presenting its sales tax exemption certificate to each vendor at the time of payment.

With respect to the materials specifically designated by this section, the CONTRACTOR will be relieved only of its responsibilities to place the order for the subject materials, to pay for the materials and to insure the materials against loss through the date that they are delivered to the location designated by the CONTRACTOR. Otherwise, nothing in this Agreement will revise or modify the CONTRACTOR'S responsibilities set forth in this Agreement, including, without limitation, the responsibility to schedule the timely ordering and delivery of the materials purchased under this Agreement, the management of the materials once delivered or the incorporation of the materials into the Service, as provided in the construction documents, including, without limitation, the plans, specifications and construction schedule.

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**THE PURPOSE OF THE SALES TAX RECOVERY PROGRAM IS TO ACHIEVE COST SAVINGS FOR THE COUNTY. THE COST OF ANY MATERIALS PURCHASED THROUGH THE SALES TAX RECOVERY PROGRAM WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM THE CONTRACT AMOUNT. ALL SAVINGS REALIZED BY THE SALES TAX RECOVERY PROGRAM WILL INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF THE COUNTY. IT IS THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ADJUST ANY SUBCONTRACTS ACCORDINGLY.**

The COUNTY and CONTRACTOR shall execute a written change order described in this Agreement and approved in accordance with the COUNTY'S policy and the Change Order will become a part of the contract documents as provided in this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR'S fee will be calculated on the basis that the CONTRACTOR, rather than the COUNTY, procured the materials. Therefore, for purpose of calculating the fee, the total of subcontractor and supplier costs will include payments made by the COUNTY under this program. The calculation of the fee in this manner will provide, among other things, specific supplemental consideration for the provisions of this Article.

**6.18 Claims and Disputes.**

**A.** Claims by the CONTRACTOR must be made in writing to the COUNTY within two (2) business days, unless another provision of this Agreement sets forth a different time frame, after the commencement of the event giving rise to such claim or the CONTRACTOR will be deemed to have waived the claim. All claims will be priced in accordance with the section in this document entitled "Changes in the Scope of Services."

**B.** The CONTRACTOR shall proceed diligently with its performance as directed by the COUNTY, regardless of any pending claim, action, suit, or administrative proceeding, unless otherwise agreed to by the COUNTY in writing. The COUNTY shall continue to make payments on the undisputed portion of the contract in accordance with the contract documents during the pendency of any claim.

**C.** Claims by the CONTRACTOR will be resolved in the following manner: (1) Upon receiving the claim and supporting data, the COUNTY will within fifteen (15) calendar days respond to the claim in writing stating that the claim is either approved or denied. If denied, the COUNTY will specify the grounds for denial. The CONTRACTOR will then have fifteen (15) calendar days in which to provide additional supporting documentation, or to notify the COUNTY that the original claim stands as is. (2) If the claim is not resolved, the COUNTY may, at its option, choose to submit the matter to mediation. A mediator will be mutually selected by the Parties and each party will pay one-half (1/2) the expense of mediation. If the COUNTY declines to mediate the dispute, the CONTRACTOR may bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction in and for Lake County, Florida.

**D.** Claims by the COUNTY against the CONTRACTOR must be made in writing to the CONTRACTOR as soon as the event leading to the claim is discovered by the COUNTY. Written supporting data will be submitted to the CONTRACTOR. All claims will be priced in accordance with the provisions of the section in this document entitled "Changes in the Scope of Services." The CONTRACTOR shall respond in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of the claim. If the claim cannot be resolved, the COUNTY may submit the matter to mediation as set forth above.

**E.** Arbitration will not be considered as a means of dispute resolution.

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**F. NO CLAIM FOR DAMAGES OR ANY CLAIM OTHER THAN FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME MAY BE MADE OR ASSERTED AGAINST THE COUNTY BY REASON OF ANY DELAYS.** No interruption, interference, inefficiency, suspension or delay in the commencement or progress of the work will relieve the CONTRACTOR of its duty to perform or give rise to any right to damages or additional compensation from the COUNTY. The CONTRACTOR expressly acknowledges and agrees that the CONTRACTOR will receive no damages for delay. However, this provision will not preclude recovery or damages by the CONTRACTOR for hindrances or delays due solely to fraud, bad faith, or active interference on the part of the COUNTY. Otherwise, the CONTRACTOR will be entitled to extensions of the contract time as the sole and exclusive remedy for such resulting delay, in accordance with and to the extent specifically provided above.

**6.19 Acceptance of the Work and Final Payment.**

**A.** The work delivered and services rendered under this Agreement will remain the property of the CONTRACTOR and will not be deemed complete until a physical inspection and actual usage of the Service is accepted by the COUNTY and will be in compliance with the terms of this Agreement, fully in accord with the specifications and of the highest quality. Any goods or services purchased under this Agreement may be tested/inspected for compliance with the specifications listed.

**B. Maintenance of Work.** The CONTRACTOR shall maintain all work in as-new condition until the final inspection is completed and the work is accepted by the COUNTY. All insurance must be maintained until final acceptance by the COUNTY.

**C. Final Invoice.** When the work provided for under this Agreement has been completely performed by the CONTRACTOR a final invoice will be prepared by the CONTRACTOR and submitted with a Final Payment Affidavit, to be provided by the COUNTY'S Project Manager. The amount of this invoice, less any sums that may have been deducted or retained under the provisions of this Agreement, will be paid to the CONTRACTOR in accordance with Article 4 of this Agreement, and after the CONTRACTOR has agreed in writing to accept the balance due, as determined by the COUNTY, as full settlement of the account under the contract and of all claims in connection with the invoice. Occupancy by the COUNTY alone does not constitute final acceptance.

**D. Waiver of Claims.** The CONTRACTOR'S acceptance of final payment will constitute a full waiver of any and all claims by the CONTRACTOR against the COUNTY arising out of this Agreement or otherwise related to the Service, except those previously made in writing and identified by the CONTRACTOR as unsettled at the time the final estimate is prepared. Neither the acceptance of the work nor payment by the COUNTY will be deemed a waiver of the COUNTY'S rights to enforce any continuing obligations of the CONTRACTOR or to the recovery of damages for defective work not discovered by the COUNTY at the time of final inspection.

**E. Termination of Contractor's Responsibilities.** This Agreement will be considered complete when all work has been completed and accepted by the COUNTY and all warranty periods have expired. The CONTRACTOR will then be released from further obligation except as set forth in this Agreement.

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F. Recovery Rights Subsequent to Final Payment. The COUNTY reserves the right, should an error be discovered in the invoice, or should proof of defective work or materials used by or on the part of the CONTRACTOR be discovered after the final payment has been made, to claim and recover from the CONTRACTOR by process of law, such sums as may be sufficient to correct the error or make good the defects in the work and materials, including any fees or costs associated with the additional services of the COUNTY.

**6.20 Warranties.**

A. All warranties express and implied, must be made available to the COUNTY for goods and services furnished under this Agreement. All goods furnished must be fully guaranteed by the CONTRACTOR against factory defects and workmanship. They will be covered by the most favorable commercial warranty given for comparable quantities of products or services and the rights and remedies provided herein will be in addition to the warranty and do not limit any right afforded to the COUNTY by any other provision of a solicitation. CONTRACTOR shall correct any and all apparent and latent defects that may occur within the manufacturer's standard warranty period at no expense to the COUNTY. Any special conditions within the Scope of Work supersede the manufacturer's standard warranty where such conditions are most favorable to the COUNTY.

B. All warranties will begin on the date of the COUNTY'S acceptance and will last for a period of twelve (12) months unless otherwise specified in the Scope of Services, plans, or specifications. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain and assign to the COUNTY all express warranties given to the CONTRACTOR or any subcontractors by any material suppliers, equipment, or fixtures to be incorporated into the Service.

C. The CONTRACTOR warrants to the COUNTY that any materials and equipment furnished under the contract documents will be new unless otherwise specified, and that all work will be of good quality, free from defects and in conformance with the contract documents. The CONTRACTOR further warrants to the COUNTY that all materials and equipment furnished under the contract documents will be applied, installed, connected, erected, used, cleaned, and conditioned in accordance with the instructions of the applicable manufacturers, fabricators, suppliers, or processors except as otherwise provided for the contract documents. This warranty requirement will remain in force for the full period identified above, regardless of whether the CONTRACTOR is still under contract at the time of the defect. These warranties are in addition to those implied warranties to which the COUNTY is entitled as a matter of law.

D. If sod is used as part of an individual Service, it will be warranted to be free of noxious and invasive weeds, disease, and insects. If pests or noxious weeds manifest themselves within sixty (60) days of placement of the sod, CONTRACTOR will treat the affected areas. The process for treating these areas will be approved by the COUNTY. If the sod does not meet any of the required specifications, CONTRACTOR will be responsible to replace it at no expense to the COUNTY. It will be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR to ensure the sod is sufficiently established as described as specified in the Scope of Services, plans, or specifications. This will include watering the sod on a regular basis as needed to keep it alive until established. Established will be considered as being sufficiently rooted, as determined by the COUNTY Project Manager, into the surface that it was installed. If the sod dies or does not become established CONTRACTOR will be responsible for the replacement at no cost to the COUNTY.

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**E.** CONTRACTOR will be responsible for promptly correcting all apparent and latent deficiencies or defects in work, regardless of the project completion status, at no cost to the COUNTY, within five (5) calendar days after the COUNTY notifies CONTRACTOR of such deficiency either verbally or in writing. If CONTRACTOR fails to honor the warranty or fails to correct or replace the defective work or items within the period specified, the COUNTY may, at its discretion, notify CONTRACTOR in writing that CONTRACTOR may be debarred as a COUNTY vendor, and become subject to contractual default if the corrections or replacements are not completed to the satisfaction of the COUNTY within five (5) calendar days of receipt of the notice. If CONTRACTOR fails to satisfy the warranty within the period specified in the notice, the COUNTY may (a) place CONTRACTOR in default of its agreement and (b) procure the products or services from another source and charge CONTRACTOR for any additional costs that are incurred by the COUNTY for this work or items, either through a either through a deduction from the final payment, credit memorandum, or through invoicing. If the Contractor fails to honor this invoice or credit memo, the County may terminate the contract for default.

**6.21 Liquidated Damages.**

**A.** Unless otherwise agreed to, weather events are specifically excluded as excused cause for delay under this Agreement and no additional days will be given for rain days. If the deficiencies have been noted and the remedies have not been completed within the contracted time, the COUNTY may send out a notification notifying the CONTRACTOR of an assessment of Liquidated Damages that can be applied for any day over the time allowed under this Agreement.

**B.** The COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR recognize that, since time is of the essence for this Agreement, the COUNTY will suffer financial loss if the work is not completed within the time specified. The COUNTY will be entitled to assess, as Liquidated Damages, but not as a penalty, for each calendar day after the scheduled completion date the Service continues. The Service will be deemed to be completed on the date the work is considered complete to the satisfaction of the COUNTY. The CONTRACTOR hereby expressly waives and relinquishes any right which it may have to seek to characterize the Liquidated Damages as a penalty. The Parties agree that the Liquidated Damages sum represents a fair and reasonable estimate of the COUNTY'S actual damages at the time of contracting if the CONTRACTOR fails to complete the work in a timely manner.

**C.** The Liquidated Damages will be as set forth in the following table:

| <b>Service/Project Amount</b>           | <b>Daily Charge (Per Calendar Day)</b> |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| \$5,000 and under                       | \$25                                   |
| Over \$5,000 but less than \$10,000     | \$65                                   |
| \$10,000 or more but less than \$20,000 | \$91                                   |
| \$20,000 or more but less than \$30,000 | \$121                                  |
| \$30,000 or more but less than \$40,000 | \$166                                  |
| \$40,000 or more but less than \$50,000 | \$228                                  |
| \$50,001 or more                        | \$250                                  |

**D.** The COUNTY will retain from the compensation to be paid to the CONTRACTOR the above-described sum. If CONTRACTOR is in default for not completing the Service within the time specified, the COUNTY may require CONTRACTOR to stop work on any other project or service to the

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COUNTY until the Service specific in this Agreement is complete and the Liquidated damages Sum is satisfied.

**6.22 Sanitation.** If the Service does not involve interior work, the CONTRACTOR shall provide and maintain adequate sanitary conveniences for the use of persons employed for the Service. These conveniences will be maintained at all times without nuisance, and their use must be strictly enforced. The location of these conveniences will be subject to the COUNTY'S Project Manager's approval. All such facilities will be installed and maintained in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local laws.

**6.23 Submittals and Equal Products.**

**A.** Submittals of products required for the Service assigned to the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, must be supplied to the COUNTY for pre-approval prior to the start of the work. These documents must be provided to the COUNTY at least one (1) week before the installation.

**B.** If a product or service requested by the COUNTY for the Service has been identified in the specifications by a brand name, and has not been notated as a "No Substitute," item, such identification is intended to be descriptive and not restrictive, and is to indicate the quality and characteristics of product or service that will be acceptable. If the CONTRACTOR offers an alternate product or service for consideration, such product must be clearly identified by the CONTRACTOR to the COUNTY. The COUNTY shall make a determination whether the alternate meets the salient characteristics of the specifications. An alternate product will not be considered for any item notated "No Substitute."

**C.** Unless the CONTRACTOR clearly indicates in its response that it is proposing an alternate product, the response will be considered as offering the same brand name referenced in the specifications. If the CONTRACTOR proposes to furnish an alternate product or service, the brand name of the product or service to be furnished must be clearly identified. A formal submittal for the alternate/shop drawings must be submitted. The evaluation of the alternate and the determination as to acceptability of the alternate product or service will be the responsibility of the COUNTY and will be based upon information furnished by the CONTRACTOR. The COUNTY will not be responsible for locating or securing any information which is not included in the CONTRACTOR's response. To ensure that sufficient information is available, the CONTRACTOR will furnish as part of the bid or proposal all descriptive material by providing the manufacturer specification sheets so the COUNTY can make an informed determination whether the product offered meets the salient characteristics required by the specifications. Failure to do so will require the use of the specified products.

**6.24 Fees.** The following is a list of fees that may be assessed to CONTRACTOR during the term of this Agreement. These fees are assessed to help offset the additional costs associated with the COUNTY'S labor and vehicle usage required for unnecessary inspections or missed appointments. The \$80.00 fee shown below is a re-inspection fee for uncorrected workmanship. The fee will be applied to the third inspection and for any subsequent inspections. Any re-inspection fee charged to the COUNTY by other agencies having jurisdiction over the Service, will additionally be charged back to CONTRACTOR. The fees, if any, will be deducted from the final invoices.

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| Missing scheduled appointments                                                                 | \$70.00 each occurrence |
| Failure to respond to emergency calls                                                          | \$250.00 per day        |
| Late to emergency calls                                                                        | \$36.00 per hour        |
| Inspected unacceptable workmanship                                                             | \$80.00 each inspection |
| Failure to provide any and all required documentation or reports                               | \$75.00 per day         |
| Failure to pass all inspecting authority re-inspections (within 30 days of initial inspection) | \$250.00 per day        |

**6.25 Accuracy.** The CONTRACTOR is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, timely completion, and coordination of all the services furnished under this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies resulting from the services provided in this Agreement.

**6.26 Business Hours of Operation.** Unless otherwise specified in the technical specifications, all work performed must be accomplished between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, and no work may be performed on Saturdays, Sundays, or County Holidays, unless permission to work has been requested in writing by the CONTRACTOR and approval, in writing, has been granted by the COUNTY. Request for permission to work must be received by the COUNTY no less than two (2) days prior to the requested workday. The exception to this pre-approval requirement would be in the case of an emergency in which the emergency specification as outlined in General Terms and Conditions, Section 3, Emergencies, would apply. County Holidays are as follows: New Year's Day; Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Presidents' Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; Veteran's Day; Thanksgiving Day; Day after Thanksgiving; and Christmas Day.

Special schedules may be established, if necessary, because of problems with noise or similar difficulties affecting other COUNTY facilities, COUNTY operations, or citizens in homes or buildings/rooms adjacent to the work being completed. When the CONTRACTOR requests and is approved for Saturday, Sunday or Holiday work, the COUNTY may assess the CONTRACTOR the sum of Two Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$250.00) per COUNTY staff member per day for each Saturday, Sunday or recognized Holiday worked or planned to work. These fees will be deducted from the final invoice

**6.27 Protection of Property.** All existing structures, utilities, services, roads, trees, shrubbery and property in which the COUNTY has an interest must be protected against damage or interrupted services at all times by the CONTRACTOR during the term of this contract, and the CONTRACTOR will be held responsible for repairing or replacing damaged property to the satisfaction of the COUNTY which is damaged by reason of the CONTRACTOR'S operation on the property. In the event the CONTRACTOR fails to comply with these requirements, the COUNTY reserves the right to secure the required services and charge the costs of such services back to the CONTRACTOR. All items damaged as a result of CONTRACTOR or subcontractor operations belonging to third parties, such as, but not limited to: sidewalks, irrigation, curbs, pipes, drains, water mains, pavement, mailboxes, turf, signs, or other property must either be repaired or replaced by the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's expense, in a manner prescribed by, and at the sole satisfaction of the COUNTY.

Furthermore, the CONTRACTOR shall repair or replace any portion of any of the COUNTY'S facility, whether interior or exterior, damaged by reason of the CONTRACTOR'S operation within the property. In the event the CONTRACTOR fails to comply with these requirements, the COUNTY reserves the right to

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secure the required services and charge the costs of such services back to the CONTRACTOR. All items within a facility belonging to third parties, or to commissioners, officers, employees, lessees, invitees, or agents of the COUNTY, including but not limited to personal items and furniture, must either be repaired or replaced by the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR'S expense, in a manner prescribed by, and at the sole satisfaction of the COUNTY. The CONTRACTOR shall re-grade and re-sod any areas that are disturbed by the CONTRACTOR during the course of the work being completed.

**6.28 Risk of Loss.** The CONTRACTOR assumes the risk of loss of damage to the COUNTY'S property during possession of such property by the CONTRACTOR, and until delivery to and acceptance of that property to the COUNTY. The CONTRACTOR shall immediately repair, replace or make good on the loss or damage without cost to the COUNTY, whether the loss or damage results from acts or omissions, negligent or otherwise, of the CONTRACTOR or a third party.

**6.29 Accident Notification.** If in the course of completing work as part of this Agreement there is any accident, including accidents which involve the public, the CONTRACTOR shall as soon as possible inform the COUNTY of the incident by telephone. The CONTRACTOR shall follow up in writing within two (2) business days of the incident. If law enforcement was involved and has written a report, the CONTRACTOR shall forward a copy of the report to the COUNTY.

**ARTICLE 7. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**7.1 Termination.**

**A. Termination for Convenience.** This Agreement may be terminated by the COUNTY upon thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party; but if any service under this Agreement is in progress but not completed as of the date of termination, then this Agreement may be extended upon written approval of the COUNTY until said service is completed and accepted. In the event this Agreement is terminated or cancelled upon the request and for the convenience of the COUNTY with the required thirty (30) day advance written notice, COUNTY shall reimburse CONTRACTOR for actual work satisfactorily completed and reasonable expenses incurred.

**B. Termination for Cause.** This Agreement may be terminated by the COUNTY due to the CONTRACTOR'S breach of a material term of this Agreement, but only after the COUNTY has provided CONTRACTOR with ten (10) calendar days' written notice for the CONTRACTOR to cure the breach and the CONTRACTOR'S failure to cure the breach within that ten (10) day time period; but, if any work, service, or task under this Agreement is in progress but not completed on the date of termination, then this Agreement may be extended upon written approval of the COUNTY until the work, service, or task is completed and accepted. Termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty (30) day advance notice requirement is waived in the event of termination for cause.

**C. Termination Due to Unavailability of Funds in Succeeding Fiscal Years.** When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal year, this Agreement shall be canceled, and CONTRACTOR shall be reimbursed for services satisfactorily performed and the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the services delivered under this Agreement.

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**7.2 Assignment of Agreement.** This Agreement shall not be assigned or sublet except with the written consent of the Lake County Procurement Services Director. No such consent shall be construed as making the COUNTY a party to the assignment or subcontract or subjecting the COUNTY to liability of any kind to any assignee or subcontractor. No assignment or subcontract shall under any circumstances relieve CONTRACTOR of liability and obligations under this Agreement and all transactions with the COUNTY must be through CONTRACTOR. In the event CONTRACTOR is acquired in whole or in part by another entity, including any takeovers effectuated by a stock buyout, or similar acquisition process, CONTRACTOR shall notify the COUNTY immediately, and in no case more than thirty (30) days after to the effective date of the acquisition. The COUNTY shall have the option of terminating this Agreement in the event the acquiring entity does not meet with the COUNTY'S approval. Any acquisition or hostile takeover may result in termination of this Agreement for cause. Any acquisition or hostile takeover may result in termination of this Agreement for cause. Failure to submit timely notification to the COUNTY may result in a material breach of this Agreement and termination by the COUNTY or assessment of a processing fee.

**7.3 Insurance.**

**A.** CONTRACTOR will purchase and maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement, without cost or expense to the COUNTY, policies of insurance as indicated below, with a company or companies authorized to do business in the State of Florida, and which are acceptable to the COUNTY, insuring the CONTRACTOR against any and all claims, demands, or causes of action, for injuries received or damage to property relating to the performance of duties, services, or obligations of the CONTRACTOR under the terms and provisions of this Agreement. An original certificate of insurance, indicating that CONTRACTOR has coverage in accordance with the requirements of this section must be received and accepted by the COUNTY prior to contract execution or before any work begins. It will be furnished by CONTRACTOR to the COUNTY'S Project Manager and Procurement Services Director within five (5) working days of such request.

The Parties agree that the policies of insurance and confirming certificates of insurance will insure the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the following minimum limits:

1. General Liability insurance on forms no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Occurrence Form Commercial General Liability policy (CG 00 01) of the Insurance Services Office or equivalent without restrictive endorsements, with the following minimum limits and coverage:
 

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|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Each Occurrence/General Aggregate ..... | \$1,000,000/2,000,000 |
| Products-Completed Operations .....     | \$2,000,000           |
| Personal & Adv. Injury .....            | \$1,000,000           |
| Fire Damage.....                        | \$50,000              |
| Medical Expense .....                   | \$5,000               |
| Contractual Liability .....             | Included              |
2. Builder's Risk policy will be provided for the full budget amount for each Project.

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3. Automobile liability insurance, including owned, non-owned, and hired autos with the minimum Combined Single Limit of \$1,000,000
4. Workers' compensation insurance based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts in accordance with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes, and any other applicable law requiring workers' compensation (Federal, maritime, etc.).
5. Employers Liability with the following minimum limits and coverage:  
  
Each Accident..... \$1,000,000  
Disease-Each Employer ..... \$1,000,000  
Disease-Policy Limit..... \$1,000,000

**B.** Lake County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, and the Board of County Commissioners, will be named as additional insured as their interest may appear all applicable policies. Certificates of insurance must identify the RSQ number in the Description of Operations section on the Certificate.

**C.** CONTRACTOR must provide a minimum of thirty (30) days prior written notice to the County of any change, cancellation, or nonrenewal of the required insurance.

**D.** Certificates of insurance must evidence a waiver of subrogation in favor of the COUNTY, that coverage must be primary and noncontributory, and that each evidenced policy includes a Cross Liability or Severability of Interests provision, with no requirement of premium by the COUNTY.

**E.** CONTRACTOR must provide a copy of all policy endorsements, reflecting the required coverage, with Lake County listed as an additional insured along with all required provisions to include waiver of subrogation. Contracts cannot be completed without this required insurance documentation. **A certificate of insurance (COI) will not be accepted in lieu of the policy endorsements.**

**F.** Certificate holder must be:

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**G.** All self-insured retentions will appear on the certificates and will be subject to approval by the COUNTY. At the option of the COUNTY, the insurer will reduce or eliminate such self-insured retentions; or CONTRACTOR will be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.

**H.** The COUNTY will be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money, which may represent a deductible or self-insured retention in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible or self-insured retention will be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR or subcontractor providing such insurance.

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**I.** CONTRACTOR will be responsible for subcontractors and their insurance. Subcontractors are to provide Certificates of Insurance to the COUNTY evidencing coverage and terms in accordance with the CONTRACTOR'S requirements.

**J.** Failure to obtain and maintain such insurance as set out above will be considered a breach of contract and may result in termination of the contract for default.

**K.** Neither approval by the COUNTY of any insurance supplied by CONTRACTOR, nor a failure to disapprove that insurance, will relieve CONTRACTOR of full responsibility of liability, damages, and accidents as set forth herein.

**7.4 Indemnification.** To the extent permitted by law, the CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the COUNTY or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of the Contract by the CONTRACTOR or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals or subcontractors. The CONTRACTOR shall pay all claims and losses in connection with those claims and losses, and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the COUNTY, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorneys' fees which may be incurred. This indemnification obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or remedies which otherwise may be available to an indemnified party or person described in this paragraph or be deemed to affect the rights, privileges, and immunities of COUNTY as set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

**7.5 Non-Collusion.** CONTRACTOR, by entering into this Agreement, further certifies that the offer made during the solicitation process, the prices provided to the COUNTY were arrived at independently, without collusion, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition with any other consultant, bidder, or potential bidder, and in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary bid. No attempts were made to solicit, cause, or introduce any other firm or person to refrain from bidding on this project, or to submit a bid higher than the bid of this firm, or any intentionally high or non-competitive bid or other form of complementary bid. Should the COUNTY, at any time during the term of this Agreement, become aware of collusive acts by the CONTRACTOR in submitting their bid, the COUNTY reserves the right to terminate this Agreement without cost or penalty to the COUNTY.

**7.6 Prohibition against contingent fees.** CONTRACTOR, by entering this Agreement, warrants that they have not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONTRACTOR, to solicit or secure this Agreement and that they have not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONTRACTOR, any consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement.

**7.7 Contracting with County Employees.** Any County employee or immediate family member seeking to contract with the COUNTY shall seek a conflict-of-interest opinion from the County Attorney prior to submittal of a Proposal. The affected employee shall disclose the employee's assigned function

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within the County and interest or the interest of his or her immediate family in the proposed contract and the nature of the intended contract. Failure to disclose any conflicts of interest may result in termination of this Agreement.

**7.8 Conflict of Interest.** CONTRACTOR agrees that it will not engage in any action that would create a conflict of interest in the performance of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement, or which would violate or cause others to violate the provisions of Part III, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, relating to ethics in government. Further, CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that no officer, agent, or employee of the COUNTY has any material interest either directly or indirectly in the business of the CONTRACTOR conducted here and that no such person may have any such interest at any time during the term of this Agreement unless approved by the COUNTY.

**7.9 State Registration Requirements.** CONTRACTOR shall be registered with the Florida Department of State in accordance with the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act, Chapter 607, Florida Statutes.

**7.10 Contractor as Prime.** CONTRACTOR shall act as the prime consultant for all required items and services and shall assume full responsibility for the procurement and maintenance of such items and services. CONTRACTOR shall be considered the sole point of contact regarding all stipulations, including payment of all charges and meeting all requirements of this Agreement. All sub-consultants will be subject to advance review by the COUNTY in terms of competency, security concerns, and compliance with applicable laws. No change in sub-consultants shall be made without consent of the COUNTY. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all insurance, professional certifications, licenses and related matters for any and all sub-consultants. Even if the sub-consultant is self-insured, the COUNTY may require the CONTRACTOR to provide any insurance certificates required by the work to be performed.

**7.11 Subcontracting.** CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract any portion of the work without the prior written consent of the COUNTY. Subcontracting without the prior consent of the COUNTY may result in termination of the Agreement for default.

**7.12 Disadvantaged Businesses.** The COUNTY has adopted policies which assure and encourage the full participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) in the provision of goods and services. The COUNTY encourages joint ventures between majority-owned firms and qualified disadvantaged/minority/women-owned firms.

**7.13 Additional Services & Non-Exclusivity.** Services not specifically identified in this Agreement may be added to the Agreement upon execution of a written amendment. The COUNTY reserves the right to award any additional services to the CONTRACTOR or to acquire the items from another vendor through a separate solicitation. COUNTY reserves the right to perform, or cause to be performed, all or any of the work and services described in this Agreement in the manner deemed to represent its best interests. In no case will the COUNTY be liable for billings in excess of the quantity of goods or services provided under the Agreement.

**7.14 Other Departments.** Although this Agreement is specific to a Department of the COUNTY, it is agreed and understood that any department of the COUNTY may avail itself of this Agreement and purchase any and all items specified in this Agreement at the contract prices established in this Agreement.

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A contract modification will be issued by the COUNTY identifying the requirements of the additional using department(s).

**7.15 Other Agencies.** Other governmental agencies may make purchases in accordance with the terms of this Agreement with CONTRACTOR consent and upon providing notice to the COUNTY'S Office of Procurement Services. Purchases are governed by the Agreement's terms and conditions except for the change in agency name. Each agency will be responsible and liable for its own purchases for materials or services received.

**7.16 Warranties.** See Article 6.20.

**7.17 Deficiencies in Work.** CONTRACTOR shall promptly correct all apparent and latent deficiencies or defects in work, or any work that fails to conform to the Agreement documents regardless of project completion status. All corrections must be made within seven (7) calendar days after such rejected defects, deficiencies, or non-conformances are verbally reported to the CONTRACTOR by the COUNTY'S Project Manager. CONTRACTOR must bear all costs of correcting such rejected work. If CONTRACTOR fails to correct the work within the period specified, COUNTY may, at its discretion, notify the CONTRACTOR, in writing, that the CONTRACTOR is subject to contractual default provisions if the corrections are not completed to the satisfaction of the COUNTY within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the notice. If the CONTRACTOR fails to correct the work within the period specified in the notice, the COUNTY may place the CONTRACTOR in default, obtain the services of another CONTRACTOR to correct the deficiencies, and charge the incumbent CONTRACTOR for these costs, either through a deduction from the final payment owed to CONTRACTOR or through invoicing. If the CONTRACTOR fails to honor this invoice or credit memo, the COUNTY may terminate the contract for default.

**7.18 County is Tax Exempt.** When purchasing on a direct basis, the COUNTY is generally exempt from Federal Excise Taxes and all State of Florida sales and use taxes (85-8013874700C-1). Visit Lake County Tax Exemption Certificate page to print a copy of the certificate. ([https://bccnet.lakecountyfl.gov/documents/finance/forms/Tax\\_Exemption\\_Form.pdf](https://bccnet.lakecountyfl.gov/documents/finance/forms/Tax_Exemption_Form.pdf)). Except for items specifically identified by the CONTRACTOR and accepted by the COUNTY for direct COUNTY purchase under the Sales Tax Recovery Program, CONTRACTOR is not exempt from paying sales tax to its suppliers for materials to fulfill contractual obligations with the COUNTY, nor will CONTRACTOR be authorized to use any of the County's Tax Exemptions in securing such materials.

**7.19 Shipping Terms, F.O.B. Destination.** The F.O.B. point for any product ordered will be F.O.B.: DESTINATION – Inside Delivery, FREIGHT ALLOWED.

**7.20 Acceptance of Goods or Services.** The work delivered and services rendered under this Agreement will remain the property of the CONTRACTOR will remain the property of the CONTRACTOR and will not be deemed complete until a physical inspection and actual usage of the products or services is accepted by the COUNTY and is in compliance with this Agreement.

Any goods or services purchased under this Agreement may be tested/inspected for compliance with specifications. In the event that any aspect of the goods or services provided is found to be defective or does not conform to the specifications, the COUNTY reserves the right to terminate this Agreement or initiate corrective action on the part of the CONTRACTOR, to include return of any non-compliant goods to the

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CONTRACTOR at CONTRACTOR'S expense, requiring the CONTRACTOR to either provide a direct replacement for the item, or a full credit for the returned item. CONTRACTOR shall not assess any additional charges for any conforming action taken by the COUNTY under this clause. COUNTY will not be responsible to pay for any product or service that does not conform to the Agreement specifications. In addition, any defective product or service or any product or service not delivered or performed by the date specified in a purchase order or Agreement, may be procured by the COUNTY on the open market, and any increase in cost may be charged against the CONTRACTOR. Any cost incurred by the COUNTY in any re-procurement, plus any increased product or service cost, will be withheld from any monies owed to the CONTRACTOR by the COUNTY for any Contract or financial obligation.

**7.21 Estimated Quantities.** CONTRACTOR acknowledges that any estimated quantities or dollar amounts provided by COUNTY as part of the COUNTY'S solicitation for services provided under this Agreement are for guidance only and are not part of this Agreement; COUNTY makes no express or implied guarantees as to quantities or dollar value that will be used during the Contract period and is not obligated to purchase any goods or services under this Agreement. In no event will the County be liable for payments in excess of the amount due for quantities of goods or services actually ordered.

**7.22 Additional Locations.** While this Agreement may identify specific locations to be serviced, it is hereby agreed and understood that any County department or facility may be added or deleted to the Contract at the option of the COUNTY. The location change will be addressed by formal Contract modification. The County may obtain price quotes for the additional facilities from other vendors if fair and reasonable pricing is not obtained from CONTRACTOR, or for other reasons at the COUNTY'S sole discretion. It is hereby agreed and understood that the COUNTY may delete service locations when such service is no longer required, upon fourteen (14) calendar days' written notice to the CONTRACTOR.

**7.23 Similar or Ancillary Items.** While the COUNTY has listed all major items which are utilized by COUNTY departments in conjunction with their operations, there may be similar or ancillary items that must be purchased by the COUNTY during the term of this Agreement. Under these circumstances, a COUNTY representative will contact the CONTRACTOR to obtain a price quote for the similar or ancillary items. The COUNTY may request price quotes from all Contractors under contract if there are multiple contracts awarded for the Service. The COUNTY reserves the right to award these ancillary items to the CONTRACTOR, another vendor based on the lowest price quoted, or to acquire the items through a separate solicitation.

**7.24 Accuracy.** See Article 6.25.

**7.25 Safety.** See Article 6.10.

**7.26 Safety Data Sheets.** See Article 6.10.

**7.27 Tobacco Products.** Tobacco use, including both smoke and smokeless tobacco, is prohibited on COUNTY owned property.

**7.28 Cleanup.** See Article 6.10.

**7.29 Protection of Property.** See Article 6.27.

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**7.30 Certificate of Competency, Licensure, Permits, and Fees.**

A. CONTRACTOR shall, at the time it submits any offer to COUNTY in response to a solicitation and for the duration of this Agreement hold a valid Certificate of Competency or appropriate current license issued by the State or County Examining Board qualifying CONTRACTOR to perform the Service under this Agreement. If work for other trades is required and such work will be performed by subcontractors hired by CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall provide COUNTY each subcontractor's applicable Certificate of Competency/license.

B. CONTRACTOR will be solely responsible for obtaining all necessary approvals and permits to complete the service, unless specifically agreed otherwise in the Scope of Services. The CONTRACTOR shall remain appropriately licensed throughout the course of the Service. If the CONTRACTOR employs the services of a subcontractor, the CONTRACTOR shall ensure that any subcontractor is appropriately licensed throughout the course of the Service. Failure to maintain all required licenses will entitle the COUNTY, at its option, to terminate this Agreement. Damages, penalties, or fines imposed on the COUNTY or CONTRACTOR for failure to obtain required licenses, permits, inspections, or other fees, or inspections, will be borne by the CONTRACTOR.

C. CONTRACTOR shall maintain sufficient financial support and organization to ensure satisfactory delivery of the Services provided under this Agreement. In the event CONTRACTOR subcontracts any part of its work or will obtain the goods specifically offered under this Agreement from another source of supply, CONTRACTOR is responsible for verifying the competency of its subcontractor or supplier.

**7.31 Truth in Negotiation Certificate.** For contracts awarded under the Consultant's Competitive Negotiation Act, under Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, for all lump-sum or cost-plus fixed fee agreements exceeding the threshold amount provided for in Section 287.017 for Category Four, CONTRACTOR must execute a truth in negotiation certificate stating that the wage rates and other factual unit costs are accurate, complete, and current, at the time of contracting. Any agreement requiring this certificate shall contain a provision that the original agreement price and any additions shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the COUNTY determines the Agreement price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such Agreement adjustments shall be made within one (1) year following the end of the Agreement.

**7.32 Independent Contractor.** CONTRACTOR, and all its employees, agree that they will be acting as independent contractors and will not be considered or deemed to be an agent, employee, joint venturer, or partner of the COUNTY. CONTRACTOR will have no authority to contract for or bind the COUNTY in any manner and shall not represent itself as an agent of the COUNTY or as otherwise authorized to act for or on behalf of the COUNTY.

**7.33 Responsibility as Employer.** See Article 6.6.

**7.34 Retaining Other Contractors.** Nothing in this Agreement will be deemed to preclude the COUNTY from retaining the services of other persons or entities undertaking the same or similar services as those undertaken by the CONTRACTOR or from independently developing or acquiring materials or programs that are similar to, or competitive with, the services provided under this Agreement. Nothing in

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this Agreement will be deemed to preclude the COUNTY from retaining the services of other persons or entities undertaking the same or similar services as those undertaken by the CONTRACTOR or from independently developing or acquiring materials or programs that are similar to, or competitive with, the services provided under this Agreement.

**7.35 Minimum Wage.** The wage rate paid to all laborers, mechanics, and apprentices employed by the CONTRACTOR for the work under the Agreement may not be less than the prevailing wage rates for similar classifications of work as established by the Federal government and enforced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Wages and Hours Division, and Florida's Minimum Wage requirements in Article X, Section 24(f) of the Florida Constitution and enforced by the Florida Legislature by statute or the State Agency for Workforce Innovation by rule, whichever is higher.

**7.36 Price Redeterminations.** Intentionally Omitted.

**7.37 Fraud, misrepresentation, and material misstatements.** Any individual, corporation, or other entity that attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the COUNTY through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement, may be debarred for up to five (5) years. The COUNTY as a further sanction may terminate or cancel any other contracts with such individual, corporation, or entity. Such individual or entity will be responsible for all direct or indirect costs associated with termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.

**7.38 Right to Audit.** The COUNTY reserves the right to require the CONTRACTOR to submit to an audit by any auditor of the COUNTY'S choosing. The CONTRACTOR shall provide access to all of its records, which relate directly or indirectly to this Agreement at its place of business during regular business hours. CONTRACTOR shall retain all records pertaining to this Agreement and upon request make them available to the COUNTY for five (5) years following expiration of the Agreement, or for such time as set forth in the Florida Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services, General Records Schedule GS1-SL, a copy of which can be found at this link: <https://dos.fl.gov/library-archives/records-management/general-records-schedules/>, whichever is longer. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide such assistance as may be necessary to facilitate the review or audit by the COUNTY to ensure compliance with applicable accounting and financial standards.

**A.** If the CONTRACTOR provides technology services, the CONTRACTOR must provide Statement of Standards for Attestations Engagements (SSAE) 16 or 18 and System and Service Organization Control (SOC) reports upon request by the COUNTY. The SOC reports must be full Type II reports that include the CONTRACTOR'S description of control processes, and the independent auditor's evaluation of the design and operating effectiveness of controls. The cost of the reports will be paid by the CONTRACTOR.

**B.** If an audit inspection or examination pursuant to this section discloses overpricing or overcharges of any nature by the CONTRACTOR to the COUNTY in excess of one percent (1%) of the total contract billings, in addition to making adjustments for the overcharges, the reasonable actual cost of the COUNTY'S audit must be reimbursed to the COUNTY by the CONTRACTOR. Any adjustments or payments which must be made as a result of any such audit or inspection of the CONTRACTOR'S invoices or records must be made within a reasonable amount of time, but in no event may the time exceed ninety (90) calendar days, from presentation of the COUNTY'S audit findings to the CONTRACTOR.

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This provision is hereby considered to be included within, and applicable to, any subcontractor contract entered into by the CONTRACTOR in performance of any work under this Agreement.

**7.39 Public Records.**

**A.** All electronic files, audio and video recordings, and all papers pertaining to any activity performed by the CONTRACTOR for or on behalf of the COUNTY will be the property of the COUNTY and will be turned over to the COUNTY upon request. In accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, each file and all papers pertaining to any activities performed for or on behalf of the COUNTY are public records available for inspection by any person even if the file or paper resides in the CONTRACTOR'S office or facility. The CONTRACTOR will maintain the files and papers for not less than three complete calendar years after the Service has been completed or terminated, or in accordance with any grant requirements, whichever is longer. Prior to the close out of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR will appoint a records custodian to handle any records request and provide the custodian's name and telephone numbers to the COUNTY.

**B.** Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, CONTRACTOR will comply with the Florida Public Records' laws, and will:

1. Keep and maintain public records required by the COUNTY to perform the services identified herein.
2. Upon request from the COUNTY'S custodian of public records, provide the COUNTY with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided for by law.
4. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the CONTRACTOR does not transfer the records to the COUNTY.
5. Upon completion of this Agreement, transfer, at no cost, to the COUNTY all public records in possession of the CONTRACTOR or keep and maintain public records required by the COUNTY to perform the service. If CONTRACTOR transfers all public records to the COUNTY upon completion of the contract, CONTRACTOR will destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt, or confidential and exempt, from public records disclosure requirements. If CONTRACTOR keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR will meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the COUNTY, upon request from the COUNTY'S custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the COUNTY.

**C. IF CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE  
APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO**

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**CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT LAKE COUNTY OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES, 315 WEST MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 7800, TAVARES, FL 32778 OR AT 352-343-9424 OR VIA EMAIL AT [PURCHASING@LAKECOUNTYFL.GOV](mailto:PURCHASING@LAKECOUNTYFL.GOV).**

**D.** Failure to comply with this subsection will be deemed a breach of the contract and enforceable as set forth in Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes.

**E.** Unless otherwise provided, CONTRACTOR shall maintain substantiating records as required by the State of Florida, General Records Schedule GS1-SL ("Schedule") for State and Local Government Agencies, a copy of which can be found at: <https://dos.fl.gov/library-archives/records-management/general-records-schedules/>. If CONTRACTOR receives notification of a dispute or the commencement of litigation regarding the Project within the time specified in the Schedule, the CONTRACTOR shall continue to maintain all service records until final resolution of the dispute or litigation.

**7.40 Confidential and/or Exempt Information.** CONTRACTOR must maintain the confidential and/or exempt nature of all confidential and/or exempt documents received under this Service. Upon completion of the Service, CONTRACTOR will return to COUNTY all confidential and/or exempt project documents including, but not limited to, designs, files, photos, reports, maps, drawings, specifications, schematics, diagrams, shop drawings, construction documents and electronic files. CONTRACTOR will provide written certification to COUNTY that all documents designated as confidential and/or exempt have been returned to the COUNTY or destroyed. CONTRACTOR agrees to adhere to the COUNTY confidential document viewing procedures, including the minimum standards set forth in **Exhibit E**, attached hereto and incorporated herein, for each Project awarded. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for ensuring subcontractors maintain confidentiality of any Project documents provided to or prepared by CONTRACTOR in performing Services under this Agreement.

**7.41 Copyrights.** Any copyright derived from this Agreement will belong to the author. The author and the CONTRACTOR shall expressly assign to the COUNTY nonexclusive, royalty free rights to use any and all information provided by the CONTRACTOR in any deliverable or report for the COUNTY'S use which may include publishing in COUNTY documents and distribution as the COUNTY deems to be in its best interests. If anything included in any deliverable limits the rights of the COUNTY to use the information, the deliverable will be considered defective and not acceptable and the CONTRACTOR will not be eligible for any compensation.

The COUNTY owns and retains all proprietary rights in its logos, trademarks, trade names, and copyrighted images (Intellectual Property). As such, nothing in any solicitation permits or shall be construed as authorizing Vendor or Contractor to use or display County's Intellectual Property. Use of any COUNTY Intellectual Property requires express written consent from the COUNTY.

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**7.42 Sovereign Immunity.** COUNTY expressly retains all rights, benefits, and immunities of sovereign immunity in accordance with Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. Nothing will be deemed as a waiver of immunity or the limitations of liability of COUNTY beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability. Nothing will inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim against COUNTY, which would otherwise be barred under the law.

**7.43 Compliance with Federal Standards.** All items to be purchased under a Contract must be in accordance with all governmental standards to include, but not be limited to, those issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the National Institute of Occupational Safety Hazards (NIOSH), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

**7.44 Force Majeure.** The parties will exercise every reasonable effort to meet their respective obligations under this Agreement, but will not be liable for delays resulting from force majeure or other causes beyond their reasonable control, including, but not limited to, compliance with any Government law or regulation, acts of nature, acts or omissions of the other party, Government acts or omissions, fires, strikes, national disasters, wars, riots, transportation problems and any other cause whatsoever beyond the reasonable control of the parties. Any such cause will extend the performance of the delayed obligation to the extent of the delay so Incurred.

**7.45 Claims and Disputes.** See Article 6.18.

**7.46 Return of Materials.** Upon the request of the COUNTY, but in any event upon termination of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall surrender to the COUNTY all memoranda, notes, records, drawings, manuals, computer software, and other documents or materials pertaining to the services under this Agreement, that were furnished to the CONTRACTOR by the COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement.

**7.47 Public Entity Crimes.** Pursuant to Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction of a public entity crime may not be awarded or perform work as a CONTRACTOR, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for Category Two for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

**7.48 Florida Convicted/Suspended Vendor Lists.** By executing this Agreement CONTRACTOR affirms that it is not currently listed on the Florida Department of Management Services Convicted Vendor (Section 287.133, Florida Statutes) or Suspended Vendor (Section 287.1351, Florida Statutes) Lists.

**7.49 Discriminatory Vendor List (State funded projects).** As provided by Section 287.134, Florida Statutes, a contractor who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity. By entering into this Agreement, CONTRACTOR affirms that CONTRACTOR is not on the Discriminatory Vendor List and will ensure that any subcontractors retained for performance under this Agreement are not listed on the Discriminatory Vendor List.

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**7.50 Antitrust Violator Vendor List (State funded projects).** As provided by Section 287.137, Florida Statutes, a contractor who has been placed on the antitrust violator vendor list following a conviction or being held civilly liable for an antitrust violation may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for any new contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for a new contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on new leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a new contract with a public entity; and may not transact new business with a public entity. By entering into this Agreement, CONTRACTOR affirms that CONTRACTOR is not on the Antitrust Violator Vendor List and will ensure that any subcontractors retained for performance under this Agreement are not listed on the Antitrust Violator Vendor List.

**7.51 Foreign gifts and contracts.** Pursuant to Section 286.101, Florida Statutes, CONTRACTOR shall disclose to the COUNTY any current or prior interest of, any contract with, or any grant or gift received by a foreign country of concern if such interest, contract, or grant or gift (1) had a value of \$50,000 or more and (2) such interest existed at any time or such contract or grant or gift was received or in force at any time during the previous five (5) years. Foreign country of concern is defined in Section 286.101(1)(b), Florida Statutes, as the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicolás Maduro, or the Syrian Arab Republic, including any agency of or any other entity under significant control of such foreign country of concern. CONTRACTOR'S disclosure must include the amount of the contract or grant or gift or the value of the interest disclosed, the applicable foreign country of concern and, if applicable, the date of termination of the contract or interest, the date of receipt of the grant or gift, and the name of the agent or controlled entity that is the source or interest holder. The COUNTY may request records relevant to a reasonable suspicion that a disclosure has not been made and the CONTRACTOR shall provide the required records within thirty (30) days of the COUNTY making such request, or at a later time as agreed to by the Parties.

**7.52 Contracting with foreign entities of concern.** Pursuant to Section 287.138, Florida Statutes, for contracts where CONTRACTOR may have access to personal identifying information, CONTRACTOR certifies to the COUNTY by submitting its bid that (1) CONTRACTOR is not owned by a government of a foreign country of concern; (2) a government of a foreign country of concern does not have a controlling interest in CONTRACTOR; and (3) CONTRACTOR is not organized under the law of nor has its principal place of business in a foreign country of concern. For the purposes of this section, foreign country of concern means the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicolás Maduro, or the Syrian Arab Republic, including any agency of or any other entity of significant control of such foreign country of concern, as defined in Section 287.138(1)(c), Florida Statutes.

**7.53 Social, political, or ideological interests.** Per Section 287.05701, Florida Statutes, the COUNTY will not request documentation of or consider a vendor's social, political, or ideological interests when determining if the vendor is a responsible vendor.

**7.54 Compliance with Human Trafficking Laws.** Per Section 787.06, Florida Statutes, the Florida Legislature has enacted laws to prevent and prosecute human trafficking. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply

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with laws related to human trafficking and has provided the COUNTY with a signed affidavit, attached hereto as part of **Exhibit A (Composite)** affirming compliance with human trafficking laws.

**7.55 Certification Regarding Scrutinized Companies:** By executing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that, pursuant to Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, it is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel and is not participating in a boycott of Israel. CONTRACTOR understands that pursuant to Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject it to civil penalties, attorneys' fees, and costs. CONTRACTOR further understands that any contract with the COUNTY for goods or services may be terminated at the option of the COUNTY if the CONTRACTOR is found to have submitted a false certification or has been listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel list or is participating in a boycott of Israel.

CONTRACTOR, by entering this Agreement, hereby certifies that, pursuant to Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, it is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies with activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel and is not participating in a boycott of Israel, and is not engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. CONTRACTOR understands that pursuant to Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject it to civil penalties, attorneys' fees, and costs. The CONTRACTOR further understands that any contract with the County for goods or services of \$1 million or more may be terminated at the option of the COUNTY if the CONTRACTOR is found to have submitted a false certification or has been listed on the Scrutinized Companies with activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, is listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel list or is participating in a boycott of Israel, or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

**7.56 Anti-Trafficking Related Activities.** The U.S. Government has adopted a policy prohibiting trafficking in persons including the trafficking-related activities listed below. These prohibitions specifically apply to some federally funded contracts and prohibit CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR employees, and their agents from:

- A. Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of performance of the contract;
- B. Procuring commercial sex acts during the period of performance of the contract;
- C. Using forced labor in the performance of the contract;
- D. Destroying, concealing, confiscating, or otherwise denying access by an employee to the employee's identity or immigration documents, such as passports or drivers' licenses, regardless of issuing authority;
- E. Using misleading or fraudulent practices during the recruitment of employees;
- F. Charging employees or potential employees recruitment fees;
- G. Failing to provide return transportation or paying for the cost of return transportation upon the end of employment for certain employees;

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H. Providing or arrange housing that fails to meet the host country housing and safety standards; or

I. Failing to provide an employment contract, recruitment agreement, or other required work documents in writing, as required by law or contract.

**ARTICLE 8. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**8.1 Governing Law, Venue, and Waiver of Jury Trial.** This Agreement is made under, and in all respects shall be interpreted, construed, and governed by and in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any legal action resulting from this Agreement shall lie in Lake County, Florida. THE CONTRACTOR, BY ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT, KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A JURY TRIAL IN ANY CIVIL LITIGATION MATTER ARISING FROM OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

**8.2 Captions.** The captions utilized in this Agreement are for the purposes of identification only and do not control or affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

**8.3** This Agreement will be binding upon and will inure to the benefit of each of the parties and of their respective successors and permitted assigns.

**8.4** This Agreement may not be amended, released, discharged, rescinded or abandoned, except by a written instrument duly executed by each of the parties.

**8.5 No Waiver.** The failure of any party at any time to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement will in no way constitute or be construed as a waiver of such provision or of any other provision of this Agreement, nor in any way affect the validity of, or the right to enforce, each and every provision of this Agreement.

**8.6 Civil Rights Act.** During the term of this Agreement the CONTRACTOR assures the COUNTY that it is in compliance with Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, as amended, and the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992, in that the CONTRACTOR does not on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability or marital status, discriminate in any form or manner against the CONTRACTOR'S employees or applicants for employment. The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that this Agreement is conditioned upon the veracity of this statement of assurance.

**8.7 , Compliance with Applicable Laws.** The CONTRACTOR must at all times comply with all Federal, State and local laws, rules and regulations.

**8.8 Construction of Agreement.** The Parties intend this Agreement to be construed without regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the Party drafting an instrument or causing any instrument to be drafted.

**8.9 Severability.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular provision of this Agreement will not affect the other provisions of this Agreement, and this Agreement must be construed in all respects as if such invalid or unenforceable provisions were omitted.

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**8.10 Notices.** Wherever provision is made in this Agreement for the giving, service, or delivery of any notice, statement or other instrument, such notice must be in writing and will be deemed to have been duly given, served, and delivered, if delivered by hand or mailed by United States registered or certified mail, addressed as follows:

**If to CONTRACTOR:**

DDS Enterprises, LLC  
463 Shaw Lake Road  
Pierson, Florida 32180

**If to COUNTY:**

Lake County Manager  
315 W. Main Street  
P.O. Box 7800  
Tavares, Florida, 32778

***With a Copy to:***

Lake County Attorney  
315 W. Main Street, Suite 335  
P.O. Box 7800  
Tavares, Florida 32778

Each party may change its mailing address by giving to the other party, by hand delivery, United States registered or certified mail, notice of election to change such address.

**ARTICLE 9. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT**

**9.1** This Agreement is intended by the parties to be the final expression of their Agreement, and it constitutes the full and entire understanding between the parties with respect to the subject of this Agreement, notwithstanding any representations, statements, or agreements to the contrary previously made. Any items not covered under this Agreement will need to be added via written addendum.

**9.2** This Agreement includes the following exhibits, all of which are incorporated in this Agreement:

Exhibit A (Composite)..... Scope of Services, Addenda, Submittal Forms (8 pages).

Exhibit B ..... Key Personnel (1 page).

Exhibit C ..... General Federal Required Contract Clauses (14 pages).

Exhibit D (Composite)..... Contractor's Payment Affidavits (2 pages).

Exhibit E ..... Confidential Document Viewing & Certification (2 pages).

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have made and executed this Agreement on the respective dates under each signature: the COUNTY through its Board of County Commissioners, signing by and through its Chairman; and by the CONTRACTOR through its duly authorized representative.

**CONTRACTOR**

DDS ENTERPRISES, LLC

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*Nicholas Shepard* 3/16/2025  
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Nicolas M. Shepard, Vice President  
License Number: CGC1535446

This 16th day of March, 2025.

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COUNTY

LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, through its  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Leslie Campione  
Leslie Campione, Chairman

This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of may, 2025.

ATTEST:

G. Dooney  
Gary Dooney, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners  
of Lake County, Florida



Approved as to form and legality:

M. Marsh 5/21/25  
Melanie Marsh  
County Attorney

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**Exhibit A (Composite)**

**Scope of Services, Addenda, Submittal Forms**

**EXHIBIT A – SCOPE OF WORK**

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**ON-CALL VARIOUS FACILITY CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**

**1. DESCRIPTION OF WORK**

Certified and/or registered General, Building, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Roofing Contractors, (hereinafter referred to as Contractor), shall provide as-needed construction and repair services on County facilities. Contractor shall be selected in accordance with allowable work as permitted by license type specified in Florida Statute 489. County intends to create a vendor pool consisting of pre-qualified contractors who will be utilized by the County for low-to mid-value construction services for County facilities. For projects with a value equal to or less than \$20,000, County will directly select a Contractor from the pool of vendors under contract with the County to assign work. For projects with a value between \$20,000 and \$195,000, the County will request Contractors within the vendor pool to provide closed competitive bids in response to a Request For Quote (RFQ); County will award work based on lowest overall bid. The County reserves the right to reject all bids and may, at its sole discretion, elect to competitively bid any project outside of the vendor pool using the County's standard procurement procedures.

**2. DEFINITIONS**

**Calendar Day** – Every day shown on the calendar, ending and beginning at Midnight.

**Contractor** – Licensed certified or registered General, Building, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Roofing Contractors.

**County's Project Manager** - Agent of the County responsible for items including but not limited to accepting/rejecting of work product and invoicing, administration of the contract on a per job basis, as well as interfacing with the Contractor, engineers, architects, and end users.

**Notice to Proceed** – Notification from Lake County to the Contractor stating the date the Contractor can begin work subject to the conditions of the contract and the date specified for completion. The notice to proceed may be hand delivered, mailed to the Contractor's specified address, or provided by electronic means.

**Plans/Drawings** – The approved drawings or reproductions that show the location, character, dimensions, and details of the work to be done, as issued by the County's Project Manager. Unless specified, these plans are meant to be for illustrative purposes only.

**Project** – The work that must be completed by Contractor for the County as specified by the County.

**Project Bid** – Contractor's bid price for a specific project.

**Project Estimate** – Written estimate by the Contractor based upon time and material rates as listed in the Contractor's bid documents.

**Project Time** – The number of consecutive calendar days from the commencement date noted in the notice to proceed to the date on which all work is to be completed.

**Scope of Work** – The description and general intent of the work to be accomplished for a Project, as defined by the project documents, including, but not limited to, the "scope of work", project plans, drawings, photographs, and specifications.

**3. PROJECT ORDER SYSTEM – Up to \$20,000**

3.1. For projects with a value equal to or less than \$20,000, County will directly select a

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Contractor from the pool of vendors under contract with the County to assign work. County Staff may choose any of the Contractors within the vendor pool.

- 3.2. County Project Manager will prepare a Scope of Work for the Project, which will include any applicable plans/drawings, photographs, and/or information related to special requirements.
- 3.3. County Project Manager will provide Contractor the Scope of Work and available project information via email to determine Contractor interest and pricing.
  - 3.3.1. Unless specifically stated, plans/drawings shall be for illustrative purposes only.
- 3.4. Contractor to provide a Project Cost, including, as applicable:
  - 3.4.1. Estimated Project cost including a not to exceed amount;
  - 3.4.2. Anticipated Project work hours (during or after regular business hours);
  - 3.4.3. Site visit and/or pre-bid meeting requirements, including expected date and time, if known;
  - 3.4.4. Anticipated project schedule, including completion deadlines and other applicable milestones;
  - 3.4.5. Emergency or non-emergency status of work;
  - 3.4.6. Contractor's project estimate completion due date;
  - 3.4.7. And any additional pertinent information.
- 3.5. Contractor must respond to County's email by close of next business day either (1) stating interest in accepting the work; (2) propose an alternate time and date for a response, which the County will accept or reject by close of next business day; or (3) declining the work.
  - 3.5.1. If Contractor fails to respond within 24 hours or declines the work, the County's request shall be automatically rescinded, and County may select another contractor from the vendor pool.
- 3.6. County Project Manager and Contractor will complete any necessary site visits and/or pre-bid meetings within three business days of the County's original email to Contractor, unless otherwise approved by the County Project Manager.
  - 3.6.1. In the case of emergency work, Contractor will be required to attend and complete any necessary site visits and/or pre-bid meetings with the County within such reduced time as may be required by the County Project Manager.
  - 3.6.2. Contractor shall provide a Project Estimate via email and shall state acceptance of the project by the specified due date in the County's email; this will be considered an offer for final acceptance by the County. The Project Estimate shall specify a Not To Exceed time and material charges to complete the project.
    - 3.6.2.1. Change Orders from Contractor are not permitted.
  - 3.6.3. If Contractors Project Estimate is approved by the County Project Manager, a purchase order shall be issued for the project along with notice to proceed specifying start and completion dates. Issuance of the purchase order will be considered County's acceptance.

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3.6.4. Contractor will complete Exhibit F – Viewing Confidential Documents Form for each project.

**4. PROJECT ORDER SYSTEM – \$20,000 to \$195,000**

4.1. In addition to the steps outlined in Section 3 above, Projects over \$20,000 shall be awarded based on a closed, competitive bid process (RFQ) to the lowest priced Contractor within the pre-qualified pool of contractors who bid on the specific project.

4.2. County Project Manager shall initiate an online closed Request for Quotes (RFQ) through the County's RFQ system to the pre-qualified pool members for a project specifying date and time for site visit and/or pre-bid meeting.

4.2.1. Contractor pool members shall submit bids through the RFQ system by the specified due date.

4.2.2. If approved by County Project Manager:

4.2.2.1. A purchase order will be issued for the project with notice to proceed specifying start and completion dates.

4.2.3. Federally funded and/or grant funded projects will require Contractors to submit additional documentation at the time of RFQ submission.

4.2.3.1. Contractor shall agree to all grant funding requirements.

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**ATTACHMENT 1 – SUBMITTAL FORM**

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The undersigned hereby declares that: DDS Enterprises LLC has examined and accepts the specifications, terms, and conditions presented in this Solicitation, satisfies all legal requirements to do business with County, and to furnish **ON-CALL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION SERVICES** for which Submittals were advertised to be received no later than 3:00 P.M. Eastern time on the date stated in the solicitation or as noted in an addenda. Furthermore, the undersigned is duly authorized to execute this document and any contracts or other transactions required by award of this Solicitation.

**1. TERM OF CONTRACT**

Contract will be awarded for an initial one (1) year term with the option for two (2) subsequent two (2) year renewals. Renewals are contingent upon mutual written agreement.

Contract will commence upon the first day of the next calendar month after approval by the authorized authority. Contract remains in effect until completion of the expressed and implied warranty periods. County reserves the right to negotiate for additional services/items similar in nature not known at time of solicitation.

**2. INVOICING**

As stated in Exhibit D – Additional Terms and Conditions.

The County's preferred method for invoice payment is electronic remittance of invoices via virtual payment cards (ePayables) instead of paper checks. Contractor is encouraged to adopt the County's electronic payment option. ePayables is designed to deliver payables quickly and more efficiently than check payments. This procedure is consistent with the County's obligations and purpose, with an overall intent to utilize technology to provide value to the taxpayers.

Vendor requests more information about accepting ePayables for payment: NO

Vendor accepts MasterCard for payment: YES

**3. CERTIFICATION REGARDING LAKE COUNTY TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

I certify that I have reviewed the [General Terms and Conditions for Lake County Florida](#) and accept the Lake County General Terms and Conditions dated 5/6/21 as written including the Proprietary/Confidential Information section. YES

Failure to acknowledge may result in Submittal being deemed non-responsive.

**4. CERTIFICATION REGARDING EXHIBIT D – ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

I certify I have reviewed EXHIBIT D – ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS and accept as written.

YES

Failure to acknowledge may result in Submittal being deemed non-responsive.

**5. CERTIFICATION REGARDING EXHIBIT E – GENERAL FEDERAL CONTRACT CLAUSES**

I certify I have reviewed EXHIBIT E – GENERAL FEDERAL CONTRACT CLAUSES and accept as written.

YES

Failure to acknowledge may result in Submittal being deemed non-responsive.

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**6. CERTIFICATION REGARDING FELONY CONVICTION**

Has any officer, director, or an executive performing equivalent duties, of the bidding entity been convicted of a felony during the past ten (10) years? NO

**7. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION**

Except as listed below, no employee, officer, or agent of the firm has any conflicts of interest, real or apparent, due to ownership, other clients, contracts, or interests associated with this project; and, this Submittal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a proposal for the same services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. No Conflict

**8. CERTIFICATION REGARDING BACKGROUND CHECKS**

Under any County Contract that involves Contractor or subcontractor personnel working in proximity to minors, Vendor hereby confirms that any personnel so employed will have successfully completed an initial, and subsequent annual, Certified Background Check, completed by Contractor at no additional cost to County. Vendor will comply with Florida Statutes regarding background investigations. County retains the right to request and review any associated records with or without cause, and to require replacement of any Contractor employee found in violation of this requirement. Contractor shall indemnify County in full for any adverse act of any such personnel in this regard. Additional requirements may apply in this regard as included within any specific contract award. YES

**9. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM**

County does not establish specific goals for minority set-asides however, participation by minority and non-minority qualified firms is strongly encouraged. If the firm is a minority firm or has obtained certification by the State of Florida, Office of Supplier Diversity, (OSD) (CMBE), please indicate the appropriate classification(s) American Woman Choose an item.  
and enter OSD Certification Number Click or tap here to enter text.  
and enter effective date Click or tap to enter a date. to date Click or tap to enter a date.

**10. ANTITRUST VIOLATOR VENDOR LISTS**

A person or an affiliate who has been placed on the antitrust violator vendor list following a conviction or being held civilly liable for an antitrust violation may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for any new contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for a new contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on new leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a new contract with a public entity; and may not transact new business with a public entity.

**11. FEDERAL FUNDING REQUIREMENT**

- 11.1. A contract award expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 or a contract award at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 C.F.R. part 180. The Excluded Parties List System in SAM contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

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Recipients, contractors, and subcontractors (at any level) that enter into covered transactions are required to verify that the entity (as well as its principals and affiliates) with which they propose to contract or subcontract is not excluded or disqualified. This is done by: (a) checking the SAM exclusions; (b) collecting a certification from that person; or (c) adding a clause or condition to the contract or subcontract.

Registration or search can be conducted here: [SAM Directory and Registration website](#)

11.2. REQUIRED for this project – The System for Award Management (SAM.gov) Unique Entity ID [SAM.gov | Home](#): YQM1UK2PJAC5

**12. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE – N/A**

**13. GENERAL VENDOR INFORMATION**

Firm Name: DDS Enterprises LLC  
Street Address: 463 Shaw Lake Road  
City: Pierson State and ZIP Code: Florida, 32180  
Mailing Address (if different): Same  
Telephone: 386-490-5631  
Purchase Order email address: [DDSEnterprisesLLC@yahoo.com](mailto:DDSEnterprisesLLC@yahoo.com)  
Federal Identification Number / TIN: 88-1236738

**14. SUBMITTAL SIGNATURE**

I hereby certify the information indicated for this Submittal is true and accurate and that my electronic signature shall have the same legal effect as if made under oath; that I am an authorized representative of this Vendor and/or empowered to execute this Submittal on behalf of the Vendor. I, individually and on behalf of the Vendor, acknowledge and agree to abide by all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation as well as any attachments, exhibits, or addenda.

Name of Legal Representative Submitting this Proposal: *Nicholas M. Shephard*

Date: 12/17/2024

Print Name: Nicholas M Shephard

Title: VP

Primary E-mail Address: [DDSEnterprisesLLC@yahoo.com](mailto:DDSEnterprisesLLC@yahoo.com)

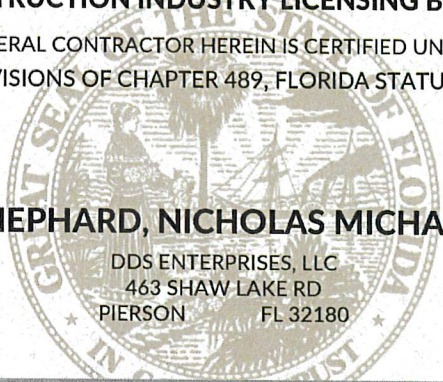
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The individual signing this Submittal affirms that the facts stated herein are true and that the response to this Solicitation has been submitted on behalf of the aforementioned Vendor.

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| <b>STATE OF FLORIDA</b><br><b>DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION</b>                                                                                                    |                                                                                               |                               |                                                                                     |
| <b>CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD</b>                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                               |                               |                                                                                     |
| THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR HEREIN IS CERTIFIED UNDER THE<br>PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 489, FLORIDA STATUTES                                                                                     |                                                                                               |                               |                                                                                     |
| <br><b>SHEPHARD, NICHOLAS MICHAEL</b><br>DDS ENTERPRISES, LLC<br>463 SHAW LAKE RD<br>PIERSON FL 32180 |                                                                                               |                               |                                                                                     |
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**Exhibit C**

**General Federal Required Contract Clauses**

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The work under this Agreement may be funded in whole or in part by a federal grant. Contractor agrees to comply with any additional specific requirements of a Federal Awarding Agency at the time a federal funding source is identified. The following contract provisions are required by Appendix II to 2 C.F.R. Part 200 ("Uniform Guidance"). During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

**A. FEDERAL PARTICIPATION**

The Federal Government is not a party to this Agreement and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this Agreement.

**B. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

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

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

(4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

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

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

(8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: *Provided*, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

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

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

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

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C. DAVIS BACON ACT & COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT COMPLIANCE

(Applicable to Federally funded contracts and subcontracts for construction work over \$2,000.00)

(1) **Davis-Bacon Act.** If required by a Federal Awarding Agency, Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3141–3144, and 3146–3148, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). If applicable, contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. A copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor will be provided for in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

In the event work under this Agreement is covered by Davis-Bacon, Contractor agrees to enter into an amendment including the provisions of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)-(11) in full before covered work begins. Further, Contractor agrees to incorporate the provisions of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)-(11) in full into any subcontracts entered for the furtherance of the work.

(2) **Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act.** If required by a Federal Awarding Agency, Contractor agrees to comply with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”). Contractor is prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The Contractor and the County must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

D. COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT (29 CFR 5.5(b))

(Applicable to Federally funded contracts and subcontracts over \$100,000 utilizing mechanics or laborers; the terms “laborers and mechanics includes watchpersons and guards.”)

(1) **Overtime requirements.** No Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty (40) hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$ IO for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

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(3) **Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.**

a. **Withholding Process.** The County may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for any unpaid wages; monetary relief, including interest; and liquidated damages required by the clauses set forth in this Section, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld.

b. **Priority to withheld funds.** The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5(a)(2)(i) or 29 CFR 5.5(b)(3)(i) of this section, or both, over claims to those funds by: (A) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties; (B) A contracting agency for its procurement costs; (C) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate; (D) A contractor's assignee(s); (E) A contractor's successor(s); or (F) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, 31 U.S.C. 3901-3907.

(4) **Subcontracts.** The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (5) of this Section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section. In the event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and associated liquidated damages and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate.

(5) **Anti-retaliation.** It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA) or its implementing regulations in this part;

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under CWHSSA or this part;

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under CWHSSA or this part; or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under CWHSSA or this part.

(6) **CWHSSA Records Retention.** In the event that a contract is subject only to CWHSSA and not Davis-Bacon, Contractor and its subcontractors must retain regular payrolls and other basic records during the course of the work and must preserve them for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed for all laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchpersons, working on the contract.

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Such records must contain the name; last known address, telephone number, and email address; and social security number of each such worker; each worker's correct classification(s) of work actually performed; hourly rates of wages paid; daily and weekly number of hours actually worked; deductions made; and actual wages paid. Further, the records to be maintained under this paragraph must be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the County, FEMA, and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview workers during working hours on the job.

**E. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT**

In the event that work provided by Contractor meets the definition of "funding agreement" then the provisions of 37 CFR 401 and any Federal Awarding Agency implementing regulations shall apply to this Agreement.

**F. CLEAN AIR ACT**

- (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- (2) The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the State of Florida, Federal Awarding Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

**G. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT**

- (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the State of Florida, Federal Awarding Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

**H. SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT**

(Applicable to Federally assisted contracts and subcontracts greater than \$25,000.)

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered

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transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the County. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the State of Florida and, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

**I. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT**

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

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J. APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 -CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING  
CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE  
AGREEMENTS

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned [Contractor] certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than 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 in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure. The Contractor, \_\_\_\_\_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**K. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS (2 CFR 200.323)**

(1) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:

- i. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- ii. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
- iii. At a reasonable price.

(2) Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, [Comprehensive Procurement Guideline \(CPG\) Program | US EPA](#), as required under 40 CFR Part 247. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. The Contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable and consistent with the law, purchase, acquire, or use products and services that can be reused, refurbished, or recycled; contain recycled content, are biobased, or are energy and water efficient; and are sustainable.

**L. ACCESS TO RECORDS**

The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

(1) The Contractor agrees to provide the County, the State of Florida, the Federal Awarding Agency Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives' access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(2) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) The Contractor agrees to provide the Federal Awarding Agency Administrator or his authorized representatives' access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

**M. FEDERAL AWARDING AGENCY SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS**

The Contractor shall not use the Federal Awarding Agency's seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of agency officials without specific Federal Awarding Agency preapproval.

**N. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS, & EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

This is an acknowledgement that Federal financial assistance will be used to fund the contract. The Contractor will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, Federal Awarding Agency policies, procedures, and directives.

**O. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

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**P. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS**

The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

**Q. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES**

(1) Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause.

(2) Prohibitions.

- a. Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.
- b. Unless an exception in paragraph 3 of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:
  - i. Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
  - ii. Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
  - iii. Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
  - iv. Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

(3) Exceptions.

- a. This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing:
  - i. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
  - ii. Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- b. By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:
  - i. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:
    1. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
    2. Are not used as critical technology of any system.
  - ii. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(4) Reporting requirement.

- a. In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor

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at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph 4.b of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.

- b. The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph 4.a of this clause:
  - i. Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
  - ii. Within ten (10) business days of submitting the information in paragraph 4.b.i of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(5) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph 5, in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.

(3)

**R. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS.**

(1) As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the Contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products).

(2) For the purposes of this section: "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

**S. BUILD AMERICA, BUY AMERICA ACT (BABAA) (2 CFR PART 184)**

The BABAA domestic preference requirements are applicable to infrastructure projects funded under subject Federal financial assistance program awards. The term "infrastructure" is construed broadly and descriptions provided in paragraph (c) of 2 CFR §184.4 are illustrative and not exhaustive. When determining if a particular project of a type not listed in the description in paragraph (c) constitutes "infrastructure," Federal agencies consider whether the project will serve a public function, including whether the project is publicly owned and operated, privately operated on behalf of the public, or is a place of public accommodation, as opposed to a project that is privately owned and not open to the public.

(1) **Architectural and/or Engineering Contracts.** Design professionals agree to incorporate the Buy America Preference into planning and design when providing architectural and/or engineering professional services for infrastructure projects. Consistent with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA) Pub. L. 117-58 §§ 70901-52, no federal financial assistance funding for infrastructure projects will be used unless all the iron, steel, manufactured projects, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.

(2) Contractors and their subcontractors who apply or bid for an award for an infrastructure project subject to the domestic preference requirement in the Build America, Buy America Act shall file the

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required certification to County with each bid or offer for an infrastructure project, unless a domestic preference requirement is waived by the Federal Awarding Agency. Contractors and subcontractors certify that no federal financial assistance funding for infrastructure projects will be provided unless all the iron, steel, manufactured projects, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States. BABAA, Pub. L. No. 117-58, §§ 70901-52. Contractors and subcontractors shall also disclose any use of federal financial assistance for infrastructure projects that does not ensure compliance with BABAA domestic preference requirements. Such disclosures shall be forwarded to the County who, in turn, will forward the disclosures to the Federal Awarding Agency; subrecipients will forward disclosures to the pass-through entity, who will, in turn, forward the disclosures to the Federal Awarding Agency.

(3) For Federally assisted programs subject to BABAA, contractors and subcontractors must sign and submit the following certification to the next tier (e.g., subcontractors submit to the contractor; contractors submit to the recipient or subrecipient) each bid or offer for an infrastructure project that has not been waived by a BABAA waiver:

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**BUILD AMERICA, BUY AMERICA ACT (BABAA) SELF-CERTIFICATION.**

(To be submitted with each bid or offer for which BABAA applies.)

The undersigned [Contractor] certifies, to the best of their knowledge, that:

The Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA) requires that no federal financial assistance for "infrastructure" projects is provided "unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States." Section 70914 of Public Law No. 117-58, §§ 70901-52.

The undersigned certifies that for the \_\_\_\_\_ (project name) that the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this contract are in full compliance with the BABAA requirements including

1. All iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States. This means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

2. All manufactured products purchased with Federal financial assistance must be produced in the United States. For a manufactured product to be considered produced in the United States, the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55% of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation.

3. All construction materials are manufactured in the United States. This means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States.

The Contractor, \_\_\_\_\_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**T. COPYRIGHT AND DATA RIGHTS**

The Contractor grants to the County a paid-up, royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in data first produced in the performance of this contract to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, including prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly such data. For data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract, the Contractor will identify such data and grant to the County or acquires on its behalf a license of the same scope as for data first produced in the performance of this contract. Data, as used herein, shall include any work subject to copyright under 17 U.S.C. § 102, for example, any written reports or literary works, software and/or source code, music, choreography, pictures or images, graphics, sculptures, videos, motion pictures or other audiovisual works, sound and/or video recordings, and architectural works. Upon or before the completion of this contract, the Contractor will deliver to the County data first produced in the performance of this contract and data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract in formats acceptable by the County.

**U. AFFIRMATIVE SOCIOECONOMIC STEPS.**

If subcontracts are to be let, the prime contractor is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

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Exhibit D (Composite)

Contractor's Payment Affidavits



**CONTRACTOR'S FINAL PAYMENT AFFIDAVIT**  
**TO BE SUBMITTED WITH ALL FINAL PAYMENT APPLICATIONS**

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared

(Name of affiant) \_\_\_\_\_, who, after being firstduly  
sworn, deposes and says of his or her personal knowledge the following:

1. Affiant is the (Title) \_\_\_\_\_ of  
(Business Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
which does business in the State of Florida, hereinafter called the "Contractor."
2. The Contractor, pursuant to a contract, with the Lake County Board of County Commissioners,  
hereinafter referred to as the Owner, has furnished or caused to be furnished labor, material, and  
services for the construction of certain improvements to Real Property as more particularly set forth  
in said contract(s).
3. This Affidavit is executed by the Contractor accordance with section 713.06 of the Florida Statutes  
for the purposes of obtaining a final payment in the amount of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
4. All work to be performed under the contract has been fully completed, and all lienors under the  
direct contract have been paid in full, except the following listed lienors

NAME OF LIENOR

AMOUNT DUE

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signed and Delivered on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.

BY:

Signature of Affiant

Printed Name

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online  
notarization, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_.

Personally Known OR Produced Identification  
Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_

(Notary Signature)

(SEAL)

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**CONTRACTOR'S PAYMENT TO SUPPLIERS & SUBCONTACTORS AFFIDAVIT**  
**TO BE SUBMITTED WITH ALL PAYMENT APPLICATIONS**

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared

(Name of affiant) \_\_\_\_\_, who, after being first duly  
sworn, deposes and says of his or her personal knowledge the following:

1. Affiant is the (Title) \_\_\_\_\_ of  
(Business Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
which does business in the State of Florida, hereinafter called the "Contractor."
2. The Contractor, pursuant to a contract, with the Lake County Board of County Commissioners,  
hereinafter referred to as the Owner, has furnished or caused to be furnished labor, material, and  
services for the construction of certain improvements to Real Property as more particularly set forth  
in said contract(s).
3. This Affidavit is executed by the Contractor accordance with section 713.06 of the Florida Statutes  
for the purposes of obtaining a payment in the amount of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
4. All work to be performed under this payment application has been fully completed and all  
suppliers/lienors under this payment application have been paid in full, except the following:

| NAME OF SUPPLIER/LIENOR | AMOUNT DUE |
|-------------------------|------------|
| _____                   | _____      |
| _____                   | _____      |
| _____                   | _____      |

Signed and Delivered on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online  
notarization, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_.

Personally Known OR Produced Identification  
Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Signature)

(SEAL)

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Exhibit E

Confidential Document Viewing & Certification

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PROCEDURE FOR VIEWING CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.1. Approved Contractors will be granted authorization to view confidential documents for this solicitation.

2. REQUIRMENT

Contractor shall provide the following on company letterhead:

- 2.1. The Name, Title, Address, Email and Cellular Phone Number for the individual responsible for ensuring the representatives viewing the documents on their behalf understand and will adhere to Florida Statute 119.071, *General Exemptions From Inspection or Copying Public Records*, and any other state or federal rules providing an exemption or designating documents as confidential in nature.
- 2.2. A list of all individuals (with the same information as above) approved to view the documents on Contractor's behalf (including Subcontractors).
- 2.3. The letter and this attached form must be executed by a company authorized signatory and submitted to Contracting Officer [Contracting.Officer@LakeCountyFL.gov](mailto:Contracting.Officer@LakeCountyFL.gov) prior to the Last Day to Ask Questions.

3. VIEWING PROCESS

- 3.1. Cell phones, cameras, and other recording devices are strictly prohibited in viewing room. Such devices shall be collected and retained by Procurement Services prior to entering viewing room.
- 3.2. IDs will be required (and copied) to confirm the individual is on the approved list.
- 3.3. County will provide one set of confidential documents to each Contractor for estimating purposes. Contractor may write on the documents. All documents and notes shall be retained by County. The awarded contractor will receive their set with all others destroyed.

Contractor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Email \_\_\_\_\_

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I \_\_\_\_\_ (name), the authorized representative for  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Company) hereby agree that all confidential and/or  
exempt documents provided to CONTRACTOR by COUNTY as a necessary part of the  
procurement process and containing confidential information or information covered under an  
exemption to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, will be handled and safeguarded in a manner that  
affords sufficient protection to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of, or inadvertent access to,  
such information, and in a manner which maintains its confidential and/or exempt nature.

CONTRACTOR agrees to return all confidential and/or exempt information which  
CONTRACTOR has had access to or which is in CONTRACTOR's possession: (1) upon demand  
by an authorized COUNTY representative; (2) upon the conclusion of CONTRACTOR's  
relationship with the COUNTY; or (3) upon the determination by the COUNTY that  
CONTRACTOR does not require further access to such information.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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