

## The State of Utah Division of Purchasing & General Services

In conjunction with



## **Request for Proposals**

## **State of Utah Solicitation Number SK18001**

## NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement for Data Communications Products & Services

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## **RFP Administrative Information**

RFP Title:	Data Communications Products & Services
RFP Project Description:	The State of Utah in conjunction with NASPO ValuePoint, is seeking Contractor(s) to provide data communications products and services as described within this RFP.
RFP Lead:	Solomon Kingston, State Contract Analyst State of Utah, Division of Purchasing <u>skingston@utah.gov</u> (801) 538-3228
Electronic Submission:	<ul> <li>Proposals must be submitted electronically via Jaggaer (the Utah Public Procurement Place) here: <u>http://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=StateOfUtah</u></li> <li>Hard copy submissions will not be accepted.</li> <li>From the Jaggaer link type "SK18001" into the search bar, and click the search icon. The "Data Communications Products &amp; Services" posting will appear.</li> </ul>
Deadline To Receive Questions:	August 17, 2018 at 1pm MDT/MST
Question & Answers:	All questions, including those about Terms and Conditions, must be submitted through Jaggaer. Question must be submitted by the question deadline date
RFP Closing Date & Time:	September 11, 2018 at 1pm MDT/MST
Initial Term of Contract and Renewals:	The initial term of the Contract will be five (5) years with the option, upon mutual written agreement, for two (2) additional renewal periods of one (1) year each.
	Upon mutual agreement, the contract may be extended or amended.

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES IN THEIR PARTICIPATING ADDENDA FOLLOWING AWARD OF A MASTER AGREEMENT.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NASPO ValuePoint Data Communications Products & Services Solicitation # SK18001

This Request for Proposals ("RFP"), having been determined to be the appropriate procurement method to provide the best value to the Lead State, is designed to provide interested Offerors with sufficient basic information to submit proposals. It is not intended to limit a proposal's content or exclude any relevant or essential data. Offerors are at liberty and are encouraged to expand upon the specifications to evidence service capability. This RFP is issued in accordance with State of Utah Procurement Code, Utah Code Annotated (UCA) Chapter 63G-6a, and applicable Rules found in the Utah Administrative Code (UAC). If any provision of this RFP conflicts with the UCA or UAC, the UCA or UAC will take precedence.

## **SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### 1.1 PURPOSE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

The State of Utah, Division of Purchasing & General Services (Lead State) is requesting proposals for data communications products and services including all customer service, installation, and design services in furtherance of the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Purchasing Program. The purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to establish Master Agreements with qualified original equipment manufacturers (OEM's) to provide data communications products and related services for all Participating Entities. This solicitation does not allow for multiple firms represented by a distributor to respond. This solicitation does not allow for sister companies to team and submit offers. The objective of this RFP is to obtain best value, and in some cases achieve more favorable pricing, than is obtainable by an individual state or local government entity because of the collective volume of potential purchases by numerous state and local government entities. The Master Agreement(s) resulting from this procurement may be used by state governments (including departments, agencies, institutions), institutions of higher education, political subdivisions (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.), the District of Columbia, territories of the United States, and other eligible entities subject to approval of the individual state procurement director and compliance with local statutory and regulatory provisions.

The State of Utah Division of Purchasing does not guarantee any purchase amount under an awarded contract. Estimated quantities are for solicitation purposes only and are not to be construed as a guarantee.

Each Participating Entity may select the Fulfillment Partner(s) they choose to do business with during the Participating Addendum process. A Participating Entity may require the Fulfillment Partner(s) to submit additional information regarding their firm as part of the selection process during the execution of a Participating Addendum. This information could include, but is not limited to; business references, number of years in business, technical capabilities, information on past projects, and the experience of both their sales and installation personnel.

Each Participating Entity has the option to select one or more product categories or services from the resulting Master Agreement(s) during the execution of the Participating Addendum process.

Each Participating Entity has the option to negotiate an expanded product line within the product category offering and within the scope of this RFP during the Participating Addendum process.

The Awarded Vendor will be the sole point of contract responsibility. The Lead State Contract Administrator and Participating Entities will look solely to the awarded vendor for the performance of all contractual obligations, and the awarded vendor shall not be relieved for the non-performance of any Fulfillment Partner and/or all Subcontractors. Contract requirements such as websites, reporting, etc. are the responsibility of the Awarded Vendor. Awarded Vendors must provide education and guidance on use of the Master Agreement and Participating Addendums.

Lease Option (Optional): Participating Entities reserve the right to determine whether it will utilize leasing options, if available from a selected OEM, during the Participating Addendum process. In addition to providing the proposed categories for Data Communications and related services, Offerors are encouraged to propose rental/financing options, including, but not limited to: lump sum payment, installment sale, rental and the option to lease any Data Communications hardware, supplies, and materials. The selected OEM will identify its rental/lease partner(s). Any State that Issues a Participating Addendum may choose to work with a selected OEM lease partner or obtain other financing or work with other leasing entities of the State's choice. Lease options are optional and are not factored into the evaluation process.

The resulting Master Agreement will be awarded with the understanding and agreement that it is for the sole convenience of the Participating Entities. The Participating Entities reserve the right to obtain like goods or services from other sources when necessary.

This RFP is designed to provide interested offerors with sufficient basic information to submit proposals meeting minimum requirements, but is not intended to limit a proposal's content or exclude any relevant or essential data. Proposals must be concise and as short as possible to allow for efficient evaluation. Blanket marketing material and unnecessary elaborate brochures or representations beyond what is sufficient to present a complete and effective proposals are not acceptable.

Offerors may respond to all or any of the award categories. The product, award categories are outlined in Attachment B – Scope of Work.

#### 1.2 NASPO VALUEPOINT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NASPO ValuePoint (formerly known as WSCA-NASPO) is a cooperative purchasing program of all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the territories of the United States. The Program is facilitated by the NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, a nonprofit subsidiary of the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO), doing business as NASPO ValuePoint. NASPO is a non-profit association dedicated to strengthening the procurement community through education, research, and communication. It is made up of the directors of the central purchasing offices in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the territories of the United States. NASPO ValuePoint facilitates administration of the cooperative group contracting consortium of state chief procurement officials for the benefit of state departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions and other eligible entities (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, some nonprofit organizations, etc.) for all states, the District of Columbia, and territories of the United States. For more information consult the following websites www.naspovaluepoint.org and www.naspo.org.

#### **1.3 PARTICIPATING STATES**

In addition to the Lead State conducting this solicitation, the other Participating States that have requested to be named in this RFP as potential users of the resulting Master Agreement are listed

below. Other entities may become Participating Entities after award of the Master Agreement. Some States may have included special or unique Terms and Conditions for their state that will govern their state Participating Addendum in Attachment I. These Terms and Conditions are being provided as a courtesy to proposers to indicate which additional Terms and Conditions may be incorporated into that state Participating Addendum after award of the Master Agreement. Each State reserves the right to negotiate additional Terms and Conditions in its Participating Addendums.

The Lead State will not address questions or concerns or negotiate other States' terms and conditions. The Participating States must negotiate these Terms and Conditions directly with the supplier.

State	Est. Volume
CALIFORNIA	\$62,000,000.00
COLORADO	\$1,477,664
FLORIDA	\$36,000,000
HAWAII	\$10,000,000
ILLINOIS	N/A
LOUISIANA	\$15,000,000
MARYLAND	\$20,000,000
MICHIGAN	\$16,500,000
MONTANA	\$13,000,000
MINNESOTA	\$32,000,000
NEW JERSEY	\$15,000,000
OREGON	\$22,861,935
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$1,500,000.00
UTAH	\$91,642,561.61
WASHINGTON	\$45,929,528.78
Total Est. Volume	\$382,911,689.24

The information regarding estimated annual usage above has been provided by the individual States and a minimum or maximum level of sales volume is not guaranteed or implied. This is informational data only.

#### 1.4 HISTORIC USAGE

The following information represents historic usage from the current master agreements. No minimum or maximum level of sales volume are guaranteed or implied. This is informational data only.

## NASPO ValuePoint Contract Usage Summary

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Total Aggregated Spend					
Across all States	\$272,426,398	\$365,617,238	\$426,497,493	\$449,156,585	

## **1.5**. Lead State, Solicitation Number and Lead State Contract Administrator

The State of Utah, Division of Purchasing and General Services is the Lead State and issuing office for this document and all subsequent addenda relating to it. The reference number for the transaction is Solicitation # SK18001. This number must be referred to on all proposals, correspondence, and documentation relating to the RFP.

The Lead State Contract Administrator identified below is the Single Point of Contact during this procurement process. Offerors and interested persons shall direct to the Lead State Contract Administrator all questions concerning the procurement process, technical requirements of this RFP, contractual requirements, requests for brand approval, changes, clarifications, and protests, the award process, and any other questions that may arise related to this solicitation and the resulting Master Agreement. The Lead State Contract Administrator designated by the State of Utah, Division of Purchasing and General Services is:

Solomon Kingston, State Contract Analyst State of Utah, Division of Purchasing and General Services 3150 State Office Building Capitol Hill Complex 450 North State Street Salt Lake City, UT 84114 <u>skingston@utah.gov</u> 801-538-3228

## 1.6 QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

MUST submitted (SciQuest) All questions be through JAGGAER (http://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=StateOfUtah) during the designated time for questions ("Q&A period") listed on Jaggaer. Questions submitted through any other channel will not be answered. Questions may be answered in the order that they are submitted or may be compiled into one document and answered via an addendum. Answers disseminated by the State through the Jaggaer system shall serve as the official and binding position of the State and will constitute an addendum to this RFP.

Questions, exceptions, or notification to the State of any ambiguity, inconsistency, excessively restrictive requirement, or error in this RFP, MUST be submitted as a question through Jaggaer during the Q&A period.

An answered question or addenda may modify the specification or requirements of this RFP. Answered questions and addendums will be posted on Jaggaer. Offerors should periodically check Jaggaer for answered questions and addendums before the closing date. It is the responsibility of the Offerors to submit their proposal as required by this RFP, including any requirements contained in an answered question and/or addendum(s).

Exceptions to scope/content of the RFP within an Offeror's proposal that have not been previously addressed within the Q&A period of the procurement are not allowed and may result in the Offeror's proposal being considered non-responsive.

#### 1.7 RESERVED

#### 1.8 ADDENDUMS

Offerors are encouraged to periodically check Jaggaer for posted questions, answers and addendums. Offerors will not be notified by the Lead State or Jaggaer for each addendum issued under the RFP.

Any modification to this procurement will be made by addendum issued by the Lead State. Addendums to the RFP may be made for the purpose of making changes to: the scope of work, the schedule, the qualification requirements, the criteria, the weighting, or other requirements of the RFP.

After the due date and time for submitting a proposal to the RFP, at the discretion of the Lead State, addenda to the RFP may be limited to the Offerors that have submitted proposals, provided the addenda does not make a substantial change to the RFP that likely would have impacted the number of Offerors responding to the original publication of the RFP, in the opinion of the Lead State.

Authorized and properly issued addenda shall constitute the official and binding position of the State.

Any response to the RFP which has as its basis any communications or information received from sources other than the RFP or related addenda may be considered non-responsive and be rejected at the sole discretion of the State.

#### 1.9 **RESTRICTIONS ON COMMUNICATIONS**

From the issue date of the RFP until the contract award(s), Offerors are prohibited from communications regarding the RFP with other Participating Entities EXCEPT the Lead State. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in disqualification.

#### 1.10 E-RATE - UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND DISCOUNT

To the extent the services offered are subject to the E-rate discount program, all award Contract Vendors must commit to participation in the Federal Communication Commission's E-rate discount program established under authority of the Federal Telecommunications Commission Act of 1996. Participation in, and implementation of, this program must be provided without the addition of any service or administration fee by the Contract Vendor.

In order to participate in E-Rate Offerors must appear on the USAC website as those who have a Service Provider Identification Number or "SPIN."

E-rate applicants must deduct the value of ineligible components bundled with eligible services unless those ineligible components qualify as "ancillary" to the eligible services under FCC rules. This process is called "cost allocation". Offeror must separate and illustrate the cost allocation for each component and service in a bundled offering provided to E-rate eligible State entities enabling each entity to properly apply for E-rate coverage of allowable services.

The Offeror shall not currently be subject to the Red Light Rule by the FCC, and will notify the applicant if they are later placed on Red Light Status with the FCC.

The Offeror must be able to honor the applicant's request for Service Provider Invoicing. Service

Provider Invoicing is a billing arrangement where the Offeror invoices the applicant for the discounted portion of the products and services the applicant requests. The Offeror would invoice USAC for the non-discounted portion of the applicant's products and services as a reimbursement.

### 1.11 DIVERSE BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

By submitting a proposal to this RFP, the Offeror acknowledges and agrees to provide diverse business participation as outlined in this section and as requested by individual Participating Entities. For information purposes to Participating Entities, please propose to document SK18001 Attachment D-Fulfillment Partner List spreadsheet, which state(s) your business intends to provide local inclusion for these diverse business programs which may then be incorporated in a resulting state's Participating Addendum.

Diverse business participation means direct performance of commercially useful work. Examples of this include, but are not limited to:

- Fulfillment Partner performing services directly to agency customers through a fulfillment partner, distributor, installer type relationship.
- Subcontractors performing a portion of the work that is trackable, payment to the subcontractor can be validated, and the vendor can report usage back to the agency and scope of work performed.

Example of small and diverse businesses are defined as follows:

- Small Business: US Small Business Administration small business.
- Diverse Business (Minority, women, or veteran businesses): federal 8(a)/SDB, federal WBE, federal veteran-owned, nationally certified under a corporate certification program (National Supplier Development Council, Women's Business Enterprise National Council, or other diverse business certification your business recognizes), or certification recognized by one of the participating states.

Many Participating Entities have their own state specific diverse business programs and definitions.

The information provided in response to this section 1.11 will not be factored into an Offeror's qualifications or eligibility for a master agreement.

# SECTION 2: SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS, INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS

## 2.1 SUBMITTING YOUR PROPOSAL

By submitting a proposal to this RFP, the Offeror acknowledges and agrees that the requirements, scope of work, and the evaluation process outlined in this RFP are understood, fair, equitable, and are not unduly restrictive. Any exceptions to the content of this RFP must be addressed within the Q&A period. The Offeror further acknowledges that it has read this RFP. More information regarding submittal requirements are provided within the RFP documents.

All costs incurred by an Offeror in the preparation and submission of a proposal, including any costs incurred during interviews, oral presentations, and/or product demonstrations are the responsibility of the Offeror and will not be reimbursed.

The cost proposal will be evaluated independently from the technical proposal, pursuant to Utah Code Annotated (UCA) § 63G-6a Part 7, and as such, <u>must</u> be submitted separate from the technical proposal. Separate, for the purposes of this solicitation, means that a separate document is submitted with the labeling instructions provided in this RFP document. Failure to submit cost or pricing data separately may result in your proposal being judged as non-responsive and ineligible for contract award. For electronic submissions, submitting the cost schedule as a separate document is considered separate.

**Proposals must be received by the posted due date and time posted on Jaggaer** ("**deadline**"). Proposals received after the deadline will be late and ineligible for consideration.

Proposals shall be submitted electronically through Jaggaer. We will not accept proposals submitted through any other means. For ease in distributing proposals for evaluation we must have electronic copies received through Jaggaer only.

**Electronic submission instructions:** When submitting a proposal electronically through Jaggaer, please allow sufficient time to complete the online forms and to upload proposal documents. The RFP will end at the deadline. If an Offeror is in the middle of uploading a proposal when the deadline arrives, the system will stop the upload process and the proposal will not be accepted by Jaggaer, and the attempted submission will be considered late and ineligible for consideration.

Electronic proposals may require uploading of electronic attachments. Jaggaer will accept a wide variety of document types as attachments. However, the State is unable to view certain documents. All documents must be uploaded in Jaggaer as separate files.

#### 2.2 PROPOSAL FORMAT

Proposals should be concise, straightforward and prepared simply and economically. Expensive displays, bindings, or promotional materials are neither desired nor required. However, there is no intent in these instructions to limit a proposal's content or exclude any relevant / essential data.

All Proposals must be submitted in the format outlined below. Offerors must title each document utilizing the names listed below. Proposals must be submitted as separate, individual documents pursuant to the titles listed below. The Jaggaer portal will outline where certain documents are to be submitted within the portal. All other documents may be submitted within the Supplier Attachments section of the Jaggaer portal.

If an Offeror submits a redacted version of a document it should clearly label the document as redacted. Detailed information on submitting each of these documents is provided below.

#### A. Document: Mandatory Minimum Requirements

This document should constitute the Offeror's point-by-point response to each item described in section 4.1 the RFP.

Title this document upload – [Vendor Name] Mandatory Minimums Response

#### B. Document: OEM Evaluated Qualifications

This document should constitute the Offeror's response Attachment B.1 An Offeror's response must be a specific point-by-point response, in the order listed, to each requirement within Attachment B.1. This document should demonstrate

the Offeror's understanding of the desired overall performance expectations, deliverables, if any, and outcomes. In any case wherein the Offeror cannot comply with an evaluation criterion outlined in section 4.2, such inability must be stated in response to the applicable requirement.

Title this document upload – [Vendor Name] Attachment B.1 Response

#### C. Document: Category Qualification Evaluation

These documents should constitute the Offeror's response Attachment B.2 <u>for</u> <u>each category Offeror is seeking an award</u>. An Offeror's response must be a specific point-by-point response, in the order listed, to each requirement within Attachment B.2. A separate Attachment B.2 is required for each category Offeror is seeking an award.

Title these document uploads – [Vendor Name] [Category #] Attachment B.2 Response

D. Document: Confidential, Protected or Proprietary Information & Redacted Copy.

As provided in section 2.6, this document is to constitute Offeror's redacted proposal along with Attachment G.

If there is no protected / redacted information, provide a document with "None" in the body.

Failure to comply with this Section and Section 2.6 of the RFP releases the Lead State, NASPO ValuePoint, and Participating Entities from any obligation or liability arising from the inadvertent release of Offeror information.

Title this document - [Vendor Name] Redacted Proposal

## E. Document: Exceptions and/or Additions to the Standard Terms and Conditions.

Proposed exceptions and/or additions to the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions, including the exhibits, must be submitted in this section. Offeror must provide all proposed exceptions and/or additions, including an Offeror's terms and conditions, license agreements, or service level agreements in Microsoft Word format for redline editing. Offeror must also provide the name, contact information, and access to the person(s) that will be directly involved in terms and conditions negotiations.

If there are no exceptions or additions to the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions, provide a document with "None" in the body.

Title this document – [Vendor Name] Exceptions Additions to T&Cs

#### F. Document: Cost Proposal.

The cost proposal (Attachment E) will be evaluated independently from the technical proposal, pursuant to Utah Code Annotated (UCA) § 63G-6-707(5), and as such, must be submitted separate from the technical proposal. Failure to submit cost or pricing data separately may result in your proposal being judged as non-

responsive and ineligible for contract award. Offeror's cost proposal must include the items provided in section 5.3 of the RFP.

Cost will be evaluated independently from the Mandatory Minimum Requirements, and the Technical responses. Inclusion of any cost or pricing data within the Detailed Technical Proposal will result in the proposal being judged as non-responsive for violation of UCA § 63G-6a-707(5).

#### Title this document - [Vendor Name] Attachment E Cost Proposal

#### G. Document: Fulfillment Partner List.

This document should constitute Offeror's response to the Attachment D Partner List as described in section 1.1.

Title this document - [vendor name] Attachment D Fulfillment Partner List

#### H. Document: Optional Lease Option Information

Offerors may submit, at their option, information pertaining to Lease Options. If a participating entity is interested in lease options, then they may negotiate terms of a lease option with a contractor or its fulfillment partner during the Participating Addendum process.

If there are no lease options provide a document with "None" in the body.

Title this document – **[Vendor Name] Lease Option Information** 

#### 2.3 CONTRACT AWARD INTENT

It is anticipated that the RFP will result in multiple contract awards established by the following multiple award methodology: all offerors that meet/exceed all solicitation minimum requirements and the required evaluation score to be selected for award subject to successful terms and conditions negotiations.

Participating entities may consider execution of Participating Addenda through informal competitions, and Participating entities may base their "best value" selection of the offeror whose qualifications best meet their needs after reviewing qualifications outlined in the offeror's proposal and considering other information in the solicitation process relevant to their determination of best value (such as the proposals and evaluations).

The awarded Master Agreement(s) may be modified by the Lead State as a result of technological upgrades for the procurement item(s). Any modification for upgraded technology must be substantially within the scope of the original procurement or contract, and if both parties agree to the modification, then the contract may be modified, but it may not be extended beyond the term of the original awarded contract unless otherwise permitted by law.

#### 2.4 LENGTH OF CONTRACT

The contracts resulting from this RFP will be for a period of five (5) years, with a an option for two (2) additional renewal periods of one (1) year each. The State reserves the right to review the contract resulting from this RFP on a regular basis regarding performance and cost and may negotiate price/discount % off during the contract's term.

Offeror may offer maintenance / support agreements that extend beyond the resulting Master Agreement term pursuant to Attachment A section 27.

### 2.4.A DISCUSSIONS

Discussions may be conducted with the Offerors who submit proposals determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award, followed by an opportunity to make best and final offers pursuant to UCA § 63G-6a Part 7, but proposals may be accepted without discussions.

## 2.5 STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, EXCEPTIONS, AND NEGOTIATIONS

Any contract resulting from this RFP will include the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions (Master Agreement Terms and Conditions), Attachment A, including Exhibits to Attachment A.

Exceptions and/or additions to the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions and other requirements of this RFP are strongly discouraged. Any exception and/or addition regarding the **Master Agreement Terms and Conditions** must be made in the Offeror's proposal. <u>The Lead</u> <u>State will not consider proposed modifications and/or additions to the Master Agreement</u> <u>Terms and Conditions after the deadline for proposals.</u> Exceptions and/or additions regarding the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions or other RFP provisions must contain the following:

- 1. The rationale for the specific requirement being unacceptable to the Offeror submitting the exception and/or addition;
- 2. Recommended verbiage for the Lead State's consideration that is consistent in content, context, and form with the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions;
- 3. Explanation of how the Lead State's acceptance of the recommended verbiage is fair and equitable to both the Lead State, the Participating Entities, and to the Offeror submitting the modification and/or exception.

Offerors may not submit requests for exceptions and/or additions by reference to an Offeror's website or URL. URLs provided with a proposal may result in that proposal being rejected as non-responsive. Offerors may submit questions during the Q&A period regarding the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions.

The Lead State may refuse to negotiate exceptions and/or additions that are determined to be excessive; that are inconsistent with similar contracts; and to warranties, insurance, or indemnification provisions that are necessary to protect the procurement unit after consultation with the Attorney General's Office or other applicable legal counsel.

For the RFP, the Lead State reserves the right to negotiate exceptions and/or additions to terms and conditions in a manner resulting in expeditious resolutions. This process may include beginning negotiations with the qualified Offeror having the least amount of exceptions and/or additions and concluding with the Offeror submitting the greatest number of exceptions and/or additions. Contracts may be executed and become effective as negotiations are completed; however, all of the resulting Master Agreement(s) will terminate on the same date.

If negotiations are required, Offeror must provide all documents **in Microsoft Word format** for redline editing. Offeror must also provide the name, contact information, and access to the person(s) that will be directly involved in legal negotiations.

An award resulting from the RFP is subject to successful contract terms and conditions negotiation (if required). The Lead State, at its sole discretion, will determine when contract terms and conditions negotiations become unproductive and will result in termination of award to that Offeror.

#### 2.6 **PROTECTED INFORMATION**

The Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA), UCA § 63G-2-305, provides in part that:

the following records are protected if properly classified by a government entity: (1) trade secrets as defined in Section 13-24-2, the Utah Uniform Trade Secrets Act, if the person submitting the trade secret has provided the governmental entity with the information specified in UCA § 63G-2-309 (Business Confidentiality Claims); (2) commercial information or non-individual financial information obtained from a person

if:

(a) disclosure of the information could reasonably be expected to result in unfair competitive injury to the person submitting the information or would impair the ability of the governmental entity to obtain necessary information in the future;

(b) the person submitting the information has a greater interest in prohibiting access than the public in obtaining access; and

(c) the person submitting the information has provided the governmental entity with the information specified in UCA § 63G-2-309;

(6) records, the disclosure of which would impair governmental procurement proceedings or give an unfair advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contract or agreement with a governmental entity, except, subject to Subsections (1) and (2), that this Subsection (6) does not restrict the right of a person to have access to, after the contract or grant has been awarded and signed by all parties, ...

## Pricing may not be classified as confidential or protected and will be considered public information after award of the contract.

**Process for Requesting Non-Disclosure**: Any Offeror requesting that a record be protected shall include with the proposal a Claim of Business Confidentiality. To protect information under a Claim of Business Confidentiality, the Offeror must complete the Claim of Business Confidentiality form with the following information:

1. Provide a written Claim of Business Confidentiality at the time the information (proposal) is provided to the state, and

2. Include a concise statement of reasons supporting the claim of business confidentiality (UCA § 63G-2-309(1)).

3. Submit an electronic "redacted" (excluding protected information) copy of the record. The redacted copy must clearly be marked "Redacted Version."

The Claim of Business Confidentiality Form is provided as Attachment G.

An entire proposal cannot be identified as "PROTECTED", "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROPRIETARY", and if so identified, shall be considered non-responsive unless the Offeror removes the designation.

Redacted Copy: If an Offeror submits a proposal that contains information claimed to be

business confidential or protected information, the Offeror must submit two separate proposals: one redacted version for public release, with all protected business confidential information either blacked-out or removed, clearly marked as "Redacted Version"; and one non-redacted version for evaluation purposes, clearly marked as "Protected Business Confidential."

The Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint are not liable or responsible for the disclosure of any confidential or proprietary information if the Offeror fails to follow the instructions of this section.

## 2.7 INTERVIEWS AND PRESENTATIONS

The evaluation committee does not intend to conduct interviews or presentations but we reserve the right to do so if it is determined to be in the best interest of the Lead State. Interviews and presentations may be held at the option of the Lead State. The Lead State shall establish a date and time for the interviews or presentations and shall notify eligible Offerors of the procedures. Offerors invited to interviews or presentations shall be limited to those Offerors meeting the mandatory minimum requirements and mandatory minimum technical score threshold specified in the RFP. Representations made by an Offeror during interviews or presentations shall become an addendum to the Offeror's proposal and shall be documented. Representations must be consistent with Offeror's original proposal and may only be used for purposes of clarifying or filling in gaps in Offeror's proposal. Interviews and presentations will be at Offeror's expense.

## 2.8 **RIGHT TO PUBLISH**

Throughout the duration of this procurement and Master Agreement term, Offerors, OEM's and their Fulfillment Partners must secure from the Lead State prior approval for the release of any information that pertains to the potential work or activities covered by this procurement or the Master Agreement. The OEM must not make any representations of Utah's or the ValuePoint cooperative's opinion or position as to the quality or effectiveness of the products and/or services that are the subject of this Master Agreement without prior written consent of the Lead State. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in disqualification of the Offerors proposal or termination of the Master Agreement for cause.

#### 2.9 CHANGES IN REPRESENTATION

The Contracted Manufacturer must notify the Lead State of changes in the Contracted Manufacturer's Contract Administrator or Contract Usage Report Administrator, in advance and in writing and upon approval by the Lead State. The Lead State reserves the right to require a change in Contracted Supplier(s) representatives if the assigned representative(s) is not, in the opinion of the Lead State, meeting the Terms and Conditions of the contract.

#### 2.10 STATE SEAL USE

The Utah Great Seal Rule states, in section R622-2-3.Custody and Use, that "no facsimile or reproduction of the Great Seal may be manufactured, used, displayed, or otherwise employed by anyone without the written approval of the Lieutenant Governor."

Other Participating Entities have similar rules that must be adhered to by offerors or interested parties.

#### 2.11 USAGE REPORTING AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEE REQUIREMENT

Refer to Terms and Conditions for NASPO ValuePoint usage reporting and administrative fee requirements. Some States may require additional usage reporting and administrative fee be paid directly to the State only on purchases made by Purchasing Entities within that State. For all such requests, the fee level, payment method and schedule for such reports and payments

will be incorporated into the Participating Addendum that is made part of the Master Agreement. The Contractor may adjust the Master Agreement pricing accordingly for purchases made by Purchasing Entities within the jurisdiction of the State.

## 2.12 GLOSSARY

**Authorized Representative:** An individual with the authority to legally bind the Offeror to the Terms and Conditions of the Master Agreement (s) established as a result of this RFP. This individual must have the authority and ability to accurately reflect the ability of the Offeror to meet the requirements detailed in this RFP.

**Contract Administrator:** A dedicated person with the authority and ability to manage compliance with the scope and Terms and Conditions for this contract.

**Contracted Supplier or Contractor or Contracted OEM Supplier**: An Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of the offered Data Communications products that has been awarded a Master Agreement as a result of this procurement.

Lead State: The State issuing the Request for Proposal, in this case, Utah.

**Mandatory Minimum Requirements:** Requirements that must be met in order to be considered for further evaluation. Mandatory minimum requirements are non-negotiable. An offer that does not meet the mandatory minimum requirements will be disqualified from further consideration.

**Master Agreement:** The underlying agreement executed by and between the Lead State, acting on behalf of NASPO ValuePoint and the Contractor, as now or hereafter amended.

**NASPO ValuePoint:** Unified, nationally focused cooperative allegiance aggregating the demand of all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the organized US territories, their political subdivisions and other eligible entities, spurring best innovation and competition in the marketplace. See <a href="http://www.naspovaluepoint.com/">http://www.naspovaluepoint.com/</a> for more information.

**OEM:** Original Equipment Manufacturer of the data communications products and services.

**Participating Addendum:** A Participating Addendum must be executed by any State that decides to adopt a NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement. A Participating Addendum must be executed for each Contractor by the individual State desiring to use their contract. Additional States may be added with the consent of the Contractor and the Lead State (on behalf of NASPO ValuePoint) through execution of Participating Addendums. A Participating Addendum allows for each Participating State to add Terms and Conditions that may be unique to their State.

The Participating State and the Contractor must negotiate and agree upon any additional Terms and Conditions prior to the signing and execution of the Participating Addendum. States are not mandated to sign a Participating Addendum with all awarded vendors.

**Participating Entity:** A state, or other legal entity, properly authorized to enter into a Participating Addendum. See Attachment A.

Price Guarantee Period: One (1) Year.

Published Commercial Price List: Manufacturer's Price list, also known as the list price.

**Purchasing Entity:** A state (as well as the District of Columbia and U.S territories), city, county, district, other political subdivision of a State, and a nonprofit organization under the laws of some states if authorized by a Participating Addendum, that issues a Purchase Order against the Master Agreement and becomes financially committed to the purchase.

**Qualified Entity:** An entity that is eligible to use the Master Agreement(s).

**Usage Report Administrator:** A person responsible for the quarterly sales reporting and payments described in this RFP.

## **SECTION 3: EVALUATION AND AWARD**

## 3.1 PROPOSAL EVALUATION

All proposals in response to this RFP will be evaluated in a manner consistent with the Utah Procurement Code, Administrative Rules, policies and the evaluation criteria in this RFP. Offerors bear sole responsibility for the items included or not included within the submitted proposal. Each area of the evaluation criteria must be addressed in detail in the proposal. Each product category will be awarded separately. Offeror's may respond to one or any of the product categories.

The Lead State reserves the right to very that Offeror's proposal meets the required mandatory minimums and technical requirements.

#### 3.2 PROPOSAL EVALUATION PROCESS

#### Stage 1: Initial Review

In the initial phase of the evaluation process, the Lead State will review all proposals timely received. The mandatory minimum requirements are provided in Section 4.1, and will scored on a pass/fail basis. A "Fail" on any one criteria will result in a proposal being deemed non-responsive. Failure to provide a response to each Mandatory requirement will result in disqualification. These requirements are summarized below.

Mandatory Minimum Requirements	RFP Section	Pass/Fail
RFP Development	4.1.1	Pass/Fail
Evaluation of Proposals	4.1.2	Pass/Fail
Proposed Categories	4.1.3	Pass/Fail
Delivery	4.1.4	Pass/Fail
Credit Rating	4.1.5	Pass/Fail
OEMs Only	4.1.6	Pass/Fail

Non-responsive proposals not conforming to the RFP requirements or unable to meet the mandatory minimum requirements will be eliminated from further consideration. Offerors that meet all minimum requirements will move on to the Stage 2 evaluation.

#### Stage 2: OEM Evaluated Qualifications

Responsive proposals will be evaluated by an evaluation committee appointed by the Lead State against the criteria described in Section 4.2 OEM Evaluated Qualifications.

The listed criteria in Section 4.2 are weighted as follows:

Evaluation Criteria	<b>RFP</b> Section	Points Possible
Company Profile and References	4.2.1	50.0
Ability to Supply NASPO ValuePoint Member States	4.2.2	50.0
Ability to Provide Technical Support to End Users	4.2.3	50.0
Qualifications and Technical Ability	4.2.4	25.0
Security	4.2.5	50.0
Environmental	4.2.6	25.0
Total Stage 2 Points		250.0 points

The evaluation committee will tally the final scores for the OEM Evaluated Qualifications criteria to arrive at a consensus score by averaging the individual scores. Offerors that achieve the **minimum score threshold of 162.5 points within the Stage 2** evaluation will proceed to the

Stage 3 Category Qualification Evaluation. Offeror's who do not achieve the required minimum score threshold will be disqualified and eliminated from further consideration.

#### **Stage 3: Category Qualification Evaluation**

Responsive proposals that meet the minimum score threshold from Stage 2 will then be evaluated for responsiveness in each Category that Offeror is seeking an award in.

The listed criteria in Section 4.3 are weighted as follows:

Evaluation Criteria	<b>RFP</b> Section	Points Possible
Ability to meet Requirements of Selected Category	4.3.1	100.0
Consumption Models	4.3.2	25.0
Category Specific Security	4.3.3	50.0
Open Standards and Interoperability	4.3.4	50.0
Value Added Services	4.3.5	25.0
Total Stage 3 Points Per Category		250.0 points

The total possible points and the minimum score threshold that must be achieved for each Category that Offeror is seeking an award in are as follows:

Award Categories	Total Points Possible	Stage 3: Minimum Threshold
Unified Communications	250.0	175.0
Networking	250.0	175.0
Routers, Switches, Security, and Storage Networking	250.0	175.0
Wireless	250.0	175.0
Facility Management, Monitoring, and Control	250.0	175.0

The evaluation committee will tally the final scores for in each Category to arrive at a consensus score by averaging the individual evaluator scores.

Proposals that achieve the minimum score threshold listed above for a given Award Category will proceed to the Final Stage: Cost Proposal Evaluation. Offerors with a score of less than the minimum required technical points (Minimum Threshold) will be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for further consideration.

The evaluation score sheet has been attached to this RFP (Attachment F) for reference. This provided scoresheet states the relative weight for each evaluation criteria.

#### Final Stage: Cost Proposal Evaluation

Offerors successful in the Stage 3 Product Qualification Evaluation will advance to the Final Stage: Cost Proposal Evaluation. At this stage, the Lead State will then separate all responsive proposals into the following groups:

- <u>Group 1:</u> those Offerors whose proposal qualifies for all Award Categories.
- <u>Group 2:</u> those Offerors whose proposal qualifies one or more Award Categories, but not all Award Categories.

The Minimum Discount % off within Group 1 proposals will be compared against the Group 1 proposals. The Minimum Discount % off within Group 2 proposals will be compared against the

#### Group 2 proposals.

<u>Group 1</u> – Within Group 1, the Offeror with the highest proposed Average Minimum Discount % off List for all Award Categories (See Attachment E) will receive 166.7 cost points. All other Offerors within Group 1 will receive a percentage of the cost points possible based on the percentage by which their proposed discount % is lower than the highest discount % in the given category. The formula to compute cost points is: (Proposed Average Discount % / Highest Average Minimum Discount %) \* Total Cost Points Available.

<u>Group 2</u> – Within Group 2, the Offeror with the highest proposed Minimum Discount % off List for the given Award Category 166.7 cost points. All other Offerors within Group 2 will receive a percentage of the cost points possible based on the percentage by which their proposed discount % is lower than the highest discount % in the given category. The formula to compute cost points is: (Proposed Minimum Discount % / Highest Minimum Discount %) \* Total Cost Points Available.

Refer to Section 5 below and Attachment E for additional information pertaining to the cost evaluation.

#### 3.3 AWARD OF MASTER AGREEMENT(S)

In order to be eligible for a contract award under this RFP a proposal must have a combined total score, of OEM, technical points, and cost points meeting the minimum threshold for award for the given Category as provided below:

Product Category	Total Possible Technical Points*	Total Possible Cost Points	Grand Total Possible Points	Minimum Threshold for Award
Unified Communications	500.0	166.7	666.7	466.69
Networking	500.0	166.7	666.7	466.69
Routers, Switches, Security, and Storage Networking	500.0	166.7	666.7	466.69
Wireless	500.0	166.7	666.7	466.69
Facility Management, Monitoring, and Control	500.0	166.7	666.7	466.69

\*Technical Points is a combination of Stage 2 and Stage 3 Technical Points.

All Offerors whose proposals meet or exceed this minimum threshold for award in a given Category are determined to provide the best value. After final selections are made, the Lead State will issue an intent-to-award announcement by letter to all responsive Offerors.

#### 3.4 PROTEST PROCESS

Offerors are directed to Utah Code Part 16 and Utah Administrative Code Rule R16 available at <a href="http://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title63G/Chapter6a/63G-6a-S1601.html">http://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title63G/Chapter6a/63G-6a-S1601.html</a> and <a href="http://www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r033/r033-016.htm">http://www.rules.utah.gov/xcode/Title63G/Chapter6a/63G-6a-S1601.html</a> and <a href="http://www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r033/r033-016.htm">http://www.rules.utah.gov/xcode/Title63G/Chapter6a/63G-6a-S1601.html</a>

#### 3.5 PUBLICIZING AWARD(S)

The Lead State shall, on the next business day after the award of a contract(s) is announced,

make available to each Offeror and to the public a written justification statement that includes:

(a) the name of the offeror to which the contract is awarded and the total score awarded by the evaluation committee to that offeror;

(b) the justification statement under UCA § 63G-6a-708, including any required costbenefit analysis; and

(c) the total score awarded by the evaluation committee to each offeror to which the contract is not awarded, without identifying which offeror received which score.

## SECTION 4: ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS

## 4.1 Mandatory Minimum Requirements

This section contains mandatory minimum requirements that must be met in order for an offer to be considered responsive.

Failure to meet any one of the mandatory requirements/qualifications will result in the proposal being rejected pursuant to UCA § 63G-6a-704 and the proposal will not move forward in the evaluation process. All of the items described in this section are non-negotiable. A rejection of a proposal due to a proposal not meeting mandatory minimum requirements can occur at any time that the non-compliance is discovered.

<u>4.1.1 RFP Development.</u> Did your company, an employee, agent, or representative of your company, or any affiliated entity participate in developing any component of this solicitation? For purposes of this question, business concerns, organizations, or individuals are affiliates of each other if, directly or indirectly: (1) either one controls or has power to control the other or (2) a third party controls or has the power to control both. Indicia of control include, but are not limited to, interlocking management or ownership, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities or equipment, and common use of employees. A response of other than "no" is subject to disqualification.

<u>4.1.2 Evaluation of Proposals.</u> Will your company, or an employee, agent, or representative of your company, participate in the evaluation of the proposals received in response to this RFP? A response of other than "no" is subject to disqualification.

<u>4.1.3</u> Proposed Categories. Identify all categories your firm is seeking an award in from the following:

- 1. Unified Communications
- 2. Networking
- 3. Routers, Switches, Security, and Storage Networking
- 4. Wireless
- 5. Facility Management, Monitoring, and Control

<u>4.1.4 Delivery.</u> The extended prices are the delivered price to any Purchasing Entity. The extended price must reflect the minimum discount % off list price, as well as the price to deliver the item/services to the Purchasing Entity. See Attachment A section 14 for the required shipping and delivery. Offeror shall affirm its' acknowledgement of this requirement.

<u>4.1.5 Credit Rating.</u> Vendor must meet a minimum Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) credit rating of 3A2 or better, or a recognized equivalent rating. Please provide the Respondent's D&B Number and the composite credit rating. The State reserves the right to verify this information. If a branch or wholly owned subsidiary is bidding on this RFP, please provide the D&B Number and score for the parent company that will be financially responsible for performance of the agreement.

<u>4.1.6 OEMs Only.</u> Master Agreements will only be established with qualified Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM's) resulting from this Data Communication's Products and Services RFP. Offeror must affirm its acknowledgement of this requirement, and that it is the OEM of all proposed solutions, hardware, services, etc. within its proposal.

## 4.2 OEM EVALUATED QUALIFICATIONS

Offeror's who meet all mandatory minimum requirements outlined above will then be evaluated on the qualifications detailed in Attachment B.1.

- 4.2.1 Company Profile and References
- 4.2.2 Ability to Supply NASPO ValuePoint Member States
- 4.2.3 Ability to Provide Technical Support to End Users
- 4.2.4 Qualifications and Technical Ability
- 4.2.5 Security
- 4.2.6 Environmental

All Offerors are required to complete and submit a point by point response to the items detailed in Attachment B.1, in the format provided in Attachment B.1.

#### 4.3 CATEGORY QUALIFICATIONS

Offerors who meet all mandatory minimum requirements from section 4.1, and the required score thresholds for the criteria outlined in section 4.2, will then be evaluated on the following items for EACH category Offeror is seeking an award. Non-responsive proposals not conforming to RFP or unable to meet the Stage 2 required thresholds will be disqualified and eliminated from further consideration. All Offerors are required to complete and submit a point by point response to the following items detailed in Attachment B.2 <u>for each category Offeror is seeking an award (i.e., if Offeror is seeking qualification in Categories 1.1 and 1.2, then Offeror must complete Attachment B.2 twice, once for each category Offeror is seeking an award):</u>

4.3.1 Ability to meet Scope/Service Requirements of Selected Category

4.3.2 Consumption Models

4.3.3 Category Specific Security

- 4.3.4 Open Standards and Interoperability
- 4.3.5 Value Added Services

## SECTION 5: COST INFORMATION AND COST PROPOSAL 5.1 PRICE GUARANTEE PERIOD

All pricing must be guaranteed as provided within Attachment A section 11. Price increases or decreases during the contract term will be resolved pursuant to Attachment A section 11.

## 5.2 PRODUCT LINE ADDITIONS AND FULFILLMENT PARTNER UPDATES

During the term of the contract, Data Communications Providers may submit a request to update the awarded items (within the scope listed in Attachment B) as new technology is introduced, updated or removed from the market. The Master Agreement Administrator will evaluate requests and update the contract offering as appropriate. The Data Communications Service Provider shall update the dedicated website, price lists, and catalogs to reflect approved changes. Pricing must utilize the same pricing structure as was used for services falling into the same service category.

The process for adding or removing a fulfillment partner at the State level may be negotiated and described in the Participating Addendum. Each participating State may determine, negotiate with the contractor, and describe the process in the Participating Addendum. Contractors shall follow the process described in the Participating Addendum for each State when adding or removing a fulfillment partner per State.

## 5.3 COST PROPOSAL

Given that technology products generally depreciate over time and go through typical product lifecycles, it is more favorable for Purchasing Entities to have the Master Agreement be based on minimum discounts off the Offeror's' commercially published pricelists versus fixed pricing. (Orders, however, will be fixed-price or fixed-rate and not cost reimbursable contracts.) In addition, Offerors will have the ability to update and refresh their respective price catalog, as long as the agreed-upon discounts are fixed, subject to prior approval by the Lead State.

Offeror must identify its offered Minimum Discount % off List within Attachment E.

The Minimum Discount % off List shall be firm fixed for the duration of the contract. However, the list prices may fluctuate through the life of the contract, as provided herein this Section 5. Offeror may offer increased discounts upon achievement of contract volume milestones. Minimum guaranteed contract discounts do not preclude an Offeror and/or its authorized resellers from providing deeper or additional, incremental discounts at their sole discretion. Purchasing entities shall benefit from any promotional pricing offered by the Contractor to similar customers. Promotional pricing shall not be cause for a permanent price change.

An Offeror's price catalog should be clear and readable. All firms awarded a particular Category will be awarded their entire product line within the scope of the product category. Participating Entities, in reviewing an Offeror's Master Agreement, will take into account the discount offered by the Offeror along with the transparent, publicly available, up-to-date pricing and tools that will allow customers to evaluate their pricing.

Individual Participating Addendums may use a vendor's proposed minimum discount percentage off (Attachment E), and offered catalog, as a base and may elect to negotiate an adjusted (i.e., greater) minimum discount percentage off.

<u>Value Added Services.</u> Some Participating Entities may desire to use an Offeror for other related application modifications to optimize or deploy hardware and service applications. Responses to the RFP must include hourly rates by job specialty for use by Participating Entities for these types

of database/application administration, systems engineering & configuration services and consulting throughout the contract period. The hourly rates should be a fully burdened rate that includes labor, overhead, and any other costs related to the service. The specific rate (within a range) charged for each proposed contracted service would be the lowest rate shown unless justified in writing and approved by the Lead State. Any of these valued-added services must be included in your cost proposal, e.g., by an hourly rate.



## Attachment A: NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions

#### 1. Master Agreement Order of Precedence

a. Any Order placed under this Master Agreement shall consist of the following documents:

(1) A Participating Entity's Participating Addendum ("PA");

(2) NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms & Conditions;

(3) A Purchase Order issued against the Master Agreement, including a Service Level Agreement;

(4) The Solicitation; and

(5) Contractor's response to the Solicitation, as revised (if permitted) and accepted by the Lead State.

b. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complementary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. Contractor terms and conditions that apply to this Master Agreement are only those that are expressly accepted by the Lead State and must be in writing and attached to this Master Agreement as an Exhibit or Attachment.

**2. Definitions** - Unless otherwise provided in this Master Agreement, capitalized terms will have the meanings given to those terms in this Section.

**Acceptance** is defined by the applicable commercial code, except Acceptance shall not occur before the completion of delivery in accordance with the Order, installation if required, and a reasonable time for inspection of the Product.

**Contractor** means the person or entity delivering Products or performing services under the terms and conditions set forth in this Master Agreement.

**Data** means all information, whether in oral or written (including electronic) form, created by or in any way originating with a Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity, and all information that is the output of any computer processing, or other electronic manipulation, of any information that was created by or in any way originating with a Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity, in the course of using and configuring the Services provided under this Agreement.

**Data Breach** means any actual or reasonably suspected non-authorized access to or acquisition of computerized Non-Public Data or Personal Data that compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of the Non-Public Data or Personal Data, or the

ability of Purchasing Entity to access the Non-Public Data or Personal Data.

**Disabling Code** means computer instructions or programs, subroutines, code, instructions, data or functions, (including but not limited to viruses, worms, date bombs or time bombs), including but not limited to other programs, data storage, computer libraries and programs that self-replicate without manual intervention, instructions programmed to activate at a predetermined time or upon a specified event, and/or programs purporting to do a meaningful function but designed for a different function, that alter, destroy, inhibit, damage, interrupt, interfere with or hinder the operation of the Purchasing Entity's' software, applications and/or its end users processing environment, the system in which it resides, or any other software or data on such system or any other system with which it is capable of communicating.

**Embedded Software** means one or more software applications which permanently reside on a computing device.

**Fulfillment Partner** means a third-party contractor qualified and authorized by Contractor, and approved by the Participating State under a Participating Addendum, who may, to the extent authorized by Contractor, fulfill any of the requirements of this Master Agreement including but not limited to providing Services under this Master Agreement and billing Customers directly for such Services. Contractor may, upon written notice to the Participating State, add or delete authorized Fulfillment Partners as necessary at any time during the contract term. Fulfillment Partner has no authority to amend this Master Agreement or to bind Contractor to any additional terms and conditions.

**Intellectual Property** means any and all patents, copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trade secrets, trade names, patentable inventions, or other similar proprietary rights, in tangible or intangible form, and all rights, title, and interest therein.

Lead State means the State centrally administering any resulting Master Agreement(s).

**Master Agreement** means the underlying agreement executed by and between the Lead State, acting on behalf of the NASPO ValuePoint program, and the Contractor, as now or hereafter amended.

**NASPO ValuePoint** is the NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, doing business as NASPO ValuePoint, a 501(c)(3) limited liability company that is a subsidiary organization the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO), the sole member of NASPO ValuePoint. NASPO ValuePoint facilitates administration of the NASPO cooperative group contracting consortium of state chief procurement officials for the benefit of state departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions and other eligible entities (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, some nonprofit organizations, etc.) for all states, the District of Columbia, and territories of the United States. NASPO ValuePoint is identified in the Master Agreement as the recipient of reports and may perform contract administration functions relating to collecting and

receiving reports as well as other contract administration functions as assigned by the Lead State.

**Order** or **Purchase Order** means any purchase order, sales order, contract or other document used by a Purchasing Entity to order the Products.

**Participating Addendum** means a bilateral agreement executed by a Contractor and a Participating Entity incorporating this Master Agreement and any other additional Participating Entity specific language or other requirements, e.g. ordering procedures specific to the Participating Entity, other terms and conditions.

**Participating Entity** means a state, or other legal entity, properly authorized to enter into a Participating Addendum.

**Participating State** means a state, the District of Columbia, or one of the territories of the United States that is listed in the Request for Proposal as intending to participate. Upon execution of the Participating Addendum, a Participating State becomes a Participating Entity; however, a Participating State listed in the Request for Proposal is not required to participate through execution of a Participating Addendum.

**Personal Data** means data alone or in combination that includes information relating to an individual that identifies the individual by name, identifying number, mark or description can be readily associated with a particular individual and which is not a public record. Personal Information may include the following personally identifiable information (PII): government-issued identification numbers (e.g., Social Security, driver's license, passport); financial account information, including account number, credit or debit card numbers; or Protected Health Information (PHI) relating to a person.

**Product** means any equipment, software (including embedded software), documentation, service or other deliverable supplied or created by the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The term Products, supplies and services, and products and services are used interchangeably in these terms and conditions.

**Purchasing Entity** means a state (as well as the District of Columbia and U.S territories), city, county, district, other political subdivision of a State, and a nonprofit organization under the laws of some states if authorized by a Participating Addendum, that issues a Purchase Order against the Master Agreement and becomes financially committed to the purchase.

**Services** mean any of the specifications described in the Scope of Services that are supplied or created by the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.

**Security Incident** means the possible or actual unauthorized access to a Purchasing Entity's Non-Public Data and Personal Data the Contractor believes could reasonably result in the use, disclosure or theft of a Purchasing Entity's Non-Public Data within the possession or control of the Contractor. A Security Incident also includes a major security breach to the Contractor's system, regardless if Contractor is aware of unauthorized access to a Purchasing Entity's Non-Public Data. A Security Incident may or may not turn into a Data Breach.

**Service Level Agreement** (SLA) means a written agreement between both the Purchasing Entity and the Contractor that is subject to the terms and conditions in this Master Agreement and relevant Participating Addendum unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing between the Purchasing Entity and the Contractor. SLAs should include: (1) the technical service level performance promises, (i.e. metrics for performance and intervals for measure), (2) description of service quality, (3) identification of roles and responsibilities, (4) remedies, such as credits, and (5) an explanation of how remedies or credits are calculated and issued.

**Solicitation** means the documents used by the State of Utah, as the Lead State, to obtain Contractor's Proposal.

**Statement of Work** means a written statement in a solicitation document or contract that describes the Purchasing Entity's service needs and expectations.

## **NASPO ValuePoint Program Provisions**

## 3. Term of the Master Agreement

a. The initial term of this Master Agreement is for five (5) years. This Master Agreement may be extended beyond the original contract period for two (2) additional years at the Lead State's discretion and by mutual agreement and upon review of requirements of Participating Entities, current market conditions, and Contractor performance.

b. The Master Agreement may be extended for a reasonable period of time, not to exceed six months, if in the judgment of the Lead State a follow-on, competitive procurement will be unavoidably delayed (despite good faith efforts) beyond the planned date of execution of the follow-on master agreement. This subsection shall not be deemed to limit the authority of a Lead State under its state law otherwise to negotiate contract extensions.

## 4. Amendments

The terms of this Master Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever without prior written agreement of the Lead State and Contractor.

## 5. Participants and Scope

a. Contractor may not deliver Products under this Master Agreement until a Participating Addendum acceptable to the Participating Entity and Contractor is executed. The NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions are applicable to any Order by a Participating Entity (and other Purchasing Entities covered by their Participating Addendum), except to the extent altered, modified, supplemented or amended by a Participating Addendum. By way of illustration and not limitation, this authority may apply to unique delivery and invoicing requirements, confidentiality requirements, defaults on Orders, governing law and venue relating to Orders by a Participating Entity, indemnification, and insurance requirements. Statutory or constitutional requirements relating to availability of funds may require specific language in some Participating Addenda in order to comply with applicable law. The expectation is that these alterations, modifications, supplements, or amendments will be addressed in the Participating Addendum or, with the consent of the Purchasing Entity and Contractor, may be included in the ordering document (e.g. purchase order or contract) used by the Purchasing Entity to place the Order.

b. Use of specific NASPO ValuePoint cooperative Master Agreements by state agencies, political subdivisions and other Participating Entities (including cooperatives) authorized by individual state's statutes to use state contracts are subject to the approval of the respective State Chief Procurement Official. Issues of interpretation and eligibility for participation are solely within the authority of the respective State Chief Procurement Official.

c. Obligations under this Master Agreement are limited to those Participating Entities who have signed a Participating Addendum and Purchasing Entities within the scope of those Participating Addenda. States or other entities permitted to participate may use an informal competitive process to determine which Master Agreements to participate in through execution of a Participating Addendum. Financial obligations of Participating Entities who are states are limited to the orders placed by the departments or other state agencies and institutions having available funds. Participating Entities who are states incur no financial obligations on behalf of other Purchasing Entities. Contractor shall email a fully executed PDF copy of each Participating Addendum to PA@naspovaluepoint.org to support documentation of participation and posting in appropriate data bases.

d. NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, doing business as NASPO ValuePoint, is not a party to the Master Agreement. It is a nonprofit cooperative purchasing organization assisting states in administering the NASPO cooperative purchasing program for state government departments, institutions, agencies and political subdivisions (e.g., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.) for all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the territories of the United States.

e. Participating Addenda shall not be construed to amend the following provisions in this Master Agreement between the Lead State and Contractor that prescribe NASPO ValuePoint Program requirements: Term of the Master Agreement; Amendments; Participants and Scope; Administrative Fee; NASPO ValuePoint Summary and Detailed Usage Reports; NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Program Marketing and Performance Review; NASPO ValuePoint eMarketCenter; Right to Publish; Price and Rate Guarantee Period; and Individual Customers. Any such language shall be void and of no effect.

f. Participating Entities who are not states may under some circumstances sign their own Participating Addendum, subject to the consent to participation by the Chief Procurement Official of the state where the Participating Entity is located. Coordinate requests for such participation through NASPO ValuePoint. Any permission to participate through execution of a Participating Addendum is not a determination that procurement authority exists in the Participating Entity; they must ensure that they have the requisite procurement authority to execute a Participating Addendum.

g. **Resale**. "Resale" means any payment in exchange for transfer of tangible goods, software, or assignment of the right to services. Subject to any specific conditions included in the solicitation or Contractor's proposal as accepted by the Lead State, or as explicitly permitted in a Participating Addendum, Purchasing Entities may not resell Products (the definition of which includes services that are deliverables). Absent any such condition or explicit permission, this limitation does not prohibit: payments by employees of a Purchasing Entity for Products; sales of Products to the general public as surplus property; and fees associated with inventory transactions with other governmental or nonprofit entities and consistent with a Purchasing Entity's laws and regulations. Any sale or transfer permitted by this subsection must be consistent with license rights granted for use of intellectual property.

## 6. Administrative Fees

a. The Contractor shall pay to NASPO ValuePoint, or its assignee, a NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee of one-quarter of one percent (0.25% or 0.0025) no later than sixty (60) days following the end of each calendar quarter. The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee shall be submitted quarterly and is based on all sales of products and services under the Master Agreement (less any charges for taxes or shipping). The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee is not negotiable. This fee is to be included as part of the pricing submitted with proposal.

b. Additionally, some states may require an additional fee be paid directly to the state only on purchases made by Purchasing Entities within that state. For all such requests, the fee level, payment method and schedule for such reports and payments will be incorporated into the Participating Addendum that is made a part of the Master Agreement. The Contractor may adjust the Master Agreement pricing accordingly for purchases made by Purchasing Entities within the jurisdiction of the state. All such agreements shall not affect the NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee percentage or the prices paid by the Purchasing Entities outside the jurisdiction of the state requesting the additional fee. The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee in subsection 6a shall be based on the gross amount of all sales (less any charges for taxes or shipping) at the adjusted prices (if any) in Participating Addenda.

## 7. NASPO ValuePoint Summary and Detailed Usage Reports

In addition to other reports that may be required by this solicitation, the Contractor shall provide the following NASPO ValuePoint reports.

a. Summary Sales Data. The Contractor shall submit quarterly sales reports directly to

NASPO ValuePoint using the NASPO ValuePoint Quarterly Sales/Administrative Fee Reporting Tool found at <u>http://calculator.naspovaluepoint.org</u>. Any/all sales made under this Master Agreement shall be reported as cumulative totals by state. Even if Contractor experiences zero sales during a calendar quarter, a report is still required. Reports shall be due no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the calendar quarter (as specified in the reporting tool).

b. Detailed Sales Data. Contractor shall also report detailed sales data by: (1) state; (2) entity/customer type, e.g. local government, higher education, K12, non-profit; (3) Purchasing Entity name; (4) Purchasing Entity bill-to and ship-to locations; (4) Purchasing Entity and Contractor Purchase Order identifier/number(s); (5) Purchase Order Type (e.g. sales order, credit, return, upgrade, determined by industry practices); (6) Purchase Order date; (7) Ship Date; (8) and line item description, including product number if used. The report shall be submitted in any form required by the solicitation. Reports are due on a quarterly basis and must be received by the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Team no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the reporting period. Reports shall be delivered to the Lead State and to the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Team electronically through a designated portal, email, CD-ROM, flash drive or other method as determined by the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint. Detailed sales data reports shall include sales information for all sales under Participating Addenda executed under this Master Agreement. The format for the detailed sales data report is in shown in Attachment H.

c. Reportable sales for the summary sales data report and detailed sales data report includes sales to employees for personal use where authorized by the solicitation and the Participating Addendum. Report data for employees should be limited to ONLY the state and entity they are participating under the authority of (state and agency, city, county, school district, etc.) and the amount of sales. No personal identification numbers, e.g. names, addresses, social security numbers or any other numerical identifier, may be submitted with any report.

d. Contractor shall provide the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Coordinator with an executive summary each quarter that includes, at a minimum, a list of states with an active Participating Addendum, states that Contractor is in negotiations with and any Participating Addendum roll out or implementation activities and issues. NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Coordinator and Contractor will determine the format and content of the executive summary. The executive summary is due thirty (30) days after the conclusion of each calendar quarter.

e. Timely submission of these reports is a material requirement of the Master Agreement. The recipient of the reports shall have exclusive ownership of the media containing the reports. The Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint shall have a perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive, royalty free, transferable right to display, modify, copy, and otherwise use reports, data and information provided under this section.

# 8. NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Program Marketing, Training, and Performance Review

a. Contractor agrees to work cooperatively with NASPO ValuePoint personnel. Contractor agrees to present plans to NASPO ValuePoint for the education of Contractor's contract administrator(s) and sales/marketing workforce regarding the Master Agreement contract, including the competitive nature of NASPO ValuePoint procurements, the Master agreement and participating addendum process, and the manner in which qualifying entities can participate in the Master Agreement.

b. Contractor agrees, as Participating Addendums become executed, if requested by ValuePoint personnel to provide plans to launch the program within the participating state. Plans will include time frames to launch the agreement and confirmation that the Contractor's website has been updated to properly reflect the contract offer as available in the participating state.

c. Contractor agrees, absent anything to the contrary outlined in a Participating Addendum, to consider customer proposed terms and conditions, as deemed important to the customer, for possible inclusion into the customer agreement. Contractor will ensure that their sales force is aware of this contracting option.

d. Contractor agrees to participate in an annual contract performance review at a location selected by the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint, which may include a discussion of marketing action plans, target strategies, marketing materials, as well as Contractor reporting and timeliness of payment of administration fees.

e. Contractor acknowledges that the NASPO ValuePoint logos may not be used by Contractor in sales and marketing until a logo use agreement is executed with NASPO ValuePoint.

f. The Lead State expects to evaluate the utilization of the Master Agreement at the annual performance review. Lead State may, in its discretion, terminate the Master Agreement pursuant to section 28, or not exercise an option to renew, when Contractor utilization does not warrant further administration of the Master Agreement. The Lead State may exercise its right to not renew the Master Agreement if vendor fails to record or report revenue for three consecutive quarters, upon 60-calendar day written notice to the Contractor. Termination based on nonuse or under-utilization will not occur sooner than two years after award (or execution if later) of the Master Agreement. This subsection does not limit the discretionary right of either the Lead State or Contractor to terminate the Master Agreement pursuant to section 30.

g. Contractor agrees, within 30 days of their effective date, to notify the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint of any contractual most-favored-customer provisions in third-part contracts or agreements that may affect the promotion of this Master Agreements or whose terms provide for adjustments to future rates or pricing based on rates, pricing in,

or Orders from this master agreement. Upon request of the Lead State or NASPO ValuePoint, Contractor shall provide a copy of any such provisions.

## 9. NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center

a. In July 2011, NASPO ValuePoint entered into a multi-year agreement with SciQuest, Inc. (doing business as JAGGAER) whereby JAGGAER will provide certain electronic catalog hosting and management services to enable eligible NASPO ValuePoint's customers to access a central online website to view and/or shop the goods and services available from existing NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Contracts. The central online website is referred to as the NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center.

b. The Contractor will have visibility in the eMarket Center through Ordering Instructions. These Ordering Instructions are available at no cost to the Contractor and provide customers information regarding the Contractors website and ordering information. The Contractor is required at a minimum to participate in the eMarket Center through Ordering Instructions.

c. At a minimum, the Contractor agrees to the following timeline: NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center Site Admin shall provide a written request to the Contractor to begin Ordering Instruction process. The Contractor shall have thirty (30) days from receipt of written request to work with NASPO ValuePoint to provide any unique information and ordering instructions that the Contractor would like the customer to have.

d. If the solicitation requires either a catalog hosted on or integration of a punchout site with eMarket Center, or either solution is proposed by a Contractor and accepted by the Lead State, the provisions of the eMarket Center Appendix to these NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions apply.

## 10. Right to Publish

Throughout the duration of this Master Agreement, Contractor must secure from the Lead State prior approval for the release of information that pertains to the potential work or activities covered by the Master Agreement. This limitation does not preclude publication about the award of the Master Agreement or marketing activities consistent with any proposed and accepted marketing plan. The Contractor shall not make any representations of NASPO ValuePoint's opinion or position as to the quality or effectiveness of the services that are the subject of this Master Agreement without prior written consent. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in termination of the Master Agreement for cause.

## 11. Price and Rate Guarantee Period

All pricing must be guaranteed for the first year of the Master Agreement.

Following the guarantee period, any request for price increases must be for an equal guarantee period (1 year), and must be submitted to the Lead State at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date. The Lead State will review a documented request for an MSRP price list increase only after the Price Guarantee Period.

Requests for price increases must include sufficient documentation supporting the request and demonstrating a reasonableness of the adjustment when comparing the current price list to the proposed price list. Documentation may include: the manufacturers national price increase announcement letter, a complete and detailed description of what products are increasing and by what percentage, a complete and detailed description of what raw materials and/or other costs have increased and provide proof of increase, index data and other information to support and justify the increase. The price increase must not produce a higher profit margin than the original contract, and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation and nationwide notice of price adjustment to the published commercial price list.

No retroactive price increases will be allowed.

<u>Price Reductions.</u> In the event of a price decrease in any category of product at any time during the contract in an OEM's published commercial price list, including renewal options, the Lead State shall be notified immediately. All published commercial price list price reductions shall be effective upon the notification provided to the Lead State.

## 12. Individual Customers

Except to the extent modified by a Participating Addendum, each Purchasing Entity shall follow the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum and will have the same rights and responsibilities for their purchases as the Lead State has in the Master Agreement, including but not limited to, any indemnity or right to recover any costs as such right is defined in the Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum for their purchases. Each Purchasing Entity will be responsible for its own charges, fees, and liabilities. The Contractor will apply the charges and invoice each Purchasing Entity individually.

## Administration of Orders

## 13. Ordering

a. Master Agreement order and purchase order numbers shall be clearly shown on all acknowledgments, shipping labels, packing slips, invoices, and on all correspondence.

b. Purchasing Entities may define entity or project-specific requirements and informally compete the requirement among companies having a Master Agreement on an "as needed" basis. This procedure may also be used when requirements are aggregated or other firm commitments may be made to achieve reductions in pricing. This procedure may be modified in Participating Addenda and adapted to the Purchasing Entity's rules and policies. The Purchasing Entity may in its sole discretion determine which Master Agreement Contractors should be solicited for a quote. The Purchasing Entity may select the quote that it considers most advantageous, cost and other factors considered.

c. Each Purchasing Entity will identify and utilize its own appropriate purchasing procedure and documentation. Contractor is expected to become familiar with the Purchasing Entities' rules, policies, and procedures regarding the ordering of supplies and/or services contemplated by this Master Agreement.

d. Contractor shall not begin work without a valid Purchase Order or other appropriate commitment document under the law of the Purchasing Entity.

e. Orders may be placed consistent with the terms of this Master Agreement during the term of the Master Agreement.

f. All Orders pursuant to this Master Agreement, at a minimum, shall include:

(1) The services or supplies being delivered;

(2) The place and requested time of delivery;

(3) A billing address;

(4) The name, phone number, and address of the Purchasing Entity representative;

(5) The price per hour or other pricing elements consistent with this Master Agreement and the contractor's proposal;

(6) A ceiling amount of the order for services being ordered; and

(7) The Master Agreement identifier.

g. All communications concerning administration of Orders placed shall be furnished solely to the authorized purchasing agent within the Purchasing Entity's purchasing office, or to such other individual identified in writing in the Order.

h. Orders must be placed pursuant to this Master Agreement prior to the termination date thereof, but may have a delivery date or performance period up to 120 days past the then-current termination date of this Master Agreement. Maintenance agreements may have terms as prescribed in section 27. Contractor is reminded that financial obligations of Purchasing Entities payable after the current applicable fiscal year are contingent upon agency funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available.

i. Notwithstanding the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, Contractor agrees to perform in accordance with the terms of any Orders then outstanding at the time of such expiration or termination. Contractor shall not honor any Orders placed after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, or otherwise inconsistent with its terms. Orders from any separate indefinite quantity, task orders, or other form of indefinite delivery order arrangement priced against this Master Agreement may not be placed after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, notwithstanding the term of any such indefinite delivery order agreement.

## 14. Shipping and Delivery

a. The prices are the delivered price to any Purchasing Entity. All deliveries shall be

F.O.B. destination, freight pre-paid, with all transportation and handling charges paid by the Contractor. Responsibility and liability for loss or damage shall remain the Contractor's until final inspection and acceptance when responsibility shall pass to the Purchasing Entity except as to latent defects, fraud and Contractor's warranty obligations. The minimum shipment amount, if any, will be found in the special terms and conditions. Any order for less than the specified amount is to be shipped with the freight prepaid and added as a separate item on the invoice. Any portion of an Order to be shipped without transportation charges that is back ordered shall be shipped without charge.

b. All deliveries will be "Inside Deliveries" as designated by a representative of the Purchasing Entity placing the Order. Inside Delivery refers to a delivery to other than a loading dock, front lobby, or reception area. Specific delivery instructions will be noted on the order form or Purchase Order. Any damage to the building interior, scratched walls, damage to the freight elevator, etc., will be the responsibility of the Contractor. If damage does occur, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to immediately notify the Purchasing Entity placing the Order.

c. All products must be delivered in the manufacturer's standard package. Costs shall include all packing and/or crating charges. Cases shall be of durable construction, good condition, properly labeled and suitable in every respect for storage and handling of contents. Each shipping carton shall be marked with the commodity, brand, quantity, item code number and the Purchasing Entity's Purchase Order number.

# 15. Laws and Regulations

Any and all Products offered and furnished shall comply fully with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.

# **16. Inspection and Acceptance**

a. Where the Master Agreement or an Order does not otherwise specify a process for inspection and Acceptance, this section governs. This section is not intended to limit rights and remedies under the applicable commercial code.

b. All Products are subject to inspection at reasonable times and places before Acceptance. Contractor shall provide right of access to the Lead State, or to any other authorized agent or official of the Lead State or other Participating or Purchasing Entity, at reasonable times, in order to monitor and evaluate performance, compliance, and/or quality assurance requirements under this Master Agreement. Products that do not meet specifications may be rejected. Failure to reject upon receipt, however, does not relieve the contractor of liability for material (nonconformity that substantial impairs value) latent or hidden defects subsequently revealed when goods are put to use. Acceptance of such goods may be revoked in accordance with the provisions of the applicable commercial code, and the Contractor is liable for any resulting expense incurred by the Purchasing Entity related to the preparation and shipping of Product rejected and returned, or for which Acceptance is revoked. c. If any services do not conform to contract requirements, the Purchasing Entity may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in Order amount. When defects cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Purchasing Entity may require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements; and reduce the contract price to reflect the reduced value of services performed.

d. The warranty period shall begin upon Acceptance.

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# 17. Payment

Payment after Acceptance is normally made within 30 days following the date the entire order is delivered or the date a correct invoice is received, whichever is later. After 45 days the Contractor may assess overdue account charges up to a maximum rate of one percent per month on the outstanding balance, unless a different late payment amount is specified in a Participating Addendum, Order, or otherwise prescribed by applicable law. Payments will be remitted by mail. Payments may be made via a State or political subdivision "Purchasing Card" with no additional charge.

# 18. Warranty

Warranty provisions govern where specified elsewhere in the documents that constitute the Master Agreement; otherwise this section governs. The Contractor warrants for a period of one year from the date of Acceptance that: (a) the Product performs according to all specific claims that the Contractor made in its response to the solicitation, (b) the Product is suitable for the ordinary purposes for which such Product is used, (c) the Product is suitable for any special purposes identified in the solicitation or for which the Purchasing Entity has relied on the Contractor's skill or judgment, (d) the Product is designed and manufactured in a commercially reasonable manner, and (e) the Product is free of defects. Upon breach of the warranty, the Contractor will repair or replace (at no charge to the Purchasing Entity) the Product whose nonconformance is discovered and made known to the Contractor. If the repaired and/or replaced Product proves to be inadequate, or fails of its essential purpose, the Contractor will refund the full amount of any payments that have been made. The rights and remedies of the parties under this warranty are in addition to any other rights and remedies of the parties provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and, as applicable and awarded under the law, to a prevailing party, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

# **19. Title of Product**

Upon Acceptance by the Purchasing Entity, Contractor shall convey to Purchasing Entity title to the Product free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, or other security interests. Transfer of title to the Product shall include an irrevocable and perpetual license to use any Embedded Software in the Product. If Purchasing Entity subsequently transfers title of the Product to another entity, Purchasing Entity shall have the right to transfer the license to use the Embedded Software with the transfer of Product title. A subsequent transfer of this software license shall be at no additional cost or charge to either Purchasing Entity or Purchasing Entity's transferee.

# 20. License of Pre-Existing Intellectual Property

Contractor grants to the Purchasing Entity a nonexclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, license to use, publish, translate, reproduce for Purchasing Entity's own use, transfer with any sale of tangible media or Product, perform, display, and dispose of the Intellectual Property, and its derivatives, used or delivered under this Master Agreement, but not created under it ("Pre-existing Intellectual Property"). The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that this license is consistent with any third party rights in the Pre-existing Intellectual Property.

**21. No Guarantee of Service Volumes:** The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint makes no representation, warranty or condition as to the nature, timing, quality, quantity or volume of business for the Services or any other products and services that the Contractor may realize from this Master Agreement, or the compensation that may be earned by the Contractor by offering the Services. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it has conducted its own due diligence prior to entering into this Master Agreement as to all the foregoing matters.

**22. Purchasing Entity Data:** Purchasing Entity retains full right and title to Data provided by it and any Data derived therefrom, including metadata. Contractor shall not collect, access, or use user-specific Purchasing Entity Data except as strictly necessary to provide Service to the Purchasing Entity. No information regarding Purchasing Entity's use of the Service may be disclosed, provided, rented or sold to any third party for any reason unless required by law or regulation or by an order of a court of competent jurisdiction. The obligation shall extend beyond the term of this Master Agreement in perpetuity.

Contractor shall not use any information collected in connection with this Master Agreement, including Purchasing Entity Data, for any purpose other than fulfilling its obligations under this Master Agreement.

**23. System Failure or Damage:** In the event of system failure or damage caused by Contractor or its Services, the Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to restore or assist in restoring the system to operational capacity.

**24. Title to Product:** If access to the Product requires an application program interface (API), Contractor shall convey to Purchasing Entity an irrevocable and perpetual license to use the API.

**25. Data Privacy:** The Contractor must comply with all applicable laws related to data privacy and security, including IRS Pub 1075. Prior to entering into a SLA with a Purchasing Entity, the Contractor and Purchasing Entity must cooperate and hold a meeting to determine the Data Categorization to determine what data the Contractor will hold, store, or process. The Contractor must document the Data Categorization in the SLA or Statement of Work.

# 26. Transition Assistance:

a. The Contractor shall reasonably cooperate with other parties in connection with all Services to be delivered under this Master Agreement, including without limitation any successor service provider to whom a Purchasing Entity's Data is transferred in connection with the termination or expiration of this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall assist a Purchasing Entity in exporting and extracting a Purchasing Entity's Data, in a format usable without the use of the Services and as agreed by a Purchasing Entity, at no additional cost to the Purchasing Entity. Any transition services requested by a Purchasing Entity involving additional knowledge transfer and support may be subject to a separate transition Statement of Work.

b. A Purchasing Entity and the Contractor shall, when reasonable, create a Transition Plan Document identifying the transition services to be provided and including a Statement of Work if applicable.

c. The Contractor must maintain the confidentiality and security of a Purchasing Entity's Data during the transition services and thereafter as required by the Purchasing Entity.

**27. Performance and Payment Time Frames that Exceed Contract Duration:** All maintenance or other agreements for services entered into during the duration of an SLA and whose performance and payment time frames extend beyond the duration of this Master Agreement shall remain in effect for performance and payment purposes (limited to the time frame and services established per each written agreement). No new leases, maintenance or other agreements for services may be executed after the Master Agreement has expired. For the purposes of this section, renewals of maintenance, subscriptions, and other service agreements, shall not be considered as "new."

# **General Provisions**

# 28. Insurance

a. Unless otherwise agreed in a Participating Addendum, Contractor shall, during the term of this Master Agreement, maintain in full force and effect, the insurance described in this section. Contractor shall acquire such insurance from an insurance carrier or carriers licensed to conduct business in each Participating Entity's state and having a rating of A-, Class VII or better, in the most recently published edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Reports. Failure to buy and maintain the required insurance may result in this Master Agreement's termination or, at a Participating Entity's option, result in termination of its Participating Addendum.

b. Coverage shall be written on an occurrence basis. The minimum acceptable limits shall be as indicated below:

(1) Commercial General Liability covering premises operations, independent contractors, products and completed operations, blanket contractual liability, personal injury (including death), advertising liability, and property damage, with a limit of not less than \$1 million per occurrence/\$3 million general aggregate;

(2) Contractor must comply with any applicable State Workers Compensation or Employers Liability Insurance requirements.

c. Contractor shall pay premiums on all insurance policies. Contractor shall provide notice to a Participating Entity who is a state within five (5) business days after Contractor is first aware of expiration, cancellation or nonrenewal of such policy or is first aware that cancellation is threatened or expiration, nonrenewal or expiration otherwise may occur.

d. Prior to commencement of performance, Contractor shall provide to the Lead State a written endorsement to the Contractor's general liability insurance policy or other documentary evidence acceptable to the Lead State that (1) names the Participating States identified in the Request for Proposal as additional insureds, (2) provides that written notice of cancellation shall be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions, and (3) provides that the Contractor's liability insurance policy shall be primary, with any liability insurance of any Participating State as secondary and noncontributory. Unless otherwise agreed in any Participating Addendum, other state Participating Entities' rights and Contractor's obligations are the same as those specified in the first sentence of this subsection except the endorsement is provided to the applicable state.

e. Contractor shall furnish to the Lead State copies of certificates of all required insurance in a form sufficient to show required coverage within thirty (30) calendar days of the execution of this Master Agreement and prior to performing any work. Copies of renewal certificates of all required insurance shall be furnished within thirty (30) days after any renewal date to the applicable state Participating Entity. Failure to provide evidence of coverage may, at the sole option of the Lead State, or any Participating Entity, result in this Master Agreement's termination or the termination of any Participating Addendum.

f. Coverage and limits shall not limit Contractor's liability and obligations under this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum, or any Purchase Order.

# 29. Records Administration and Audit

a. The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence pertaining to this Master Agreement and Orders placed by Purchasing Entities under it to the extent and in such detail as shall adequately reflect performance and administration of payments and fees. Contractor shall permit the Lead State, a Participating Entity, a Purchasing Entity, the federal government (including its grant awarding entities and the U.S. Comptroller General), and any other duly authorized agent of a governmental agency, to audit, inspect, examine, copy and/or transcribe Contractor's books, documents, papers and records directly pertinent to this Master Agreement or orders placed by a Purchasing Entity under it for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. This right shall survive for a period of six (6) years following termination of this Agreement or final payment for any order placed by a Purchasing Entity against this Agreement, whichever is later, or such longer period as is required by the Purchasing Entity's state statutes, to assure compliance with the terms hereof or to evaluate performance hereunder.

b. Without limiting any other remedy available to any governmental entity, the Contractor shall reimburse the applicable Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity for any overpayments inconsistent with the terms of the Master Agreement or Orders or underpayment of Administrative Fees found as a result of the examination of the Contractor's records.

c. The rights and obligations herein exist in addition to any quality assurance obligation in the Master Agreement requiring the Contractor to self-audit contract obligations and that permits the Lead State to review compliance with those obligations.

# 30. Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure, and Injunctive Relief

a. Confidentiality. Contractor acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of providing a Product under this Master Agreement, be exposed to or acquire information that is confidential to Purchasing Entity or Purchasing Entity's clients. Any and all information of any form that is marked as confidential or would by its nature be deemed confidential obtained by Contractor or its employees or agents in the performance of this Master Agreement, including, but not necessarily limited to (1) any Purchasing Entity's records, (2) personnel records, and (3) information concerning individuals, is confidential information of Purchasing Entity ("Confidential Information"). Any reports or other documents or items (including software) that result from the use of the Confidential Information by Contractor shall be treated in the same manner as the Confidential Information. Confidential Information does not include information that (1) is or becomes (other than by disclosure by Contractor) publicly known; (2) is furnished by Purchasing Entity to others without restrictions similar to those imposed by this Master Agreement; (3) is rightfully in Contractor's possession without the obligation of nondisclosure prior to the time of its disclosure under this Master Agreement; (4) is obtained from a source other than Purchasing Entity without the obligation of confidentiality, (5) is disclosed with the written consent of Purchasing Entity or; (6) is independently developed by employees, agents or subcontractors of Contractor who can be shown to have had no access to the Confidential Information.

b. Non-Disclosure. Contractor shall hold Confidential Information in confidence, using at least the industry standard of confidentiality, and shall not copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than what is necessary to the performance of Orders placed under this Master Agreement. Contractor shall advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Contractor shall use commercially reasonable efforts to assist Purchasing Entity in identifying and preventing

any unauthorized use or disclosure of any Confidential Information. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Contractor shall advise Purchasing Entity, applicable Participating Entity, and the Lead State immediately if Contractor learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Master Agreement, and Contractor shall at its expense cooperate with Purchasing Entity in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief in the name of Purchasing Entity or Contractor against any such person. Except as directed by Purchasing Entity, Contractor will not at any time during or after the term of this Master Agreement disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information to any person, except in accordance with this Master Agreement, and that upon termination of this Master Agreement or at Purchasing Entity's request, Contractor shall turn over to Purchasing Entity all documents, papers, and other matter in Contractor's possession that embody Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor may keep one copy of such Confidential Information necessary for quality assurance, audits and evidence of the performance of this Master Agreement.

c. Injunctive Relief. Contractor acknowledges that breach of this section, including disclosure of any Confidential Information, will cause irreparable injury to Purchasing Entity that is inadequately compensable in damages. Accordingly, Purchasing Entity may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies that may be available. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of the legitimate business interests of Purchasing Entity and are reasonable in scope and content.

d. Purchasing Entity Law. These provisions shall be applicable only to extent they are not in conflict with the applicable public disclosure laws of any Purchasing Entity.

e. The rights granted Purchasing Entities and Contractor obligations under this section shall also extend to Confidential Information, defined to include Participating Addenda, as well as Orders or transaction data relating to Orders under this Master Agreement that identify the entity/customer, Order dates, line item descriptions and volumes, and prices/rates. This provision does not apply to disclosure to the Lead State, a Participating State, or any governmental entity exercising an audit, inspection, or examination pursuant to section 29. To the extent permitted by law, Contractor shall notify the Lead State of the identify of any entity seeking access to the Confidential Information described in this subsection.

# **31. Public Information**

This Master Agreement and all related documents are subject to disclosure pursuant to the Purchasing Entity's public information laws.

# 32. Assignment/Subcontracts

a. Contractor shall not assign, sell, transfer, subcontract or sublet rights, or delegate responsibilities under this Master Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the Lead State.

b. The Lead State reserves the right to assign any rights or duties, including written assignment of contract administration duties to NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, doing business as NASPO ValuePoint and other third parties.

# 32. Changes in Contractor Representation

The Contractor must notify the Lead State of changes in the Contractor's key administrative personnel managing the Master Agreement in writing within 10 calendar days of the change. The Lead State reserves the right to approve changes in key personnel, as identified in the Contractor's proposal. The Contractor agrees to propose replacement key personnel having substantially equal or better education, training, and experience as was possessed by the key person proposed and evaluated in the Contractor's proposal.

# **33. Independent Contractor**

The Contractor shall be an independent contractor. Contractor shall have no authorization, express or implied, to bind the Lead State, Participating States, other Participating Entities, or Purchasing Entities to any agreements, settlements, liability or understanding whatsoever, and agrees not to hold itself out as agent except as expressly set forth herein or as expressly agreed in any Participating Addendum.

# 34. Termination

Unless otherwise stated, this Master Agreement may be terminated by either Lead State or Contractor upon 60 days written notice prior to the effective date of the termination. Further, any Participating Entity may terminate its participation upon 30 days written notice, unless otherwise limited or stated in the Participating Addendum. Termination may be in whole or in part. Any termination under this provision shall not affect the rights and obligations attending orders outstanding at the time of termination, including any right of a Purchasing Entity to indemnification by the Contractor, rights of payment for Products delivered and accepted, rights attending any warranty or default in performance in association with any Order, and requirements for records administration and audit. Termination of the Master Agreement due to Contractor default may be immediate.

# 35. Force Majeure

Neither party to this Master Agreement shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, unusually severe weather, other acts of God, or war which are beyond that party's reasonable control. The Lead State may terminate this Master Agreement after determining such delay or default will reasonably prevent successful performance of the Master Agreement.

# 36. Defaults and Remedies

a. The occurrence of any of the following events by Contractor shall be an event of default under this Master Agreement:

(1) Nonperformance of contractual requirements; or

(2) A material breach of any term or condition of this Master Agreement; or

(3) Any certification, representation or warranty by Contractor in response to the solicitation or in this Master Agreement that proves to be untrue or materially misleading; or

(4) Institution of proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, by or against Contractor, or the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for Contractor or any of its property, which is not vacated or fully stayed within thirty (30) calendar days after the institution or occurrence thereof; or

(5) Any default specified in another section of this Master Agreement.

b. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the Lead State shall issue a written notice of default, identifying the nature of the default, and providing a period of 15 calendar days in which Contractor shall have an opportunity to cure the default. The Lead State shall not be required to provide advance written notice or a cure period and may immediately terminate this Master Agreement in whole or in part if the Lead State, in its sole discretion, determines that it is reasonably necessary to preserve public safety or prevent immediate public crisis. Time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for damages, including liquidated damages to the extent provided for under this Master Agreement.

c. If Contractor is afforded an opportunity to cure and fails to cure the default within the period specified in the written notice of default, Contractor shall be in breach of its obligations under this Master Agreement and the Lead State shall have the right to exercise any or all of the following remedies:

(1) Exercise any remedy provided by law; and

(2) Terminate this Master Agreement and any related Contracts or portions thereof; and

- (3) Impose liquidated damages as provided in this Master Agreement; and
- (4) Suspend Contractor from being able to respond to future bid solicitations; and
- (5) Suspend Contractor's performance; and
- (6) Withhold payment until the default is remedied.

d. Unless otherwise specified in the Participating Addendum, in the event of a default under a Participating Addendum, a Participating Entity shall provide a written notice of default as described in this section and shall have all of the rights and remedies under this paragraph regarding its participation in the Master Agreement, in addition to those set forth in its Participating Addendum. Unless otherwise specified in a Purchase Order, a Purchasing Entity shall provide written notice of default as described in this section and have all of the rights and remedies under this paragraph and any applicable Participating Addendum with respect to an Order placed by the Purchasing Entity. Nothing in these Master Agreement Terms and Conditions shall be construed to limit the rights and remedies available to a Purchasing Entity under the applicable commercial code.

# 37. Waiver of Breach

Failure of the Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity to declare a default or enforce any rights and remedies shall not operate as a waiver under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum. Any waiver by the Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity must be in writing. Waiver by the Lead State or Participating Entity of any default, right or remedy under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum, or by Purchasing Entity with respect to any Purchase Order, or breach of any terms or requirements of this Master Agreement, a Participating Addendum, or Purchase Order shall not be construed or operate as a waiver of any subsequent default or breach of such term or requirement, or of any other term or requirement under this Master Agreement, Participating Addendum, or Purchase Order.

# 38. Debarment

The Contractor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction (contract) by any governmental department or agency. This certification represents a recurring certification made at the time any Order is placed under this Master Agreement. If the Contractor cannot certify this statement, attach a written explanation for review by the Lead State.

# 39. Indemnification

a. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless NASPO, NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC (doing business as NASPO ValuePoint), the Lead State, Participating Entities, and Purchasing Entities, along with their officers and employees, from and against third-party claims, damages or causes of action including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs for any death, injury, or damage to tangible property arising from act(s), error(s), or omission(s) of the Contractor, its employees or subcontractors or volunteers, at any tier, relating to the performance under the Master Agreement.

b. Indemnification – Intellectual Property. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless NASPO, NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC (doing business as NASPO ValuePoint), the Lead State, Participating Entities, Purchasing Entities, along with their officers and employees ("Indemnified Party"), from and against claims, damages or causes of action including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs arising out of the claim that the Product or its use, infringes Intellectual Property rights ("Intellectual Property Claim") of another person or entity.

(1) The Contractor's obligations under this section shall not extend to any combination of the Product with any other product, system or method, unless the Product, system or method is:

(a) provided by the Contractor or the Contractor's subsidiaries or affiliates;

(b) specified by the Contractor to work with the Product; or

(c) reasonably required, in order to use the Product in its intended manner, and the infringement could not have been avoided by substituting another reasonably available product, system or method capable of performing the same function; or

(d) It would be reasonably expected to use the Product in combination with such product, system or method.

(2) The Indemnified Party shall notify the Contractor within a reasonable time after receiving notice of an Intellectual Property Claim. Even if the Indemnified Party fails to provide reasonable notice, the Contractor shall not be relieved from its obligations unless the Contractor can demonstrate that it was prejudiced in defending the Intellectual Property Claim resulting in increased expenses or loss to the Contractor. If the Contractor promptly and reasonably investigates and defends any Intellectual Property Claim, it shall have control over the defense and settlement of it. However, the Indemnified Party must consent in writing for any money damages or obligations for which it may be responsible. The Indemnified Party shall furnish, at the Contractor's reasonable request and expense, information and assistance necessary for such defense. If the Contractor fails to vigorously pursue the defense or settlement of the Intellectual Property Claim, the Indemnified Party may assume the defense or settlement of it and the Contractor shall be liable for all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs, incurred by the Indemnified Party in the pursuit of the Intellectual Property Claim. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, this section is not subject to any limitations of liability in this Master Agreement or in any other document executed in conjunction with this Master Agreement.

# 40. No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

In no event shall this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum or any contract or any Purchase Order issued thereunder, or any act of the Lead State, a Participating Entity, or a Purchasing Entity be a waiver of any form of defense or immunity, whether sovereign immunity, governmental immunity, immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States or otherwise, from any claim or from the jurisdiction of any court.

This section applies to a claim brought against the Participating Entities who are states only to the extent Congress has appropriately abrogated the state's sovereign immunity and is not consent by the state to be sued in federal court. This section is also not a waiver by the state of any form of immunity, including but not limited to sovereign immunity and immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

# 41. Governing Law and Venue

a. The procurement, evaluation, and award of the Master Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Lead State sponsoring and administering the procurement. The construction and effect of the Master Agreement after award shall be governed by the law of the state serving as Lead State. The construction and effect of any Participating Addendum or Order against the Master Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Participating Entity's or Purchasing Entity's State.

b. Unless otherwise specified in the RFP, the venue for any protest, claim, dispute or action relating to the procurement, evaluation, and award is in the Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute or action concerning the terms of the Master Agreement shall be in the state serving as Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute, or action concerning any Order placed against the Master Agreement or the effect of a Participating Addendum shall be in the Purchasing Entity's State.

c. If a claim is brought in a federal forum, then it must be brought and adjudicated solely and exclusively within the United States District Court for (in decreasing order of priority): the Lead State for claims relating to the procurement, evaluation, award, or contract performance or administration if the Lead State is a party; a Participating State if a named party; the state where the Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity is located if either is a named party.

# 42. Assignment of Antitrust Rights

Contractor irrevocably assigns to a Participating Entity who is a state any claim for relief or cause of action which the Contractor now has or which may accrue to the Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of state or federal antitrust laws (15 U.S.C. § 1-15 or a Participating Entity's state antitrust provisions), as now in effect and as may be amended from time to time, in connection with any goods or services provided in that state for the purpose of carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum, including, at the Participating Entity's option, the right to control any such litigation on such claim for relief or cause of action.

# 43. Contract Provisions for Orders Utilizing Federal Funds

Pursuant to Appendix II to 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, Orders funded with federal funds may have additional contractual requirements or certifications that must be satisfied at the time the Order is placed or upon delivery. These federal requirements may be proposed by Participating Entities in Participating Addenda and Purchasing Entities for incorporation in Orders placed under this Master Agreement.

# 44. Leasing or Alternative Financing Methods

The procurement and other applicable laws of some Purchasing Entities may permit the use of leasing or alternative financing methods for the acquisition of Products under this Master Agreement. Where the terms and conditions are not otherwise prescribed in an applicable Participating Addendum, the terms and conditions for leasing or alternative financing methods are subject to negotiation between the Contractor and Purchasing Entity. **45. Entire Agreement:** This Master Agreement, along with any attachment, contains the entire understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the Master Agreement unless a term is modified in a Participating Addendum with a Participating Entity. No click-through, or other end user terms and conditions or agreements required by the Contractor ("Additional Terms") provided with any Services hereunder shall be binding on Participating Entities or Purchasing Entities, even if use of such Services requires an affirmative "acceptance" of those Additional Terms before access is permitted.

### eMarket Center Appendix

a. This Appendix applies whenever a catalog hosted by or integration of a punchout site with eMarket Center is required by the solicitation or either solution is proposed by a Contractor and accepted by the Lead State.

b. Supplier's Interface with the eMarket Center. There is no cost charged by JAGGAER to the Contractor for loading a hosted catalog or integrating a punchout site.

c. At a minimum, the Contractor agrees to the following:

(1) Implementation Timeline: NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center Site Admin shall provide a written request to the Contractor to begin enablement process. The Contractor shall have fifteen (15) days from receipt of written request to work with NASPO ValuePoint and JAGGAER to set up an enablement schedule, at which time JAGGAER's technical documentation shall be provided to the Contractor. The schedule will include future calls and milestone dates related to test and go live dates. The contractor shall have a total of Ninety (90) days to deliver either a (1) hosted catalog or (2) punch-out catalog, from date of receipt of written request.

(2) NASPO ValuePoint and JAGGAER will work with the Contractor, to decide which of the catalog structures (either hosted or punch-out as further described below) shall be provided by the Contractor. Whether hosted or punch-out, the catalog must be strictly limited to the Contractor's awarded contract offering (e.g. products and/or services not authorized through the resulting cooperative contract should not be viewable by NASPO ValuePoint Participating Entity users).

(a) Hosted Catalog. By providing a hosted catalog, the Contractor is providing a list of its awarded products/services and pricing in an electronic data file in a format acceptable to JAGGAER, such as Tab Delimited Text files. In this scenario, the Contractor must submit updated electronic data no more than once per 30 days to the eMarket Center for the Lead State's approval to maintain the most up-to-date version of its product/service offering under the cooperative contract in the eMarket Center.

(b) Punch-Out Catalog. By providing a punch-out catalog, the Contractor is providing its own online catalog, which must be capable of being integrated with the eMarket Center as a. Standard punch-in via Commerce eXtensible Markup Language (cXML). In this scenario, the Contractor shall validate that its online catalog is up-to-date by providing a written update no more than once per 30 days to the Lead State stating they have audited the offered products/services and pricing listed on its online catalog. The site must also return detailed UNSPSC codes (as outlined in line 3) for each line item. Contractor also agrees to provide e-Quote functionality to facilitate volume discounts.

d. Revising Pricing and Product Offerings: Any revisions to product/service offerings (new products, altered SKUs, new pricing etc.) must be pre-approved by the Lead State and shall be subject to any other applicable restrictions with respect to the frequency or

amount of such revisions. However, no cooperative contract enabled in the eMarket Center may include price changes on a more frequent basis than once per year (see required Price Guarantee Period section 11). The following conditions apply with respect to hosted catalogs:

(1) Updated pricing files are required each calendar month of the month and shall go into effect in the eMarket Center on as approved by the Lead State contract administrator.

(2) Lead State-approved price changes are not effective until implemented within the eMarket Center. Errors in the Contractor's submitted pricing files will delay the implementation of the price changes in eMarket Center.

e. Supplier Network Requirements: Contractor shall join the JAGGAER Supplier Network (SQSN) and shall use JAGGAER's Supplier Portal to import the Contractor's catalog and pricing, into the JAGGAER system, and view reports on catalog spend and product/pricing freshness. The Contractor can receive orders through electronic delivery (cXML) or through low-tech options such as fax. More information about the SQSN can be found at: www.sciquest.com or call the JAGGAER Supplier Network Services team at 800-233-1121.

f. Minimum Requirements: Whether the Contractor is providing a hosted catalog or a punch-out catalog, the Contractor agrees to meet the following requirements:

(1) Catalog must contain the most current pricing, including all applicable administrative fees and/or discounts, as well as the most up-to-date product/service offering the Contractor is authorized to provide in accordance with the cooperative contract; and

(2) The accuracy of the catalog must be maintained by Contractor throughout the duration of the cooperative contract; and

(3) The Catalog must include a Lead State contract identification number; and

(4) The Catalog must include detailed product line item descriptions; and

(5) The Catalog must include pictures when possible; and

(6) The Catalog must include any additional NASPO ValuePoint and Participating Addendum requirements. Although suppliers in the SQSN normally submit one (1) catalog, it is possible to have multiple contracts applicable to different NASPO ValuePoint Participating Entities. For example, a supplier may have different pricing for state government agencies and Board of Regents institutions. Suppliers have the ability and responsibility to submit separate contract pricing for the same catalog if applicable. The system will deliver the appropriate contract pricing to the user viewing the catalog.

g. Order Acceptance Requirements: Contractor must be able to accept Purchase Orders via fax or cXML. The Contractor shall provide positive confirmation via phone or email within 24 hours of the Contractor's receipt of the Purchase Order. If the Purchasing Order is received after 3pm EST on the day before a weekend or holiday, the Contractor must provide positive confirmation via phone or email on the next business day.

h. UNSPSC Requirements: Contractor shall support use of the United Nations Standard Product and Services Code (UNSPSC). UNSPSC versions that must be adhered to are driven by JAGGAER for the suppliers and are upgraded every year. NASPO ValuePoint reserves the right to migrate to future versions of the UNSPSC and the Contractor shall be required to support the migration effort. All line items, goods or services provided under the resulting statewide contract must be associated to a UNSPSC code. All line items must be identified at the most detailed UNSPSC level indicated by segment, family, class and commodity.

i. Applicability: Contractor agrees that NASPO ValuePoint controls which contracts appear in the eMarket Center and that NASPO ValuePoint may elect at any time to remove any supplier's offering from the eMarket Center.

j. The Lead State reserves the right to approve the pricing on the eMarket Center. This catalog review right is solely for the benefit of the Lead State and Participating Entities, and the review and approval shall not waive the requirement that products and services be offered at prices (and approved fees) required by the Master Agreement.

k. Several NASPO ValuePoint Participating Entities currently maintain separate JAGGAER eMarketplaces, these Participating Entities do enable certain NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Contracts. In the event one of these entities elects to use this NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Contract (available through the eMarket Center) but publish to their own eMarketplace, the Contractor agrees to work in good faith with the entity and NASPO ValuePoint to implement the catalog. NASPO ValuePoint does not anticipate that this will require substantial additional efforts by the Contractor; however, the supplier agrees to take commercially reasonable efforts to enable such separate JAGGAER catalogs.

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# Attachment B – Scope of Work

### I. Data Communications Award Categories

The scope for this RFP and resulting contract is as provided below. A vendor may offer products (i.e. white box, artificial intelligence, etc.) under multiple categories so long as the vendor has received an award for the applicable category it is offering the provided equipment / service. Each category also allows for Internet of Things (IoT) products. These products must be an IoT product that can be deployed within, upon, or integrated into a government agency's physical asset to address government line of business needs. Proposals are expected to include IoT products designed to support common government lines of business in specific subcategories i.e. routers, switches, end points, etc. IoT products can only be provided in categories that the vendor is awarded in and can include endpoints that support items in that category.

### Category 1.1: UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS (UC).

A set of products that provides a consistent unified user interface and user experience across multiple devices and modes of communications. Unified Communications that is able to provide services such as session management, voice, video, messaging, mobility, and meeting solutions (i.e., web, audio, IM&P, file sharing, white boarding, guest support, etc.). It can provide the foundation for advanced unified communications capabilities of IM and presence-based services and extends telephony features and capabilities to packet telephony network devices such as IP phones, media processing devices, Voice over IP (VoIP) gateways, and multimedia applications. Additional services, such as unified messaging, multimedia conferencing, collaborative contact centers, and interactive multimedia response systems, are made possible through open telephony APIs. General UC solution capabilities should include:

- High Availability for Call Processing
- Hardware Platform High Availability
- Network Connectivity High Availability
- PSTN Access resiliency
- Call Processing Redundancy
- Optional Branch Office Survivability Services

**1.1.1 IP Telephony** — Solutions utilized to provide the delivery of the telephony application (for example, call setup and teardown, and telephony features) over IP, instead of using circuit-switched or other modalities. Capabilities should include:

- Support for analog, digital, and IP endpoints
- Centralized Management
- Enterprise Telephony Features (CFx, Transfer, CID, Shared line appearance, One Number Service, etc.)
- Provide basic hunt group and call queuing capabilities
- Flexibility to configure queue depth and hold time, play unique announcements and Music on Hold (MoH), log in and log out users from a queue and basic queue statistics (from the phone
- E911 Support
  - National E911 Routing Services (proper PSAP routing when PSTN access is centralized)
  - o 911 Device Tracking Services
  - 911 On-Site Notification Services

**1.1.2** Instant messaging/ Presence — Solutions that allow communication over the Internet Protocol, within the enterprise, and remotely, as well as with guest users that offers quick transmission of text-based messages from sender to receiver. In push mode between two or more people using personal computers, Desktop (Windows/Mac/VDI/Linux), Mobile/Smartphone, Tablet, along with shared clients, instant messaging basically offers real-time direct written language-based online chat. Instant messaging may also provide video calling, file sharing, PC-to-PC voice calling and PC-to-regular-phone calling.

- IM Persistency / Workstream Collab
- File Sharing Services, Desktop Sharing Services

**1.1.3** Unified messaging — Integration of different electronic messaging and communications media (e-mail, SMS, Fax, voicemail, video messaging, etc.) technologies into a single interface, accessible from a variety of different devices.

- Ability to access and manage voice messages in a variety of ways, using email inbox, Web browser, desktop client, VoIP phone, or mobile phone
- Visual Voicemail Support (Optional)
- ASR / Transcription Services for recorded messages

**1.1.4 Contact Center** — A computer-based system that provides call and contact routing for highvolume telephony transactions, with specialist answering "agent" stations and a sophisticated real-time contact management system. The definition includes all contact center systems that provide inbound contact handling capabilities, outbound call/contact center and automatic contact distribution, combined with a high degree of sophistication in terms of dynamic contact traffic routing management.

### **1.1.5** Communications End Points and Applications

- Attendant Consoles (Telephone Station)
- IP Phones (desktop devices and accessories)
- Room Based Conferencing Endpoints (Conf Phones, SparkBoard, JamBoard, Surface Hub)

**1.1.6 UC Network Monitoring** — Provides end-to-end service management for Unified Communications. Capabilities include testing, performance monitoring, configuration management, accounting/billing, analytics (capacity planning), contact center specialized reports (utilization, queue KIIs, call abandonment rations, etc.), and business intelligence reporting.

**1.1.7** Collaboration — Voice, video, workstream collaboration, and web conferencing; messaging; mobile applications; and enterprise social software. Doesn't include the audio visional software or hardware.

**1.1.8 Collaborative Video** — A set of immersive video technologies that enable people to feel or appear as if they were present in a location that they are not physically in. Immersive video consists of a multiple codec video system, where each meeting attendee uses an immersive video room to "dial in" and can see/talk to every other member on a screen (or screens) as if they were in the same room and provides call control that enables intelligent video bandwidth management.

**1.1.9** Content Delivery Systems (CDS) — A large distributed system of servers deployed in multiple data centers connected by the Internet. The purpose of the content delivery system is to serve content to a

very large number of end-users (i.e., quarterly all hands meetings/webinar) with high availability and high performance. CDSs serve content over the Internet, including web objects (text, graphics, URLs, and scripts), downloadable objects (media files, software, documents), applications (e-commerce, portals), live streaming media, on-demand streaming media, and social networks.

### Category 1.2: NETWORKING

### 1.2.1 Network Application Services.

Application networking solutions and technologies that enable the successful and secure delivery of applications to local, remote, and branch-office users using technology to accelerate, secure, and increase availability of both application traffic and computing resources.

**1.2.1.1 Virtualized Load Balancers** — Virtual devices that act like a reverse proxy to distribute network and/or application traffic across multiple servers to improve the concurrent user capacity and overall reliability of applications. Capabilities should include:

- SSL (Secure Sockets Layer) Off-loading
- Caching capabilities
- Layer 4 Load Balancing
- Layer 7 Load Balancing
- Detailed Reporting
- Supports multiple load balancers in the same system for multiple groups
- Supports TLS1.2

**1.2.1.2 WAN Optimization** — An appliance utilizing a collection of techniques for increasing data-transfer efficiencies across wide-area networks (WAN). Capabilities should include:

- CIFS (Common Internet File System) acceleration
- Data Compression
- SSL encryption/decryption for acceleration (Optional)
- Layer 4-7 visibility
- Application Specific optimization
- Network analysis tools (solutions utilized to collect, classify, analyze, and securely store log messages).

### **1.2.2 Networking Software.**

Software that runs on a server, or within the Cloud, and enables the server to manage data, users, groups, security, applications, and other networking functions. The network operating system is designed to allow transfer of data among multiple computers in a network, typically a local area network (LAN), a private network or to other networks. Networking software capabilities should include:

- Restartable Process
- High availability options
- Targeted operating systems, i.e. DC, campus, core, wan, etc.
- Operating System Efficiencies

• Network analysis tools (solutions utilized to collect, classify, analyze, and securely store log messages).

**1.2.2.1 Network Management and Automation** — Software products and solutions for network automation, cloud computing, and IT systems management.

**1.2.2.2** Data Center Management and Automation — Software products and solutions that capture and automate manual tasks across servers, network, applications, and virtualized infrastructure.

**1.2.2.3 Cloud Portal and Automation** — Software products and solutions for cloud management with policy-based controls for provisioning virtual and physical resources.

**1.2.2.4 Branch Office Management and Automation** — Software products and solutions for management of branch offices. Capabilities include remote troubleshooting, device management, and WAN performance monitoring.

### **1.2.3 Network Optimization and Acceleration.**

Devices and tools for increasing data-transfer efficiencies across wide-area networks.

**1.2.3.1 Data Analytics** — Appliance for improving network management by more effectively factoring in issues related to congestion, such as utilization, service consumption and routing. Provides real-time insights into network traffic to determine the value of different portions of that traffic.

**1.2.3.2 Dynamic Load Balancing** (Network Traffic Management) — An appliance that performs a series of checks and calculations to determine which server can best service each client request in order to select the server that can successfully fulfill the client request and do so in the shortest amount of time without overloading either the server or the server farm as a whole.

**1.2.3.3 WAN Acceleration** — Appliance that optimizes bandwidth to improve the end user's experience on a wide area network (WAN). Capabilities should include:

- CIFS acceleration
- Data Compression
- SSL encryption/decryption for acceleration (Optional)
- Layer 4-7 visibility
- Application Specific optimization

**1.2.3.4 High Availability and Redundancy** — Limits any disruption to network uptime should an appliance face unforeseen performance issues. Transparently redistributes workloads to surviving cluster appliances without impacting communication throughout the cluster.

### 1.2.4 Optical Networking.

High capacity networks based on optical technology and components that provide routing, grooming, and restoration at the wavelength level as well as wavelength based services.

**1.2.4.1 Core DWDM (Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing) Switches** — Switches used in systems designed for long haul and ultra long-haul optical networking applications.

**1.2.4.2 Edge Optical Switches** — Provide entry points into the enterprise or service provider core networks.

**1.2.4.3 Optical Network Management** — Provides capabilities to manage the optical network and allows operators to execute end-to-end circuit creation.

**1.2.4.4 IP over DWDM (IPoDWDM)** — A device utilized to integrate IP Routers and Switches in the OTN (Optical Transport Network).

### Category 1.3: ROUTERS, SWITCHES, SECURITY, AND NETWORKING STORAGE

### 1.3.1 Routers.

A device that forwards data packets along networks. A router is connected to at least two networks, commonly two LANs or WANs or a LAN and its ISP's network. Routers are located at gateways, the places where two or more networks connect, and are the critical device that keeps data flowing between networks and keep the networks connected to the Internet.

**1.3.1.1 Branch Routers** — A multiservice router typically used in branch offices or locations with limited numbers of users and supports flexible configurations/feature. For example: security, VoIP, wan acceleration, etc.

**1.3.1.2 Network Edge Routers** — A specialized router residing at the edge or boundary of a network. This router ensures the connectivity of its network with external networks, a wide area network or the Internet. An edge router uses an External Border Gateway Protocol, which is used extensively over the Internet to provide connectivity with remote networks.

**1.3.1.3 Core Routers** - High performance, high speed, low latency routers that enable Enterprises to deliver a suite of data, voice, and video services to enable next-generation applications such as IPTV and Video on Demand (VoD), and Software as a Service (SaaS).

**1.3.1.4 Service Aggregation Routers** — Provides multiservice adaptation, aggregation and routing for Ethernet and IP/MPLS networks to enable service providers and enterprise edge networks simultaneously host resource-intensive integrated data, voice and video business and consumer services.

**1.3.1.5 Carrier Ethernet Routers** — High performance routers that enable service providers to deliver a suite of data, voice, and video services to enable next-generation applications such as IPTV, Video on Demand (VoD), and Software as a Service (SaaS).

### 1.3.2 Security.

**1.3.2.1** Data Center and Virtualization Security Products and Appliances — Products designed to protect high-value data and data center resources with threat defense and policy control.

**1.3.2.2 Intrusion Detection/Protection and Firewall Appliances** — Provide comprehensive inline network firewall security from worms, Trojans, spyware, key loggers, and other malware. This includes Next-Generation Firewalls (NGFW), which offer a wire-speed integrated network platform that performs deep inspection of traffic and blocking of attacks. Intrusion Detection/Protection and Firewall Appliances should provide:

- Non-disruptive in-line bump-in-the-wire configuration
- Standard first-generation firewall capabilities, e.g., network-address translation (NAT), stateful protocol inspection (SPI) and virtual private networking (VPN), etc.
- Application awareness, full stack visibility and granular control
- Capability to incorporate information from outside the firewall, e.g., directory-based policy, blacklists, white lists, etc.
- Upgrade path to include future information feeds and security threats
- SSL decryption to enable identifying undesirable encrypted applications (Optional)

**1.3.2.3 Logging Appliances and Analysis Tools** — Solutions utilized to collect, classify, analyze, and securely store log messages.

**1.3.2.4 Secure Edge and Branch Integrated Security Products** — Network security, VPN, and intrusion prevention for branches and the network edge. Products typically consist of appliances or routers.

**1.3.2.5 Secure Mobility Products** — Delivers secure, scalable access to corporate applications across multiple mobile devices.

**1.3.2.6 Encryption Appliances** — A network security device that applies crypto services at the network transfer layer - above the data link level, but below the application level.

**1.3.2.7 On-premise and Cloud-based services for Network Communications Integrity** — Solutions that provide threat protection, data loss prevention, message level encryption, acceptable use and application control capabilities to secure web and email communications. This could include cloud access security brokers (CASBs) and DNS security.

**1.3.2.8 Secure Access** — Products that provide secure access to the network for any device, including personally owned mobile devices (laptops, tablets, and smart phones). Capabilities should include:

- Management visibility for device access
- Self-service on-boarding
- Centralized policy enforcement
- Differentiated access and services
- Device Management

### 1.3.3 Storage Networking.

High-speed network of shared storage devices connecting different types of storage devices with data servers.

**1.3.3.1 Director Class SAN (Storage Area Network) Switches and Modules** — A scalable, high-performance, and protocol-independent designed primarily to fulfill the role of core switch in a core-edge Fibre Channel (FC), FCOE or similar SAN topology. A Fibre Channel director is, by current convention, a switch with at least 128 ports. It does not differ from a switch in core FC protocol functionality. Fibre Channel directors provide the most reliable, scalable, high-performance foundation for private cloud storage and highly virtualized environments.

**1.3.3.2** Fabric and Blade Server Switches — A Fibre Channel switch is a network switch compatible with the Fibre Channel (FC) protocol. It allows the creation of a Fibre Channel fabric, which is currently the core

component of most SANs. The fabric is a network of Fibre Channel devices, which allows many-to-many communication, device name lookup, security, and redundancy. FC switches implement zoning; a mechanism that disables unwanted traffic between certain fabric nodes.

**1.3.3.3 Enterprise and Data Center SAN and VSAN (Virtual Storage Area Network) Management** — Management tools to provisions, monitors, troubleshoot, and administers SANs and VSANs.

**1.3.3.4 SAN Optimization** — Tools to help optimize and secure SAN performance (ie. Encryption of dataat-rest, data migration, capacity optimization, data reduction, etc.

### 1.3.4: Switches.

Layer 2/3 devices that are used to connect segments of a LAN (local area network) or multiple LANs and to filter and forward packets among them.

**1.3.4.1 Campus LAN – Access Switches** — Provides initial connectivity for devices to the network and controls user and workgroup access to internetwork resources. The following are some of the features a campus LAN access switch should support:

- 1. Security
  - a. SSHv2 (Secure Shell Version 2)
  - b. 802.1X (Port Based Network Access Control)
  - c. Port Security
  - d. DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) Snooping
- 2. VLANs
- 3. Fast Ethernet/Gigabit Ethernet
- 4. PoE (Power over Ethernet)
- 5. link aggregation
- 6. 10 Gb support
- 7. Port mirroring
- 8. Span Taps
- 9. Support of IPv6 and IPv4
- 10. Standards-based rapid spanning tree
- 11. Netflow Support (Optional).

**1.3.4.2 Campus LAN – Core Switches** — Campus core switches are generally used for the campus backbone and are responsible for transporting large amounts of traffic both reliably and quickly. Core switches should provide:

- High bandwidth
- Low latency
- Hot swappable power supplies and fans
- Security
  - o SSHv2
  - o MacSec encryption
  - Role-Based Access Control Lists (ACL)
- Support of IPv6 and IPv4
- 1/10/40/100 Gbps support

- IGP (Interior Gateway Protocol) routing
- EGP (Exterior Gateway Protocol) routing
- VPLS (Virtual Private LAN Service) Support
- VRRP (Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol) Support
- Netflow Support.

**1.3.4.3 Campus Distribution Switches** — Collect the data from all the access layer switches and forward it to the core layer switches. Traffic that is generated at Layer 2 on a switched network needs to be managed, or segmented into Virtual Local Area Networks (VLANs), Distribution layer switches provides the inter-VLAN routing functions so that one VLAN can communicate with another on the network. Distribution layer switches provides advanced security policies that can be applied to network traffic using Access Control Lists (ACLs).

- High bandwidth
- Low latency
- Hot swappable power supplies and fans
- Security (SSHv2 and/or 802.1X)
- Support of IPv6 and IPv4
- Jumbo Frames Support
- Dynamic Trunking Protocol (DTP)
- Per-VLAN Rapid Spanning Tree (PVRST+)
- Switch-port auto recovery
- NetFlow Support or equivalent

**1.3.4.4 Data Center Switches** — Data center switches, or Layer 2/3 switches, switch all packets in the data center by switching or routing good ones to their final destinations, and discard unwanted traffic using Access Control Lists (ACLs) a minimum of 10 Gigabit speeds. High availability and modularity differentiates a typical Layer 2/3 switch from a data center switch. Capabilities should include:

- High bandwidth
- Low latency
- Hot swappable power supplies and fans
- Ultra-low latency through wire-speed ports with nanosecond port-to-port latency and hardwarebased Inter-Switch Link (ISL) trunking
- Load Balancing across Trunk group able to use packet based load balancing scheme
- Bridging of Fibre Channel SANs and Ethernet fabrics
- Jumbo Frame Support
- Plug and Play Fabric formation that allows a new switch that joins the fabric to automatically become a member
- Ability to remotely disable and enable individual ports
- Support NetFlow or equivalent

**1.3.4.5** Software Defined Networks (SDN) — An application in SDN that manages flow control to enable intelligent networking.

**1.3.4.6 Software Defined Networks (SDN) - Virtualized Switches and Routers** — Technology utilized to support software manipulation of hardware for specific use cases.

**1.3.4.7 Software Defined Networks (SDN)** — **Controllers** - is an application in software-defined networking (SDN) that manages flow control to enable intelligent networking. SDN controllers are based on protocols, such as OpenFlow, that allow servers to tell switches where to send packets. The SDN controller lies between network devices at one end and applications at the other end. Any communications between applications and devices have to go through the controller. The controller uses multiple routing protocols including OpenFlow to configure network devices and choose the optimal network path for application traffic.

**1.3.4.8 Carrier Aggregation Switches** — Carrier aggregation switches route traffic in addition to bridging (transmitted) Layer 2/Ethernet traffic. Carrier aggregation switches' major characteristics are:

- Designed for Metro Ethernet networks
- Designed for video and other high bandwidth applications
- Supports a variety of interface types, especially those commonly used by Service Providers

Capabilities should include:

- Redundant Processors
- Redundant Power
- IPv4 and IPv6 unicast and multicast
- High bandwidth
- Low latency
- Hot swappable power supplies and fans
- MPLS (Multiprotocol Label Switching)
- BGP (Border Gateway Protocol)
- Software router virtualization and/or multiple routing tables
- Policy based routing
- Layer 2 functionality
  - Per VLAN Spanning Tree
  - o Rapid Spanning Tree
  - VLAN IDs up to 4096
  - Layer 2 Class of Service (IEEE 802.1p)
  - Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP)
  - o QinQ (IEEE 802.1ad)

**1.3.4.9 Carrier Ethernet Access Switches** — A carrier Ethernet access switch can connect directly to the customer or be utilized as a network interface on the service side to provide layer 2 services.

- Hot-swappable and field-replaceable integrated power supply and fan tray
- AC or DC power supply with minimum DC input ranging from 18V to 32 VDC and 36V to 72 VDC
- Ethernet and console port for manageability
- SD flash card slot for additional external storage
- Stratum 3 network clock
- Line-rate performance with a minimum of 62-million packets per second (MPPS) forwarding rate

- Support for dying gasp on loss of power
- Support for a variety of small form factor pluggable transceiver (SFP and SFP+) with support for Device Object Model (DOM)
- Timing services for a converged access network to support mobile solutions, including Radio Access Network (RAN) applications
- Support for Synchronous Ethernet (SyncE) services
- Supports Hierarchical Quality of Service (H-QoS) to provide granular traffic-shaping policies
- Supports Resilient Ethernet Protocol REP/G.8032 for rapid layer-two convergence

### Category 1.4: WIRELESS.

Provides connectivity to wireless devices within a limited geographic area. System capabilities should include:

- Redundancy and automatic failover
- IPv6 compatibility
- NTP Support

**1.4.1** Access Points — A wireless Access Point (AP) is a device that allows wireless devices to connect to a wired network using Wi-Fi, or related standards. Capabilities should include:

- 802.11a/b/g/n
- 802.11n
- 802.11ac
- Capable of controller discovery method via DHCP (onsite controller or offsite through Cloud Architecture)
- UL2043 plenum rated for safe mounting in a variety of indoor environments
- Support AES-CCMP (128-bit)
- Provides real-time wireless intrusion monitoring and detection

**1.4.2** Outdoor Wireless Access Points — Outdoor APs are rugged, with a metal cover and a DIN rail or other type of mount. During operations they can tolerate a wide temperature range, high humidity and exposure to water, dust, and oil. Capabilities should include:

- Flexible Deployment Options
- Provides real-time wireless intrusion monitoring and detection
- Capable of controller discovery method via DHCP (onsite controller or offsite through Cloud Architecture)

**1.4.3** Wireless LAN Controllers — An onsite or offsite solution utilized to manage Light-weight access points in large quantities by the network administrator or network operations center. The WLAN controller automatically handles the configuration of wireless access-points. Capabilities should include:

- Ability to monitor and mitigate RF interference/self-heal
- Support seamless roaming from AP to AP without requiring re-authentication
- Support configurable access control lists to filter traffic and denying wireless peer to peer traffic

- System encrypts all management layer traffic and passes it through a secure tunnel
- Policy management of users and devices provides ability to de-authorize or deny devices without denying the credentials of the user, nor disrupting other AP traffic
- Support configurable access control lists to filter traffic and denying wireless peer to peer traffic

**1.4.4** Wireless LAN Network Services and Management — Enables network administrators to quickly plan, configure and deploy a wireless network, as well as provide additional WLAN services. Some examples include wireless security, asset tracking, and location services. Capabilities should include:

- Provide for redundancy and automatic failover
- Historical trend and real time performance reporting is supported
- Management access to wireless network components is secured
- SNMPv3 enabled
- RFC 1213 compliant
- Automatically discover wireless network components
- Capability to alert for outages and utilization threshold exceptions
- Capability to support Apple's Bonjour Protocol / mDNS
- QoS / Application identification capability

**1.4.5** Cloud-based services for Access Points — Cloud-based management of campus-wide WiFi deployments and distributed multi-site networks. Capabilities include:

- Zero-touch access point provisioning
- Network-wide visibility and control
- RF optimization,
- Firmware updates

**1.4.6** Mobile Device Management (MDM) — MDM technology utilized to allow employees to bring personally owned mobile devices (laptops, tablets, and smart phones) to their workplace, and use those devices to access privileged government information and applications in a secure manner. Capabilities should include:

- Ability to apply corporate policy to new devices accessing the network resources, whether wired or wireless
- Provide user and devices authentication to the network
- Provide secure remote access capability
- Support 802.1x
- Network optimization for performance, scalability, and user experience

### Category 1.5: FACILITY MANAGEMENT, MONITORING, AND CONTROL.

Technology utilized in the management, monitoring and control of facilities. Technologies include:

- a. Access control systems
- b. Detection/Identification systems, such as surveillance systems, closed circuit television cameras, or IP camera networks and the associated monitoring systems.

- c. Response systems such as alert systems, desktop monitoring systems, radios, and digital signage.
- d. Building and energy controls

### II. Value Added Services

For each Award Category above, the following valued services should also be available for procurement at the time of product purchase or anytime afterwards. This provided list of value added services is not intended to be exhaustive, and may be updated pursuant to the terms of the resulting Master Agreement (see main RFP document section 5.2).

**2.1 Maintenance Services** — Capability to provide technical support, software maintenance, flexible hardware coverage, and smart, proactive device diagnostics for hardware.

### 2.2 Professional Services

- a. Deployment Services
  - i. Survey/ Design Services Includes, but not limited to, discovery, design, architecture review/validation, and readiness assessment.
  - ii. Implementation Services Includes, but not limited to, basic installation and configuration or end-to-end integration and deployment.
  - iii. Optimization Includes, but not limited to, assessing operational environment readiness, identify ways to increase efficiencies throughout the network, and optimize Customer's infrastructure, applications and service management.
- b. Remote Management Services Includes, but not limited to, continuous monitoring, incident management, problem management, change management, and utilization and performance reporting that may be on a subscription basis.
- c. Consulting/Advisory Services Includes, but not limited to, assessing the availability, reliability, security and performance of Customer's existing solutions.
- d. Data Communications Architectural Design Services Developing architectural strategies and roadmaps for transforming Customer's existing network architecture and operations management.
- e. Statement of Work (SOW) Services Customer-specific tasks to be accomplished and/or services to be delivered based on Customer's business and technical requirements.
- f. Testing Services Includes, but not limited to, testing the availability, reliability, security and performance of Customer's existing solutions
- **2.3 Partner Services** Provided by Contractor's Authorized Partners/Resellers.
  - a. Subject to Contractor's approval and the certifications held by its Partners/Resellers, many Partners/Resellers can also offer and provide some or all of the Services as listed above at competitive pricing, along with local presence and support. As the primary Contractor (OEM), Contractor is ultimately responsible for the service and performance of its Partners/ Resellers. Customers may have the option to purchase the Services to be directly delivered by Contractor (OEM) or its certified Partners/Resellers.

**2.4 Training** — Learning offerings for IT professionals on networking technologies, including but not limited to designing, implementing, operating, configuring, and troubleshooting network systems pertaining to items provided under the master agreement.

### ATTACHMENT B.1 OEM EVALUATED QUALIFICATIONS

Per RFP Section 4.2, OEM Evaluated Qualifications, Offeror's <u>must</u> complete this Attachment and submit it with their response.

Offeror's who meet all mandatory minimum requirements outlined above will then be evaluated on the following items. All Offerors are required to submit a point by point response to the following items.

Provide the information requested below detailing how your organization has the ability to provide the following criteria. Do not submit a full catalog herein this section or generic literature. Submit information specific to the characteristics listed below.

Vendor Name: [vendor input]

Information Sought	Vendor Response
4.2.1. Company Profile and References	
4.2.1.1 Years. Number of years in	
business and number of employees.	
4.2.1.2 Organizational Structure. Has	
there been a recent change in	
organizational structure (e.g.,	
management team) or control (e.g.,	
merger or acquisition) of your company?	
If the answer is yes: (a) explain why the	
change occurred and (b) how this change	
has affected your company.	
4.2.1.3 Company History. Discuss your	
company's history. Has growth been	
organic, through mergers and acquisitions,	
or both?	
4.2.1.4 Debarment. Has bidder ever been	
debarred, suspended, or disqualified from	
bidding or contracting with any public	
entity? If yes, provide the date, the entity,	
and details about the situation.	
<u>4.2.1.5 Litigation.</u> Provide details of all past or pending litigation or government	
action filed or claims that could affect	
Respondent's performance under a	
resulting master agreement. Please	
provide the date of initial filing, case name	
and court number, and jurisdiction.	
4.2.1.6 Default. Within the last 5 years,	
has your company or any of its related	
business entities defaulted on a contract	
or had a contract terminated for cause? If	
yes, provide the date, contracting entity,	
type of contract, and details about the	
termination or default.	
4.2.1.7 Annual Sales. State your gross	
annual sales for the last 5 years. If	
receiving a contract under this RFP will	
increase your gross revenue by more than	
25% from last year's sales, explain how	
the company will scale-up to manage this	
increase.	

4.2.1.8 Financial Statements. Provide	Vendor upload file named – Vendor Name 4.2.1.8 Financial
audited financial statements to the State	Statements]
and should meet a minimum Dun and	
Bradstreet (D&B) credit rating of 3A2 or	
better, or a recognized equivalent rating.	
Please provide the Respondent's D&B	
Number and the composite credit rating.	
The State reserves the right to verify this	
information. If a branch or wholly owned	
subsidiary is bidding on this RFP, please	
provide the D&B Number and score for the	
parent company that will be financially	
responsible for performance of the	
agreement. Prime contractors working on	
behalf of Respondents must submit	
financial statements that demonstrate	
financial stability, and adequate working	
capital, but do not need to meet 3A2 credit	
rating requirements.	
	at least 3 relevant experiences (below) from the last 5 years
	ge a contract of similar size and scope for the work described in this
RFP.	
1 <sup>st</sup> Experience & Reference	
Company name	
Contact name	
Contact role at time of project	
Contact phone	
Contact email	
City	
State	
Zip	
1. Project name and description of the	
scope of the project	
2. What role did your company play?	
3. How is this project experience relevant	
to the subject of this RFP?	
Dollar value	
Start and end date (mm/yy – mm/yy)	
Status (completed, live, other – specify	
phase)	
Results obtained	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Experience & Reference	
Company name	
Contact name	
Contact role at time of project	
Contact phone	
Contact email	
City	
State	
Zip	
1. Project name and description of the	
scope of the project	
2. What role did your company play?	
3. How is this project experience relevant	
to the subject of this RFP?	
Dollar value	
Start and end date (mm/yy – mm/yy)	
Status (completed, live, other – specify	
phase)	
Results obtained	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Experience & Reference	

Company name	
Contact name	
Contact role at time of project	
Contact phone	
Contact email	
City	
State	
Zip	
1. Project name and description of the	
scope of the project	
2. What role did your company play?	
3. How is this project experience relevant	
to the subject of this RFP?	
Dollar value	
Start and end date (mm/yy – mm/yy)	
Status (completed, live, other – specify	
phase)	
Results obtained	
4.2.1.10 Marketing Plan. Describe your	
how you intend to market your equipment	
and services to NASPO ValuePoint and	
Participating Entities.	
4.2.2. Ability to Supply NASPO ValuePoir	nt Member States
4.2.2.1 Strategic Relationships. Describe	
partnerships and strategic relationships	
you think will bring significant value to the	
resulting Master Agreement.	
4.2.2.2 Reseller Program. Demonstrate	
how you will provide an Effective Reseller	
Program managed by the OEM (Contract	
holder) in NASPO ValuePoint States.	
4.2.2.3 Onboarding. Describe your	
process to qualifying and onboarding	
partners and sales personnel to represent	
the product.	
4.2.2.4 Partner Training. Any training for	
partners and sales staff to ensure they	
understand the terms and conditions of the	
Master Agreement and individual	
Participating Addenda. Does your	
company provide follow-up refresher	
training on a semi-annual or annual basis	
for partners and sales staff.	
4.2.2.5 Partner Restrictions. Describe any	
restrictions you place on your partners /	
resellers from selling other OEM solutions.	
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4.2.2.6 Proposed Partner List. Provide	[Vendor upload file named – Vendor Name 4.2.2.6 Proposed Partner
your proposed list of partners in the	List]
structure outlined in Attachment D and	
which Award Categories they will service	
for all States.	<u> </u>
4.2.3. Ability to Provide Technical Suppo	rt to End Users
4.2.3.1 SLA. Provide your proposed	
Service Level Agreement (SLA) that	
includes, but is not limited to: help desk	
support, response times, resolution,	
downtime credits, etc.	
4.2.3.2 Escalation. Describe your	
escalation procedures.	
4.2.3.3 End User Training. Describe your	
offered training program to end users.	

4.2.3.4 Maintenance Program. Describe	
your offered maintenance program.	
4.2.4. Qualifications and Technical Ability	
4.2.4.1 Resume. Provide a resume, in the	Vendor upload file named – Vendor Name 4.2.4.1 Resume
format of Attachment C, for the Contract	
Manager who will be assigned to this	
contract, including, but not limited to the	
following qualifications:	
Minimum 2 years' experience	
in contract management with	
public sector clients,	
Minimum 2 years' experience	
in leadership roles overall, and	
Minimum 2 years' experience	
in the Data Communications	
Products and Services industry.	
4.2.4.2 Key Personnel. Describe the key	
personnel titles and descriptions your firm	
will assign to service this contract. Outline	
such personnel qualifications.	
4.2.4.3 R&D Initiatives. Describe your	
firm's research & development (R&D)	
initiatives.	
4.2.5. Security	
4.2.5.1 Security. Describe how your firm	
ensures the security of your equipment	
and services are maintained against	
industry standards.	
4.2.5.2 Industry Security. Describe your	
firms approach in complying with industry	
standards for: patching, vulnerability	
testing, etc.	
4.2.5.3 Vulnerabilities. Identify any known	
circumstances where a vulnerability in any	
of your products has resulted in a data	
breach for an end user.	
4.2.6. Environmental	
<u>4.2.6.1 Environmental.</u> Describe your use	
of environmentally preferable goods and	
services, including post-consumer waste	
and recycled content.	
<u>4.2.6.2 Product Lifecycle.</u> Describe your	
product life recycling and trade-in	
program.	

### ATTACHMENT B.2 CATEGORY QUALIFICATIONS (as amended August 23, 2018)

Per RFP Section 4.3, Category Qualifications, Offeror's <u>must</u> complete this Attachment for each Product Category it is seeking an award in.

Provide the information requested below detailing how your organization has the ability to service the given Product Category. Do not submit a full catalog here in this section or generic literature. Submit information specific to the characteristics listed below. Offerors are required to submit a point by point response to the following items, for EACH Product Category Offeror is seeking an award.

Vendor Name: [vendor input]

Award Category Seeking Qualification: \_\_\_\_\_[vendor input]

Information Sought	Vendor Response
4.3.1 Ability to meet Scope/Service Requirements of S	Selected Category
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<u>4.3.1.1 Scope/Service Requirements.</u> Demonstrate your ability to meet Scope/Service requirements for this	
category.	
4.3.1.2 Scope Offered. Describe the scope and variety	
of products offered.	
4.3.1.3 Experience. Describe your experience and	
technical ability as an OEM to service this category.	
4.3.1.4 Warranty Program. Describe your offered	
Service and Warranty Program.	
4.3.1.5 Product Life Cycle. Describe your product life	
cycle management.	
4.3.1.6 Solution Models. Describe the models proposed	
for delivering the solution (Software Defined Networks (SDN), white boxes, etc.)	
4.3.1.7 Innovation. Describe any differentiating or highly	
innovative features of the products and services.	
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4.3.2 Consumption Models	
4.3.2.1 Consumption Models. Describe your offered	
consumption models (i.e., purchase / CAPX model,	
communication infrastructure as-a-service, etc.	
4.3.3 Category Specific Security	
4.3.3.1 Security Standards. Describe the security	
standards your firm's equipment and services comply	
with in the industry.	
4.3.3.2 3rd Party Security Assessments. Describe any	
3 <sup>rd</sup> party security assessments or certifications provided	
on your offerings.	
4.3.4 Open Standards and Interoperability	

4.3.4.1 Open Standards. Describe any open standards of your equipment.	
4.3.4.2 Cloud Security Assessments. If Offeror is proposing a Cloud hosted solution, Offeror is to complete, provide, and maintain a completed CSA STAR Registry Self-Assessment <sup>1</sup> . Offeror is to submit a completed Consensus Assessments Initiative Questionnaire (CAIQ), <b>Exhibit 1 to Attachment B.2</b> . Offeror must also represent and warrant the accuracy and currency of the information on the completed attachments.	[Vendor upload file named – Vendor Name 4.3.4.2 Cloud Security Assessments]
<u>4.3.4.3 Cloud Security Alliance.</u> If Offeror is proposing a Cloud hosted solution, describe and provide your level of disclosure with CSA Star Registry for each Category seeking qualification.	
4.3.4.4 Interoperability. Describe the interoperability of your equipment and services to other OEMs.	
4.3.5 Value Added Services	
<u>4.3.5.1 Value Added Services.</u> Describe any additional value added services you offer under this Award Category.	
<u>4.3.5.2 IoT Solutions.</u> Describe any IoT products that you offer under this Award Category.	
<u>4.3.5.3 Acceptance Testing / Procedures.</u> Please provide your acceptance and testing procedures available to Purchasing Entities for this Category. Provide your standard of performance for this Category.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CSA STAR Self-Assessment documents the security controls provided by an Offeror's offerings, thereby helping Purchasing Entities assess the security of an Offeror, if awarded a Master Agreement, they currently use or are considering using.

### ATTACHMENT C CONTRACT MANAGER RESUME TEMPLATE

Vendor Name:	
Proposed Resource Name:	
Proposed Classification:	Contract Manager
If Contract Manager is associated with a subcontractor provide name of company:	
Percentage of time Contract Manager will be allocated to resulting master agreement:	

**Instructions:** Provide the skills, experience, education, etc. that qualify the individual for the duties and responsibilities outlined in this RFP for a contract manager.

### **EXPERIENCE & QUALIFICATIONS**

The experience requirements detailed in the RFP are restated as follows:

Required Skills	Bidder's Response	
Minimum 2 years' experience in contract management with public	Does Contract Manager have this required skill: Yes or No	
sector clients.	Describe your skills and experience:	
	Name of project(s) and year(s) experience was obtained:	
Minimum 2 years' experience in leadership roles overall, and	Does Contract Manager have this required skill: Yes or No	
	Description of skills and experience:	
	Name of project(s) and year(s) experience was obtained:	
Minimum 2 years' experience in the Data Communications	Does Contract Manager have this required skill: Yes or No	
Products and Services industry.	Description of skills and experience:	
	Name of project(s) and year(s) experience was obtained:	

### ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Describe any other relevant experiences that qualify your contract manager to perform the responsibilities under this contract:

### ATTACHMENT C CONTRACT MANAGER RESUME TEMPLATE

List client references for work performed to meet the requirements stated above, and all projects the proposed Contract Manager has worked on in the last three (3) years. A minimum of three (3) references are required. By submission of this information, the bidder and identified key person authorize the State of Utah to contact references and previous employers provided to verify the accuracy of the information. Provide the identified information for each:

 Start Date: date started on project
 End Date: date rolled off project

 Client/Project: Client, with contact information (i.e.: address, phone #s , and email address), and project name

Employer: identify employer at the time of experience

Title/Percentage of time: *title of role on project and percentage of time spent on project* Description: *brief description of responsibilities for the project*. *Include software version* 

Start Date:	End Date:
Client/Project:	
Employer:	
Title/Percentage of time:	
Description:	
Start Data:	End Data:

Start Date:	End Date:
Client/Project:	
Employer:	
Title/Percentage of time:	
Description:	

#### EDUCATION

	Education		
Degree (i.e. PhD,	Example: Master in Engineering	Year Completed:	1998
Master's, Bachelors)			
Program	Major(s) area of study: Computer Science		
University			

Additional Education		
Degree (i.e. PhD,	Example: Bachelors' in Business	Year Completed: 1994
Master's, Bachelors)	Administration	
Program	Major(s) area of study:	Minor area of study: Example:
	Example: Management	Economics
University		

**CERTIFICATIONS / AFFILIATIONS** – Provide any relevant certifications or affiliations the Contract Manager may have.

Certifications/Affiliations					
Name					
Topic/Description					
Date completed					

The Bidder must submit a letter of commitment for Key Personnel, signed by the identified resource, stating their commitment to work for the bidder/subcontractor on this project contingent on award of the bid.

#### Attachment D - Partner List Template Solicitation # SK18001

Solicitation #5K12001 Vendor Name:									
Fulfillment Partner Company Name	Partner Address	Partner City, State & Zip		Diverse Business Participation States (see section 1.11)		Sales POC Name	Sales Email	Sales Phone	website
Example - Utah Inc.	453 E. State Street	Salt Lake City, UT 84115	UT, HI, NV	None	Routers, Switches, IoTs	taba Baa	john.doe@abccompany.com	801-123-4567	www.abccompany.com
Example - Utan Inc. Example - Florida Inc.	453 E. State Street 453 E. State Street	Salt Lake City, 01 84115 Salt Lake City, FL 84115		FL, GA	Routers, Switches, 101s Routers, 10Ts	John Doe	john.doe@abccompany.com	801-123-4567 801-123-4567	www.abccompany.com
Example - Florida Inc.	453 E. State Street	Salt Lake City, FL 84115	FL, GA	FL, GA	Routers, IOTS	John Doe	Ionn.doe@abccompany.com	801-123-4567	www.abccompany.com
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#### Attachment E Cost Proposal Form (amended 8.9.2018)

Solicitation # SK18001

Vendor Name

#### Section 1: Instructions

1. Offeror shall provide a Minimum Discount % within Section 2 for each Category it is seeking an award in. A vendor will be deemed non-responsive for any Category that it does not provide a Minimum Discount % of at least greater than 0%.

2. If you are not seeking an award in a given Category, simply provide NA in the Minimum Discount % field.

- 3. The offered Minimum Discount % off must be guaranteed for the full duration of the Contract term.
- 4. The Minimum Discount % provided herein shall apply to all offerings in a given category.

 In a separate document, provide a detailed product offering for each Category Offeror is seeking an award in. Title this document - <u>Solicitation # Vendor</u> <u>Name - Detailed Product Offering</u>. Offeror's proposed Minimum Discount % for a given Category must be reflected on all offerings within this offered catalog.
 Within Section 3, provide the rates for those Value Added Services Offeror is seeking to offer under the resulting contract. Within the Job Description field, provide the role this position fills, and what is included within the proposed rate.

Section 2: Minimum Discount % off List	
Category 1.1 Unified Communications (UC)	0.00%
Hardware and Software (on premise)	
Cloud Services	
Service Packages (i.e., Maintenance, etc.)	
Category 1.2 Networking	0.00%
Hardware and Software (on premise)	
Cloud Services	
Service Packages (i.e., Maintenance, etc.)	
Category 1.3 Routers, Switches, Secuirty, and Networking Storage	0.00%
Hardware and Software (on premise)	
Cloud Services	
Service Packages (i.e., Maintenance, etc.)	
Category 1.4 Wireless	0.00%
Hardware and Software (on premise)	
Cloud Services	
Service Packages (i.e., Maintenance, etc.)	
Category 1.5 Facility Management, Monitoring, and Control	0.00%
Hardware and Software (on premise)	
Cloud Services	
Service Packages (i.e., Maintenance, etc.)	

#### Section 3: Value Added Services

Provide the title, job description for each	title, and associated hourly rate. Add ad	ditional rows as	necessary.				
		Hourly Rates					
		Weekday Weekend			State Holiday		
Title	Job Description	Onsite	Remote	Onsite	Remote	Onsite	Remote
Maintenance Services							
Professional Services							
Deployment Services							
Consulting Advisory Services							
Architectural Design Services							
Statement of Work Services							
Partner Services							
Training Deployment Services							
[add any additional Value Added Services							
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