

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES				1. REQUISITION NO. 612-26-4-6152-0012		PAGE 1 OF 73	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER							
19. ITEM NO.		20. See CONTINUATION Page SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES		21. QUANTITY		22. UNIT	
						23. UNIT PRICE	
						24. AMOUNT	
		This requirement is for Medical Physicist support services at the VA Northern California Health Care System. Quoters shall follow the submission instructions specified in FAR Provisions 52.212-1 and 52.212-2, and the addendums included in this solicitation. Submit all questions and quotes electronically to: james.postell@va.gov Questions are due June 25, 2026, No Later Than 10AM PDT. Quotes are due July 08, 2026, No Later Than 10AM PDT Quoters are reminded their completed and signed VAAR Clause 852.219-75 must be included in submission or you will be considered non-responsive and will not be considered. Applicable Wage Determination: 2015-5631 Rev 27 Dated 5/13/2026 2015-5631 Rev 29 Dated 5/12/2026 (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)					
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA See CONTINUATION Page				26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.			
<input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA				<input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN 1 COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED				<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. OFFER DATED YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:			
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR				31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)			
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)		30c. DATE SIGNED		31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (TYPE OR PRINT)		31c. DATE SIGNED	

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B.1 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

1. Contract Administration: All contract administration matters will be handled by the following individuals:

a. CONTRACTOR:

b. GOVERNMENT: Contracting Officer 36C261

Department of Veterans Affairs

Network Contracting Office 21

2. CONTRACTOR REMITTANCE ADDRESS: All payments by the Government to the contractor will be made in accordance with:

☒ 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System For Award Management, or

☐ 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party

3. INVOICES: Invoices shall be submitted in arrears:

a. Quarterly ☐

b. Semi-Annually ☐

c. Other ☒ Monthly in Arrears

4. GOVERNMENT INVOICE ADDRESS: All Invoices from the contractor shall be submitted electronically in accordance with VAAR Clause 852.232-72 Electronic Submission of Payment Requests.

Tungsten e-Invoice Setup Information: 1-877-489-6135

Tungsten e-Invoice email: VA.Registration@Tungsten-Network.com

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS: The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the Solicitation numbered and dated as follows:

AMENDMENT NO	DATE

B.2 PRICE/COST SCHEDULE

ITEM INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
0001	MRI Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A	8.00	EA		
0002	CT Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A	12.00	EA		
0003	Mammography Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A	5.00	EA		
0004	PET/CT Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A	2.00	EA		

0005	4.00	EA		
SPECT/CT Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A				
0006	16.00	EA		
Fluoroscopy Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A				
0007	28.00	EA		
Digital Radiography (Dr & Portable) in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A				
0008	3.00	EA		
Bone Density Equipment (DEXA) Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A				
0009	4.00	EA		

				Monitor Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
0010	48.00	EA		Dental Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
0011	2.00	EA		Shielding Design and Evaluation in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
0012	50.00	EA		Consult and Rechecks , Acceptance Checking in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Base POP Begin: 09-01-2026 POP End: 08-31-2027 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
1001	8.00	EA		MRI Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1

			POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
1002	12.00	EA	CT Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
1003	5.00	EA	Mammography Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
1004	2.00	EA	PET/CT Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A
1005	4.00	EA	SPECT/CT Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical

Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1006	16.00	EA	
Fluoroscopy Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1007	28.00	EA	
Digital Radiography (Dr & Portable) in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1008	3.00	EA	
Bone Density Equipment (DEXA) Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1009	4.00	EA	
Monitor Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and			

Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1010	48.00	EA	
Dental Equipment Testing in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1011	2.00	EA	
Shielding Design and Evaluation in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
1012	50.00	EA	
Consult and Rechecks , Acceptance Checking in accordance with the Statement of Work Contract Period: Option 1 POP Begin: 09-01-2027 POP End: 08-31-2028 PRINCIPAL NAICS CODE: 541690 - Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE: H365 - Inspection - Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Equipment and Supplies MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER (MPN): N/A			
GRAND TOTAL			

B.3 PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT

Subject: Medical Physicist

Scope of Work

The Contractor shall provide all labor, material, supplies, equipment, transportation, software and qualified personnel, to provide medical physicist services in support of the Veterans Affairs Northern California Health Care System, (VA NCHCS) Radiation Safety Program, headquartered at the VA Medical Center Sacramento at Mather, California. Satellite offices are located at the VA Outpatient Clinic in Martinez, Redding, Stockton, Sonoma, Modesto, Mare Island and McClellan California. All work is performed on site at the VA facilities listed in Appendix 2.

Qualifications

Prior to commencing work all contractor employees shall meet certain criteria to perform work under this contract as a Medical Physicist. Contractor employees must reside within 180 miles of all clinical sites. Qualification documents must be submitted to the RSO or his/her designee and be approved. All qualifications are subject to review by the VA NCHCS Chief of Staff and approval by the VA NCHCS Facility Director.

Medical Physicists shall meet the following education, certification, and qualification standards:

1. Hold a master's degree in medical physics, Health Physics or a related field.
2. Hold current Board Certification in Diagnostic Radiological Physics by the American Board of Radiology and or American Board of Medical Physics.
3. Meet ACR/FDA qualifications for mammography medical physicist.
4. Medical physicists should have experience in:

Decommissioning an NRC licensed medical facility

All current NRC regulations, VA NHPP Best Practices (1105.04 Fluoroscopy Safety Program), and the State of California Department of Health Services Radiological Health Branch Radioactive Materials license for sharing agreement.

CT Optimization

Consulting in NRC license amendments related to the medical use of radiation.

Calibration and testing of diagnostic x-ray and Nuclear Medicine equipment.

As a consultant to a medical facility licensed by the NRC to perform nuclear medicine and biomedical research.

2. Medical Physicist duties shall not be reassigned to a Technologist or any other individual without written approval by the VA Radiation Safety Officer or his/her designee.

3. Medical Physicist must adhere to VHA Handbook 1105.04, Fluoroscopy Safety, dated July 6, 2012. Contractor shall comply with radiation protection standards 29 CFR 1910.1096 and immediately report any unsafe conditions with the potential to adversely impact the facility radiation workers or patients to the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO).

General Requirements

Contractor shall perform Quarterly, Semi-Annual and Annual QC Testing on existing Nuclear Medicine and Diagnostic x-ray equipment (Radiographic, Fluoroscopic, PET/CT cameras, Mammographic, CT, DR, CR reader(s), and MRI safety check) to meet the requirements of the VA NCHCS Radiation Safety Program.

Reference Appendix 4 for a list of equipment to be tested.

Additional testing is also required as follows:

Acceptance testing of new devices.

Full inspection of repaired or adjusted equipment that may affect the radiation output or image quality.

Testing of each replacement X-ray tube prior to patient use.

Testing of diagnostic monitors used by Radiologists and Technologists for patient imaging at external contract facility.

Contractor is to provide written reports of surveys and test results in a timely manner.

Contractor will respond promptly to any discrepancies found from external inspections. Provide written responses to outside agencies when applicable.

The qualified medical physicist shall provide consultation for additional services as needed, i.e., safety training, SNM annual phantoms and medical events involving radiation exposure.

The qualified medical physicists shall attend the Radiation Safety Meeting, reviewing minutes prior to the meeting and afterwards.

The qualified medical physicist shall review all Radiation Safety Policies and Procedures with attention to compliance with regulations, NHPP, JACHO and NRC.

Contractor is to submit a list of key personnel with the offer, define each individual's education, certification, and licensure.

Pre-construction radiation protection shielding designs.

Post-construction shielding integrity evaluations.

Scheduling and Response Times

- All quarterly, semi-annual, and annual tests will be scheduled in advance.
- All testing on new devices or repaired or adjusted equipment requires a four (4) hour response time in order to maintain functionality and minimize the effect on patient care.

- A written report of the results shall be provided to the service supervisor or RSO within Thirty (30) working days after completion of the inspection.

Equipment Performance Evaluation and Quality Control Test

The Contractor shall conduct equipment inspections or quality control surveys of the imaging equipment listed below. The Contractor shall ensure the imaging equipment's compliance with applicable federal regulations and ACR recommendations, and shall include, but not be limited to, monitoring the following basic performance characteristics:

1. Equipment Inspections

The Contractor shall conduct equipment inspections or quality control surveys of the imaging equipment listed below. The Contractor shall ensure the imaging equipment's compliance with applicable Federal regulations and ACR recommendations, and shall include, but not be limited to, monitoring the following basic performance characteristics.

Estimated Quantities and Locations

Description	#
Advanced Imaging Devices / Equipment (CT, PET/CT, Mammography, MRI, Nuclear Medicine Audits)	30
Rad/Fluoro/Tomo Tubes (X-Ray, Digital, Fluoro, C-Arm)	40
Minor Radiographic Tubes (Dental, Ultrasound, DEXA)	48
Consultations	50

* Patient dose evaluation is included

1. VA Outpatient Clinic, 150 Muir Road, Martinez, CA
2. VA Medical Center Sacramento, 10535 Hospital Way, Mather, CA
3. Contra Costa Regional Medical Center (CCRMC), 2300 Alhambra Blvd, Martinez, CA
4. Redding Outpatient Clinic, 351 Hartnell Ave, Redding, CA
5. Chico Outpatient Clinic, 280 Cohasset Road, Chico, CA
6. Stockton Outpatient Clinic, 7777 Freedom Rd, French Camp, CA 95231
7. Mare Island Outpatient Clinic, Walnut Ave, Bldg. 201, Mare Island, Vallejo, CA
8. McClellan VA Outpatient Clinic, 5342 Dudley Blvd, McClellan Park, CA 95652

9. Sonora VA Outpatient Clinic, 13663 Mono Way, Sonora, CA 95370

10. Modesto VA Outpatient Clinic, 1225 Oakdale Rd, Modesto, CA 95355

A. Radiographic and Fluoroscopic Equipment

Physics inspections of radiographic and fluoroscopic equipment shall comply with the VA NCHCS Radiation Safety Program and the ACR Technical Standard for Diagnostic Medical Physics Performance monitoring of Radiographic and Fluoroscopic Equipment. The performance of each radiographic and fluoroscopic unit must be evaluated at least annually. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Integrity of unit assembly.
- Collimation and radiation beam alignment.
- Fluoroscopic system resolution.
- Automatic exposure control system performance.
- Fluoroscopic automatic brightness control performance (high-dose-rate, pulsed modes, field-of-view [FOV] variation).
- Image artifacts.
- Fluoroscopic phantom image quality.
- kVp accuracy and reproducibility.
- Linearity of exposure versus mA or mAs.
- Exposure reproducibility.
- Timer accuracy.
- Beam quality assessment (half-value-layer).
- Fluoroscopic entrance exposure. Maximum output for all clinically used settings.
- Image receptor entrance exposure.
- Equipment radiation safety functions.
- Patient dose monitoring system calibration.
- Video and digital monitor performance.
- Digital image receptor performance.
- Grids used with portable x-ray units shall be imaged for uniformity.

B. Computed Radiography (CR) and Digital Radiography (DR)

Physics inspections of CR and DR equipment shall comply with American Association of Physicist in Medicine (AAPM) Report Number 93, Acceptance Testing and Quality Control of Photostimulable Storage Phosphor Imaging Systems. The performance of CR and DR must be evaluated at least annually. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Component and Imaging Plate Physical Inspection and Inventory
- Imaging Plate Dark Noise and Uniformity

- Exposure Indicator Calibration
- Linearity and Auto-ranging Response
- Laser Beam Function
- Limiting Resolution and Resolution Uniformity
- Noise and Low-Contrast Resolution
- Spatial accuracy
- Erasure Thoroughness
- Aliasing/ Grid Response
- IP Throughput
- Positioning and Collimation Errors

C. CT Scanners

The physics inspection shall conform to the 2012 ACR Computed Tomography Quality Control Manual. The performance of each CT scanner shall be evaluated at least annually. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Review of Clinical Protocols
- Review CT Optimization at least annually
- Scout Prescription and Alignment Light Accuracy
- Image thickness – Axial Mode
- Table Travel Accuracy
- Radiation Beam Width
- Low-Contrast Performance
- Spatial Resolution
- CT Number Accuracy
- Artifact Evaluation
- CT Uniformity
- Dosimetry (the scanner displayed CTDI_{vol} values must be within +/-20% of the measured CTDI_{vol} values)
- Gray Level Performance of CT Acquisition Display Monitors

D. Dental

The physics inspection shall conform to the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD), Quality Control Recommendations for Diagnostic Radiography Volume 1 Dental Facilities July 2001. The performance of each dental x-ray shall be annually or every 2 years. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Collimation
- Beam quality (half value layer)
- Timer Accuracy and Reproducibility
- kVp Accuracy and Reproducibility
- mA or mAs Linearity
- Exposure Reproducibility
- Entrance Skin Exposure Evaluation
- Technique Chart Evaluation

- Image uniformity (artifact evaluation)

E. Mammography

The qualified diagnostic medical physicist inspection of mammography equipment must meet the qualifications outline in the Mammography Quality Standards Act (MQSA) and shall provide the facility with up-to-date documentation demonstration the qualified diagnostic medical physicist is MQSA qualified. Inspections of mammography equipment must comply with the latest requirements posted on the ACR website for the manufacturer of the digital mammography unit being inspected. Inspection items may include:

- Mammographic Unit Assembly Evaluation
- Collimation assessment
- Artifact evaluation
- kVp accuracy and reproducibility
- Beam quality assessment – HVL measurements
- Evaluation of system resolution
- Automatic Exposure Control (AEC) function performance
- Breast entrance exposure, AEC reproducibility and average glandular dose
- Radiation output rate
- Phantom image quality evaluation
- Signal-to-noise ratio and contrast – to noise ration measurements
- View box luminance and room luminance
- Review workstation (RWS) tests

F. MRI

The physics inspection shall conform to the 2004 ACR Magnetic Resonance Imaging Quality Control Manual. The performance of each MRI scanner shall be annually. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Magnetic field homogeneity
- Geometric accuracy
- Inter-slice RF interference
- Slice position accuracy
- High contrast resolution
- RF coil performance
- Volume coils' signal to noise ratio
- Volume coils' image uniformity
- Volume coils' ghosting ratio
- Phased array coils' signal to noise ratio
- Surface coils' signal to noise ratio
- Slices thickness accuracy
- Low contrast detectability
- Soft copy displays
- Technologist's QC program
- Site phantom inventory

- Site RF coil inventory

G. PET

The physics inspection shall conform to the ACR PET Phantom Instructions for Evaluation of PET Image, ACR Nuclear Medicine Accreditation Program PET Module. The Performance of each PET scanner shall be evaluated at least quarterly. For PET/CT units the CT must be inspected at least annually per item C above. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Uniformity
- Spatial resolution
- SUV analysis

H. Nuclear Medicine

The physics inspection shall conform to the ACR annual performance tests for nuclear medicine cameras. The qualified diagnostic medical physics shall also perform the quarter testing as outlined by the ACR. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

- Intrinsic Uniformity: fail criteria: > 5.0%
- System Uniformity: fail criteria: > 5.0%
- Intrinsic or System Spatial Resolution: fail criteria: > 3.5 mm bars
- Relative Sensitivity: fail criteria: COV> 2.5%
- Energy Resolution: fail criteria: > 12%
- Count Rate Parameters: fail criteria:
- Overall System Performance for SPECT
- System Interlocks
- Dose Calibrators (Geometry, Accuracy)
- Thyroid Uptake and Counting System

I. Ultrasound

Physics inspection shall conform to the ACR performance tests for ultrasound. On an ongoing basis (at least semiannually), the following tests should be done for each ultrasound unit. Testing should be done using two transducers commonly used with any unit employing more than one transducer. Data should be taken from testing the transducers which are used for the most frequently occurring examination(s) at the site. It is recommended that these be of different scan formats such as one linear (or curvilinear array), and one sector (mechanical, phased, or vector).

System Sensitivity/Penetration

This test should be done with the following settings:

- maximums transmit power
- proper receiver gain and TGC that allows echo texture to be visible in the deep region
- transmit focus at the deepest depth

- The maximum depth of visualization is determined by comparing the gradually weakening echo texture to electronic noises near the bottom of the image.

Image Uniformity

Adjust the TGC controls and other sensitivity controls to obtain an image as uniform as possible.

- vertical or radially oriented streaks?
- dropouts?
- reduction of brightness near edges of the scan?
- brightness transitions between focal zones?

Electrical and Mechanical Safety and Cleanliness

- Are all cords and cables intact (no frays)?
- Are all transducers intact without cracks or delamination?
- Are the transducers cleaned after each use?
- Are the image monitors clean?
- Are the air filters clean?
- Are the wheel locks in working condition?
- Are the wheels fastened securely to the US unit and do the wheels rotate easily?
- Are all accessories (VCR, cameras, etc.) fastened securely to the US unit?

Gray Scale Photography (if applicable) – Do either (a), (b), or (c).

(a) For Scanners with a Discrete Bar Pattern

Count the number of distinct gray bar steps on the viewing monitor. Then count the number of steps visualized in the gray bar on the hard copy image.

(b) For Scanners with a Continuous Gray Bar Pattern

Use calipers to measure the length of the black-to-white transition of the gray wedge on the viewing monitor. If the relative length of the black-to-white transition on the hard copy image is less, document how much is missing.

(c) For Laser Imager (Hard Copy Device)

Prior to filming any images, an SMPTE test pattern created by the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers (SMPTE), should be printed using the appropriate window width (WW) and window level (WL). If you are unfamiliar with this procedure, you should review Gray et al., "Test pattern for video display and hard-copy camera," Radiology 145:519-527 (1985), and then contact your local service engineer for assistance. When printed, the 95% density patch within the 100% square and the 5% density patch within the 0% square should be visible, and there should be no notable distortions or artifacts present. If these criteria are not met, contact your service engineer for laser camera calibration before proceeding with any filming.

Hard Copy Output Quality Test (Digital) (if applicable)

This test, or a similar test specifically recommended by the hard copy equipment manufacturer.

Required Test Equipment

- Densitometer
- SMPTE Test Pattern or another similar test pattern or phantom image having a wide range of gray scales.

The same test image should be used each time.

J. Display Monitors

The physics inspection shall conform to the AAPM On-line Report No. 03, Assessment of Display Perform for Medical Imaging Systems. The performance of each display monitor shall be evaluated initially, acceptance testing, and at least annually thereafter. This evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following tests (as applicable):

Acceptance testing (Table 7 from AAPM On-line Report No. 03) and (Table 8c form AAPM On-line Report No. 03)

- Geometric distortions
- Reflection
- Luminance response
- Luminance dependencies
- Resolution
- Noise
- Veiling glare
- Chromaticity

Equipment

1. Government Furnished Equipment and Software:

The Government will provide the following

- Radiation detection devices, dose calibrators
- ACR mammography accreditation phantoms,
- CT image quality phantoms and ACNP-SNM Nuclear Medicine Accreditation phantoms.
- SNM Annual Nuclear Medicine Phantom

2. Contractor Furnished Equipment and Software:

The Contractor shall provide all other equipment and software not specifically cited above to perform the requirements of this contract. At a minimum:

- Testing all diagnostic x-ray equipment
- CT scanner
- Digital mammography
- Nuclear Medicine
- PET/CT
- All phantoms for CT (head and body), Radiography, Ultrasound, and Mammography

Miscellaneous Evaluations (Radiographic, Fluoroscopic, CT, PET/CT, Nuclear Medicine)

The qualified diagnostic medical physicist shall provide shielding design calculations for each new, replacement, or relocated x-ray imaging system. The calculations for each shall comply with the National Council for Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) Report No 147 and, for dental units, NCRP Report No.145 and shall be documented in a written report, which includes a diagram showing adjacent areas. The qualified diagnostic medical physicist shall perform a shielding survey to verify the structural shielding that was installed per the shielding design report and complies with the design goals. A written report of the shielding survey shall be provided to the RSO within five (5) working days after the shielding survey has been completed.

The qualified medical physicist shall assist in the development of a comprehensive technical quality assurance program (QA) (e.g., technique charts, repeat/reject analysis monitoring, monitoring of exposure indices to radiographic image receptors, QA program for display monitors, QA for CT, monitoring of dose metrics from fluoroscopy studies), which complies with ACR recommendations, for all modalities.

The qualified diagnostic medical physicist shall follow up on any discrepancies found on previous inspections including external i.e., ACR, JACHO, NRC, IOG, VORP or internal audits.

Travel/Transportation

1. The Contractor shall provide all transportation necessary to perform the requirements of this contract, if included in services.
2. The majority of the work will be accomplished at the Martinez and Mather however, due to the nature of the services required; the Contractor shall be required to travel to all of the sites of Northern California Health Care System.
3. All travel-related costs, including lodging or any other miscellaneous costs shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor and shall be included in the finished fixed unit price on the Price Schedule.
4. The Contractor shall not charge the hourly rate for services while in transit to any of the sites.

Regulations

1. The Contractor shall perform services in accordance with VA NHPP and NRC regulations at all locations with the exception of the CCRMC. The CCRMC is licensed by the State of California Department of Health Services Radiological Health Branch. At CCRMC the VA acts as Radiation Safety Consultant for the portion of the facility operated by the VA. Within VA NCHCS facilities, NRC regulations apply. The Contractor shall apply the appropriate procedures depending upon the location where the services are being provided.
2. The average frequency of utilization of the medical physicist will be one to two visits per month during time of major facility activation the frequency might increase to three visits per month by the Medical Physicist.

Evaluation Criteria

Technical Expertise: All offers must submit the following to be considered for award of this contract:

A list of key personnel, displaying the applicable certifications and licenses required to perform these services. The list should identify personnel that will be specifically dedicated to this contract.

Evidence of the necessary technical capabilities and adequate resources to successfully meet all of the VA requirements in the required time.

Past Performance: All offers must submit at least three (3) references from contracts with a similar scope of work. References should include the organization, point of contact, phone number, and e-mail address.

Records Management Language

Records Management Language for Contracts Required

The following standard items relate to records generated in executing the contract and should be included in a typical Electronic Information Systems (EIS) procurement contract:

Citations to pertinent laws, codes and regulations such as 44 U.S.C chapters 21, 29, 31 and 33; Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552); Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a); 36 CFR Part 1222 and Part 1228.

Contractor shall treat all deliverables under the contract as the property of the U.S. Government for which the Government Agency shall have unlimited rights to use, dispose of, or disclose such data contained therein as it determines to be in the public interest.

Contractor shall not create or maintain any records that are not specifically tied to or authorized by the contract using Government IT equipment and/or Government records.

Contractor shall not retain, use, sell, or disseminate copies of any deliverable that contains information covered by the Privacy Act of 1974 or that which is generally protected by the Freedom of Information Act.

Contractor shall not create or maintain any records containing any Government Agency records that are not specifically tied to or authorized by the contract.

The Government Agency owns the rights to all data/records produced as part of this contract.

The Government Agency owns the rights to all electronic information (electronic data, electronic information systems, electronic databases, etc.) and all supporting documentation created as part of this contract. Contractors must deliver sufficient technical documentation with all data deliverables to permit the agency to use the data.

Contractor agrees to comply with Federal and Agency records management policies, including those policies associated with the safeguarding of records covered by the Privacy Act of 1974. These policies include the preservation of all records created or received regardless of format [paper, electronic, etc.] or mode of transmission [e-mail, fax, etc.] or state of completion [draft, final, etc.].

No disposition of documents will be allowed without the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer. The Agency and its contractors are responsible for preventing the alienation or unauthorized destruction of records, including all forms of mutilation. Willful and unlawful destruction, damage or alienation of Federal records is subject to the fines and penalties imposed by 18 U.S.C. 2701. Records may not be

removed from the legal custody of the Agency or destroyed without regard to the provisions of the agency records schedules.

Contractor is required to obtain the Contracting Officer's approval prior to engaging in any contractual relationship (sub-contractor) in support of this contract requiring the disclosure of information, documentary material and/or records generated under, or relating to, this contract. The Contractor (and any sub-contractor) is required to abide by Government and Agency guidance for protecting sensitive and proprietary information.

SECTION C - CONTRACT CLAUSES

C.1 52.212-4 Terms and Conditions—Commercial Products and Commercial Services.

As prescribed in 12.205(b)(3), insert the following clause:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (DEVIATION OCT 2025)

(a) *Definitions.* The clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated by reference.

(b) *Inspection/Acceptance.* The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. If repair/replacement or reperformance will not correct the defects or is not possible, the Government may seek an equitable price reduction or adequate consideration for acceptance of nonconforming supplies or services. The Government must exercise its post acceptance rights—

(1) Within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and

(2) Before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

(c) *Assignment.* The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (*e.g.*, use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.

(d) *Changes.* Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.

(e) *Disputes.* This contract is subject to 41 U.S.C. chapter 71, Contract Disputes. Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal, or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated in this contract by

reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(f) *Excusable delays.* The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence. Examples of occurrences include acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. When an excusable delay occurs, the Contractor shall—

- (1) Notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as possible;
- (2) Remedy the delay as quickly as possible; and
- (3) Notify the Contracting Officer when the occurrence is over.

(g) *Invoice.* The Government will handle invoices according to the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and 5 CFR part 1315. The Contractor shall submit invoices to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include the information required by 5 CFR part 1315.9(b).

(h) *Patent indemnity.* The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees, and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark, or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) *Payment—*

(1) *Items accepted.* Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.

(2) *Prompt payment.* The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#)) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(3) *Discount.* In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(4) *Overpayments.* If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall—

(i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the—

(A) Circumstances of the overpayment (*e.g.*, duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);

(B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;

(C) Affected line item or subline item, if applicable;

(D) Contractor point of contact; and

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(5) *Interest.*

(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in 41 U.S.C. 7109, which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in (i)(6)(v) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) *Final decisions.* The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision as required by FAR part 33 if—

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt within 30 days;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer (see FAR part 32).

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a termination for cause.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on-

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures for interest credits prescribed in FAR part 32 in effect on the date of this contract.

(j) *Risk of loss.* Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon—

(1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or

(2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) *Taxes.* The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.

(l) *Termination for the Government's convenience.* The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) *Termination for cause.* The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. The Government will send a cure notice to the

Contractor, unless the reason for the termination is late delivery. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) *Title*. Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) *Warranty*. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered under this contract are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) *Limitation of liability*. Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) *Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts*. The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 40 U.S.C. chapter 37, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards; 41 U.S.C. chapter 87, Kickbacks; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Government-financed air transportation; and 41 U.S.C. chapter 21 relating to procurement integrity.

(r) *Order of precedence*. Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- (1) The schedule of supplies/services;
- (2) The Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts, and Unauthorized Obligations paragraphs of this clause;
- (3) Other contract clauses incorporated in the solicitation or contract;
- (4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract;
- (5) Solicitation provisions incorporated in the solicitation;
- (6) Other paragraphs of this clause;
- (7) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and
- (8) The specification.

(s) *Unauthorized obligations*.

(1) Except as stated in paragraph (s)(2) of this clause, when any supply or service acquired under this contract is subject to any End User License Agreement (EULA), Terms of Service (TOS), or similar legal instrument or agreement, that includes any clause requiring the Government to indemnify the Contractor or any person or entity for damages, costs, fees, or any other loss or liability that would create an Anti-Deficiency Act violation (31 U.S.C. 1341), the following shall govern:

(i) Any such clause is unenforceable against the Government.

(ii) Neither the Government nor any Government-authorized end user shall be deemed to have agreed to such clause by virtue of it appearing in the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement. If the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement is invoked through an “I agree” click box or other comparable mechanism (e.g., “click-wrap” or “browse-wrap” agreements), execution does not bind the Government or any Government authorized end user to such clause.

(iii) Any such clause is deemed to be stricken from the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement.

(2) Paragraph (s)(1) of this clause does not apply to indemnification by the Government that is expressly authorized by statute and specifically authorized under applicable agency regulations and procedures.

(t) *Comptroller General examination of record.* This paragraph applies if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid procedures and is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold on the date of award of this contract.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor’s directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices, at all reasonable times, the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR part 4, longer period required by statute, or periods specified in other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This clause does not

require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(u) *Incorporation by reference.* The Contractor's representations and certifications, including those completed electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM), are incorporated by reference into the contract.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (DEVIATION DATE). When contemplating a time-and-materials or labor-hour contract, substitute the following paragraphs (a), (b), (i), (l), and (m) for those in the basic clause.

(a) The clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated by reference. As used in this clause—

Direct materials means those materials that enter directly into the end product, or that are used or consumed directly in connection with the furnishing of the end product or service.

Hourly rate means the rate(s) prescribed in the contract for payment for labor that meets the labor category qualifications of a labor category specified in the contract that are—

- (1) Performed by the contractor;
- (2) Performed by the subcontractors; or
- (3) Transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the contractor under a common control.

Materials means—

- (1) Direct materials, including supplies transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the contractor under a common control;
- (2) Subcontracts for supplies and incidental services for which there is not a labor category specified in the contract;
- (3) Other direct costs (e.g., incidental services for which there is not a labor category specified in the contract, travel, computer usage charges, etc.);
- (4) The following subcontracts for services which are specifically excluded from the hourly rate: *[Insert any subcontracts for services to be excluded from the hourly rates prescribed in the schedule.];* and
- (5) Indirect costs specifically provided for in this clause.

Subcontract means any contract, as defined in FAR 2.101, entered into with a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of the prime contract or a subcontract including

transfers between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of a contractor or subcontractor. It includes, but is not limited to, purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.

(b) Inspection/Acceptance.

(1) The Government has the right to inspect and test all materials furnished and services performed under this contract at all places and times before acceptance. The Government will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.

(2) If the Government performs inspection or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish and shall require subcontractors to furnish all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.

(3) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government will accept or reject services and materials at the place of delivery as promptly as practicable after delivery, and they will be presumed accepted 60 days after the date of delivery, unless accepted earlier.

(4) At any time during contract performance, but not later than 6 months (or such other time as may be specified in the contract) after acceptance of the services or materials last delivered under this contract, the Government may require the Contractor to replace or correct services or materials that at time of delivery failed to meet contract requirements. Except as otherwise specified in paragraph (b)(6) of this clause, the cost of replacement or correction shall be determined under paragraph (i) of this clause, but the “hourly rate” for labor hours incurred in the replacement or correction shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. Unless otherwise specified below, the portion of the “hourly rate” attributable to profit shall be 10 percent. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance materials and services required to be replaced or corrected without disclosing the former requirement for replacement or correction, and, when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken. *[Insert portion of labor rate attributable to profit.]*

(5)(i) If the Contractor fails to proceed with reasonable promptness to perform required replacement or correction, and if the replacement or correction can be performed within the ceiling price (or the ceiling price as increased by the Government), the Government may—

(A) By contract or otherwise, perform the replacement or correction, charge to the Contractor any increased cost, or deduct such increased cost from any amounts paid or due under this contract; or

(B) Terminate this contract for cause.

(ii) Failure to agree to the amount of increased cost to be charged to the Contractor shall be a dispute under the Disputes clause of the contract.

(6) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b)(4) and (5) of this clause, the Government may, at any time, require the Contractor to remedy by correction or replacement, without cost to the Government, any failure by the Contractor to comply with the requirements of this contract, if the failure is due to—

(i) Fraud, lack of good faith, or willful misconduct on the part of the Contractor's managerial personnel; or

(ii) The conduct of one or more of the Contractor's employees selected or retained by the Contractor after any of the Contractor's managerial personnel has reasonable grounds to believe that the employee is habitually careless or unqualified.

(7) This clause applies in the same manner and to the same extent to corrected or replacement materials or services as to materials and services originally delivered under this contract.

(8) The Contractor has no obligation or liability under this contract to correct or replace materials and services that at time of delivery do not meet contract requirements, except as provided in this clause or as may be otherwise specified in the contract.

(9) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Contractor's obligation to correct or replace Government-furnished property shall be governed by the clause pertaining to Government property.

(i) *Payments.*

(1) *Work performed.* The Government will pay the Contractor as follows upon the submission of commercial invoices approved by the Contracting Officer:

(i) *Hourly rate.*

(A) The amounts shall be computed by multiplying the appropriate hourly rates prescribed in the contract by the number of direct labor hours performed. Fractional parts of an hour shall be payable on a prorated basis.

(B) The rates shall be paid for all labor performed on the contract that meets the labor qualifications specified in the contract. Labor hours incurred to perform tasks for which labor qualifications were specified in the contract will not be paid to the extent the work is performed by individuals that do not meet the qualifications specified in the contract, unless specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer.

(C) Invoices may be submitted once each month (or at more frequent intervals, if approved by the Contracting Officer) to the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative.

(D) When requested by the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative, the Contractor shall substantiate invoices (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule) by evidence of actual payment, individual daily job timecards, records that verify the employees meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract, or other substantiation specified in the contract.

(E) Unless the Schedule prescribes otherwise, the hourly rates in the Schedule shall not be varied by virtue of the Contractor having performed work on an overtime basis.

(1) If no overtime rates are provided in the Schedule and the Contracting Officer approves overtime work in advance, overtime rates shall be negotiated.

(2) Failure to agree upon these overtime rates shall be treated as a dispute under the Disputes clause of this contract.

(3) If the Schedule provides rates for overtime, the premium portion of those rates will be reimbursable only to the extent the overtime is approved by the Contracting Officer.

(ii) *Materials.*

(A) If the Contractor furnishes materials that meet the definition of a commercial product at FAR 2.101, the price to be paid for such materials shall not exceed the Contractor's established catalog or market price, adjusted to reflect the—

(1) Quantities being acquired; and

(2) Any modifications necessary because of contract requirements.

(B) Except as provided for in paragraph (i)(1)(ii)(A) and (D)(2) of this clause, the Government will reimburse the Contractor the actual cost of materials (less any rebates, refunds, or discounts received by the contractor that are identifiable to the contract) provided the Contractor—

(1) Has made payments for materials in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice; or

(2) Makes these payments within 30 days of the submission of the Contractor's payment request to the Government and such payment is in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice.

(C) To the extent able, the Contractor shall—

(1) Obtain materials at the most advantageous prices available with due regard to securing prompt delivery of satisfactory materials; and

(2) Give credit to the Government for cash and trade discounts, rebates, scrap, commissions, and other amounts that are identifiable to the contract.

(D) Unless listed below, other direct and indirect costs will not be reimbursed.

(1) *Other direct costs.* The Government will reimburse the Contractor on the basis of actual cost for the following, provided such costs comply with the requirements in paragraph (i)(1)(ii)(B) of this clause: *[Insert each element of other direct costs (e.g., travel, computer usage charges, etc. Insert "None" if no reimbursement for other direct costs will be provided. If this is an indefinite delivery contract, the Contracting Officer may insert "Each order must list separately the elements of other direct charge(s) for that order or, if no reimbursement for other direct costs will be provided, insert 'None'"]*

(2) *Indirect costs (material handling, subcontract administration, etc.).* The Government will reimburse the Contractor for indirect costs on a pro-rata basis over the period of contract performance at the following fixed price: *[Insert a fixed amount for the indirect costs and payment schedule. Insert "\$0" if no fixed price reimbursement for indirect costs will be provided. (If this is an indefinite delivery contract, the Contracting Officer may insert "Each order must list separately the fixed amount for the indirect costs and payment schedule or, if no reimbursement for indirect costs, insert 'None'")]*

(2) *Total cost.* The total cost to the Government for the performance of this contract shall not exceed the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule. The Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to perform the work specified in the Schedule and all obligations under this contract within such ceiling price. If at any time the Contractor has reason to believe that the hourly rate payments and material costs that will accrue in performing this contract in the next succeeding 30 days, if added to all other payments and costs previously accrued, will exceed 85 percent of the ceiling price in the Schedule, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer giving a revised estimate of the total price to the Government for performing this contract with supporting reasons and documentation. If at any time during the performance of this contract, the Contractor has reason to believe that the total price to the Government for performing this contract will be substantially greater or less than the stated ceiling price, the Contractor shall so notify the Contracting Officer, giving a revised estimate of the total price for performing this contract, with supporting reasons and documentation. If at any time during performance of this contract, the Government has reason to believe that the work to be required in performing this contract will be substantially greater or less than the stated ceiling price, the Contracting Officer will so advise the Contractor, giving the revised estimate of the total amount of effort to be required under the contract.

(3) *Ceiling price.* The Government will not be obligated to pay the Contractor any amount in excess of the ceiling price in the Schedule, and the Contractor shall not be obligated to continue performance if to do so would exceed the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule, unless and until the Contracting Officer notifies the Contractor in writing that the ceiling price has been increased and specifies in the notice a revised ceiling that shall constitute the ceiling price for performance under this contract. When and to the extent that the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule has been increased, any hours expended and material costs incurred by the Contractor in excess of the ceiling price before the increase shall be allowable to the same extent as if the hours expended and material costs had been incurred after the increase in the ceiling price.

(4) *Access to records.* At any time before final payment under this contract, the Contracting Officer (or authorized representative) will have access to the following (access shall be limited to the listing below unless otherwise agreed to by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer):

(i) Records that verify that the employees whose time has been included in any invoice meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract;

(ii) For labor hours (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule), when timecards are required as substantiation for payment—

(A) The original timecards (paper-based or electronic);

(B) The Contractor's timekeeping procedures;

(C) Contractor records that show the distribution of labor between jobs or contracts; and

(D) Employees whose time has been included in any invoice for the purpose of verifying that these employees have worked the hours shown on the invoices.

(iii) For material and subcontract costs that are reimbursed on the basis of actual cost—

(A) Any invoices or subcontract agreements substantiating material costs; and

(B) Any documents supporting payment of those invoices.

(5) *Overpayments/Underpayments.* Each payment previously made shall be subject to reduction to the extent of amounts, on preceding invoices, that are found by the Contracting Officer not to have been properly payable and shall also be subject to reduction for overpayments or to increase for underpayments. The Contractor shall promptly pay any such reduction within 30 days unless the parties agree otherwise. The Government will pay any such

increases within 30 days, unless the parties agree otherwise. The Contractor's payment will be made by check. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on an invoice payment, the Contractor shall—

(i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the—

(A) Circumstances of the overpayment (e.g., duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);

(B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;

(C) Affected line item or subline item, if applicable; and

(D) Contractor point of contact.

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(6) Interest.

(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury, as provided in 41 U.S.C. 7109, which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as established by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision if—

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt in a timely manner;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer.

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on—

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in FAR part 32 in effect on the date of this contract.

(viii) Upon receipt and approval of the invoice designated by the Contractor as the “completion invoice” and supporting documentation, and upon compliance by the Contractor with all terms of this contract, any outstanding balances will be paid within 30 days unless the parties agree otherwise. The completion invoice, and supporting documentation, shall be submitted by the Contractor as promptly as practicable following completion of the work under this contract, but in no event later than 1 year (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may approve in writing) from the date of completion.

(7) *Release of claims.* The Contractor, and each assignee under an assignment entered into under this contract and in effect at the time of final payment under this contract, shall execute and deliver, at the time of and as a condition precedent to final payment under this contract, a release discharging the Government, its officers, agents, and employees of and from all liabilities, obligations, and claims arising out of or under this contract, subject only to the following exceptions:

(i) Specified claims in stated amounts, or in estimated amounts if the amounts are not susceptible to exact statement by the Contractor.

(ii) Claims, together with reasonable incidental expenses, based upon the liabilities of the Contractor to third parties arising out of performing this contract, that are not known to the Contractor on the date of the execution of the release, and of which the Contractor gives notice in writing to the Contracting Officer not more than 6 years after the date of the release or the date of any notice to the Contractor that the Government is prepared to make final payment, whichever is earlier.

(iii) Claims for reimbursement of costs (other than expenses of the Contractor by reason of its indemnification of the Government against patent liability), including reasonable incidental expenses, incurred by the Contractor under the terms of this contract relating to patents.

(8) *Prompt payment.* The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(9) *Discount.* In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(l) *Termination for the Government's convenience.* The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work under this contract and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount for direct labor hours (as defined in the Schedule of the contract) determined by multiplying the number of direct labor hours expended before the effective date of termination by the hourly rate(s) in the contract, less any hourly rate payments already made to the Contractor plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system that have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred that reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) *Termination for cause.* The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon written request, with adequate assurances of future performance. The Government will send a cure notice to the Contractor, unless the reason for the termination is late delivery. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount computed under paragraph (i), Payments,

of this clause, but the “hourly rate” for labor hours expended in furnishing work not delivered to or accepted by the Government shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. Unless otherwise specified in paragraph (b)(4) of this clause, the portion of the “hourly rate” attributable to profit shall be 10 percent. In the event of termination for cause, the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Clauses that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

The following clauses are incorporated into 52.212-4 as an addendum to this contract:

C.2 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

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

https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul/far-part-deviation-guide/far-overhaul-part-52#FAR_52_252_2
<http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/index.asp>

(End of Clause)

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS	NOV 2023
52.204-7	SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT—REGISTRATION (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025
52.204-9	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL	JAN 2011
52.204-13	SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT—MAINTENANCE (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025

C.3 52.209-6 Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting With Contractors Debarred, Suspended, Proposed for Debarment, or Voluntarily Excluded.

As prescribed in 9.409 , insert the following clause:

PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN SUBCONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS DEBARRED,
 SUSPENDED, PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT, OR VOLUNTARILY EXCLUDED (DEVIATION DATE NOV 2025)

(a) *Definition.* As used in this clause—

Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item

(1) Means any item of supply (including construction material) that is—

(i) A commercial product (as defined in paragraph (1) of the definition of “commercial product” in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 2.101);

(ii) Sold in substantial quantities in the commercial marketplace; and

(iii) Offered to the Government, under a contract or subcontract at any tier, without modification, in the same form in which it is sold in the commercial marketplace; and

(2) Does not include bulk cargo, as defined in [46 U.S.C. 40102\(4\)](#), such as agricultural products and petroleum products.

(b) The Government suspends or debars Contractors to protect the Government's interests. Other than a subcontract for a commercially available off-the-shelf item, the Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract, in excess of the threshold specified in FAR 9.405-2(b) on the date of subcontract award, with a Contractor that is debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by any executive agency unless a compelling reason exists to do so.

(c) The Contractor shall require each proposed subcontractor whose subcontract will exceed the threshold specified in FAR 9.405-2(b) on the date of subcontract award, other than a subcontractor providing a commercially available off-the-shelf item, to disclose to the Contractor, in writing, whether as of the time of award of the subcontract, the subcontractor, or its principals, is or is not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded by the Federal Government.

(d) A corporate officer or a designee of the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer, in writing, before entering into a subcontract with a party (other than a subcontractor providing a commercially available off-the-shelf item) that is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded (see FAR 9.404 for information on the System for Award Management (SAM) Exclusions). The notice must include the following:

(1) The name of the subcontractor.

(2) The Contractor's knowledge of the reasons for the subcontractor being listed with an exclusion in SAM.

(3) The compelling reason(s) for doing business with the subcontractor notwithstanding its being listed with an exclusion in SAM.

(4) The systems and procedures the Contractor has established to ensure that it is fully protecting the Government's interests when dealing with such subcontractor in view of the

specific basis for the party's debarment, suspension, proposed debarment, or voluntary exclusion.

(e) *Subcontracts*. Unless this is a contract for the acquisition of commercial products or commercial services, the Contractor shall include the requirements of this clause, including this paragraph (e) (appropriately modified for the identification of the parties), in each subcontract that—

- (1) Exceeds the threshold specified in FAR 9.405-2(b) on the date of subcontract award; and
- (2) Is not a subcontract for commercially available off-the-shelf items.

(End of clause)

C.4 52.222-35 Equal Opportunity for Veterans.

As prescribed in 22.1302-2(a)(1), insert the following clause:

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR VETERANS (DEVIATION NOV2025)

(a) *Definitions*. As used in this clause—

"Active duty wartime or campaign badge veteran," "Armed Forces service medal veteran," "disabled veteran," "protected veteran," "qualified disabled veteran," and "recently separated veteran" have the meanings given at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 22.1301.

(b) *Equal opportunity requirements*. The Contractor must abide by the requirements of 38 U.S.C. 4212(a)(1) and (2). These requirements prohibit discrimination against qualified protected veterans, and requires affirmative action by the Contractor to employ and advance in employment qualified protected veterans.

(c) *Subcontracts*. The Contractor must insert the terms of this clause in subcontracts valued at or above the threshold specified in FAR 22.1302-1(a)(2) on the date of subcontract award, unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor. The Contractor must act as specified by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, to enforce the terms, including action for noncompliance. Such necessary changes in language may be made as shall be appropriate to identify properly the parties and their undertakings.

(End of clause)

C.5 52.222-36 Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities.

As prescribed in 22.1401-2(a)(1), insert the following clause:

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES (DEVIATION NOV2025)

(a) Equal opportunity clause. The Contractor must abide by the requirements of the equal opportunity clause at 41 CFR 60-741.5(a), as of March 24, 2014. This clause prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals on the basis of disability, and requires affirmative action by the Contractor to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with disabilities.

(b) Subcontracts. The Contractor must include the terms of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of the threshold specified in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 22.1401-2(a)(1) on the date of subcontract award, unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor must act as specified by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs of the U.S. Department of Labor, to enforce the terms, including action for noncompliance. Such necessary changes in language may be made as shall be appropriate to identify properly the parties and their undertakings.

(End of clause)

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.222-41	SERVICE CONTRACT LABOR STANDARDS (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025
52.222-42	STATEMENT OF EQUIVALENT RATES FOR FEDERAL HIRES	MAY 2014
52.222-50	COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025
52.222-54	EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025
52.223-23	SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025
52.226-8	ENCOURAGING CONTRACTOR POLICIES TO BAN TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING	MAY 2024
52.232-33	PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER—SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT	OCT 2018
52.232-40	PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTORS	MAR 2023
52.232-90	FAST PAYMENT PROCEDURE (DEVIATION)	NOV 2025

C.6 52.233-3 Protest after Award.

As prescribed in 33.107(b), insert the following clause:

PROTEST AFTER AWARD (DEVIATION NOV 2025)

(a) Upon receipt of a stop-work order, the Contractor must immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize incurring costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage. After receiving the final decision in the protest, the Contracting Officer must either—

(1) Cancel the stop-work order; or

(2) Terminate the work covered by the order as provided in the Default, or the Termination for Convenience of the Government, clause of this contract.

(b) If a stop-work order issued under this clause is canceled either before or after a final decision in the protest, the Contractor must resume work. The Contracting Officer must make an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule or contract price, or both, and the contract must be modified, in writing, accordingly, if—

(1) The stop-work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in the Contractor's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this contract; and

(2) The Contractor asserts its right to an adjustment within 30 days after the end of the period of work stoppage; provided, that if the Contracting Officer decides the facts justify the action, the Contracting Officer may receive and act upon a proposal submitted at any time before final payment under this contract.

(c) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for the convenience of the Government, the Contracting Officer must allow reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order in arriving at the termination settlement.

(d) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for default, the Contracting Officer must allow, by equitable adjustment or otherwise, reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order.

(e) The Government's rights to terminate this contract at any time are not affected by action taken under this clause.

(f) If, as the result of the Contractor's intentional or negligent misstatement, misrepresentation, or miscertification, a protest related to this contract is sustained, and the Government pays costs, the Government may require the Contractor to reimburse the Government the amount of such costs. In addition to any other remedy available, and pursuant to the requirements of subpart 32.6, the Government may collect this debt by offsetting the amount against any payment due the Contractor under any contract between the Contractor and the Government.

(End of clause)

C.7 52.233-4 Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim.

As prescribed in 33.205-9(b), insert the following clause:

APPLICABLE LAW FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT CLAIM (DEVIATION NOV 2025)

United States law will apply to resolve any claim of breach of this contract.

(End of clause)

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.237-2	PROTECTION OF GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT, AND VEGETATION	APR 1984
852.203-70	COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING	MAY 2018
852.201-70	CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE	DEC 2022
852.204-70	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (DEVIATION)	MAR 2026
852.232-72	ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT REQUESTS	NOV 2018
852.239-75	INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBILITY NOTICE	FEB 2023
852.242-71	ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTING OFFICER	OCT 2020

C.8 52.217-8 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days of contract expiration. The specified rates under this clause will be those rates in effect under the contract at the time the option is exercised.

(End of Clause)

C.9 52.217-9 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days of contract expiration; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 60 days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed two (2) years.

(End of Clause)

C.10 52.222-90 ADDRESSING DEI DISCRIMINATION BY FEDERAL CONTRACTORS (DEVIATION APR 2026)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Program participation means membership or participation in, or access or admission to: training, mentoring, or leadership development programs; educational opportunities; clubs; associations; or similar opportunities that are sponsored or established by the contractor or subcontractor.

Racially discriminatory diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) activities means disparate treatment based on race or ethnicity in the recruitment, employment (e.g., hiring, promotions), contracting (e.g., vendor agreements), program participation, or allocation or deployment of an entity's resources.

(b) In connection with the performance of work under this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The Contractor will not engage in any racially discriminatory DEI activities;

(2) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports, including providing access to books, records, and accounts, as required by the Contracting Officer, for purposes of ascertaining compliance with this clause;

(3) In the event of the Contractor's or a subcontractor's noncompliance with this clause, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the Contractor or subcontractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts;

(4) The Contractor will report any subcontractor's known or reasonably knowable conduct that may violate this clause to the Contracting Officer and take any appropriate remedial actions directed by the Contracting Officer; and

(5) The Contractor will inform the Contracting Officer if a subcontractor sues the Contractor and the suit puts at issue, in any way, the validity of this clause.

(6) The Contractor recognizes that compliance with the requirements of this clause are material to the Government's payment decisions for purposes of 31 U.S.C. 3729(b)(4).

(c) The Contractor must include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts at any tier, including those for commercial products and commercial services, except those where the place of delivery or performance is outside the United States.

(End of Clause)

C.11 52.240-91 SECURITY PROHIBITIONS AND EXCLUSIONS (NOV 2025) (DEVIATION)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

American Security Drone Act-covered foreign entity means an entity included on a list that the Federal Acquisition Security Council (FASC) develops and maintains and publishes in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> (section 1822 of Pub. L. 118-31, 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.).

Backhaul means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (e.g., connecting cell phones/towers to the core

telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (e.g., microwave) or wired (e.g., fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).

Covered application means the social networking service TikTok or any successor application or service developed or provided by ByteDance Limited or an entity owned by ByteDance Limited.

Covered article, as defined in 41 U.S.C. 4713(k), means:

- (1) Information technology, as defined in 40 U.S.C. 11101, including cloud computing services of all types;
- (2) Telecommunications equipment or telecommunications service, as those terms are defined in section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 153);
- (3) The processing of information on a Federal or non-Federal information system, subject to the requirements of the Controlled Unclassified Information program (see 32 CFR part 2002); or
- (4) Hardware, systems, devices, software, or services that include embedded or incidental information technology.

Covered foreign country means The People's Republic of China.

Covered telecommunications equipment or services means—

- (1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (2) For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or
- (4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Critical technology means—

- (1) Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;
- (2) Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled—

(i) Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or

(ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;

(3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);

(4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);

(5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or

(6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system means an unmanned aircraft system manufactured or assembled by an American Security Drone Act—covered foreign entity.

FASCSA order means any of the following orders issued under the Federal Acquisition Supply Chain Security Act (FASCSA) requiring removing covered articles from executive agency information systems or excluding one or more named sources or named covered articles from executive agency procurement actions, as described in 41 CFR 201-1.303(d) and (e):

(1) The Secretary of Homeland Security may issue FASCSA orders that apply to civilian agencies, to the extent not covered by paragraph (2) or (3) of this definition. This type of FASCSA order may be referred to as a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) FASCSA order.

(2) The Secretary of Defense may issue FASCSA orders that apply to the Department of Defense (DoD) and national security systems other than sensitive compartmented information systems. This type of FASCSA order may be referred to as a DoD FASCSA order.

(3) The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) may issue FASCSA orders that apply to the intelligence community and sensitive compartmented information systems, to the extent not covered by paragraph (2) of this definition. This type of FASCSA order may be referred to as a DNI FASCSA order.

Information technology, as defined in 40 U.S.C. 11101(6)—

(1) Means any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment, used in the automatic acquisition, storage, analysis, evaluation, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information by the executive agency, if the equipment is used by the executive agency directly or is used by a contractor under a contract with the executive agency that requires the use—

(i) Of that equipment; or

(ii) Of that equipment to a significant extent in the performance of a service or the furnishing of a product;

(2) Includes computers, ancillary equipment (including imaging peripherals, input, output, and storage devices necessary for security and surveillance), peripheral equipment designed to be controlled by the central processing unit of a computer, software, firmware and similar procedures, services (including support services), and related resources; but

(3) Does not include any equipment acquired by a Federal contractor incidental to a Federal contract.

Intelligence community, as defined by 50 U.S.C. 3003(4), means the following—

(1) The Office of the Director of National Intelligence;

(2) The Central Intelligence Agency;

(3) The National Security Agency;

(4) The Defense Intelligence Agency;

(5) The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency;

(6) The National Reconnaissance Office;

(7) Other offices within the Department of Defense for the collection of specialized national intelligence through reconnaissance programs;

(8) The intelligence elements of the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, the Coast Guard, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Department of Energy;

(9) The Bureau of Intelligence and Research of the Department of State;

(10) The Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of the Treasury;

(11) The Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security; or

(12) Such other elements of any department or agency as may be designated by the President, or designated jointly by the Director of National Intelligence and the head of the department or agency concerned, as an element of the intelligence community.

Interconnection arrangement means arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (e.g., connecting a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.

Kaspersky Lab-covered article means any hardware, software, or service that—

(1) Is developed or provided by a Kaspersky Lab-covered entity;

(2) Includes any hardware, software, or service developed or provided in whole or in part by a Kaspersky Lab-covered entity; or

(3) Contains components using any hardware or software developed in whole or in part by a Kaspersky Lab-covered entity.

Kaspersky Lab-covered entity means—

- (1) Kaspersky Lab;
 - (2) Any successor entity to Kaspersky Lab, including any change in name, e.g., “Kaspersky”;
 - (3) Any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Kaspersky Lab;
- or
- (4) Any entity of which Kaspersky Lab has a majority ownership.

National security system, as defined in 44 U.S.C. 3552, means any information system (including any telecommunications system) used or operated by an agency or by a contractor of an agency, or other organization on behalf of an agency—

(1) The function, operation, or use of which involves intelligence activities; involves cryptologic activities related to national security; involves command and control of military forces; involves equipment that is an integral part of a weapon or weapons system; or is critical to the direct fulfillment of military or intelligence missions, but does not include a system that is to be used for routine administrative and business applications (including payroll, finance, logistics, and personnel management applications); or

(2) Is protected at all times by procedures established for information that have been specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order or an Act of Congress to be kept classified in the interest of national defense or foreign policy.

Roaming means cellular communications services (e.g., voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.

Sensitive compartmented information means classified information concerning or derived from intelligence sources, methods, or analytical processes, which is required to be handled within formal access control systems established by the Director of National Intelligence.

Sensitive compartmented information system means a national security system authorized to process or store sensitive compartmented information.

Source means a non-Federal supplier, or potential supplier, of products or services, at any tier.

Subsidiary means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned directly by a parent corporation or through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

Substantial or essential component means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.

Unmanned aircraft means an aircraft that is operated without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft (49 U.S.C. 44801(11)).

Unmanned aircraft system means an unmanned aircraft and associated elements (including communication links and the components that control the unmanned aircraft) that are required for the operator to operate safely and efficiently in the national airspace system (49 U.S.C. 44801(12)).

(b) *Prohibitions on providing or using specific products or services in performance of contract.* Unless a waiver or exception applies, the Contractor is prohibited from providing any products or services to the Government or using in the performance of the contract any of the following:

(1) A covered application on any information technology owned or managed by the Government, or on any information technology used or provided by the Contractor under this contract, including equipment provided by the Contractor's employees (section 102 of Division R of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Pub. L. 117-328));

(2) A Kaspersky Lab-covered article (Section 1634 of Division A of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Pub. L. 115-91));

(3) Covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system (paragraphs (a)(1)(A) of section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232)). This does not prohibit contractors from providing—

(i) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) Prohibition on unmanned aircraft systems manufactured or assembled by American Security Drone Act—covered foreign entities.

(1) Prohibition. The Contractor is prohibited from—

(i) Delivering any FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system, which includes unmanned aircraft (i.e., drones) and associated elements (sections 1823 and 1826 of American Security Drone Act of 2023, within the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, Pub. L. 118-31, Div. A, Title XVIII, Subtitle B, 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.);

(ii) On or after December 22, 2025, operating a FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system in the performance of the contract (section 1824 of Pub. L. 118-31); and

(iii) On or after December 22, 2025, using Federal funds to procure or operate a FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system (section 1825 of Pub. L. 118-31).

(2) *Procedures.* The Contractor shall search SAM for the FASC-maintained list of American Security Drone Act—covered foreign entities before proposing, or using in performance of the contract, any unmanned aircraft system. Also, the Contractor shall ensure any effort or expenditure associated with a FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system is consistent with a corresponding exemption, exception, or waiver determination expressly stated in the contract.

(3) *Exemptions, exceptions, and waivers.* The prohibitions in paragraph (c) of this clause do not apply where the agency has determined an exemption, exception, or waiver applies, and the contract indicates that such a determination has been made. See sections 1823 through 1825 and 1832 of Public Law 118-31 for statutory requirements pertaining to exemptions, exceptions, and waivers.

(d) *Prohibition on using or providing specific products or services or conducting certain transactions regardless of connection to contract.*

(1) *Certain telecommunications and video surveillance equipment, systems, or services.*

(i) Unless an applicable waiver has been issued by the Government, the Contractor cannot use any equipment, systems, or services that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system (paragraph (a)(1)(B) of section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232)).

(ii) This prohibition applies to using covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. This does not prohibit the contractor from using—

(A) A service that connects to the facilities of a third party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(B) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) *Office of Foreign Assets Control Restrictions.*

(i) Except as authorized by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) in the Department of the Treasury, the Contractor shall not acquire, for use in the performance of this contract, any supplies or services if any proclamation, Executive order, or statute administered by OFAC, or if OFAC's implementing regulations at 31 CFR chapter V, would prohibit such a transaction by a person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(ii) Except as authorized by OFAC, most transactions involving Cuba, Iran, and Sudan are prohibited, as are most imports from Burma or North Korea, into the United States or its outlying areas.

(A) For lists of entities and individuals subject to economic sanctions, see OFAC's List of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/specially-designated-nationals-and-blocked-persons-list-sdn-human-readable-lists>.

(B) For more information about these restrictions, as well as updates, see OFAC's regulations at 31 CFR chapter V and at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/office-of-foreign-assets-control-sanctions-programs-and-information>.

(C) To conduct electronic screens of potential parties to regulated transactions, see the consolidated screening list at <https://www.trade.gov/consolidated-screening-list>, which consolidates multiple export screening lists of the Departments of Commerce, State, and the Treasury.

(3) *Sudan prohibition.* The Contractor is prohibited from conducting any restricted business operations in Sudan in accordance with Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174).

(4) *Iran prohibitions.*

(i) Unless an exception applies according to paragraph (d)(4)(iii) or the Government grants a waiver, the contractor shall not engage in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran (section 6(b)(1)(A) of Iran Sanctions Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 note)).

(ii) Unless an exception applies according to paragraph (d)(4)(iii) or the Government grants a waiver, contractor shall not export certain sensitive technology to Iran, as determined by the President, and has an active exclusion in SAM (22 U.S.C. 8515).

(iii) The prohibition in paragraphs (d)(4)(i) and (d)(4)(ii) do not apply if the acquisition is subject to trade agreements and the offeror certifies that all the offered products are designated country end products or designated country construction material (see part 25).

(iv) Unless an exception applies or the Government grants a waiver, contractors are prohibited from knowingly engaging in any significant transaction (i.e., over \$15,000) with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked according to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (section 6(b)(1)(B) of Iran Sanctions Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 note)).

(e) *Governmentwide exclusion and removal orders.*

(1) Unless the Government has issued an applicable waiver, contractors shall not provide or use as part of the performance of the contract any covered article, or any products or services produced or provided by a source, if the covered article or the source is prohibited by an applicable FASCSA order as follows:

(i) For solicitations and contracts awarded by a Department of Defense contracting office, DoD FASCSA orders apply.

(ii) For all other solicitations and contracts, DHS FASCSA orders apply.

(2) The Contractor shall search for the phrase "FASCSA order" in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> to locate applicable FASCSA orders.

(3) The Government may identify in the solicitation other FASCSA orders that are not in SAM, which are effective and apply to the solicitation and resulting contract.

(4) A FASCSA order issued after the date of solicitation applies to this contract only if added by an amendment to the solicitation or modification to the contract (see FAR 40.204-1(c)).

(f) *Reasonable inquiry.* The contractor shall conduct a reasonable inquiry to determine if there are any prohibited products or services. The inquiry will look at any information in the entity's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit.

(g) *Removal of prohibited products and services.* For Federal Supply Schedules, Governmentwide acquisition contracts, multi-agency contracts or any other procurement instrument intended for use by multiple agencies, upon notification from the Contracting Officer, during the performance of the contract, the Contractor shall promptly make any necessary changes or modifications to remove any product or service produced or provided by a source that this clause prohibits.

(h) *General report.*

(1) If the Contractor identifies or is notified by any source, (including a subcontractor at any tier), that any product or service provided or used (or to be provided or used) during contract performance does not comply with any prohibition in this clause, then the Contractor shall report the following information, or as much information is known, in writing to the contracting office as identified in paragraph (h)(2) within 72 hours:

(i) Contract number and order number, if applicable;

(ii) The specific prohibition the product or service is not complying with;

(iii) A description of the products or services that the Contractor identifies or has reason to suspect is prohibited (include brand; model number, such as the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable);

(iv) The entity that produced the product or service (include entity name, unique entity identifier, Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, facilities responsible for design, fabrication, assembly, packaging, and test of the product, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor (provide manufacturer codes and distributor codes used for the product));

(v) Description of the functionality of the product or service and how that functionality impacts the risk to the product or service;

(vi) An explanation of any factors relevant to determining if the product or service should be permitted by an applicable exception, exemption, or waiver (if the contractor would like the Government to consider a waiver, and asks for such a waiver);

(vii) Whether alternative products or services are available that would comply with the prohibition;

(viii) If the product or service is related to item maintenance, include the following information on the item being maintained:

(A) Brand;

(B) Model number, OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and

(C) Item description, as applicable.

(ix) Any readily available information about mitigation actions implemented or recommended.

(2) If a report must be submitted to a contracting office, the Contractor shall submit the report as follows:

(i) If a Department of Defense contracting office, the Contractor shall report to the website at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>.

(ii) For all other contracting offices, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer.

(iii) For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to both the contracting office for the indefinite delivery contract and the contracting office for any affected order.

(3) If the report provided does not contain any of the information required by paragraph (h)(1) of this clause, and the contractor later discovers new information that is required by paragraph (h)(1) of this clause, then the contractor shall submit a subsequent report within 72 hours of discovering the new information.

(4) The contractor shall also report the information in paragraph (h)(1) if the contractor wishes to ask for a waiver of the requirements of a new FASCSA order being applied through modification.

(i) *New FASCSA orders report.*

(1) During contract performance, the Contractor shall review SAM at least once every three months, or as advised by the Contracting Officer, to check for covered articles subject to FASCSA order(s), or for products or services produced by a source subject to FASCSA order(s) not currently identified under paragraph (e) of this clause.

(2) If the Contractor identifies a new FASCSA order(s) that could impact their supply chain, then the Contractor shall conduct a reasonable inquiry to identify whether a covered article or product or service produced or provided by a source subject to the FASCSA order(s) was provided to the Government or used during contract performance. The inquiry will look at any information in the entity's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit.

(3) The Contractor shall submit a report to the contracting office identified in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause if the Contractor identifies, including through any notification by a subcontractor at any tier, that a covered article or product or service produced or provided by a source was provided to the Government or used during contract performance and is subject to a FASCSA order(s). For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to both the contracting office for the indefinite delivery contract and the contracting office for any affected order. The Contractor shall report the following information within 72 hours for each covered article or each product or service produced or provided by a source, where the covered article or source is subject to a FASCSA order:

(i) Contract number and order number, if applicable;

(ii) Name of the covered article or source subject to a FASCSA order;

(iii) The specific FASCSA order the product or service does not comply with;

(iv) The elements of (h)(1)(iii) through (ix) of this clause.

(j) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (j) but excluding subparagraphs (d)(1) and (i)(1), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for acquiring commercial products or commercial services.

(End of Provision)

C.12 52.252-6 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES (NOV 2020)

(a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause.

(b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any VAAR (48 CFR Chapter FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR Chapter 1)) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the name of the regulation.

(End of Clause)

C.13 VAAR 852.204-72 PERSONNEL VETTING AND CREDENTIALING (DEVIATION) (MAR 2026)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause –

VA Information system is the same as information system and means, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 5727, a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information whether automated or manual.

VA sensitive information means all VA data, on any storage media or in any form or format, which requires protection due to the risk of harm that could result from inadvertent or deliberate disclosure, alteration, or destruction of the information and includes sensitive personal information. The term includes information where improper use or disclosure could adversely affect the ability of VA to accomplish its mission, proprietary information, records about individuals requiring protection under various confidentiality provisions such as the Privacy Act and the HIPAA Privacy Rule, and information that can be withheld under the Freedom of Information Act. Examples of VA sensitive information include the following: individually-identifiable medical, benefits, and personnel information; financial, budgetary, research, quality assurance, confidential commercial, critical infrastructure, investigatory, and law enforcement information; information that is confidential and privileged in litigation such as information protected by the deliberative process privilege, attorney work-product privilege, and the attorney client privilege; and other information which, if released, could result in violation of law or harm or unfairness to any individual or group, or could adversely affect the national interest or the conduct of Federal programs.

(b) *General*. Contractor personnel assigned to work for or on behalf of VA must undergo a background investigation commensurate with the risk and sensitivity level designation associated with the work to be performed at the level indicated in the contract. The Contractor and subcontractors shall comply with VA Directive/Handbook 0710, Personnel Security and Suitability Program, which can be accessed at: <https://vaww.va.gov/vapubs/index.cfm>.

(c) *Risk and Sensitivity Levels*. The following table identifies the risk and sensitivity levels that apply to any personnel providing services under this contract. *VA Administrations, organizations and staff offices will use the OPM [Position Designation Tool](#).

Positions/Tasks Designated as Non-Sensitive Positions – Tier 1/Low Risk
Positions/Tasks Designated as Non-Sensitive Positions – Tier 2/Mod Risk
Positions/Tasks Designated as Non-Sensitive Positions – Tier 4/High Risk

Security clearances are granted to individuals with a specific requirement for access to classified material (for example, Confidential, Secret and Top Secret). Contractor personnel that are required to obtain a security clearance will be subject to a Tier 3 or Tier 5 investigation. The following sensitivity designations have been assigned for the identified Tier 3 and Tier 5 required by this contract:

Tier 3:

Tier 5:

(d) *Fitness*. The results from a background investigation are used to determine if an individual's fitness is sufficient for that individual to perform work for or on behalf of VA in the position identified in this contract. Contractor fitness determinations are made in accordance with 5 CFR Part 731.202.

Fitness requirements for employment are separate and distinct from job qualifications. If a Contractor or subcontractor employee is found to be unsuitable or unfit to provide services under this contract, the Contractor shall immediately remove the employee from working on this

contract and take those necessary steps that restrict the employee's logical access to VA data, information, VA sensitive information, or information technology or VA information systems containing such data or information.

The Contractor shall advise the employee that they are not permitted to access any VA controlled building or real property in relation to this contract. The removal of an unfit Contractor or subcontractor employee does not alleviate the Contractor from satisfying the requirements of this contract. The Government will not reimburse the Contractor for any costs associated with the recruitment/replacement of an employee or subcontractor employee who is found to be unfit.

(e) *Identification Cards*. The Government will provide a Personal Identification Verification (PIV) card or other identification card, as necessary, to fit Contractor personnel who require physical access to VA facilities and/or logical access to VA data, information, VA sensitive information, or information technology or VA information systems containing such data or information. Contractor and subcontractor personnel shall prominently display their PIV/identification card on their persons while working at a VA facility and shall present their PIV/identification card for inspection upon request by a VA official. The Contractor must surrender the employee or subcontractor employee's PIV/identification card in accordance with the requirements set forth in Directive/Handbook 0735 when any of the following events occur:

1. When no longer needed for contract performance.
2. Upon completion of the Contractor/subcontractor employee's employment.
3. Upon contract completion or termination.

(f) *Lost/stolen*. Immediately upon detection, the Contractor shall report a lost or stolen PIV/identification card to the Government authorities as identified in Directive/Handbook 0735. Within 48 hours of reporting the lost/stolen PIV/identification card, the Contractor shall submit to the Program Manager an incident report that describes the relevant facts and circumstances regarding the loss/theft. If the loss/theft was reported by the Contractor to the local police, the Contractor shall further submit a copy of the final police report to the Program Manager within 48 hours of the report being made available by the local police department. The Government will not reimburse the Contractor for any costs that result from lost/stolen PIV/identification card(s).

(g) *Regular Reporting*. The Contractor shall submit a status report to PIV Sponsor within 5 working days after the end of each calendar quarter and as requested by the Government in order to initiate contract closeout procedures. The report must provide the status of each contractor/subcontractor employee who is required to have a PIV/identification card during the performance of the contract. The report shall identify the Contractor and the contract number, and list the following status for each contractor/subcontractor employee who holds a PIV/identification card under this contract:

1. Contractor/subcontractor employee name.
2. Name of VA facility where Contractor/subcontractor employee works, if applicable.
3. Date background check submitted for Contractor/subcontractor employee.

4. Date PIV/identification card issued to Contractor/subcontractor employee.
5. Contractor/subcontractor employee's PIV/identification card number, as applicable.
6. Date Contractor/subcontractor employee no longer has need for PIV/identification card.
7. Date Contractor notified VA that PIV/identification card is no longer required.
8. Date Contractor returned PIV/identification card was returned to VA.

(h) *Flow down of clause.* The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in subcontracts, third-party agreements, and BAA's, in which subcontractors, third-party servicers/employees, and business associates will perform functions where they will have physical access to a VA facility or logical access to VA data, information, VA sensitive information, or information technology or VA information system containing such data or information.

(End of Clause)

C.14 VAAR 852.211-72 TECHNICAL INDUSTRY STANDARDS (NOV 2018)

(a) The Contractor shall conform to the standards established by: NRC, JACHO, and NHPP radiation protection standards VHA Handbook 1105.04, Fluoroscopy Safety as to 29 CFR 1910.1096.

(b) The Contractor shall submit proof of conformance to the standard. This proof may be a label or seal affixed to the equipment or supplies, warranting that the item(s) have been tested in accordance with the standards and meet the contract requirement. Proof may also be furnished by the organization listed above certifying that the item(s) furnished have been tested in accordance with and conform to the specified standards.

(c) Offerors may obtain the standards cited in this provision by submitting a request, including the solicitation number, title and number of the publication to: NRC, JACHO, and NHPP radiation protection standards

(d) The offeror shall contact the Contracting Officer if response is not received within two weeks of the request.

(End of Clause)

C.15 VAAR 852.219-73 VA NOTICE OF TOTAL SET-ASIDE FOR CERTIFIED SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES (JAN 2023) (DEVIATION)

(a) *Definition.* for the Department of Veterans Affairs, "*Service-disabled Veteran-owned small business concern or SDVOSB*":

(1) Means a small business concern—

(i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled Veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is

owned by one or more service-disabled Veterans or eligible surviving spouses (see VAAR 802.201, Surviving Spouse definition);

(ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled Veterans (or eligible surviving spouses) or, in the case of a service-disabled Veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such Veteran;

(iii) The business meets Federal small business size standards for the applicable North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code identified in the solicitation document;

(iv) The business has been certified for ownership and control pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127, 13 CFR 128, and is listed as certified in the SBA certification database at <https://veterans.certify.sba.gov/>; and

(v) The business agrees to comply with VAAR subpart 819.70 and Small Business Administration (SBA) regulations regarding small business size, government contracting, and the Veteran Small Business Certification Program at 13 CFR parts 121, 125, and 128.

(2) The term “Service-disabled Veteran” means a Veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

(3) The term “small business concern” has the meaning given that term under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

(4) The term “small business concern owned and controlled by Veterans with service-connected disabilities” has the meaning given the term “*small business concern owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans*” under section 3(q)(2) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(q)(2)).

(5) The term “*SDVOSB participant*” or *certified SDVOSB* means a small business that has been certified in the SBA Veteran Small Business Certification Program and listed in the SBA certification database (see 13 CFR 128.102).

(b) *General*. In order for a concern to submit an offer and be eligible for the award of an SDVOSB set-aside or sole source contract, the concern must qualify as a small business concern under the size standard corresponding to the NAICS code assigned to the contract and be listed as an SDVOSB participant in the SBA certification database as set forth in 13 CFR 128.

(1) Offers received from entities that are not certified SDVOSBs and listed in the SBA certification database at the time of offer shall not be considered.

(2) Any award resulting from this solicitation shall be made to a certified SDVOSB listed in the SBA certification database who is eligible at the time of submission of offer(s) and at the time of award.

(3) The requirements in this clause apply to any contract, order or subcontract where the firm receives a benefit or preference from its designation as an SDVOSB, including set-asides, sole source awards, and evaluation preferences.

(c) *Representation.* Pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127(e), only certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database are considered eligible to receive award of a resulting contract. By submitting an offer, the prospective contractor represents that it is an eligible and certified SDVOSB as defined in this clause, 13 CFR 121, 125, and 128, and VAAR subpart 819.70.

(d) *Agreement/LOS certification.* When awarded a contract action, including orders under multiple award contracts, an SDVOSB agrees that in the performance of the contract, the SDVOSB shall comply with requirements in VAAR subpart 819.70 and SBA regulations on small business size, and government contracting programs at 13 CFR part 121 and part 125, including the non-manufacturer rule and limitations on subcontracting (LOS) requirements in 13 CFR 121.406(b) and 13 CFR 125.6. For the purpose of limitations on subcontracting, only certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database (including independent contractors) shall be considered eligible and/or “similarly situated” (i.e., a firm that has the same small business program status as the prime contractor). An otherwise eligible firm further agrees to comply with the required LOS certification requirements in this solicitation (see 852.219–75 or 852.219–76 as applicable). These requirements are summarized as follows:

(1) *Services.* In the case of a contract for services (except construction), the SDVOSB prime contractor will not pay more than 50% of the amount paid by the government to the prime for contract performance to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database (excluding direct costs to the extent they are not the principal purpose of the acquisition and the SDVOSB/ VOSB does not provide the service, such as airline travel, cloud computing services, or mass media purchases). When a contract includes both services and supplies, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the service portion of the contract.

(2) *Supplies/products.*

(i) In the case of a contract for supplies or products (other than from a non-manufacturer of such supplies), the SDVOSB prime contractor will not pay more than 50% of the amount paid by the government to the prime for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database. When a contract includes both supply and services, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the supply portion of the contract.

(ii) In the case of a contract for supplies from a non-manufacturer, the SDVOSB prime contractor will supply the product of a domestic small business manufacturer or processor, unless a waiver as described in 13 CFR 121.406(b)(5) has been granted. Refer to 13 CFR 125.6(a)(2)(ii) for guidance pertaining to multiple item procurements.

(3) *General construction.* In the case of a contract for general construction, the SDVOSB prime contractor will not pay more than 85% of the amount paid by the government to the prime for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database.

(4) *Special trade construction contractors.* In the case of a contract for special trade contractors, no more than 75% of the amount paid by the government to the prime for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, may be paid to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database.

(5) *Subcontracting*. An SDVOSB subcontractor must meet the NAICS size standard assigned by the prime contractor and be certified and listed in the SBA certification database to count as similarly situated. Any work that a first tier SDVOSB subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the percent of subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. For supply or construction contracts, the cost of materials is excluded and not considered to be subcontracted. When a contract includes both services and supplies, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the portion of the contract with the preponderance of the expenditure upon which the assigned NAICS is based. For information and more specific requirements, refer to 13 CFR 125.6.

(e) *Required limitations on subcontracting compliance measurement period*. An SDVOSB shall comply with the limitations on subcontracting as follows:

☒ By the end of the base term of the contract or order, and then by the end of each subsequent option period; or

☐ By the end of the performance period for each order issued under the contract.

(f) *Joint ventures*. A joint venture may be considered eligible as an SDVOSB if the joint venture complies with the requirements in 13 CFR 128.402 and the managing joint venture partner makes the representations under paragraph (c) of this clause. A joint venture agrees that, in the performance of the contract, the applicable percentage specified in paragraph (d) of this clause will be performed by the aggregate of the joint venture participants.

(g) *Precedence*. The VA Veterans First Contracting Program, as defined in VAAR 802.101, subpart 819.70, and this clause, takes precedence over any inconsistencies between the requirements of the SBA Veteran Small Business Certification Program and the VA Veterans First Contracting Program.

(h) *Misrepresentation*. Pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127(g), any business concern, including all its principals, that is determined by VA to have willfully and intentionally misrepresented a company's SDVOSB status is subject to debarment from contracting with the Department for a period of not less than five years (see VAAR 809.406–2 Causes for Debarment).

(End of Clause)

C.16 VAAR 852.219-75 VA NOTICE OF LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING—CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION (JAN 2023) (DEVIATION)

(a) Pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127(l)(2), the offeror certifies that—

(1) If awarded a contract (see FAR 2.101 definition), it will comply with the limitations on subcontracting requirement as provided in the solicitation and the resultant contract, as follows:

(i) ☒ *Services*. In the case of a contract for services (except construction), the contractor will not pay more than 50% of the amount paid by the government to it to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database as set forth in 852.219–73 or certified VOSBs listed in the SBA certification database as set forth in 852.219–74. Any work that a similarly situated certified SDVOSB/VOSB subcontractor further subcontracts will count

towards the 50% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. Other direct costs may be excluded to the extent they are not the principal purpose of the acquisition and small business concerns do not provide the service as set forth in 13 CFR 125.6.

(ii) ☐ *General construction.* In the case of a contract for general construction, the contractor will not pay more than 85% of the amount paid by the government to it to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database as set forth in 852.219–73 or certified VOSBs listed in the SBA certification database as set forth in 852.219–74. Any work that a similarly situated certified SDVOSB/VOSB subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the 85% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. Cost of materials are excluded and not considered to be subcontracted.

(iii) ☐ *Special trade construction contractors.* In the case of a contract for special trade contractors, the contractor will not pay more than 75% of the amount paid by the government to it to firms that are not certified SDVOSBs listed in the SBA certification database as set forth in 852.219–73 or certified VOSBs listed in the SBA certification database as set forth in 852.219–74. Any work that a similarly situated certified SDVOSB/VOSB subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the 75% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. Cost of materials are excluded and not considered to be subcontracted.

(2) The offeror acknowledges that this certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an Agency of the United States. The offeror further acknowledges that this certification is subject to Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, and, as such, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the offeror subject to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties, including prosecution.

(3) If VA determines that an SDVOSB/ VOSB awarded a contract pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127 did not act in good faith, such SDVOSB/VOSB shall be subject to any or all of the following:

- (i) Referral to the VA Suspension and Debarment Committee;
- (ii) A fine under section 16(g)(1) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 645(g)(1)); and
- (iii) Prosecution for violating 18 U.S.C. 1001.

(b) The offeror represents and understands that by submission of its offer and award of a contract it may be required to provide copies of documents or records to VA that VA may review to determine whether the offeror complied with the limitations on subcontracting requirement specified in the contract. Contracting officers may, at their discretion, require the contractor to demonstrate its compliance with the limitations on subcontracting at any time during performance and upon completion of a contract if the information regarding such compliance is not already available to the contracting officer. Evidence of compliance includes, but is not limited to, invoices, copies of subcontracts, or a list of the value of tasks performed.

(c) The offeror further agrees to cooperate fully and make available any documents or records as may be required to enable VA to determine compliance with the limitations on subcontracting requirement. The offeror understands that failure to provide documents as requested by VA may result in remedial action as the Government deems appropriate.

(d) Offeror completed certification/fill-in required. The formal certification must be completed, signed and returned with the offeror's bid, quotation, or proposal. The Government will not consider offers for award from offerors that do not provide the certification, and all such responses will be deemed ineligible for evaluation and award.

Certification

I hereby certify that if awarded the contract, [insert name of offeror] will comply with the limitations on subcontracting specified in this clause and in the resultant contract. I further certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of [insert name of offeror].

Printed Name of Signee: _____

Printed Title of Signee: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Company Name and Address: _____

(End of Clause)

(End of Addendum to 52.212-4)

SECTION D - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, OR ATTACHMENTS

See attached document: WD2015-5623 Rev 29 Dated 5-12-2026 Martinez.

See attached document: WD 2015-5631 REV 27 Dated 5-13-2026-El Dorado-Placer-Sacramento-Yolo.

SECTION E - SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

E.1 52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Products and Commercial Services.

As prescribed in 12.205(a)(1), insert a clause substantially as follows:

INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (DEVIATION OCT 2025)

(a) *Submission of offers.* Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. As a minimum, offers shall include—

- (1) The solicitation number;
- (2) The name, address, telephone number of the Offeror;
- (3) The Offeror's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and, if applicable, Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) indicator;
- (4) Information necessary to evaluate the factors contained in the provision at 52.212-2 or as described in the solicitation;
- (5) Responses to provisions that require Offeror completion of information, representations, and certifications (other than those collected via the System for Award Management (SAM)); and
- (6) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and any solicitation amendments.

(b) *Period for acceptance of offers.* The Offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 60 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(c) *Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.*

- (1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers and any modifications or revisions to the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation.
- (2) Any offer, modification, or revision received after the time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition. However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the Government will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(3) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(4) Offerors may withdraw their offers by written notice to the Government received at any time before award.

(d) *Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids)*. The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with Offerors. Therefore, the Offeror's initial offer should contain the Offeror's best terms. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions, if necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest, accept other than the lowest offer, and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(e) *Debriefings*. If a postaward debriefing is given to requesting Offerors, the Government will disclose the following information, if applicable:

(1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed Offeror's offer.

(2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful Offeror and the debriefed Offeror and past performance information on the debriefed Offeror.

(3) The overall ranking of all Offerors when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.

(4) A summary of the rationale for award.

(5) For acquisitions of commercial products, the make and model of the product to be delivered by the successful Offeror.

(6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed Offeror as to whether the agency followed source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities.

(End of provision)

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS

Provisions that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

The following provisions are incorporated into 52.212-1 as an addendum to this solicitation:

- Paragraph (c), Period of Acceptance of Offers, is revised as follows: Period of acceptance is 120 days.
- Paragraph (l), Requests for information. The CO will not notify unsuccessful quoters that responded to this Request for Quotation (RFQ). However, quoters may request information on purchase order(s) resulting from this solicitation with the CO.
- A Restatement of the SOW/PWS is not considered providing sufficient information and will be determined as a non-conforming quote.

a) General Instructions:

(1) Electronic Submissions is the preferred method: Offerors shall email their proposals/quotes to james.postell@va.gov and must have the solicitation number indicated in the Subject line. Files must be readable using Microsoft Office Word and Adobe PDF. The size of the email is limited to 5 megabytes (MB), but multiple emails are allowable. Zip files are **not** acceptable.

(2) Follow the proposal preparation instructions as given in the solicitation and prepare your response by providing the requirement and supporting documents. Offerors must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) [SAM.gov | Home](https://sam.gov) and have a Unique Entity ID (UEI). Service-Disabled Veteran Owned and Veteran Owned Small Business must be registered with Small Business Administration (<https://www.sba.gov/>).

(3) Timeliness. All questions regarding this solicitation must be emailed to james.postell@va.gov, no, later than 10:00 AM PT, June 25, 2026. Verbal inquiries or questions will not be addressed or accepted. Phone calls will not be returned.

Failure to submit these items may result in no further evaluation of the offeror's quote and rejected due to non-conformance to solicitation.

Make note of the solicitation closing date and time listed on the first page of the solicitation. All quotes must be submitted to james.postell@va.gov by July 08, 2026, NLT 10:00 AM PT. Any submission that is emailed after the solicitation closing date of solicitation will be deemed unresponsive and not considered.

(4) Provide copies of any licenses referenced within solicitation responses.

b) Instructions for Preparation and Submission of offers / quotes/ proposals:

The contractor shall acknowledge all amendments to the solicitation that may be issued.

852.219-75 VA Notice of Limitations on Subcontracting - Certificate of Compliance for Services and Construction (JAN 2023) (DEVIATION)

Price/Delivery Schedule shall be submitted fully completed and error free. It shall contain prices for the established Line-Item Numbers (CLINs) set forth in that section to include prices for the Period of Performance. In accordance with FAR 52.212-2(b), the Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for the basic requirement.

The quote must be prepared in two parts consisting of a "Technical Approach" and a separate section for "Pricing Information". Each of the parts shall be separate and complete so that evaluation of each part can be accomplished independently.

Volume-1: Technical Capability

File shall not exceed (10) pages (exceeding ten pages will not be evaluated).

All offerors shall submit the following information for consideration:

- A list of key personnel, including all required certifications and licenses, clearly identifying those individuals designated to perform work under this contract.
- Documentation demonstrating adequate technical capability and resources to fulfill all requirements of the Department of Veterans Affairs. This shall include relevant information regarding equipment, materials, and subcontracting arrangements sufficient to assess the offeror's understanding of the Performance Work Statement (PWS).
- The technical submission shall not include any pricing information; all pricing shall be provided in a separate document.

Volume 2: Past Performance Information

Offerors shall provide information on **not more than three contracts** performed with the most recent contracts (Within the past five years) and relevant (similar in size and scope) that include the contract number, who the work was performed for, period of performance, dollar value of the contract, and describe services performed. Past performance that is not recent and/or relevant will not be evaluated.

Volume 3: Pricing Information

When submitting pricing information, the offeror will provide fixed unit prices for the line items in the price schedule. The pricing should be all inclusive of the personnel and equipment required to perform the service in accordance with PWS.

The Government will evaluate quotations for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. This includes options under FAR 52.217-8, Option to Extend Services, which applies to this solicitation. Evaluation of options under FAR 52.217-8 will be accomplished by adding six months of the quoter's price for the last potential period of performance under this contract to the quoter's total price. For example, if the contract includes option periods that are exercisable under FAR 52.217-9, the quoter's total price for the purpose of evaluation will include the base period, all option periods, and an additional six months of the last option period. Quoters must price only the base and option periods specified in the contract line-item numbers (CLINs) and shall not submit a price for the potential six-month extension of services under FAR 52.217-8. The Government reserves the right to exercise the option under FAR 52.217-8 before the end of any of the contractor's performance periods and will be exercised at the price and/or rates in effect at the time the clause is exercised. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

Do not add or "change" the line items in the schedule. This may cause the quote to be determined unresponsive and not evaluated.

All quotes shall be sent electronically via email to:
James Postell, Contracting Specialist
james.postell@va.gov

(End of Addendum to 52.212-1)

E.2 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul/far-part-deviation-guide/far-overhaul-part-52#FAR_52_252_2
<http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/index.asp>

(End of Provision)

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.203-11	CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS	SEP 2024
52.203-18	PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS OR STATEMENTS—REPRESENTATION	JAN 2017
52.229-11	TAX ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PROCUREMENTS—NOTICE AND REPRESENTATION	JUN 2020

E.3 52.212-2 Evaluation—Commercial Products and Commercial Services.

As prescribed in 12.205(a)(2), insert a provision substantially as follows:

EVALUATION—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (DEVIATION NOV 2025)

(a) Evaluation factors. The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible Offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors will be used to evaluate offers: Technical Capability, Past Performance, and Price

Submission of your response shall be received not later than July 08, 2026, at 10AM PT via email to: james.postell@va.gov.

(b) *Options (if applicable)*. The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. The evaluation of options does not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) *Notice of award*. A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer furnished to the successful Offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of provision)

E.4 VAAR 852.237-75 KEY PERSONNEL (OCT 2019)

The key personnel specified in this contract are considered to be essential to work performance. At least 30 days prior to the Contractor voluntarily diverting any of the specified individuals to other programs or contracts the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer and shall submit a justification for the diversion or replacement and a request to replace the individual. The request must identify the proposed replacement and provide an explanation of how the replacement's skills, experience, and credentials meet or exceed the requirements of the contract. If the employee of the Contractor is terminated for cause or separates from the contractor voluntarily with less than thirty days notice, the Contractor shall provide the maximum notice practicable under the circumstances. The Contractor shall not divert, replace, or announce any such change to key personnel without the written consent of the Contracting Officer. The contract will be modified to add or delete key personnel as necessary to reflect the agreement of the parties.

(End of Clause)

E.5 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (NOV 2025) (DEVIATION)

The Government contemplates award of a Firm-Fixed-Price contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of Provision)

E.6 52.240-90 SECURITY PROHIBITIONS AND EXCLUSIONS REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (NOV 2025) (DEVIATION)

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

Backhaul, covered article, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, FASCSA order, Intelligence community, interconnection arrangements, national security system, roaming, sensitive compartmented information, sensitive compartmented information system, source, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.240-91, Security Prohibitions and Exclusions.

Business operations means engaging in commerce in any form, including by acquiring, developing, maintaining, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or operating equipment, facilities, personnel, products, services, personal property, real property, or any other apparatus of business or commerce.

Marginalized populations of Sudan means—

- (1) Adversely affected groups in regions authorized to receive assistance under section 8(c) of the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act (Pub. L. 109-344) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note); and
- (2) Marginalized areas in Northern Sudan described in section 4(9) of such Act.

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

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

Sensitive technology—

(1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—

- (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or
- (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and

(2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

(b) *Procedures*.

(1) *Covered telecommunications and video surveillance.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services.”

(2) *FASCSA Orders.*

(i) The Offeror shall search in SAM for the phrase “FASCSA order” for any covered article, or any products or services produced or provided by a source, if there is an applicable FASCSA order described in paragraph (e) of FAR 52.240-91, Security Prohibitions and Exclusions.

(ii) The Offeror shall review the solicitation for any FASCSA orders that are not in SAM but are effective and apply to the solicitation and resultant contract (see FAR 40.204-1(c)(2)).

(iii) FASCSA orders issued after the date of solicitation do not apply unless added by an amendment to the solicitation.

(c) *Covered telecommunications equipment or services representations.* By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that, after conducting a reasonable inquiry (that looks at any information in the Offeror’s possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit)—

(1) It will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation, except as waived by the solicitation, or as disclosed in paragraph (g); and

(2) It does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services, except as waived by the solicitation, or as disclosed in paragraph (g).

(d) *FASCSA Representation.* By submission of this offer, the offeror represents that it has conducted a reasonable inquiry, and that the offeror does not propose to provide or use in response to this solicitation any covered article, or any products or services produced or provided by a source, if the covered article or the source is prohibited by an applicable FASCSA order in effect on the date the solicitation was issued, except as waived by the solicitation, or as disclosed in paragraph (g). A reasonable inquiry will look at any information in the offeror’s possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit.

(e) *Sudan certification.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies, after conducting a reasonable inquiry (that looks at any information in the offeror’s possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit), that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(f) *Iran Representation and Certifications.*

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision or if a waiver has been granted in accordance with FAR 40.203-3, the offeror, after conducting a reasonable inquiry (that looks at any information in the offeror’s possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit), by submission of its offer—

(i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;

(ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person (as defined at section 15 of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-172, 50 U.S.C. 1701 note) owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Act. These sanctioned activities are in the areas of development of the petroleum resources of Iran, production of refined petroleum products in Iran, sale and provision of refined petroleum products to Iran, and contributing to Iran's ability to acquire or develop certain weapons or technologies; and

(iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds \$15,000 with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx>)

(2) Exception for trade agreements. The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (f)(1) of this provision do not apply if—

(i) This solicitation includes a trade agreement notice or certification (e.g., 52.225-6, Trade Agreements Certificate); and

(ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products or designated country construction material.

(iii) The offeror shall email questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.

(g) *Disclosure.*

(1) If the Offeror is not able to represent compliance with the prohibitions in paragraphs (c) or (d), then the Offeror shall disclose within 72 hours to the contracting office identified in paragraph (g)(2) the following information for each product or service not compliant:

(i) Contract number and order number, if applicable;

(ii) Identification of whether this disclosure relates to paragraph (c) on covered telecommunication equipment or services, or to paragraph (d) on FASCSA orders;

(iii) A description of the products or services that the Contractor identifies or has reason to suspect is prohibited (include brand; model number, such as the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable);

(iv) The entity that produced the product or service (include entity name, unique entity identifier, Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, facilities responsible for design,

fabrication, assembly, packaging, and test of the product, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor (provide manufacturer codes and distributor codes used for the product));

(v) Description of the functionality of the product or service and how that functionality impacts the risk to the product or service;

(vi) An explanation of any factors relevant to determining if the product or service should be permitted by an applicable exception, exemption, or waiver (if the offeror would like the Government to consider a waiver);

(vii) Whether alternative products or services are available that would be compliant with the prohibition;

(viii) If the product or service is related to item maintenance, include the following information on the item being maintained:

(A) Brand;

(B) Model number, OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and

(C) Item description, as applicable.

(ix) Any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(2) If a disclosure is required to be submitted to a contracting office, the offeror shall submit the disclosure as follows:

(i) If a Department of Defense contracting office, the offeror shall submit the disclosure to the website at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>.

(ii) For all other contracting offices, the Offeror shall submit the disclosure to the Contracting Officer.

(3) If the disclosure provided does not contain any of the information required by paragraph (1), and the Offeror later discovers new information that is required by paragraph (1), then the Offeror shall submit a subsequent disclosure within 72 hours of discovering the new information.

(h) *Executive agency review of disclosures.* The Contracting Officer will review disclosures provided in paragraph (g) to determine if any applicable waiver may be sought. The Contracting Officer may choose not to pursue a waiver and may instead make an award to an Offeror that does not require a waiver.

(End of Provision)

(End of Addendum to 52.212-1)