



**SERVICES CONTRACT  
FOR  
INSPECTION, TESTING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES  
OF FIRE ALARM AND RELATED SYSTEMS**

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**TFC CONTRACT NO. 20-007-000**

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The Texas Facilities Commission (hereinafter referred to as “TFC”), a state agency located at 1711 San Jacinto Blvd., Austin, Texas 78701 and Beckwith Electronic Systems, LLC (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”), located at 1620A Grand Avenue Parkway, Pflugerville, Texas 78660, enter into the following contract for inspection, testing and maintenance services of fire alarm and related systems (hereinafter referred to as the “Contract”) pursuant to Tex. Gov’t Code Sections 2156.121 and 2165.001 (West).

**I. STATEMENT OF WORK.**

1.01. **PURPOSE.** Contractor shall provide fire alarm system testing, inspection, and maintenance services for each fire alarm system at each State facility listed in Exhibit A – TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes. The systems listed in Exhibit A – TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts are representative of the known systems in each facility and may or may not be all inclusive; however, Contractor shall be responsible for inspection and testing of all systems in each facility whether listed or not.

1.02. **CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR.** (a) TFC shall designate a “Contract Administrator” for this Contract who will serve as the point of contact between TFC and Contractor. The instructions of the Contract Administrator and/or the Contract Administrator’s designated representative (hereinafter collectively the “Contract Administrator”) are to be strictly and promptly followed by Contractor at all times. TFC’s Contract Administrator is to have free access to Contractor’s supplies, equipment, and work product at all times for inspection and audit. Contractor is to afford the Contract Administrator all necessary assistance during those inspections and/or audits. The Contract Administrator will decide any and all questions that may arise as to the quality and acceptability of work performed, and as to the manner of performance and rate of progress of the work. The Contract Administrator will determine the amount of work performed and materials furnished which are to be paid under this Contract. Failure of the Contract Administrator during the progress of the Contract, to: (i) discover or reject unacceptable work; (ii) discover work not in accordance with the Contract; or, (iii) failure to exercise any remedies in connection therewith, shall not be deemed an acceptance thereof, nor a waiver, of TFC’s right to full performance of the contract.

(b) Contractor agrees to conduct all of its services under this Contract by and through appropriate communications with the Contract Administrator. No work, installation or other services shall be undertaken by Contractor except with the prior written direction of the Contract Administrator. Contractor understands and agrees that work, installation or any other service

performed without the prior written direction of TFC's Contract Administrator is work outside the scope of this Contract and shall be performed exclusively at Contractor's risk and own expense. Contractor agrees to employ competent personnel meeting the requirements outlined in the terms and conditions of this Contract, who shall be satisfactory to TFC. Personnel assigned to perform services under this Contract may not be reassigned without the prior written notification to, and approval from, TFC's Contract Administrator.

1.03. **SCHEDULES.** The schedules for all inspections and testing shall be approved by the Contract Administrator. All schedules must be submitted and approved thirty (30) days prior to an inspection and any associated testing, and may only be altered at the discretion of the Contract Administrator. All testing shall be conducted after 6:00 p.m. or on weekends; however, visual inspections or testing that will not interfere with day to day business operations in the facilities may be conducted during normal business hours. Contractor must be flexible during legislative session time periods.

1.04. **INSPECTIONS AND TESTS.** (a) Individual building fire alarm systems will be inspected in accordance with the applicable codes that were in effect at the time of system installation including but not limited to the National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA") Codes and Standards for the applicable component being tested, specifically NFPA 70, 72, 90A and 101. Inspections shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 14, Inspection, Testing and Maintenance, of the 2013 edition of NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code. Inspections will include verification of transmission of all alarm, trouble and supervisory signals to TFC's monitoring stations or fire alarm systems that transmit full point reporting and/or graphics to TFC's monitoring stations, Contractor shall verify transmission of each individual point to TFC's monitoring stations and verify that the alphanumeric point description transmitted to TFC's monitoring stations and the graphic representation at TFC's monitoring station is in agreement with the alphanumeric point description registered at the fire alarm control panel in the applicable building.

(b) Contractor shall check in and out with the Contract Administrator to ensure that the Contract Administrator logs the commencement and completion times for the "Service Ticket", or summary list, to document the date of inspection. Contractors shall provide the following information on the Service Ticket:

- (i) building name;
- (ii) TFC work order number;
- (iii) name of Contractor personnel performing the work;
- (iv) trade category of person performing the work; and,
- (v) number of hours worked.

(c) When conducting tests, Contractor shall provide, at a minimum, a two (2) person team, one (1) of which must hold a valid fire alarm license from the Texas Department of

Insurance State Fire Marshal's Office. If necessary, Contractor shall provide additional personnel to complete testing. Contractor shall also provide all necessary equipment to conduct testing including a reliable means of two-way communication such as two-way radios.

(d) While conducting a test, Contractor may disable certain panel functions to facilitate testing but shall not leave any portion or function of the fire alarm system disabled upon completion of testing without providing written notification to the Contract Administrator.

(e) Upon completion of an inspection and associated testing, Contractor shall provide one (1) signed, electronic copy of the inspection report within five (5) business days after testing is completed. All inspection reports shall be type written or computer generated and completed on the NFPA 72 - FIRE ALARM AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM INSPECTION AND TESTING FORM as indicated in Chapter 14 of the 2013 Edition of NFPA 72, the National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code. Similar forms may be acceptable for use but must be submitted and receive prior approval by the Contract Administrator. In addition the Contractor shall provide a detailed list of each initiating device tested, indicating the device type, location, alphanumeric label (if applicable) and indication if the device passed or failed the test. Electronic copies of the reports may be submitted via CD copy, email, etc. In addition, an inspection and testing report must be accompanied by a Service Ticket (scan and submit electronically). When deficiencies and/or code violations are discovered by Contractor during the course of an inspection or test, they shall be documented and clearly identified per line item as a part of the inspection and/or test report after consultation with the Contract Administrator. Each deficiency shall be identified as a "red tag" or "yellow tag" deficiency as indicated in Title 28, Texas Administrative Code, Part 1, Chapter 34, Subchapter F, Rule 34.622, Inspection/Test Labels (Summer 2011 or latest edition). All the information listed above shall be submitted to the Contract Administrator.

(f) A quote shall be attached to the inspection and/or test report providing pricing for the correction of deficiencies indicated in the inspection and/or test report. The quote shall be broken down for the correction of each individual deficiency and shall include both labor and material line items. If any deficiencies are determined to be "red tag" items, the Contractor shall notify the Contract Administrator in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery of the deficiency. Notification shall detail the deficiency and include a quote, broken down by labor and material, to correct and clear the "red tag" deficiency. Thereafter, TFC shall determine whether to issue a Delivery Release pursuant to Section 1.05 of this Contract, to provide the necessary maintenance and repair.

(g) Any items that may be recommended by a manufacturer or contractor but that are not a code violation or deficiency that are recommended by Contractor shall be listed separately on the inspection and/or test report and identified as recommendations only.

(h) Complete and accurate invoices are due to be received by TFC no later than the fifth business day of the month following the month in which the services being invoiced were completed.

(i) Contractor shall not perform an inspection on any fire alarm system that is not listed on the Exhibit A – TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts from the Contract Administrator. Inspections that are performed on a system not listed on the Exhibit A – TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts shall not be billed more than amount shown for that site.

1.05. **SERVICE CALL.** For the purpose of evaluating performance under this Contract, a “Service Call” is defined as any malfunction of a system caused by failure of any part or component to function fully in accordance with manufacturer’s specifications.

1.06. **MAINTENANCE AND DELIVERY RELEASE.** (a) TFC may, from time to time, request Contractor through a Service call, as defined in Section 1.04 of this Contract, to complete maintenance and repair services based on deficiencies documented during inspections and testing under this Contract or to effect repairs due to system failures. Such requests for services shall be documented through a separate document (hereinafter referred to as a “Delivery Release”). Such Delivery Releases shall be subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract, and shall include a description of the scope of services, schedule and term, and compensation specific to the Delivery Release which shall be negotiated at the time of such Delivery Release. Any work completed by Contractor without a Delivery Release will not be paid for by TFC.

(b) Contractor understands and agrees that no guaranteed minimum number of Delivery Releases or amount of work will arise from this Contract.

(c) Upon receipt of a Delivery Release, Contractor shall respond to the Contract Administrator on-site within twenty-four (24) hours. Contractor shall perform all work under a Delivery Release within the timeframe agreed upon; if Contractor cannot perform the work within timeframe stated, Contractor may be subject to liquidated damages up twenty percent (20%) of total cost of the Delivery Release.

(d) Contractor shall check in and out with the Contract Administrator to ensure that the Contract Administrator logs the commencement and completion times for the “Service Ticket”, or summary list, for the services performed under a Delivery Release. Contractors shall provide the following information on the Service Ticket:

- (i) building name;
- (ii) floor number;
- (iii) TFC work order number;
- (iv) name of Contractor personnel performing the work;
- (v) trade category of person performing the work;
- (vi) number of hours worked;

(vii) itemized list of parts/material used/replaced; and,

(viii) narrative description of what the technician found that was causing the problem and what was done to correct it.

1.07. **CALLBACK.** For the purpose of evaluating Delivery Release performance under this Contract, a “Callback” is defined as a failure due to a technician’s inability, negligence or lack of knowledge to perform services. Contractor is to perform Callback Service at no additional cost to TFC, regardless of whether the work is performed during normal working hours or overtime hours. Contractor shall maintain a complete, orderly written report of all Callbacks. These “Callback Reports” shall indicate the time, date, name of personnel, problems reported, and corrective measures taken to complete or repair all problems. A consolidated Callback Report is to be furnished to TFC as soon as the service is provided.

1.08. **CALLBACK RESPONSE.** Failure by Contractor to successfully complete the work described in a Delivery Release will result in a Callback. The Contract Administrator will contact the Contractor and notify them of the Callback. Contractor will respond to the Callback no later than the next business day with a technician possessing the technical expertise, knowledge and any required material to correct the problem. Contractor shall check in and out with the Contract Administrator to ensure that the Contract Administrator logs the commencement and completion times for the “Callback Service Ticket”, or summary list, for the services performed to correct the problem described in the original Delivery Release. Contractor shall provide the following information on the Service Ticket:

- (i) building name;
- (ii) floor number;
- (iii) TFC work order number;
- (iv) name of Contractor personnel performing the work;
- (v) trade category of person performing the work;
- (vi) number of hours worked;
- (vii) itemized list of parts/material used/replaced; and,

(viii) narrative description of what the technician found that was causing the problem and what was done to correct it.

1.09. **SECURITY AND IDENTIFICATION.** Contractor shall abide by all procedures and rules as conveyed by TFC’s Contract Administrator regarding security requirements of the property where work is to be performed. Contractor employees and subcontractors must wear either uniforms or appropriate clothing identifying them as employees of the Contractor or subcontractors at all times when working in TFC facilities. Shorts and/or muscle shirts shall not

be worn at any time. In addition, appropriate personal injury protective devices shall be worn when operating any powered equipment. Contractor personnel must have a TFC supplied identification badge visible at all times when working in TFC facilities.

1.10. **EXAMINATION OF PREMISES.** Contractor shall be held to have examined all properties at which the work will take place and to be familiar with the conditions under which the work will be accomplished. Contractor shall inspect existing conditions prior to commencing work, including elements subject to damage or movement during the performance of services under this Contract.

1.11. **EXISTING UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES.** Contractor shall adequately protect the work, TFC's property, adjacent property and the public. In the event of damage to facilities as a result of Contractor's operations, Contractor shall take immediate steps to notify TFC's Contract Administrator and subsequently repair or restore all services to the satisfactory approval of TFC's Contract Administrator. Further, Contractor shall engage any additional outside services which may be necessary to facilitate repairs until services are restored. All costs involved in making repairs and restoring disrupted services shall be at the expense of Contractor, and Contractor shall be fully responsible for any and all claims resulting from the damage. TFC's Contract Administrator may elect to perform such repairs and deduct the cost of such repairs, replacements, and outside services from amounts due to Contractor. Upon the approval of TFC's Contract Administrator, Contractor shall have the right to utilize air, water, gas, steam, electricity, and similar items of expense from existing outlets on TFC's property.

1.12. **WORKING HOURS.** Contractor shall conduct all testing after 6:00 P.M. or on weekends; however, visual inspections or testing that will not interfere with the day to day business operations of TFC facilities may be conducted during the normal business hours of 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Other contract work may also be performed at hours other than normal business hours, at the direction of the Contract Administrator, in order to meet required schedules.

1.13. **WASTE REMOVAL.** Contractor shall keep the premises clean on a continual basis, and no trash or debris will be permitted to accumulate in work areas. Contractor shall be responsible for removal and disposal of all debris and waste materials associated with this Contract.

1.14. **SMOKING.** All TFC facilities where work is to be performed are nonsmoking buildings. Contractor's employees and subcontractors are prohibited from smoking in all areas except in areas designated for smoking.

1.15. **DISPOSAL OF SALVAGEABLE ITEMS.** TFC's Contract Administrator shall mark and/or otherwise inform Contractor of any material that will be salvaged by TFC. Disposal may include depositing in a central location for salvage by TFC or delivery to TFC's warehouse located at 6506 Bolm Road, Austin, Texas or such other location as determined by TFC's Contract Administrator.

1.16. **CHEMICALS.** Contractors and subcontractors shall provide TFC Risk Management and the Contract Administrator a legible Material Safety Data Sheet (hereinafter referred to as

“MSDS”) for all chemicals to be used or brought onto TFC controlled property for each project. MSDS’s shall be submitted prior to the start of work.

1.17. **CONTAINERS.** No fuels, chemicals or other type of hazardous material shall be stored on any TFC property. All fuels and other chemicals shall be stored in an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (“OSHA”) approved container.

## II. TERM.

2.01. **CONTRACT AWARD.** (a) This Contract shall be effective as of September 1, 2019 and shall expire on August 31, 2021, unless renewed or extended by the parties by written amendment to this Contract, or terminated earlier, as provided in Section 2.02, below. The Contract may be renewed for one (1) additional two (2) year period from September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2023, provided the renewal is executed prior to the expiration of the current contract term. Any extension or renewal of this Contract shall be subject to the provisions, terms and conditions of this Contract, plus any approved changes.

(b) Notwithstanding the termination or expiration of this Contract, the provisions of this Contract regarding confidentiality, indemnification, transition, records right to audit and independent audit, property rights, dispute resolution, invoice and fees verification, and default shall survive the termination or expiration dates of this Contract.

(c) This Contract is contingent upon continued availability of funding. If funds become unavailable through lack of legislative appropriation, legislative budget cuts, amendment(s) of the Appropriations Act(s), state agency consolidations, or any other disruption of current appropriations, relevant provisions of Section 2.02, Termination, shall apply.

### 2.02. **TERMINATION.**

(a) **Termination with Default.** TFC may terminate this Contract immediately for default by providing written notice to Contractor of such termination if Contractor fails to execute the work properly, performs work in an unsatisfactory manner, or fails to perform any provision of the Contract. In the event of abandonment or default, Contractor will be responsible for paying damages to TFC, including but not limited to, the cost to re-solicit this Contract and any consequential damages to the State of Texas or TFC resulting from Contractor’s non-performance. The defaulting Contractor will not be considered in the re-solicitation and may not be considered in future solicitations for the same type of work, unless the scope of work is significantly changed.

(b) **Termination without Default.** TFC may, at its sole option and discretion, terminate this Contract at any time, for any reason whatsoever, in whole or in part, by giving written notice (hereinafter referred to as "Notice of Termination") to Contractor at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of termination or reduction in the scope of work. In the event of termination by TFC under this subsection, Contractor shall be governed by the terms and conditions, and shall perform the acts outlined in the following Section 2.02(c).

(c) Implementation of Termination. Contractor shall terminate all work under the Contract to the extent and on the date specified in the Notice of Termination and until such date shall, to the extent stated in Notice of Termination, do such work as may be necessary and be compensated only for such work as may be necessary as determined by the Contract

Administrator to preserve the work in progress and to protect materials, properties, and equipment. TFC shall pay Contractor for all work satisfactorily performed up to the effective date of termination or reduction in the scope of work in accordance with the prices included in the scope of work.

(d) Termination by Contractor. Contractor may terminate the Contract upon providing sixty (60) days' written notice to TFC. In the event of termination by Contractor, Contractor shall be governed by the terms and conditions of this Contract and shall perform the acts outlined in Section 2.02(c) above. Contractor will be held responsible for additional cost incurred from the termination of this Contract.

2.03. UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE. TFC may consider the following levels of performance by Contractor as unsatisfactory. An unsatisfactory performance determination is not limited to the following:

(a) more than one (1) Callback to correct the same problem within thirty (30) calendar days;

(b) more than one (1) instance within one (1) calendar year of Contractor personnel assigned to an authorized Service Call, test or inspection not having the skill or knowledge to perform the required service or test or inspection; or

(c) failure to timely complete and document required inspections;

(d) failure to provide the tools necessary to complete the inspection, test or required service; and,

(e) failure by Contractor, upon completion of testing, inspection or service, to place the fire alarm panel back in normal service, to place valves back in their normal position, place fire pumps in service or to leave systems in other than their normal state.

(f) failure by Contractor to submit a complete and accurate invoice to Contract Administrator no later than the fifth business day of the month following the month in which the services being invoiced were completed.

2.04. CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN. (a) If TFC identifies one or more instances of Contractor's unsatisfactory performance based on any of the circumstances set forth in Section 2.04 above or otherwise based on Contractor's obligations under this Contract, the Contract Administrator may request a corrective action plan (hereinafter referred to as "Corrective Action Plan") from Contractor by notifying Contractor in writing of the issue(s) which constitute unsatisfactory performance, and direct Contractor to provide a written Corrective Action Plan. Contractor shall deliver a Corrective Action Plan within ten (10) business days of Contract Administrator's

notification, and such plan shall be subject to written approval by the Contract Administrator. The Corrective Action Plan shall address how Contractor will correct the instances of unsatisfactory performance identified by TFC, and provide that Contractor shall, unless otherwise approved in advance by the Contract Administrator, complete all actions set forth in the Corrective Action Plan no later than thirty (30) calendar days following Contractor Administrator's approval of the Plan. Failure to correct all identified elements of unsatisfactory performance included in the notice requesting the Corrective Action Plan, within the time as set forth in this paragraph, shall entitle TFC to avail itself of one or more of the following remedies at TFC's sole discretion:

(i) TFC's removal of one or more facilities from the scope of this Contract;  
and/or

(ii) TFC's termination of this Contract.

(b) In addition, if Contractor is required to deliver and perform under more than one (1) Corrective Action Plan within any period of twelve (12) continuous months during the term of this Contract, and regardless of whether or not Contractor successfully completes such Correction Action Plans, TFC may consider such conduct to amount to Contractor's continuing material nonperformance of services under this Contract. In such an event, TFC shall be entitled to avail itself of one or more of the following remedies at TFC's sole discretion:

(i) TFC's removal of one or more facilities from the scope of this Contract;

(ii) TFC's imposition of liquidated damages on Contractor in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount of compensation otherwise payable by TFC to Contractor under this Contract for work performed during the three (3) month period preceding the date the most recently submitted Corrective Action Plan was approved by the Contract Administrator;  
and/or

(iii) TFC's termination of this Contract.

**2.05. CHANGE IN FEDERAL OR STATE REQUIREMENTS.** If federal or state laws, rules, regulations or requirements applicable to this Contract are amended, performance under this Contract will be subject to the laws, rules, regulations or requirements applicable at the time of performance under the Contract. If federal or state laws or regulations or other federal or state requirements are amended or judicially interpreted so that either TFC or Contractor cannot reasonably fulfill the Contract and if the parties cannot agree to an amendment that would enable substantial continuation of the contract, the parties shall be discharged from any further obligations under the Contract.

**2.06. RIGHTS UPON TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF CONTRACT.** In the event that the Contract is terminated for any reason, or upon its expiration, TFC shall retain ownership of all associated work products and documentation obtained from the Contractor under this Contract.

2.07. **NO LIABILITY UPON TERMINATION.** If this Contract is terminated for any reason, TFC and the State of Texas shall not be liable to Contractor for any damages, claims, losses, or any other amounts arising from or related to any such termination absent an award of damages pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 2260.

### III. CONSIDERATION.

3.01. **CONTRACT LIMIT AND FEES AND EXPENSES.** (a) The total amount of this Contract shall not exceed the sum of Four Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Thirty-Three and 34/100 Dollars (\$452,033.34). This amount includes a Base Contract Amount for each of the two (2) fiscal years of the Initial Term, and a not-to-exceed amount to cover any Additional Services, as defined in Section 3.03, during the Initial Term, as set forth in Table 1 – Initial Term.

Table 1 – Initial Term

Base Contract Amount - Fiscal year (“FY”) 2020 (September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020)	\$101,016.67
Base Contract Amount - FY 2021 (September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021)	\$101,016.67
Additional Services – FY 2020 and FY 2021	\$250,000.00
<b>Total Contract Amount</b>	<b>\$452,033.34</b>

(b) Pricing fees will be invoiced in accordance with Exhibit B - Compensation and Fees, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes. Any changes to the not-to-exceed amount of this Contract or pricing fees set forth in Exhibit B - Compensation and Fees shall be submitted to TFC for review and shall be approved by amendment to this Contract.

(c) If, at any time during the term of this Contract, Contractor reduces the comparable price of any article or service covered by the Contract to customers other than TFC, the prices charged to TFC for such articles or services shall also be reduced proportionately. Such reduction shall be effective at the same time and in the same manner as the reduction in price to customers other than TFC. In addition to invoicing at the reduced prices, Contractor shall furnish promptly to TFC complete information regarding the reduction.

3.02. **PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR.** (a) Payments to Contractor will be made on a monthly basis and within thirty (30) days from receipt of a correct invoice or billing statement in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2251, Texas Prompt Payment Act. An invoice is considered received on the date it is date stamped by TFC. Contractor will be paid for completion of work accepted and approved by TFC’s Contract Administrator. For large projects, partial payment may be allowed once per month on completed work with acceptance and approval of TFC’s Contract Administrator.

(b) Contractor will be paid for work performed to the end of the preceding month, provided that the work required to be performed under the Contract shall have been fully and satisfactorily completed, accepted, and approved by TFC's Contract Administrator. Inspections shall not be considered to be complete and payable unless the completed, signed inspection form along with copies of service tickets have been submitted to and received by TFC

(c) Contractor shall invoice TFC for work performed by vendor identification number, building, delivery release number if applicable, and purchase order number. Invoices must include the purchase order number, the number of employees that worked on the job, the number of hours, and a copy of the project service ticket. Additionally, invoices for any materials purchased for each project must be provided. Address for submission is: Texas Facilities Commission, Accounts Payable, P.O. Box 13047, Austin, Texas 78711-3047 or [accountspayable@tfc.state.tx.us](mailto:accountspayable@tfc.state.tx.us).

3.03. **ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND ADJUSTMENTS.** (a) "Additional Services" are those services not included in Article I of this Contract which may be requested by TFC at any time for the duration of this Contract. Upon request by TFC for Additional Services, Contractor shall prepare and submit to TFC a proposal for such services requested. Additional Services will be charged at the hourly rates set forth in Exhibit B – Compensation and Fees and shall be documented by a Delivery Release.

(b) Additional Services may also include the addition of systems and/or facilities for which no unit price was included in Exhibit B – Compensation and Fees, and may be added to this Contract provided TFC and Contractor agree to a unit price. Prices for any additional systems shall be calculated by comparing pricing to similar services included in Exhibit B – Compensation and Fees. The addition of systems and/or facilities shall be documented by amendment to this Contract.

(c) At any time, TFC may adjust the Contract, in whole or in part, with thirty (30) days' notice to Contractor. An adjustment will be made when a service is no longer required and shall be documented by amendment to this Contract.

#### IV. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL.

4.01. **REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS.** At all times during the term of the Contract, Contractor shall have available, under direct employment and supervision, the necessary qualified personnel, organization and facility to properly fulfill all the terms and conditions of this Contract. In addition, Contractor's personnel shall demonstrate that they meet or exceed the following qualifications:

(a) Contractor principals and employees shall have five (5) of experience performing tests on fire alarm systems similar in size and scope in buildings similar to those listed in Exhibit A – TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts. Contractor shall also have experience within the past five (5) years of managing a contract with the scope and size of this Contract, and

(b) Field technicians and subcontractors who will be performing the inspection, testing and service required under this Contract shall hold a valid fire alarm license from the Texas Department of Insurance State Fire Marshal's Office throughout the life of this Contract.

4.02. **GENERAL AND CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.** (a) Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor and Contractor's employees have not been convicted of a felony criminal offense, or that, if such a conviction has occurred, Contractor has fully advised TFC as to the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction.

(b) Contractor's employees and subcontractors that will complete any work on-site at a state-owned property may be subject to a criminal background check. Any expense associated with such criminal background check shall be borne by Contractor. If requested by TFC, a complete criminal background check shall be completed before any employee performs services at the site, and may be requested at any time thereafter. Criminal background checks must be accomplished by the Texas Department of Public Safety ("DPS"), which includes fingerprint processing by an independent third-party company selected by DPS. Upon receipt of the fingerprints of Contractor's employees and/or subcontractors, DPS or TFC, will adjudicate the results of the criminal background searches in accordance with the criteria set forth in Exhibit C - Criminal Background Checks and Application Guidelines, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes.

4.03. **REMOVAL OF PERSONNEL.** TFC may request that the Contractor replace unsatisfactory personnel, which request shall not be unreasonably denied.

4.04. **CONTRACTOR ACCESS.** Access routes, entrance gates or doors, parking and storage areas, and other necessary Contractor access, along with any imposed time limitations shall be designated by TFC's Contract Administrator. Contractor shall conduct operations in strict observation of the access routes and other areas established as described above. Under no circumstances shall any of Contractor's personnel, vehicles, or equipment enter or move upon any area not authorized by TFC's Contract Administrator for access by Contractor.

4.05. **CONTRACTOR PARKING.** Parking, for Contractor vehicles when performing work, must be coordinated through the Contract Administrator. Contract Administrator will arrange parking according to parking availability at the job site. Parking in close proximity to the project may not be possible. Subcontractors may be required to utilize remote parking & carpooling when space is not available.

4.06. **CONTRACTOR SAFETY.** (a) All Contractors and subcontractors conducting work for TFC shall abide by all OSHA rules and regulations provided by the Department of Labor, OSHA, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 29. Employees of Contractor and subcontractors shall be trained in accordance with Chapter 29, Occupational Safety and Health Regulations (hereinafter referred to as "OSHA").

(b) Contractor and subcontractors shall inform the Contract Administrator of their Hazardous Electrical Energy Control, Lockout/Tag-out Procedure. Contractor's procedure must meet or exceed TFC's procedure as determined by the Contract Administrator.

(c) Work shall not be done on energized electrical circuits, components or equipment. When de-energizing is impractical due to possible harm to personnel, equipment or facility damage, negative onsite or offsite environmental impact, or business interruption Contractor must follow OSHA requirements as detailed in OSHA Regulations 1910.331 – 1910.399.

4.07. **CONTRACTOR COOPERATION.** (a) Contractor agrees to conduct all of its services under this Contract by and through appropriate communications with the Contract Administrator. No work, installation or other services shall be undertaken by Contractor except with the prior written direction of the Contract Administrator.

(b) Contractor understands and agrees that work, installation or any other service performed without the prior written direction of the Contract Administrator is work outside the scope of this Contract and shall be performed exclusively at Contractor's risk.

(c) Contractor agrees to employ competent personnel meeting the requirements outlined in the specifications, who shall be satisfactory to TFC. Personnel assigned to perform services under this Contract may not be reassigned without the prior written approval by the Contract Administrator. TFC may request that Contractor replace unsatisfactory personnel, which request shall not be unreasonably denied.

(d) Contractor agrees to cooperate and coordinate its work with that of other Contractors retained by owner. Upon discovery of an apparent conflict in the sequencing of work with another Contractor, Contractor shall report the concern to the Contract Administrator who will resolve the conflict.

4.08. **E-VERIFY.** (a) By entering into this Contract, Contractor certifies and ensures that it utilizes and will continue to utilize, for the term of this Contract, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system, in accordance with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's rules, to determine the eligibility of:

(i) all persons employed to perform duties within the State of Texas, during the term of the Contract; and

(ii) all persons (including subcontractors) assigned by the Contractor to perform work pursuant to the Contract, within the United States of America.

(b) Contractor shall provide, upon request of TFC and if available, an electronic or hardcopy screenshot of the confirmation or tentative non-confirmation screen containing the E-Verify case verification number for attachment to the Form I-9 for the three (3) most recent hires that match the criteria above, by the Contractor, and Contractor's subcontractors, as proof that this provision is being followed. **IF THIS CERTIFICATION IS FALSELY MADE, THE CONTRACT MAY BE IMMEDIATELY TERMINATED, AT THE DISCRETION OF TFC, AND AT NO FAULT TO TFC, WITH NO PRIOR NOTIFICATION. CONTRACTOR SHALL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COSTS OF ANY RE-SOLICITATION THAT TFC MUST UNDERTAKE TO REPLACE THE TERMINATED CONTRACT.**

## V. STATE FUNDING.

5.01. **STATE FUNDING.** (a) This Contract shall not be construed as creating any debt on behalf of the State of Texas and/or TFC in violation of Tex. Const. art. III, § 49. In compliance with Tex. Const. art. VIII, § 6, it is understood that all obligations of TFC hereunder are subject to the availability of state funds. If such funds are not appropriated or become unavailable, this Contract may be terminated. In that event, the parties shall be discharged from further obligations, subject to the equitable settlement of their respective interests accrued up to the date of termination.

(b) Furthermore, any damages due under this Contract should not exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment under this Contract, but not yet paid to Contractor, for the fiscal year budget in existence at the time of the breach; **provided, however, the foregoing shall not be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity.**

## VI. RECORDS, AUDIT, PROPRIETARY INFORMATION, AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

6.01. **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS, RETENTION; RIGHT TO AUDIT; INDEPENDENT AUDITS.** (a) Contractor shall maintain and retain supporting fiscal and any other documents relevant to showing that any payments under this Contract were expended in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Texas, including but not limited to, requirements of the Comptroller of the State of Texas and the State Auditor. Contractor shall maintain all such documents and other records relating to this Contract and the State's property for a period of seven (7) years after the date of submission of the final invoices or until a resolution of all billing questions, whichever is later. Contractor shall make available at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, and for reasonable periods, all documents and other information related to the Contract. Contractor and any subcontractors shall provide the State Auditor with any information that the State Auditor deems relevant to any investigation or audit. Contractor must retain all work and other supporting documents pertaining to this Contract, for purposes of inspecting, monitoring, auditing, or evaluating by TFC and any authorized agency of the State of Texas, including an investigation or audit by the State Auditor.

(b) Contractor shall cooperate with any authorized agents of the State of Texas and shall provide them with prompt access to all of such State's work as requested. The acceptance of funds by Contractor or any other entity or person directly under this Contract, or indirectly through a subcontract under this Contract, shall constitute acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Contractor acknowledges and understands that the acceptance of funds under this Contract shall constitute consent to an audit by the State Auditor, Comptroller or other agency of the State of Texas. Contractor shall ensure that this paragraph concerning the State's authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through Contractor and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards. Furthermore, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, an entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation by the State Auditor must provide the State Auditor with access to any information the State Auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit.

6.02. **CONFIDENTIALITY.** Contractor shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by Contractor to the extent that such information is:

- (a) confidential by law;
- (b) marked or designated “confidential” (or words to that effect) by TFC; or
- (c) information that Contractor is otherwise required to keep confidential by this Contract.

6.03. **PUBLIC RECORDS.** Notwithstanding any provisions of this Contract to the contrary, Contractor understands that TFC will comply with the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 552. If contacted by TFC, Contractor will cooperate with TFC in the production of documents responsive to the request. Contractor agrees to provide the documents responsive to the request in the format and within the time frame specified by TFC. Contractor may request that TFC seek an opinion from the Office of the Texas Attorney General. However, the final decision whether to seek a ruling from the Office of the Texas Attorney General will be made by TFC in its sole discretion to comply with the legal requirements of the Texas Public Information Act. Additionally, Contractor will notify TFC’s general counsel within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of any third-party requests for information written, produced, collected, assembled, or maintained in connection with this Contract and/or any amendment to this Contract. This Contract and/or any amendment to this Contract and all data and other information generated or otherwise obtained in its performance is subject to the Texas Public Information Act. Contractor agrees to maintain the confidentiality of information received from the State of Texas during the performance of this Contract, including information which discloses confidential personal information particularly, but not limited to, social security numbers. Furthermore, Contractor is required to make any information created or exchanged with the State pursuant to this Contract, and not otherwise excepted from disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act, available in a format that is accessible by the public as specified by TFC at no additional charge to the State.

6.04. **PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.** No public disclosures or news releases pertaining to this Contract shall be made without prior written approval of TFC.

## VII. **CONTRACATOR’S RESPONSIBILITIES AND WARRANTIES.**

7.01. **CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES.** Contractor shall be responsible for damage to TFC’s equipment, and/or the workplace and its contents, by its works, its negligence in work, its personnel, or its equipment by Contractor’ or subcontractors staff. Contractor shall be responsible and liable for the safety, injury, and health of its working personnel while its employees are performing work for TFC.

7.02. **PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.** (a) All work performed under this Contract shall be in accordance with applicable terms and conditions of this Contract and shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, codes and ordinances relating to fire alarm systems and comply with the OSHA accessibility requirements.

(b) Appropriate dress is required for all personnel. Prohibited attire includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- (i) athletic clothing and lounge attire of any type;
- (ii) clothing that displays offensive messages (picture or print);
- (iii) clothing that is see-through, low cut, or bares the midriff;
- (iv) shorts; and,
- (v) flip-flop sandals.

(c) Eating is prohibited on jobsites except in designated cafeterias.

(d) All facilities where work is to be performed are professional environments. Contractor employees using inappropriate language or behaving in an inappropriate manner will be asked to leave the premises and documented by the Contract Administrator.

(c) All Contractor employees on jobsite will:

- (i) Wear clean uniforms in good repair daily;
- (ii) Keep shirttail tucked in during business hours;
- (iii) Bathe daily and be clean at the start of the work day;
- (iv) Wash hair daily, comb or brush before starting work and keep trimmed;

and

- (v) Be clean shaven or if facial hair is present, keep trimmed.

7.03. **WARRANTY ON SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS.** Contractor shall procure, at Contractor's expense, all necessary and required licenses and permits necessary for the performance of this Contract. Contractor represents and warrants that the services provided under this Contract comply with all applicable federal health and safety standards, including but not limited to, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Uniform Building Code (UBC), Uniform Mechanical Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and all Texas health and safety standards. All electrical items must also bear the appropriate listings and certification from the Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL), Factory Mutual Research Corporation (FMRC) or National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA).

7.04. **PERFORMANCE WARRANTY.** All work performed under this Contract shall be in accordance with applicable terms and conditions of this Contract and of local codes and ordinances and any other authority having lawful jurisdiction. Work performed under this

Contract shall meet all applicable requirements of the latest revision of the NFPA codes. Contractor shall guarantee all work included in the Contract against any defects in workmanship and shall satisfactorily correct, at no cost to TFC, any such defect that may become apparent within a period of one (1) year after completion of work. The warranty period shall commence upon the date of acceptance by TFC.

7.05. **MATERIAL WARRANTY.** All material and equipment furnished under this Contract is guaranteed by Contractor to be in compliance with this Contract, fit and sufficient for the purpose intended, new and free from defects. All replacement parts shall be tested and UL certified for the type of systems installed and approved by manufacturer and Contract Administrator. Materials furnished under this Contract shall be the latest improved models in current production, as offered to commercial trade, and shall be of quality material. **USED, SHOPWORN, DEMONSTRATOR, PROTOTYPE, RECONDITIONED, OR DISCONTINUED MODELS OR MATERIAL ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.** The warranty period for Contractor-provided materials shall be for a period of one (1) year after completion of the installation or within the manufacturer's warranty, whichever is longer. The warranty period shall commence upon date of acceptance by TFC. Contractor shall provide TFC's Contract Administrator with all manufacturers' warranty documents within five (5) business days of completion of each project.

7.06. **NO LITIGATION WARRANTY.** Contractor represents and warrants that it is not a party to or otherwise substantively involved in any matter involving litigation, or any administrative or regulatory proceeding, which, if decided adversely to Contractor's interests, could be reasonably expected to adversely affect Contractor's ability to fully and timely perform all of its obligations under this contract. Contractor agrees that in the event any action, event or circumstance occurs, that could be reasonably expected to adversely affect Contractor's ability to fully and timely perform all of its obligations under this Contract, Contractor shall provide written notice to TFC of such action, event or circumstance, and shall continue to update TFC in writing every thirty (30) days thereafter of the status of the action, event or circumstance, until otherwise directed by TFC.

## **VIII. BONDS, INSURANCE, INDEMNIFICATION AND LEGAL OBLIGATIONS.**

### 8.01. **BONDS.**

(a) **Payment and Performance Bonds.** Prior to commencement of work under a Delivery Release under this Contract, Contractor is required to tender payment and performance bonds to TFC, as required by Texas Government Code, Chapter 2253, when the following circumstances apply:

(i) A performance bond is required if a Delivery Release under this Contract is in an amount in excess of \$100,000.00. The performance bond is solely for the protection of TFC. The performance bond is to be for the sum of a Delivery Release of \$100,000.00 or more, to guarantee the faithful performance of the work in accordance with the Contract. The performance bond shall be effective through Contractor's warranty period. When submitting a proposal for services as requested by the Contract Administrator. Contractor shall provide documentation for the cost of the performance bond.

(ii) A payment bond is required if a Delivery Release under this Contract is in an amount in excess of \$25,000.00. The payment bond is to be for the sum of a Delivery Release in excess of \$25,000.00 and is payable to TFC solely for the protection and use of payment bond beneficiaries who have a direct contractual relationship with Contractor or a subcontractor. When submitting a proposal for services as requested by the TFC Contract Administrator, Contractor shall provide documentation for the cost of the payment bond.

(b) Each bond shall be executed by a corporate surety or sureties authorized to do business in the State of Texas and acceptable to TFC, on TFC's form, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit D – Payment and Performance Bond [Forms], and in compliance with the relevant provisions of the Texas Insurance Code. If any bond is for more than ten (10) percent of the surety's capital and surplus, TFC may require certification that the company has reinsured the excess portion with one or more reinsurers authorized to do business in the State. A reinsurer may not reinsure for more than ten (10) percent of its capital and surplus. If a surety upon a bond loses its authority to do business in the State, Contractor shall, within thirty (30) days after such loss, furnish a replacement bond at no added cost to TFC.

(c) Each bond shall be accompanied by a valid power of attorney (issued by the surety company and attached, signed and sealed with the corporate embossed seal, to the bond) authorizing the attorney in fact who signs the bond to commit the company to the terms of the bond, and stating any limit in the amount for which the attorney can issue a single bond.

(d) The process of requiring and accepting bonds and making claims thereunder shall be conducted in compliance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 2253. **IF FOR ANY REASON A STATUTORY PAYMENT OF PERFORMANCE BOND IS NOT HONORED BY THE SURETY, CONTRACTOR SHALL FULLY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD OWNER HARMLESS OF AND FROM ANY COSTS, LOSSES, OBLIGATIONS OR LIABILITIES IT INCURS AS A RESULT.**

(e) TFC shall furnish certified copies of the payment bond and the related Contract to any qualified person seeking copies who complies with Texas Government Code, Section 2253.026.

(f) Claims on payment bonds must be sent directly to Contractor and its surety in accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 2253.041. All payment bond claimants are cautioned that no lien exists on the funds unpaid to Contractor on such Contract, and that reliance on notices sent to TFC may result in loss of their rights against Contractor and/or its surety. TFC is not responsible in any manner to a claimant for collection of unpaid bills and accepts no such responsibility because of any representation by any agent or employee.

(g) The rights of subcontractors regarding payment are governed by Texas Property Code, Sections 53.231–53.239 when the value of a Delivery Release is less than \$25,000.00. These provisions set out the requirements for filing a valid lien on funds unpaid to Contractor as of the time of filing the claim, actions necessary to release the lien and satisfaction of such claim.

(h) Sureties shall be listed on the US Department of the Treasury's Listing Approved Sureties stating companies holding Certificates of Authority as acceptable sureties on federal bonds and acceptable reinsuring companies (Department Circular 570).

8.02. **INSURANCE.** (a) Prior to the commencement of work under this Contract, Contractor agrees to carry and maintain insurance in the following types and amounts for the duration of this Contract, to furnish certificates of insurance including corresponding policy endorsements, and make available, at no cost to TFC, copies of policy declaration pages and policy endorsements as evidence thereof:

(b) Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability coverage with minimum policy limits for employers' liability of \$1,000,000.00 bodily injury per accident, \$1,000,000.00 bodily injury disease policy limit and \$1,000,000.00 per disease, per employee. Workers' compensation insurance coverage must meet the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(46). Pursuant to Texas Labor Code Section 406.096, certification in writing from Contractor and Contractor's subcontractors shall be provided to TFC upon request and without expense.

(c) Commercial General Liability with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence for coverage A and B including products/completed operations, where appropriate, with a separate aggregate of \$2,000,000.00 for bodily injury and for property damages. The general aggregate limit shall apply on a per project basis. The policy shall contain the following provisions:

- (i) blanket contractual liability coverage for liability assumed under the Contract;
- (ii) independent contractors' coverage;
- (iii) State of Texas, TFC, its officials, directors, employees, representatives and volunteers must be listed as additional insureds;
- (iv) thirty (30) day Notice of Cancellation in favor of TFC; and
- (v) Waiver of Transfer Right of Recovery Against Others in favor of TFC.

(d) Business Automobile Liability Insurance for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with a minimum combined single limit of \$1,000,000.00 per accident for bodily injury and property damage. Alternate acceptable limits are \$1,000,000.00 bodily injury per person, \$1,000,000.00 bodily injury per accident and at least \$500,000.00 property damage liability per accident. The policy shall contain the following endorsements in favor of TFC:

- (i) Waiver of Subrogation endorsement;
- (ii) thirty (30) day Notice of Cancellation endorsement; and

(iii) additional Insured endorsement.

(e) Umbrella Liability Insurance for an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 that provides coverage at least as broad as and applies in excess and follows the form of the primary liability coverages required hereinabove. The policy shall provide "drop down" coverage where underlying primary insurance coverage limits are insufficient or exhausted.

8.03. **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INSURANCE.** (a) Contractor shall be responsible for deductibles and self-insured retention, if any, stated in policies. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall be disclosed on the certificate of insurance required above. If coverage is underwritten on a claims-made basis, the retroactive date shall be coincident with the date of this Contract and the certificate of insurance shall state that the coverage is claims made and the retroactive date.

(b) Contractor shall maintain coverage for the duration of this Contract. Coverage, including any renewals, shall have the same retroactive date as the original policy applicable to the Contract. Contractor shall, on at least an annual basis, provide TFC with an insurance certificate as evidence of such insurance. The premium for this extended reporting period shall be paid by Contractor.

(c) Contractor shall not commence work under this Contract until they have obtained the required insurance and until such insurance has been reviewed by TFC. Contractor shall not allow any subcontractors to commence work until the required insurance has been obtained and approved. Approval of insurance by TFC shall not relieve or decrease the liability of Contractor hereunder.

(d) Insurance shall be written by a company licensed to do business in the State of Texas at the time the policy is issued and shall be written by a company with an A.M. Best rating of A- or better.

(e) TFC shall be an additional insured as its interests may apply on the Commercial General Liability and Business Automobile Liability Policies.

(f) Contractor shall produce endorsements upon TFC's request to each affected policy:

(i) Naming TFC, P.O. Box 13047, Austin, Texas 78711 as additional insured (except Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability);

(ii) That obligates the insurance company to notify TFC's Insurance Specialist, TFC - FDC, P.O. Box 13047, Austin, Texas 78711, of any non-renewal, cancellations or material changes at least thirty (30) days prior to change or cancellation; and

(iii) That the "other" insurance clause shall not apply to the State where TFC is an additional insured shown on the policy. It is intended that policies required in this Contract, covering both TFC and Contractor, shall be considered primary coverage as applicable.

(g) TFC shall be entitled, upon request and without expense, to receive copies of policies and endorsements thereto and may make any reasonable requests for deletion or revision or modification of particular policy terms, conditions, limitations, or exclusions except where policy provisions are established by law or regulations binding upon either of the parties hereto or the underwriter on any such policies and if such request for deletions, revisions, or modifications are commercially available.

(h) Contractor shall not cause any insurance required under this Contract to cancel nor permit any insurance to lapse during the term of this Contract.

(i) TFC reserves the right to review the insurance requirements of this section during the effective period of the Contract and to make reasonable adjustments to insurance coverage and its limits when deemed necessary and prudent by TFC based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions or the claims history of the industry as well as Contractor (such adjustments shall be commercially available to Contractor).

(j) Contractor shall provide TFC thirty (30) days written notice of erosion of the aggregate limit.

(k) Actual losses not covered by insurance as required by this Contract shall be paid by Contractor.

(l) Contractor's insurance shall include a waiver of subrogation to TFC for the Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability, Commercial General Liability, and Business Automobile Liability policies.

**8.04. INDEMNIFICATION. CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE STATE OF TEXAS, TFC, AND/OR THEIR OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES, CONTRACTORS, ASSIGNEES, AND/OR DESIGNEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, ACTIONS, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, OR SUITS, AND ALL RELATED COSTS, ATTORNEY FEES, AND EXPENSES ARISING OUT OF, OR RESULTING FROM ANY ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF CONTRACTOR OR ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, SUBCONTRACTORS, ORDER FULFILLERS, OR SUPPLIERS OF SUBCONTRACTORS IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT AND ANY PURCHASE ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THE CONTRACT. THE DEFENSE SHALL BE COORDINATED BY CONTRACTOR WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WHEN TEXAS STATE AGENCIES ARE NAMED DEFENDANTS IN ANY LAWSUIT AND CONTRACTOR MAY NOT AGREE TO ANY SETTLEMENT WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE CONCURRENCE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. CONTRACTOR AND TFC AGREE TO FURNISH TIMELY WRITTEN NOTICE TO EACH OTHER OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.**

**8.05. INFRINGEMENTS. (a) CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE STATE OF TEXAS AND TFC, AND/OR THEIR EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, CONTRACTORS, ASSIGNEES, AND/OR DESIGNEES FROM ANY AND ALL THIRD PARTY CLAIMS INVOLVING INFRINGEMENT OF UNITED STATES PATENTS, COPYRIGHTS, TRADE AND SERVICE MARKS, AND ANY OTHER INTELLECTUAL OR INTANGIBLE PROPERTY RIGHTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCES OR ACTIONS OF CONTRACTOR PURSUANT TO THIS CONTRACT. CONTRACTOR AND TFC AGREE TO FURNISH TIMELY WRITTEN NOTICE TO EACH OTHER OF ANY SUCH CLAIM. CONTRACTOR SHALL BE LIABLE TO PAY ALL COSTS OF DEFENSE INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES. THE DEFENSE SHALL BE COORDINATED BY CONTRACTOR WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WHEN TEXAS STATE AGENCIES ARE NAMED DEFENDANTS IN ANY LAWSUIT AND CONTRACTOR MAY NOT AGREE TO ANY SETTLEMENT WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE CONCURRENCE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.**

**(b) CONTRACTOR SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY UNDER THIS SECTION IF THE ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY:**

**(i) USE OF THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE FOR A PURPOSE OR IN A MANNER FOR WHICH THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE WAS NOT DESIGNED;**

**(ii) ANY MODIFICATION MADE TO THE PRODUCT WITHOUT CONTRACTOR'S WRITTEN APPROVAL;**

**(iii) ANY MODIFICATIONS MADE TO THE PRODUCT BY THE CONTRACTOR PURSUANT TO TFC'S SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS;**

**(iv) ANY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT OWNED BY OR LICENSED TO TFC; OR**

**(v) ANY USE OF THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE BY TFC THAT IS NOT IN CONFORMITY WITH THE TERMS OF ANY APPLICABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT.**

**(c) IF CONTRACTOR BECOMES AWARE OF AN ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CLAIM, OR TFC PROVIDES CONTRACTOR WITH NOTICE OF AN ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CLAIM, CONTRACTOR MAY (OR IN THE CASE OF AN INJUNCTION AGAINST TFC, SHALL), AT CONTRACTOR'S SOLE OPTION AND EXPENSE: (i) PROCURE FOR TFC THE RIGHT TO CONTINUE TO USE THE AFFECTED PORTION OF THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE; OR (ii) MODIFY OR REPLACE THE AFFECTED PORTION OF THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE WITH FUNCTIONALLY EQUIVALENT OR SUPERIOR PRODUCT OR SERVICE SO THAT TFC'S USE IS NON-INFRINGEMENT.**

**8.06. TAXES, WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – INCLUDING INDEMNITY.** (a) **CONTRACTOR AGREES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT DURING THE EXISTENCE OF THIS CONTRACT, CONTRACTOR SHALL BE ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LIABILITY AND PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR'S AND CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES' TAXES OF WHATEVER KIND, ARISING OUT OF THE PERFORMANCES IN THIS CONTRACT. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS APPLICABLE TO ANY SUCH PERSONS, INCLUDING LAWS REGARDING WAGES, TAXES, INSURANCE, AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION. TFC AND/OR THE STATE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO THE CONTRACTOR, ITS EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR OTHERS FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES OR THE PROVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND/OR WORKERS' COMPENSATION OR ANY BENEFIT AVAILABLE TO A STATE EMPLOYEE OR EMPLOYEE OF ANOTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY CUSTOMER.**

(b) **CONTRACTOR AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS TFC, THE STATE OF TEXAS AND/OR THEIR EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, CONTRACTORS, AND/OR ASSIGNEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, ACTIONS, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, OR SUITS, AND ALL RELATED COSTS, ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND EXPENSES, RELATING TO TAX LIABILITY, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND/OR WORKERS' COMPENSATION IN ITS PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS CONTRACT. CONTRACTOR SHALL BE LIABLE TO PAY ALL COSTS OF DEFENSE INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES. THE DEFENSE SHALL BE COORDINATED BY CONTRACTOR WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WHEN TEXAS STATE AGENCIES ARE NAMED DEFENDANTS IN ANY LAWSUIT AND CONTRACTOR MAY NOT AGREE TO ANY SETTLEMENT WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE CONCURRENCE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. CONTRACTOR AND TFC AGREE TO FURNISH TIMELY WRITTEN NOTICE TO EACH OTHER OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.**

**8.07. NOTICE TO TFC.** In the event Contractor becomes aware of any claim that may be subject to the above-described indemnification, Contractor shall notify TFC of such claim within five (5) business days of becoming aware.

**8.08. SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY.** No settlement of any such claim shall be made by Contractor without TFC's prior written approval.

**8.09. LEGAL OBLIGATIONS.** Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, insurance, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract. Contractor will be responsible to pay all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Contractor agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract.

8.10. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.** Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, including laws governing labor, equal opportunity, safety, and environmental protection. Contractor shall make itself familiar with and at all times shall observe and comply with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations, that in any manner affect performance under this Contract.

## IX. CONTRACTOR GENERAL AFFIRMATIONS.

9.01. **FINANCIAL INTERESTS/GIFTS.** (a) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 572.051 and 2255.001 and Texas Penal Code Section 36.09, Contractor has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with this Contract.

(b) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 573 and Section 2254.032, if applicable, Contractor certifies that Contractor knows of no officer or employee of TFC, nor any relative within the second degree of consanguinity or affinity of an officer or employee of TFC, that has a financial interest in Contractor's company or corporation. Contractor further certifies that no partner, corporation, or unincorporated association which employs, retains or contracts with, or which may employ, retain, or contract with any of the above, has a financial interest in any entity with which Contractor will be dealing on behalf of TFC.

9.02. **EXECUTIVE HEAD OF AGENCY.** Under Texas Government Code Section 669.003 relating to contracting with an executive of a state agency, Contractor represents that no person who, in the past four (4) years, served as an executive of TFC or any other state agency, was involved with or has any interest in this Contract or any contract resulting from this Contractor. If Contractor employs or has used the services of a former executive head of TFC or any other state agency, then Contractor shall provide the following information: the name of the former executive, the name of the state agency, the date of separation from the state agency, the position held with Contractor, and the date of employment with Contractor.

9.03. **PRIOR EMPLOYMENT.** Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 573 and Section 2254.032, Contractor certifies that Contractor knows of no officer or employee of TFC, nor any relative within the second degree of consanguinity or affinity of an officer or employee of TFC, that has a financial interest in Contractor's company or corporation. Contractor further certifies that no partner, corporation, or unincorporated association which employs, retains or contracts with, or which may employ, retain, or contract with any of the above, has a financial interest in any entity with which Contractor will be dealing on behalf of TFC. Furthermore, Contractor certifies that if it employs any former employee of TFC, such employee will perform no work in connection with this Contract during the twelve (12) month period immediately following the employee's last date of employment at TFC.

9.04. **CERTIFICATION CONCERNING RESTRICTED EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER STATE OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE § 572.069.** Contractor certifies that it has not employed and will not employ a former TFC or state officer who participated in a procurement or contract negotiation for TFC involving Contractor within two (2) years after the

state officer or employee left state agency employment or service. This certification only applies to former state officers or employees whose service or employment ceased on or after September 1, 2015.

9.05. **ELIGIBILITY.** Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2155.004(b), Contractor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this Contract is not ineligible to receive the specified Contract and acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

9.06. **DISASTER RELIEF CONTRACT VIOLATION.** Under Sections 2155.006 and 2261.053, Texas Government Code, Contractor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this Contract is not ineligible to receive the specified Contract and acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

9.07. **FAMILY CODE.** Pursuant to the requirements of Texas Family Code Section 231.006, regarding delinquent child support, the undersigned signatory certifies that the individual or business entity named in this Contract is not ineligible to receive payment under this Contract and, if applicable, Contractor has provided the name and Social Security number of each person (sole proprietors, firm owners, partners, or shareholders) with at least 25% ownership of the business entity entering into this Contract prior to its execution. Contractor acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

9.08. **DEBTS OR DELINQUENCIES TO STATE.** Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 403.055, Contractor understands and agrees that any payment due under this Contract may be applied toward payment of any debt that is owed to the State of Texas including, but not limited to, delinquent taxes and child support.

9.09. **BUY TEXAS.** If Contractor is authorized to make purchases under this Contract, Contractor certifies that Contractor will buy Texas products, services, and materials when available at a comparable price and in a comparable period of time pursuant to Texas Government Code Ch. 2155.

9.10. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY.** Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, sex, religion, age, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees or applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination article. Contractor shall include the above provisions in all subcontracts pertaining to the work.

9.11. **DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICE; UNFAIR BUSINESS PRACTICES.** Contractor represents and warrants that it has not been the subject of allegations of Deceptive Trade Practices violations under the Texas Business and Commerce Code, Chapter 17, or allegations of any

unfair business practice in any administrative hearing or court suit and that Contractor has not been found to be liable for such practices in such proceedings. Contractor certifies that it has no officers who have served as officers of other entities who have been the subject allegations of Deceptive Trade Practices violations or allegations of any unfair business practices in an administrative hearing or court suit and that such officers have not been found to be liable for such practices in such proceedings.

9.12. **LIABILITY FOR TAXES.** Contractor represents and warrants that it shall pay all taxes or similar amounts resulting from this Contract, including, but not limited to, any federal, state, or local income, sales or excise taxes of Contractor or its employees. TFC shall not be liable for any taxes resulting from this Contract.

9.13. **NO CONFLICTS.** Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has no actual or potential conflicts of interest in providing services to the State of Texas under this Contract and that Contractor's provision of services under this Contract would not reasonably create an appearance of impropriety.

9.14. **EXCLUDED PARTIES.** Contractor certifies that it is not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224.

9.15. **SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT.** Contractor certifies that it and its principals are not suspended or debarred from doing business with the state or federal government as listed on the State of Texas Debarred Vendor List maintained by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and the System for Award Management (SAM) maintained by the General Services Administration.

9.16. **PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN BIDS AND CONTRACTS.** Under Texas Government Code, Section 2155.006, relating to the prohibition of certain bids and contracts, Contractor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this Contract is not ineligible to receive the specified Contract and acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated, and payment withheld, if this certification is inaccurate. Contractor represents and warrants that during the five (5) year period preceding the date of this Contract, Contractor has not been: (i) convicted of violating a federal law in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, as defined by Texas Utilities Code, Section 39.459, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005; or (ii) assessed a penalty in a federal civil or administrative enforcement action in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, as defined by Texas Utilities Code, Section 39.459, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005.

9.17. **IMMIGRATION REFORM.** (a) The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended, and the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, requires that all employees hired since 1986 provide proof of identity and employment eligibility before they can work in the United States. TFC is committed to complying with all applicable immigration laws of the United States and requires compliance by all contractors and subcontractors who contract with the State. Contractor shall not place any

employee of Contractor at a worksite, nor shall Contractor permit any employee, nor any subcontractor, to perform any work on behalf of or for the benefit of TFC without first confirming said employee's authorization to lawfully work in the United States.

(b) Contractor warrants that Contractor: (i) maintains and follows an established policy to verify the employment authorization of its employees and to ensure continued compliance for the duration of employment; (ii) has verified the identity and employment eligibility of all employees in compliance with applicable law; (iii) has established internal safeguards and reporting policies to encourage its employees to report any suspected violations of immigration policies or of immigration law promptly to Contractor's senior management; and (iv) is without knowledge of any fact that would render any employee or subcontractor ineligible to legally work in the United States.

(c) Contractor further acknowledges, agrees, and warrants that Contractor: (i) has complied, and shall at all times during the term of the Contract comply, in all respects with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and 1990, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, as amended, and all of the laws, rules, and regulations relating thereto; (ii) has properly maintained, and shall at all times during the term of the Contract properly maintain, all records required by the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("DHS-ICE"), including, without limitation, the completion and maintenance of the Form I-9 for each of Contractor's employees; and (iii) has responded, and shall at all times during the term of the Contract respond, in a timely fashion to any inspection requests related to such I-9 Forms. During the term of the Contract, Contractor shall, and shall cause its directors, officers, managers, agents and employees to, fully cooperate in all respects with any audit, inquiry, inspection or investigation that may be conducted by TFC or any state agency of Contractor or any of its employees.

(d) Contractor acknowledges, agrees, and warrants that all subcontractors permitted by it to perform work will be required to agree to these same terms as a condition to being awarded any subcontract for such work.

9.18. **ENTITIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL.** Pursuant to Section 2270.002 of the Texas Government Code, Contractor certifies that either (i) it meets an exemption criteria under Section 2270.002; or (ii) it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of this Contract. Contractor shall state any facts that make it exempt from the boycott certification.

9.19. **PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTRACTING WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.** In accordance with Section 2251.152 of the Texas Government Code, TFC is prohibited from entering into a governmental contract (as defined in Texas Government Code Section 2252.151(3)) with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code Section 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153. If contractor is on the above-referenced list the Contract will be considered void or voidable and TFC will not be responsible to pay Contractor for any work performed.

## X. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

10.01. **ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS.** (a) Contractor shall neither assign, transfer, nor delegate any rights, obligations, or duties under this Contract without the prior written consent of TFC.

(b) Notwithstanding this provision, it is mutually understood and agreed that Contractor may subcontract with others for some or all of the services to be performed. TFC shall approve all subcontractors. Subcontractors providing service under this Contract shall meet the same requirements and level of experience as required of the Contractor. No subcontract under the Contract shall relieve Contractor of responsibility for the service. If Contractor uses a subcontractor for any or all of the work required, the following conditions shall apply under the listed circumstances:

(i) Contractors planning to subcontract all or a portion of the work to be performed under this Contract shall identify the proposed subcontractor on Exhibit E – HUB Subcontracting Plan [Form], attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes, as further described in Section 10.02 below.

(ii) Subcontracting shall be at the Contractor's expense.

(iii) TFC retains the right to check any subcontractor's background and make the determination to approve or reject the use of submitted subcontractors.

(iv) Contractor shall be the only contact for TFC and subcontractors. Contractor shall list a designated point of contact for all TFC and subcontractor inquiries.

10.02. **HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES (HUBS).** (a) In accordance with state law, it is TFC's policy to assist HUBs, whether minority or women owned, whenever possible, to participate in providing goods and services to the agency. TFC encourages those parties with whom it contracts for the provision of goods and services to adhere to this same philosophy in selecting subcontractors to assist in fulfilling Contractor's obligations with TFC. A copy of Exhibit E-1 - Initial Approved HUB Subcontracting Plan ("HSP") is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes. If Contractor subcontracts with others for some or all of the services to be performed under this Contract, Contractor shall comply with all HUB requirements pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 2161 as described in Exhibit E – HUB Subcontracting Plan [Form], attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes. When required, Contractor shall submit an updated HSP. Upon TFC approval of HSP update(s), such update(s) shall become, without further notice or action, a part of the incorporated Exhibit E-1 - Initial Approved HUB Subcontracting Plan ("HSP"). In addition to information required by Section 10.1 above, Contractor shall provide TFC with pertinent details of any participation by a HUB in fulfilling the duties and obligations arising hereunder on Exhibit E-2 – HSP Progress Assessment Report [Form] ("PAR"), attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes. PARs shall be submitted monthly with each invoice and are a condition of payment.

(b) Requirement to Utilize HUB Compliance Reporting System. Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 34 §§ 20.85(f)(1)(2) and 20.287(b), TFC administers monthly HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) to include the Progressive Assessment Report (PAR) compliance monitoring through a HUB Compliance Reporting System known as B2G. The HUB Compliance Reporting System is the Texas Facilities Commission Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) online reporting system located at <https://tfc.gob2g.com>. The HUB Compliance Reporting System is used to maintain business records documenting compliance with the HUB Subcontracting Plan ("HSP") by submission of monthly Progress Assessment Reports. Contractor and Contractor's Subcontractors must submit required PAR information into the B2G system as a condition of payment. Any delay in the timely submission of PAR information into the B2G system will be treated as a deficiency and the payment request will be subject to suspension until such deficiency has been resolved.

10.03. FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL REQUIREMENTS. Contractor shall demonstrate on-site compliance with the Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986, Section 1706, amending Section 530 of the Revenue Act of 1978, dealing with issuance of Form W-2's to common law employees. Contractor is responsible for both federal and State unemployment insurance coverage and standard Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage. Contractor shall comply with all federal and State tax laws and withholding requirements. The State of Texas shall not be liable to Contractor or its employees for any unemployment or workers' compensation coverage, or federal or State withholding requirements. Contractor shall indemnify the State of Texas and shall pay all costs, penalties, or losses resulting from Contractor's omission or breach of this Section.

10.04. PATENT, TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT AND OTHER INFRINGEMENT CLAIMS. Contractor shall indemnify, save and hold harmless the State of Texas from and against claims of patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret or other proprietary rights, violations or infringements arising from the State's or Contractor's use of or acquisition of any services or other items provided to the State of Texas by Contractor or otherwise to which the State of Texas has access as a result of Contractor's performance under this Contract, provided that the State shall notify Contractor of any such claim within a reasonable time of the State's receiving notice of any such claim. If Contractor is notified of any claim subject to this section, Contractor shall notify TFC of such claim within five (5) business days of such notice. No settlement of any such claim shall be made by Contractor without TFC's prior written approval. Contractor shall reimburse the State of Texas for any claims, damages, losses, costs, expenses, judgments or any other amounts, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and court costs, arising from any such claim. Contractor shall pay all reasonable costs of the State's counsel and shall also pay costs of multiple counsel, if required to avoid conflicts of interest. Contractor represents that it has determined what licenses, patents and permits are required under this Contract and has acquired all such licenses, patents and permits.

10.05. ELECTRONIC AND INFORMATION RESOURCES ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS. (a) Effective September 1, 2006, all state agencies and institutions of higher education shall procure products which comply with the State of Texas accessibility requirements for electronic and information resources specified in Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 213 when such products are available in the commercial marketplace or when such products are developed

in response to a procurement solicitation.

(b) If applicable, Contractor shall provide the Texas Department of Information Resources (“DIR”) with the universal resource locator (“URL”) to its Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (“VPAT”) for reviewing compliance with the State of Texas accessibility requirements (based on the federal standards established under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act), or indicate that the product/service accessibility information is available from the General Services Administration “Buy Accessible Wizard” (<https://app.buyaccessible.gov/baw/Main.jsp>). Contractors not listed with the “Buy Accessible Wizard” or supplying a URL to their VPAT must provide DIR with a report that addresses the same accessibility criteria in substantively the same format. Additional information regarding the “Buy Accessible Wizard” or obtaining a copy of the VPAT is located at <http://www.section508.gov/>.

10.06. **RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES.** Contractor is associated with TFC only for the purposes and to the extent specified in this Contract, and with respect to performance of the contracted services pursuant to this Contract, Contractor is and shall be an independent contractor. Subject only to the terms of this Contract, Contractor shall have the sole right to supervise, manage, operate, control, and direct performance of the details incident to its duties under this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create any liability for TFC whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of Contractor or any other party. Contractor shall be solely responsible for, and TFC shall have no obligation with respect to:

- (a) withholding of income taxes, FICA or any other taxes or fees;
- (b) industrial or workers compensation insurance coverage;
- (c) participation in any group insurance plans available to employees of the State of Texas;
- (d) participation or contributions by the State of Texas to the State Employees Retirement System;
- (e) accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave; or
- (f) unemployment compensation coverage provided by the State.

10.07. **DRUG FREE WORK PLACE.** Contractor shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988 (Public Law No. 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C. 701 et seq.) and maintain a drug-free work environment; and the final rule, government-wide requirements for drug-free work place (grants), issued by the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Defense (32 CFR Part 280, Subpart F) to implement the provisions of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988 is incorporated by reference and Contractor, Contractor’s

employees, and Subcontractors shall comply with the relevant provisions thereof, including any amendments to the final rule that may hereafter be issued.

10.08. **NOTICES.** Any notice required or permitted to be delivered under this Contract shall be deemed delivered when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the TFC or Contractor, as the case may be, at the address set forth below:

For TFC: Texas Facilities Commission  
1711 San Jacinto Blvd., Room 400  
Austin, TX 78701  
Attention: Legal Services Division  
Phone: (512) 475-2400  
Fax: (512) 236-6171

For Contractor: Attention: Sean Chandler  
Beckwith Electronic Systems, LLC  
1620A Grand Avenue Parkway  
Pflugerville, Texas 78660  
Phone: (512) 275-1441  
Email: [schandler@besllc.com](mailto:schandler@besllc.com)

Notice given in any other manner shall be deemed effective only if and when received by the party to be notified. Either party may change its address for notice by written notice to the other party as herein provided.

10.09. **NAME AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES.** (a) Contractor must provide TFC with written notification of all name changes and organizational changes relating to Contractor including, but not limited to, merger, acquisition or sale no later than ten (10) business days of such change. Contractor, in its notice, shall describe the circumstances of the name change or organizational change, state its new name, provide the new Tax Identification Number, and describe how the change will impact its ability to perform under the Contract. If the change entails personnel changes for personnel performing the responsibilities of the Contract for Contractor, Contractor shall identify the new personnel and provide resumes to TFC, if resumes were originally required by the solicitation. TFC may request other information about the change and its impact on the Contract and Contractor shall supply the requested information within five (5) working days of receipt of the request. All written notifications of organizational change must include a detailed statement specifying the change and supporting documentation evidencing continued right of Contractor or successor entity, as applicable, to maintain its status as a party to this Contract.

(b) TFC may terminate the Contract due to any change to Contractor that materially alters Contractor's ability to perform under the Contract.

10.10. **GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE.** This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Texas, exclusive of conflicts of law provisions. Venue of any suit brought under this Contract shall be in

a court of competent jurisdiction in Travis County, Texas. Contractor irrevocably waives any objection, including any objection to personal jurisdiction or proper venue or based on the grounds of *forum non conveniens*, which it may now or hereafter have to the filing of any action or proceeding in such jurisdiction in respect of this Contract or any document related hereto.

**NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS A WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY BY TFC.**

10.11. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.

10.12. **PROPER AUTHORITY.** The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Contract on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Contractor acknowledges Contract is effective for the period of time specified in the Contract. Any services performed by Contractor before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Contractor.

10.13. **FORCE MAJEURE.** Any delays in or failure of performance by either party, except in respect of the obligation of payments under this Contract, shall not constitute default hereunder if and to the extent such delays or failure of performance are caused by occurrence(s) beyond the reasonable control of the party affected, and which by the exercise of due diligence such party is unable to prevent, herein called "Force Majeure" including acts of God or the public enemy, sabotage, war, mobilization, revolution, civil unrest, riots, strikes, lockouts, fires, accidents breakdowns, or floods, earthquakes, hurricanes or any other natural disaster or governmental actions. In any such event, the party claiming Force Majeure shall promptly notify the other party of the Force Majeure event in writing and, if possible, such notice shall set forth the extent and duration thereof. The party claiming Force Majeure shall exercise due diligence to prevent, eliminate, or overcome such Force Majeure event where it is possible to do so and resume performance at the earliest possible date. However, if non-performance continues for more than thirty (30) days, TFC may terminate this Contract immediately upon written notification to Contractor.

10.14. **LABOR ACTIVITY.** If any strike, boycott, picketing, work stoppage, slowdown, or other labor activity is directed against the Contractor at TFC's facility, which results in the curtailment or discontinuation of services performed herein, TFC shall have the right during said period to employ any means legally permissible to have the work performed.

10.15. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION.** The dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260 of the Texas Government Code must be used by the parties to attempt to resolve all disputes arising under this Contract.

10.16. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, and each such counterpart shall together constitute but one and the same agreement.

10.17. **SCHEDULE OF EXHIBITS.** The following shall be the exhibits to this Contract and incorporated herein by reference.

- 10.17.1. Exhibit A TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts.
- 10.17.2. Exhibit B Compensation and Fees.
- 10.17.3. Exhibit C Criminal Background Checks and Application Guidelines.
- 10.17.4. Exhibit D Payment and Performance Bond [Forms]
- 10.17.5. Exhibit E HUB Subcontracting Plan [Form]
- 10.17.6. Exhibit E-1 Initial Approved HUB Subcontracting Plan
- 10.17.7. Exhibit E-2 HSP Progress Assessment Report [Form] (“PAR”)

10.18. **NO WAIVER.** Nothing in this Contract shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the State of Texas. This Contract shall not constitute or be construed as a waiver of any of the privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to the State of Texas. The failure to enforce, or any delay in the enforcement, of any privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to the State of Texas under this Contract or under applicable law shall not constitute a waiver of such privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities or be considered as a basis for estoppel. TFC does not waive any privileges, rights, defenses, or immunities available to TFC by entering into this Contract or by its conduct prior to or subsequent to entering into this Contract.

10.19. **FALSE STATEMENTS; BREACH OF REPRESENTATIONS.** By signature to this Contract, Contractor makes all the representations, warranties, guarantees, certifications and affirmations included in this Contract. If Contractor signs this Contract with a false statement or it is subsequently determined that Contractor has violated any of the representations, warranties, guarantees, certifications or affirmations included in this Contract, Contractor shall be in default under this Contract, and TFC may terminate or void this Contract for cause and pursue other remedies available to TFC under this Contract and applicable law.

10.20. **SURVIVAL OF TERMS.** Termination of the Contract for any reason shall not release Contractor from any liability of obligation set forth in the Contract that is expressly stated to survive any such termination or by its nature would be intended to be applicable following any such termination, including the provisions regarding confidentiality, indemnification, transition, records, audit, property rights, dispute resolution and invoice and verification.

10.21. **ABANDONMENT AND DEFAULT.** If Contractor defaults on this Contract, TFC reserves the right to cancel the Contract without notice and either re-solicit or re-award the Contract to the next best responsive and responsible respondent. The defaulting Contractor will not be considered in the re-solicitation and may not be considered in future solicitations for the same type of work.

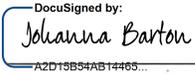
10.22. **ANTITRUST AND ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS.** Contractor represents and warrants that neither Contractor nor any firm, corporation, partnership, or institution represented by Contractor, or anyone acting for such firm, corporation or institution has (i) violated the antitrust laws of the State of Texas under Tex. Bus. & Com. Code, Chapter 15, or the federal antitrust laws; or (ii) communicated directly or indirectly the proposal to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business during the procurement process for this Contract. Contractor assigns to the State of Texas all of Contractor’s rights, title, and interest in and to all claims and causes of action Contractor may have under the antitrust laws of Texas or the United States for overcharges associated with the Contract.

10.23. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT & MODIFICATION.** This Contract and its integrated attachment(s) constitute the entire agreement of the parties and such are intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Unless an integrated attachment to this Contract specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language between any such attachment and this Contract shall be construed consistently with the terms of this Contract. Unless otherwise expressly authorized by the terms of this Contract, no modification, renewal, extension or amendment to this Contract shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by the respective parties hereto.

**TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION**

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**EXHIBIT A**

**TFC BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT LIST AND DEVICE COUNTS**

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**TFC Building and Equipment List and Device Counts**

Facility	Smoke Detector	Pulls	Duct Detector	Heat Detector	W/F	Tamper	Beam Detector
Archives Building (ARC)	78	17	56	6			0
Brown-Heatly Building (BHB)	115	43	17	31			0
Central Services Annex (CSX)	31	8	2	0			0
Central Services Building (CSB)	14	7	8	1			0
Child Care Facility (CCF 1 & 2)	37	6	0	2			0
DARS Administration Building (DARS)	40	11	9	1			1
Disaster Recovery Operations (DROC)	85	7	8	1			8
DSHS A-600 Bldg. (A-600)	3	18	2	0			0
DSHS Headquarters Building (DHB)	66	14	8	0			0
DHF, DHK, and Robert Bernstein Building (RBB)	675	52	10	2			0
DSHS Annex (DHX)	18	7	3	0			0
E. O. Thompson Building (THO)	30	31	3	8			0
Human Services Warehouse (HSW)	16	4	18	20			0
Insurance Annex (INX)	19	14	20	4			0
Insurance Building (INS)	20	19	20	5			0
James E. Rudder Building (JER)	21	14	7	3			0
John H. Reagan Building (JHR)	120	29	17	11			0
John H. Winters Building (JHW)	75	37	52	39			1
John H. Winters Building C. (JHW-C)	11	19	10	1			0
Lyndon B. Johnson Building (LBJ)	32	48	15	16			0
Park 35 Building A (P35A)	20	13	12	2			0
Park 35 Building B (P35B)	40	14	0	4			0
Park 35 Building C (P35C)	27	14	0	3			0
Park 35 Building D (P35D)	9	6	4	2			0
Park 35 Building E (P35E)	55	10	3	4			0
Parking Garage E (PKE)	2	0	0	7			0
Parking Garage F (PKF)	2	0	0	4			0
Parking Garage G (PKG)	2	0	0	5			0
Parking Garage K Thomas J. Rusk (PKK)	5	6	0	2			0
Parking Garage M (PKM)	2	3	1	1			0
Parking Garage N (PKN)	12	29	0	6			0
Parking Garage P (PKP)	10	14	1	3			0
Parking Garage Q (PKQ)	14	14	0	0			0
Parking Garage R (PKR)	6	19	2	0			0
Price Daniel, Sr. Building (PDB)	58	41	39	14			0
Promontory Point (PROM)	28	9	11	3			0
Sam Houston Building (SHB)	286	37	36	54			0
State Records Center (SRC)	2	16	16	0			0
Stephen F. Austin Building (SFA)	442	65	93	18			0
Thomas Jefferson Rusk Building (TJR)	29	24	4	8			0
Tom C. Clark Building (TCC)	106	59	27	12			0
Wheless Lane Laboratory (WLL)	9	5	0	1			0
William B. Travis Building (WBT)	55	58	29	0			0
Warehouse at Bolm Road (WHB)	1	0	0	0			0
William P. Clements Building (WPC)	170	62	134	28			0
<b>TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF</b>							
Admissions	13	8	1	1			0
Auditorium Building	15	7	3	0			0
Building 43 Residential	0	0	0	0			0
Building 46 Residential	0	0	0	0			0
Business Service	0	0	0	0			0
Central Plant	54	2	0	6			0
Clinger Gym	9	5	0	0			0
Cottage 564	20	5	2	1			0
Cottage 565	21	4	2	1			0
Cottage 566	20	5	2	1			0
Cottage 567	20	5	2	1			0
Cottage 568	21	4	2	1			0
Cottage 569	21	4	2	1			0
Cottage 570	21	5	2	1			0
Deaf Smith Center	3	5	1	0			0
Elementary School Dorm	0	0	0	0			0
ERCOD Building	8	2	0	1			0
Food Services Building	8	9	3	5			0

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Facility	Smoke Detector	Pulls	Duct Detector	Heat Detector	W/F	Tamper	Beam Detector
Ford Building	49	11	3	11			0
Health Center	15	5	3	1			0
Heritage Center	7	3	1	0			0
High School Building	145	17	8	12			0
Human Resources Building	4	2	0	0			0
Kleberg Hall	11	12	0	7			0
Koen Hall	124	14	2	14			0
Lewis Hall	127	8	3	12			0
Lower School Building	79	23	4	2			0
Maintenance Shop	0	0	0	0			0
Middle School Boys Dorm	58	8	2	3			0
Middle School Girls Dorm	35	3	1	2			0
Natorium Gym	0	0	0	12			0
Old ERCOD Translation Building	13	4	0	1			0
Pease / Warehouse	19	5	1	2			0
Seeger Gym	15	14	7	2			0
SND Boys Dorm	19	3	1	1			0
SND Girls Dorm	16	3	1	1			0
Transitional Building 44A	0	0	0	0			0
Transitional Building 44B	0	0	0	0			0
Transitional Building 45A	0	0	0	0			0
Transitional Building 45B	0	0	0	0			0
<b>TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND BUILDINGS</b>							
Building 512	6	2	0	2			0
Building 573	22	3	1	2			0
Building 574	24	3	1	7			0
Building 575	25	3	1	6			0
Building 576	23	3	1	8			0
Building 577	22	3	1	6			0
Building 600	9	7	4	3			0
Building 601	1	6	0	0			0
Building 602	2	1	0	0			0
Building 603	23	6	1	0			0
Building 604	1	4	0	0			0
Building 605	1	8	4	0			0
Building 606	2	9	7	2			0
Building 607	2	9	7	2			0
Building 608	2	5	0	1			0
Building 609	4	12	6	3			0
Building 610	2	17	8	0			0
Building 640	23	4	3	4			0
Building 650	24	4	3	4			0
Building 651	23	4	3	4			0
Building 652	27	5	3	4			0
Building 653	28	4	3	4			0
Building 654	28	4	3	4			0
Building 655	28	5	2	1			0
Building 656	28	4	3	4			0
Building 657	23	4	3	4			0
Building 660	0	2	0	0			0
Building 661	24	5	3	4			0
Building 662	24	5	3	4			0
Building 663	24	5	3	4			0
Building 664	0	2	0	0			0
Building 4801	6	6	1	5			0

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**COMPENSATION AND FEES**

## Compensation and Fees

**Instructions to Respondents:** Respondent shall provide pricing to perform the annual inspection at each facility as listed below. *Pricing must be submitted on this sheet or a reasonable facsimile to be considered for award.* Annual Inspection Cost pricing provided shall be all inclusive of all profit, labor, travel, tools, equipment, overhead, etc. No additional costs for the inspection and reports as required in the Service Contract shall be permitted or allowed. TFC reserves the right to make multiple awards from this solicitation to provide best value. Each school, TSD and TSBVI will be awarded as a group.

Panel Type	Facility	Annual Inspection Cost (\$)
<b>Group #1 - For consideration for award of Group #1, Respondent is <i>not</i> required to provide pricing for every line.</b>		
Cerberus	DBGL	\$1,696.00
EST	DH A600	\$219.00
EST	ARC	\$2,762.00
EST	BHB	\$2,014.00
EST	CCF 1&2	\$319.00
EST	CSX	\$345.00
EST	DARS	\$701.00
EST	DHSB	\$398.00
EST	HSW	\$982.00
EST	INS	\$1,048.00
EST	INW	\$298.00
EST	INX	\$997.00
EST	JHW	\$3,050.00
EST	JHW-C	\$583.00
EST	PKE	\$179.00
EST	PKF	\$175.00
EST	PKG	\$175.00
EST	RBB/DHF/DHK	\$4,480.00
EST	RDM	\$3,412.00

<b>Panel Type</b>	<b>Facility</b>	<b>Annual Inspection Cost (\$)</b>
EST	REJ	\$5,390.00
EST	SFA	\$6,200.00
EST	SRC	\$709.00
EST	WHB	\$175.00
EST	WLL	\$175.00
EST	WPH/PKL	\$8,900.00
Notifier	CSB	\$447.00
Notifier	JER	\$528.00
Notifier	LBJ	\$1,256.00
Notifier	P35A	\$687.00
Notifier	P35B	\$415.00
Notifier	P35C	\$314.00
Notifier	P35D	\$269.00
Notifier	P35E	\$601.67
Notifier	PKK	\$175.00
Notifier	PKM	\$175.00
Notifier	PKP	\$232.00
Notifier	PKQ	\$196.00
Notifier	PKR	\$247.00
Notifier	PROM	\$687.00
Notifier	SHB	\$3,800.00
Notifier	TCC	\$2,251.00
Notifier	THO	\$611.00
Notifier	TJR	\$591.00
Notifier	WBT	\$1,848.00
Siemens	PDB	\$2,245.00
Siemens	WPC	\$4,800.00

Panel Type	Facility	Annual Inspection Cost (\$)
Simplex	DHB	\$851.00
Simplex	DHX	\$284.00
Simplex	DROC	\$1,001.00
Simplex	JHR	\$1,765.00
Simplex	PKN	\$343.00
<b>Group #2 - Texas School for the Deaf (TSD)</b>		
<b>Group #2 - For consideration for award of Group #2, Respondent <u>must</u> provide pricing for every line.</b>		
EST	High School Building	\$1,537.00
EST	Lower School Building	\$878.00
EST	Ford Building	\$632.00
EST	Central Plant	\$448.00
EST	Kleberg Hall	\$226.00
EST	Clinger Gym	\$150.00
EST	Natatorium Gym	\$150.00
EST	Food Services Building	\$275.00
EST	Health Center	\$258.00
EST	SND Girls Dorm	\$179.00
EST	SND Boys Dorm	\$199.00
EST	Heritage Center	\$150.00
EST	Middle School Boys Dorm	\$563.00
EST	Elementary School Dorm	\$0.00
EST	Auditorium Building	\$263.00
EST	Koen Hall	\$1,169.00
EST	Lewis Hall	\$1,166.00
EST	Human Resources Building	\$150.00
EST	Old ERCOD Translation Building	\$150.00

Panel Type	Facility	Annual Inspection Cost (\$)
EST	ERCOD Building	\$150.00
EST	Cottage 564	\$257.00
EST	Cottage 565	\$257.00
EST	Cottage 566	\$257.00
EST	Cottage 567	\$257.00
EST	Cottage 568	\$257.00
EST	Cottage 569	\$257.00
EST	Cottage 570	\$257.00
EST	Transitional Building 44A	\$0.00
EST	Transitional Building 44B	\$0.00
EST	Transitional Building 45A	\$0.00
EST	Transitional Building 45B	\$0.00
EST	Building 43 Residential	\$0.00
EST	Building 46 Residential	\$0.00
EST	Maintenance Shop	\$0.00
EST	Seeger Gym	\$477.00
EST	Middle School Girls Dorm	\$321.00
EST	Deaf Smith Center	\$150.00
EST	Pease / Warehouse	\$223.00
EST	Business Service	\$0.00
EST	Admissions	\$193.00
<b>Group #3 - Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TSBVI)</b>		
<b>Group #3 - For consideration for award of Group #3, Respondent <u>must</u> provide pricing for every line.</b>		
EST	Building 600	\$551.00

<b>Panel Type</b>	<b>Facility</b>	<b>Annual Inspection Cost (\$)</b>
EST	Building 601	\$515.00
EST	Building 602	\$480.00
EST	Building 603	\$515.00
EST	Building 604	\$501.00
EST	Building 605	\$529.00
EST	Building 606	\$555.00
EST	Building 607	\$555.00
EST	Building 608	\$518.00
EST	Building 609	\$585.00
EST	Building 610	\$593.00
EST	Building 661	\$546.00
EST	Building 662	\$546.00
EST	Building 663	\$546.00
EST	Building 664	\$488.00
EST	Building 660	\$488.00
EST	Building 4801	\$562.00
EST	Building 577	\$550.00
EST	Building 657	\$539.00
EST	Building 640	\$539.00
EST	Building 656	\$539.00
EST	Building 655	\$518.00
EST	Building 654	\$539.00
EST	Building 653	\$539.00
EST	Building 576	\$569.00
EST	Building 652	\$546.00
EST	Building 651	\$539.00
EST	Building 650	\$539.00

<b>Panel Type</b>	<b>Facility</b>	<b>Annual Inspection Cost (\$)</b>
<b>EST</b>	<b>Building 573</b>	<b>\$513.00</b>
<b>EST</b>	<b>Building 574</b>	<b>\$560.00</b>
<b>EST</b>	<b>Building 575</b>	<b>\$551.00</b>
<b>EST</b>	<b>Building 512</b>	<b>\$506.00</b>

**FEES FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES:** Services for maintenance, service or repairs as requested beyond the annual inspection of fire alarm systems.

**LABOR RATES:** Labor Rates provided shall be all inclusive with no additional overhead, profit, etc.

Regular Response – Within 24 hours: Hourly Rates	
Licensed Fire Alarm Technician – Regular*	\$100.00
Licensed Fire Alarm Technician – Overtime**	\$160.00
Apprentice Technician – Regular*	\$85.00
Apprentice Technician – Overtime**	\$130.00
Emergency Response – Within 2 Hours: Hourly Rates	
Licensed Fire Alarm Technician – Regular*	\$100.00
Licensed Fire Alarm Technician – Overtime**	\$160.00
Apprentice Technician – Regular*	\$85.00
Apprentice Technician – Overtime**	\$130.00

**MATERIALS:**

Material Markup: Contractor shall invoice at Cost\* plus **10 %**. (Capped at 10%)

Materials purchased at local retail outlets by Contractor field staff. Contractor shall invoice at Cost\*\*\*.

**SUBCONTRACTORS:**

Subcontractor Markup: Contractor shall invoice at Cost\*\*\* plus **15 %**. (Capped at (15%))

**BONDS:**

Payment and Performance Bonds (if required): Contractor shall invoice at Cost\*\*\*.

\*Regular Hours is defined as 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM Monday through Friday

\*\*Overtime Hours is defined as any hours that fall outside of Regular Hours

\*\*\*Cost is defined as sales receipt or invoiced pricing. TFC reserved the right to require receipts, invoices or other backup documentation to verify pricing an

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## **EXHIBIT C**

### **CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

# TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION

## CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND APPLICATION

### GUIDELINES

It is the policy of the Texas Facilities Commission ("TFC") that all contractor employees and subcontractors that will complete any work on-site at a state-owned property may be subject to a criminal background check. Any expense associated with such criminal background check shall be borne by the contractor. Contractor employees and subcontracts who work in case-sensitive areas shall be required to submit to a criminal history background check. If requested by TFC, a complete criminal background check shall be completed before any employee performs services at the site. Criminal background checks must be performed by the Texas Department of Public Safety ("DPS") and must be on the form provide by TFC.

#### I. CRIMINAL HISTORY CRITERIA

Employers should use the following criminal history criteria when hiring employees to perform work for TFC. Any employee failing to meet the minimum standard will be denied. If special circumstances exist, please contact the TFC representative for clarification or further consideration.

A conviction or deferred adjudication for one of the following offenses will result in the **permanent disqualification** of a person from eligibility to provide contractual services with Texas Facilities Commission:

- (i) any act causing death as defined in Texas Penal Code; and
- (ii) any felony or misdemeanor involving arson, burglary, breach of computer security, credit card abuse, counterfeiting, forgery, kidnapping, robbery, stalking, terroristic threat, theft, and any sexual offense designated as a felony in Texas Penal Code.

Additionally, anyone who has a current duty to register as a sex offender, is under indictment or is a fugitive from justice is disqualified.

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For individuals who have a conviction or deferred adjudication for felonies not enumerated above, 10 years must have passed from the time of disposition or discharge of probation in order for that person to be eligible to provide contractual services with the TFC.

For individuals who have a misdemeanor conviction or deferred adjudication for misdemeanors not enumerated above, 5 years must have passed from the time of disposition or discharge of probation in order for that person to be eligible to provide contractual services with the TFC.

## II. CRIMINAL BACKGROUND PROCESS

DPS has entered into an exclusive contract with Identogo Centers, formerly L-1 Enrollment Services, operated by MorphoTrust USA. Identogo by MorphoTrust is the exclusive live scan fingerprinting provider for DPS. All TFC contractors that are subject to TFC criminal background check requirements must create an account with Identogo in accordance with the Identogo Account Application and requirements attached hereto as "Attachment A". Thereafter, all contractor employees and subcontractors must follow the registration procedures attached hereto as "Attachment A" including using the *Texas Facilities Commission Service Code 11G6ZN*. All necessary instructions and information to schedule a fingerprint appointment is included in Attachment A. In addition, the only service code accepted by DPS for a TFC criminal background check is the service code provided in Attachment A, hereto, therefore, if an individual does not use the service code in Attachment A, he or she may be required to repeat the process at the expense of contractor. Contractors can begin the process by simply clicking on this link:

<https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11G6ZN>

Additionally, forms and instructions can be found on the Identogo website at <http://www.identogo.com> by clicking on the State of Texas. Links on that page include one for online scheduling and a list for the state-wide fingerprinting locations. The waiver form for the criminal background check is attached hereto as "Attachment B". In the event Contractor needs to set up a new account, please refer to the attached link for instructions: <http://www.l1enrollment.com/state/forms/tx/566718664f05a.pdf>.

## III. CRIMINAL HISTORY ERROR RESOLUTION

The Error Resolution Unit ("ER") is responsible for updating and evaluating possible errors in criminal history records. Potential errors are reported to ER by law enforcement, judicial agencies, as well as private citizens.

If an applicant would like to make a request that a criminal history record be updated or corrected, the applicant will need to supply certified documents to the ER. Required forms and additional information submit a correction request to the ER can be found at:

[http://txdps.state.tx.us/administration/crime\\_records/pages/errorresolution.htm](http://txdps.state.tx.us/administration/crime_records/pages/errorresolution.htm).

## IV. TFC CONTACTS

For any questions involving the TFC criminal background check process, please contact the following:

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Tommy Oates, Deputy Executive Director

Office: 512-463-3057

Cell: 512-463-3376

Email: [tommy.oates@tfc.state.tx.us](mailto:tommy.oates@tfc.state.tx.us)

Mandy Burrell, Manager

Office: 512-463-1799

Cell: 512-247-1290

Email:

[mandy.burrell@tfc.state.tx.us](mailto:mandy.burrell@tfc.state.tx.us)

## ATTACHMENT A

### Facilities Commission (ORI Facilities Commission/Service Code 11G6ZN)

The general process for electronic fingerprinting is:

1. Schedule an appointment to be electronically fingerprinted by MorphoTrust USA at one of their IdentoGo enrollment centers.
  - Internet based scheduling is the quickest and most convenient way to obtain a fingerprint appointment.
    - a. **You may begin the process now by simply clicking on this link:**  
<https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11G6ZN>
    - b. Provide all required pre-enrollment data and select a convenient date and time for your appointment
  - If you prefer to schedule over the telephone, you must:
    - a. Have your Service Code ready (**11G6ZN**), then call **888.467.2080**;
    - b. MorphoTrust will prompt you for the Service Code (**11G6ZN**);
    - c. Provide all required pre-enrollment data and select a convenient date and time for your appointment
2. Arrive at your scheduled appointment with your photo identification and fee
  - If you plan on bringing a form of identification other than a valid (unexpired) TX Driver License, please refer to the Department of Public Safety's acceptable document types here: <http://www.tn.enrollment.com/state/forms/tx/55fc619a7f7aa.doc>
  - MorphoTrust accepts Visa/MasterCard/Discover/American Express, business checks, money orders and coupon codes (employer accounts) at the time of service.
  - Please note that personal checks and cash are **not accepted**.
3. Your fingerprints will be submitted electronically to DPS and the FBI. You will not receive a printed fingerprint card.
4. At the conclusion of your appointment, the MorphoTrust enrollment agent will provide you with an IdentoGo receipt stating that you were fingerprinted.
  - Do not throw away the receipt;
  - You may check status on your submission by clicking on this link:  
<https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11G6ZN> and then;
  - Click "**Check Status**"

Fingerprints provided for this application shall be used to check criminal history records of the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in accordance with applicable statutes.

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## **ATTACHMENT B**



**IdentoGO**  
By MorphoTrust USA

Texas Fingerprint Service Code Form

Facilities Commission

**Service Name: Facilities Commission**

To schedule your ten-minute fingerprint appointment, simply visit <https://uenroll.identogo.com> and enter the following Service Code

11G6ZN

Service Code is unique to your hiring/licensing agency. Do not use this code for another purpose.

**Background Check Waiver**

I certify that all information I provided in relation to this criminal history record check is true and accurate. I authorize the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to access Texas and Federal criminal history record information that pertains to me and disseminate that information to the designated Authorized Agency or Qualified Entity with which I am or am seeking to be employed or to serve as a volunteer, through the DPS Fingerprint-based Applicant Clearinghouse of Texas and as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 411 and any other applicable state or federal statute or policy.

I authorize the Texas Department of Public Safety to submit my fingerprints and other application information to the FBI for the purpose of comparing the submitted information to available records in order to identify other information that may be pertinent to the application. I authorize the FBI to disclose potentially pertinent information to the DPS during the processing of this application and for as long hereafter as may be relevant to the activity for which this application is being submitted. I understand that the FBI may also retain my fingerprints and other applicant information in the FBI's permanent collection of fingerprints and related information, where all such data will be subject to comparisons against other submissions received by the FBI and to further disseminations by the FBI as may be authorized under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a). I understand my fingerprints will be searched by and against civil, criminal and latent fingerprints in the Next Generation Identification (NGI) system. I understand I am entitled to obtain a copy of any criminal history record check and challenge the accuracy and completeness of the information before a final determination is made by the Qualified Entity. I also understand the Qualified Entity may deny me access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities until the criminal history record check is completed. If a need arises to challenge the FBI record response, you may contact the agency that submitted the information to the FBI, or you may send a written challenge request to the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division at FBI CJIS Division, Attention: Correspondence Group, 1000 Custer Hollow Road, Clarksburg, WV 26306.



Don't have access to the Internet? You can still schedule an appointment by calling 888.467.2080

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## **EXHIBIT D**

### **PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BONDS [ FORMS]**

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**PAYMENT BOND**

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

LET IT BE KNOWN BY THIS INSTRUMENT:

That we, \_\_\_\_\_ as principal

and we \_\_\_\_\_ a corporation  
duly authorized to do business in this State, as Surety(s), are this date held and firmly  
bound unto the State of Texas in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars \$ \_\_\_\_\_

for payment of which indemnity the said Principal and Surety, by this declaration, do firmly bind  
themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and individually.

Since a Contract, which by reference is made a part hereof, exists between Principal and the State  
of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Facilities Commission, and dated \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The conditions of this obligation are, therefore, such that it shall remain in full force and effect unless  
and until the Principal shall faithfully perform the Contract in accordance with the Contract  
Documents.

The liabilities, rights, limitations, and remedies concerning this Bond shall be determined in  
accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code, amended by Acts  
of 73<sup>rd</sup> Legislature, 1993 pursuant to which Bond is executed.

IN WITNESS TO THIS DECLARATION, the said Principal and Surety(s) have signed and sealed this  
instrument

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

PRINCIPAL

SURETY

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

Bond Identification No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Attorney-In-Fact

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. of Attorney-In-Fact

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**PERFORMANCE BOND**

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

LET IT BE KNOWN BY THIS INSTRUMENT:

That we, \_\_\_\_\_ as principal  
and we \_\_\_\_\_ a corporation  
duly authorized to do business in this State, as Surety(s), are this date held and firmly  
bound unto the State of Texas in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
for payment of which indemnity the said Principal and Surety, by this declaration, do firmly bind  
themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and individually.

Since a Contract, which by reference is made a part hereof, exists between Principal and the State  
of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Facilities Commission, and dated \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_

The conditions of this obligation are, therefore, such that it shall remain in full force and effect unless  
and until the Principal shall faithfully perform the Contract in accordance with the Contract  
Documents.

In the event of Principal's failure, as defined by the Contract Documents, to faithfully perform the  
Contract, Surety(s) will within fifteen (15) days of determination of default, assume full responsibility  
for completion of said Contract and become entitled to payment of the balance of the Contract  
amount.

The liabilities, rights, limitations, and remedies concerning this Bond shall be determined in  
accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code, amended by Acts  
of 73<sup>rd</sup> Legislature, 1993 pursuant to which Bond is executed.

IN WITNESS TO THIS DECLARATION, the said Principal and Surety(s) have signed and sealed this  
instrument

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

PRINCIPAL

SURETY

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

Bond Identification No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Attorney-In-Fact

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. of Attorney-In-Fact

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**EXHIBIT E**

**HUB SUBCONTRACTING PLAN [FORM]**



# HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

## QUICK CHECKLIST

While this HSP Quick Checklist is being provided to merely assist you in readily identifying the sections of the HSP form that you will need to complete, it is very important that you adhere to the instructions in the HSP form and instructions provided by the contracting agency.

- If you will be awarding all of the subcontracting work you have to offer under the contract to only Texas certified HUB vendors, complete:
  - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
  - Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract.
  - Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors.
  - Section 2 c. - Yes
  - Section 4 - Affirmation
  - GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you do not have a continuous contract\* in place for more than five (5) years meets or exceeds the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
  - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
  - Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract.
  - Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors.
  - Section 2 c. - No
  - Section 2 d. - Yes
  - Section 4 - Affirmation
  - GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors or only to Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you do not have a continuous contract\* in place for more than five (5) years does not meet or exceed the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
  - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
  - Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract.
  - Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors.
  - Section 2 c. - No
  - Section 2 d. - No
  - Section 4 - Affirmation
  - GFE Method B (Attachment B) - Complete an Attachment B for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract and will be fulfilling the entire contract with your own resources (i.e., employees, supplies, materials and/or equipment), complete:
  - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
  - Section 2 a. - No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources.
  - Section 3 - Self Performing Justification
  - Section 4 - Affirmation

**\*Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service, to include under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.



# HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

**NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).**

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.284 are:

- 11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,
- 21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,
- 32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,
- 23.7 percent for professional services contracts,
- 26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and
- 21.1 percent for commodities contracts.

**- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -**

*In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only the aggregate percentage of the contracts expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which the respondent **does not** have a **continuous contract\*** in place for **more than five (5) years** shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.*

**SECTION 1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORMATION**

- a. Respondent (Company) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ State of Texas VID #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Point of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB?  - Yes  - No
- c. Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Open Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(mm/dd/yyyy)

Enter your company's name here: \_\_\_\_\_ Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS**

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, including contracted staffing, goods and services will be subcontracted. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.282, a "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- **Yes**, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If **Yes**, complete Item b of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- **No**, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources, including employees, goods and services. (If **No**, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you <b>do not</b> have a <b>continuous contract*</b> in place for <b>more than five (5) years</b> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a <b>continuous contract*</b> in place for <b>more than five (5) years</b> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
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7		%	%	%
8		%	%	%
9		%	%	%
10		%	%	%
11		%	%	%
12		%	%	%
13		%	%	%
14		%	%	%
15		%	%	%
<b>Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:</b>		%	%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>.)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using **only** Texas certified HUBs to perform **all** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- **No** (If **No**, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)

d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract **with Texas certified HUBs** with which you **do not** have a **continuous contract\*** in place with for **more than five (5) years**, **meets or exceeds** the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements."

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- **No** (If **No**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

**\*Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: \_\_\_\_\_ Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS (CONTINUATION SHEET)**

This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, Section 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you <b>do not</b> have a <u>continuous contract*</u> in place for <u>more than five (5) years</u> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a <u>continuous contract*</u> in place for <u>more than five (5) years</u> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
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41		%	%	%
42		%	%	%
43		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

*\*Continuous Contract: Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.*

Enter your company's name here: \_\_\_\_\_ Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION** (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4.) If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, in the space provided below explain how your company will perform the entire contract with its own employees, supplies, materials and/or equipment.

[Empty box for justification text]

**SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION**

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report – PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/hub-forms/ProgressAssessmentReportForm.xls>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

**Reminder:**

- If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "No" SECTION 2, Items c and d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.



# HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

Enter your company's name here: _____	Requisition #: _____
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**IMPORTANT:** If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Items c and d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-gfe-achm-b.pdf>.

**SECTION B-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY**

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Description: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION B-2: MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM**

If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that specific portion of work.

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.

- Yes (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION B-4.)
- No / Not Applicable (If **No** or **Not Applicable**, continue to SECTION B-3 and SECTION B-4.)

**SECTION B-3: NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY**

When completing this section you **MUST** comply with items **a, b, c** and **d**, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person. When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/hub-forms/HUBSubcontractingOpportunityNotificationForm.pdf>.

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers. Also, be mindful that a working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.

- a.** Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to you submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <http://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/tpasscmbsearch/index.jsp>. HUB status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b.** List the **three (3) Texas certified HUBs** you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

Company Name	Texas VID <small>(Do not enter Social Security Numbers.)</small>	Date Notice Sent <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Did the HUB Respond?
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

- c.** Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to **two (2)** or more trade organizations or development centers in Texas to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to trade organizations or development centers at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/resources.php>.
- d.** List **two (2) trade organizations or development centers** you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

Trade Organizations or Development Centers	Date Notice Sent <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Was the Notice Accepted?
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

# HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B) Cont.

Enter your company's name here: \_\_\_\_\_ Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION B-4: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION**

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

a. Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity for which you are completing this Attachment B continuation page.

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Description: \_\_\_\_\_

b. List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number or federal Employer Identification Number (EIN), the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, and the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <http://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/passcmlsearch/index.jsp>. HUB status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	Texas VID or federal EIN <small>Do not enter Social Security Numbers. If you do not know their VID / EIN, leave their VID / EIN field blank.</small>	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
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	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%

c. If any of the subcontractors you have selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 is not a Texas certified HUB, provide written justification for your selection process (attach additional page if necessary):

**REMINDER:** As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity it (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.



# HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notification Form

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code, Chapter 2161, each state agency that considers entering into a contract with an expected value of \$100,000 or more shall, before the agency solicits bids, proposals, offers, or other applicable expressions of interest, determine whether subcontracting opportunities are probable under the contract. The state agency I have identified below in **Section B** has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under the requisition to which my company will be responding.

34 Texas Administrative Code, §20.285 requires all respondents (prime contractors) bidding on the contract to provide notice of each of their subcontracting opportunities to at least three (3) Texas certified HUBs (who work within the respective industry applicable to the subcontracting opportunity), and allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to the respondent submitting its bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting its bid response to the contracting agency, the respondent must provide notice of each of its subcontracting opportunities to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers (in Texas) that serves members of groups (i.e., Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Woman, Service Disabled Veteran) identified in Texas Administrative Code §20.282(19)(C).

We respectfully request that vendors interested in bidding on the subcontracting opportunity scope of work identified in **Section C, Item 2**, reply no later than the date and time identified in **Section C, Item 1**. Submit your response to the point-of-contact referenced in **Section A**.

<b>SECTION A: PRIME CONTRACTOR'S INFORMATION</b>	
Company Name: _____	State of Texas VID #: _____
Point-of-Contact: _____	Phone #: _____
E-mail Address: _____	Fax #: _____
<b>SECTION B: CONTRACTING STATE AGENCY AND REQUISITION INFORMATION</b>	
Agency Name: _____	
Point-of-Contact: _____	Phone #: _____
Requisition #: _____	Bid Open Date: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)
<b>SECTION C: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY RESPONSE DUE DATE, DESCRIPTION, REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED INFORMATION</b>	
<b>1. Potential Subcontractor's Bid Response Due Date:</b>	
If you would like for our company to consider your company's bid for the subcontracting opportunity identified below in Item 2,	
we must receive your bid response no later than _____ on _____.	
	Central Time                      Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
<p><i>In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285, each notice of subcontracting opportunity shall be provided to at least three (3) Texas certified HUBs, and allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to submitting our bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, at least seven (7) working days prior to us submitting our bid response to the contracting agency, we must provide notice of each of our subcontracting opportunities to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers (in Texas) that serves members of groups (i.e., Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Woman, Service Disabled Veteran) identified in Texas Administrative Code, §20.282(19)(C).</i></p> <p><i>(A working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.)</i></p>	
<b>2. Subcontracting Opportunity Scope of Work:</b>	
<b>3. Required Qualifications:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> - Not Applicable	
<b>4. Bonding/Insurance Requirements:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> - Not Applicable	
<b>5. Location to review plans/specifications:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> - Not Applicable	

**EXHIBIT E-1**

**INITIAL APPROVED HUB SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (“HSP”)**

Texas Facilities Commission (TFC)
HUB Program
EVALUATION OF RESPONDENT'S HUB SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (HSP)

Instructions: This evaluation must be completed for each response before it can be considered further. Please complete a separate evaluation sheet for each response within five(5) business days after the opening date of the solicitation.

Section I:

Name of Respondent: Beckwith Electronic Systems

Name of Project: Fire Alarm Inspection, Testing and Maintenance

Contract #: Req #: PO #: Project:
RFQ #: 303-9-01164 RFP #: IFB #:

Services: [X] AE: [ ] CMR: [ ] RC: [ ] IDIQ: [ ] Assignment #: Amendment #: GMP #: POCN #:

TFC HUB Coordinator has reviewed the above referenced HSP response to this solicitation and finds that the HSP:

[X] complies with [ ] does not comply with

applicable HUB requirements under the Texas Government Code and Texas Administrative Code. See Sections II & III for specific details.

Method Used to Achieving HUB Compliance:

Respondent shall self-perform all services by providing all materials and performing all needed services to fulfill all requirements of the contract.

Yolanda Strey
Print/Type Name:

[Handwritten Signature] 5/17/19
TFC HUB Director/Date

Section II:

Does the respondent intend to subcontract? YES [ ] NO [X] N/A [ ]

Instructions: If "Yes," do not proceed to the following questions. If "No," proceed to the next question.

Comments:

Did the respondent verify that no subcontractors would be used in the performance of the work (verification must be provided on the form prescribed in the solicitation). [X] [ ] [ ]

Section III:

Respondents who DO intend to subcontract:

1. Did the respondent divide the work into reasonable portions, consistent YES [ ] NO [ ] N/A [X]

**Texas Facilities Commission (TFC)**

**HUB Program**

**EVALUATION OF RESPONDENT'S HUB SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (HSP)**

with prudent industry practices (Identified the areas of subcontracting)?B

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
2. Did the respondent provide notice to HUBs of the work that the respondent intends to subcontract, in accordance with 1 T.A.C. Section 111.14?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments: _____			

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
3. Did the respondent include an executed Mentor Protégé Agreement (per Section 2161.065 Government Code), registered with TPASS? Does the HUB subcontracting plan identify the area(s) of subcontracting the protégé will perform? (Submission of a protégé as a subcontractor constitutes a good faith effort for the particular area to be subcontracted with the protégé).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments: _____			

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
4. Did the respondent provide written justification of the selection process if a non-HUB subcontractor was selected by a process other than by competitive bidding, or a HUB bid was the best value responsive bidder to a competitive bid invitation, but was not selected?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments: _____			

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
5. Did the respondent provide notice to minority or women trade organizations or development centers to assist in identifying HUBs by disseminating subcontracting opportunities to their membership/participants? Did the notice in all instances, include the scope of the work, specifications, and identify a contact person? Did Respondent provide notice to organizations or development centers no less than five (5) working days for construction contracts prior to submission of the response (bid, proposal, offer, or other applicable expression of interest)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments: _____			



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# HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

**NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).**

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.284 are:

- 11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,
- 21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,
- 32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,
- 23.7 percent for professional services contracts,
- 26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and
- 21.1 percent for commodities contracts.

**-- Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements --**

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only the aggregate percentage of the contracts expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which the respondent **does not** have a **continuous contract\*** in place for **more than five (5) years** shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.

**SECTION 1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORMATION**

- a. Respondent (Company) Name: Beckwith Electronic System State of Texas VID #: 12631319782  
 Point of Contact: David Lawson Phone #: 512-275-1441  
 E-mail Address: dlawson@brec11c.com Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB?  - Yes  - No
- c. Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Open Date: 9-01164  
 (mm/dd/yyyy)

Enter your company's name here: \_\_\_\_\_ Requisition #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS**

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, including contracted staffing, goods and services will be subcontracted. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.282, a "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If Yes, complete Item b of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources, including employees, goods and services. (If No, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you do not have a "continuous contract" in place for more than five (5) years.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a "continuous contract" in place for more than five (5) years.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
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14		%	%	%
15		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>.)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using only Texas certified HUBs to perform all of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- No (If No, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)

d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract with Texas certified HUBs with which you do not have a "continuous contract" in place with for more than five (5) years, meets or exceeds the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements."

- Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- No (If No, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

**\*Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

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**SECTION 3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION** (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4.) If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, in the space provided below explain how your company will perform the entire contract with its own employees, supplies, materials and/or equipment.

We will be using only Beckwith inspection and service staff to complete the annual inspections and service repairs for this contract. Beckwith has an excellent understanding of NFPA 72 along with the knowledge of the testing and inspecting of the many brands of fire alarm manufactured systems. We follow the strict testing guidelines of how NFPA 72 requires a technician to properly inspect a life safety system and we inspect 100% of the devices that can be tested.

Our inspectors will ensure that each building inspection is done in a timely manner due to our team being very familiar with all of the state buildings and their panels (systems). Beckwith will make sure that we communicate with TFC Fire Controls and Operations at all times, especially in high security areas so as not to cause any disruption to employees and keep to our strict schedule and budget.

Beckwith will allot a specific inspection team of 2 to avoid interruption in conducting the inspection and to hold the same standard time after time with each inspection. If at any time more man power is needed, we have multiple technicians on hand to assist at any given notice. Please refer to the Methodology tab in the proposal for more specific information.

During an inspection, communication of work and schedule are a key element to successfully completing the job. We will stay in contact daily with TFC and other contractors so that we are all working together and to evaluate situations. Beckwith will provide a schedule for the State to review and approve of the State of Texas fire alarm inspections.

**SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION**

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report – PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/hub-forms/ProgressAssessmentReportForm.xls>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.



Signature

Sean Chandler

Printed Name

Vice-President

Title

05/14/2019Date  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

**Reminder:**

- If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "No" SECTION 2, Items c and d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.



# HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

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**IMPORTANT:** If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Items c and d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-gfe-achm-b.pdf>.

**SECTION B-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY**

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Description: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION B-2: MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM**

If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that **specific** portion of work.

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.

- Yes (If *Yes*, continue to SECTION B-4.)
- No / Not Applicable (If *No* or *Not Applicable*, continue to SECTION B-3 and SECTION B-4.)

**SECTION B-3: NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY**

When completing this section you **MUST** comply with items **a, b, c and d**, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs **and** trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person. When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/hub-forms/HUBSubcontractingOpportunityNotificationForm.pdf>.

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs **and** trade organizations or development centers. Also, be mindful that a working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs **and** to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.

- a.** Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs **at least seven (7) working days** to respond to the notice prior to you submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <http://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/tpasscmbsearch/index.jsp>. HUB status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b.** List the **three (3) Texas certified HUBs** you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

Company Name	Texas VID <small>(Do not enter Social Security Numbers.)</small>	Date Notice Sent <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Did the HUB Respond?
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

- c.** Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to **two (2)** or more trade organizations or development centers **in Texas** to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to trade organizations or development centers **at least seven (7) working days** prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/resources.php>.
- d.** List **two (2) trade organizations or development centers** you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

Trade Organizations or Development Centers	Date Notice Sent <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Was the Notice Accepted?
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

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**SECTION B-4: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION**

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

a. Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity for which you are completing this Attachment B continuation page.

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Description: \_\_\_\_\_

b. List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number or federal Employer Identification Number (EIN), the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, and the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <http://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/passcmbsearch/index.jsp>. HUB status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	Texas VID or federal EIN <small>Do not enter Social Security Numbers. If you do not know their VID / EIN, leave their VID / EIN field blank.</small>	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
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	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%

c. If any of the subcontractors you have selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 is not a Texas certified HUB, provide written justification for your selection process (attach additional page if necessary):

**REMINDER:** As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity it (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.



# HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notification Form

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In accordance with Texas Gov't Code, Chapter 2161, each state agency that considers entering into a contract with an expected value of \$100,000 or more shall, before the agency solicits bids, proposals, offers, or other applicable expressions of interest, determine whether subcontracting opportunities are probable under the contract. The state agency I have identified below in Section B has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under the requisition to which my company will be responding.

34 Texas Administrative Code, §20.285 requires all respondents (prime contractors) bidding on the contract to provide notice of each of their subcontracting opportunities to at least three (3) Texas certified HUBs (who work within the respective industry applicable to the subcontracting opportunity), and allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to the respondent submitting its bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting its bid response to the contracting agency, the respondent must provide notice of each of its subcontracting opportunities to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers (in Texas) that serves members of groups (i.e., Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Woman, Service Disabled Veteran) identified in Texas Administrative Code §20.282(19)(C).

We respectfully request that vendors interested in bidding on the subcontracting opportunity scope of work identified in Section C, Item 2, reply no later than the date and time identified in Section C, Item 1. Submit your response to the point-of-contact referenced in Section A.

<b>SECTION A: PRIME CONTRACTOR'S INFORMATION</b>	
Company Name: <u>Beckwith Electronic Systems, LLC</u>	State of Texas VID #: <u>1263131978200</u>
Point-of-Contact: <u>Sean Chandler</u>	Phone #: <u>512-275-1441</u>
E-mail Address: <u>schandler@besllc.com</u>	Fax #: <u>512-275-1443</u>
<b>SECTION B: CONTRACTING STATE AGENCY AND REQUISITION INFORMATION</b>	
Agency Name: _____	Phone #: _____
Point-of-Contact: _____	Bid Open Date: <u>5/15/2019</u> <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>
Requisition #: <u>303-9-01164</u>	
<b>SECTION C: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY RESPONSE DUE DATE, DESCRIPTION, REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED INFORMATION</b>	
<b>1. Potential Subcontractor's Bid Response Due Date:</b>	
If you would like for our company to consider your company's bid for the subcontracting opportunity identified below in Item 2, we must receive your bid response no later than _____ on _____ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; width: 100%;"> <span>Central Time</span> <span>Date (mm/dd/yyyy)</span> </div>	
<p><i>In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285, each notice of subcontracting opportunity shall be provided to at least three (3) Texas certified HUBs, and allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to submitting our bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, at least seven (7) working days prior to us submitting our bid response to the contracting agency, we must provide notice of each of our subcontracting opportunities to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers (in Texas) that serves members of groups (i.e., Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Woman, Service Disabled Veteran) identified in Texas Administrative Code, §20.282(19)(C).</i></p> <p><i>(A working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.)</i></p>	
<b>2. Subcontracting Opportunity Scope of Work:</b>	
<b>3. Required Qualifications:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> - Not Applicable
<b>4. Bonding/Insurance Requirements:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> - Not Applicable
<b>5. Location to review plans/specifications:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> - Not Applicable

**EXHIBIT E-2**

**HSP PROGRESS ASSESSMENT REPORT [FORM] (“PAR”)**

