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**STATE OF NEW YORK
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES
PROCUREMENT SERVICES
PIGGYBACK CONTRACT FOR COMMODITIES**

New York State Contract #

PC69412

Master Contract #

**Sourcewell # 080819-TFU – Flooring Materials,
with Related Supplies and Services**

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THIS CONTRACT for establishment of a “piggyback” contract is made between **the People of the State of New York, acting by and through the Commissioner of General Services** (hereinafter “State” or “OGS”) whose principal place of business is the 36th Floor, Corning Tower, The Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242, pursuant to authority granted under New York State Finance Law §163(10)(e), and **Tarkett USA, Inc.** (hereinafter “Contractor” or “Vendor” or “Offerer”), with its principal place of business at 30000 Aurora Rd, Solon, OH 44139. OGS and Contractor are hereby individually referred to as a “Party” and collectively referred to as “Parties.”

Whereas, in accordance with New York State Finance Law §163(10)(e), the Commissioner of OGS (hereinafter “Commissioner”) may authorize purchases required by New York State agencies or other authorized purchasers by approving the use of a contract let by any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States government and/or any department, agency, office, political subdivision or instrumentality of any state or states (hereinafter “Issuing Agency”);

Whereas, Sourcewell, a department, agency, office, political subdivision or instrumentality of the State of Minnesota, has recently let a certain Contract Number 080819-TFU with Contractor, effective from October 11, 2019 until October 11, 2023, for Flooring Materials, with Related Supplies and Services (hereinafter “Master Contract”);

Whereas, the Master Contract contains the option to extend the Master Contract up to one (1) additional one-year period upon request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by the Vendor;

Whereas, OGS New York State Procurement Services (hereinafter “OGS” or “Procurement Services”), on behalf of the Commissioner, finds it necessary and desirable to enter into a contract (hereinafter “Piggyback Contract” or “Contract”), with Contractor for the purchase of specified products or services under the terms and conditions established pursuant to the Master Contract; and

Whereas, OGS provided notification of its intention to enter into this Piggyback Contract with Contractor by placing a notice in the January 27, 2020 edition of the New York State Contract Reporter.

Therefore, by completing and signing this Piggyback Contract, Contractor is willing and able to enter into a contract and authorizes OGS to process the Piggyback Contract and provide notification to Authorized Users regarding the availability of this Piggyback Contract.

1. PIGGYBACK CONTRACT SCOPE

This document sets forth the terms and conditions governing acquisitions under this Piggyback Contract for use by Authorized Users. All the terms, conditions, covenants and representations contained herein and in the Master Contract, except as modified by this Piggyback Contract, are hereby incorporated by reference and deemed to be a part of this Piggyback Contract as if fully set forth at length herein. The terms and conditions of this Piggyback Contract shall supersede any conflicting terms and conditions set forth in the Master Contract.

The Master Contract is expressly amended as noted in Section 4, *Merger of Appendices/Conflict of Clauses*, below.

This Piggyback Contract is limited in Scope to ONLY the Products in the following categories:

- a. All indoor/outdoor, resilient, ceramic tile, porcelain tile, wood, hardwood, linoleum, rubber, vinyl, broadloom, carpet tile, epoxy, and any other flooring hybrid, floormats, and rugs;
- b. Supplies related to the removal and installation of flooring materials; and,
- c. Services related to the removal and installation of flooring materials. Pricing for services such as removal and installation of flooring material shall be Not to Exceed prices.

The Scope of the Piggyback Contract does not include any services and supplies related to the maintenance and/or cleaning of flooring materials. Authorized Users must ensure that all purchases made pursuant to this Piggyback Contract are in accordance with their procurement procedures and only for the items included within Scope. Purchase Orders placed against this contract shall only include Products listed on the Contractor's price lists. Products that are not listed on the price list are considered non-contract items and purchases must be done outside of this Piggyback Contract in accordance with the Authorized User's procurement requirements. Purchase orders containing a mixture of contract items and non-contract items shall not be placed under this Contract and are strictly prohibited.

2. TERM

The term of this Piggyback Contract shall begin on the date of execution by OGS and end on the expiration or termination of the Master Contract, subject to OGS' right to terminate this Piggyback Contract as provided herein. It is the intent of the Parties that the term of this Piggyback Contract be coterminous with the term of the Master Contract; accordingly, the term of this Piggyback Contract shall be deemed extended whenever the term of the Master Contract is extended, without the need for the Parties to execute an extension or amendment to this Piggyback Contract.

3. CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS AND RENEWALS

With the exception of term extensions addressed in Section 2, *Term* above, any modifications to this Piggyback Contract must be made by an instrument in writing executed by the Parties. Contractor shall submit copies of any modifications to or renewals of the Master Contract, including new products, terms, or price changes, to OGS for review prior to enactment. OGS may accept a modification to or renewal of the Master Contract in full. If a modification is not fully acceptable to OGS, either the Contractor or OGS may terminate the Piggyback Contract in accordance with its terms or amend the Piggyback Contract to accept the modification to the Master Contract in part.

However, in accordance with Appendix B, Section 26, *Modification of Contract Terms*, an Authorized User shall have the authority to accept an offer from Contractor for more advantageous terms and pricing than those provided under this Piggyback Contract. An Authorized User shall not have the authority to accept any other requests for modifications to the Piggyback Contract, which must be handled as outlined herein.

4. MERGER OF APPENDICES/CONFLICT OF CLAUSES

This Piggyback Contract shall incorporate the following appendices as if set forth herein at length. Only documents expressly enumerated below shall be deemed a part of this Piggyback Contract, and references contained in those documents to additional Contractor documents not enumerated below shall be of no force and effect. Conflicts between these documents shall be resolved in the following descending order of precedence:

- I. Appendix A, *Standard Clauses for NYS Contracts* (October 2019);
- II. Piggyback Contract (This Document);

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- III. Appendix B, *OGS General Specifications* (April 2016);
- IV. Appendix C, Federal Funding Agency Mandatory Terms and Conditions (May 2021);
- V. Appendix D, Report of Contract Usage;
- VI. Master Contract, Sourcewell Contract #080819-TFU.

5. APPENDIX B AMENDMENTS

The following Appendix B clauses are hereby modified for the purposes of this Contract.

The following sections of Appendix B are hereby deleted: 3 (International Bidding), 4 (Bid Opening), 5 (Late Bids), 10 (Product References), 14 (Site Inspection), 17 (Tie Bids), 18 (Quantity Changes Prior To Award), and 19 (Timeframe for Offers).

6. APPLICABLE LAW

This Piggyback Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. Any claims or actions brought by Contractor against the State for monetary damages shall be brought in the New York State Court of Claims. See Section 14, *Governing Law*, in Appendix A.

7. AUTHORIZED USERS

“Authorized User” shall have the meaning set forth in the New York State Finance Law section 163(1)(k). This Piggyback Contract is for use by Authorized Users, which includes, but is not limited to, New York State agencies, political subdivisions, local governments, public authorities, public school and fire districts, public and nonprofit libraries, and certain other nonpublic/nonprofit organizations. See Appendix B, Section 2(a), *Definitions*.

Upon request, all eligible non-State agencies must furnish the Contractor with the proper tax exemption certificates and documentation certifying eligibility to use State contracts. Questions regarding an organization's eligibility to purchase from New York State contracts may also be directed to OGS Procurement Services Customer Services at 518-474-6717 or at customer.services@ogs.ny.gov.

8. PREFERRED SOURCE PRODUCTS

Section 162 of the State Finance Law requires that Authorized Users afford first priority to the Products of Preferred Source suppliers such as Corcraft (the marketplace name for the NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, Division of Industries), New York State Preferred Source Program for People who are Blind (NYSPSP), and New York State Industries for the Disabled (NYSID), and others determined by law, when such Products meet the form, function and utility of the Authorized User. Some Products in this Piggyback Contract may be available from one or more Preferred Sources. An Authorized User must determine if a particular Product is approved for a Preferred Source and follow the requirements of State Finance Law § 162(3) or (4)(b), respectively, before engaging the Contractor.

9. NOTICES

All notices, demands, designations, certifications, requests, reports, offers, consents, approvals and other instruments given pursuant to this Piggyback Contract shall be in writing and shall be validly given when mailed by registered, certified or overnight mail, or hand delivered and (i) if to the State, addressed to the State at its address identified as indicated below, or (ii) if to the Contractor, addressed to the Contractor at its address identified as indicated below. A Party may, from time to time, specify any address in the United States as its address for purposes of notices under this Piggyback Contract by giving fifteen (15) days written notice to the other Party. The Parties mutually agree to designate individuals in their respective organizations for purposes of receiving notice pursuant to this Piggyback Contract. The representatives for the State and the Contractor will be identified, and updated, on the Contract Award Notification page associated with this Piggyback Contract.

10. PROCESSING CONTRACT PAYMENTS

The Contractor acknowledges that a contract payment cannot be processed by an Authorized User until the contract Products have been delivered and accepted in accordance with the terms and conditions of Appendix B, Sections 31, *Product Delivery*, and 34, *Title and Risk of Loss for Products Other than Technology Products*.

11. CONTRACT BILLINGS AND PAYMENTS

Appendix B, Section 45, *Contract Invoicing*, applies to this Piggyback Contract.

12. PAYMENTS OF INTEREST

Appendix B, Section 47, *Prompt Payments*, applies to this Piggyback Contract. The parties acknowledge that Article 11-A of the State Finance Law requires payments to small businesses to be made within 15 days if the conditions set forth therein are met.

The Federal Prompt Payment Act (or any other law governing payment terms incorporated in the Master Contract) does not apply to the Piggyback Contract regardless of Authorized User.

13. REPORT OF CONTRACT USAGE

Contractor shall submit Appendix D – Report of Contract Usage including total sales to Authorized Users of this Contract by Contractor, and all authorized resellers, dealers and distributors, if any, no later than 15 days after the close of each calendar quarter. If the Contract period begins or ends in a fractional portion of a reporting period, only the actual Contract sales for this fractional period should be included in the quarterly report.

Contractors shall specify if any authorized resellers, dealers or distributors are NYS Certified Minority- and/or Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBES), small business enterprises (SBEs), or Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses (SDVOBs).

The report is to be submitted electronically via e-mail in Microsoft Excel to OGS Procurement Services, to the attention of the individual listed on the front page of the Contract Award Notification and shall reference the Contract Group Number, Award Number, Contract Number, Sales Period, and Contractor's name.

The report in Appendix D – Report of Contract Usage contains the minimum information required. Additional related sales information, such as detailed user purchases may be required by OGS and must be supplied upon request. Failure to submit reports on a timely basis may result in Contract cancellation and designation of Contractor as non-responsible.

Contractor shall also make the report or the information therein available to Sourcewell upon request in accordance with the Master Contract.

14. PRICE AND DISCOUNT

I. MINIMUM ORDER

There are no minimum order quantities under the Master Contract or this Piggyback Contract.

II. PRICE AND DISCOUNTS

A. Price shall include all customs duties and charges and be net, F.O.B. destination any point in New York State as designated by the ordering Authorized User. In the alternative, shipping costs from the shipping point may be added to invoice for the product, with a copy of the freight bill. Shipping costs are to be prepaid by Contractor and such orders are to be shipped on an F.O.B. destination basis. Contractor shall provide the Authorized User with an estimate of shipping charges prior to placement of an order. All such orders shall be shipped by the most economical method for the proper delivery of the product unless special instructions are stated on the Purchase Order by the Authorized User.

- B. The price for products and services included in the Master Contract shall either be at the agreed-upon discounts and service rates in the Master Contract, or at a price that is more advantageous to the Authorized User, as mutually agreed to by the Parties.
- C. Any prompt payment terms (cash discounts) or quantity (volume) discounts which are included in the Master Contract will also be included in this Piggyback Contract.

III. "OGS OR LESS" GUIDELINES APPLY TO THIS CONTRACT

Purchases of the Products included in the Piggyback Contract are subject to the "OGS or Less" provisions of State Finance Law §163(3)(a)(v). This means that State Agencies can purchase Products from sources other than the Contractor provided that such Products are substantially similar in form, function or utility to the Products herein and are:

- A. lower in price
-and/or-
- B. available under terms that are more economically efficient to the State Agency (e.g. delivery terms, warranty terms, etc.).

State Agencies are reminded that they must provide the State Contractor an opportunity to match the non-Contract savings at least two business days prior to purchase. In addition, purchases made under "OGS or Less" flexibility must meet all requirements of law including, but not limited to, advertising in the New York State Contract Reporter, prior approval of the Office of the State Comptroller and competitive bidding of requirements exceeding the discretionary threshold. State Agencies should refer to Procurement Council Guidelines for additional information.

15. USE OF SUBCONTRACTORS/DEALERS/DISTRIBUTORS/RESELLERS

Contractor is solely responsible for meeting the requirements of this Piggyback Contract and any purchases made hereunder and shall ensure that sufficient resources are available to meet its obligations, either directly or through the use of Subcontractors, dealers, distributors, and/or resellers. Contractor shall be fully liable for Subcontractor, dealer, distributor and/or reseller performance under this Piggyback Contract, and their compliance with all Piggyback Contract terms and conditions. OGS reserves the right to reject any proposed Subcontractor, dealer, distributor and/or reseller or to require replacement of any Subcontractor, dealer, distributor and/or reseller pursuant to Appendix B, Section 41, *Subcontractors and Suppliers*.

Contractor may add or remove Subcontractors, dealers, distributors and/or resellers to this Piggyback Contract no more than two times per year unless otherwise approved by Procurement Services. All Subcontractors, dealers, distributors and/or resellers must be approved by Procurement Services.

Failure to properly report sales by Subcontractors, dealers, distributors and/or resellers or violations of the terms of this Contract by Subcontractors, dealers, distributors and/or resellers may result in the Subcontractor, dealer, distributor and/or reseller no longer being approved for sales by Procurement Services, a finding of non-responsibility against the Contractor, and/or a termination of this Piggyback Contract.

16. OVERLAPPING CONTRACT ITEMS

Products available under this Piggyback Contract may also be available from other New York State contracts. Authorized Users will be advised to select the most cost-effective procurement alternative that meets their program requirements, and to maintain a procurement record documenting the basis for this selection.

17. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- A. Contract Administrator: Contractor must provide a dedicated Contract Administrator to support the updating and management of the Piggyback Contract on a timely basis. The Contract administrator's contact information will be listed on the Procurement Services contract page for this Piggyback Contract.
- B. "Toll Free" Number: Contractor must provide a toll-free telephone number for order tracking/delivery schedule information, Contract administration issues, as well as other questions by Authorized Users related to the day to day operation and use of the Contract other than Product support. The toll-free number must be available Monday

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through Friday on State business days between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Time. Contractor may additionally offer an online or e-mail or internet site for order tracking/delivery schedule information for those customers who have electronic access. The number and online contact information will be provided on the Procurement Services contract page for this Piggyback Contract.

18. PREVAILING WAGE RATES – PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDING SERVICES CONTRACTS

Work being performed under this Piggyback Contract is subject to the prevailing wage rate provisions of New York State Labor Law. See Appendix B, Section 7, *Prevailing Wage Rates – Public Works and Building Services Contracts*. Any federal or State determination of a violation of any public works law or regulation, or labor law or regulation, or any OSHA violation deemed “serious or willful” may be grounds for a determination of vendor non-responsibility, suspension or termination of Contract.

For reference purposes only, the applicable Prevailing Wage Rate Schedule for this Piggyback Contract is PRC #2021004908 which can be viewed at <https://apps.labor.ny.gov/wpp/publicViewProject.do?method=showIt&id=1513945>.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Authorized Users MUST obtain a separate PRC# for each project purchased from this contract where prevailing wage rates apply. The PRC# provided in this document is for information and evaluation purposes. To request your project specific wage rate schedule from DOL please submit the online application at this link:

<https://labor.ny.gov/workerprotection/publicwork/PWReqforOWS.shtm>

Worker Notification

Labor Law § 220(3-a)(a)(ii) requires Contractors and Subcontractors to provide written notice to all laborers, workers or mechanics of the prevailing wage rate for their particular job classification on each pay stub*. It also requires Contractors and Subcontractors to post a notice at the beginning of the performance of every public work Contract on each job site that includes the telephone number and address for the Department of Labor and a statement informing laborers, workers or mechanics of their right to contact the Department of Labor if he/she is not receiving the proper prevailing rate of wages and/or supplements for his/her particular job classification. The required notification will be provided with each wage schedule, may be downloaded from www.labor.state.ny.us or made available upon request by contacting the Bureau of Public Work at 518-457-5589.

* In the event that the required information will not fit on the pay stub, an accompanying sheet or attachment of the information will suffice.

<https://www.labor.ny.gov/workerprotection/publicwork/pdfs/worker-notification-A9052.pdf>

OSHA 10-Hour Construction Safety and Health Course

Labor Law § 220-h requires that on all public work contracts of at least \$250,000, all laborers, workers, and mechanics working on site be certified as having successfully completed the OSHA 10-hour construction safety and health course. It further requires that the advertised bids and contracts for every public work contract of at least \$250,000 contain a provision of the requirement AND only applies to workers on a public work project that are required under Article 8 to receive the prevailing wage.

Further information may be found at: www.labor.ny.gov/workerprotection/publicwork/PWContents.shtm

Living Wage

An Authorized User subject to a local law establishing a "living wage", such as Section 6-109 of the New York City Administrative Code, is required to ensure the Contractor sought to be hired complies with such local law. If the pay rate(s) for a job title(s) as set forth in this Piggyback Contract is less than the local law "living wage," then the Authorized User subject to such local law cannot use this Contract for such job title(s). Local laws, however, are not a term and condition of the Piggyback Contract.

19. CONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall be required to procure, at their sole cost and expense, prior to this Piggyback Contract taking effect, and shall maintain in force at all times during the term of this Piggyback Contract, policies of insurance as required below.

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All insurance required by this Attachment shall be written by companies that have an A.M. Best Company rating of "A-," Class "VII" or better. In addition, companies writing insurance intended to comply with the requirements of this Attachment should be licensed or authorized by the New York State Department of Financial Services to issue insurance in the State of New York. OGS may, in its sole discretion, accept policies of insurance written by a non-authorized carrier or carriers when certificates and/or other policy documents are accompanied by a completed Excess Lines Association of New York (ELANY) affidavit or other documents demonstrating the company's strong financial rating. If, during the term of a policy, the carrier's A.M. Best rating falls below "A-," Class "VII," the insurance must be replaced, on or before the renewal date of the policy, with insurance that meets the requirements above.

The Contractor shall deliver to OGS evidence of such policies in a form acceptable to OGS. Policies must be written in accordance with the requirements of the paragraphs below, as applicable. While acceptance of insurance documentation shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, acceptance and/or approval by OGS does not, and shall not be construed, to relieve Contractor of any obligations, responsibilities or liabilities under this Piggyback Contract.

The Contractor shall not take any action or omit to take any action that would suspend or invalidate any of the required coverages during the term of this Piggyback Contract.

I. General Conditions Applicable to Insurance. All policies of insurance required by this Piggyback Contract must meet the following requirements:

- A. Coverage Types and Policy Limits.** The types of coverage and policy limits required from the Contractor are specified in Paragraph II Insurance Requirements below.
- B. Policy Forms.** Except as may be otherwise specifically provided herein or agreed to in writing by OGS, policies must be written on an occurrence basis.
- C. Certificates of Insurance/Notices.** Contractor shall provide OGS with a Certificate or Certificates of Insurance, in a form satisfactory to OGS as detailed below, and pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section M below, prior to this Piggyback Contract taking effect. Certificates shall reference the Solicitation or award number and shall name The New York State Office of General Services, Bureau of Risk and Insurance Management (BRIM), 32nd Floor, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242 as the certificate holder.

Certificates of Insurance shall:

- a. Be in the form acceptable to OGS and in accordance with the New York State Insurance Law (e.g., and ACORD certificate);
- b. Disclose any deductible, self-insured retention, aggregate limit or exclusion to the policy that materially changes the coverage required by this this Piggyback Contract;
- c. Be signed by an authorized representative of the insurance carrier or producer; and
- d. Contain the following language in the Description of Operations / Locations / Vehicles section of the Certificate or on a submitted endorsement: Additional insured protection afforded is on a primary and non-contributory basis, as per written contract. A waiver of subrogation is granted in favor of the additional insureds.

Only original documents or electronic forms that can be directly traced back to the insurance carrier, agent or broker via e-mail distribution (Certificates of Insurance and other attachments) will be accepted.

OGS generally requires Contractors to submit only certificates of insurance and additional insured endorsements, although OGS reserves the right to request other proof of insurance. Contractors should refrain from submitting entire insurance policies, unless specifically requested by OGS. If an entire insurance policy is submitted but not requested, OGS shall not be obligated to review and shall not be chargeable with knowledge of its contents. In addition, submission of an entire insurance policy not requested by OGS does not constitute proof of compliance with the insurance requirements and does not discharge Contractors from submitting the requested insurance documentation.

- D. Primary Coverage.** All liability insurance policies shall provide that the required coverage shall be primary and non-contributory to any other insurance available to the People of the State of New York, the New York State

Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Contract and their officers, agents, and employees. Any other insurance maintained by to the People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Contract and their officers, agents, and employees shall not contribute with the Contractor's insurance.

- E. **Breach for Lack of Proof of Coverage.** The failure to comply with the requirements of this Attachment at any time during the term of this Piggyback Contract shall be considered a breach of the terms of this Piggyback Contract and shall allow the People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Piggyback Contract and their officers, agents, and employees to avail themselves of all remedies available under this Piggyback Contract, at law or in equity.
- F. **Self-Insured Retention/Deductibles.** If Certificates of Insurance do not indicate the applicable deductible/self-insured retention on each policy, and deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 apply, then Contractor is subject to approval from OGS. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for all claim expenses and loss payments within the deductibles or self-insured retentions. If the Contractor is providing the required insurance through self-insurance, evidence of the financial capacity to support the self-insurance program along with a description of that program, including, but not limited to, information regarding the use of a third-party administrator shall be provided upon request.
- G. **Subcontractors.** Should the Contractor engage a subcontractor, the Contractor shall require all subcontractors, prior to commencement of an agreement between Contractor and the subcontractor, to secure and keep in force during the Term of this Piggyback Contract the insurance requirements of this document on the subcontractor as applicable. Proof thereof shall be supplied to OGS. An Additional Insured Endorsement CG 20 38 04 13 (or the equivalent) evidencing such coverage shall be provided to the Contractor prior to the commencement of any work by a subcontractor and pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section A.13. below, as applicable, and shall be provided to OGS upon request. For subcontractors that are self-insured, the subcontractor shall be obligated to defend and indemnify the above-named additional insureds with respect to Commercial General Liability and Business Automobile Liability, in the same manner that the subcontractor would have been required to pursuant to this section had the subcontractor obtained such insurance policies.
- H. **Waiver of Subrogation.** For Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies and the workers' compensation insurance required below, the Bidder/Contractor shall cause to be included in its policies insuring against loss, damage or destruction by fire or other insured casualty a waiver of the insurer's right of subrogation against The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Piggyback Contract and their officers, agents, and employees, or, if such waiver is unobtainable (i) an express agreement that such policy shall not be invalidated if the Contractor waives or has waived before the casualty, the right of recovery against The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Piggyback Contract and their officers, agents, and employees or (ii) any other form of permission for the release of The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Piggyback Contract and their officers, agents, and employees. A Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement shall be provided upon request. A blanket Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement evidencing such coverage is also acceptable.
- I. **Additional Insured.** The Contractor shall cause in Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies required below naming as additional insureds (via ISO coverage forms CG 20 10 04 13 or 20 38 04 13 and CG 20 37 04 13 and form CA 20 48 10 13, or a form or forms that provide equivalent coverage): The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Piggyback Contract and their officers, agents, and employees. An Additional Insured Endorsement evidencing such coverage shall be provided to OGS pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section M below. A blanket Additional Insured Endorsement evidencing such coverage is also acceptable. For Contractors who are self-insured, the Contractor shall be obligated to defend and indemnify the above-named additional insureds with respect to Commercial General Liability and Business Automobile Liability, in the same

manner that the Contractor would have been required to pursuant to this Attachment had the Contractor obtained such insurance policies.

- J. **Excess/Umbrella Liability Policies.** Required insurance coverage limits may be provided through a combination of primary and excess/umbrella liability policies. If coverage limits are provided through excess/umbrella liability policies, then a Schedule of underlying insurance listing policy information for all underlying insurance policies (insurer, policy number, policy term, coverage and limits of insurance), including proof that the excess/umbrella insurance follows form must be provided upon request.
- K. **Notice of Cancellation or Non-Renewal.** Policies shall be written so as to include the requirements for notice of cancellation or non-renewal in accordance with the New York State Insurance Law. Within ten (10) business days of receipt of any notice of cancellation or non-renewal of insurance, the Contractor shall endeavor to provide OGS with a copy of any such notice received from an insurer together with proof of replacement coverage, unless self-insuring, that complies with the insurance requirements of this Piggyback Contract.
- L. **Policy Renewal/Expiration.** Upon policy renewal/expiration, evidence of renewal or replacement of coverage that complies with the insurance requirements set forth in this Piggyback Contract shall be delivered to OGS. If, at any time during the term of this Piggyback Contract, the coverage provisions and limits of the policies required herein do not meet the provisions and limits set forth in this Piggyback Contract, or proof thereof is not provided to OGS, the Contractor shall immediately cease work. The Contractor shall not resume work until authorized to do so by OGS.
- M. **Deadlines for Providing Insurance Documents after Renewal or Upon Request.** As set forth herein, certain insurance documents must be provided to the OGS BRIM contact identified in the Contract Award Notice after renewal or upon request. This requirement means that the Contractor shall provide the applicable insurance document to OGS as soon as possible but in no event later than the following time periods:
 - For certificates of insurance: 5 business days from request or renewal, whichever is later;
 - For information on self-insurance or self-retention programs: 15 calendar days from request or renewal, whichever is later;
 - For other requested documentation evidencing coverage: 15 calendar days from request or renewal, whichever is later;
 - For additional insured and waiver of subrogation endorsements: 30 calendar days from request or renewal, whichever is later; and
 - For notice of cancellation or non-renewal and proof of replacement coverage that complies with the requirements of this section: 10 business days from request or renewal, whichever is later.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Contractor shall have promptly requested the insurance documents from its broker or insurer and shall have thereafter diligently taken all steps necessary to obtain such documents from its insurer and submit them to OGS, OGS shall extend the time period for a reasonable period under the circumstances, but in no event shall the extension exceed 30 calendar days.

- II. **Insurance Requirements.** The Contractor, throughout the term of this Piggyback Contract, or as otherwise required by this Piggyback Contract, shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect, the following insurance with limits not less than those described below and as required by the terms of this Piggyback Contract, or as required by law, whichever is greater (limits may be provided through a combination of primary and umbrella/excess policies):

Insurance Type		Proof of Coverage is Due
Commercial General Liability	\$2,000,000 each occurrence	At time of Bid submission and updated in
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000	
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000	

Insurance Type		Proof of Coverage is Due
Products – Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000	accordance with Contract
Medical Expenses Limit	\$5,000	
Business Automobile Liability Insurance	\$2,000,000 each accident	
Professional Error & Omissions* (where applicable)	\$2,000,000 each occurrence	
Crime Insurance* (where applicable)	\$50,000	
Workers' Compensation		
Disability Benefits		

1. Commercial General Liability Insurance: Such liability shall be written on the current edition of ISO occurrence form CG 00 1, or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage and shall cover liability arising from premises operations, independent contractors, broad form property damage, personal & advertising injury, cross liability coverage, and liability assumed from all work and operation under this Piggyback Contract (including the tort liability of another in a contract).

- Each Occurrence
- General Aggregate
- Personal/Advertising Injury
- Medical Expenses Limit

Coverage shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a. Premises liability;
- b. Independent contractors;
- c. Blanket contractual liability, including tort liability of another assumed in a contract;
- d. Defense and/or indemnification obligations, including obligations assumed under this Piggyback Contract; and
- e. Products/completed operations for a term of no less than one year, commencing upon acceptance of work, as required by the Piggyback Contract; and
- f. Cross liability for additional insureds.

2. Business Automobile Liability Insurance: Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of an automobile used in connection with the work required under this Piggyback Contract, including owned, leased, hired and non-owned automobiles bearing or, under the circumstances under which they are being used, required by the Motor Vehicles Laws of the State of New York to bear, license plates. In the event that the Contractor does not own, lease or hire any automobiles used in connection with performance under this Piggyback Contract, the Contractor does not need to obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance, but must attest to the fact that the Contractor does not own, lease or hire any automobiles used in connection with performance under this Piggyback Contract on a form provided by OGS. If, however, during the term of the Contract, the Contractor acquires, leases or hires any automobiles that will be used in connection with performance under this Piggyback Contract, the Contractor must obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance that meets all of the requirements of this section and provide proof of such coverage to OGS in accordance with the insurance requirements of this Piggyback Contract.

3. Professional Error and Omissions*: If providing professional occupation job titles, the Contractor shall maintain Professional Liability insurance.
 - Such insurance shall apply to professional errors, acts, or omissions arising out of the scope of services.
 - If coverage is written on a claims-made policy, the Contractor warrants that any applicable retroactive date precedes the start of work; and that continuous coverage will be maintained, or an extended discovery period exercised, throughout the performance of the services and for a period of not less than three years from the time work under this Piggyback Contract is completed. Written proof of this extended reporting period must be provided to OGS upon request.
 - The policy shall cover professional misconduct or lack of ordinary skill for those positions defined in the Scope of Services of this Piggyback Contract.

4. Crime Insurance*: If, during the term of this Piggyback Contract, the Contractor plans to enter the premises of an Authorized User to fulfill its obligations under this Piggyback Contract, the Contractor is required to fulfill the Crime Insurance requirements herein and shall be required to provide proof of compliance with the requirements. If, during the term this Piggyback Contract, the Contractor plans to enter the premises of an Authorized User to fulfill its obligations under this Piggyback Contract, the Contractor shall maintain, during the term of the Contract, Crime Insurance on a "loss sustained form" or "loss discovered form," and coverage must include the following:
 - The policy must allow for reporting of circumstances or incidents that might give rise to future claims.
 - The policy must include an extended reporting period of no less than one (1) year with respect to events which occurred but were not reported during the term of the policy.
 - Any warranties required by the Contractor's insurer as a result of this Piggyback Contract must be disclosed and complied with. Said insurance shall extend coverage to include the principals (all directors, officers, agents and employees) of the Contractor as a result of this Piggyback Contract.
 - The policy shall include coverage for third party fidelity and name "The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use any Contract resulting from this Solicitation as an Authorized User and their officers, agents, and employees" as "Loss Payees" for all third party coverage secured. This requirement applies to both primary and excess liability policies, as applicable.
 - The policy shall not contain a condition requiring an arrest and conviction.

III. Workers' Compensation Insurance and Disability Benefits Requirements

New York State Workers' Compensation Law (WCL) §57 & §220 requires the heads of all municipal and state entities to ensure that businesses applying for permits, licenses or contracts document that they have appropriate workers' compensation and disability benefits insurance coverage. These requirements apply to both original contracts and renewals, whether the governmental agency is having the work done or is simply issuing the permit, license or contract. Failure to provide proof of such coverage or a legal exemption will result in Offerer/Contractor not being considered for this Piggyback Contract or renewal of same. **A Bidder will not be awarded a Contract unless proof of workers' compensation and disability insurance is provided to OGS.** Proof of workers' compensation and disability benefits coverage, or proof of exemption must be submitted to OGS at the time of Bid submission, policy renewal, contract renewal and upon request. Proof of compliance must be submitted on one of the following forms designated by the New York State Workers' Compensation Board. **An ACORD form is not acceptable proof of New York State workers' compensation or disability benefits insurance coverage.**

The failure to comply with the requirements of this Attachment at any time during the term of this Piggyback Contract shall be considered a breach of the terms of this Piggyback Contract and shall allow the People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use this Piggyback Contract and their officers, agents, and employees to avail themselves of all remedies available under this Piggyback Contract, at law or in equity.

Proof of Compliance with Workers' Compensation Coverage Requirements:

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- Form CE-200, *Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities With No Employees and Certain Out of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required*, which is available on the Workers' Compensation Board's website (www.wcb.ny.gov);
- Form C-105.2 (9/07), *Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance*, sent to OGS by the Contractor's insurance carrier upon request, or if coverage is provided by the New York State Insurance Fund, they will provide Form U-26.3 to OGS upon request from the Contractor; or
- Form SI-12, *Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance*, available from the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's Self-Insurance Office, or
- Form GSI-105.2, *Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance*, available from the Contractor's Group Self-Insurance Administrator.

Proof of Compliance with Disability Benefits Coverage Requirements:

- Form CE-200, *Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities With No Employees and Certain Out of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required*, which is available on the Workers' Compensation Board's website (www.wcb.ny.gov);
- Form DB-120.1, *Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance*, sent to OGS by the Contractor's insurance carrier upon request; or
- Form DB-155, *Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance*, available from the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's Self-Insurance Office.

An instruction manual clarifying the New York State Workers' Compensation Law requirements is available for download at the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's website, <http://www.wcb.ny.gov>. Once on the site, click on the Employers/Businesses tab and then click on Employers' Handbook.

20. PURCHASE ORDERS

Purchase Orders shall be made in accordance with the terms set forth in Appendix B, Section 30, *Purchase Orders*. Authorized Users may submit orders over the phone, and, if available, may submit orders electronically via web-based ordering, e-mail, or facsimile at any time. Orders submitted shall be deemed received by Contractor on the date submitted.

All orders shall reference Contract number, requisition, and/or Purchase Order number (if applicable). Upon Contractor's receipt of an order, confirmation is to be provided to the Authorized User electronically or via facsimile. Order confirmation should be sufficiently detailed, and include, at a minimum, purchase price, date of order, delivery information (if applicable), Authorized User's name, and sales representative (if applicable).

If the Contractor accepts orders using the state's purchasing card (see Appendix B, Purchasing Card), also referred to as the Procurement Card, the Contractor shall not charge or bill the Authorized User for any additional charges related to the use of the Purchasing Card, including but not limited to processing charges, surcharges or other fees.

21. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

This Piggyback Contract will be an estimated quantity Contract. No specific quantities are represented or guaranteed and the State provides no guarantee of individual Authorized User participation. The Contractor must furnish all quantities actually ordered at or below the Contract prices. The individual value of this Piggyback Contract is indeterminate and will depend upon the number of Contracts issued and the competitiveness of the pricing offered. Authorized Users will be encouraged to purchase from Contractors who offer the Products and pricing that best meet their needs in the most practical and economical manner. See Appendix B, Section 28, Estimated/Specific Quantity Contracts.

Numerous factors could cause the actual quantities of Products purchased under this Piggyback Contract to vary substantially from any estimates. Such factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

- This Piggyback Contract may be a non-exclusive contract;

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- There is no guarantee of quantities to be purchased, nor is there any guarantee that demand will continue in any manner consistent with previous purchases;
- The individual value of this Piggyback Contract is indeterminate and will depend upon actual Authorized User demand and actual quantities ordered during the contract period;
- The State reserves the right to terminate this Piggyback Contract for cause or convenience prior to the end of the term pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Piggyback Contract;
- Contract pricing that is lower than anticipated could result in a higher quantity of purchases by Authorized Users than anticipated; and
- Contract pricing that is higher than anticipated could result in a lower quantity of purchases by Authorized Users than anticipated.

By execution of this Piggyback Contract Contractor acknowledges the foregoing and agrees that actual good faith purchasing volumes during the term of this Piggyback Contract could vary substantially from any estimates provided in this Piggyback Contract or previous purchases.

22. CATALOGS AND PRICE SHEETS

Catalogs and price lists shall be provided in accordance with the terms of the Master Contract and this section. Upon request, Contractor shall also assist Authorized Users in the use of such documents. Procurement Services reserves the right to remove any unclear or unverifiable information from price lists. Contractors shall also identify products meeting the NYS Executive Order 4 specification for Carpet and Carpet Tile in the Contractor Price Lists which will be published on the OGS contract page to assist Authorized Users in finding these products.

Price List Adjustment Process – The manufacturer may update the price list in accordance with the terms of the Master Contract and upon acceptance of the price update by Procurement Services. The requested adjustment shall be based on documented cost increase to the manufacturer that is directly related the price of the products on the manufacturer's price list covered under the Master Contract. The adjustment shall not produce a higher profit margin than the original contract and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation and nationwide notice of price adjustment.

The price adjustment request must be made at least 60 days prior to the effective date and shall not go into effect until the contract manager has approved the price list.

OGS reserves the right to not accept price list updates and revisions from vendors who have not submitted complete sales reports in accordance with Section 13 of this Piggyback Contract, until such time as completed sales reports are submitted to OGS.

23. SUMMARY OF POLICY AND PROHIBITIONS ON PROCUREMENT LOBBYING

Pursuant to State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k, this Piggyback Contract includes and imposes certain restrictions on communications between OGS and an offerer/Bidder during the procurement process. An offerer/Bidder is restricted from making contacts from the earliest posting, on a governmental entity's website, in a newspaper of general circulation, or in the procurement opportunities newsletter of intent to solicit offers/Bids through final award and approval of the Procurement Contract by OGS and, if applicable, the Office of the State Comptroller ("restricted period") to other than designated staff unless it is a contact that is included among certain statutory exceptions set forth in State Finance Law §139-j(3)(a). Designated staff, as of the date hereof, are identified on the first page of this Piggyback Contract. OGS employees are also required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of the responsibility of the offerer/Bidder pursuant to State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k. Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in rejection for Contract award and, in the event of two findings within a four-year period, the offerer/Bidder is debarred from obtaining governmental Procurement Contracts for four years. Further information about these requirements can be found on the OGS website: <https://ogs.ny.gov/acpl/>

24. NEW YORK STATE VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY

- I. OGS conducts a review of prospective contractors (“offerers”) to provide reasonable assurances that an offerer is responsive and responsible. A For-Profit Business Entity Questionnaire (hereinafter “Questionnaire”) is used for non-construction contracts and is designed to provide information to assess an offerer’s responsibility to conduct business in New York based upon financial and organizational capacity, legal authority, business integrity, and past performance history. If interested in contracting with New York State, an offerer must agree and hereby agrees to fully and accurately complete the Questionnaire. The offerer acknowledges that the State’s execution of the Contract will be contingent upon the State’s determination that the offerer is responsible and that the State will be relying upon the offerer’s responses to the Questionnaire, in addition to all other information the State may obtain from other sources, when making its responsibility determination.

OGS recommends each offerer file the required Questionnaire online via the New York State VendRep System. To enroll in and use the VendRep System, please refer to the VendRep System Instructions and User Support for Vendors available at the Office of the State Comptroller’s (OSC) website at, <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/index.htm> or to enroll, go directly to the VendRep System online at <https://portal.osc.state.ny.us>.

Vendors must provide their New York State Vendor Identification Number when enrolling. For information on how to request assignment of a Vendor ID, see the *NYS Vendor File Registration section*. OSC provides direct support for the VendRep System through user assistance, documents, online help, and a help desk. The OSC Help Desk contact information is located at <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/portal/contactbuss.htm>. Offerers opting to complete and submit the paper questionnaire can access this form and associated definitions via the OSC website at: http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/forms_vendor.htm.

In order to assist the State in determining the responsibility of the offerer prior to Contract award, the offerer must complete and certify (or recertify) the Questionnaire no more than six (6) months prior to OGS’ transmittal to you of this Piggyback Contract. An offerer’s Questionnaire cannot be viewed by OGS until the offerer has certified the Questionnaire. It is recommended that all offerers become familiar with all of the requirements of the Questionnaire and complete as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for OGS review prior to Piggyback Contract execution.

- II. The Contractor shall at all times during the Piggyback Contract term remain responsible. The Contractor agrees, if requested by the Commissioner of OGS, to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity.

The Commissioner of OGS, in his or her sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Piggyback Contract, at any time, when he or she discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Activity under the Piggyback Contract may resume at such time as the Commissioner of OGS issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Piggyback Contract.

The Contractor agrees that if it is found by the State that Contractor’s responses to the Questionnaire were intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, on such finding, the Commissioner may terminate the Piggyback Contract. Upon written notice to the Contractor, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate OGS officials or staff, the Piggyback Contract may be terminated by the Commissioner of OGS at the Contractor’s expense where the Contractor is determined by the Commissioner of OGS to be non-responsible. In such event, the Commissioner of OGS may complete the contractual requirements in any manner he or she may deem advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

In no case shall such termination of the Piggyback Contract by the State be deemed a breach thereof, nor shall the State be liable for any damages for lost profits or otherwise, which may be sustained by the Contractor as a result of such termination.

25. NEW YORK STATE TAX LAW SECTION 5-A

Tax Law §5-a requires certain Contractors awarded State Contracts for commodities, services and technology valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to NYS Department of Taxation and Finance (DTF) that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. The law applies to Contracts where the total amount of such Contractors' sales delivered into New York State is in excess of \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly period in which the certification is made, and with respect to any affiliates and Subcontractors whose sales delivered into New York State exceeded \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly period in which the certification is made.

A Contractor is required to file the completed and notarized Form ST-220-CA with OGS certifying that the Contractor filed the ST-220-TD with DTF. Only the Form ST-220-CA is required to be filed with OGS. The ST-220-CA can be found at https://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/current_forms/st/st220ca_fill_in.pdf.

The ST-220-TD can be found at https://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/current_forms/st/st220td_fill_in.pdf. Contractor should complete and return the certification forms within five (5) business days of request (if the forms are not completed and returned prior to such request). Failure to make either of these filings may render a Contractor non-responsive and non-responsible. Contractor shall take the necessary steps to provide properly certified forms within a timely manner to ensure compliance with the law. The ST-220-TD only needs to be filed once with DTF, unless the information changes for the Contractor, its affiliates, or its Subcontractors.

VENDORS MAY CALL DTF AT 518-485-2889 WITH QUESTIONS OR VISIT THE DTF WEB SITE AT [HTTPS://WWW.TAX.NY.GOV/](https://www.tax.ny.gov/) FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

26. NEW YORK STATE VENDOR FILE REGISTRATION

Prior to being awarded a Contract, the Contractor and any authorized dealers/distributors/resellers who accept payment directly from the State must be registered in the New York State Vendor File (Vendor File) administered by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). This is a central registry for all vendors who do business with New York State Agencies and the registration must be initiated by a State Agency. Following the initial registration, a unique New York State ten-digit vendor identification number (Vendor ID) will be assigned to your company and to each of your authorized dealers/distributors/resellers (if any) for use on all future transactions with New York State. Additionally, the Vendor File enables a vendor to use the Vendor Self-Service application to manage all vendor information in one central location for all transactions related to the State of New York.

If the Contractor is already registered in the New York State Vendor File, the Contractor must enter its Vendor ID on this Piggyback Contract. Authorized dealer/distributor/resellers already registered should list the Vendor ID number along with the authorized dealer/distributor/reseller information. (The Vendor ID number is not the same as a SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER or a TIN/FEIN number.)

If the Contractor is not currently registered in the Vendor File, the Contractor must request assignment of a Vendor ID from OGS. Contractor must complete the OSC Substitute W-9 Form (http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/forms/ac3237s_fe.pdf) and submit the form to OGS. Please send this document to the Designated Contact for this Contract. In addition, if any authorized dealer/distributor/reseller(s) is to be used that does not have a Vendor ID, an OSC Substitute W-9 form should be completed by each authorized dealer/distributor/reseller and submitted to OGS. OGS will initiate the vendor registration process for all Contractors and their authorized dealers/distributors/resellers. Once the process is initiated, registrants will receive an e-mail identifying their Vendor ID and instructions on how to enroll in the online Vendor Self-Service application. For more information on the Vendor File please visit the following website: <https://osc.state.ny.us/vendors/>.

27. ENVIRONMENTAL ATTRIBUTES AND NYS EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4

New York State is committed to environmental sustainability and endeavors to procure Products with reduced environmental impact. One example of this commitment may be found in Executive Order No. 4 (Establishing a State Green Procurement and Agency Sustainability Program), which imposes certain requirements on State Agencies, authorities, and public benefit corporations when procuring Products. More information on Executive Order No. 4, including specifications for offerings covered by this Contract, may be found at <http://ogs.ny.gov/greeny/> and <https://ogs.ny.gov/greeny/carpet-and-carpet->

tile. State entities subject to Executive Order No. 4 are advised to become familiar with the specifications that have been developed in accordance with the Order, and to incorporate them, as applicable, when making purchases under this Contract.

Contractors shall also identify products meeting the NYS Executive Order 4 specification for Carpet and Carpet Tile in the Contractor Price Lists which will be published on the OGS contract page to assist Authorized Users in finding these products.

28. USE OF RECYCLED OR REMANUFACTURED MATERIALS

New York State supports and encourages Contractors to use recycled, remanufactured or recovered materials in the manufacture of Products and packaging to the maximum extent practicable without jeopardizing the performance or intended end use of the Product or packaging unless such use is precluded due to health or safety requirements or Product specifications contained herein. Refurbished or remanufactured components or Products are required to be restored to original performance and regulatory standards and functions and are required to meet all other requirements of this Piggyback Contract. Warranties on refurbished or remanufactured components or Products must be identical to the manufacturer's new equipment warranty or industry's normal warranty when remanufacturer does not offer new equipment. See Appendix B, Section 11, *Remanufactured, Recycled, Recyclable or Recovered Materials*.

29. SURPLUS/TAKE-BACK/RECYCLING

- I. A State Agency is reminded of its obligation to comply with the NY State Finance Law § 167, Transfer and Disposal of Personal Property, and §168, The Management of Surplus Computer Equipment, regarding transfer and disposal of surplus personal property before utilizing take-back, recycling, or other options for disposition of equipment that is still in operable condition.
- II. If Contractor offers a take-back/recycling program, then Contractor shall provide a record of disposition to each Authorized User who participates in the take-back/recycling program for units transferred for disposition. Contractor shall provide documentation that the units were disposed of in an environmentally sound manner in compliance with applicable local, state and federal laws. See Section III below for specific requirements governing electronic equipment recycling.
- III. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation ("DEC") Electronic Equipment Recycling and Reuse Act ("Act") (Environmental Conservation Law, Article 27, Title 26, Electronic Equipment Recycling and Reuse), requires manufacturers to establish a convenient system for the collection, handling, and recycling or reuse of electronic waste. If Contractor is a manufacturer of electronic equipment covered by the Act, Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Act. More information regarding the Act can be found on the DEC website at: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/65583.html>.
- IV. If a Contractor offers a take-back/recycling program or offers an electronic equipment recycling program pursuant to the Act, and an Authorized User participates in same, then the Authorized User shall ensure the destruction of all data from any hard drives surrendered with the machines/covered electronic equipment. Contractor shall not require an Authorized User to surrender the hard drive, as an Authorized User may wish to retain the hard drive for security purposes. Contractor shall advise the Authorized User in advance if the retention of the hard drive results in additional fees or reduction in trade-in value. It is recommended that an Authorized User use a procedure for ensuring the destruction of confidential data stored on hard drives or other storage media that meets or exceeds the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST") Guidelines for Media Sanitation as found in NIST Special Publication 800-88

30. BULK DELIVERY AND ALTERNATE PACKAGING

New York State encourages the use of innovative packaging that reduces the weight of packaging and the generation of packaging waste. A contractor is encouraged to use reusable materials and containers and to utilize packaging configurations that take advantage of storage containers designed to be part of the Product for the shipment of multi-unit purchases. New York State recognizes that these packaging methods are in the development stage and may not be currently available. Authorized Users are urged to inquire about these programs at the time of purchase and determine the best solution for their needs.

31. CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR BUSINESS PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NYSCERTIFIED MINORITY- AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS AND WOMEN

I. New York State Law

Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and Parts 140-145 of Title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”), the New York State Office of General Services (“OGS”) is required to promote opportunities for the maximum feasible participation of New York State-certified Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (“MWBEs”) and the employment of minority group members and women in the performance of OGS contracts.

II. General Provisions

- A. OGS is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and 5 NYCRR Parts 140-145 (“MWBE Regulations”) for all State contracts as defined therein, with a value (1) in excess of \$25,000 for labor, services, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing or (2) in excess of \$100,000 for real property renovations and construction.
- B. The Contractor agrees, in addition to any other nondiscrimination provision of the Contract and at no additional cost to OGS, to fully comply and cooperate with OGS in the implementation of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and the regulations promulgated thereunder. These requirements include equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women (“EEO”) and contracting opportunities for MWBEs. Contractor’s demonstration of “good faith efforts” pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8 shall be a part of these requirements. These provisions shall be deemed supplementary to, and not in lieu of, the nondiscrimination provisions required by New York State Executive Law Article 15 (the “Human Rights Law”) or other applicable federal, State, or local laws.
- C. Failure to comply with all of the requirements herein may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, a finding of non-responsibility, breach of contract, withholding of funds, suspension or termination of the Contract, and/or such other actions or enforcement proceedings as allowed by the Contract and applicable law.

III. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)

- A. The provisions of Article 15-A of the Executive Law and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder pertaining to equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women shall apply to all Contractors, and any subcontractors, awarded a subcontract over \$25,000 for labor, services, including legal, financial and other professional services, travel, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to, the contracting State agency (the “Work”) except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor.
 - 1. Contractor and subcontractors shall undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or marital status. For these purposes, EEO shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff or termination, and rates of pay or other forms of compensation. This requirement does not apply to: (i) the performance of work or the provision of services or any other activity that is unrelated, separate, or distinct from the Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State.
 - 2. By entering into this Contract, Contractor certifies that the text set forth in clause 12 of Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is Contractor’s equal employment opportunity policy. In addition, Contractor agrees to comply with the Non-Discrimination Requirements set forth in clause 5 of Appendix A.
- B. Form EEO 100 – Staffing Plan
To ensure compliance with this section, the Contractor agrees to submit, or has submitted with the Bid, a staffing plan on Form EEO 100 to OGS to document the composition of the proposed workforce to be utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed, including ethnic background, gender, and federal occupational categories.
- C. Form EEO - 101 - Workforce Utilization Reporting Form (Commodities and Services) (“Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services”)

1. The Contractor shall submit, and shall require each of its subcontractors to submit, a Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services to OGS to report the actual workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed including ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories. The Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services must be submitted electronically to OGS at EEO_CentCon@ogs.ny.gov on a quarterly basis during the term of the Contract by the 10th day of April, July, October, and January.
 2. Separate forms shall be completed by Contractor and all subcontractors.
 3. In limited instances, the Contractor or subcontractor may not be able to separate out the workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract from its total workforce. When a separation can be made, the Contractor or subcontractor shall submit the Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services and indicate that the information provided relates to the actual workforce utilized on the Contract. When the workforce to be utilized on the Contract cannot be separated out from the Contractor's or subcontractor's total workforce, the Contractor or subcontractor shall submit the Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services and indicate that the information provided is the Contractor's or subcontractor's total workforce during the subject time frame, not limited to work specifically performed under the Contract.
- D. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law and all other State and federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Contractor and subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status, or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal and conviction and prior arrest.

IV. Contract Goals

- A. OGS hereby establishes an overall goal of 30% for MWBE participation, 15% for Minority-Owned Business Enterprises ("MBE") participation and 15% for Women-Owned Business Enterprises ("WBE") participation (based on the current availability of qualified MBEs and WBEs). The total Contract goal can be obtained by utilizing any combination of MBE and /or WBE participation for subcontracting and supplies acquired under this Contract.
- B. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by MWBEs on the Contract and achieving the Contract goals established in clause IV-A hereof, Contractor should reference the directory of New York State Certified MWBEs found at the following internet address:
<https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp?TN=ny&XID=2528>. The MWBE Regulations are located at 5 NYCRR § 140 – 145. Questions regarding compliance with MWBE participation goals should be directed to the Designated Contacts within the OGS Office of Minority- and Women Owned Businesses Enterprises. Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development ((518) 292-5250; (212) 803-2414; or (716) 846-8200) to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by MWBEs on the Contract.
- C. Contractor must document "good faith efforts" to provide meaningful participation by MWBEs as subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of the Contract (see clause VII below).

V. MWBE Utilization Plan

- A. In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.4, Bidders are required to submit a completed Utilization Plan on Form MWBE 100 with their bid.
- B. The Utilization Plan shall list the MWBEs the Bidder intends to use to perform the Contract, a description of the Contract scope of work the Bidder intends the MWBE to perform to meet the goals on the Contract, the estimated or, if known, actual dollar amounts to be paid to an MWBE. By signing the Utilization Plan, the Bidder acknowledges that making false representations or including information evidencing a lack of good faith as part of, or in conjunction with, the submission of a Utilization Plan is prohibited by law and may result in penalties including, but not limited to, termination of a contract for cause, loss of eligibility to submit future bids, and/or withholding of payments. Any modifications or changes to the agreed participation by New York State Certified MWBEs after the Contract award and during the term of the Contract must be reported on a revised MWBE Utilization Plan and submitted to OGS.

- C. By entering into the Contract, Bidder/Contractor understands that only sums paid to MWBEs for the performance of a commercially useful function, as that term is defined in 5 NYCRR § 140.1, may be applied towards the achievement of the applicable MWBE participation goal. When an MWBE is serving as a broker on the Contract, only 25 percent of all sums paid to a broker shall be deemed to represent the commercially useful function performed by the MWBE.
- D. OGS will review the submitted MWBE Utilization Plan and advise the Bidder of OGS acceptance or issue a notice of deficiency within 30 days of receipt.
- E. If a notice of deficiency is issued; Bidder agrees that it shall respond to the notice of deficiency, within seven (7) business days of receipt, by submitting to OGS a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found by OGS to be inadequate, OGS shall notify the Bidder and direct the Bidder to submit, within five (5) business days of notification by OGS, a request for a partial or total waiver of MWBE participation goals on Form BDC 333. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal.
- F. OGS may disqualify a Bidder's bid/proposal as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:
 - (a) If a Bidder fails to submit an MWBE Utilization Plan;
 - (b) If a Bidder fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency;
 - (c) If a Bidder fails to submit a request for waiver; or
 - (d) If OGS determines that the Bidder has failed to document good faith efforts.
- G. If awarded a Contract, Contractor certifies that it will follow the submitted MWBE Utilization Plan for the performance of MWBEs on the Contract pursuant to the prescribed MWBE goals set forth in clause IV-A of this Section.
- H. Bidder/Contractor further agrees that a failure to submit and/or use such completed MWBE Utilization Plan shall constitute a material breach of the terms of the Contract. Upon the occurrence of such a material breach, OGS shall be entitled to any remedy provided herein, including but not limited to, a finding of Contractor non-responsiveness.

VI. Request for Waiver

- A. Prior to submission of a request for a partial or total waiver, Bidder shall contact the Designated Contacts listed on page 1 of this document for guidance.
- B. In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.7, a Bidder/Contractor who is able to document good faith efforts to meet the goal requirements, as set forth in clause VII below, may submit a request for a partial or total waiver on Form BDC 333, accompanied by supporting documentation. A Bidder may submit the request for waiver at the same time it submits its MWBE Utilization Plan. If a request for waiver is submitted with the MWBE Utilization Plan and is not accepted by OGS at that time, the provisions of clauses V(C), (D) & (E) will apply. If the documentation included with the Bidder's/Contractor's waiver request is complete, OGS shall evaluate the request and issue a written notice of acceptance or denial within twenty (20) business days of receipt.
- C. Contractor shall attempt to utilize, in good faith, any MBE or WBE identified within its MWBE Utilization Plan, during the performance of the Contract. Requests for a partial or total waiver of established goal requirements made subsequent to Contract award may be made at any time during the term of the Contract to OGS, but must be made no later than prior to the submission of a request for final payment on the Contract.
- D. If OGS, upon review of the MWBE Utilization Plan and Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance Reports determines that Contractor is failing or refusing to comply with the contract goals and no waiver has been issued in regards to such non-compliance, OGS may issue a notice of deficiency to the Contractor. The Contractor must respond to the notice of deficiency within seven (7) business days of receipt. Such response may include a request for partial or total waiver of MWBE contract goals.

VII. Required Good Faith Efforts

In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.8, Contractors must document their good faith efforts toward utilizing MWBEs on the Contract. Evidence of required good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. A list of the general circulation, trade, and MWBE-oriented publications and dates of publications in which the Contractor solicited the participation of certified MWBEs as subcontractors/suppliers, copies of such solicitations, and any responses thereto.
2. A list of the certified MWBEs appearing in the Empire State Development (“ESD”) MWBE directory that were solicited for this Contract. Provide proof of dates or copies of the solicitations and copies of the responses made by the certified MWBEs. Describe specific reasons that responding certified MWBEs were not selected.
3. Descriptions of the Contract documents/plans/specifications made available to certified MWBEs by the Contractor when soliciting their participation and steps taken to structure the scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified MWBEs.
4. A description of the negotiations between the Contractor and certified MWBEs for the purposes of complying with the MWBE goals of this Contract.
5. Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by OGS with certified MWBEs whom OGS determined were capable of fulfilling the MWBE goals set in the Contract.
6. Other information deemed relevant to the request.

VIII. Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance Report

- A. In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.10, Contractor is required to report Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance to OGS during the term of the Contract for the preceding month’s activity, documenting progress made towards achievement of the Contract MWBE goals. OGS requests that all Contractors use the New York State Contract System (“NYSCS”) to report subcontractor and supplier payments made by Contractor to MWBEs performing work under the Contract. The NYSCS may be accessed at <https://ny.newnycontracts.com/>. This is a New York State-based system that all State agencies and authorities will be implementing to ensure uniform contract compliance reporting throughout New York State.
- B. When a Contractor receives a payment from a State agency, it is the Contractor’s responsibility to pay its subcontractors and suppliers in a timely manner. On or after the first day of each month, the Contractor will receive an email or fax notification (“audit notice”) indicating that a representative of its company needs to log-in to the NYSCS to report the company’s MWBE subcontractor and supplier payments for the preceding month. The Contractor must also report when no payments have been made to a subcontractor or supplier in a particular month with entry of a zero dollar value in the NYSCS. Once subcontractor and supplier payments have been entered into the NYSCS, the subcontractor(s) and supplier(s) will receive an email or fax notification advising them to log into the NYSCS to confirm that they actually received the reported payments from the Contractor. It is the Contractor’s responsibility to educate its MWBE subcontractors and suppliers about the NYSCS and the need to confirm payments made to them in the NYSCS.
- C. To assist in the use of the NYSCS, OGS recommends that all Contractors and MWBE subcontractors and suppliers sign up for the following two webinar trainings offered through the NYSCS: “**Introduction to the System - Vendor training**” and “**Contract Compliance Reporting - Vendor Training**” to become familiar with the NYSCS. To view the training schedule and to register visit: <https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/TrainingList.asp>
- D. As soon as possible after the Contract is approved, Contractor should visit <https://ny.newnycontracts.com> and click on “**Account Lookup**” to identify the Contractor’s account by company name. Contact information should be reviewed and updated if necessary by choosing “**Change Info.**” It is important that the staff member who is responsible for reporting payment information for the Contractor be listed as a user in the NYSCS. Users who are not already listed may be added through “**Request New User.**” When identifying the person responsible, please add “- **MWBE Contact**” after his or her last name (i.e., John Doe – MWBE Contact) to ensure that the correct person receives audit notices from the NYSCS. NYSCS Technical Support should be contacted for any technical support questions by clicking on the links for “**Contact Us & Support**” then “**Technical Support**” on the NYSCS website.
- E. If Contractor is unable to report MWBE Contractor Compliance via the NYSCS, Contractor must submit a Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance Report on Form MWBE 102 to OGS, by the 10th day of each month during the term of the Contract, for the preceding month’s activity to: OGS MWBE Office, 29th floor Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12242. Phone: 518-486-9284; Fax: 518-486-9285.

- F. It is the Contractor's responsibility to report subcontractor and supplier payments. Failure to respond to payment audits in a timely fashion through the NYSCS, or by paper to OGS, may jeopardize future payments pursuant to the MWBE liquidated damages clause in clause IX below.

IX. Breach of Contract and Liquidated Damages

- A. Where OGS determines that the Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of this Contract, and the Contractor refuses to comply with such requirements, or if it is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals set forth in the Contract, the Contractor shall be obligated to pay liquidated damages to OGS.
- B. Such liquidated damages shall be calculated as an amount equaling the difference between:
1. All sums identified for payment to MWBEs had the Contractor achieved the contractual MWBE goals; and
 2. All sums actually paid to MWBEs for work performed or materials supplied under the Contract.
- C. If OGS determines that Contractor is liable for liquidated damages and such identified sums have not been withheld by OGS, Contractor shall pay such liquidated damages to OGS within sixty (60) days after they are assessed. Provided, however, that if the Contractor has filed a complaint with the Director of the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.12, liquidated damages shall be payable only in the event of a determination adverse to the Contractor following the complaint process.

X. Fraud

Any suspicion of fraud, waste, or abuse involving the contracting or certification of MWBEs shall be immediately reported to ESD's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development at (855) 373-4692.

ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT: <https://ogs.ny.gov/MWBE>

32. PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESSES

Article 17-B of the New York State Executive Law provides for more meaningful participation in public procurement by certified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses ("SDVOBs"), thereby further integrating such businesses into New York State's economy. OGS recognizes the need to promote the employment of service-disabled veterans and to ensure that certified service-disabled veteran-owned businesses have opportunities for maximum feasible participation in the performance of OGS contracts.

In recognition of the service and sacrifices made by service-disabled veterans and in recognition of their economic activity in doing business in New York State, Contractors are strongly encouraged and expected to consider SDVOBs in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Contract. Such participation may be as subcontractors or suppliers, as protégés, or in other partnering or supporting roles.

I. Contract Goals

- A. OGS hereby establishes an overall goal of 6% for SDVOB participation, based on the current availability of qualified SDVOBs. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by SDVOBs, the Bidder/Contractor should reference the directory of New York State Certified SDVOBs found at: <https://ogs.ny.gov/Veterans/>. Questions regarding compliance with SDVOB participation goals should be directed to the OGS Designated Contacts. Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Office of General Services' Division of Service-Disabled Veteran's Business Development at 518-474-2015 or VeteransDevelopment@ogs.ny.gov to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by SDVOBs on the Contract.
- B. Contractor must document "good faith efforts" to provide meaningful participation by SDVOBs as subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of the Contract (see clause IV below).

II. SDVOB Utilization Plan

- A. In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(i), Bidders are required to submit a completed SDVOB Utilization Plan on Form SDVOB 100 with their bid.
- B. The Utilization Plan shall list the SDVOBs that the Bidder intends to use to perform the Contract, a description of the work that the Bidder intends the SDVOB to perform to meet the goals on the Contract, the estimated dollar amounts to be paid to an SDVOB, or, if not known, an estimate of the percentage of Contract work the SDVOB will perform. By signing the Utilization Plan, the Bidder acknowledges that making false representations or providing information that shows a lack of good faith as part of, or in conjunction with, the submission of a Utilization Plan is prohibited by law and may result in penalties including, but not limited to, termination of a contract for cause, loss of eligibility to submit future bids, and/or withholding of payments. Any modifications or changes to the agreed participation by SDVOBs after the Contract award and during the term of the Contract must be reported on a revised SDVOB Utilization Plan and submitted to OGS.
- C. OGS will review the submitted SDVOB Utilization Plan and advise the Bidder/Contractor of OGS acceptance or issue a notice of deficiency within 20 days of receipt.
- D. If a notice of deficiency is issued, Bidder/Contractor agrees that it shall respond to the notice of deficiency, within seven business days of receipt, by submitting to OGS a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found by OGS to be inadequate, OGS shall notify the Bidder/Contractor and direct the Bidder/Contractor to submit, within five business days of notification by OGS, a request for a partial or total waiver of SDVOB participation goals on SDVOB 200. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal
- E. OGS may disqualify a Bidder's bid or proposal as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:
 - (a) If a Bidder fails to submit an SDVOB Utilization Plan;
 - (b) If a Bidder fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency;
 - (c) If a Bidder fails to submit a request for waiver; or
 - (d) If OGS determines that the Bidder has failed to document good faith efforts.
- F. If awarded a Contract, Contractor certifies that it will follow the submitted SDVOB Utilization Plan for the performance of SDVOBs on the Contract pursuant to the prescribed SDVOB contract goals set forth above.
- G. Contractor further agrees that a failure to use SDVOBs as agreed in the Utilization Plan shall constitute a material breach of the terms of the Contract. Upon the occurrence of such a material breach, OGS shall be entitled to any remedy provided herein, including but not limited to, a finding of Contractor non-responsibility.

III. Request For Waiver

- A. Prior to submission of a request for a partial or total waiver, Bidder/Contractor shall speak to the Designated Contacts listed on page 1 of this document at OGS for guidance.
- B. In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(m), a Bidder/Contractor that is able to document good faith efforts to meet the goal requirements, as set forth in clause IV below, may submit a request for a partial or total waiver on Form SDVOB 200, accompanied by supporting documentation. A Bidder may submit the request for waiver at the same time it submits its SDVOB Utilization Plan. If a request for waiver is submitted with the SDVOB Utilization Plan and is not accepted by OGS at that time, the provisions of clauses II (C), (D) & (E) will apply. If the documentation included with the Bidder's/Contractor's waiver request is complete, OGS shall evaluate the request and issue a written notice of acceptance or denial within 20 days of receipt.

- C. Contractor shall attempt to utilize, in good faith, the SDVOBs identified within its SDVOB Utilization Plan, during the performance of the Contract. Requests for a partial or total waiver of established goal requirements made subsequent to Contract award may be made at any time during the term of the Contract to OGS, but must be made no later than prior to the submission of a request for final payment on the Contract.
- D. If OGS, upon review of the SDVOB Utilization Plan and Monthly SDVOB Compliance Report (SDVOB 101) determines that Contractor is failing or refusing to comply with the contract goals and no waiver has been issued in regards to such non-compliance, OGS may issue a notice of deficiency to the Contractor. The Contractor must respond to the notice of deficiency within seven business days of receipt. Such response may include a request for partial or total waiver of SDVOB contract goals.

Waiver requests should be sent to the Primary Designated Contact listed on page 1 of this document.

IV. Required Good Faith Efforts

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(n), Contractors must document their good faith efforts toward utilizing SDVOBs on the Contract. Evidence of required good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Copies of solicitations to SDVOBs and any responses thereto.
2. Explanation of the specific reasons each SDVOB that responded to Bidders/Contractors' solicitation was not selected.
3. Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by OGS with certified SDVOBs whom OGS determined were capable of fulfilling the SDVOB goals set in the Contract.
4. Information describing the specific steps undertaken to reasonably structure the Contract scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified SDVOBs.
5. Other information deemed relevant to the waiver request.

V. Monthly SDVOB Contractor Compliance Report

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(q), Contractor is required to report Monthly SDVOB Contractor Compliance to OGS during the term of the Contract for the preceding month's activity, documenting progress made towards achieving the Contract SDVOB goals. This information must be submitted using form SDVOB 101 available at <https://ogs.ny.gov/veterans/> and should be completed by the Contractor and submitted to OGS, by the 10th day of each month during the term of the Contract, for the preceding month's activity to the OGS Contract Manager listed on the landing page of the Contract which can be found at the following link: <https://online.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/awards/2060023200CAN.HTM>

VI. Breach of Contract and Damages

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(s), any Contractor found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the SDVOB participation goals set forth in the Contract, shall be found to have breached the contract and Contractor shall pay damages as set forth therein.

ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT: <https://ogs.ny.gov/Veterans/>

33. CONSUMER PRODUCTS CONTAINING MERCURY

Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Title 21 of Article 27 of the NYS Environmental Conservation Law regarding restrictions on the sale, purchasing, labeling and management of any products containing elemental mercury under this Piggyback Contract.

34. DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION ACT

Pursuant to N.Y. Environmental Conservation Law § 19-0323 (the "Law") it is a requirement that heavy duty diesel vehicles in excess of 8,500 pounds use the best available retrofit technology ("BART") and ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel ("ULSD"). The requirement of the Law applies to all vehicles owned, operated by or on behalf of, or leased by State Agencies and State or regional public authorities. It also requires that such vehicles owned, operated by or on behalf of, or leased by State Agencies and State or regional public authorities with more than half of its governing body appointed by the Governor utilize BART.

The Law may be applicable to vehicles used by Contractors "on behalf of" State Agencies and public authorities and require certain reports from Contractors. All heavy duty diesel vehicles must have BART by the deadline provided in the Law. The Law also provides a list of exempted vehicles. Regulations set forth in 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249 provide further guidance. The Contractor hereby certifies and warrants that all heavy duty vehicles, as defined in the Law, to be used under this Piggyback Contract, will comply with the specifications and provisions of the Law, and 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249.

35. NEW YORK STATE REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS

A Contractor is required to submit the signed New York State Required Certifications (Attachment 2 – NYS Required Certifications) in order to be considered for award under this Piggyback Contract.

36. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Piggyback Contract and the referenced appendices constitute the entire agreement between the Parties hereto and no statement, promise, condition, understanding, inducement or representation, oral or written, expressed or implied, which is not contained herein shall be binding or valid and the Piggyback Contract shall not be changed, modified or altered in any manner except as provided in Section 3 of this Piggyback Contract.

37. CAPTIONS

The captions contained in this Piggyback Contract are intended for convenience and reference purposes only and shall in no way be deemed to define or limit any provision thereof.

38. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Piggyback Contract is deemed invalid or unenforceable, such determination shall have no effect on the balance of the Piggyback Contract, which shall be enforced and interpreted as if such provision was never included in the Piggyback Contract.

CONTRACT NO. PC69412

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Piggyback Contract as of the date last written below. The Parties further hereby certify that original copies of this executed and approved signature page will be affixed, upon final approval, to exact copies of this Piggyback Contract being executed simultaneously herewith. The acknowledgment must be fully and properly executed by an authorized person.

By signing you certify your express authority to sign on behalf of yourself, your company, or other entity and full knowledge and acceptance of this agreement, Appendix A (Standard Clauses For New York State Contracts), Appendix B (General Specifications), and State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k (Procurement Lobbying), and that all information provided is complete, true and accurate. By signing, Contractor affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures relative to permissible contacts as required by State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).

Tarkett USA, Inc.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE COMMISSIONER OF GENERAL SERVICES

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Printed Name: Jeff Fenwick

Printed Name: Terri Allen

Title: President

Title: Assistant Director

Date: 6/18/2021

Date: 2/11/2022

Federal Tax ID: 63-1185575

NYS Office of General Services

NYS Vendor ID: 1100222634

INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR LLC ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF OHIO }
: S S:

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA }

On the 18th day of JUNE in the year 2021, before me personally appeared JEFF FENWICK, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that he maintains an office at

Town of SOLON

County of CUYAHOGA, State of OHIO; and further that:

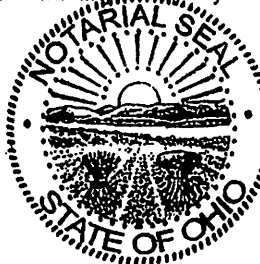
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If an individual): he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.
 If a corporation): he is the PRESIDENT COMMERCIAL of TARKETT USA Inc., the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.

If a partnership): he is the _____ of _____, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of said partnership, he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.

If a limited liability company): he is a duly authorized member of _____, LLC, the limited liability company described in said instrument; that, he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said limited liability company as the act and deed of said limited liability company.

Robert A. Taormina
Signature of Notary Public



ROBERT A. TAORMINA
Attorney at Law
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF OHIO
My Commission Has
No Expiration Date
Section 147.03 O.R.C.

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