

STATE OF TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES
CONTRACT FOR PRODUCT, SERVICES, AND RELATED SERVICES
Ricoh USA, Inc.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Parties

This contract for Managed Print Services, Printers, Copiers, 3D Printers, Scanning, Plotting and Facsimile Equipment and Related Services; Document Imaging Services/Solutions; Enterprise Content Management Products, Software and Services (this "Contract") is entered into between the State of Texas, acting by and through the Department of Information Resources (hereinafter "DIR") with its principal place of business at 300 West 15th Street, Suite 1300, Austin, Texas 78701, and Ricoh USA, Inc., a Delaware Corporation (hereinafter "Successful Respondent"), with its principal place of business at 300 Eagleview Blvd. Exton, PA 19341.

1.2 Compliance with Procurement Laws

This Contract is the result of compliance with applicable procurement laws of the State of Texas. DIR issued a solicitation on the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Electronic State Business Daily, Request for Offer (RFO) DIR-CPO-TMP-583, on 11/03/2023, for Managed Print Services, Printers, Copiers, 3D Printers, Scanning, Plotting and Facsimile Equipment and Related Services; Document Imaging Services/Solutions; Enterprise Content Management Products, Software and Services (the "RFO"). Upon execution of all Contracts, a notice of award for DIR-CPO-TMP-583, shall be posted by DIR on the Electronic State Business Daily.

1.3 Order of Precedence

- A. For transactions under this Contract, the order of precedence shall be as follows:
 - 1. this Contract;
 - 2. **Appendix A, Standard Terms and Conditions;**
 - 3. **Appendix B, Successful Respondent's Historically Underutilized Businesses Subcontracting Plan;**
 - 4. **Appendix C, Pricing Index;**

5. **Appendix D, Master Operating Lease Agreement;**
 6. **Appendix E, Master Lease Agreement;**
 7. **Appendix F, Maintenance and Sale Agreement;**
 8. **Appendix G, Service Agreement;**
 9. **Appendix H, Statement of Work;**
 10. **Appendix I, Statement of Work Conversion Services;**
 11. **Exhibit 1, RFO DIR-CPO-TMP-583**, including all Addenda; and
 12. **Exhibit 2, Successful Respondent's Response to RFO DIR-CPO-TMP-583**, including all Addenda.
- B. Each of the foregoing documents is hereby incorporated by reference and together constitute the entire agreement between DIR and Successful Respondent.

1.4 Definitions

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given to them in **Appendix A, Standard Terms and Conditions**.

2 TERM OF CONTRACT

The initial term of this Contract shall be up to two (2) years commencing on the date of the last signature hereto (the "Initial Term"), with one (1) optional two-year renewal and one (1) optional one-year renewal (each, a "Renewal Term"). Prior to expiration of the Initial Term and each Renewal Term, this Contract will renew automatically under the same terms and conditions unless either party provides written notice to the other party at least sixty (60) days in advance of the renewal date stating that the party wishes to discuss amendment or non-renewal.

3 OPTION TO EXTEND

Successful Respondent agrees that DIR may require continued performance under this Contract at the rates specified in this Contract following the expiration of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term. This option may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed ninety (90) calendar days. Such extension of services shall be subject to the requirements of the Contract, with the sole and limited exception that the original date of termination shall be extended pursuant

to this provision. DIR may exercise this option upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the Successful Respondent.

4 PRODUCT AND SERVICE OFFERINGS

Products and services available under this Contract are limited to the technology categories defined in Request for Offer DIR-CPO-TMP-583 for Managed Print Services, Printers, Copiers, 3D Printers, Scanning, Plotting and Facsimile Equipment and Related Services; Document Imaging Services/Solutions; Enterprise Content Management Products, Software and Services. At DIR's sole discretion, Successful Respondent may incorporate changes or make additions to its product and service offerings, provided that any changes or additions must be within the scope of the RFO.

5 PRICING

5.1 Pricing Index

Pricing to Customers shall be as set forth in **Appendix C, Pricing Index**, and shall include the DIR Administrative Fee (as defined below).

5.2 Customer Discount

- A. The minimum Customer discount for all products and services will be the percentage off List Price (as defined below) or MSRP (as defined below), as applicable, as specified in **Appendix C, Pricing Index**. Successful Respondent shall not establish a List Price or MSRP for a particular solicitation. For purposes of this Section, "List Price" is the price for a product or service published in Successful Respondent's price catalog (or similar document) before any discounts or price allowances are applied. For purposes of this Section, "MSRP," or manufacturer's suggested retail price, is the price list published by the manufacturer or publisher of a product and available to and recognized by the trade.
- B. Customers purchasing products or services under this Contract may negotiate additional discounts with Successful Respondent. Successful Respondent and Customer shall provide the details of such additional discounts to DIR upon request.
- C. If products or services available under this Contract are provided at a lower price to: (i) an eligible Customer who is not purchasing those products or services

under this Contract, or (ii) to any other customer under the same terms and conditions provided for the State for the same products and services under this contract, then the price of such products and services under this Contract shall be adjusted to that lower price. This requirement applies to products or services quoted by Successful Respondent for a quantity of one (1), but does not apply to volume or special pricing purchases. Successful Respondent shall notify DIR within ten (10) days of providing a lower price as described in this Section, and this Contract shall be amended within ten (10) days to reflect such lower price.

5.3 Changes to Prices

- A. Subject to the requirements of this section, Successful Respondent may change the price of any product or service upon changes to the List Price or MSRP, as applicable. Discount levels shall not be subject to such changes, and will remain consistent with the discount levels specified in this Contract.
- B. Successful Respondent may revise its pricing by publishing a revised pricing list, subject to review and approval by DIR. If DIR, in its sole discretion, finds that the price of a product or service has been increased unreasonably, DIR may request that Successful Respondent reduce the pricing for the product or service to the level published before such revision. Upon such request, Successful Respondent shall either reduce the pricing as requested, or shall remove the product or service from the pricing list for this Contract. Failure to do so will constitute an act of default by Successful Respondent.

5.4 Shipping and Handling

Prices to Customers shall include all shipping and handling fees. Shipments will be Free On Board Customer's Destination. No additional fees may be charged to Customers for standard shipping and handling. If a Customer requests expedited or special delivery, Customer will be responsible for any additional charges for expedited or special delivery.

6 DIR ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

- A. Successful Respondent shall pay an administrative fee to DIR based on the dollar value of all sales to Customers pursuant to this Contract (the "DIR Administrative Fee"). The amount of the DIR Administrative Fee shall be seventy-five hundredths of a percent (0.75%) of all sales, net of returns and credits. For example, the administrative fee for sales totaling \$100,000 shall be \$750.
- B. All prices quoted to Customers shall include the DIR Administrative Fee. DIR reserves the right to increase or decrease the DIR Administrative Fee during the term of this Contract, upon written notice to Successful Respondent without amending this Contract. Any increase or decrease in the DIR Administrative Fee shall be incorporated in the price to Customers.

7 INTERNET ACCESS TO CONTRACT AND PRICING INFORMATION

In addition to the requirements listed in **Appendix A, Section 7.2, Internet Access to Contract and Pricing Information**, Successful Respondent shall include the following with its webpage:

- A. A current price list or mechanism to obtain specific contract pricing;
- B. MSRP/list price or DIR Customer price;
- C. Discount percentage (%) off MSRP or List Price;
- D. Warranty policies; and
- E. Return policies.

8 USE OF ORDER FULFILLERS

8.1 Authorization to Use Order Fulfillers

Subject to the conditions in this Section 8, DIR agrees to permit Successful Respondent to utilize designated order fulfillers to provide products, services, and support resources to Customers under this Contract ("Order Fulfillers").

8.2 Designation of Order Fulfillers

- A. Successful Respondent may designate Order Fulfillers to act as the distributors for products and services available under this Contract. In designating Order Fulfillers, Successful Respondent must be in compliance with the State's Policy on

Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses. DIR and Successful Respondent will agree on the number of Order Fulfillers that are Historically Underutilized Businesses as defined by the CPA.

- B. In addition to the required Subcontracting Plan, Successful Respondent shall provide DIR with the following Order Filler information: Order Filler name, Order Filler business address, Order Filler CPA Identification Number, Order Filler contact person email address and phone number.
- C. DIR reserves the right to require Successful Respondent to rescind any Order Filler participation or request that Successful Respondent name additional Order Fulfillers should DIR determine it is in the best interest of the State.
- D. Successful Respondent shall be fully liable for its Order Fulfillers' performance under and compliance with the terms and conditions of this Contract. Successful Respondent shall enter into contracts with Order Fulfillers and use terms and conditions that are consistent with the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- E. Successful Respondent may qualify Order Fulfillers and their participation under the Contract provided that: i) any criteria is uniformly applied to all potential Order Fulfillers based upon Successful Respondent's established, neutrally applied criteria, ii) the criteria is not based on a particular procurement, and iii) all Customers are supported under the criteria.
- F. Successful Respondent shall not prohibit any Order Filler from participating in other procurement opportunities offered through DIR.

8.3 Changes in Order Filler

Successful Respondent may add or remove Order Fulfillers throughout the term of this Contract upon written authorization by DIR. Prior to adding or removing Order Fulfillers, Successful Respondent must make a good faith effort to revise its Subcontracting Plan in accordance with the State's Policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses. Successful Respondent shall provide DIR with its updated Subcontracting Plan and the Order Fulfillers information listed above.

8.4 Order Filler Pricing to Customer

Order Filler pricing to the Customer shall be in accordance with Section 5.

9 NOTIFICATION

All notices under this Contract shall be sent to a party at the respective address indicated below.

If sent to the State:

Lisa Massock or Successor in Office
Chief Procurement Officer
Department of Information Resources
300 W. 15th St., Suite 1300
Austin, Texas 78701
Phone: (512) 475-4700
Email: dircontractmanagementoffice@dir.texas.gov

If sent to Successful Respondent:

Jason Hinshaw
Ricoh USA, Inc.
300 Eagleview Blvd
Exton, PA 19341
Phone: (972) 813-2974
Email Jason.Hinshaw@ricoh-usa.com

10 SOFTWARE LICENSE, LEASE, AND SERVICE AGREEMENTS

10.1 Software License Agreement

- A. Customers acquiring software licenses under this Contract shall hold, use, and operate such software subject to compliance with the Software License Agreement. Customer and Successful Respondent may agree to additional terms and conditions that do not diminish a term or condition in the Software License Agreement, or in any manner lessen the rights or protections of Customer or the responsibilities or liabilities of Successful Respondent. Successful Respondent shall make the Software License Agreement terms and conditions available to all Customers at all times.
- B. Compliance with the Software License Agreement is the responsibility of the Customer. DIR shall not be responsible for any Customer's compliance with the Software License Agreement.

10.2 Service Agreement

Services provided under this Contract shall be in accordance with the Service Agreement as set forth in **Appendix G** of this Contract. No changes to the Service Agreement terms and conditions may be made unless previously agreed to by Successful Respondent and DIR. Successful Respondent and Customer may agree to terms and conditions that do not diminish or lessen the rights or protections of the Customer or the responsibilities or liabilities of Successful Respondent.

10.3 Statement of Work

Services provided under this Contract shall be based on a Statement of Work (SOW) as set forth in **Appendix H**, Statement of Work, or **Appendix I**, Statement of Work Conversion Services, as applicable, of this Contract. Customers may negotiate the terms and conditions of a SOW to suit their business needs, so long as the negotiated terms and conditions do not diminish the terms and conditions of the Contract.

10.4 Master Operating Lease Agreement

DIR and Successful Respondent hereby agree that Successful Respondent is authorized to utilize the Master Operating Lease Agreement in **Appendix E** of this Contract for Lessees that are Texas State Agencies or otherwise authorized to conduct lease transactions through DIR Contracts.

10.5 Master Lease Agreement

DIR and Successful Respondent hereby agree that Successful Respondent is authorized to utilize the Master Lease Agreement in **Appendix F** of this Contract for DIR authorized entities as Lessees that are **not** Texas State Agencies or otherwise required by statute to utilize the Texas Public Finance Authority for such leasing transactions. Texas State Agencies that have the requisite capital authority and who are not required to utilize such authority via the Texas Public Finance Authority may or may not be eligible to utilize the Master Lease Agreement; each such agency must confer with its own counsel to make this determination.

11 CONFLICTING OR ADDITIONAL TERMS

- A. The terms and conditions of this Contract shall supersede any additional conflicting or additional terms in any additional service agreements, statement of work, and any other provisions, terms, conditions, and license agreements,

including those which may be affixed to or accompany software upon delivery (sometimes called shrink-wrap or click-wrap agreements), and any linked or supplemental documents, which may be proposed, issued, or accepted by Successful Respondent and Customer in addition to this Contract (such additional agreements, "Additional Agreements"), regardless of when such Additional Agreements are proposed, issued, or accepted by Customer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is Customer's responsibility to review any Additional Agreements to determine if Customer accepts such Additional Agreement. If Customer does not accept such Additional Agreement, Customer shall be responsible for negotiating any changes thereto.

- B. Any update or amendment to an Additional Agreement shall only apply to Purchase Orders for the associated product or service offering after the effective date of such update or amendment; provided that, if Successful Respondent has responded to a Customer's solicitation or request for pricing, any subsequent update or amendment to an Additional Agreement may only apply to a resulting Purchase Order if Successful Respondent directly informs such Customer of such update or amendment before the Purchase Order is executed.
- C. Successful Respondent shall not require any Additional Agreement that: i) diminishes the rights, benefits, or protections of Customer, or that alters the definitions, measurements, or method for determining any authorized rights, benefits, or protections of Customer; or ii) imposes additional costs, burdens, or obligations upon Customer, or that alters the definitions, measurements, or method for determining any authorized costs, burdens, or obligations upon Customer.
- D. If Successful Respondent attempts to do any of the foregoing, the prohibited documents will be void and inapplicable to this Contract or the Purchase Order between Successful Respondent and Customer, and Successful Respondent will nonetheless be obligated to perform such Purchase Order without regard to the prohibited documents, unless Customer elects instead to terminate such Purchase Order, which in such case may be identified as a termination for cause against Successful Respondent.

12 AUTHORIZED EXCEPTIONS TO APPENDIX A, STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. Appendix A, Section 4.4C Assignment, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Successful Respondent may assign to a subcontractor identified in Appendix B HUB Subcontracting Plan, upon written notification to DIR and the Customer, Successful Respondent's right, title, and interest, solely for financing purposes, in and to: (i) the products subject to any lease agreement(s) under this Contract; (ii) all payments and other amounts due and to become due thereunder with respect to the products; and (iii) all rights and remedies under this Contract with respect to the products, such payments and other amounts due. Any such assignment, however, does not excuse Successful Respondent from fulfilling their obligations outlined in the terms and conditions of either the Contract or the Purchase Order.

B. Appendix A, Section 5 Intellectual Property Matters, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

This Contract does not contemplate, authorize or support acquisition of custom software, products, or services. If Successful Respondent and Customer seek to contract for such product or service, they must use a separate contract or seek amendment with DIR of this Contract. If DIR and Successful Respondent decide to authorize customized software or hardware products; then the intellectual property language will be negotiated and applied.

C. Appendix A, Section 6A Terms and Conditions Applicable to State Agency Purchases Only, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

Under Texas Government Code, Chapter 2054, Subchapter M, and DIR implementing rules, DIR state agency and Institution of Higher Education Customers must procure EIR that complies with the Accessibility Standards defined in the Texas Administrative Codes 1 TAC 206, 1 TAC 213, and in the Worldwide Web Consortium WCAG 2.0 AA technical standard as applicable, and when such products or services are available in the commercial marketplace or when such products are developed in response to procurement solicitations. Successful Respondent hereby represents, certifies, and warrants that it and its

products and services comply with its then current Accessibility Conformance Reports.

D. Appendix A, Section 10.1.2 Infringements, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

Successful Respondent shall have no liability under Section 10.1.1 A ii) if the alleged infringement is caused by: (a) use of the product or services for a purpose or in a manner not contemplated by this Contract or applicable documentation, (b) any modification made to the product without Successful Respondent's written approval, (c) any intellectual property right owned by or licensed to Customer, or (d) any use of the product or services by Customer that is not in conformity with the terms of any applicable license agreement.

If Successful Respondent becomes aware of an actual or potential claim of an Infringement, or Customer provides Successful Respondent with notice of an actual or potential claim of an Infringement, Successful Respondent may (or in the case of an injunction against Customer, shall), at Successful Respondent's sole expense: (i) procure for Customer the right to continue to use the affected portion of the product or service, or (ii) modify or replace the affected portion of the product or service with functionally equivalent or superior product or service so that Customer's use is non-infringing.

E. Appendix A, Section 11.2.1.1 Termination for Non-Appropriation by Customer, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

Customers may terminate Purchase Orders if funds sufficient to pay its obligations under the Contract are not appropriated: i) by the governing body on behalf of local governments; ii) by the Texas legislature on behalf of state agencies; or iii) by budget execution authority provisioned to the Governor or the Legislative Budget Board as provided in Chapter 317, Texas Government Code. In the event of non-appropriation, Successful Respondent will be provided ten (10) calendar days written notice of intent to terminate. In the event of such termination, Customer will not be in default or breach under the Purchase Order or the Contract, nor shall it be liable for any further payments ordinarily due under the Contract, nor shall it be liable for any damages or any other amounts which are caused by or associated with such termination. For the avoidance of doubt, products leased under Appendix D, Master Operating Lease Agreement or

Appendix E, Master Lease Agreement are also subject to the non-appropriation provisions of those agreements.

F. Appendix A, Section 11.2.3 Termination for Convenience, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

With the exception of leases, pursuant to Appendix D, Master Operating Lease Agreement or Appendix E, Master Lease Agreement, that have been delivered and accepted, a Customer may terminate a Purchase Order by giving the other party thirty (30) calendar days' written notice.

G. Appendix A, Section 11.2.7 Successful Respondent Rights Under Termination, is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

In the event a Purchase Order expires or is terminated, a Customer shall pay all amounts due for products or services ordered prior to the effective expiration or termination date and ultimately accepted, including any applicable fees agreed to in such Purchase Order.

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This Contract is executed to be effective as of the date of last signature.

Ricoh USA, Inc.

Authorized By: Signature on File

Name: Jason Hinshaw

Title: Director of Sales

Date: 10/24/2025 | 12:30 PM CDT

The State of Texas, acting by and through the Department of Information Resources

Authorized By: Signature on File

Name: Lisa Massock

Title: Chief Procurement Officer

Date: 10/28/2025 | 6:26 PM CDT

Office of General Counsel: Initials on File

Date: 10/28/2025 | 3:51 PM CDT

**Vendor Certification of Compliance with Governor Abbott's Executive Order 48
Relating to Contract DIR-CPO-5413**

By signature of Respondent's authorized officer or agent below, Respondent hereby certifies and represents to DIR the following:

1. The individual signing below is an authorized officer or agent of Respondent, and is duly authorized to sign this document and to contractually bind Respondent to a contract resulting from submission of its Response to DIR-CPO-TMP-583;
2. Respondent certifies that neither it, nor its holding companies or subsidiaries, is: (a) listed in Section 889 of the 2019 National Defense Authorization Act; (b) listed in Section 1260H of the 2021 National Defense Authorization Act; or (c) owned by the government of a country on the U.S. Department of Commerce's foreign adversaries list under 15 C.F.R Section 791.4; or (d) controlled by any governing or regulatory body located in a country on the U.S. Department of Commerce's foreign adversaries list under 15 C.F.R Section 791.4.

Ricoh USA, Inc. (Respondent)

____ Signature on File _____

Signature of Respondent Officer or Agent

Jason Hinshaw

Name of Respondent Officer or Agent (please print)

Director of Sales

Title of Respondent Officer or Agent

10/24/2025 | 12:30 PM CDT

Date

DIR-CPO-5413 Appendix E

MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT

1 SCOPE

- A. Lessor hereby leases to Lessee, and Lessee hereby leases from Lessor the Equipment described on each Supplementary Schedule ("Schedule"), which is a separate agreement executed from time to time by Lessor and Lessee and makes specific reference to this Master Lease Agreement ("MLA"). The terms and conditions contained herein shall apply to each Schedule that is properly executed in conjunction with this MLA and made subject to such terms and conditions as if a separate MLA were executed for each Schedule by the Lessee. Each Lessee has made an independent legal and management determination to enter into each Schedule. DIR has not offered or given any legal or management advice to the Lessor or to any Lessee under any Schedule. Lessee may negotiate additional terms or more advantageous terms with the Lessor to satisfy individual procurements, such terms shall be developed by the Lessor and Lessee and stated within a Rider to the MLA or the Schedule. To the extent that any of the provisions of the MLA conflict with any of the terms contained in any Schedule, the terms of the Schedule shall control. It is expressly understood that the term "Equipment" shall refer to the Products and any related Services as allowed within said Contract number DIR-CPO-5413, as described on a Schedule and any associated items therewith, including but not limited to all parts, replacements, additions, repairs, and attachments incorporated therein and/or affixed thereto, all documentation (technical and/or user manuals), operating system and application software as needed.
- B. If more than one Lessee is named in a Schedule, the liability of each named Lessee shall be joint and several. However, unless DIR leases Equipment for its own use, DIR is not a party to any Schedule executed under this MLA and is not responsible for Rents, payments or any other obligations under such Lessee's Schedule. The invalidation, fulfillment, waiver, termination, or other disposition of any rights or obligations of either a Lessee or the Lessor or both of them arising from the use of this MLA in conjunction with any one Schedule shall not affect the status of the rights or obligations of either or both of those parties arising from the use of this MLA in conjunction with any other Schedule, except in the Event of Default as provided in Section 23 of this MLA.
- C. Any reference to "MLA" shall mean this Agreement, including the Opinion of Counsel, and any riders, amendments and addenda thereto, and any other documents as may from time to time be made a part hereof upon mutual agreement by DIR and Lessor.

- D. As to conditions precedent to Lessor's obligation to purchase any Equipment, (i) Lessee shall accept the MLA terms and conditions as set forth herein and execute all applicable documents such as the Schedule, the Acceptance Certificate, Opinion of Counsel, and any other documentation as may be required by the Lessor that is not in conflict with this MLA, and (ii) there shall be no material adverse change in Lessee's financial condition except as provided for within Section 7 of this MLA.

2 TERM OF MLA

The term of this MLA shall commence on the last date of approval by DIR and Lessor of Amendment Number XXX (XX) and shall continue until (i) the obligations of Lessee under every Schedule are fully discharged, (ii) the full and final expiration date of the Contract, or (iii) either party exercises their termination rights as stated within Appendix A, Section 11B of the Contract. In regards to either the Contract expiration date or Contract termination date or the termination of this MLA, before all obligations of Lessee under every Schedule are fully discharged, such Schedules and such other provisions of the Contract and this MLA as may be necessary to preserve the rights of the Lessor or Lessee hereunder shall survive said termination or expiration.

3 TERM OF SCHEDULE

The term for each Schedule, executed in conjunction to this MLA, shall commence on the date of execution of an Acceptance Certificate by the Lessee or twenty (20) days after the delivery of the last piece of Equipment to the Lessee ("Commencement Date"), and unless earlier terminated as provided for in the MLA, shall continue for the number of whole months or other payment periods as set forth in the applicable Schedule Term, commencing on the first day of the month following the Commencement Date (or commencing on the Commencement Date if such date is the first day of the month). The Schedule Term may be earlier terminated upon: (i) the Non-appropriation of Funds pursuant to Section 7 of this MLA, (ii) an Event of Loss pursuant to Section 18 of this MLA, or (iii) an Event of Default by Lessee and Lessor's election to cancel the Schedule pursuant to Section 24 of this MLA.

4 ADMINISTRATION OF MLA

- A. For requests involving the leasing of Equipment, each potential Lessee will submit its request directly to the Lessor. Lessor shall apply the then current Equipment pricing discounts as stated within the Contract or the price as agreed upon by Lessee and Lessor, whichever is lower. Lessor shall submit the lease proposal and all other applicable documents directly to the potential Lessee and negotiate the Schedule terms directly with the potential Lessee.

- B. All leasing activities in conjunction to this MLA shall be treated as a "purchase sale" in regards to the requirements of the Lessor to report the sale and make payment of the DIR administrative fee as defined within Section 5 of the Contract.
- C. Upon agreement by Lessor and Lessee on pricing, availability and the like, Lessee may issue a purchase order in the amount indicated on the Schedule to Lessor for the Equipment and reference said Contract number DIR-CPO-5413 on the purchase order. Any pre-printed terms and conditions on the purchase order submitted by the Lessee shall not be effective with respect to the lease of Equipment hereunder. Rather, the terms and conditions of this MLA and applicable Schedule terms and conditions shall control in all respects.
- D. Nothing herein shall require the Lessor to use this MLA exclusively with Lessees. Further, this MLA shall not constitute a requirements Agreement and Lessor shall not be obligated to enter into any Schedule for the lease of Equipment with any Lessee.

5 RENT PAYMENTS

- A. During the Schedule Term and any renewal terms, Lessee agrees to pay Lessor Rent Payments. Rent Payments shall be the amount equal to the Rent Payment amount specified in the Schedule multiplied by the amount of the total number of Rent Payments specified therein. Lessee shall pay Rent Payments in the amount and on the due dates specified by Lessor until all Rent Payments and all other amounts due under the Schedule have been paid in full. If the Schedule Commencement Date is other than the first day of a month, Lessee shall make an initial payment on the Schedule Commencement Date in an amount equal to one-thirtieth (1/30) of the Rent Payment specified in the Schedule for each day from the Schedule Commencement Date (including the Schedule Commencement Date) through the last day of such month (including that day). For example, if a scheduled payment amount is \$3,000 and the Scheduled Commencement date is the 15th of the month, a payment of \$1,500 will be made.
- B. Any amounts received by Lessor from the Lessee in excess of Rent Payments and any other sums required to be paid by the Lessee shall be held as non-interest bearing security for Lessee's faithful performance under the conditions of this MLA and any Schedule. All Rent Payments shall be paid to the Lessor at the address stated on the Schedule or any other such place as the Lessor or its assigns may hereafter direct to the Lessee. Lessee shall abide by Appendix A, Section 8J of the Contract in making payments to the Lessor. Any sum received by the Lessor later than ten (10) business days after its due date will bear interest from such due date at the rate of one-percent (1%) per month (or the maximum rate allowable by law, if less) until paid. Late charges, attorney's fees and

other costs or expenses necessary to recover Rent Payments and any other amounts owed by Lessee hereunder are considered an integral part of this MLA.

- C. Each Schedule is a net lease and except as specifically provided herein, Lessee shall be responsible for all costs and expenses arising in connection with the Schedule or Equipment. Lessee acknowledges and agrees, except as specifically provided for in Section 7 of this MLA, that its obligation to pay Rent and other sums payable hereunder, and the rights of Lessor and Lessor's assignees, shall be absolute and unconditional in all events, and shall not be abated, reduced or subject to offset or diminished as a result of any event, including without limitation damage, destruction, defect, malfunction, loss of use, or obsolescence of the Equipment, or any other event, defense, counterclaim or recoupment due or alleged to be due by reason of any past, present or future claims Lessee may have against Lessor, Lessor's assigns, the manufacturer, vendor, or maintainer of the Equipment, or any person for any reason whatsoever.
- D. "Price" shall mean the actual purchase price of the Equipment. Rent Payments shall be adjusted proportionately downward if the actual price of the Equipment is less than the estimate (original proposal), and the Lessee herein authorizes Lessor to adjust the Rent Payments downward in the event of the decrease in the actual Equipment price. However, in the event that the Equipment price is more than the estimate (original proposal), the Lessor may not adjust the Rent Payment without prior written approval of the Lessee.

6 LIENS AND TAXES

Lessee shall keep the Equipment free and clear of all levies, liens and encumbrances, except those in favor of Lessor or its assigns, and shall give Lessor immediate notice of any attachment or other judicial process affecting any item of Equipment. Unless Lessee first provides proof of exemption therefrom, Lessee shall promptly reimburse Lessor, upon receipt of an accurate invoice, as an additional sum payable under this MLA, or shall pay directly if so requested by Lessor, all license and registration fees, sales, use, personal property taxes and all other taxes and charges imposed by any federal, state, or local governmental or taxing authority, from which the Lessee is not exempt, whether assessed against Lessee or Lessor, relating to the purchase, ownership, leasing, or use of the Equipment or the Rent Payments, excluding all taxes computed upon the net income of Lessor. Any tax statement received by the Lessor, for taxes payable by the Lessee, shall be promptly forwarded by the Lessor to the Lessee for payment.

7 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

- A. This paragraph applies only to Lessees designated as state agencies defined in Section 2054.003, Texas Government Code, including institutions of higher education as defined in Texas Education Code, Section 61.003 and those state agencies utilizing a DIR contract

through an Interagency Agreement, as authorized by Chapter 771, Texas Government Code.

- B. Lessee intends to continue each Schedule to which it is a party for the Schedule Term and to pay the Rent and other amounts due thereunder. Lessee reasonably believes that legally available funds in an amount sufficient to pay all Rent during the Schedule Term can be obtained. Lessee further intends to act in good faith to do those things reasonably and lawfully within its power to obtain and maintain funds from which the Rent may be paid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event sufficient funds are not appropriated to continue the Schedule Term for any Fiscal Period (as set forth on the Schedule) of Lessee beyond the Fiscal Period first in effect at the Commencement of the Schedule Term, Lessee may terminate the Schedule with regard to not less than all of the Equipment on the Schedule so affected. Lessee shall endeavor to provide Lessor written notice sixty (60) days prior to the end of its current Fiscal Period confirming the Schedule will be so terminated. All obligations of Lessee to pay Rent due after the end of the Fiscal Period for which such termination applies will cease, all interests of Lessee in the Equipment will terminate and Lessee shall surrender the Equipment in accordance with Section 13 of this MLA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee agrees, without creating a pledge, lien or encumbrance upon funds available to Lessee in other than its current Fiscal Period, that it will use reasonable efforts to obtain appropriation of funds to avoid termination of the Schedule by taking reasonable and appropriate action including the inclusion in Lessee's budget request for each Fiscal Period during the Schedule Term hereof a request for adequate funds to meet its obligations and to continue the Schedule in force. Lessee represents and warrants it has adequate funds to meet its obligations during the first Fiscal Period of the Schedule Term. Lessor and Lessee understand and intend that the obligation of Lessee to pay Rent hereunder shall constitute a current expense of Lessee and shall not in any way be construed to be a debt of Lessee in contravention of any applicable constitutional or statutory limitation or requirement concerning the creation of indebtedness by Lessee, nor shall anything contained herein constitute a pledge of the general revenues, funds or monies of Lessee or the State of Texas beyond the Fiscal Period for which sufficient funds have been appropriated to pay Rent hereunder.
- C. This paragraph applies only to Lessees designated as local government entities. Lessee intends to continue each Schedule to which it is a party for the Schedule Term and to pay the Rent and other amounts due thereunder. Lessee reasonably believes that legally available funds in an amount sufficient to pay all Rent during the Schedule Term can be obtained. Lessee further intends to act in good faith to do those things reasonably and lawfully within its power to obtain and maintain funds from which the Rent may be paid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event sufficient funds are not appropriated for Lessee to continue the Schedule Term for any Fiscal Period (as set forth on the Schedule)

of the Lessee beyond the Fiscal Period first in effect at the commencement of the Schedule Term, the Lessee may terminate the Schedule with regard to not less than all of the Equipment on the Schedule so affected. Lessee shall endeavor to provide Lessor written notice sixty (60) days prior to the end of its current Fiscal Period confirming the Schedule will be terminated. All obligations of Lessee to pay Rent due after the end of the Fiscal Period first in effect at the commencement of the Schedule Term will cease, all interests of Lessee in the Asset(s) will terminate and Lessee shall surrender the Equipment in accordance with Section 13 of this MLA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee agrees, without creating a pledge, lien or encumbrance upon funds available to Lessee in other than its current Fiscal Period, that it will use reasonable efforts to obtain appropriation of funds to avoid termination of the Schedule by taking reasonable and appropriate action including the inclusion in Lessee's budget request for each Fiscal Period during the Schedule Term hereof a request for adequate funds to meet its obligations and to continue the Schedule in force. Lessee represents and warrants it has adequate funds to meet its obligations during the first Fiscal Period of the Schedule Term.

8 SELECTION OF EQUIPMENT

The Equipment is the size, design, capacity and manufacture selected by Lessee in its sole judgment and not in reliance on the advice or representations of Lessor. No representation by the manufacturer or a vendor shall in any way affect Lessee's duty to pay Rent and perform its other obligations hereunder. Each Schedule is intended to be a "finance lease" as defined in Article 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code. Lessor has acquired or will acquire the Equipment in connection with this MLA. Lessor shall not be liable for damages for any reason, for any act or omission of the supplying manufacturer. Lessor agrees, to the extent they are assignable, to assign the Lessee, without recourse to Lessor, any warranties provided to Lessor with respect to the Equipment during the Term of the applicable Schedule. Lessee acknowledges that neither its dissatisfaction with any unit of Equipment, nor the failure of any of the Equipment to remain in useful condition for the Schedule Term, nor the loss of possession or the right of possession of the Equipment or any part thereof by the Lessee, shall relieve Lessee from the obligations under this MLA or Schedule Term. Lessee shall have no right, title or interest in or to the Equipment except the right to use the same upon the terms and conditions herein contained. The Equipment shall remain the sole and exclusive personal property of the Lessor and not be deemed a fixture whether or not it becomes attached to any real property of the Lessee. Any labels supplied by Lessor to Lessee, describing the ownership of the Equipment, shall be affixed by Lessee upon a prominent place on each item of Equipment.

9 INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

Promptly upon delivery of the Equipment, Lessee will inspect and test the Equipment, and not later than ten (10) business days following the Commencement Date, Lessee will execute and deliver either (i) an Acceptance Certificate, or (ii) written notification of any defects in the Equipment. If Lessee has not given notice within such time period, the Equipment shall be conclusively deemed accepted by the Lessee as of the tenth (10th) business day. Lessor, its assigns or their agents, shall be permitted free access at reasonable times authorized by the Lessee, the right to inspect the Equipment.

10 INSTALLATION AND DELIVERY; USE OF EQUIPMENT; REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

- A. All transportation, delivery, and installation costs associated with the Equipment shall be borne by the Lessee. Lessor is not and shall not be liable for damages if for any reason the manufacturer of the Equipment delays the delivery or fails to fulfill the order by the Lessee's desired timeframe. Any delay in delivery by the manufacturer shall not affect the validity of any Schedule. Lessee shall provide a place of installation for the Equipment, which conforms to the requirements of the manufacturer and Lessor.
- B. Subject to the terms hereof, Lessee shall be entitled to use the Equipment in compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations of the jurisdiction wherein the Equipment is located and will pay all cost, claims, damages, fees and charges arising out of its possession, use or maintenance. Lessee agrees to solely use the Equipment in the conduct of Lessee's business. Lessee agrees, at its expense, to obtain all applicable permits and licenses necessary for the operation of the Equipment, and keep the Equipment in good working order, repair, appearance and condition (reasonable wear and tear is acceptable). Lessee shall not use or permit the use of the Equipment for any purpose, which according to the specification of the manufacturer, the Equipment is not designed or reasonably suited. Lessee shall use the Equipment in a careful and proper manner and shall comply with all of the manufacturer's instructions, governmental rules, regulations, requirements, and laws, and all insurance requirements, if any, with regard to the use, operation or maintenance of the Equipment.
- C. Lessee, at its expense, shall take good and proper care of the Equipment and make all repairs and replacements necessary to maintain and preserve the Equipment and keep it in good order and condition. Unless Lessor shall otherwise consent in writing, Lessee shall, at its own expense, enter into and maintain in force a maintenance agreement covering each unit of Equipment. Lessee shall furnish Lessor with a copy of such agreement, upon request. Lessee shall pay all costs to install and dismantle the Equipment. Lessee shall not make any alterations, additions, or improvements, or add attachments to the Equipment

without the prior written consent of Lessor, except for additions or attachments to the Equipment purchased by Lessee from the original supplier of the Equipment or any other person approved by Lessor. If Lessee desires to lease any such additions or attachments, Lessee hereby grants to Lessor the right of first refusal to provide such lease financing to Lessee for such items. Subject to the provisions of Section 13B of this MLA, Lessee agrees to restore the Equipment to Return Condition prior to its return to the Lessor.

11 RELOCATION OF EQUIPMENT

Lessee shall at all times keep the Equipment within its exclusive possession and control. Upon Lessor's prior written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, Lessee may move the Equipment to another location of Lessee within the continental United States, provided (i) Lessee is not in default on any Schedule, (ii) Lessee executes and causes to be filed at its expense such instruments as are necessary to preserve and protect the interests of Lessor and its assigns in the Equipment, (iii) Lessee pays all costs of, and provides adequate insurance during such movement, and (iv) Lessee pays all costs otherwise associated with such relocation.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee may move the Equipment to another location within Texas without notification to, or the consent of, Lessor. Provided, however, that not later than December 31 of each calendar year, Lessee shall provide Lessor a written report detailing the total amount of Equipment at each location of Lessee as of that date, and the complete address for each location. Lessor shall make all filings and returns for property taxes due with respect to the Equipment, and Lessee agrees that it shall not make or file any property tax returns, including information returns, with respect to the Equipment.

12 OWNERSHIP

The Equipment shall at all times be and remain the sole and exclusive property of Lessor, subject to the parties rights under any applicable software license agreement. Lessee shall have no right, title or interest in the Equipment except a leasehold interest as provided for herein. Lessee agrees that the Equipment shall be and remain personal property and shall not be so affixed to realty as to become a fixture or otherwise to lose its identity as the separate property of the Lessor. Upon request, Lessee will enter into any and all agreements necessary to ensure that the Equipment remain the personal property of Lessor.

13 PURCHASE AND RENEWAL OPTIONS; LOCATION AND SURRENDER OF EQUIPMENT

- A. Not less than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the initial Schedule Term Lessor shall notify Lessee of options for continued use of Equipment. Lessee shall have the option to: (i) renew the Schedule as to all but not less than all of the Equipment, or (ii) purchase all but not less than all of the Equipment for cash or by the Lessor's acceptance

of a purchase order from Lessee upon the last business day on or prior to the expiration of the Schedule Term thereof for a price equal to the amount set forth in the Schedule. If the Fair Market Value (FMV) Purchase Option was selected on the Schedule, the FMV shall be determined on the basis of and shall be equal in amount to, the value which would be obtained in an arms-length transaction between an informed and willing buyer-user (other than a used equipment dealer), who would be retaining the Equipment as part of its current operations, in continuing and consistent use, and an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell, and in such determination, costs of removal from the location of current use shall not be a deduction from such value. If Lessee desires to exercise either option, it shall give Lessor irrevocable written notice of its intention to exercise such option at least sixty (60) days (and not more than 180 days) before the expiration of such Schedule Term. In the event that Lessee exercises the purchase option described herein, upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of the purchase price for the Equipment, together with all Rent Payments and any other amounts owing to Lessor hereunder, Lessor shall transfer to Lessee without any representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied, title to such Equipment. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY, IF LESSEE FAILS TO NOTIFY LESSOR OF ITS INTENT WITH RESPECT TO THE EXERCISE OF THE OPTIONS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION 13 WITHIN THE TIME FRAMES CONTEMPLATED HEREIN, THE INITIAL SCHEDULE TERM SHALL BE TERMINATED ON THE DATE AS STATED IN THE SCHEDULE.

- B. The Equipment shall be delivered to and thereafter kept at the location specified in the Schedule and shall not be removed therefrom without Lessor's prior written consent and in accordance with Section 11 of this MLA. Upon the expiration, early termination as provided herein, or upon final termination of the Schedule, upon at least ninety (90) days prior written notice to Lessor, Lessee at its cost and expense, shall immediately disconnect, properly package for transportation and return all (not part) of the Equipment (including, without limitation, all service records and user manuals), freight prepaid, to Lessor in good repair, working order, with unblemished physical appearance and with no defects which affect the operation or performance of the Equipment ("Return Condition"), reasonable wear and tear excepted. Lessee shall, at Lessor's request, affix to the Equipment, tags, decals or plates furnished by Lessor indicating Lessor's ownership and Lessee shall not permit their removal or concealment. Lessee shall return the Equipment to Lessor at a location specified by Lessor, provided, however, such location shall be within the United States no farther than 500 miles from the original Lessee delivery location, unless otherwise agreed to on the applicable Schedule. If the Equipment is not in Return Condition, Lessee shall remain liable for all reasonable costs required to restore the Equipment to Return Condition. Lessee shall arrange and pay for the de-installation and packing of the Equipment and the de-installation shall be performed by

manufacturer-certified technicians, approved by Lessor and the Lessor shall have the right to supervise and direct the preparation of the Equipment for return. IF, UPON TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THE SCHEDULE FOR ANY REASON, LESSEE FAILS OR REFUSES FORTHWITH TO RETURN AND DELIVER THE EQUIPMENT TO LESSOR, LESSEE SHALL REMAIN LIABLE FOR ANY RENT PAYMENTS ACCRUED AND UNPAID WITH RESPECT TO ALL OF THE EQUIPMENT ON THE SCHEDULE AND SHALL PAY RENT UP TO THE DATE THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS RETURNED TO THE ADDRESS SPECIFIED BY LESSOR. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessor shall have the right, without notice or demand, to enter Lessee's premises or any other premises where the Equipment may be found and to take possession of and to remove the Equipment, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, without legal process. Lessee understands that it may have a right under law to notice and a hearing prior to repossession of the Equipment. As an inducement to Lessor to enter into a transaction, but only to the extent that Lessee, if a state agency, has statutory authority to do so, Lessee hereby expressly waives all rights conferred by existing law to notice and a hearing prior to such repossession by Lessor or any officer authorized by law to effect repossession and hereby releases Lessor from all liability in connection with such repossession. Without waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit and to the extent authorized by the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, Lessee's obligation to return Equipment may, at Lessor's option, be specifically enforced by Lessor.

14 QUIET ENJOYMENT

During the Schedule Term, Lessor shall not interfere with Lessee's quiet enjoyment and use of the Equipment provided that an Event of Default (as hereinafter defined in Section 23 of the MLA) has not occurred.

15 WARRANTIES

Lessor and Lessee acknowledge that manufacturer Equipment warranties, if any, inure to the benefit of the Lessee. Lessee agrees to pursue any warranty claim directly against such manufacturer of the Equipment and shall not pursue any such claim against Lessor. Lessee shall continue to pay Lessor all amounts payable under any Schedule under any and all circumstances.

16 NO WARRANTIES

LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT LESSOR IS NOT THE MANUFACTURER OR LICENSOR OF THE EQUIPMENT. LESSEE AGREES THAT LESSOR HAS NOT MADE AND MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OF WHATSOEVER NATURE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE SUITABILITY, DURABILITY, FITNESS FOR USE, MERCHANTABILITY, CONDITION, OR QUALITY OF THE EQUIPMENT OR ANY UNIT THEREOF. LESSEE SPECIFICALLY WAIVES ALL RIGHT TO MAKE CLAIM AGAINST LESSOR FOR BREACH OF ANY EQUIPMENT WARRANTY OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER; AND WITH RESPECT TO LESSOR, LESSEE LEASES EQUIPMENT "AS IS". LESSOR SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO LESSEE FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, OR EXPENSE OF ANY KIND OR NATURE CAUSED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BY ANY EQUIPMENT LEASED HEREUNDER, OR BY THE USE OR MAINTENANCE THEREOF, OR BY THE REPAIRS, SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENT THERETO OR ANY DELAY OR FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY THEREOF, OR BY ANY INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE OR LOSS OF USE THEROF, OR FOR ANY LOSS OF BUSINESS OR DAMAGE WHATSOEVER AND HOWSOEVER CAUSED WITHOUT IN ANY WAY IMPLYING THAT ANY SUCH WARRANTY EXISTS AND WITHOUT INCREASING ITS LIABILITY HEREUNDER, TO ASSIGN TO LESSEE UPON LESSEE'S REQUEST THEREFOR ANY WARRANTY OF A MANUFACTURER OR LICENSOR OR SELLER RELATING TO THE EQUIPMENT THAT MAY HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO LESSOR.

17 INDEMNIFICATION

- A. Without waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit, and to the extent permitted by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, Lessee shall indemnify, protect, save and hold harmless Lessor, its agents, servants and successors from and against all losses, damages, injuries, claims, demands and expenses, including legal expenses and attorney's fees, of whatsoever nature, arising out of the use, misuse, condition, repair, storage, return or operation (including, but not limited to, latent and other defects, whether or not discoverable by it) of any unit of Equipment, regardless of where, how and by whom operated, and arising out of negligence (excluding the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Lessor). Lessee is liable for the expenses of the defense or the settlement of any suit or suits or other legal proceedings brought to enforce any such losses, damages, injuries, claims, demands, and expenses and shall pay all judgments entered in any such suit or suits or other legal proceedings. The indemnities and assumptions of liabilities and obligations herein provided for shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the termination of the MLA or a Schedule whether by expiration of time, by operation of law or otherwise. With respect to Lessor, Lessee is an independent contractor, and nothing contained herein authorizes Lessee or any other

person to operate the Equipment so as to impose or incur any liability or obligation for or on behalf of Lessor.

- B. Without waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit, and to the extent permitted by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, Lessee and DIR individually and collectively assume all risks and liabilities with respect to any claim made by any third party that the lease arrangements herein are not authorized by law. Without waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit, and to the extent permitted by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, Lessee and DIR agree to indemnify, save and hold harmless Lessor from any and all such claims and all expenses incurred in connection with such claims or to defend against such claims, including without limitation any judgments by a court of competent jurisdiction or settlement or compromise with such claimant.
- C. Lessor is the owner of the Equipment and has title to the Equipment. If any other person attempts to claim ownership of the Equipment by asserting that claim against Lessee or through Lessee, Lessee agrees, at its expense, to protect and defend Lessor's title to the Equipment. Lessee further agrees that it will at all times keep the Equipment free from any legal process, encumbrance or lien whatsoever, and Lessee shall give Lessor immediate notice if any legal process, encumbrance or lien is asserted or made against the Equipment.

18 RISK OF LOSS

- A. Commencing upon delivery and continuing throughout the Schedule Term, Lessee shall bear the entire risk of loss or damage in respect to any Equipment, whether partial or complete, from any cause whatsoever. In the event of loss, theft, destruction or damage of any kind to any item of Equipment, or if any Equipment is lost stolen, or taken by governmental action for a stated period extending beyond the Term of any Schedule (an "Event of Loss"), Lessee shall promptly notify Lessor. Lessee shall, at its option: (a) immediately place the affected Equipment in good condition and working order, (b) replace the affected Equipment with identical equipment of at least equal value, in good condition and repair, and transfer clear title thereto to Lessor, or (c) to the extent permitted by law, pay to Lessor, within thirty (30) days of the Event of Loss, an amount equal to the Stipulated Loss Value ("SLV" as hereafter defined) for such affected Equipment, plus any other unpaid amounts then due under the Schedule. If an Event of Loss occurs as to part of the Equipment for which the SLV is paid, a prorated amount of each Rent Payment shall abate from the date the SLV payment is received by Lessor. The SLV shall be an amount equal to the sum of all future Rent Payments from the last Rent Payment date to the end of the Schedule Term with such Rent Payments discounted to

present value at the like-term Treasury Bill rate for the remaining Schedule Term in effect on the date of such Event of Loss, or if such rate is not permitted by law, then at the lowest permitted rate.

- B. In the event of a governmental taking of Equipment for an indefinite period or for a stated period, which does not extend beyond the Schedule Term, all obligations of the Lessee with respect to such Equipment (including payment of Rent) shall continue. So long as Lessee is not in default hereunder, Lessor shall pay to Lessee all sums received by Lessor from the government by reason of such taking.

19 INSURANCE

- A. At its expense, Lessee shall keep the Equipment insured against all risks of loss and damage with companies acceptable to Lessor for an amount equal to the original cost of the Equipment, with Lessor or its assign(s) named as a loss payee. Lessee shall also maintain comprehensive general liability insurance, with Lessor or its assign(s) named as an additional insured. Lessee shall be liable for any loss not covered by insurance. All said insurance shall be in form and amount satisfactory to Lessor. Lessee shall pay the premiums therefor and deliver to Lessor or its assign(s) the certificates of insurance or duplicates thereof or other evidence satisfactory to Lessor or its assign(s) of such insurance coverage. Evidence of such insurance coverage shall be furnished no later than the Schedule Commencement Date of each Schedule and from time to time as Lessor or its assign(s) may request. Lessee hereby irrevocably appoints Lessor as Lessee's attorney-in-fact to make claim for, receive payment of, and execute and endorse all documents, checks or drafts received in payment for loss or damage under any said insurance policy. Lessee may self-insure with respect to the required coverage.
- B. Further, Lessees that are defined as state agencies in accordance with Section 2054.003, Texas Government Code (including institutions of higher education as defined in Texas Education Code, Section 61.003) and those purchasing from a DIR contract through an Interagency Agreement, as authorized by Chapter 771, Texas Government Code, may self-insure their obligations in this section.

20 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF LESSEE

Lessee represents and warrants for the benefit of Lessor and its assigns, and Lessee will provide an opinion of counsel to the effect that, as of the time of execution of the MLA and each Schedule between Lessor and Lessee:

- A. Lessee is either a Texas state agency or Texas local government, as defined in Section 2054.003, Texas Government Code (including institutions of higher education as defined

in Texas Education Code, Section 61.003) or a state agency purchasing from a DIR contract through an Interagency Agreement, as authorized by Chapter 771, Texas Government Code. Lessee has made an independent legal and management determination to enter into this transaction;

- B. Each Schedule executed by Lessee has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Lessee and constitutes a valid, legal and binding agreement of Lessee, enforceable in accordance with its terms;
- C. No approval, consent or withholding of objection is required from any federal or other governmental authority or instrumentality with respect to the entering into or performance by Lessee of any Schedule between Lessor and Lessee;
- D. The entering into and performance of any Schedule between Lessor and Lessee, the MLA or any Schedule will not violate any judgment, order, law or regulation applicable to Lessee or result in any breach of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien, charge, security interest or other encumbrance upon assets of the Lessee or on the Equipment leased under any Schedule between Lessor and Lessee pursuant to any instrument to which the Lessee is a party or by which it or its assets may be bound;
- E. To the best of Lessee's knowledge and belief, there are no suits or proceedings pending or threatened against or affecting Lessee, which if determined adversely to Lessee will have a material adverse effect on the ability of Lessee to fulfill its obligations under the MLA or any Schedule between Lessor and Lessee;
- F. The use of the Equipment is essential to Lessee's proper, efficient and economic operation, and Lessee will sign and provide to Lessor upon execution of each Schedule between Lessor and Lessee hereto written certification to that effect; and
- G. Lessee represents and warrants that (i) It has authority to enter into any Schedule under this MLA, (ii) the persons executing a Schedule have been duly authorized to execute the Schedule on Lessee's behalf, (iii) all information supplied to Lessor is true and correct, including all credit and financial information and (iv) it is able to meet all its financial obligations, including the Rent Payments hereunder.

21 REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES OF DIR

DIR represents and warrants for the benefit of Lessor and its assigns, and DIR will provide an opinion of counsel to the effect that, as of the time of execution of the MLA:

- A. DIR is a State agency as defined in Section 2251.001, Texas Government Code. DIR has not provided the Lessee or the Lessor with any legal or management advice regarding the MLA or any Schedule executed pursuant thereto;

- B. This MLA has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by DIR and constitutes a valid, legal and binding Agreement of DIR, enforceable in accordance with its terms;
- C. No approval, consent or withholding of objection is required from any federal or other governmental authority or governmental authority or instrumentality with respect to the entering into or performance by DIR of this MLA;
- D. The entering into and performance of the MLA does not violate any judgment, order, law or regulation applicable to DIR or result in any breach of, constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien, charge, security interest or other encumbrance upon assets of DIR or on the Equipment pursuant to any instrument to which DIR is a party or by which it or its assets may be bound;
- E. To the best of DIR's knowledge and belief, there are no suits or proceedings pending or threatened against or affecting DIR, which if determined adversely to DIR will have a material adverse effect on the ability of DIR to fulfill its obligations under the MLA;
- F. DIR is authorized to charge and collect the administrative fee as set forth within Section 5 of the Contract;
- G. Lessor's payment of the administrative fee to DIR shall not constitute an illegal gratuity or otherwise violate Texas law; and
- H. DIR is a government agency subject to the Texas Public Information Act. Lessor acknowledges that DIR will comply with the Public Information Act, and with all opinions of the Texas Attorney Generals' office concerning this Act.

22 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF LESSOR

- A. Lessor is an entity authorized and validly existing under the laws of its state of organization, is authorized to do business in Texas, and is not in default as to taxes owed to the State of Texas and any of its political subdivisions;
- B. The MLA and each Schedule executed in conjunction to this MLA have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Lessor and constitute valid, legal and binding agreements of Lessor, enforceable with respect to the obligations of Lessor herein in accordance with their terms;
- C. No approval, consent or withholding of objection is required from any federal or other governmental authority or instrumentality with respect to the entering into or performance by Lessor of this MLA or any Schedule;
- D. The entering into and performance of the MLA or any Schedule will not violate any judgment, order, law or regulation applicable to Lessor or result in any breach of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien, charge, security interest or

other encumbrance upon the assets of the Lessor, including Equipment leased under the MLA and Schedules thereto, pursuant to any instrument to which the Lessor is a party or by which it or its assets may be bound; and

- E. To the best of Lessor's knowledge and belief, there are no suits or proceedings pending or threatened against or affecting Lessor, which if determined adversely to Lessor will have a material adverse effect on the ability of Lessor to fulfill its obligations under the MLA or any Schedule.

23 DEFAULT

Lessee shall be in default under a Schedule upon the occurrence of any one or more of the following events (each an "Event of Default"): (a) nonpayment or incomplete payment by Lessee of Rent or any other sum payable; (b) nonpayment or incomplete payment by Lessee of Rent or any other sum payable on its due date; (c) failure by Lessee to perform or observe any other term, covenant or condition of this MLA, any Schedule, or any applicable software license agreement, which is not cured within ten (10) days after notice thereof from Lessor; (d) insolvency by Lessee; (e) Lessee's filing of any proceedings commencing bankruptcy or the filing of any involuntary petition against Lessee or the appointment of any receiver not dismissed within sixty (60) days from the date of said filing or appointment; (f) subjection of a substantial part of Lessee's property or any part of the Equipment to any levy, seizure, assignment or sale for or by any creditor or governmental agency; or (g) any representation or warranty made by Lessee in this MLA, any Schedule or in any document furnished by Lessee to Lessor in connection therewith or with the acquisition or use of the Equipment being or becoming untrue in any material respect.

24 REMEDIES

- A. Upon the occurrence of an "Event of Default" and at any time thereafter Lessor may, in its sole discretion, do any one or more of the following: (i) After giving fifteen (15) days prior written notice to Lessee of default, during which time Lessee shall have the opportunity to cure such default, terminate any or all Schedules executed by Lessor and the defaulting Lessee; (ii) without Lessee and DIR waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit, and to the extent allowed by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, Lessor may proceed by appropriate court action to enforce the performance of the terms of the Schedule and/or recover damages, including all of Lessor's economic loss for the breach thereof; (iii) whether or not the Schedule is terminated, upon notice to Lessee, take possession of the Equipment wherever located, without demand, liability, court order or other process of law, and for such purposes Lessee, to the extent authorized by Texas law, hereby authorizes Lessor, its assigns or the agents of either to enter upon the

premises where such Equipment is located or cause Lessee, and Lessee hereby agrees, to return such Equipment to Lessor in accordance with the requirements of Section 13 of the MLA; (iv) by notice to Lessee, and to the extent permitted by law, declare immediately due and payable and recover from Lessee, as liquidated damages and as a remedy, the sum of (a) the present value of the Rent owed from the earlier of the date of payment by Lessee or the date Lessor obtains a judgment against Lessee until the end of the Schedule Term plus, if the Equipment is not returned to or repossessed by Lessor, the present value of the estimated in-place fair market value of the Equipment at the end of the Schedule Term as determined by Lessor, each discounted at a rate equal to the rate used by Lessor for business opportunity analysis; (b) all Rent and other amounts due and payable on or before the earlier of the date of payment by Lessee or the date Lessor obtains a judgment against Lessee; and (c) without Lessee and DIR waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit, and to the extent allowed by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, costs, fees (including all attorneys' fees and court costs) and expenses associated with collecting said sums; and (d) interest on (a) and (b) from the date of default at 1 ½% per month or portion thereof (or the highest rate allowable by law, if less) and, on (c) from the date Lessor incurs such fees, costs or expenses.

- B. Upon return or repossession of the Equipment, Lessor may, if it so decides in its sole discretion, upon notice to Lessee, use reasonable efforts to sell, re-lease or otherwise dispose of such Equipment, in such manner and upon such terms as Lessor may determine in its sole discretion, so long as such manner and terms are commercially reasonable. Upon disposition of the Equipment, Lessor shall credit the Net Proceeds (as defined below) to the damages paid or payable by Lessee. Proceeds upon sale of the Equipment shall be the sale price paid to Lessor less the Stipulated Loss Value in effect as of the date of default. Proceeds upon a re-lease of the Equipment shall be all rents to be received for a term not to exceed the remaining Schedule Term, discounted to present value as of the commencement date of the re-lease at the Lessor's current applicable debt rate. Without Lessee and DIR waiving the doctrines of sovereign immunity and immunity from suit, and to the extent allowed by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, "Net Proceeds" shall be the Proceeds of sale or re-lease as determined above, less all costs and expenses incurred by Lessor in the recovery, storage and repair of the Equipment, in the remarketing or disposition thereof, or otherwise as a result of Lessee's default, including any court costs and attorney's fees and interest on the foregoing at eighteen percent (18%) per annum or the highest rate allowable by law, if less, calculated from the dates such costs and expenses were incurred until received by Lessor. Lessee shall remain liable for the amount by which all sums, including liquidated damages, due from Lessee exceeds the Net Proceeds. Net Proceeds in excess thereof are the property of and shall be retained by Lessor.

- C. No termination, repossession or other act by Lessor in the exercise of its rights and remedies upon an Event or Default shall relieve Lessee from any of its obligations hereunder. No remedy referred to in this Section is intended to be exclusive, but each shall be cumulative and in addition to any other remedy referred to above or otherwise available to Lessor at law or in equity.
- D. Neither DIR nor non-defaulting Lessees shall be deemed in default under the MLA or Schedules because of the default of a particular Lessee. Lessor's remedies under this Section 24 shall not extend to DIR and those non-defaulting Lessees.

25 NOTICES AND WAIVERS

All notices relating to this MLA shall be delivered to DIR or the Lessor as specified within Section 6 of the Contract, or to another representative and address subsequently specified in writing by the appropriate parties hereto. All notices relating to a Schedule shall be delivered in person to an officer of the Lessor or Lessee or shall be mailed certified or registered to Lessor or Lessee at its respective address shown on the Schedule or to another address subsequently specified in writing by the appropriate parties thereof. DIR, Lessee, and Lessor intend and agree that a photocopy or facsimile of this MLA or a Schedule and all related documents, including but not limited to the Acceptance Certificate, with their signatures thereon shall be treated as originals, and shall be deemed to be as binding, valid, genuine, and authentic as an original signature document for all purposes. This MLA and those Schedules in conjunction hereof are a "Finance Lease" as defined in Article 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code ("UCC"). A waiver of a specific Default shall not be a waiver of any other or subsequent Default. No waiver of any provision of this MLA or a provision of a Schedule shall be a waiver of any other provision or matter, and all such waivers shall be in writing and executed by an officer of the Lessor. No failure on the part of Lessor to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof.

26 ASSIGNMENT BY LESSOR; ASSIGNMENT OR SUBLEASE BY LESSEE

- A. Lessor may (i) assign all or a portion of Lessor's right, title and interest in this MLA and/or any Schedule; (ii) grant a security interest in the right, title and interest of Lessor in the MLA, any Schedule and/or any Equipment; and/or (iii) sell or transfer its title and interest as owner of the Equipment and/or as Lessor under any Schedule; and DIR and each Lessee leasing Equipment under the MLA understand and agree that Lessor's assigns may each do the same (hereunder collectively "Assignment"). All such Assignments shall be subject to each Lessee's rights under the Schedule(s) executed between it and Lessor and to DIR's rights under the MLA. Each Lessee leasing Equipment through Schedules under this MLA and DIR hereby consent to such Assignments and agree to execute and deliver

promptly such acknowledgements, Opinions of Counsel and other instruments reasonably requested to effect such Assignment. Each Lessee leasing Equipment through Schedules under this MLA and DIR acknowledge that the assigns do not assume Lessor's obligations hereunder and agree to make all payments owed to the assigns without abatement and not to assert against the assigns any claim, defense, setoff or counterclaim which DIR or the Lessee(s) may possess against the Lessor or any other party for any other reason. Lessor shall remain liable for performance under the MLA and any Schedule(s) executed hereunder to the extent Lessor's assigns do not perform Lessor's obligations under the MLA and Schedule(s) executed hereunder. Upon any such Assignment, all references to Lessor shall also include all such assigns, whether specific reference thereto is otherwise made herein.

- B. LESSEE WILL NOT SELL, ASSIGN, SUBLET, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE ENCUMBER, OR PERMIT A LIEN TO EXIST ON OR AGAINST ANY INTEREST IN THIS LEASE, OR THE EQUIPMENT, OR REMOVE THE EQUIPMENT FROM ITS LOCATION REFERRED TO ON THE SCHEDULE, WITHOUT LESSOR'S PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 11 OF THIS MLA. LESSOR MAY ASSIGN ITS INTEREST IN THIS LEASE AND SELL OR GRANT A SECURITY INTEREST IN ALL OR ANY PART OF THE EQUIPMENT WITHOUT LESSEE'S CONSENT. LESSEES THAT ARE STATE AGENCIES, WITHOUT WAIVING THE DOCTRINE OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY AND IMMUNITY FROM SUIT, AND ONLY AS MAY BE AUTHORIZED BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AGREE THAT IN ANY ACTION BROUGHT BY AN ASSIGNEE AGAINST LESSEE TO ENFORCE LESSOR'S RIGHTS HEREUNDER, LESSEE WILL NOT ASSERT AGAINST SUCH ASSIGNEE AND EXPRESSLY WAIVES AS AGAINST ANY ASSIGNEE, ANY BREACH OR DEFAULT ON THE PART OF LESSOR HEREUNDER OR ANY OTHER DEFENSE, CLAIM OR SET-OFF WHICH LESSEE MAY HAVE AGAINST LESSOR EITHER HEREUNDER OR OTHERWISE. NO SUCH ASSIGNEE SHALL BE OBLIGATED TO PERFORM ANY OBLIGATION, TERM OR CONDITION REQUIRED TO BE PERFORMED BY LESSOR HEREUNDER.** Without the prior written consent of Lessor, DIR shall not assign, sublease, transfer, pledge or hypothecate the Master Lease Agreement; provided, however, that no such prior written consent from Lessor is necessary in the event of a legislative mandate to transfer the contract to another state agency.

27 DELIVERY OF RELATED DOCUMENTS

For each Schedule, Lessee will provide the following documents and information satisfactory to Lessor: (a) Certificate of Acceptance; (b) Opinion of Counsel; (c) proof of self-insurance

acceptable to Lessor; (d) Financial Statements; (e) Incumbency Certificate; and (f) Other documents as reasonably required by Lessor.

28 LESSEE'S WAIVERS

To the extent permitted by applicable law, Lessee hereby waives the following rights and remedies conferred upon Lessee by the Uniform Commercial Code: to (i) cancel any Schedule under the MLA; (ii) repudiate any Schedule; (iii) reject the Equipment; (iv) revoke acceptance of the Equipment; (v) recover damages from Lessor for any breach of warranty by the manufacturer; (vi) claim a security interest in the Equipment in Lessee's possession or control for any reason; (vii) deduct all or any part of any claimed damages resulting from Lessor's default, if any, under any Schedule; (viii) accept partial delivery of the Equipment; (ix) "cover" by making any purchase or lease of or contract to purchase or lease equipment in substitution for the Equipment due from Lessor; (x) recover any special, punitive, incidental or consequential damages, for any reason whatsoever. Lessee agrees that any delay or failure to enforce Lessor's rights under this MLA or a Schedule does not prevent Lessor from enforcing any rights at a later time.

29 SECURITY INTEREST AND UCC FILINGS

To secure payments hereunder, Lessor reserves and Lessee hereby grants to Lessor a continuing security interest in the Equipment and any and all additions, replacements, substitutions, and repairs thereof. When all of the Lessee's obligations under this MLA and respective Schedules have been fully paid and satisfied, Lessor's security interest shall terminate. Nothing contained herein shall in any way diminish Lessor's right, title, or interest in or to the Equipment. Lessor and Lessee agree that a reproduction of this MLA and/or any associated Schedule may be filed as a financing statement and shall be sufficient as a financing statement under the Uniform Commercial Code ("UCC"). Lessee hereby appoints Lessor, its agents, successors or assigns its true and lawful attorney-in-fact for the limited purpose of executing and filing on behalf of Lessee any and all UCC Financing Statements which in Lessor's sole discretion are necessary or proper to secure Lessor's interest in the Equipment in all applicable jurisdictions. Lessee shall execute or obtain and deliver to Lessor, upon Lessor's request, such instruments, financing statements and assurances, as Lessor deems necessary or advisable for the protection or perfection of this Lease and Lessor's rights hereunder and will pay all costs incident thereto.

30 MISCELLANEOUS

- A. **Applicable Law and Venue.** The MLA and each Schedule SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS. In the event of a dispute between the parties, exclusive venue for any legal action shall be in the state court where Lessee has its principal office or where the Equipment is located, with the

following exception: if a Lessee is designated as a State agency as defined in Section 2054.003, Texas Government Code, including a university system or institution of higher education, and those purchasing from a DIR contract through an Interagency Agreement, as authorized by Chapter 771, Texas Government Code, then exclusive venue shall be in the state district court of Travis County, Texas.

- B. Counterpart. Only original counterpart No. 1 of each Schedule shall be deemed to be an "Original" for chattel paper purposes under the Uniform Commercial Code. Any and all other counterparts shall be deemed to be a "Copy". NO SECURITY INTEREST IN THIS MLA, IN ANY SCHEDULE, OR IN ANY OF THE EQUIPMENT MAY BE CREATED, TRANSFERRED, ASSIGNED OR PERFECTED BY THE TRANSFER AND POSSESSION OF THIS MLA ALONE OR OF ANY "COPY" OF THE SCHEDULE, BUT RATHER SOLELY BY THE TRANSFER AND POSSESSION OF THE "ORIGINAL" COUNTERPART OF THE SCHEDULE INCORPORATING THIS MLA BY REFERENCE.
- C. Suspension of Obligations of Lessor. Prior to delivery of any Equipment, the obligations of Lessor hereunder shall be suspended to the extent that it is hindered or prevented from performing because of causes beyond its control.
- D. Severability. In the event of any provision of this MLA or any Schedule shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the parties hereto agree that such provision shall be ineffective without invalidating the remaining provisions thereof.
- E. Entire Agreement. Lessor and Lessee acknowledge that there are no agreements or understanding, written or oral, between them with respect to the Equipment, other than as set forth in this MLA and in each Schedule to which Lessee is a signatory party. Lessor and Lessee further acknowledge that this MLA and each Schedule to which Lessee is a party contain the entire agreement between Lessor and Lessee and supersedes all previous discussions and terms and conditions of any purchase orders issued by Lessee. DIR and Lessor acknowledge that there are no agreements or understandings, written or oral, between them other than as set forth in this MLA and Contract Number DIR-CPO-XXX and that both contain the entire agreement between them. Neither this MLA nor any Schedule may be altered, modified, terminated, or discharged except by a writing signed by the party against whom enforcement of such action is sought.
- F. Headers. The descriptive headings hereof do not constitute a part of any Schedule and no inferences shall be drawn therefrom.
- G. Language context. Whenever the context of this MLA requires, the masculine gender includes the feminine or neuter, and the singular number includes the plural, and whenever the word Lessor is used herein, it shall include all assignees of Lessor.

H. Lessor Certifications. Lessor certifies that:

1. it has not given, offered to give, and does not intend to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with this MLA and/or any Schedules executed hereunder;
2. it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise tax owed the State of Texas and is not ineligible to receive payment under Section 231.006, Texas Family Code and acknowledges this MLA may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate;
3. neither it, nor anyone acting for it, has violated the antitrust laws of the United States or the State of Texas, nor communicated directly or indirectly to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business for the purpose of obtaining an unfair price advantage;
4. it has not received payment from DIR, Lessee or any of their employees for participating in the preparation of this MLA and the Schedule(s) hereunder;
5. during the term of this MLA, it will not discriminate unlawfully against any employee or applicant and that, upon request it will furnish information regarding its nondiscriminatory hiring and promotion policies, as well as specific information on the composition of its principals and staff, including the identification of minorities and women in management or other positions with discretionary or decision making authority,
6. under Section 2155.004, Texas Government Code, the Lessor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this MLA is not ineligible to receive the specified MLA and acknowledges that this MLA may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate;
7. to the best of their knowledge and belief, there are no suits or proceedings pending or threatened against or affecting them, which if determined adversely to them will have a material adverse effect on the ability to fulfill their obligations under the MLA;
8. Lessor and its principals are not suspended or debarred from doing business with the federal government as listed in the System for Award Management (SAM) maintained by the General Services Administration;
9. as of the effective date of the MLA, are not listed in the prohibited vendors list authorized by Executive Order #13224, "Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism",

published by the United States Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control;

10. to the extent applicable to this scope of this MLA, Lessor hereby certifies that it is in compliance with Subchapter Y, Chapter 361, Health and Safety Code related to the Computer Equipment Recycling Program and its rules, 30 TAC Chapter 328;
11. Vendor represents and warrants that, for its performance of this contract, it shall purchase products and materials produced in the State of Texas when available at the price and time comparable to products and materials produced outside the state, to the extent that such is required under Texas Government Code, Section 2155.4441;
12. agrees that all equipment and materials used in fulfilling the requirements of this contract are of high-quality and consistent with or better than applicable industry standards, if any. All Works and Services performed pursuant to this Contract shall be of high professional quality and workmanship and according consistent with or better than applicable industry standards, if any;
13. Lessor agrees that any payments due under this MLA will be applied towards any debt, including but not limited to delinquent taxes and child support that is owed to the State of Texas;
14. Lessor certifies that they are in compliance Section 669.003, Texas Government Code, relating to contracting with executive head of a state agency; if Section 669.003 applies, Vendor will complete the following information: Name of Former Executive; Name of State Agency; Position with Vendor and Date of Employment with Vendor.
15. Lessor represents and warrants that the provision of goods and services or other performance under the MLA will not constitute an actual or potential conflict of interest and certifies that it will not reasonably create the appearance of impropriety, and, if these facts change during the course of the MLA, Lessor certifies it shall disclose for itself and on behalf of subcontractors the actual or potential conflict of interest and any circumstances which create the appearance of impropriety;
16. Lessor represents and warrants that the Lessee's payment to Lessor and Lessor's receipt of appropriated or other funds under this Agreement are not prohibited by Sections 556.005 or Section 556.008, Texas Government Code;
17. Under Section 2155.006, Government Code, Lessor certifies that the individual or business entity in this MLA is not ineligible to receive the specified MLA and acknowledges that this MLA may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate. In addition, Lessor acknowledges the applicability of §2155.444 and §2155.4441, Texas Government Code, in fulfilling the terms of the MLA;

and (xviii) Lessor certifies that it has complied with the Section 556.0055, Texas Government Code, restriction on lobbying expenditures.. In addition, Vendor acknowledges the applicability of §2155.444 and §2155.4441, Texas Government Code, in fulfilling the terms of the Contract.

During the term of the MLA, Lessor shall, for itself and on behalf of its subcontractors, promptly disclose to DIR all changes that occur to the foregoing certifications, representations and warranties. Lessor covenants to fully cooperate in the development and execution of resulting documentation necessary to maintain an accurate record of the certifications, representations and warranties

- I. Dispute Resolution. The following paragraph applies only to Lessees designated as a State agency as defined in Section 2054.003, Texas Government Code, including a university system or institution of higher education, and those purchasing from a DIR contract through an Interagency Agreement, as authorized by Chapter 771, Texas Government Code.

Pursuant to Chapter 2260 of the Texas Government Code, any dispute arising under a contract for goods and services for which this chapter applies must be resolved under the provisions of this chapter. To the extent that Chapter 2260 of the Texas Government Code, as it may be amended from time to time ("Chapter 2260"), is applicable to this Agreement and is not preempted by other applicable law, the dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260, and rules promulgated there under shall be used by the Lessee and Lessor to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of agreement made by Lessor.

- J. Sovereign Immunity. Nothing herein shall be construed to waive the State's sovereign immunity.

31 AMENDMENTS

The terms and conditions of this MLA may be amended only by written instrument executed by the Lessor and DIR.