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July 25, 2023

Honorable Mayor and Members of Town Council Mr. Matt Mueller, Town Manager Ms. Kelly Wilson, CPM, CGFO, Chief Financial Officer Town of Little Elm, Texas 100 W. Eldorado Parkway Little Elm, TX 75068

We appreciate your selection of **FORVIS**, **LLP** as your service provider and are pleased to confirm the arrangements of our engagement in this contract. Within the requirements of our professional standards and any duties owed to the public, regulatory, or other authorities, our goal is to provide you an **Unmatched Client Experience**.

In addition to the terms set forth in this contract, including the detailed **Scope of Services**, our engagement is governed by the following, incorporated fully by this reference:

- HIPAA Business Associate Agreement
- The Reporting Solution End User License Agreement

## **Summary Scope of Services**

As described in the attached **Scope of Services**, our services will include the following:

Town of Little Elm, Texas

- Audit Services for the year ended September 30, 2023
- The Reporting Solution license and related implementation services and training for the year ended September 30, 2023

You agree to assume full responsibility for the substantive outcomes of the contracted services and for any other services we may provide, including any findings that may result.

You also acknowledge these services are adequate for your purposes, and you will establish and monitor the performance of these services to ensure they meet management's objectives. All decisions involving management responsibilities related to these services will be made by you, and you accept full responsibility for such decisions.

We understand you have designated a management-level individual(s) to be responsible and accountable for overseeing the performance of nonattest services, and you have determined this individual is qualified to conduct such oversight.



As required by Chapter 2271, Texas Government Code, we represent that we do not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel through the term of this engagement. For purposes of this representation, "boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

# **Engagement Fees**

The fees for our services will be as follows: \$70,500 for the financial statement audit in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, including assistance with preparation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which includes the annual license fee for The Reporting Solution, which will be utilized to prepare the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and a Single Audit in accordance with Uniform Guidance, and \$42,000 for the Town's stand-alone financial statement audits for the Town's seven (7) Public Improvement Districts, for a total of \$112,500 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

Our pricing for this engagement and our fee structure are based upon the expectation that our invoices will be paid promptly. Payment of our invoices is due upon receipt. We will issue progress billings during the course of our engagement.

Our timely completion of services and the fees thereon depends on the assistance you provide us in accumulating information and responding to our inquiries. Inaccuracies or delays in providing this information or the responses may result in additional billings, untimely filings, or inability to meet other deadlines. Our fees do not contemplate the following transactions or activities during the period of this engagement:

- Change in accounting principles other than GASB Statement No. 94 and 96
- Substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern
- Violation of covenants in debt arrangements
- Indications of fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets

If there are changes in circumstances where these or other conditions become known and significant additional time is necessary or additional services are requested, we reserve the right to revise our fees.

## **Assistance with New Standards**

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements* and Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*, is effective for the Town's fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

Statement No. 94 provides uniform guidance on accounting and financial reporting for public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs) and availability payment arrangements (APAs). As used in this Statement, a PPP is an arrangement in which a government (the transferor) contracts with an operator (a governmental or nongovernmental entity) to provide public services by conveying control of the right to operate or use an infrastructure or other nonfinancial asset (the underlying PPP asset) for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Statement 94 also addresses APAs, which are arrangements where a government compensates an operator for services that may include designing, constructing, financing, maintaining, or operating an underlying infrastructure or other nonfinancial asset for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. This statement requires governments to report assets and liabilities related to PPPs consistently and disclose information about PPP transactions.

Statement No. 96 addresses the accounting for the costs related to cloud computing agreements. Under this Statement, a government reports a subscription asset and subscription liability for agreements meeting the definition of a subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA) and to disclose essential information about the arrangement.

We can assist you with the adoption by providing services which may include, but are not limited to:

- Assessing your readiness by assisting with the evaluation of your:
  - Current controls and policies
  - Current internal resources and system capabilities
- Assisting with changes required to adopt Statement No. 96, including:
  - Assisting with information gathering to develop an inventory of all SBITA agreements, service contracts, and other arrangements that may contain right-to-use IT assets
  - Recommending enhancements to existing controls and policies or suggesting new controls and policies to address Statement No. 96
  - Documenting any changes from your previous IT subscription recognition and reporting methods
  - Drafting the required disclosures

The time it will take to perform the above assistance and our additional audit procedures relating to the adoption of the Statements, and any time to assist you with the adoption, may be minimized to the extent your personnel will be available to provide timely and accurate documentation and information as requested by us.

# **Contract Agreement**

Please sign and return this contract to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our services including our respective responsibilities.

# FORVIS, LLP

#### FORVIS, LLP

Acknowledged and agreed to as it relates to the entire contract, including the **Scope of Services**, **HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**, and **The Reporting Solution End User License Agreement**, on behalf of the Town of Little Elm, Texas.

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	Name and Title - Member of Management
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# Scope of Services - Audit Services

We will audit the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information and related disclosures, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements for the following entity:

Town of Little Elm, Texas as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023

The audit has the following broad objectives:

- Obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- Expressing opinions on the financial statements
- Issuing a report on your internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters based on the audit of your financial statements in accordance with Government Auditing Standards
- Expressing an opinion on your compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect to each of your major federal award programs in accordance with the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance)
- · Issuing a report on your internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance
- Issuing a report on your schedule of expenditures of federal awards

You have informed us that the audited financial statements are expected to be presented along with management's annual comprehensive financial report. Management is responsible for the other information (introductory and statistical sections) included in the annual comprehensive financial report. The other information comprises the annual comprehensive financial report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements will not cover the other information, and we will not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements, or whether the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

We will also express an opinion on whether the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards and related notes ("supplementary information") is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We will complete the auditee portion of the Form SF-SAC (Data Collection Form) through the Federal Audit Clearinghouse. We will not make the submission on your behalf. You will review a draft(s) of the submission prior to transmission and agree that you are solely responsible for approving the final draft for transmission as well as for the auditee submission and certification.

We will also audit the basic financial statements and related notes to the basic financial statements for the following public improvement districts within the Town of Little Elm, Texas for the year ended September 30, 2023:

- Valencia on the Lake Public Improvement District
- Valencia on the Lake Public Improvement District No. 2
- Rudman Tract Public Improvement District

- Hillstone Pointe Public Improvement District No. 2
- Lakeside Estates Public Improvement District No. 2
- SPIRITAS Ranch Public Improvement District
- SPIRITAS East Public Improvement District

The objectives of our audits are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report on each public improvement district that includes our opinion.

We will also provide you with the following nonattest services:

- Preparing a draft of the financial statements and related notes
- Proposing for your review and approval the adjusting entries to convert your modified accrual-basis
  accounting records to accrual-basis accounting records. Management is responsible for the
  propriety of the accrual adjustments.
- Proposing for your review and approval the year-end entries related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 68, 75, 87, 94 and 96, as applicable. Management is responsible for the propriety of the entries.
- Preparing a draft of the supplementary information, including the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and related notes

You agree to assume all management responsibilities and to oversee the nonattest services we will provide by designating an individual possessing suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience. You acknowledge that nonattest services are not covered under *Government Auditing Standards*. You are responsible for:

- Making all management decisions and performing all management functions
- Evaluating the adequacy and results of the services performed
- Accepting responsibility for the results of such services
- Designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities

Rachel Ormsby, Partner, is responsible for supervising the engagement and authorizing the signing of the report or reports.

We will issue a written reports upon completion of our audits, addressed to the following parties:

#### **Entity Name**

#### **Party Name**

Town of Little Elm, Texas

Honorable Mayor and Members of Town Council

You are responsible to distribute our reports to other officials who have legal oversight authority or those responsible for acting on audit findings and recommendations, and to others authorized to receive such reports.

The following apply for the audit services described above:

# Our Responsibilities

We will conduct our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the Uniform Guidance. Those standards require that we plan and perform:

 The audit of the financial statements to obtain reasonable rather than absolute assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error  The audit of compliance to obtain reasonable rather than absolute assurance about whether the entity complied with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal award program, if applicable

We will exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We will identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

We will obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances.

We will evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We will also conclude, based on audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We will identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the entity's compliance with compliance requirements subject to audit and performing such other procedures as the auditor considers necessary in the circumstances.

We will obtain an understanding of the entity's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance, regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that the auditor identified during the audit.

# Limitations & Fraud

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit that is planned and conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement or material noncompliance with federal award programs when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our

audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement or material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with compliance requirements is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the entity's compliance with the requirements of the federal programs as a whole.

Our understanding of internal control is not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of your internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit.

We are available to perform additional procedures with regard to fraud detection and prevention at your request, subject to completion of our normal engagement acceptance procedures. The actual terms and fees of such an engagement would be documented in a separate contract to be signed by you and FORVIS.

# Opinion

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter paragraph or other-matter paragraph(s) to our auditor's report, or if necessary, decline to express an opinion or withdraw from the engagement.

If we discover conditions that may prohibit us from issuing a standard report, we will notify you. In such circumstances, further arrangements may be necessary to continue our engagement.

# Your Responsibilities

Management and, if applicable, those charged with governance acknowledge and understand their responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of all information provided and for the following:

### **Audit Support** – to provide us with:

- o Unrestricted access to persons within the entity or within components of the entity (including management, those charged with governance, and component auditors, if applicable) from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence
- o Information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including access to information relevant to disclosures
- Information about events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements, of which management may become aware, that may affect the financial statements
- Information about any known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving management, employees with significant role in internal control, and others where fraud could have a material effect on the financials

- Identification and provision of report copies of previous audits, attestation engagements, or other studies that directly relate to the objectives of the audit, including whether related recommendations have been implemented
- Additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit

### • Internal Control and Compliance – for the:

- Design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to compliance with laws and regulations and the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- Alignment of internal control to ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met; that management and financial information is reliable and properly reported; and that compliance with and identification of the laws, regulations, contracts, grants, or agreements (including any federal award programs) applicable to the entity's activities is achieved
- Remedy, through timely and appropriate steps, of fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or other agreements reported by the auditor
- Establishment and maintenance of processes to track the status and address findings and recommendations of auditors

# • Accounting and Reporting – for the:

- Maintenance of adequate records, selection and application of accounting principles, and the safeguard of assets
- Adjustment of the financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirmation to us in the representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole
- Preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America
- Inclusion of the auditors' report in any document containing financial statements that indicates that such financial statements have been audited by us
- Distribution of audit reports to any necessary parties

The results of our tests of compliance and internal control over financial reporting performed in connection with our audit of the financial statements may not fully meet the reasonable needs of report users. Management is responsible for obtaining audits, examinations, agreed-upon procedures, or other engagements that satisfy relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements or fully meet other reasonable user needs.

# Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America provide for certain required supplementary information ("RSI") to accompany the basic financial statements. We understand the following RSI will accompany the basic financial statements:

- 1. Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A")
- 2. Budgetary comparison
- 3. Pension and Other Postemployment Benefit information

Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

Management is responsible for the fair presentation of the RSI. As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to the RSI in GAAS. These limited procedures will consist of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements.

We will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Supplementary Information

With regard to any supplementary information that we are engaged to report on:

- Management is responsible for its preparation in accordance with applicable criteria
- Management will provide certain written representations regarding the supplementary information at the conclusion of our engagement
- Management will include our report on this supplementary information in any document that contains this supplementary information and indicates we have reported on the supplementary information
- Management will make the supplementary information readily available to intended users if it is not presented with the audited financial statements

## Such information is:

- Presented for the purpose of additional analysis of the financial statements
- Not a required part of the financial statements
- The responsibility of management
- Subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS

# Written Confirmations Required

As part of our audit process, we will request from management and, if applicable, those charged with governance written confirmation acknowledging certain responsibilities outlined in this contract and confirming:

- The availability of this information
- Certain representations made during the audit for all periods presented
- The effects of any uncorrected misstatements, if any, resulting from errors or fraud aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole

# Peer Review Report

Government Auditing Standards require that we provide you with a copy of our most recent external peer review report and any letter of comment, and any subsequent peer review reports and letters of comment received during the period of the contract, upon request. If you would like a copy, please request from your engagement executive.

# Scope of Services – The Reporting Solution License and Related Implementation Services and Training

We will facilitate and process access to and use of The Reporting Solution (TRS) which is a web-based Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) preparation software provided by Thales Consulting, Inc. (Thales) for the year ended September 30, 2023. FORVIS will provide assistance with the ACFR building in TRS based upon your objectives and will provide certain limited training with respect to your use of TRS. Specifically, FORVIS will:

### **ACFR Building**

- Assist with assessing initial data available for use in TRS
- Assist with converting and importing initial data into TRS
- Assist with configuration of TRS
- Assist with formatting the ACFR
- Provide introductory training related to TRS

### **Ongoing Services**

- Provide support related to questions and issues related to TRS
- Provide post-ACFR build training related to TRS
- Provide assistance in preparing the ACFR

The following apply for the TRS services described above:

# End User License Agreement

Terms and conditions related to TRS are set forth in the attached End User License Agreement (EULA) between you and Thales. The executed EULA is required for access and use of TRS.

# Your Responsibilities

It is your responsibility to ensure that the appropriate level of due diligence related to the ACFR building in TRS in connection with this agreement has been performed. This includes determining whether TRS possesses the appropriate level of functionality and performance for your current and future needs.

# **HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**

This Business Associate Agreement ("BAA") is entered into by and between **FORVIS**, **LLP** (hereinafter referred to as "Business Associate") and Town of Little Elm, Texas (hereinafter referred to as "Covered Entity").

#### **RECITALS**

Business Associate provides services to Covered Entity under this contract (the "Contract"), and Covered Entity wishes to disclose certain information to Business Associate pursuant to the terms of such Contract, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information ("PHI").

The purpose of this BAA is to comply with all applicable federal and state laws governing the privacy of PHI. As used herein, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule are each deemed to include the amendments thereto, collectively referred to as "HIPAA/HITECH Final Omnibus Rule," that are included in the:

- Modifications to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") Privacy, Security, Enforcement, and Breach Notification Rules Under the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (the "HITECH Act") and the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act
- Other Modifications to the HIPAA Rules
- Final Rule (the "Omnibus Rule"), 78 Fed. Reg. 5565

Notwithstanding the terms of this or any other agreement between Covered Entity and Business Associate, Business Associate shall comply with all of its statutory and regulatory obligations stated under the HIPAA/HITECH Final Omnibus Rule. The terms stated herein shall have the same definitions as provided in HIPAA.

In consideration of the mutual promises below and the exchange of information pursuant to this BAA, the parties agree as follows:

- Permitted Uses and Disclosures. Except as described in the enumerated subparagraphs below, Business Associate shall not use or disclose PHI received from Covered Entity or created on behalf of Covered Entity. Exceptions:
  - 1.1. As reasonably necessary to provide the services in the Contract:
  - 1.2. As otherwise permitted or required by this BAA;
  - 1.3. As required by law; and
  - 1.4. For the proper management and administration of Business Associate's business and to disclose PHI in connection with such management and administration, and to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Business Associate, provided Business Associate obtains reasonable assurances from the recipient that the PHI shall be held confidentially and used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the recipient, and Business Associate requires the recipient to notify it of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the PHI has been breached.

- Safeguards. Business Associate shall not use or disclose PHI
  other than as permitted or required by the BAA or as required
  by law.
  - 2.1. Business Associate shall establish and maintain appropriate safeguards and shall comply with the Security Rule with respect to electronic PHI ("ePHI") to prevent the use or disclosure of such ePHI other than as provided for by the Contract including this BAA.
  - 2.2. To the extent the Business Associate is to carry out one or more of Covered Entity's obligation(s) under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to the Covered Entity in the performance of such obligation(s).
- 3. **Subcontracts.** In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule, Business Associate shall ensure any subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit PHI on behalf of Business Associate agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information.
- 4. Obligations of Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall obtain any consent or authorization that may be required by HIPAA, or applicable state law, prior to furnishing Business Associate with PHI, including ePHI. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of:
  - 4.1. Any limitation(s) in the Covered Entity's notice of privacy practices under 45 CFR 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI:
  - 4.2. Any changes in, or revocation of, the permission by an individual to use or disclose his or her PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI; and
  - 4.3. Any restriction on the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to or is required to abide by under 45 CFR 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if done by Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall provide to Business Associate only the minimum PHI necessary to perform the services set forth in a Contract.

- 5. Reporting, Notification, and Mitigation.
  - 5.1. Reporting. Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity of any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by the BAA of which it becomes aware, including breaches of unsecured PHI as required at 45 CFR 164.410, and any security incident of which it becomes aware, provided that with respect to Unsuccessful Security Incidents (as defined below), Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any such Unsuccessful Security Incidents that are material to the protection of Covered Entity's PHI. For purposes of this Business Associate Agreement, the

- term "Unsuccessful Security Incident" shall mean any security incident that does not result in any unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of ePHI or any interference with system operations in Business Associate's information system.
- 5.2. Notification. To assist Covered Entity in fulfilling its responsibility to notify individuals and others of a breach involving Unsecured PHI as required by HIPAA and applicable state law, the notification shall include, to the greatest extent reasonably possible:
  - Each individual whose unsecured PHI was subject to the breach; and
  - ii. Any other available information Covered Entity is required to include in its legally required notification to individual(s) or others.
- 5.3. Mitigation. Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this BAA.

#### 6. Term and Termination.

- 6.1. Term. The Term of this BAA shall be effective as of the last date signed and shall terminate without any further action of the parties upon the expiration or termination of the Contract or on the date Covered Entity terminates for cause as authorized in paragraph 6.2 of this section, whichever is sooner.
- 6.2. Termination for Cause. Covered Entity may terminate this BAA if Business Associate has violated a material term of the BAA and Business Associate has not cured the breach or ended the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity.
- 6.3. Obligations of Business Associate Upon Termination. Upon termination of this BAA for any reason, Business Associate, with respect to PHI received from Covered Entity, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, shall:
  - Retain only that PHI which is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities;
  - Return to Covered Entity or destroy the remaining PHI that the Business Associate still maintains in any form;
  - iii. Continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to ePHI to prevent use or disclosure of the PHI, other than as provided for in this section, for as long as Business Associate retains the PHI;
  - iv. Not use or disclose the PHI retained by Business Associate other than for the purposes for which such PHI was retained and subject to the same conditions set forth in this BAA which applied prior to termination; and

- v. Return to Covered Entity or destroy the PHI retained by Business Associate when it is no longer needed by Business Associate for its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities.
- 6.4. Survival. The obligations of Business Associate under this section shall survive the termination of this BAA.
- Designated Record Set. To the extent Business Associate maintains PHI in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate shall:
  - Make available PHI in a Designated Record Set to the Covered Entity as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.524; and
  - 7.2. Incorporate any amendments or corrections to PHI at the request of Covered Entity in accordance with 45 CFR 164.526, or take other measures as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.526.
- Accounting of Disclosures. Business Associate shall maintain and make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to the Covered Entity as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.528.
- Access to Records. Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books, and records available to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining compliance with the HIPAA Rules.
- 10. Insurance. Business Associate shall maintain insurance coverage in form and amount necessary to cover data loss and/or damage or the unauthorized disclosure and/or fraudulent use of data. Upon request, Business Associate shall provide Covered Entity with a certificate of insurance evidencing the coverage.
- 11. Privilege. No statutory or common law privilege, including privileges established or recognized by the attorney-client, accountant-client, or other legal privilege, shall be deemed to have been waived by virtue of this BAA.
- 12. No Third-Party Beneficiaries. Nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other person or entity any legal or equitable right, benefit, or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this BAA.
- 13. Integration. Any reference in this Agreement to a section of the HIPAA/HITECH Final Omnibus Rule, and applicable regulations, means the section as in effect as amended and for which compliance is required.
- 14. General. This BAA is governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Texas. If any part of a provision of this BAA is found illegal or unenforceable, it shall be enforced to the maximum extent permissible, and the legality and enforceability of the remainder of that provision and all other provisions of this BAA shall not be affected. This BAA may be modified, or any rights under it waived, only by a written document executed by the authorized representatives of both parties. THE REMAINDER OF THIS PAGE IS INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK

# The Reporting Solution End User License Agreement

Please read this document carefully because it explains the legal rights and obligations inherent to your ability to access and use The Reporting Solution

This End User License Agreement ("EULA") governs use of The Reporting Solution and any related, upgraded, or substitute for the web application, software, and services provided by or on behalf of Thales Consulting Inc. ("Thales") relating to preparation of certain financial reports ("Software"). By accessing and/or using the Software, you and the entity you are working for or on behalf of agree to be bound by the terms of this EULA, although this EULA does not abrogate any other contract or understanding regarding the Software and your relationship with Thales, e.g., a sales contract, purchase agreement, privacy policy, disclaimer, etc., relating to the Software and/or services provided by Thales. This EULA is effective as of the first time the Software is accessed and it will remain in effect—in its current or any future amended form—for however long the Software is used. Some of the obligations in this EULA extend beyond the term of this EULA and/or the point in time after which you voluntarily or involuntarily stop accessing or using the Software.

#### 1. License Grant

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