
WILLIAMSON COUNTY PURCHASE CONTRACT

Important Notice: County Purchase Orders and Contracts constitute expenditures of public funds, and all vendors are hereby placed on notice that any quotes, invoices or any other forms that seek to unilaterally impose contractual or quasicontractual terms are subject to the extent authorized by Texas law, including but not limited to the Texas Constitution, the Texas Government Code, the Texas Local Government Code, the Texas Transportation Code, the Texas Health & Safety Code, and Opinions of the Texas Attorney General relevant to local governmental entities.

THIS PURCHASE CONTRACT (hereinafter “Contract”) is made and entered into by and between **Williamson County, Texas** (“County”), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, acting herein by and through its governing body, and **the undersigned vendor** (hereinafter “Vendor”), both of which are referred to herein as the parties. The County agrees to purchase and the Vendor agrees to sell the goods described herein pursuant to the following terms, conditions, and restrictions:

I.

Goods: Vendor shall provide County the goods described in the attached Quote(s)/Proposal(s) being marked as **Exhibit “A,”** which is incorporated herein to the extent it meets or exceeds the County’s solicitation, if applicable.

Should the County choose to purchase goods in addition to those described in **Exhibit “A,”** such additional goods shall be described in a separate written amendment to this Contract wherein the additional goods shall be described and the parties shall set forth the amount of compensation to be paid by the County for the additional goods. Vendor shall not provide any additional goods and the County shall not be obligated to pay for any additional goods unless a written amendment to this Contract has been signed by both parties.

II.

Effective Date: This Contract shall be in full force and effect as of the date of the last party’s execution below.

III.

Consideration and Compensation: County shall pay Vendor for the goods in the amount set out in **Exhibit “A.”** Payment for the goods shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. An invoice shall be deemed overdue the 31st day after the later of (1) the date the County receives the goods under the contract; or (2) the date the Williamson County Auditor

receives an invoice for the goods. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by the County in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of the County's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday.

IV.

Confidentiality: Vendor expressly agrees that he or she will not use any incidental confidential information that may be obtained while working in a governmental setting for his or her own benefit, and agrees that he or she will not enter any unauthorized areas or access confidential information and he or she will not disclose any information to unauthorized third parties, and will take care to guard the security of the information at all times.

V.

No Agency Relationship & Indemnification: It is understood and agreed that Vendor shall not in any sense be considered a partner or joint venturer with the County, nor shall Vendor hold itself out as an agent or official representative of the County. Vendor shall be considered an independent contractor for the purpose of this Contract and shall in no manner incur any expense or liability on behalf of the County other than what may be expressly allowed under this Contract. The County will not be liable for any loss, cost, expense or damage, whether indirect, incidental, punitive, exemplary, consequential of any kind whatsoever for any acts by Vendor or failure to act relating to the services being provided.

VI.

INDEMNIFICATION - EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS: TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE VENDOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY, AND THE COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") AND SHALL ASSUME ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY (OTHER THAN AS A RESULT OF INDEMNITEES' GROSS NEGLIGENCE) FOR ANY CLAIM OR ACTION BASED ON OR ARISING OUT OF THE PERSONAL INJURY, OR DEATH, OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE VENDOR, OR OF ANY SUBCONTRACTOR, OR OF ANY OTHER ENTITY FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, WHICH OCCURRED OR WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED ON THE WORK SITE OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK. VENDOR HEREBY INDEMNIFIES THE INDEMNITEES EVEN TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH PERSONAL INJURY WAS CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE SOLE, COMPARATIVE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF THE STRICT LIABILITY OF ANY INDEMNIFIED PARTY. THIS INDEMNIFICATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO DAMAGES, COMPENSATION, OR BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER INSURANCE POLICIES, WORKERS COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFITS ACTS, OR OTHER EMPLOYEES BENEFIT ACTS.

INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER THAN EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS: TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, VENDOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY, AND THE COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATTORNEYS'

FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR ALLEGED TO BE RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE WORK DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS OF VENDOR OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, ANYONE EMPLOYED BY THEM OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT SUCH CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A PARTY INDEMNIFIED HEREUNDER.

VII.

No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity or Powers: Nothing in this Contract will be deemed to constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity or powers of the County, the Williamson County Commissioners Court, or the Williamson County Judge.

VIII.

Compliance With All Laws: Vendor agrees and will comply with any and all local, state or federal requirements with respect to the services rendered. Any alterations, additions, or deletions to the terms of the Contract that are required by changes in federal, state or local law or regulations are automatically incorporated into the Contract without written amendment hereto, and shall become effective on the date designed by such law or by regulation.

IX.

Termination: This Contract may be terminated at any time at the option of either party, without future or prospective liability for performance, upon giving thirty (30) days written notice thereof.

X.

Venue and Applicable Law: Venue of this Contract shall be Williamson County, Texas, and the laws of the State of Texas shall govern all terms and conditions.

XI.

Severability: In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision in this Contract and this Contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained in it.

XII.

Right to Audit: Vendor agrees that the County or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Vendor which are directly pertinent to the good to be provided under this Contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Vendor agrees that the County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Vendor facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate workspace in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. The County shall give Vendor reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

XIII.

Good Faith Clause: Vendor agrees to act in good faith in the performance of this Contract.

XIV.

No Assignment: Vendor may not assign this Contract.

XV.

Foreign Terrorist Organizations: Vendor represents and warrants that it is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization, as prohibited by Section 2252.152 of the Texas Government Code.

XVI.

Public Information: Vendor understands that County will comply with the Texas Public Information Act as interpreted by judicial ruling and opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. Information, documentation, and other material in connection with this Purchase Order or any resulting contract may be subject to public disclosure pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act.

XVII.

Damage to County Property: Vendor shall be liable for all damage to county-owned, leased, or occupied property and equipment caused by Vendor and its employees, agents, subcontractors, and suppliers, including any delivery or transporting company, in connection with any performance pursuant to this Contract. Vendor shall notify County in writing of any such damage within one (1) calendar day.

XVIII.

Media Releases: Vendor shall not use County's name, logo, or other likeness in any press release, marketing materials, or other announcement without the County's prior written approval.

XIX.

County Judge or Presiding Officer Authorized to Sign Contract: The presiding officer of the County's governing body who is authorized to execute this instrument by order duly recorded may execute this Contract on behalf of the County.

XX.

Entire Contract & Incorporated Documents: Conflicting Terms: This Contract constitutes the entire Contract between the parties and may not be modified or amended other than by a written instrument executed by both parties. Documents expressly incorporated into this Contract include the following:

- A. As described in the attached Quote(s)/Proposal(s), and being marked **Exhibit "A,"** which is incorporated herein to the extend the Quote(s)/Proposal(s) meets or exceeds the requirements of County's solicitation, if applicable;
- B. Additional Requirements for ARPA Funds, marked as **Exhibit "B;"** and
- C. The cooperative purchasing contract or agreement applicable to this Contract, if any, set out on the signature page hereinbelow.

The County reserves the right and sole discretion to determine the controlling provisions where there is any conflict between the terms of this Contract and the terms of any other purchase order(s), contract(s) or any document attached hereto as exhibits relating to the services and goods subject of this Contract.

WITNESS that this Contract shall be effective as of the date of the last party's execution below.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY:

Bill Gravell (Oct 10, 2023 11:38 CDT)
Authorized Signature

Bill Gravell
Printed Name

Date: Oct 10, 2023, 20

VENDOR:

Hamilton Medical, Inc.
Name of Vendor

Dan Brooks
Authorized Signature

Dan Brooks
Printed Name

Date: September 28th, 2023

Cooperative Purchasing Contract or Agreement (if applicable): 23SS107

Exhibit “A”
Quote/Proposal

Hamilton Medical, Inc.
 4655 Aircenter Circle
 Reno, NV 89502
 Phone:(775)858-3200
 Fax:(775)856-5621
 www.hamilton-medical.com



Quote Date: 9/15/2023

Williamson County EMS
 3189 South East Inner Loop
 Georgetown, Texas 78626

Emergency Medical Services
 WCE.32T1.091523.GM

Attention: John Gonzales
 +1 512-943-1491
 jgonzales@wilco.org

			UNIT LIST PRICE	QUOTED	EXTENDED	EXTENDED PRICE
Qty	PART #	DESCRIPTION		PRICE	DISCOUNT	
32	11001R	HAMILTON-T1 EMS Package	\$21,925.68	\$16,500.00	\$173,621.76	\$528,000.00
1	59600	Clinical Training	\$2,163.20			Included
32	161066	HAMILTON-T1 NIV, NIV S/T Application	\$2,143.22			Included
32	10102137	HAMILTON-T1 Universal Mount Handle	\$0.00			Included
32	355198	HAMILTON-C3/C2/C1/T1 POWER CORD	\$26.65			Included
32	160470	DISS CONNECTOR O2 - PLATFORM C	\$107.72			Included
32	10105900	HAMILTON-T1 O2 Cell- Initial Order	\$141.94			Included
32	10102336	HAMILTON-T1 English (USA) Language Kit	\$0.00			Included
32	10102150	HAMILTON-T1 Li-Ion Batteries (Qty 2)- Initial Order	\$617.97			Included
32	10102127	HAMILTON-T1 USA Customization	\$0.00			Included
32	10102122	HAMILTON-T1 Adult/Pediatric Configuration	\$0.00			Included
Sub Total						\$528,000.00
Additional Items						
6	3691040	HAMILTON-C3/C2/C1/T1/MR1 Battery Calibrator w/ Cord	\$534.97	\$437.24	\$586.38	\$2,623.44
32	10102142	HAMILTON-T1 Comm Board (CO2,SPO2,COM1) New Unit	\$666.05	\$566.14	\$3,197.12	\$18,116.48
32	161088	HAMILTON-T1 High Flow O2 Therapy Application	\$3,121.19	\$2,203.20	\$29,375.68	\$70,502.40
Sub Total						\$91,242.32
Trade-in						\$0.00
Sub Total						\$619,242.32
					Sales Tax	0.000% \$0.00
					Shipping Charges	\$0.00
					Quantity Discount	\$0.00
Quote Total						\$619,242.32
Finance Option			No. of Periods (Months)	0	Monthly Payment	\$0.00

Comments:

Hamilton Medical Inc. Emergency Medical Services Terms and Conditions of Sale

- Prices**
Prices are in US Dollars.
- Payment terms**
NET 30 days after invoice date. Payment terms are not extended while waiting for the issuance of a credit.
- Freight terms**
FOB Origin Pre-paid and added
- Warranty**
Two year parts & One year labor on new equipment. Ninety (90) day warranty on any upgrade parts. Extended warranties are available. The CO2 Capnostat 5 sensor and Aerogen cable have a One year manufacturer's warranty. All turbines installed in Hamilton-C1/T1/MR1/C6/C3 ventilators shipped from Hamilton Medical AG on or after July 1st, 2014 are warrantied for five (5) years against defects in design, material and workmanship under normal use for which it is intended. During the warranty period, Hamilton Medical will repair or replace, at its discretion, defective components or assemblies.
- Validity:**
The prices quoted are valid through November 30th, 2023.
- Technical Support**
Twenty four-hour/seven days per week / three hundred sixty five days per year telephone technical support is provided at no charge for the life of the Hamilton Medical, Inc. equipment.
- Special Conditions**

Hamilton Medical, Inc. does not supply; the cables, hardware, software or middle ware needed to integrate Hamilton Medical equipment with any facilities current Hospital Information or Electronic Medical Record systems.

8. Trade-In Equipment

Quotations that include trade-in equipment; Hamilton Medical will offer a trade-in credit, per competitive ventilator, on a one-to-one basis. A mutual agreement for

the arrangement of the disposal/transfer of the trade-in ventilators needs to be made within 30 days after the delivery of the new equipment. All trade-in equipment must either be destroyed or released to an authorized Hamilton Medical representative within 60 days after the delivery of the new equipment. Failure to meet the stated dates will result in forfeiture of the total trade-in credit. Trade-in values may fluctuate based on market demand.

9. Delivery

Expected delivery within 60 days of receipt & acceptance of purchase order.

10. Advertising & Promotion

Hamilton Medical may include information about the use of Hamilton Medical products at through Hamilton Medical's distribution channels; including but not limited to, web sites, press releases and reference lists, in the form of text and/or photographic images. Prior to use and publication, all copy shall be forwarded for its approval, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

11. Purchase Orders

Purchase orders can be placed via an e-mail to customer.service@hamiltonmedical.com or via a fax to (775)856-5621 or (775)420-3102.

12. Service Training Tuition

If applicable, service training tuition credits are valid for three years from the date of invoice. If the tuition is not used within three years, it will be forfeited and cancelled.

13. Financing

Monthly payment is based on credit approval. All submitted documentation must be satisfactory to Hamilton Medical Financial. Should you have any questions, please contact Ben Hardy at (952)516-7192 or BHardy@vendorservicesgroup.com

14. Sales Tax

Sales tax will be included on quotations for facilities that do not have a tax exemption certificate on file with Hamilton Medical, Inc. If applicable, provide Hamilton Medical, Inc. with a current tax exemption certificate to receive a quotation without sales tax. Once a current tax exemption certificate is provided, Hamilton Medical, Inc. will update your account to reflect the tax exempt status.

All information and pricing contained in this agreement is legally privileged and/or CONFIDENTIAL information to be shared only between Hamilton Medical Inc. and the direct recipient of this quote. You are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this agreement and/or Exhibits outside of Hamilton Medical Inc. and employees is strictly prohibited.

Quote Date Friday, September 15, 2023

Account Manager Gena Metzger

Account Manager Phone: (945) 214-2808

Account Manager Email gena.metzger@hamiltonmedical.com

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Exhibit “B”

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS MAY BE APPLICABLE RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES) AND THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) (C.F.D.A. 21.027) WHERE FUNDING MANDATES LEGAL COMPLIANCE:

1. **Use of Funds.**

- a. Recipient understands and agrees that the funds disbursed under this award may only be used in compliance with section 603(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act), Treasury’s regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
- b. Recipient will determine prior to engaging in any project using this assistance that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of such project.

2. **Period of Performance.** The period of performance for this award begins on the date hereof and ends on December 31, 2026. As set forth in Treasury’s implementing regulations, Recipient may use award funds to cover eligible costs incurred during the period that begins on March 3, 2021, and ends on December 31, 2024.

3. **Reporting.** Recipient agrees to comply with any reporting obligations established by Treasury as they relate to this award.

4. **Maintenance of and Access to Records**

- a. Recipient shall maintain records and financial documents sufficient to evidence compliance with section 603(c) of the Act, Treasury’s regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
- b. The Treasury Office of Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office, or their authorized representatives, shall have the right of access to records (electronic and otherwise) of Recipient in order to conduct audits or other investigations.
- c. Records shall be maintained by Recipient for a period of five (5) years after all funds have been expended or returned to Treasury, whichever is later.

5. **Pre-award Costs.** Pre-award costs, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.458, may not be paid with funding from this award.

6. **Administrative Costs.** Recipient may use funds provided under this award to cover both direct and indirect costs.
7. **Cost Sharing.** Cost sharing or matching funds are not required to be provided by Recipient.
8. **Conflicts of Interest.** Recipient understands and agrees it must maintain a conflict of interest policy consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c) and that such conflict of interest policy is applicable to each activity funded under this award. Recipient and subrecipients must disclose in writing to Treasury or the pass-through entity, as appropriate, any potential conflict of interest affecting the awarded funds in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112.
9. **Compliance with Applicable Law and Regulations.**
 - a. Recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of section 603 of the Act, regulations adopted by Treasury pursuant to section 603(f) of the Act, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing. Recipient also agrees to comply with all other applicable federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders, and Recipient shall provide for such compliance by other parties in any agreements it enters into with other parties relating to this award.
 - b. Federal regulations applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
 - i. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, other than such provisions as Treasury may determine are inapplicable to this Award and subject to such exceptions as may be otherwise provided by Treasury. Subpart F – Audit Requirements of the Uniform Guidance, implementing the Single Audit Act, shall apply to this award.
 - ii. Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM), 2 C.F.R. Part 25, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 25 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - iii. Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information, 2 C.F.R. Part 170, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 170 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - iv. OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement), 2 C.F.R. Part 180, including the requirement

to include a term or condition in all lower tier covered transactions (contracts and subcontracts described in 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart B) that the award is subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

- v. Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters, pursuant to which the award term set forth in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII to Part 200 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - vi. Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace, 31 C.F.R. Part 20.
 - vii. New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 C.F.R. Part 21.
 - viii. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655) and implementing regulations.
 - ix. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655) and implementing regulations.
 - x. Generally applicable federal environmental laws and regulations.
- c. Statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
- i. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.
 - ii. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability.
 - iii. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
 - iv. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.), and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and

- v. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.
10. **Remedial Actions.** In the event of Recipient's noncompliance with section 603 of the Act, other applicable laws, Treasury's implementing regulations, guidance, or any reporting or other program requirements, Treasury may impose additional conditions on the receipt of a subsequent tranche of future award funds, if any, or take other available remedies as set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. In the case of a violation of section 603(c) of the Act regarding the use of funds, previous payments shall be subject to recoupment as provided in section 603(e) of the Act.
 11. **Hatch Act.** Recipient agrees to comply, as applicable, with requirements of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328), which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by this federal assistance.
 12. **False Statements.** Recipient understands that making false statements or claims in connection with this award is a violation of federal law and may result in criminal, civil, or administrative sanctions, including fines, imprisonment, civil damages and penalties, debarment from participating in federal awards or contracts, and/or any other remedy available by law.
 13. **Publications.** Any publications produced with funds from this award must display the following language: "This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number [enter project FAIN] awarded to [name of Recipient] by the U.S. Department of the Treasury."
 14. **Debts Owed the Federal Government.**
 - a. Any funds paid to Recipient (1) in excess of the amount to which Recipient is finally determined to be authorized to retain under the terms of this award; (2) that are determined by the Treasury Office of Inspector General to have been misused; or (3) that are determined by Treasury to be subject to a repayment obligation pursuant to section 603(e) of the Act and have not been repaid by Recipient shall constitute a debt to the federal government.
 - b. Any debts determined to be owed the federal government must be paid promptly by Recipient. A debt is delinquent if it has not been paid by the date specified in Treasury's initial written demand for payment, unless other satisfactory arrangements have been made or if the Recipient knowingly or improperly retains funds that are a debt as defined in paragraph 14(a). Treasury will take any actions available to it to collect such a debt.

15. **Disclaimer.**

- a. The United States expressly disclaims any and all responsibility or liability to Recipient or third persons for the actions of Recipient or third persons resulting in death, bodily injury, property damages, or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any contract, or subcontract under this award.
- b. The acceptance of this award by Recipient does not in any way establish an agency relationship between the United States and Recipient.

16. **Protections for Whistleblowers.**

- a. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, Recipient may not discharge, demote, or otherwise discriminate against an employee in reprisal for disclosing to any of the list of persons or entities provided below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a federal contract or grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant.
- b. The list of persons and entities referenced in the paragraph above includes the following:
 - i. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress.
 - ii. An Inspector General.
 - iii. The Government Accountability Office.
 - iv. A Treasury employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management.
 - v. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency.
 - vi. A court or grand jury; or
 - vii. A management official or other employee of Recipient, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct.
- c. Recipient shall inform its employees in writing of the rights and remedies provided under this section, in the predominant native language of the workforce.

17. **Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States.** Pursuant to Executive Order 13043, 62 FR 19217 (Apr. 18, 1997), Recipient should encourage its contractors to adopt and enforce on-the- job seat belt policies and programs for their employees when operating company-owned, rented or personally owned vehicles.
18. **Reducing Text Messaging While Driving.** Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, 74 FR 51225 (Oct. 6, 2009), Recipient should encourage its employees, subrecipients, and contractors to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving, and Recipient should establish workplace safety policies to decrease accidents caused by distracted drivers.
19. **Clean Air Act and The Federal Water Pollution Control Act Compliance.** Vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq. and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. and Vendor agrees to report each violation to the Customer and understands and agrees that the Customer will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office. If applicable, Vendor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.
20. **Suspension and Debarment.**
- (1) This Agreement is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the Vendor is required to verify that none of the Vendor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
 - (2) The Vendor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
 - (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Customer. If it is later determined that the Vendor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to Customer, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
 - (4) The Vendor, bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any agreement that may arise from this offer. The Vendor, bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

21. **Recovered Materials.** (1) In the performance of this Agreement, the Vendor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired— (a) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule; (b) Meeting contract performance requirements; or (c) At a reasonable price.

(1) Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site: <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.

(2) The Vendor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.”

22. **Access to Records.** The following access to records requirements applies to this Agreement:

(1) The Vendor agrees to provide Customer, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Vendor which are directly pertinent to this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(2) The Vendor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) The Vendor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

(4) In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the Customer and the Vendor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

23. **Use of DHS Seals and Related Items.** The Vendor shall not use Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”) seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.

24. **Compliance with Federal Law and FEMA Rules.** This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the agreement. The Vendor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.
25. **Compliance with Byrd Anti-Lobbying Act, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended).** Vendors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.
26. **No Federal Government Obligations.** The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Vendor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this Agreement.
27. **False Claims Act Compliance and Program Fraud Prevention.** The Vendor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Vendor's actions pertaining to this Agreement.