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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) No. 00565 FOR

EMPLOYEE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAM

PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD:

_____, 2016 at __:00 AM (local time)
111 NW 1street, 13th Floor, Conf. Rm. __, Miami, Florida

ISSUED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY:

Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Services Division for

Human Resources Department

COUNTY CONTACT FOR THIS SOLICITATION:

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PROPOSAL RESPONSES DUE: INSERT DATE AND TIME

IT IS THE POLICY OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY THAT ALL ELECTED AND APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICIALS AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES SHALL ADHERE TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR CODE (HONOR CODE). THE HONOR CODE CONSISTS OF MINIMUM STANDARDS REGARDING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF ALL PUBLIC SERVANTS IN THE COUNTY.

VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE MANDATORY STANDARDS MAY RESULT IN ENFORCEMENT ACTION. (SEE IMPLEMENTING ORDER 7-7)

Electronic proposal responses to this RFP are to be submitted through a secure mailbox at BidSync until the date and time as indicated in this document. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to ensure its proposal reaches BidSync before the Solicitation closing date and time. There is no cost to the Proposer to submit a proposal in response to a Miami-Dade County solicitation via BidSync. Electronic proposal submissions may require the uploading of electronic attachments. The submission of attachments containing embedded documents or proprietary file extensions is prohibited. All documents should be attached as separate files. All proposals received and time stamped through the County's third party partner, BidSync, prior to the proposal submittal deadline shall be accepted as timely submitted. The circumstances surrounding all proposals received and time stamped after the proposal submittal deadline will be evaluated by the procuring department in consultation with the County Attomey's Office to determine whether the proposal will be accepted as timely. Proposals will be opened promptly at the time and date specified. The responsibility for submitting a proposal on or before the stated time and date is solely and strictly the responsibility of the Proposer. The County will in no way be responsible for delays caused by technical difficulty or caused by any other occurrence. All expenses involved with the preparation and submission of proposals to the County, or any work performed in connection therewith, shall be borne by the Proposer(s).

A Proposer may submit a modified proposal to replace all or any portion of a previously submitted proposal up until the proposal due date. The County will only consider the latest version of the proposal. For competitive bidding opportunities available, please visit the County's Internal Services Department website at: http://www.miamidade.gov/procurement/.

Requests for additional information or inquiries must be made in writing and submitted using the question/answer feature provided by BidSync at www.bidsync.com. The County will issue responses to inquiries and any changes to this Solicitation it deems necessary in written addenda issued prior to the proposal due date (see addendum section of BidSync Site). Proposers who obtain copies of this Solicitation from sources other than through BidSync risk the possibility of not receiving addenda and are solely responsible for those risks.

1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW AND GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Miami-Dade County, hereinafter referred to as the County, as represented by the Miami-Dade County, as represented by the Miami-Dade County Human Resources Department, is soliciting proposals for the provision of a fully insured life insurance program to include a Basic Life/Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance Plan ("Basic Life") and an Optional (also referred to as Supplemental) Life insurance Plan ("Optional Life"). Both the Basic Life and the Optional Life plan year effective date is January 1, 2018.

The County employs over 28,000 individuals throughout South Florida. Covered groups include:

- Miami-Dade County Employees
- Retires under and over the age of 65
- Industrial Development Authority
- Housing Finance Authority
- Judges

It is the County's goal, through this Solicitation, to offer a quality group life insurance program at competitive rates. Proposer's Basic Life and Optional Life Insurance Plans (the "Plans") shall substantially match the current level of coverage and provision language provided under the County's current Program. The life insurance coverage shall be non-participating. A copy of the current life insurance Certificate of Coverage/Policy, for covered groups, is provided as Attachment A. In addition, MetLife's Premium, Lives and Volume Report (2013-2016), Death Claims Paid (2013-2016) and Monthly Life Insurance Rates are provided herein as Attachment B for historical purposes.

Covered groups include employees, retirees (Medicare and Non-Medicare eligible), the Industrial Development Authority, Housing Finance Authority, as well as, approximately 139 judges (refer to the census data provided in Attachment C, Census). Jackson Health System (JHS) had previously been a covered group within the County's Program. It is mutually agreed, JHS will not participate as a covered group in the County's future Program at this time, Modifications to the County's benefit levels are subject to collective bargaining agreements.

The County anticipates awarding a contract for a five (5) year period, with one (1), two-year option to renew, at the County's sole discretion.

The anticipated schedule for this Solicitation is as follows:

Solicitation Issued:

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Pre-Proposal Conference:

See front cover for date, time, and place. Attendance is recommended but not mandatory. If you need a sign language interpreter or materials in accessible format for this event, please call the ADA Coordinator at (305) 375-2013 or email hjwrig@miamidade.gov at least five (5) days in advance.

Deadline for Receipt of Questions:

Proposal Due Date: **Evaluation Process:** Projected Award Date: TBA See front cover for date and time.

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1.2 Definitions

The following words and expressions used in this Solicitation shall be construed as follows, except when it is clear from the context that another meaning is intended:

- The word "Contractor" to mean the Proposer that receives any award of a contract from the County as a result of this Solicitation, also to be known as "the prime Contractor".
- The word "County" to mean Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida.

- The word "Proposal" to mean the properly signed and completed written submission in response to this solicitation by a Proposer for the Services, and as amended or modified through negotiations.
- The word "Proposer" to mean the person, firm, entity or organization, as stated on the Solicitation Submittal Form, submitting a response to this Solicitation.
- The words "Scope of Services" to mean Section 2.0 of this Solicitation, which details the work to be performed by the Contractor.
- The word "Solicitation" to mean this Request for Proposals (RFP) or Request for Qualifications (RFQ) document, and all associated addenda and attachments.
- 7. The word "Subcontractor" to mean any person, firm, entity or organization, other than the employees of the Contractor, who contracts with the Contractor to furnish labor, or labor and materials, in connection with the Services to the County, whether directly or indirectly, on behalf of the Contractor.
- 8. The words "Work", "Services", "Program", or "Project" to mean all matters and things that will be required to be done by the Contractor in accordance with the Scope of Services and the terms and conditions of this Solicitation.

1.3 General Proposal Information

The County may, at its sole and absolute discretion, reject any and all or parts of any or all responses; accept parts of any and all responses; further negotiate project scope and fees; postpone or cancel at any time this Solicitation process; or waive any irregularities in this Solicitation or in the responses received as a result of this process. In the event that a Proposer wishes to take an exception to any of the terms of this Solicitation, the Proposer shall clearly indicate the exception in its proposal. No exception shall be taken where the Solicitation specifically states that exceptions may not be taken. Further, no exception shall be allowed that, in the County's sole discretion, constitutes a material deviation from the requirements of the Solicitation. Proposals taking such exceptions may, in the County's sole discretion, be deemed non-responsive. The County reserves the right to request and evaluate additional information from any respondent regarding respondent's responsibility after the submission deadline as the County deems necessary.

The submittal of a proposal by a Proposer will be considered a good faith commitment by the Proposer to negotiate a contract with the County in substantially similar terms to the proposal offered and, if successful in the process set forth in this Solicitation and subject to its conditions, to enter into a contract substantially in the terms herein. Proposals shall be irrevocable until contract award unless the proposal is withdrawn. A proposal may be withdrawn in writing only, addressed to the County contact person for this Solicitation, prior to the proposal due date or upon the expiration of 180 calendar days after the opening of proposals.

As further detailed in the Proposal Submittal Form, Proposers are hereby notified that all information submitted as part of, or in support of proposals will be available for public inspection after opening of proposals, in compliance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, popularly known as the "Public Record Law."

Any Proposer who, at the time of proposal submission, is involved in an ongoing bankruptcy as a debtor, or in a reorganization, liquidation, or dissolution proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver has been appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Proposer under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law, may be found non-responsible. To request a copy of any ordinance, resolution and/or administrative order cited in this Solicitation, the Proposer must contact the Clerk of the Board at (305) 375-5126.

1.4 Aspirational Policy Regarding Diversity

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-1106-15 Miami-Dade County vendors are encouraged to utilize a diverse workforce that is reflective of the racial, gender and ethnic diversity of Miami-Dade County and employ locally-based small firms and employees from the communities where work is being performed in their performance of work for the County. This policy shall not be a condition of contracting with the County, nor will it be a factor in the evaluation of solicitations unless permitted by law.

1.5 Cone of Silence

Pursuant to Section 2-11.1(t) of the Miami-Dade County Code, as amended, a "Cone of Silence" is imposed upon each RFP or RFQ after advertisement and terminates at the time a written recommendation is issued. The Cone of Silence <u>prohibits any</u> communication regarding RFPs or RFQs between, among others:

- potential Proposers, service providers, lobbyists or consultants and the County's professional staff including, but not limited to, the County Mayor and the County Mayor's staff, County Commissioners or their respective staffs;
- the County Commissioners or their respective staffs and the County's professional staff including, but not limited to, the County Mayor and the County Mayor's staff; or
- potential Proposers, service providers, lobbyists or consultants, any member of the County's professional staff, the Mayor, County Commissioners or their respective staffs and any member of the respective Competitive Selection Committee.

The provisions do not apply to, among other communications:

- oral communications with the staff of the Vendor Services Section, the responsible Procurement Contracting Officer, provided the communication is limited strictly to matters of process or procedure already contained in the solicitation document:
- oral communications at pre-proposal conferences and oral presentations before Competitive Selection Committees during
 any duly noticed public meeting, public presentations made to the Board of County Commissioners during any duly
 noticed public meeting;
- recorded contract negotiations and contract negotiation strategy sessions; or
- communications in writing at any time with any county employees, official or member of the Board of County Commissioners unless specifically prohibited by the applicable RFP or RFQ documents.

When the Cone of Silence is in effect, all potential vendors, service providers, bidders, lobbyists and consultants shall file a copy of any written correspondence concerning the particular RFP or RFQ with the Clerk of the Board, which shall be made available to any person upon request. The County shall respond in writing (if County deems a response necessary) and file a copy with the Clerk of the Board, which shall be made available to any person upon request. Written communications may be in the form of e-mail, with a copy to the Clerk of the Board at clerkbcc@miamidade.gov.

All requirements of the Cone of Silence policies are applicable to this Solicitation and must be adhered to. Any and all written communications regarding the Solicitation are to be submitted only to the Procurement Contracting Officer with a copy to the Clerk of the Board. The Proposer shall file a copy of any written communication with the Clerk of the Board. The Clerk of the Board shall make copies available to any person upon request.

1.6 Communication with Competitive Selection Committee Members

Proposers are hereby notified that direct communication, written or otherwise, to Competitive Selection Committee members or the Competitive Selection Committee as a whole are expressly prohibited. Any oral communications with Competitive Selection Committee members other than as provided in Section 2-11.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code are prohibited.

1.7 Public Entity Crimes

Pursuant to Paragraph 2(a) of Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a proposal for a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit proposals on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and, may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for Category Two for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

1.8 <u>Lobbyist Contingency Fees</u>

a) In accordance with Section 2-11.1(s) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, after May, 16, 2003, no person may, in whole or in part, pay, give or agree to pay or give a contingency fee to another person. No person may, in whole or in part, receive or agree to receive a contingency fee.

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b) A contingency fee is a fee, bonus, commission or non-monetary benefit as compensation which is dependent on or in any way contingent upon the passage, defeat, or modification of: 1) any ordinance, resolution, action or decision of the County Commission; 2) any action, decision or recommendation of the County Mayor or any County board or committee; or 3) any action, decision or recommendation of any County personnel during the time period of the entire decision-making process regarding such action, decision or recommendation which foreseeably will be heard or reviewed by the County Commission or a County board or committee.

1.9 Collusion

In accordance with Section 2-8.1.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, where two (2) or more related parties, as defined herein, each submit a proposal for any contract, such proposals shall be presumed to be collusive. The foregoing presumption may be rebutted by the presentation of evidence as to the extent of ownership, control and management of such related parties in preparation and submittal of such proposals. Related parties shall mean Proposer or the principals thereof which have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another Proposer for the same contract or in which a parent company or the principals thereof of one Proposer have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another Proposer for the same contract. Proposals found to be collusive shall be rejected. Proposers who have been found to have engaged in collusion may be considered non-responsible, and may be suspended or debarred, and any contract resulting from collusive bidding may be terminated for default.

1.10 Contract Measures

This Solicitation includes contract measures for Miami-Dade County Certified Small Business Enterprises (SBE's) pursuant to Sections 2-8.1.1.1.1 and 2.1.1.1.2 of the Code of Miami-Dade County as follows:

Set-aside:

This Solicitation is set-aside for SBE's.

Subcontractor Goal:

______% SBE subcontractor goal is applicable. The purpose of a subcontractor goal is to have portions of the work under the prime contract performed by available subcontractors that are certified SBEs for contract values totaling not less than the percentage of the prime contract value set out in this Solicitation. Subcontractor goals may be applied to a contract when estimates made prior to solicitation advertisement identify the quality; quantity and type of opportunities in the contract and SBEs are available to afford effective competition in providing a percentage of these identified services. Proposers shall submit a completed Schedule of Intent Affidavit (Form SBD 504) at the time of proposal identifying all SBEs to be utilized to meet the subcontractor goal. The Schedule of Intent Affidavit shall specify the scope of work and commodity code the SBE will perform. The Schedule of Intent Affidavit constitutes a written representation by the Proposer that to the best of the Proposer's knowledge the SBEs listed are available and have agreed to perform as specified, or that the Proposer will demonstrate unavailability. The Schedule of Intent form can be found at http://www.miamidade.gov/business/library/forms/sbesol.pdf.

The participating SBE firms (or joint ventures) must have a valid Miami-Dade County SBE certification by the proposal submittal deadline of this Solicitation, as well as, meet all other requirements. Additional information regarding Miami-Dade County's Small Business Enterprise Program, including new amendments to the program, is available on the Small Business Development's website http://www.miamidade.gov/business/business-certification-programs-SBE.asp.

(If Selection Factor use Section 4.4 and delete above section.)

2.0 Scope of Services

2.1 Background

Miami-Dade County, hereinafter referred to as the County, as represented by the Miami-Dade County, as represented by the Miami-Dade Human Resources Department, is soliciting proposals for the provision of a fully insured life insurance program to include a Basic Life/Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) insurance Plan ("Basic Life") and an Optional (also referred to as Supplemental) Life Insurance Plan ("Optional Life). The County, at its sole discretion, reserves the right at any time during the term of this resulting agreement to request the addition of the Police Benevolent Association Survivors' Benefit insurance and Accidental Death & Dismemberment Programs to the Life and AD&D County Programs. Both the PBA and International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) groups continue to participate in the County's existing Basic Life, Optional Life and AD&D programs.

The County offers eligible employees and retirees the following:

Plan Type	Plan Description	Plan Provider	Plan Payment
. Group Term Life	Basic Life/Accidental Death & Dismemberment	Metropolitan Life Insurance Company	✓ Basic life is non-contributory for employees. The County pays the full cost. ✓ Basic Life is fully contributory for all retirees. ✓ The County does not contribute towards the cost for retiree basic life coverage
Insurance	Optional Life	Metropolitan Life Insurance Company	✓ The Optional Life is fully contributory for employees. ✓ The Optional Life is not available to retirees. At retirement, employees are eligible to purchase a conversion policy.

Additionally, the International Association of Firefighters Local 1403 offers a basic life insurance plan to its members. IAFF members will continue to be offered the opportunity to select from the County's plans, or if eligible, select from the union's plan. Please refer to the Miami-Dade County Employee Census Data provided as electronic files listed in **Attachments C** and for the eligible employee listing to include retirees and Fire Union sponsored life insurance plan participants.

2.2 Minimum Qualification Requirement

The minimum qualification requirements for this Solicitation are:

- 2.2.1 Proposer shall be licensed by the State of Florida to provide the plan services and/or administrative product for which the proposal is being submitted for as of the proposal due date. Proposer shall provide proof of its Certificate of Authority, issued by the state of Florida, for the type of plan services or administrative product proposed.
- 2.2.2 Proposer shall be financially stable to render the services isted in the Scope of Services (Section 2), as of proposal due date. Proposer shall provide proof of its minimum A- financial from A. M. Best Company, and a "Classification of VII" or higher, as the Proposer's most recent rating.

Note: The above requirements are a continuing requisite throughout the contract award and term of the agreement.

2.3 Preferred Qualifications

Have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in the State of Florida administering claims and providing similar services to those listed in this Solicitation, for governmental groups of 10,000 employees or greater. This preferred qualification is also applicable to the Proposer's subcontractors.

2.4 Requirements and Services to be Provided

A. Plan Requirements

2.4.1 General Information

- a. State of issue is Florida.
- b. The Plans effective date shall be January 1, 2018.
- c. The Plans shall be funded on a fully insured, non-participating basis. All full-time and part-time employees are eligible for insurance benefits the first of the month following or coincident to 60 days of active employment (if actively at work). There 30 day grace period following the eligibly date. Part-time employees must have consistently worked a minimum of 60 hours biweekly for 60 days and continue to consistently work at least 60 hours biweekly to maintain eligibility.
- d. Key executives, as identified by the County, are eligible for coverage as of their hire date.
- e. Life insurance is not offered to dependents.
- f. The County will remit premiums to the selected Proposer on a prepaid monthly basis for Basic Life and bi-weekly, in arrears, for Optional Life after the County either deducts the employee(s) contributions through its payroll process or receives payment from retirees or employees on an unpaid leave of absence. The County retains the right, at all times, to self-bill. The County will remit premium payments based on its records.
- g. The County will retain original beneficiary designations (online or hardcopies) and submit photocopies with claims filed. The County has utilized an online system to capture beneficiaries since 2008.
- h. The Plans do not include a portability feature.
- i. There shall be no minimum participation requirements.

2.4.2 Basic Life

- a. Basic Life is non-contributory for employees. The County pays the full cost.
- Basic Life is contributory for all retirees. The County does not contribute towards the cost for retiree basic life coverage.
- All existing benefit amounts in-force are guaranteed issue. The value of the basic life coverage is one times base annual salary.
- d. AD&D coverage is provided, with the basic coverage, for up to an additional one times base annual salary.
- Retirees under age 65 may maintain the same level Basic Life coverage as active employees, to age 65 at the same group rates.
- Retirees age 65 and over shall have the option of either a \$15,000 or \$20,000 Basic Life insurance policy and a conversion option.
 - Retirees over age 65 who retired prior to 2007 had the option of \$5,000 or \$10,000...
- g. Any minimum requirements for Basic Life shall be waived.
- County Commissioners (presently a total of 13), regardless of salary, are eligible for \$100,000 basic life coverage.
 Commissioners, at retirement, may elect to continue full coverage without age limitation providing timely premium payments are made.

2.4.3 Optional Life

- a. The Optional Life is fully contributory for employees. The employee pays the full cost.
- b. The Optional Life is not available to retirees. At retirement, employees are eligible to purchase a conversion policy.

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- c. The Optional Life premiums shall be guaranteed regardless of enrollment or percentage participation.
- d. County Commissioners (presently a total of 13), regardless of salary, shall have the option to elect an optional life volume of \$100,000 in coverage.
- Employees may purchase Optional Life coverage to provide an additional one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) or five (5) times their base annual salary to a maximum of \$2,000,000.
- f. AD&D coverage is not provided with Optional Life.
- g. Any minimum requirements for Optional Life shall be waived.

B. Administrative and Related Services

- 2.4.4 The selected Proposer shall:
 - a. Assume full risk on the Plans effective date for all lives that are insured by the current carrier as of December 31, 2017 with "no activity at work" exclusion.
 - b. Assume full risk for all lives effective on or after the Plans effective date.
 - Pay benefits on a "no loss no gain" basis as provided in Florida Statutes thereby no one will lose coverage due to a change in vendor.
 - d. Administer the Plans in accordance with the life insurance Certificate of Insurance/Policy provided herein as
 Attachment A, unless different provisions are subsequently agreed to in writing by the County.
 - Pay death benefits to beneficiaries of employees who die while on a County approved leave of absence provided premiums are paid, if applicable, without any time limit.
 - f. Pay death benefits to beneficiaries of employees who die while on a County approved leave of absence provided premiums are paid, if applicable, without any time limit.
 - g. Provide an accelerated death benefit with certification of impending death (not to exceed 6 months).
 - h. Accept court appointed guardians for minor beneficiary designations.
 - Allow employees losing Basic Life and /or Optional Life Coverage, due to termination and/or reduction in hours or who are no longer in an eligible class, to purchase a conversion policy regardless of period of time covered.
 - Accept the Discontinuance of Life insurance/Conversion Notice, provided as Attachment D, utilized by the County to notify the selected Proposer of eligibility for Basic Life and Optional Life conversion.
 - k. Administer and accept applications for Basic Life and Optional Life conversion within 31 days from loss of coverage (example: termination of employment or reduction in hours) or 15 days from the date the County provided notification, whichever is later. (However, the maximum number of days allowed to purchase a conversion policy is 90 days from loss of coverage.)
 - Accept the most current Evidence of Insurability/Statement of Health Form provided as Attachment E for medical underwriting.
 - m. Grandfather all current amounts of life insurance.
 - Provide a toll-free number to promptly answer all telephone inquiries during the County's regular business hours, Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm EST.
 - Exclude commission or any other compensation paid to a broker or selling agency in the rates unless required by law.
 - p. Comply with Performance Guarantee Provision.
 - q. Fulfill, upon expiration or termination of any agreement as a result of this Solicitation, all responsibility of the Plan year, including but not limited to, the transfer to the County of all data and records necessary to administer the Plans.
 - r. Accept that any reinsurance agreements or joint administration arrangements are subject to approval by the County.
 - s. Prepare language for amendments to the Certificate of Coverage/Policy due to legislative or other changes.
 - Prepare a customized Policies and Procedures Manual for services requested herein, which will be utilized by the selected Proposer and the County.

C. Enrollment

- 2.4.5 The selected Proposer shall:
 - Allow for an online annual enrollment period for all eligible employees, subject to evidence of insurability, directly on the selected Proposer's website. The selected Proposer shall notify the County, via electronic feed, of all approvals to facilitate payroll deductions. This usually occurs during the Fall (for Basic Life) and late Spring (for Optional Life).
 At the County's discretion, all for an "evergreen" application process with evidence of insurability, instead of an

annual optional life open enrollment. Selected Proposer shall mail notices to employees' home address regarding the annual Optional Life open enrollment. Retirees do not participate in the annual enrollment process.

- b. Review and approve all evidence of insurability forms.
- Accept the use of the current Miami-Dade County Enrollment and Beneficiary Change Form provided as Attachment
 F.
- d. Accept the County's online beneficiary designation process.
- e. Accept new enrollees, applying within their eligibility period, without evidence of insurability, up to three (3) times base annual salary. Coverage for four (4) and five (5) times base annual salary is subject to evidence of insurability.

D. Certificates/Communication Materials

- 2.4.6 The selected Proposer shall:
 - a. Present initial drafts of the life insurance certificates to the County for review at least 60 days prior to effective date,
 - b. At initial enrollment, mail (directly to homes of participants) certificates of coverage to all Optional Life participants as well as certificates to all retirees enrolled in the Basic Life. The selected Proposer shall pay all applicable postage.
 - Provide a sufficient quantity of certificates to the County's Benefits Manager or designee for approval, in writing, prior to printing.

E. Reporting

As requested by the County, the selected Proposer shall provide a Premium versus Paid Claims Activity report and Detailed Death Claim report segregated by County agency sub-groups. Reports shall be provided to the County within 48 hours of request, unless otherwise approved by the County.

3.0 RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Submittal Requirements

In response to this Solicitation, Proposer should **complete and return the entire Proposal Submission Package**. Proposers should carefully follow the format and instructions outlined therein. All documents and information must be fully completed and signed as required and submitted in the manner described.

The proposal shall be written in sufficient detail to permit the County to conduct a meaningful evaluation of the proposed services. However, overly elaborate responses are not requested or desired.

4.0 EVALUATION PROCESS

4.1 Review of Proposals for Responsiveness

Each proposal will be reviewed to determine if the proposal is responsive to the submission requirements outlined in this Solicitation. A responsive proposal is one which follows the requirements of this Solicitation, includes all documentation, is submitted in the format outlined in this Solicitation, is of timely submission, and has the appropriate signatures as required on each document. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive.

4.2 Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated by a Competitive Selection Committee which will evaluate and rank proposals on criteria listed below. The Competitive Selection Committee will be comprised of appropriate County personnel and members of the community, as deemed necessary, with the appropriate experience and/or knowledge, striving to ensure that the Competitive Selection Committee is balanced with regard to both ethnicity and gender. The criteria are itemized with their respective weights for a maximum total of one hundred (1000) points per Competitive Selection Committee member.

Technical Criteria

<u>Points</u>

 Proposer's experience, past performance, and qualifications of its key Personnel and its subcontractors' key personnel performing services

250

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Proposed plan design/benefits, approach and performance
 Guarantees; ability to duplicate requested benefits and offer most favorable terms

300

 Member services, technology, claims, account management, reporting, utilization management, and implementation 200

Price Criteria

Points

4. Proposer's proposed price and Financial responses

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4.3 Oral Presentations

Upon evaluation of the criteria indicated above, rating and ranking, the Competitive Selection Committee may choose to conduct an oral presentation with the Proposer(s) which the Competitive Selection Committee deems to warrant further consideration based on, among other considerations, scores in clusters and/or maintaining competition. (See Affidavit – "Lobbyist Registration for Oral Presentation" regarding registering speakers in the proposal for oral presentations.) Upon completion of the oral presentation(s), the Competitive Selection Committee will re-evaluate, re-rate and re-rank the proposals remaining in consideration based upon the written documents combined with the oral presentation.

4.4 Selection Factor

This Solicitation includes a selection factor for Miami-Dade County Certified Small Business Enterprises (SBE's) as follows. A SBE/Micro Business Enterprise is entitled to receive an additional ten percent (10%) of the total technical evaluation points on the technical portion of such Proposer's proposal. An SBE/Micro Business Enterprise must be certified by Small Business Development for the type of goods and/or services the Proposer provides in accordance with the applicable Commodity Code(s) for this Solicitation. For certification information contact Small Business Development at (305) 375-2378 or access http://www.miamidade.gov/business/business-certification-programs-SBE.asp. The SBE/Micro Business Enterprise must be certified by proposal submission deadline, at contract award, and for the duration of the contract to remain eligible for the preference. Firms that graduate from the SBE program during the contract may remain on the contract.

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A Selection Factor is not applicable to this Solicitation.

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(If no points are assigned to evaluation criteria, include the following in addition to above paragraph):

Whenever there are two best ranked proposals that are substantially equal and only one of the two so ranked proposals is submitted by a Proposer entitled to a selection factor, the selection factor shall be the deciding factor for award.

4.5 Local Certified Veteran Business Enterprise Preference

This Solicitation includes a preference for Miami-Dade County Local Certified Veteran Business Enterprises in accordance with Section 2-8.5.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. "Local Certified Veteran Business Enterprise" or "VBE" is a firm that is (a) a local business pursuant to Section 2-8.5 of the Code of Miami-Dade County and (b) prior to proposal or bid submittal is certified by the State of Florida Department of Management Services as a veteran business enterprise pursuant to Section 295.187 of the Florida Statutes. A VBE that submits a proposal in response to this solicitation is entitled to receive an additional five percent of the evaluation points scored on the technical portion of such vendor's proposal. If a Miami-Dade County Certified Small Business Enterprise (SBE) measure is being applied to this Solicitation, a VBE which also qualifies for the SBE measure shall not receive the veteran's preference provided in this section and shall be limited to the applicable SBE preference. At the time of proposal submission, the firm must affirm in writing its compliance with the certification requirements of Section 295.187 of the Florida Statutes and submit this affirmation and a copy of the actual certification along with the proposal submittal form.

Comment [RM(1]: Will be reviewed by SBD and updated once measures are provided.

4.6 Price Evaluation

The price proposal will be evaluated subjectively in combination with the technical proposal, including an evaluation of how well it matches Proposer's understanding of the County's needs described in this Solicitation, the Proposer's assumptions, and the value of the proposed services. The pricing evaluation is used as part of the evaluation process to determine the highest ranked Proposer. The County reserves the right to negotiate the final terms, conditions and pricing of the contract as may be in the best interest of the County.

4.7 Local Preference

The evaluation of competitive solicitations is subject to Section 2-8.5 of the Miami-Dade County Code, which, except where contrary to federal or state law, or any other funding source requirements, provides that preference be given to local businesses. If, following the completion of final rankings by the Competitive Selection Committee a non-local Proposer is the highest ranked responsive and responsible Proposer, and the ranking of a responsive and responsible local Proposer is within 5% of the ranking obtained by said non-local Proposer, then the Competitive Selection Committee will recommend that a contract be negotiated with said local Proposer.

4.8 Negotiations

The Competitive Selection Committee will evaluate, score and rank proposals, and submit the results of the evaluation to the County Mayor or designee with its recommendation. The County Mayor or designee will determine with which Proposer(s) the County shall negotiate, if any, taking into consideration the Local Preference Section above. The County Mayor or designee, at their sole discretion, may direct negotiations with the highest ranked Proposer, negotiations with multiple Proposers, and/or may request best and final offers. In any event the County engages in negotiations with a single or multiple Proposers and/or requests best and final offers, the discussions may include price and conditions attendant to price.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the County and said Proposer(s) cannot reach agreement on a contract, the County reserves the right to terminate negotiations and may, at the County Mayor's or designee's discretion, begin negotiations with the next highest ranked Proposer(s). This process may continue until a contract acceptable to the County has been executed or all proposals are rejected. No Proposer shall have any rights against the County arising from such negotiations or termination thereof.

Any Proposer recommended for negotiations shall complete a Collusion Affidavit, in accordance with Sections 2-8.1.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code. (If a Proposer fails to submit the required Collusion Affidavit, said Proposer shall be ineligible for award.)

Any Proposer recommended for negotiations may be required to provide to the County:

- a) Its most recent certified business financial statements as of a date not earlier than the end of the Proposer's preceding official tax accounting period, together with a statement in writing, signed by a duly authorized representative, stating that the present financial condition is materially the same as that shown on the balance sheet and income statement submitted, or with an explanation for a material change in the financial condition. A copy of the most recent business income tax return will be accepted if certified financial statements are unavailable.
- b) Information concerning any prior or pending litigation, either civil or criminal, involving a governmental agency or which may affect the performance of the services to be rendered herein, in which the Proposer, any of its employees or subcontractors is or has been involved within the last three years.

4.9 Contract Award

Any proposed contract, resulting from this Solicitation, will be submitted to the County Mayor or designee. All Proposers will be notified in writing of the decision of the County Mayor or designee with respect to contract award. The Contract award, if any, shall be made to the Proposer whose proposal shall be deemed by the County to be in the best interest of the County. Notwithstanding the rights of protest listed below, the County's decision of whether to make the award and to which Proposer shall be final.

4.10 Rights of Protest

A recommendation for contract award or rejection of all proposals may be protested by a Proposer in accordance with the procedures contained in Sections 2-8.3 and 2-8.4 of the County Code, as amended, and as established in Implementing Order No. 3-21.

5.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The anticipated form of agreement is attached. The terms and conditions summarized below are of special note and can be found in their entirety in the agreement:

a) Vendor Registration

Prior to being recommended for award, the Proposer shall complete a Miami-Dade County Vendor Registration Package. For online vendor registration, visit the Vendor Portal: http://www.miamidade.gov/procurement/vendor-registration.asp. Then, the recommended Proposer shall affirm that all information submitted with its Vendor Registration Package is current, complete and accurate at the time it submitted a response to the Solicitation by completing an Affirmation of Vendor Affidavit form as requested by the County.

b) Insurance Requirements

The Contractor shall furnish to the County, Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Services Division, prior to the commencement of any work under any agreement, Certificates of Insurance which indicate insurance coverage has been obtained that meets the stated requirements.

c) Inspector General Reviews

According to Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, as amended by Ordinance No. 99-63, Miami-Dade County has established the Office of the inspector General which may, on a random basis, perform audits on all County contracts, throughout the duration of said contracts, except as otherwise indicated. The cost of the audit, if applicable, shall be one quarter (1/4) of one (1) percent of the total contract amount and the cost shall be included in any proposed price. The audit cost will be deducted by the County from progress payments to the Contractor, if applicable.

d) User Access Program

Pursuant to Section 2-8.10 of the Miami-Dade County Code, any agreement issued as a result of this Solicitation is subject to a user access fee under the County User Access Program (UAP) in the amount of two percent (2%). All sales resulting from this Solicitation and the utilization of the County contract price and the terms and conditions identified therein, are subject to the two percent (2%) UAP.

6.0 ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Certificate of Coverage/Policy

Attachment B - MDC Life Claims and Premium 2013 - 2016

Attachment C - Census

Attachment D - Discontinuation of Life Insurance/Conversion Notice

Attachment E - Evidence of Insurability/Statement of Health Form

Attachment F - Enrollment and Beneficiary Change Form

Attachment G - Plan Designs

Draft Form of Agreement

Web Forms - Proposal Submission Package Including: Proposal Submittal Form, Fair Subcontract Practices Affidavit, Subcontractor Listing, Lobbyist Registration Form, and Contractor Due Diligence Affidavit.

Proposer Information Section*

Form 1 - Price Proposal/Financial Schedule*

Miami-Dade County, FL.

RFP No. 00565

*Note - The Proposer Information Section and Form 1 have been posted to BidSync in the form of fillable documents.

DRAFT FORM OF AGREEMENT

(This is the form of agreement the County anticipates awarding to the selected Proposer.)

Title Contract No.						
THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into as of this day of by and between , a						
corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of, having its principal office at (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), and Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, having its principal office at 111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida 33128 (hereinafter referred to as the "County"),						
WITNESSETH:						
WHEREAS, the Contractor has offered to provide, on a non-exclusive basis, that shall conform to the Scope of Services (Appendix A); Miami-Dade County's Request for Proposals (RFP) No. and all associated addenda and attachments, incorporated herein by reference; and the requirements of this Agreement; and, WHEREAS, the Contractor has submitted a written proposal dated, hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor's Proposal" which is						
incorporated herein by reference; and,						
WHEREAS, the County desires to procure from the Contractor such for the County, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement;						
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows: ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS						
The following words and expressions used in this Agreement shall be construed as follows, except when it is clear from the context that another meaning is intended:						
a) The words "Contract" or "Agreement" to mean collectively these terms and conditions, Page 1 of 38 Rev. 6/21/2016						

the Scope of Services (Appendix A), all other appendices and attachments hereto, all amendments issued hereto, RFP No.

and all associated addenda, and the Contractor's Proposal.

- b) The words "Contract Date" to mean the date on which this Agreement is effective.
- c) The words "Contract Manager" to mean Miami-Dade County's Director, Internal Services Department, or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the Contract.
- d) The word "Contractor" to mean _____ and its permitted successors.
- e) The word "Days" to mean Calendar Days.
- f) The word "Deliverables" to mean all documentation and any items of any nature submitted by the Contractor to the County's Project Manager for review and approval pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- g) The words "directed", "required", "permitted", "ordered", "designated", "selected", "prescribed" or words of like import to mean respectively, the direction, requirement, permission, order, designation, selection or prescription of the County's Project Manager; and similarly the words "approved", acceptable", "satisfactory", "equal", "necessary", or words of like import to mean respectively, approved by, or acceptable or satisfactory to, equal or necessary in the opinion of the County's Project Manager.
- h) The words "Extra Work" or "Additional Work" to mean additions or deletions or modifications to the amount, type or value of the Work and Services as required in this Contract, as directed and/or approved by the County.
- The words "Project Manager" to mean the County Mayor or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the Project.
- j) The words "Scope of Services" to mean the document appended hereto as Appendix A, which details the work to be performed by the Contractor.
- k) The word "subcontractor" or "subconsultant" to mean any person, entity, firm or corporation, other than the employees of the Contractor, who furnishes labor and/or materials, in connection with the Work, whether directly or indirectly, on behalf and/or under the direction of the Contractor and whether or not in privity of Contract with the Contractor.
- The words "Work", "Services" "Program", or "Project" to mean all matters and things required to be done by the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Contract.

ARTICLE 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

If there is a conflict between or among the provisions of this Agreement, the order of precedence is as follows: 1) these terms and conditions, 2) the Scope of Services (Appendix A), 3) the Miami-Dade County's RFP No.

and any associated addenda and attachments thereof, and 4) the Contractor's Proposal.

ARTICLE 3. RULES OF INTERPRETATION

- References to a specified Article, section or schedule shall be construed as reference to that specified Article, or section of, or schedule to this Agreement unless otherwise indicated.
- b) Reference to any agreement or other instrument shall be deemed to include such agreement or other instrument as such agreement or other instrument may, from time to time, be modified, amended, supplemented, or restated in accordance with its terms.
- c) The terms "hereof", "herein", "hereinafter", "hereby", "herewith", "hereto", and "hereunder" shall be deemed to refer to this Agreement.
- d) The titles, headings, captions and arrangements used in these Terms and Conditions are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to limit, amplify or modify the terms of this Contract, nor affect the meaning thereof.

ARTICLE 4. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT

- a) This Agreement incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, and understandings applicable to the matters contained in this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this Agreement, and that this Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties as to all matters contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written. It is further agreed that any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force or effect, and that this Agreement may be modified, altered or amended only by a written amendment duly executed by both parties hereto or their authorized representatives.
- b) The Contractor shall provide the services set forth in the Scope of Services, and render full and prompt cooperation with the County in all aspects of the Services performed hereunder.
- c) The Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement requires the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the effective and complete performance of all Work and Services under this Contract. All things not expressly mentioned in this Agreement but necessary to carrying out its intent are required by this Agreement, and the Contractor shall perform the same as though they were specifically mentioned, described and delineated.
- d) The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, and other items required to perform the Work and Services that are necessary for the completion of this Contract. All Work and Services shall be accomplished at the direction of and to the satisfaction of the County's Project Manager.
- e) The Contractor acknowledges that the County shall be responsible for making all policy decisions regarding the Scope of Services. The Contractor agrees to provide input on policy issues in the form of recommendations. The Contractor agrees to implement any and all changes in providing Services hereunder as a result of a policy change implemented by the County. The Contractor agrees to act in an expeditious and fiscally sound manner in providing the County with input regarding the time and cost to implement said changes and in executing the activities required to implement said changes.

ARTICLE 5. CONTRACT TERM

The Contract shall become effective on _____ and shall continue through the last day of the sixtieth month. The County, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to exercise the option to renew this Contract for one (1), two-year option to renew term. The County reserves the right to exercise its option to extend this Contract for up to one hundred-eighty (180) calendar days beyond the current Contract period and will notify the Contractor in writing of the extension. This Contract may be extended beyond the initial one hundred-eighty (180) calendar day extension period by mutual agreement between the County and the Contractor, upon approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

ARTICLE 6. NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

All notices required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed sufficiently served if delivered by Registered or Certified Mail, with return receipt requested; or delivered personally; or delivered via fax or e-mail (if provided below) and followed with delivery of hard copy; and in any case addressed as follows:

(1) to the County

a) to the Project Manager:

Miami-Dade County Attention: Phone:

Fax:

E-mail:

and,

b) to the Contract Manager:

Miami-Dade County Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division 111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 1375 Miami, FL 33128-1974

Attention: Assistant Director Phone: (305) 375-2363 Fax: (305) 375-2316

E-mail:

(2) To the Contractor

Attention: Phone: Fax: E-mail: Either party may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving notice as provided above to the other party. Such notices shall be deemed given upon receipt by the addressee.

ARTICLE 7. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES/AMOUNT OBLIGATED

All Services undertaken by the Contractor before County's approval of this Contract shall be at the Contractor's risk and expense.

With respect to travel costs and travel-related expenses, the Contractor agrees to adhere to Section 112.061 of the Florida Statutes as they pertain to out-of-pocket expenses, including employee lodging, transportation, per diem, and all miscellaneous cost and fees. The County shall not be liable for any such expenses that have not been approved in advance, in writing, by the County.

ARTICLE 8. PRICING

Prices shall remain firm and fixed for the term of the Contract, including any option or extension periods; however, the Contractor may offer incentive discounts to the County at any time during the Contract term, including any renewal or extension thereof.

ARTICLE 9. METHOD AND TIMES OF PAYMENT

The Contractor agrees that under the provisions of this Agreement, as reimbursement for those actual, reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the Contractor, which are directly attributable or properly allocable to the Services, the Contractor may bill the County periodically, but not more than once per month, upon invoices certified by the Contractor pursuant to Appendix B - Price Schedule. All invoices shall be taken from the books of account kept by the Contractor, shall be supported by copies of payroll distribution, receipt bills or other documents reasonably required by the County, shall show the County's contract number, and shall have a unique invoice number assigned by the Contractor. It is the policy of Miami-Dade County that payment for all purchases by County agencies and the Public Health Trust shall be made in a timely manner and that interest payments be made on late payments. All firms, including Small Business Enterprises, providing goods and services to the County, shall receive payment to maintain sufficient cash flow. In accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 218.74 and Section 2-8.1.4 of the Miami-Dade County Code, the time at which payment shall be due from the County or the Public Health Trust shall be forty-five (45) days from receipt of a proper invoice. Billings from prime Contractors under services and goods contracts with the County or Public Health Trust, that are Small Business Enterprise contract set-aside, bid preference or contain a subcontractor goal, shall be promptly reviewed and payment made by the County or Trust on those amounts not under dispute within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of such billing by the County or the Trust pursuant to Sections 2-8.1.1.1.1 and 2-8.1.1.1.2 of the Miami-Dade

County Code. All payments due from the County or the Public Health Trust, and not made within the time specified by this section shall bear interest from thirty (30) days after the due date at the rate of one percent (1%) per month on the unpaid balance. Further, proceedings to resolve disputes for payment of obligations shall be concluded by final written decision of the County Mayor, or his or her designee(s), not later than sixty (60) days after the date on which the proper invoice was received by the County or the Public Health Trust.

In accordance with Miami-Dade County Implementing Order 3-9, Accounts Receivable Adjustments, if money is owed by the Contractor to the County, whether under this Contract or for any other purpose, the County reserves the right to retain such amount from payment due by County to the Contractor under this Contract. Such retained amount shall be applied to the amount owed by the Contractor to the County. The Contractor shall have no further claim to such retained amounts which shall be deemed full accord and satisfaction of the amount due by the County to the Contractor for the applicable payment due herein.

Invoices and associated back-up documentation shall be submitted in duplicate by the Contractor to the County as follows:

Miami-Dad	e County
Attention:	

The County may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving written notice to the other party.

ARTICLE 10. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Agreement by the Contractor or its employees, agents, servants, partners principals or subcontractors. The Contractor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

Upon County's notification, the Contractor shall furnish to the Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division, Certificates of Insurance that indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained, which meets the requirements as outlined below:

 Worker's Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute 440. Formatted: Font: Arial Narrow

<u>B.</u>	Commercia	al General	Liability	Insuranc	e on a	compre	rensive	basis,	in an	amount	not less	than
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County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.												

- C. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles used in connection with the work, in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- D. Professional Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per claim.

The insurance coverage required shall include those classifications, as listed in standard liability insurance manuals, which most nearly reflect the operations of the Contractor.

All insurance policies required above shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida, with the following qualifications:

The company must be rated no less than "A-" as to management, and no less than "Class VII" as to financial strength, by Best's Insurance Guide, published by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the County Risk Management Division.

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The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida" issued by the State of Florida Department of Financial Services.

NOTE: CERTIFICATE HOLDER MUST READ: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY 111 NW 1ST STREET SUITE 2340 MIAMI, FL 33128

- Worker's Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute 440.
- Public Liability Insurance on a comprehensive basis in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Miami-Dade County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.
- 3. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in connection with the Services, in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- 4. Professional Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$______per claim-

The company must be rated no less than "A-" as to management, and no less than "Class VII" as to financial strength by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the County Risk Management Division.

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The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Page 7 of 38

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Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida", issued by the State of Florida Department of Financial Services and are members of the Florida Guaranty Fund.

The mailing address of Miami-Dade County as the certificate holder must appear on the certificate of insurance as follows:

Miami-Dade-County
111 N.W. 1st Street
Suite 1300
Miami, Florida 33128-1974

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve the Contractor of this liability and obligation under this section or under any other section in this Agreement.

Award of this Contract is contingent upon the receipt of the insurance documents, as required, within ten (10) business days. If the insurance certificate is received within the specified timeframe but not in the manner prescribed in this Agreement, the Contractor shall have an additional five (5) business days to submit a corrected certificate to the County. If the Contractor fails to submit the required insurance documents in the manner prescribed in this Agreement within fifteen (15) business days, the Contractor shall be in default of the contractual terms and conditions and award of the Contract may be rescinded, unless such timeframe for submission has been extended by the County.

The Contractor shall assure that the Certificates of Insurance required in conjunction with this Section remain in full force for the term of the Contract, including any renewal or extension periods that may be exercised by the County. If the Certificate(s) of Insurance is scheduled to expire during the term of the Contract, the Contractor shall submit new or renewed Certificate(s) of Insurance to the County a minimum of ten (10) calendar days before such expiration. In the event that expired Certificates of Insurance are not replaced or renewed to cover the Contract period, the County may suspend the Contract until the new or renewed certificates are received by the County in the manner prescribed herein. If such suspension exceeds thirty (30) calendar days, the County may, at its sole discretion, terminate the Contract for cause and the Contractor shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination.

ARTICLE 11. MANNER OF PERFORMANCE

- a) The Contractor shall provide the Services described herein in a competent and professional manner satisfactory to the County in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The County shall be entitled to a satisfactory performance of all Services described herein and to full and prompt cooperation by the Contractor in all aspects of the Services. At the request of the County, the Contractor shall promptly remove from the project any Contractor's employee, subcontractor, or any other person performing Services hereunder. The Contractor agrees that such removal of any of its employees does not require the termination or demotion of any employee by the Contractor.
- b) The Contractor agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the County and shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims, suits, actions, damages and costs (including attorney's fees and court costs) made against the County, occurring on account of, arising from or in connection with the removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel performing services hereunder at the behest of the County. Removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel as used in this Article shall not

require the termination and or demotion of such Contractor's personnel.

- c) The Contractor agrees that at all times it will employ, maintain and assign to the performance of the Services a sufficient number of competent and qualified professionals and other personnel to meet the requirements to which reference is hereinafter made. The Contractor agrees to adjust its personnel staffing levels or to replace any its personnel if so directed upon reasonable request from the County, should the County make a determination, in its sole discretion, that said personnel staffing is inappropriate or that any individual is not performing in a manner consistent with the requirements for such a position.
- d) The Contractor warrants and represents that its personnel have the proper skill, training, background, knowledge, experience, rights, authorizations, integrity, character and licenses as necessary to perform the Services described herein, in a competent and professional manner.
- e) The Contractor shall at all times cooperate with the County and coordinate its respective work efforts to most effectively and efficiently maintain the progress in performing the Services.
- f) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations that are applicable to the performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 12. EMPLOYEES OF THE CONTRACTOR

All employees of the Contractor shall be considered to be, at all times, employees of the Contractor under its sole direction and not employees or agents of the County. The Contractor shall supply competent employees. Miami-Dade County may require the Contractor to remove an employee it deems careless, incompetent, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable and whose continued employment on County property is not in the best interest of the County. Each employee shall have and wear proper identification.

ARTICLE 13. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP

The Contractor is, and shall be, in the performance of all work services and activities under this Agreement, an independent contractor, and not an employee, agent or servant of the County. All persons engaged in any of the work or services performed pursuant to this Agreement shall at all times, and in all places, be subject to the Contractor's sole direction, supervision and control. The Contractor shall exercise control over the means and manner in which it and its employees perform the work, and in all respects the Contractor's relationship and the relationship of its employees to the County shall be that of an independent contractor and not as employees and agents of the County.

The Contractor does not have the power or authority to bind the County in any promise, agreement or representation other than specifically provided for in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 14. AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER

a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County's Project Manager will determine in the first instance all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of, this Agreement including without limitations: questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the Services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Contract; negligence, fraud or misrepresentation before or subsequent to acceptance of the Contractor's Proposal; questions as to the interpretation of the Scope of Services; and claims for damages, compensation and losses.

- b) The Contractor shall be bound by all determinations or orders and shall promptly comply with every order of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order and regardless of whether the Contractor agrees with the Project Manager's determination or order. Where orders are given orally, they will be issued in writing by the Project Manager as soon thereafter as is practicable.
- c) The Contractor must, in the final instance, seek to resolve every difference concerning the Agreement with the Project Manager. In the event that the Contractor and the Project Manager are unable to resolve their difference, the Contractor may initiate a dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article. Exhaustion of these procedures shall be a condition precedent to any lawsuit permitted hereunder.
- d) In the event of such dispute, the parties to this Agreement authorize the County Mayor or designee, who may not be the Project Manager or anyone associated with this Project, acting personally, to decide all questions arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of the Agreement (including but not limited to claims in the nature of breach of contract, fraud or misrepresentation arising either before or subsequent to execution hereof) and the decision of each with respect to matters within the County Mayor's purview as set forth above shall be conclusive, final and binding on parties. Any such dispute shall be brought, if at all, before the County Mayor within 10 days of the occurrence, event or act out of which the dispute arises.
- The County Mayor may base this decision on such assistance as may be desirable, including advice of experts, but in any event shall base the decision on an independent and objective determination of whether Contractor's performance or any Deliverable meets the requirements of this Agreement and any specifications with respect thereto set forth herein. The effect of any decision shall not be impaired or waived by any negotiations or settlements or offers made in connection with the dispute, whether or not the County Mayor participated therein, or by any prior decision of others, which prior decision shall be deemed subject to review, or by any termination or cancellation of the Agreement. All such disputes shall be submitted in writing by the Contractor to the County Mayor for a decision, together with all evidence and other pertinent information in regard to such questions, in order that a fair and impartial decision may be made. Whenever the County Mayor is entitled to exercise discretion or judgement or to make a determination or form an opinion pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such action shall be fair and impartial when exercised or taken. The County Mayor, as appropriate, shall render a decision in writing and deliver a copy of the same to the Contractor. Except as such remedies may be limited or waived elsewhere in the Agreement, Contractor reserves the right to pursue any remedies available under law after exhausting the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE 15. MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS

a) This Agreement, including attachments and appendices to the Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect hereto and supersedes all previous communications and representations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereto unless acknowledged in writing by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.

- b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed for the benefit, intended or otherwise, of any third party that is not a parent or subsidiary of a party or otherwise related (by virtue of ownership control or statutory control) to a party.
- c) In those situations where this Agreement imposes an indemnity obligation on the Contractor, the County may, at its expense, elect to participate in the defense if the County should so choose. Furthermore, the County may at its own expense defend or settle any such claims if the Contractor fails to diligently defend such claims, and thereafter seek indemnity for costs from the Contractor.

ARTICLE 16. QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY ASSURANCE RECORD KEEPING

The Contractor shall maintain, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers maintain, complete and accurate records to substantiate compliance with the requirements set forth in the Scope of Services. The Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers, shall retain such records, and all other documents relevant to the Services furnished under this Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the expiration date of this Agreement and any extension thereof.

ARTICLE 17. AUDITS

The County, or its duly authorized representatives or governmental agencies, shall until the expiration of three (3) years after the expiration of this Agreement and any extension thereof, have access to and the right to examine and reproduce any of the Contractor's books, documents, papers and records and of its subcontractors and suppliers which apply to all matters of the County. Such records shall subsequently conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requirements, as applicable, and shall only address those transactions related to this Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 2-481 of the Miami-Dade County Code, the Contractor will grant access to the Commission Auditor to all financial and performance related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with government funds. The Contractor agrees to maintain an accounting system that provides accounting records that are supported with adequate documentation, and adequate procedures for determining the allowability and allocability of costs.

ARTICLE 18. SUBSTITUTION OF PERSONNEL

In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute personnel for the key personnel identified by the Contractor's Proposal, the Contractor must notify the County in writing and request written approval for the substitution at least ten (10) business days prior to effecting such substitution.

ARTICLE 19. CONSENT OF THE COUNTY REQUIRED FOR ASSIGNMENT

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Agreement, including its rights, title or interest in or to the same or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the County.

ARTICLE 20. SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS

a) If the Contractor will cause any part of this Agreement to be performed by a Subcontractor, the provisions of this Contract will apply to such Subcontractor and its officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the Contractor; and the Contractor will not be in any manner thereby discharged from its obligations and liabilities hereunder, but will be liable hereunder for all acts and negligence of the Subcontractor, its officers, agents, and employees, as if they were employees of the Contractor. The services performed by the Subcontractor will be subject to the provisions hereof as if performed directly by the Contractor.

- b) The Contractor, before making any subcontract for any portion of the services, will state in writing to the County the name of the proposed Subcontractor, the portion of the Services which the Subcontractor is to do, the place of business of such Subcontractor, and such other information as the County may require. The County will have the right to require the Contractor not to award any subcontract to a person, firm or corporation disapproved by the County.
- c) Before entering into any subcontract hereunder, the Contractor will inform the Subcontractor fully and completely of all provisions and requirements of this Agreement relating either directly or indirectly to the Services to be performed. Such Services performed by such Subcontractor will strictly comply with the requirements of this Contract.
- d) In order to qualify as a Subcontractor satisfactory to the County, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, the Subcontractor must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the County that it has the necessary facilities, skill and experience, and ample financial resources to perform the Services in a satisfactory manner. To be considered skilled and experienced, the Subcontractor must show to the satisfaction of the County that it has satisfactorily performed services of the same general type which is required to be performed under this Agreement.
- e) The County shall have the right to withdraw its consent to a subcontract if it appears to the County that the subcontract will delay, prevent, or otherwise impair the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. All Subcontractors are required to protect the confidentiality of the County's and County's proprietary and confidential information. Contractor shall furnish to the County copies of all subcontracts between Contractor and Subcontractors and suppliers hereunder. Within each such subcontract, there shall be a clause for the benefit of the County in the event the County finds the Contractor in breach of this Contract, permitting the County to request completion by the Subcontractor of its performance obligations under the subcontract. The clause shall include an option for the County to pay the Subcontractor directly for the performance by such Subcontractor. Notwithstanding, the foregoing shall neither convey nor imply any obligation or liability on the part of the County to any subcontractor hereunder as more fully described herein.

ARTICLE 21. ASSUMPTION, PARAMETERS, PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES AND EXPLANATIONS

The Contractor understands and agrees that any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations presented by the County were provided to the Contractor for evaluation purposes only. However, since these assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations represent predictions of future events the County makes no representations or guarantees; and the County shall not be responsible for the accuracy of the assumptions presented; and the County shall not be responsible for conclusions to be drawn therefrom; and any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations shall not form the basis of any claim by the Contractor. The Contractor accepts all risk associated with using this information.

ARTICLE 22. SEVERABILITY

If this Agreement contains any provision found to be unlawful, the same shall be deemed to be of no effect and shall be deemed stricken from this Agreement without affecting the binding force of this Agreement as it shall remain after omitting such provision.

ARTICLE 23. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION OF WORK

- a) The County may terminate this Agreement if an individual or corporation or other entity attempts to meet its contractual obligation with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement.
- b) The County may, as a further sanction, terminate or cancel any other contract(s) that such individual or corporation or other entity has with the County and that such individual, corporation or other entity shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.
- c) The foregoing notwithstanding, any individual, corporation or other entity which attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from County contracting for up to five (5) years in accordance with the County debarment procedures. The Contractor may be subject to debarment for failure to perform and all other reasons set forth in Section 10-38 of the County Code.
- d) In addition to cancellation or termination as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County may at any time, in its sole discretion, with or without cause, terminate this Agreement by written notice to the Contractor.
- e) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, the Contractor shall, upon receipt of such notice, unless otherwise directed by the County:
 - i. stop work on the date specified in the notice ("the Effective Termination Date");
 - ii. take such action as may be necessary for the protection and preservation of the County's materials and property;
 - iii. cancel orders;
 - iv. assign to the County and deliver to any location designated by the County any noncancelable orders for Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement and not incorporated in the Services;
 - take no action which will increase the amounts payable by the County under this Agreement; and
- f) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, the Contractor will be compensated as stated in the payment Articles herein for the:
 - portion of the Services completed in accordance with the Agreement up to the Effective Termination Date; and

- ii. non-cancelable Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement, but not incorporated in the Services.
- All compensation pursuant to this Article are subject to audit.

ARTICLE 24. EVENT OF DEFAULT

- a) An Event of Default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, and in addition to those instances referred to herein as a breach, an Event of Default shall include the following:
 - i. the Contractor has not delivered Deliverables on a timely basis;
 - ii. the Contractor has refused or failed to supply enough properly skilled staff personnel;
 - the Contractor has failed to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers for any Services;
 - iv. the Contractor has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Contractor's creditors, or the Contractor has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Contractor's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
 - the Contractor has failed to obtain the approval of the County where required by this Agreement;
 - vi. the Contractor has failed to provide "adequate assurances" as required under subsection b below:
 - vii. the Contractor has failed in the representation of any warranties stated herein.
- When, in the opinion of the County, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Contractor's ability to perform the Services or any portion thereof, the County may request that the Contractor, within the timeframe set forth in the County's request, provide adequate assurances to the County, in writing, of the Contractor's ability to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Until the County receives such assurances, the County may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Contractor for portions of the Services which the Contractor has not performed. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide to the County the requested assurances within the prescribed timeframe, the County may:
 - i. treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement; and
 - resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the Services or any part thereof either by itself or through others.
- c) In the event the County shall terminate this Agreement for default, the County or its designated representatives may immediately take possession of all applicable equipment, materials, products, documentation, reports and data.

ARTICLE 25. NOTICE OF DEFAULT - OPPORTUNITY TO CURE

If an Event of Default occurs in the determination of the County, the County may so notify the Contractor ("Default Notice"), specifying the basis for such default, and advising the Contractor that such default must be cured immediately or this Agreement with the County may be terminated. Notwithstanding, the County may, in its sole discretion, allow the Contractor to rectify the default to the County's reasonable satisfaction within a thirty (30) day period. The County may grant an additional period of such duration as the County shall deem appropriate without waiver of any of the County's rights hereunder, so long as the Contractor has commenced curing such default and is effectuating a cure with diligence and continuity during such thirty (30) day period or any other period which the County prescribes. The default notice shall specify the date the Contractor shall discontinue the Services upon the Termination Date.

ARTICLE 26. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT

If an Event of Default occurs, the Contractor shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, including but not limited to:

- a) lost revenues;
- the difference between the cost associated with procuring Services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the County for re-procurement of Services, including procurement and administrative costs; and
- such other direct damages.

The Contractor shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Contractor's default. The County may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

ARTICLE 27. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION

- a) The Contractor shall not infringe on any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights in the performance of the Work.
- b) The Contractor warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: equipment, programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights.
- c) The Contractor shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the County for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the Work, or the County's continued use of the Deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Contractor at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the County and defend any action brought against the County with respect to any claim, demand, cause of action, debt, or liability.
- d) In the event any Deliverable or anything provided to the County hereunder, or portion

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thereof is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Contractor shall have the obligation to, at the County's option to (i) modify, or require that the applicable subcontractor or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at its own expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the County, at the Contractor's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).

e) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the County whether a prospective supplier or subcontractor is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any Deliverable hereunder. The Contractor shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and subcontractors at the Contractor's own risk. The County may reject any Deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the County's judgment, use thereof would delay the Work or be unlawful.

ARTICLE 28. CONFIDENTIALITY

- All Developed Works and other materials, data, transactions of all forms, financial a) information, documentation, inventions, designs and methods obtained from the County in connection with the Services performed under this Agreement, made or developed by the Contractor or its subcontractors in the course of the performance of such Services, or the results of such Services, or which the County holds the proprietary rights, constitute Confidential Information and may not, without the prior written consent of the County, be used by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers for any purpose other than for the benefit of the County, unless required by law. In addition to the foregoing, all County employee information and County financial information shall be considered Confidential Information and shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein. Neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers may sell, transfer, publish, disclose, display, license or otherwise make available to others any part of such Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the County. Additionally, the Contractor expressly agrees to be bound by and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, and their officers and employees from the breach of any federal, state or local law in regard to the privacy of individuals.
- b) The Contractor shall advise each of its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers who may be exposed to such Confidential Information of their obligation to keep such information confidential and shall promptly advise the County in writing if it learns of any unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information by any of its employees or agents, or subcontractor's or supplier's employees, present or former. In addition, the Contractor agrees to cooperate fully and provide any assistance necessary to ensure the confidentiality of the Confidential Information.
- c) It is understood and agreed that in the event of a breach of this Article damages may not be an adequate remedy and the County shall be entitled to injunctive relief to restrain any such breach or threatened breach. Unless otherwise requested by the County, upon the completion of the Services performed hereunder, the Contractor shall immediately turn over to the County all such Confidential Information existing in tangible form, and no copies thereof shall be retained by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers without the prior written consent of the County. A certificate evidencing compliance with this provision and signed by an officer of the Contractor shall

accompany such materials.

ARTICLE 29. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

As a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Miami-Dade County is subject to the stipulations of Florida's Public Records Law.

The Contractor acknowledges that all computer software in the County's possession may constitute or contain information or materials which the County has agreed to protect as proprietary information from disclosure or unauthorized use and may also constitute or contain information or materials which the County has developed at its own expense, the disclosure of which could harm the County's proprietary interest therein.

During the term of the contract, the Contractor will not use directly or indirectly for itself or for others, or publish or disclose to any third party, or remove from the County's property, any computer programs, data compilations, or other software which the County has developed, has used or is using, is holding for use, or which are otherwise in the possession of the County (hereinafter "Computer Software"). All third-party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors and their employees, except as authorized by the County and, if the Computer Software has been leased or purchased by the County, all hired party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors' employees with the approval of the lessor or Contractors thereof. This includes mainframe, minis, telecommunications, personal computers and any and all information technology software.

The Contractor will report to the County any information discovered or which is disclosed to the Contractor which may relate to the improper use, publication, disclosure or removal from the County's property of any information technology software and hardware and will take such steps as are within the Contractor's authority to prevent improper use, disclosure or removal.

ARTICLE 30. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

- The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the County retains all rights, title and interests in and to all materials, data, documentation and copies thereof furnished by the County to the Contractor hereunder or furnished by the Contractor to the County and/or created by the Contractor for delivery to the County, even if unfinished or in process, as a result of the Services the Contractor performs in connection with this Agreement, including all copyright and other proprietary rights therein, which the Contractor as well as its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers may use only in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the County, use such documentation on any other project in which the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers are or may become engaged. Submission or distribution by the Contractor to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement shall not be construed as publication in derogation of the County's copyrights or other proprietary rights.
- b) All rights, title and interest in and to certain inventions, ideas, designs and methods, specifications and other documentation related thereto developed by the Contractor and its subcontractors specifically for the County, hereinafter referred to as "Developed Works" shall become the property of the County.

- c) Accordingly, neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers shall have any proprietary interest in such Developed Works. The Developed Works may not be utilized, reproduced or distributed by or on behalf of the Contractor, or any employee, agent, subcontractor or supplier thereof, without the prior written consent of the County, except as required for the Contractor's performance hereunder.
- Except as otherwise provided in subsections a, b, and c above, or elsewhere herein, the Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers hereunder shall retain all proprietary rights in and to all Licensed Software provided hereunder, that have not been customized to satisfy the performance criteria set forth in the Scope of Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor hereby grants, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers grant, if the County so desires, a perpetual, irrevocable and unrestricted right and license to use, duplicate, disclose and/or permit any other person(s) or entity(ies) to use all such Licensed Software and the associated specifications, technical data and other Documentation for the operations of the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. Such license specifically includes, but is not limited to, the right of the County to use and/or disclose, in whole or in part, the technical documentation and Licensed Software, including source code provided hereunder, to any person or entity outside the County for such person's or entity's use in furnishing any and/or all of the Deliverables provided hereunder exclusively for the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. No such License Software, specifications, data, documentation or related information shall be deemed to have been given in confidence and any statement or legend to the contrary shall be void and of no effect.

ARTICLE 31. VENDOR REGISTRATION/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

a) Vendor Registration

The Contractor shall be a registered vendor with the County – Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division, for the duration of this Agreement. In becoming a Registered Vendor with Miami-Dade County, the Contractor confirms its knowledge of and commitment to comply with the following:

- Miami-Dade County Ownership Disclosure Affidavit (Section 2-8.1 of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade County Employment Disclosure Affidavit (Section 2.8-1(d)(2) of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade Employment Drug-free Workplace Certification (Section 2-8.1.2(b) of the County Code)
- 4. Miami-Dade Disability and Nondiscrimination Affidavit (Section 2-8.1.5 of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade County Debarment Disclosure Affidavit (Section 10.38 of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade County Vendor Obligation to County Affidavit (Section 2-8.1 of the County Code)
- 7. Miami-Dade County Code of Business Ethics Affidavit

- (Section 2-8.1(i) and 2-11(b)(1) of the County Code through (6) and (9) of the County Code and Section 2-11.1(c) of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade County Family Leave Affidavit (Article V of Chapter 11 of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade County Living Wage Affidavit (Section 2-8.9 of the County Code)
- Miami-Dade County Domestic Leave and Reporting Affidavit (Article 8, Section 11A-60 11A-67 of the County Code)
- 11. Subcontracting Practices (Ordinance 97-35)
- Miami-Dade County E-Verify Affidavit (Executive Order 11-116)
- Subcontractor /Supplier Listing (Section 2-8.8 of the County Code)

- 14. Environmentally Acceptable Packaging (Resolution R-738-92)
- 15. W-9 and 8109 Forms
 (as required by the Internal Revenue Service)
- 16. FEIN Number or Social Security Number In order to establish a file, the Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) must be provided. If no FEIN exists, the Social Security Number of the owner or individual must be provided. This number becomes Contractor's "County Vendor Number". To comply with Section 119.071(5) of the Florida Statutes relating to the collection of an individual's Social Security Number, be aware that the County requests the Social Security Number for the following purposes;
 - Identification of individual account records
 - To make payments to individual/Contractor for goods and services provided to Miami-Dade County

- Tax reporting purposes
- To provide a unique identifier in the vendor database that may be used for searching and sorting departmental records
- 17. Office of the Inspector General (Section 2-1076 of the County Code)
- 18. Small Business Enterprises

The County endeavors to obtain the participation of all small business enterprises pursuant to Sections 2-8.2, 2-8.2.3 and 2-8.2.4 of the County Code and Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

19. Antitrust Laws

By acceptance of any contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with all antitrust laws of the United States and the State of Florida.

b) Conflict of Interest/Code of Ethics

Section 2-11.1(d) of Miami-Dade County Code requires that any County employee or any member of the employee's immediate family who has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County, competing or applying for a contract, must first request a conflict of interest opinion from the County's Ethics Commission prior to their or their immediate family member's entering into any contract or transacting any business through a firm, corporation, partnership or business entity in which the employee or any member of the employee's immediate family has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County. Any such contract or business engagement entered in violation of this subsection, as amended, shall be rendered voidable. All autonomous personnel, quasi-judicial personnel, advisory personnel, and employees wishing to do business with the County are hereby advised they must comply with the applicable provisions of Section 2-11.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code relating to Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics. In accordance with 2-11.1 (y), the Miami Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (Ethics Commission) shall be empowered to review, interpret, render advisory opinions and letters of instruction and enforce the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance.

ARTICLE 32. INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEWS

Independent Private Sector Inspector General Reviews

Pursuant to Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-20, the County has the right to retain the services of an Independent Private Sector Inspector General (hereinafter "IPSIG"), whenever the County deems it appropriate to do so. Upon written notice from the County, the Contractor shall make available to the IPSIG retained by the County, all requested records and documentation pertaining to this Agreement for inspection and reproduction. The County shall be responsible for the payment of these IPSIG services, and under no circumstance shall the Contractor's prices and any changes thereto approved by the County, be inclusive of any charges relating to these IPSIG services. The terms of this provision apply to the Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors and assignees. Nothing contained in this provision shall impair any independent right of the County to conduct an audit or investigate the operations, activities and performance of the Contractor in connection with this Agreement. The terms of this Article shall not impose any liability on the County by the Contractor or any third party.

Miami-Dade County Inspector General Review

According to Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Miami-Dade County has established the Office of the Inspector General which may, on a random basis, perform audits on all County contracts,

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throughout the duration of said contracts. The cost of the audit for this Contract shall be one quarter (1/4) of one (1) percent of the total contract amount which cost shall be included in the total contract amount. The audit cost will be deducted by the County from progress payments to the Contractor. The audit cost shall also be included in all change orders and all contract renewals and extensions.

Exception: The above application of one quarter (1/4) of one percent fee assessment shall not apply to the following contracts: (a) IPSIG contracts; (b) contracts for legal services; (c) contracts for financial advisory services; (d) auditing contracts; (e) facility rentals and lease agreements; (f) concessions and other rental agreements; (g) insurance contracts; (h) revenue-generating contracts; (l) contracts where an IPSIG is assigned at the time the contract is approved by the Commission; (j) professional service agreements under \$1,000; (k) management agreements; (l) small purchase orders as defined in Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-38; (m) federal, state and local government-funded grants; and (n) interlocal agreements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners may authorize the inclusion of the fee assessment of one quarter (1/4) of one percent in any exempted contract at the time of award.

Nothing contained above shall in any way limit the powers of the Inspector General to perform audits on all County contracts including, but not limited to, those contracts specifically exempted above. The Miami-Dade County Inspector General is authorized and empowered to review past, present and proposed County and Public Health Trust contracts, transactions, accounts, records and programs. In addition, the Inspector General has the power to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, require the production of records and monitor existing projects and programs. Monitoring of an existing project or program may include a report concerning whether the project is on time, within budget and in conformance with plans, specifications and applicable law. The Inspector General is empowered to analyze the necessity of and reasonableness of proposed change orders to the Contract. The Inspector General shall have the power to audit, investigate, monitor, oversee, inspect and review operations, activities, performance and procurement process, including but not limited to project design, specifications, proposal submittals, activities of the Contractor, its officers, agents and employees, lobbyists, County staff and elected officials to ensure compliance with contract specifications and to detect fraud and corruption.

Upon written notice to the Contractor from the Inspector General or IPSIG retained by the Inspector General, the Contractor shall make all requested records and documents available to the Inspector General or IPSIG for inspection and copying. The Inspector General and IPSIG shall have the right to inspect and copy all documents and records in the Contractor's possession, custody or control which, in the Inspector General's or IPSIG's sole judgment, pertain to performance of the contract, including, but not limited to original estimate files, change order estimate files, worksheets, proposals and agreements form and which successful and unsuccessful subcontractors and suppliers, all project-related correspondence, memoranda, instructions, financial documents, construction documents, proposal and contract documents, back-charge documents, all documents and records which involve cash, trade or volume discounts, insurance proceeds, rebates, or dividends received, payroll and personnel records, and supporting documentation for the aforesaid documents and records.

ARTICLE 33. LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Contractor agrees to comply, subject to applicable professional standards, with the provisions of any and all applicable Federal, State and the County orders, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations which may pertain to the Services required under this Agreement, including, but not limited to:

- a) Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended and applicable to this Contract.
- Miami-Dade County Florida, Department of Small Business Development Participation Provisions, as applicable to this Contract.
- c) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as applicable to this Contract.

- d) "Conflicts of Interest" Section 2-11 of the County Code, and Ordinance 01-199.
- e) Miami-Dade County Code Section 10-38 "Debarment".
- f) Miami-Dade County Ordinance 99-5, codified at 11A-60 et. seq. of Miami-Dade Code pertaining to complying with the County's Domestic Leave Ordinance.
- g) Miami-Dade County Ordinance 99-152, prohibiting the presentation, maintenance, or prosecution of false or fraudulent claims against Miami-Dade County.

The Contractor shall hold all licenses and/or certifications, obtain and pay for all permits and/or inspections, and comply with all laws, ordinances, regulations and building code requirements applicable to the work required herein. Damages, penalties, and/or fines imposed on the County or Contractor for failure to obtain and maintain required licenses, certifications, permits and/or inspections shall be borne by the Contractor. The Project Manager shall verify the certification(s), license(s), permit(s), etc. for the Contractor prior to authorizing work and as needed.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be required pursuant to this Agreement to take any action or abstain from taking any action if such action or abstention would, in the good faith determination of the Contractor, constitute a violation of any law or regulation to which Contractor is subject, including but not limited to laws and regulations requiring that Contractor conduct its operations in a safe and sound manner.

ARTICLE 34. NONDISCRIMINATION

During the performance of this Contract, Contractor agrees to not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, or veteran status, and on housing related contracts the source of income, and will take affirmative action to ensure that employees and applicants are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Such action shall be taken with reference to, but not limited to: recruitment, employment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or retraining, including apprenticeship and on the job training.

By entering into this Contract, the Contractor attests that it is not in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (and related Acts) or Miami-Dade County Resolution No. R-385-95. If the Contractor or any owner, subsidiary or other firm affiliated with or related to the Contractor is found by the responsible enforcement agency or the County to be in violation of the Act or the Resolution, such violation shall render this Contract void. This Contract shall be void if the Contractor submits a false affidavit pursuant to this Resolution or the Contractor violates the Act or the Resolution during the term of this Contract, even if the Contractor was not in violation at the time it submitted its affidavit.

ARTICLE 35. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contractor represents that:

- a) No officer, director, employee, agent, or other consultant of the County or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the award of this Agreement.
- b) There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the Contractor in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Contractor without any connection with any other entity or person making a proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent or other consultant of the County, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or a member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:

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- i) is interested on behalf of or through the Contractor directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the services, supplies or work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or
- ii) is an employee, agent, advisor, or consultant to the Contractor or to the best of the Contractor's knowledge any subcontractor or supplier to the Contractor.
- c) Neither the Contractor nor any officer, director, employee, agency, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Contractor shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Contractor's faithful performance of its obligation under this Agreement; provided that the County, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, provided the Contractor provides the County with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the County's best interest to consent to such relationship.
- d) The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.
- e) In the event Contractor has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, Contractor shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the County's Project Manager. Contractor shall thereafter cooperate with the County's review and investigation of such information, and comply with the instructions Contractor receives from the Project Manager in regard to remedying the situation.

ARTICLE 36. PRESS RELEASE OR OTHER PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Under no circumstances shall the Contractor without the express written consent of the County:

- a) Issue or permit to be issued any press release, advertisement or literature of any kind which refers to the County, or the Work being performed hereunder, unless the Contractor first obtains the written approval of the County. Such approval may be withheld if for any reason the County believes that the publication of such information would be harmful to the public interest or is in any way undesirable; and
- Communicate in any way with any contractor, department, board, agency, commission or other organization or any person whether governmental or private in connection with the Services to be performed hereunder except upon prior written approval and instruction of the County; and
- c) Except as may be required by law, the Contractor and its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers will not represent, directly or indirectly, that any product or service provided by the Contractor or such parties has been approved or endorsed by the County.

ARTICLE 37. BANKRUPTCY

The County reserves the right to terminate this contract, if, during the term of any contract the Contractor has with the County, the Contractor becomes involved as a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding, or becomes involved in a reorganization, dissolution, or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Contractor under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

ARTICLE 38. GOVERNING LAW

This Contract, including appendices, and all matters relating to this Contract (whether in contract, statute, tort (such as negligence), or otherwise) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida. Venue shall be Miami-Dade County.

ARTICLE 39. COUNTY USER ACCESS PROGRAM (UAP)

a) User Access Fee

Pursuant to Section 2-8.10 of the Miami-Dade County Code, this Contract is subject to a user access fee under the County User Access Program (UAP) in the amount of two percent (2%). All sales resulting from this Contract, or any contract resulting from the solicitation referenced on the first page of this Contract, and the utilization of the County Contract price and the terms and conditions identified herein, are subject to the two percent (2%) UAP. This fee applies to all Contract usage whether by County Departments or by any other governmental, quasi-governmental or not-for-profit entity.

The Contractor providing goods or services under this Contract shall invoice the Contract price and shall accept as payment thereof the Contract price less the 2% UAP as full and complete payment for the goods and/or services specified on the invoice. The County shall retain the 2% UAP for use by the County to help defray the cost of the procurement program. Contractor participation in this invoice reduction portion of the UAP is mandatory.

b) Joint Purchase

Only those entities that have been approved by the County for participation in the County's Joint Purchase and Entity Revenue Sharing Agreement are eligible to utilize or receive County Contract pricing and terms and conditions. The County will provide to approved entities a UAP Participant Validation Number. The Contractor must obtain the participation number from the entity prior to filling any order placed pursuant to this Section. Contractor participation in this joint purchase portion of the UAP, however, is voluntary. The Contractor shall notify the ordering entity, in writing, within three (3) business days of receipt of an order, of a decision to decline the order.

For all ordering entities located outside the geographical boundaries of Miami-Dade County, the Contractor shall be entitled to ship goods on an "FOB Destination, Prepaid and Charged Back" basis. This allowance shall only be made when expressly authorized by a representative of the ordering entity prior to shipping the goods.

The County shall have no liability to the Contractor for the cost of any purchase made by an ordering entity under the UAP and shall not be deemed to be a party thereto. All orders shall be placed directly by the ordering entity with the Contractor and shall be paid by the ordering entity less the 2% UAP.

c) Contractor Compliance

If a Contractor fails to comply with this Article, that Contractor may be considered in default by the County in accordance with Article 24 of this Contract.

ARTICLE 40. FIRST SOURCE HIRING REFERRAL PROGRAM

Pursuant to Section 2-2113 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, for all contracts for goods and services, the Contractor, prior to hiring to fill each vacancy arising under a County contract shall (1) first notify the South Florida Workforce Investment Board ("SFWIB"), the designated Referral Agency, of the vacancy and list the vacancy with SFWIB according to the Code, and (2) make good faith efforts as determined by the County to fill a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of its employment needs under the County contract through the SFWIB. If no suitable candidates can be employed after a Referral Period of three to five days, the Contractor is free to fill its vacancies from other sources. Contractor will be required to provide quarterly reports to the SFWIB indicating the name and number of employees hired in the previous quarter, or why referred candidates were rejected. Sanctions for non-compliance shall include, but not be limited to: (i) suspension of contract until Contractor performs obligations, if appropriate; (ii) default and/or termination; and (iii) payment of \$1,500/employee, or the value of the wages that would have been earned given the noncompliance, whichever is less. Registration procedures and additional information regarding the **FSHRP** available https://iapps.careersourcesfl.com/firstsource/.

ARTICLE 41. PUBLIC RECORDS AND CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES PERFORMED ON

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BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

The Contractor shall comply with the Public Records Laws of the State of Fiorida, including by not limited to, (1) keeping and maintaining all public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the County in order to perform the service; (2) providing the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that the County would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, F.S., or as otherwise provided by law; (3) ensuring that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (4) meeting all requirements for retaining public records and transferring, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the Contractor upon termination of the contract and destroying any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements upon such transfer. In addition, all records stored electronically must be provided to the County in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County. Failure to meet any of these provisions or to comply with Florida's Public Records Laws as applicable shall be a material breach of this Agreement and shall be enforced in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (305) 375-5773, ISD-VSS@MIAMIDADE.GOV, 111 NW 1st STREET, SUITE 1300, MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

ARTICLE 42. SURVIVAL

The parties acknowledge that any of the obligations in this Agreement will survive the term, termination and cancellation hereof. Accordingly, the respective obligations of the Contractor and the County under this Agreement, which by nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration thereof, shall survive termination, cancellation or expiration hereof.

ARTICLE 43. INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE HEALTH INFORMATION and PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

Any person or entity that performs or assists Miami-Dade County with a function or activity involving the use or disclosure of "Individually Identifiable Health Information (IIHI) and/or Protected Health Information (PHI) shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 and the Miami-Dade County Privacy Standards Administrative Order. HIPAA mandates for privacy, security and electronic transfer standards, include but are not limited to:

- 1. Use of information only for performing services required by the contract or as required by law;
- 2. Use of appropriate safeguards to prevent non-permitted disclosures;
- 3. Reporting to Miami-Dade County of any non-permitted use or disclosure;
- Assurances that any agents and subcontractors agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to the Contractor and reasonable assurances that IIHI/PHI will be held confidential;
- 5. Making Protected Health Information (PHI) available to the customer;
- Making PHI available to the customer for review and amendment; and incorporating any amendments requested by the customer:
- 7. Making PHI available to Miami-Dade County for an accounting of disclosures; and
- Making internal practices, books and records related to PHI available to Miami-Dade County for compliance audits.

PHI shall maintain its protected status regardless of the form and method of transmission (paper records, and/or electronic transfer of data). The Contractor must give its customers written notice of its privacy information practices including specifically, a description of the types of uses and disclosures that would be made with protected health information.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective as of the contract date herein above set forth.

Contractor	Miami-Dade County					
Ву:	Ву:					
Name:	Name: Carlos A. Gimenez					
Title:	Title: <u>Mayor</u>					
Date:	Date:					
Attest:Corporate Secretary/Notary Public	Attest:Clerk of the Board					
Corporate Seal/Notary Seal	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency					
	Assistant County Attorney					