

**AGREEMENT**

**For**

**BES Project Management**

## **MASTER SERVICES PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT**

**THIS MASTER SERVICES PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT** is made this 22nd day of August, 2017 by and between **AVANGRID Services Company**, a Delaware Corporation, with offices located at 89 East Avenue, Rochester, New York 14649 (hereinafter, “Company” or “Customer”) and [REDACTED] with offices located at [REDACTED] (hereinafter, “Supplier” or “Vendor” or “Contractor”). AVANGRID Services Company and Supplier may be referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

### **WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, AVANGRID Services Company is authorized to assist the utility operating company subsidiaries of AVANGRID Services Company identified in Attachment A, attached hereto and made part hereof, in procuring certain services that they may require from time to time in the operations of their respective businesses, including the services described in Schedule B, attached hereto and made part hereof (the “Services”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Supplier states that it is an established and well-known provider of the Services possessing the skills, qualifications, and experience necessary to perform and manage such Services in an efficient, cost-effective, and controlled manner, with a high degree of quality and responsiveness, and that it has successfully performed similar services for other customers and is willing to provide the Services to the utility operating company subsidiaries of AVANGRID Services Company in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, in reliance upon such statements and following its review of Supplier’s proposal and negotiation of business terms, AVANGRID Services Company has selected the Supplier as a vendor-of-choice for the Services, which shall be procured and awarded in accordance with this Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the Supplier and AVANGRID Services Company hereby agree as follows:

### **1. DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Agreement:

- (a) “Affiliate” shall mean, with respect to a Party, any other entity Controlling, Controlled by, or under common Control with such Party. The term “Control” and its derivatives shall mean with regard to any entity, the legal, beneficial, or equitable ownership, directly or indirectly, of fifty percent (50%) or more of the capital stock (or other ownership interest, if not a corporation) of such entity ordinarily having voting rights.

- (b) “Company” shall mean the Affiliates of AVANGRID Services Company specified in Attachment A, attached hereto and made part hereof.
- (c) “RFP” shall mean a request for proposal for the Services which shall include a reasonably detailed description of the Services required by the Company(ies).
- (d) “Services” shall mean the services described in Schedule B, attached hereto and made part hereof.
- (e) “Terms and Conditions” shall mean the terms and conditions governing the performance of the Services and related matters pursuant to a Purchase Order, the form of which is set forth in Schedule C, attached hereto and made part hereof.
- (f) “Purchase Order” shall mean a purchase order issued by AVANGRID Services Company or a Company in accordance with this Master Agreement.
- (g) The “Effective Date” shall mean August 22, 2017.
- (h) “Term” shall mean the term of this Master Agreement, as extended or terminated early in accordance with this Master Agreement.
- (i) “Small Business Concern” as defined by the Small Business Administration, shall mean a business that is independently owned and operated and which is not dominant in its field of operation. The law also states that in determining what constitutes as small business, the definition will vary from industry to industry to reflect differences accurately.

## **2. PROCESS FOR AWARDING SERVICES**

**2.1** AVANGRID Services Company agrees that, upon a request made to AVANGRID Services Company by a Company for assistance in procuring Services, AVANGRID Services Company shall, on its own or with the assistance of the Company(ies) requiring the Services, take either of the steps delineated in subsections (a) or (b) toward procuring Services from the Supplier:

(a) Issuance of Purchase Order. AVANGRID Services Company or the Company(ies) requesting the Services shall issue to the Supplier duplicate originals of a Purchase Order for the Services incorporating: (i) a scope of work consistent with the standards set forth in Schedule B, (ii) the Terms and Conditions set forth in Schedule C, and (iii) and the pricing terms set forth in Schedule D. Upon receipt of an authorized Purchase Order, Supplier shall commence performance of the Services in accordance with the terms therein.

OR

(b) Issuance of an RFP. (i) AVANGRID Services Company or the Company(ies) requesting the Services shall issue an RFP to the Supplier. Within the time period specified in the RFP,

Supplier shall issue a written proposal to AVANGRID Services Company, or if so directed, to the Company specified in the RFP, setting forth: (1) a detailed description of the Services to be provided by the Supplier, consistent with the scope and other requirements specified in the RFP, and (2) Supplier's fees and charges for completing the Services, which Supplier warrants will be calculated in accordance with the pricing terms set forth in Schedule D, attached hereto and made part hereof.

(ii) Within the time period specified in the RFP, AVANGRID Services Company and/or the Company(ies) shall review the Supplier's proposal. If AVANGRID Services Company and the Company(ies) requiring the Services, in their sole and absolute discretion, determine that they wish to award a contract for Services and thereupon select the Supplier's proposal, the Company shall forward duplicate original Purchase Orders for the Services (conforming with the requirements of Section 2.1(a), above, but also incorporating the Supplier's proposal) to the Supplier at the address specified in Section 6.1, below. Upon receipt of an authorized Purchase Order, Supplier shall commence performance of the Services in accordance with the terms therein.

**2.2** (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or in any Purchase Order or RFP issued hereunder, AVANGRID Services Company makes no representation or warranty that AVANGRID Services Company or any Company(ies) will issue any Purchase Orders or RFP's, or any minimum dollar volume of Purchase Orders or RFP's, during the Term of this Master Agreement. AVANGRID Services Company or the Company(ies) requesting Services may terminate a Purchase Order or RFP for such Services at any time, without penalty or other obligation, prior to commencement of performance of the Services by Supplier in accordance with the terms therein.

(b) Supplier acknowledges and agrees that the issuance of an RFP, Purchase Order, or other document pursuant to this Article 2 by AVANGRID Services Company or any Company shall not constitute an offer by AVANGRID Services Company or any Company to purchase Services, and that an enforceable agreement for Services shall result only when an authorized Purchase Order for such Services, processed in accordance with this Article 2, is issued to Supplier by AVANGRID Services Company or a Company and accepted by the Supplier.

(c) Supplier further acknowledges that each Purchase Order processed in accordance with this Article 2 and issued to Supplier by AVANGRID Services Company or a Company and accepted constitutes a separate and distinct contract for the particular Services set forth in the Purchase Order and shall be governed by the following documentation:

- (i) The Purchase Order (exclusive of its pre-printed terms and conditions);
- (ii) The Terms and Conditions attached hereto as Schedule C, as they may be amended or modified for the particular Purchase Order;
- (iii) The Scope of Services document attached hereto as Schedule B, as it may be amended, modified or supplemented for the particular Purchase Order; and

- (iv) This Agreement, including all Schedules other than those described in subsections (i), (ii), and (iii) above.

In the event of any inconsistency among the aforementioned documentation, the order of precedence shall be as set forth in subsections (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv), above.

### **3. PRICING; PAYMENT; DISCOUNTS AND REFUNDS**

- 3.1** (a) Supplier agrees that pricing, fees, pass-throughs, and other charges set forth in Schedule D will be incorporated into and used as the basis for all pricing, fees, pass-throughs, and other charges in: (i) any proposal issued by Supplier hereunder, and/or (ii) any Purchase Orders pursuant to this Master Agreement.

(b) Supplier agrees that the pricing terms set forth in Schedule D shall be fixed for the time period specified in such Schedule and shall not be subject to increase except as expressly specified in such Schedule.

- 3.2** . At least three (3) months prior to each anniversary of the Effective Date of this Master Agreement and on such other occasions as Company may reasonably request, Supplier will meet with Company's designated personnel to discuss the services provided and the purchases made by Company during that year. The parties will use good faith efforts to develop a resource plan based on the investment plan provided by the Company for the following year and proportionally to the rate of resources defined in the awarded contract.

Once the plan and resources are agreed, the Supplier will execute that scope of work with the resources, the time and the cost defined by the plan. Variations to the plan could be discussed during the year based on agreed new requirements or scenarios.

#### **4. NO GUARANTY; HOLD HARMLESS**

Supplier acknowledges and agrees that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Master Agreement, any subsequently issued RFP, or in any Purchase Order between Supplier and any Company(ies), that with respect to any Purchase Order for Services issued by any Company(ies) pursuant to this Agreement:

- (a) All charges, fees, and expenses, as well as any credits, refunds, or rebates, resulting from Services rendered by Supplier pursuant to such Purchase Order shall be solely for the account of such Company(ies), and neither AVANGRID Services Company nor any other Company(ies) shall be considered a guarantor or surety of any charges, fees, and expenses arising under such Purchase Order;
- (b) All communications, notices, invoices, and reports resulting from Services rendered by Supplier pursuant to such Purchase Order shall be directed to the representative(s) of the Company(ies) identified in such Purchase Order;
- (c) Supplier covenants not to sue AVANGRID Services Company or any other Company(ies), for any charges, fees, expenses, or claims arising from or attributable to Services rendered by Supplier pursuant to such Purchase Order; and
- (d) Not Used.

#### **5. TERM**

**5.1** This Master Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated according to section 5.2 below.

**5.2** (a) AVANGRID Services Company may terminate this Master Agreement at any time and for any or no reason upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice. Upon the effective date of termination specified in AVANGRID Services Company's termination notice: (i) all RFP's, proposals, and Purchase Order for which Supplier has not begun to deliver the Services shall be deemed canceled, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Company(ies) requesting or issuing such RFP's, proposals, and/or Purchase Orders, and (ii) this Master Agreement shall be terminated without liability or obligation to the Parties, except for any liabilities and obligations arising under any Purchase Orders for which Supplier has already begun to provide Services. AVANGRID Services Company shall have no liability for any costs, expenses, or other fees incurred by Supplier in connection with any RFP's, proposals, or Purchase Orders that are in process but for which provision of Services has not begun upon the effective date of termination of this Master Agreement by AVANGRID Services Company.

(b) Termination of this Master Agreement by AVANGRID Services Company shall not effect, or result in, termination of any Purchase Orders issued by AVANGRID Services Company or a Company and for which Supplier has begun to deliver Services prior to the effective date of termination set forth in AVANGRID Services Company's termination notice; provided, however, that this subsection (b) shall not constitute a waiver or relinquishment of any

right of termination of any Company pursuant to the terms and conditions of such Purchase Orders.

(c) This Section 5 will not limit Company's rights of termination pursuant to Article 27 of Schedule C with regard to services not performed prior to the date of termination.

## **6. GENERAL**

- 6.1** Notices. All notices, requests, demands, and determinations under this Master Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given: (i) when delivered by hand, (ii) one (1) day after being given to an express courier with a reliable system for tracking delivery designating overnight delivery, (iii) when sent by confirmed facsimile with a copy sent by another means specified in this Section 6.1, or (iv) six (6) days after the day of mailing, when mailed by United States mail, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed to Party at the address(es) specified in Schedule F. A Party may from time to time change its address or designee for notification purposes by giving the other prior written notice of the new address or designee and the date upon which it will become effective.
- 6.2** Governing Law. This Master Agreement and performance under it shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of State of New York; as such laws are applied to contracts between residents that are entered into and to be performed entirely within New York.
- 6.3** Binding Nature and Assignment. This Master Agreement shall be binding on the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Neither Party may, or shall have the power to, assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other, except that AVANGRID Services Company may assign this Master Agreement and its rights and obligations hereunder to an Affiliate without the approval of the Supplier, but on prior written notice.
- 6.4** Entire Agreement: Amendment. This Master Agreement, including any Schedules referred to herein and attached hereto, each of which is incorporated herein for all purposes, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter contained in this Master Agreement. No change, waiver, or discharge hereof shall be valid unless in writing and signed by an authorized representative of the Party against which such change, waiver, or discharge is sought to be enforced.
- 6.5** Counterparts. This Master Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute one single Agreement between the parties hereto.
- 6.6** Headings. The article and section headings and the table of contents used herein are for reference and convenience only and shall not enter into the interpretation hereof.
- 6.7** Relationship of Parties. Supplier is not an agent of AVANGRID Services Company and has no authority to represent the AVANGRID Services Company as to any matters, except as expressly authorized in this Master Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, AVANGRID Services Company and Supplier have each caused this Agreement to be signed and delivered by its duly authorized representative as of the date first given above.

AVANGRID Services Company

Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

AVANGRID Services Company

Signature

Robert P. Fitzgerald, Jr.

Print Name

VP Controller of Networks

Title

Date

#### SCHEDULES:

- Schedule A: Companies
- Schedule B: Services
- Schedule C: Terms and Conditions
- Schedule D: Pricing Terms
- Schedule E: Special Conditions
- Schedule F: Notices
- Schedule G: Insurance Requirements
- Schedule H: Background Check Requirements
- Schedule I: Data Security Rider



## **SCHEDULE A**

### **Companies**

Central Maine Power Company  
Augusta General Office  
83 Edison Drive, Augusta, Maine 04336

New York State Electric & Gas Corporation  
18 Link Dr  
Binghamton, NY 13904

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation  
89 East Avenue  
Rochester, New York 14649

## **SCHEDULE B**

### **Services, Warranty, Deliverables, and Vendor Requirements**

The technical requirements that will apply to this contract are detailed in SRM Tender # 746900.

## **SCHEDULE C**

### **Terms and Conditions**

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## **ARTICLE 1 – CONTRACT DOCUMENTATION AND DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES**

Pursuant to that certain Master Services Procurement Agreement (the “Master Agreement”) between AVANGRID Services Company and [REDACTED] (“Supplier”), the entity named (hereinafter, the “Company”) in the given Purchase Order (the “Purchase Order”), engages the Supplier, and the Supplier hereby agrees to perform the Services.

The Services shall be as described in Schedule B of the Master Agreement; as such Schedule may be amended, modified or supplemented and attached hereto for the purposes of the Purchase Order.

The provision of the Services shall be governed by the following documentation:

- (i) The Purchase Order (exclusive of its pre-printed terms and conditions on the back thereof);
- (ii) These Terms and Conditions;
- (iii) The Scope of Services document attached to the Master Agreement as Schedule B, as it may be amended, modified or supplemented for the Purchase Order; and
- (iv) The Master Agreement, including all Schedules other than those described in subsections (i), (ii), and (iii) above.

In the event of any inconsistency among the aforementioned documentation, the order of precedence shall be as set forth in subsections (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv), above.

All work shall be invoiced in accordance with the Pricing Schedule included in Schedule D, attached hereto and made a part hereof (unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Company).

Supplier further agrees to do the following:

- A Supplier, through its experience and the normal course of business, has included full provision for local wage rates, travel and subsistence rates, allowances and conditions, if any, as well as allowances for any other measures necessary to complete the work in a satisfactory manner in accordance with this Agreement as provided for in the applicable Purchase Order.
- B. Supplier has read, understands and shall comply with Schedule E, hereby referred to as “Special Conditions”, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- C. Upon execution (for purposes hereof execution means when Supplier has begun to provide Services pursuant to the Purchase Order) of a Purchase Order:
  - 1) Supplier has examined all relevant available records pertaining to the work to which Supplier has Access.

- 2) Supplier further states that the Agreement Price and detailed schedule for completion of the work are based on Supplier's known knowledge and judgment of the conditions and hazards involved, and not upon a representation of the Company. The Company assumes no responsibility for any understandings or representation made by any of their representatives during or prior to execution of this Agreement unless such understandings or representations are expressly stated in this Agreement or the applicable Purchase Order and the Agreement or applicable Purchase Order expressly provides that the responsibility is assumed by the Company.

## **ARTICLE 2 - CONTRACT PRICE**

The total price for the Services (made up of the costs, fees and expenses arising under Article 3 below) shall be set forth in the Purchase Order and shall be considered fixed unless stated otherwise (time and equipment, for example) on the face of the Purchase Order.

## **ARTICLE 3 - REIMBURSABLE ITEMS**

The Supplier shall be reimbursed for the following items for Services performed under this Agreement:

### **A. Fees**

Supplier shall be paid at the rates per hour specified in Schedule D to the Master Agreement for time spent in the actual performance of Services hereunder, including the preparation of reports, UNLESS a predetermined firm lump sum price has been agreed upon by both parties for all or part of the work, the criteria of which would take precedence as referenced therein. Time spent in Normal Commuting is not a billable expense. The term "Normal Commuting" means Supplier's first trip to any Work Location in a given day and Supplier's last trip from any Work Location in a given day. The term "Work Location" shall mean any location at which Services are or are to be performed by the Supplier. The term "Supplier's Base" shall mean the location or respective locations (which shall be disclosed to Customer in advance) from which Supplier will normally travel to Work Locations to perform Services. The Supplier agrees whenever possible, to coordinate travel arrangements that will maximize time spent in performing Services for the Company.

(i) Company will not reimburse Supplier for additional expenses invoiced separately under a fixed bid project. The Supplier must include all the expected expenses from the quoted project within the fixed bid proposal.

(ii) Not Used

## **B. Travel Expenses**

For those employees of Supplier not designated as 'Site Workers' (or an equivalent), subject to Company's prior approval, Company will reimburse Supplier for the actual cost of travel expenses incurred during the course of travel undertaken for the performance of Services, including travel from Work Location to Work Location not including Normal Commuting, as follows:

(i) The Supplier will be reimbursed the automobile mileage at the then current IRS allowed rate. For mileage incurred in actual and necessary travel by private automobile for mileage to the Work Location, plus the actual cost of all parking, highway, and/or bridge charges paid in route.

(ii) The Supplier will be paid or reimbursed for travel by commercial airlines in coach class and at discounted fares, if possible, except when such coach and/ or discounted airline accommodations are not reasonably available to meet necessary work requirements or would

- a) require circuitous routing;
- b) require travel during unreasonable hours;
- c) greatly increase the duration of the flight;
- d) result in additional costs which would offset the transportation savings; or
- e) offer accommodations which are not reasonably adequate for the medical needs of the traveler.

Company will pay or reimburse Supplier for such reasonable additional airline travel expenses as are necessary to avoid or overcome the problems cited in the foregoing sentence.

(iii) Company will pay or reimburse Supplier for the actual cost of necessary local transportation (cab, bus, streetcar, rental car, etc.). The Supplier agrees to furnish documentation, if requested, for any all charges with its invoices therefore under this Agreement.

(iv) Company will pay or reimburse Supplier for the actual cost of reasonable meals and hotel accommodations unless a predetermined per diem has been agreed to and is listed in Schedule D to the Master Agreement.

(v) Company will not reimburse Supplier's meal expenses for travel when an individual leaves their home base and returns to their respective home base within the same day.

For any workers designated as 'Site Workers' (or equivalent), Company will have no liability for any expenses incurred by Supplier or those workers other than the fees paid under this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - PAYMENTS**

A. Payments of any undisputed portions of an invoice will be made on the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the receipt by Company of a properly completed invoice, supported by original receipts, and detailing the travel expenses.

B. An original and copy of each invoice are to be mailed to the “Bill to Location” provided in the Purchase Order.

Each invoice shall show the Purchase Order Number, Supplier work location, payment terms and the job name and other information, which may be required or reasonably requested by Company.

The following documentation must accompany each invoice:

(i) Summary statements listing employee name, job classification, hours charged and hourly billing rates (both straight time and overtime if applicable) and total charges for the invoice period.

(ii) Copy of invoices for material, services, rentals, contracts, and other items purchased or rented in connection with the Services.

(iii) Copies of expense account summary sheets for each individual performing Services will be provided. The summary sheet will summarize lodging, meals, transportation and any other expenses. The period of time will also be shown. Supplier shall retain copies of supporting documents for such expense accounts, and these will be made available for Company review upon written request by Company. Supplier shall preserve all pertinent records supporting payment for Services hereunder for a period of two (2) years after final payment for the Services.

#### **ARTICLE 5 – TAXES**

The price does not include sales/use taxes.

Supplier shall be responsible for payment of and assumes exclusive liability for any and all contributions or taxes imposed by or required under the laws of the State of New York or any other state or Federal law, or the Federal Social Security Act or any other act, now or hereafter in effect, upon or in respect to, wages, salaries, benefits or other compensation paid to employees engaged upon or in connection with the Services.

Company shall withhold from any payments due Supplier hereunder any amounts that it is required to withhold pursuant to any Federal or State tax laws.

#### **ARTICLE 6 – CHANGES**

No changes in the Scope of Services are authorized unless made by Company and sustained by written Supplement. Changes made by Supplier, unless authorized by an executed Supplement, shall be made at the sole risk of Supplier, there being no financial recourse against Company. A



Supplement is a written Purchase Order Supplement, signed by the Company and issued after the execution of this Agreement, authorizing an addition, deletion, or revision in the Services or an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Schedule.

No changes in the Agreement will be made without an Agreement Supplement. Unless otherwise agreed, all Supplements shall be governed by the conditions of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - CLAIMS/DISPUTES**

- A. Any claims by Supplier relating to this Agreement, must be submitted in writing within fourteen (14) calendar days of initial occurrence of the basis for the claim. Failure to provide such notification shall be deemed waiver of such claim.
- B. Any dispute or claims by the Supplier shall not affect the diligent prosecution by Supplier of the Services.

#### **ARTICLE 8 – AUDIT**

Supplier shall check all material and labor entering into the Services and shall keep full and detailed accounts as may be necessary to provide proper financial management under this Agreement. At all reasonable times, the Company shall have access to the Supplier's offices, work and records pertinent to all charges, for inspection, audit and review. Supplier shall permit such examination and make appropriate adjustments as may be required by the results of the audit. This provision shall remain in effect for two (2) years following final payment under this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Company will have no right of audit with respect to the components of any lump sum, all-inclusive hourly labor rate, or percentage multiplier payable to Supplier or its subcontractors.

#### **ARTICLE 9 - RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, REMEDIES**

All rights, privileges and remedies afforded each of the parties hereto by this Agreement shall be deemed cumulative and the exercise of any one or more of such rights or remedies shall not be deemed a waiver of any other right, privilege or remedy provided for herein or available at law or in equity.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - NON WAIVER OF RIGHTS**

Any failure by the Company to enforce or require the strict performance of the terms or conditions of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of such terms or conditions and shall not affect or impair such terms or conditions in any way.

#### **ARTICLE 11 - SET-OFF**

In the event Supplier owes money to the Company or has defaulted under this Agreement or under any other agreements with the Company, or Supplier has failed to pay any amount owed to the Company whether pursuant to an agreement, a statutory or regulatory fine, the imposition of

statutory or regulatory damages, or otherwise (collectively, the “Obligations”), the Company may, at its option, setoff and/or net any or all such Obligations against any amounts owed by the Company to the Supplier. Obligations do not include any amounts which are the subject of a good-faith dispute between Company and Supplier.

#### **ARTICLE 12 - CONFLICTING DOCUMENTS**

To the extent, if any, that the specifications, drawings or other documents that may be referenced herein conflict with the provisions of this Agreement, this Agreement shall take precedence and govern.

#### **ARTICLE 13 - INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Supplier is and shall always remain an independent contractor in its performance of this Agreement. With the exception of staff augmentation engineering services required by Company, where Supplier’s personnel work out of Company’s offices under Company’s direction, the provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed as authorizing or reserving to Company any right to exercise any control or direction over the operations, activities, employees or agents of Supplier in connection with this Agreement. Neither party to this Agreement shall have any authority to employ any person as agent or employee for or on behalf of the other party to this Agreement for any purpose, and neither party to this Agreement, nor any person performing any duties or engaging in any work at the request of such party, shall be deemed to be an employee or agent of the other party to this Agreement.

Company shall carry no worker's compensation insurance, health insurance or accident insurance to cover the Supplier, or any of its agents, employees or subcontractors. Company shall not pay any contributions to Social Security, unemployment insurance, federal or state withholding taxes, or provide any other contributions or benefits which might be expected in an employer/employee relationship. The Supplier agrees to report and pay any contributions for taxes, unemployment insurance, Social Security and any other required payments himself or herself.

#### **ARTICLE 14 – SUBCONTRACTS**

If Supplier shall cause any part of the work to be performed by a sub-contractor, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply to such sub-contractor and its officers, agents or employees in all aspects as if they were employees of Supplier, and Supplier shall not thereby be discharged from any of its obligations and liability hereunder, but shall be liable hereunder for all acts and omissions of the sub-contractors. Nothing shall create any contractual relationship between Company and any subcontractor or any sub-subcontractor.

The Supplier shall submit a list of those work items which it plans to subcontract and the names of Supplier’s subcontractor proposed for the work. Supplier’s subcontractor may not be changed except at the request of or with the written approval of the Company. The Company shall promptly notify the Supplier in writing if, after due investigation, Company has reasonable objection to any subcontractor on such list and does not accept it. Failure of the Company to

make objection promptly shall constitute acceptance of such subcontractor. Copies of all subcontracts shall be furnished to Company.

#### **ARTICLE 15 - THIRD PARTY BENEFITS**

Except as may be specifically provided for herein, no provision of this Agreement is intended or is to be construed to be for the benefit of any third party.

#### **ARTICLE 16 – SAFETY**

Company may at any time suspend the work or any part thereof, immediately and verbally for reasons of safety. In the event of any work stoppage, Supplier shall properly protect such work as may be liable to sustain injury from any cause.

The Company's Safety Rules and Regulations for Supplier's attached hereto and made a part hereof, as Attachment A and shall apply to all work performed under this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 17 - ACCIDENT AND LOSS PREVENTION**

For the protection of workers and the public, the Supplier will take all necessary and advisable precautions for the safety of all persons and property at, on, or near the work site and will erect and maintain all necessary and advisable safeguards as required by the conditions and progress of the work.

#### **ARTICLE 18 – INSURANCE**

Supplier shall maintain insurance in accordance with the requirements as set forth in Schedule [G]. Supplier must maintain applicable insurance. An insurance certificate must be mailed to Company prior to starting Services.

#### **ARTICLE 19 – INDEMNIFICATION**

Supplier will indemnify and hold harmless the Company and its Affiliates, directors, officers and employees (the "Indemnitee") from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, losses, costs, fees, damages or expenses it may suffer, or for which it may be held liable, whether including, without limitation, reasonable expenses and attorneys' fees incurred in connection therewith, by reason of (A) any patent, trademark, or copyright infringement claim, or any design, device, process or procedure used, installed or provided by the Supplier or its agents or subcontractors under this Agreement; (B) any work-related accident or injury affecting an employee, agent or subcontractor of the Supplier, arising in connection with work performed under this Agreement; (C) any claim by an agency or instrumentality of the federal, state or any local government, or by an employee, agent or subcontractor of the Supplier alleging that (i) the Indemnitee is required to maintain worker's compensation or unemployment or any other type of insurance upon any employee, agent or subcontractor of the Supplier; (ii) the Indemnitee is liable for tax payments or withholding with respect to any employee, agent or subcontractor of the Supplier; (iii) any employee, agent or subcontractor of the Supplier is entitled to receive employee benefits from the Indemnitee, including, without limitation, vacation, deferred compensation, medical, pension,

401(k) or any other benefit available to the Indemnitee's employees; and (iv) the Indemnitee is liable to any party, for any reason, to the extent due to the negligent performance of Services or negligent omissions by an employee, agent or subcontractor of the Supplier; (D) bodily injury, including death, to any person or persons to the extent due to the negligent, reckless or willful actions or omissions of the Supplier or its agents or subcontractors; (E) damage to or destruction of any property, including loss of use thereof, to the extent due to the negligent, reckless or willful actions or omissions of the Supplier, or its agents or subcontractors. Individual employees, agents and subcontractors of the Supplier who are performing services for the Indemnitee under this Agreement shall be considered to be employees, agents or subcontractors of the Supplier for all purposes under this Agreement, notwithstanding any judicial or administrative determination that such employees, agents or subcontractors of the other party should be regarded as employees under applicable law. All actions of the employees, agents and subcontractors of the Supplier under this Agreement shall be deemed to be actions of the Supplier under these indemnities and this Agreement. In furtherance of the foregoing indemnification and not by way of limitation thereof, the Supplier hereby waives any defense or immunity it might otherwise have under applicable worker's compensation laws or any other statute or judicial decision (including, for Work or services to be conducted in Maine, without limitation, *Diamond International Corp. v Sullivan & Merritt, Inc.* 493 A2d. 1043 (Me 1985)) disallowing or limiting such indemnification, and the Supplier consents to a cause of action for indemnity. Should it be determined that Supplier is liable under this Section, Supplier will reimburse the Indemnitee for any defense costs incurred by the Indemnitee in connection with such liability.

## **ARTICLE 20 – WARRANTY**

The Supplier warrants that the Services performed under this Agreement shall be performed in accordance with any specifications set forth in a Purchase Order or elsewhere herein, and otherwise in accordance with sound and generally accepted industry practice by those who render these types of services with that degree of skill and care as required by customarily accepted professional practices and procedures, at the time such services are performed. If the Supplier's services do not comply with such warranty, the Supplier shall for a period of one (1) year after completion of services, without labor charge and adders or other fee to Company, re-perform such Services to the extent necessary to correct the fault therein. This provision shall not be construed to affect or limit the liability of the Supplier to third parties, Supplier's obligation to Company pursuant to the Indemnification clause contained herein or any other remedy which may be available to Company under applicable law.

## **ARTICLE 21 - APPROVAL/ACCEPTANCE**

All work under this Agreement shall be subject to the Company's inspection and approval before payment.

## **ARTICLE 22 - FORCE MAJEURE**

Supplier shall not be charged with any liability for failure to perform when such failure is due to any cause beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Supplier, except that adverse

weather shall not be deemed a cause beyond the control of Supplier for purposes of this Agreement unless the adverse weather is unusually severe, provided that the Supplier shall have used its best efforts to remedy the delaying cause or condition and recommence performance, and has furnished the Company with prompt written notice when it appears that such cause will result in non-performance or shall threaten to impair Company's ability to operate. Company shall have the right at its option and without being under any liability to Supplier to cancel by notice in writing to Supplier the portion or portions of the work so affected and to take such compensation action as may be necessary. Correspondingly, Company shall be excused for failure of performance herein due to any cause beyond its control and without its fault or negligence.

### **ARTICLE 23 - TITLE AND LIENS**

Supplier represents and warrants that it has title to all equipment or material furnished hereunder free and clear of all liens and encumbrances. Complete legal and equitable title to each item of equipment or material covered by this Agreement shall pass to the Company immediately upon delivery at job site. This provision shall apply irrespective of any terms of payment specified in this Agreement. Passage of title pursuant to this provision shall not release or waive any continuing or subsequent responsibility of Supplier under this Agreement.

Supplier shall take all action reasonably necessary to discharge, remove, or satisfy any lien filed against any property of the Company, or any portion thereof, arising from any work, labor, services, or materials claimed to have been performed or furnished for, or on behalf of, the Supplier or any person or entity by or through the Supplier. Supplier shall forthwith take such action necessary to discharge, remove, or satisfy any such lien filed against the property of the Company, including but not limited to posting of a bond. If the Supplier shall fail to discharge, remove, or satisfy any such lien within ten (10) days after notice of the existence of such lien has been provided by the Company, the Company shall have the right, but not the obligation, to pay the amount of such lien, or discharge the same by deposit or bonding, and the amount so paid or deposited, or the premium paid for such bond, with interest at the maximum allowable by law, may be set-off against any payment due Supplier under this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 24 - PROGRESS AND COMPLETION**

The Supplier shall begin the work on the date of commencement set forth in the Agreement. The Supplier shall carry the work forward expeditiously with adequate forces and shall complete it by the time work is to be completed (including any intermediate milestones subsequently agreed to by the parties) as stated in the Agreement.

If the Supplier is delayed at any time in the progress of the work, written notice thereof, including an explanation of the cause and the anticipated duration of the delay, shall be given promptly to the Company by the Supplier, but in no event later than five (5) days after such delay becomes apparent. Failure to give such notice promptly and within such time limit shall be deemed sufficient reason for denial by Company of an extension of time for performance and may be deemed a default.

Failure of Supplier's subcontractor or materials and equipment suppliers to meet schedules shall not be cause for an extension of time. Supplier acknowledges that it has sole responsibility for expediting the efforts of its subcontractors, suppliers, and others.

#### **ARTICLE 25 - EMERGENCIES**

The Supplier shall perform any work and shall furnish and install any materials and equipment necessary during an emergency affecting the safety of persons and property. In all cases, Supplier shall notify the Company of the emergency as soon as practicable, but shall not wait for instructions before proceeding to properly protect both life and property. Any additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Supplier on account of emergency work shall be determined by mutual agreement of the parties.

#### **ARTICLE 26 - WORK STOPPAGE**

Supplier's personnel shall not honor any union picket lines or strikes nor take part in any work slow down or stoppage nor refuse to report for work, unless such action is protected by any state or federal labor relations law. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, it shall be the obligation of the Supplier to supply a qualified work force. Company may terminate this Agreement if Supplier fails to provide a qualified work force within twenty-four (24) hours of Company's notification to Supplier that a qualified work force has not been supplied.

#### **ARTICLE 27 - TERMINATION**

Company may for any reason, with or without cause, on written notice to Supplier terminate all or any part of the unperformed portion of this Agreement without liability to Company except as stated in this Article. In full discharge of any obligations to Supplier in respect of this Agreement and such termination, Company shall pay Supplier, in accordance with the payment terms of the Agreement, only for Services performed prior to receipt by Supplier of notice of termination; provided, however, that such payment shall not result in a total payment to the Supplier exceeding the maximum amount payable to the Supplier pursuant to this Agreement. Termination shall not relieve Supplier of any obligation which may arise out of Services performed prior to termination. In no event shall Company be liable to Supplier for lost profit or overhead in respect of Services not performed prior to termination, unabsorbed overhead or anticipated profits on uncompleted portions of this Agreement.

In the event Supplier is in default of any of its material obligations under this Agreement, Company shall have the right, on ten (10) days written notice to Supplier, to terminate this Agreement for such default; provided, however, that Supplier shall have the right to cure by submitting a plan acceptable to the Company to cure the default during the ten (10) day notice period in order to avoid termination and providing that such default is, in fact, cured within thirty (30) days after Supplier first received notice of the default from Company. In the event of such termination, the preceding paragraph of this Article shall not apply and Company shall have all rights and remedies provided by law or equity and under this Agreement. In addition, in such event, Company may retain from any money otherwise due for Services rendered prior to termination an amount which Company reasonably determines is adequate to cover all damage

resulting from the Supplier's default. In the event that Supplier demonstrates that a cancellation for default is erroneous, the cancellation shall, at Company's option, be withdrawn or be deemed to have been issued as a termination for convenience pursuant to the preceding paragraph and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall in such event be governed accordingly. The value of Services performed not in accordance with this Agreement shall be subject to audit, assessment and approval by Company.

#### **ARTICLE 28 – TERM AND SURVIVAL**

This Agreement shall remain in effect unless otherwise terminated as provided herein, or upon receipt by Company of Supplier's Release and Certificate Form and Final Payment is made as set forth in Article 30 below. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Articles 4, 7, 9, 10, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 22, 31, 37, 38, 39, 47 and all other terms which contain obligations or duties which by their nature are to be or may be performed beyond any termination hereof, shall survive the termination of this Agreement without regard to the reason for termination.

#### **ARTICLE 29 - REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT**

In the case of termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever, the Supplier, if notified to do so by the Company, shall promptly remove any part or all of Supplier's equipment and supplies from the property of the Company, failing which the Company shall have the right to remove such equipment and supplies at the expense of the Supplier.

#### **ARTICLE 30 - FINAL PAYMENT**

Final payment under this Agreement shall not be made until successful completion and acceptance of the work by the Company and when requested by Company, Supplier's delivery of a completed Release and Certificate Form, the form of which shall be provided to Supplier at the time of the request.

#### **ARTICLE 31 - ASSIGNMENT**

Supplier shall not assign all or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement except with the prior written consent of Company. Any assignment made without such consent shall be void ab initio.

#### **ARTICLE 32 - SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Agreement is unenforceable under any applicable law or is held invalid, such holding shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such unenforceable or invalid provision had never been contained herein.

#### **ARTICLE 33 - NON WAIVER OF RIGHTS**

Any failure by a party to enforce or require the strict performance of the terms or conditions of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of such terms or conditions and shall not affect or impair such terms or conditions in any way.

#### **ARTICLE 34 - OWNERSHIP OF PLANS**

All drawings, plans, specifications, reports, designs, design data, technical and scientific data, findings, recommendations and memoranda of every description whether furnished to or prepared by Supplier under this Agreement shall (x) be delivered to Company upon completion of the work or termination or cancellation of this Agreement, (y) be deemed to have been prepared by Supplier for Company on a work-made-for-hire basis, and (z) shall be the property of Company and may be used by Company for any purpose whatsoever without any claim on the part of Supplier for additional compensation. To the extent any of the foregoing are not deemed a work for hire by operation of law, Supplier hereby irrevocably assigns, transfers, and conveys to the Company without further consideration all of its right, title, and interest in such drawings, plans, specifications, reports, designs, design data, technical and scientific data, findings, recommendations and memoranda of every description, including all rights of patent, copyright, trade secret or other proprietary rights in such materials.

Except as specifically authorized by this Agreement, or as otherwise authorized in writing by Company, information and other data developed or acquired by or furnished the Supplier in the performance of this Agreement shall be used only in connection with the work under this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 35 - KEY PERSONNEL**

Personnel assigned to perform work hereunder who are designated as “Key” Personnel in this Agreement shall devote their working time to the work as required by the Agreement Schedule of Activities and shall not be removed, without the prior written consent of Company, until their assignments are completed. The Company shall have the right to reject replacements for personnel.

#### **ARTICLE 36 - PUBLIC RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

Data, photographs, sketches, advertising and other information relating to the work under this Agreement, which Supplier desires to release or publish, shall be submitted to the Company for approval two (2) weeks prior to the desired release date. As a part of the approval request, Supplier shall identify the specific media to be used as well as other pertinent details of the proposed release. All releases must have the prior written approval of the Company which approval may be withheld without reason or explanation to Supplier.

#### **ARTICLE 37 - LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, AND EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT, NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE



TO THE OTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INDIRECT, EXEMPLARY, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES RESULTING IN ANY WAY FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SERVICES HEREUNDER. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT TO THE CONTRARY, AND TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, SUPPLIER'S TOTAL LIABILITY TO COMPANY FOR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE LIMITED TO REPERFORMANCE OF ANY SERVICES THAT DO NOT COMPLY WITH ARTICLE 20 OF THIS SCHEDULE C, PLUS DAMAGES, INCLUDING DAMAGES RESULTING FROM OR ALLEGED TO RESULT FROM NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, OR BREACH OF CONTRACT, NOT EXCEEDING ONE AND ONE HALF TIMES SUPPLIER'S COMPENSATION UNDER THIS AGREEMENT. THE LIMITATION OF LIABILITY IN THE PRECEDING SENTENCE SHALL NOT APPLY TO SUPPLIER'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES ARISING FROM SUPPLIER'S GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, SUPPLIER'S BREACH OF ARTICLE 38 OF THIS SCHEDULE C, AND SUPPLIER'S BREACH OF ARTICLE 41 OF THIS SCHEDULE C. IN ADDITION, WITH RESPECT TO REIMBURSEMENT OF COMPANY BY SUPPLIER FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE CAUSED BY SUPPLIER, SUCH REIMBURSEMENT SHALL NOT EXCEED TWO AND ONE HALF TIMES SUPPLIER'S COMPENSATION UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

#### **ARTICLE 38 – CONFIDENTIALITY**

Supplier, its employees and agents, shall treat any information, (including any technical information, experience or data) regarding Company or Company's plans, programs, plants, processes, costs, equipment, operations, of Company (or Affiliates), which may be disclosed to, or come within the knowledge of, Supplier its employees and agents in the performance of this Agreement, as confidential, and will not use or disclose this information to others, during the term of this Agreement, and for three (3) years thereafter, except as is necessary to perform the services hereunder, without Company's prior written consent. The provisions of this Article shall not apply to any information referred to in this Section which (i) has been or is published and has become or becomes part of the public knowledge through no violation of the Article by Supplier, its employees, or agents, (ii) has been furnished or made known to Supplier or Supplier's Affiliates by third parties (other than those acting directly or indirectly for or on behalf of Company) as a matter of legal right and without restriction on disclosure, (iii) was in Supplier's possession prior to disclosure by Company and was not acquired by Supplier or Supplier's Affiliates, its employees and agents directly or indirectly from Company or, (iv) is required by law or by any other governmental regulatory authority to be disclosed.

Any information, which is supplied by the Supplier to Company will be similarly restricted, including clauses (i) through (iv) in the paragraph above. Company will not disclose such information to others or publish it in any form at any time; provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, Company may disclose any such information to its Affiliates,

employees, and consultants, to any regulatory agencies or instrumentality's when such disclosure is necessary, or otherwise required by law.

Each party agrees that they will cooperate with the other in an effort to minimize the amount of such information, which will be disclosed in any such case, and to make reasonable efforts to secure confidential treatment of such information.

In no event shall Company's name and/or logo or the name and/or logo of its Affiliates be used, whether written or verbal, duplicated, reproduced by any means whatsoever without the prior written permission of the Company.

All inquiries by any governmental, business, or other entity, including media, regarding any work performed or to be performed by Supplier for Company shall be directed by Supplier to Company for response.

#### **ARTICLE 39 - EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE**

To the extent, if any, that the provisions of the following executive order and statutes, as amended or supplemented, along with their implementing regulations, apply to the performance of the Services by Supplier, the Supplier will comply with the applicable executive order, statutes and regulations : Section 202 of Executive Order 11246 (41 CFR § § 60, et seq.); Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act (41 CFR § § 60-250.1, et seq.); Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (41 CFR § § 741.1, et seq.); and New York Executive Law §§ (5 NYCRR § § 140.1, et seq.). These regulations may require the Supplier to develop an Affirmative Action Compliance Program and file a standard Form 100 Report (EEO-1), or other reports, as prescribed.

#### **ARTICLE 40 - SURETY BOND**

The Company shall have the right, at all times, to require the Supplier to furnish a bond covering faithful performance of this Agreement and the payment of all obligations arising hereunder (i.e., Performance Bonds, Mechanics Liens), including any damages that may be payable under Article 27. The Company shall be entitled to approve the amount, form, premium cost, and surety Company issuing such surety bond.

#### **ARTICLE 41 - GOVERNING LAW**

The Supplier will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, ordinances and regulations of any governmental entity, board or agency having jurisdiction over the work or the premises.

All questions concerning the interpretation, validity and enforceability of this Agreement and of its terms and conditions, as well as questions concerning the sufficiency or other aspects of performance under the terms or conditions of this Agreement, shall be governed by the law of the State of New York, without reference to its conflict of law provision and any action or

proceeding brought in connection therewith, will be brought in the appropriate court located in the State of New York.

#### **ARTICLE 42 - PERFORMANCE MONITORING**

Company will evaluate Supplier's performance by utilizing Supplier Corrective Action Reports and Supplier Performance Evaluation Reports. The Supplier must provide upon request the OSHA incident rate and Experience Modification Rate for Company's review. The Company's Project Manager will evaluate the Supplier's performance upon the conclusion of every project by completing the specified report. The Company will continuously monitor the Supplier's performance. Performance by a Supplier that is less than desirable may potentially eliminate this Supplier from bidding on future projects and/or lump sum projects.

#### **ARTICLE 43 - CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT**

Supplier will use its best efforts to improve continuously its performance in all areas. In particular, Supplier will evaluate opportunities for cost/price reductions on items and services ordered and to be ordered and communicate them promptly to Company. Supplier is expected to advance its economies of production, service, service delivery, material handling and technical prowess at least as fast as other competitors in its industry, and to offer the price and performance benefits of those improvements to Company, as soon as they become available."

#### **ARTICLE 44 - NO DISPUTE**

Supplier represents and warrants that it is not aware of any pending billing dispute or other contractual dispute (pursuant to current contracts or contracts no longer in effect) or any pending or threatened litigation between Supplier and/or any of Supplier's affiliates and Company and/or any of Company's affiliates.

#### **ARTICLE 45 - SECURITY REQUIREMENTS**

Supplier shall comply with Company's Security Requirements in their performance of Services as provided herein.

Supplier shall be familiar with and shall comply with the requirements of the NERC CIP- 004 for projects or services at or relating to critical cyber assets and critical company operating facilities ("Critical Infrastructure"). The specific CIP Standard follows:

CIP-004 Excerpt:

R3. Personnel Risk Assessment --The Supplier shall have a documented personnel risk assessment program, in accordance with federal, state, provincial, and local laws, and subject to existing collective bargaining unit agreements, for personnel having authorized cyber or authorized unescorted physical access. A personnel risk assessment shall be conducted pursuant to that program prior to such personnel being granted such access except in specified circumstances such as an emergency. The personnel risk assessment program shall at a minimum include:

R3.1. The Supplier shall ensure that each assessment conducted include, at least, identity verification (e.g., Social Security Number verification in the U.S.) and seven- year criminal check. The Supplier may conduct more detailed reviews, as permitted by law and subject to existing collective bargaining unit agreements, depending upon the criticality of the position.

R3.2. The Supplier shall update each personnel risk assessment at least every seven years after the initial personnel risk assessment or for cause.

R3.3. The Supplier shall document the results of personnel risk assessments of its personnel having authorized cyber or authorized unescorted physical access to Critical Cyber Assets, and that personnel risk assessments of contractor and service vendor personnel with such access are conducted pursuant to Standard CIP-004.

#### **ARTICLE 46 - EMPLOYEE SOLICITATION**

During the term of this Agreement and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, except with the prior written consent of the employing Party, , the other Party shall not offer employment to any employee of the employing Party or the employing Party's current or future Affiliates with whom the other Party has had contact in connection with the negotiation, execution, or performance of this Agreement, and the other Party shall not induce or attempt to induce, directly or through an agent or third party, any such employee to leave the employ of the employing Party or its Affiliates. As used herein, the term "Affiliate" shall mean any person or entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the employing Party through majority stock or other ownership interest, direct or indirect. Nothing in this clause shall limit the other Party from employing any person who contacts the other Party on his or her own initiative or in response to advertisements for staff in public media, and without any solicitation by the other Party specifically directed to such employee.

#### **ARTICLE 47 – ETHICS**

Supplier shall comply with the Avangrid Suppliers' Code of Ethics ("Suppliers' Code of Ethics") in connection with its performance under this Agreement. The Suppliers' Code of Ethics can be found at the AVANGRID Services Company website ([www.iberdrolausa.com](http://www.iberdrolausa.com)).

#### **ARTICLE 48 – COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS GENERALLY**

Supplier will comply with all laws, rules and regulations of any governmental entity, board or agency having jurisdiction over the Services, including, without limitation, State, Federal or local laws, rules and regulations and any applicable Executive Orders (State or Federal) in the performance of the Services in effect at the time of performance of such Services.

#### **ARTICLE 49 – UTILIZATION OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS**

Supplier and subcontractors of all tiers must comply with section 52.219-8 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation. This policy requires that small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, women-owned small business, Alaskan Native Corporation, and Indian tribe concerns shall have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in the performance of Services.

#### **ARTICLE 50 – SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN**

Some or all of the Goods and Services provided hereunder may be used in a contract with the federal government and, therefore, may be subject to the requirements of FAR section 52.219-9. If applicable, each Supplier (except small business concerns) whose contract is expected to exceed [REDACTED] for construction) and has subcontracting possibilities is required to submit an acceptable subcontracting plan to the Customer. The plan shall include spending goals with businesses that are defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration as small, women-owned small, veteran-owned small, service-disabled veteran-owned small, HUBZone, small disadvantaged (SDB), Alaskan Native Corporations, and Indian tribes. If the Supplier fails to submit a plan within the time limit prescribed by the Customer, Customer may terminate this Agreement.

The Supplier assures that the clause entitled “Small Business Subcontracting Plan” will be included in all subcontracts, that offer further subcontracting opportunities, and all subcontractors (except small business concerns) who receive subcontracts in excess of [REDACTED] for construction) will be required to adopt a plan similar to this plan.

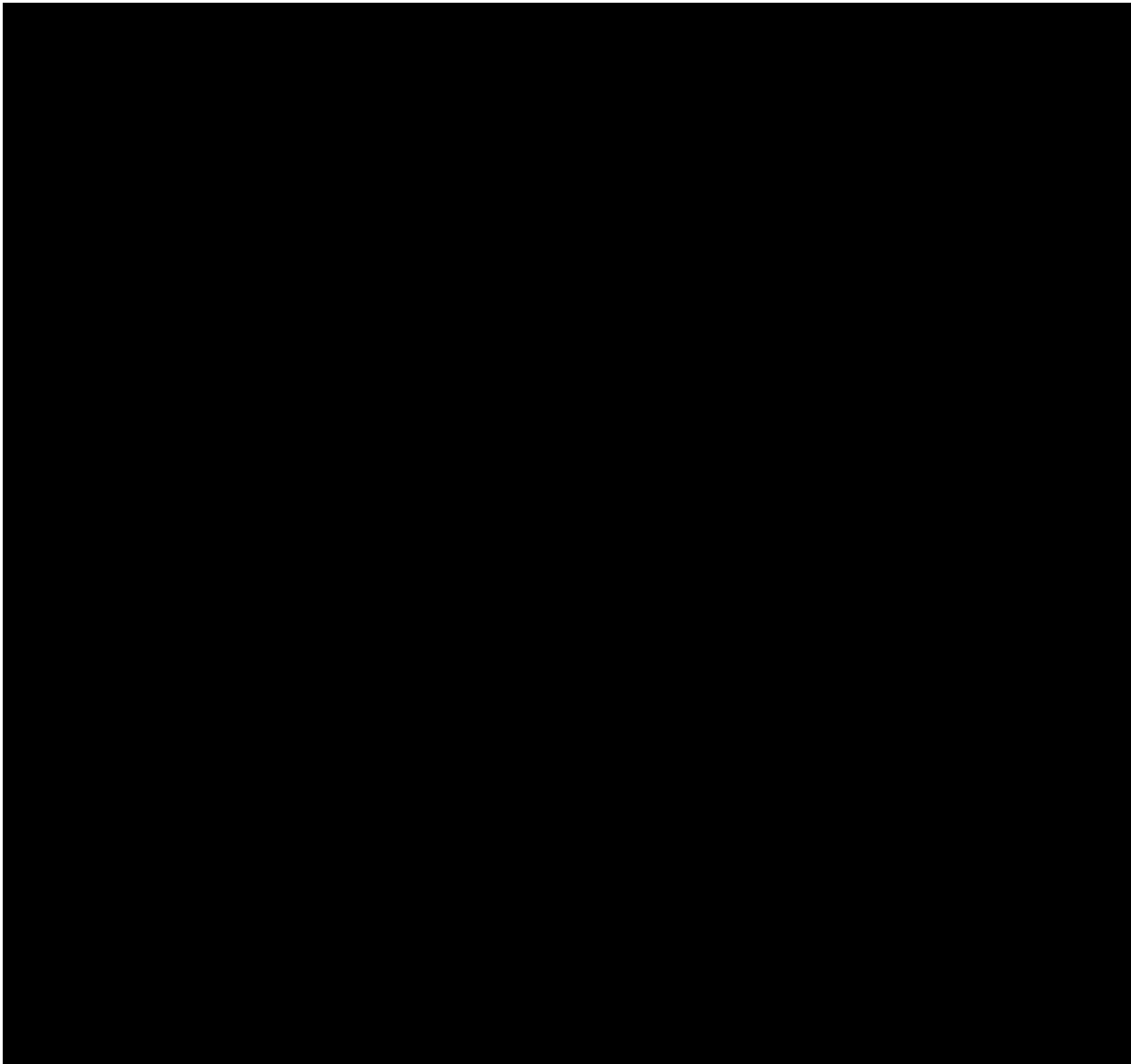
#### **ARTICLE 51 - GRATUITIES PROHIBITED**

The Supplier shall not, under any circumstances, offer or extend any gratuity or special favor to any employee or agent of the Company or its Affiliates or do anything which might reasonably be interpreted as an attempt to influence any employee or agent of the Company in the conduct of their duties.

## **SCHEDULE D**

### **Pricing Terms**

1. Prices shall remain firm for orders placed during the term of this Agreement.
2. Not Used.
3. Payment Terms are Net 30 days from date of invoice.



## **SCHEDULE E**

### Special Conditions

#### **Performance Measurements**

Periodically, AVANGRID Services Company may require Review Meetings to discuss supplier performance. Topics of discussion may include, but are not limited to; lead-time, order accuracy, pricing, quality and customer service. Unsatisfactory performance may result in the development of a Supplier performance improvement plan.

#### **Reporting**

Supplier shall furnish the following reports:

- Monthly
- Weekly



## **SCHEDULE F**

### Notices

Along with all other correspondence requirements included in this Master Agreement, any notice, request, approval or other document required or permitted to be given under this Master Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given when delivered in person or deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed as specified herein or to such other address or addresses as may be specified from time to time in a written notice given by such party. The parties shall acknowledge in writing the receipt of any such notice delivered in person.

All communications to AVANGRID Services Company shall be directed to:

AVANGRID Services Company  
Contract Administration  
89 East Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14649  
Phone: 585-724-8028  
Fax: 585-771-2820

All communications to Supplier shall be directed to:

Supplier Name

Contact Name

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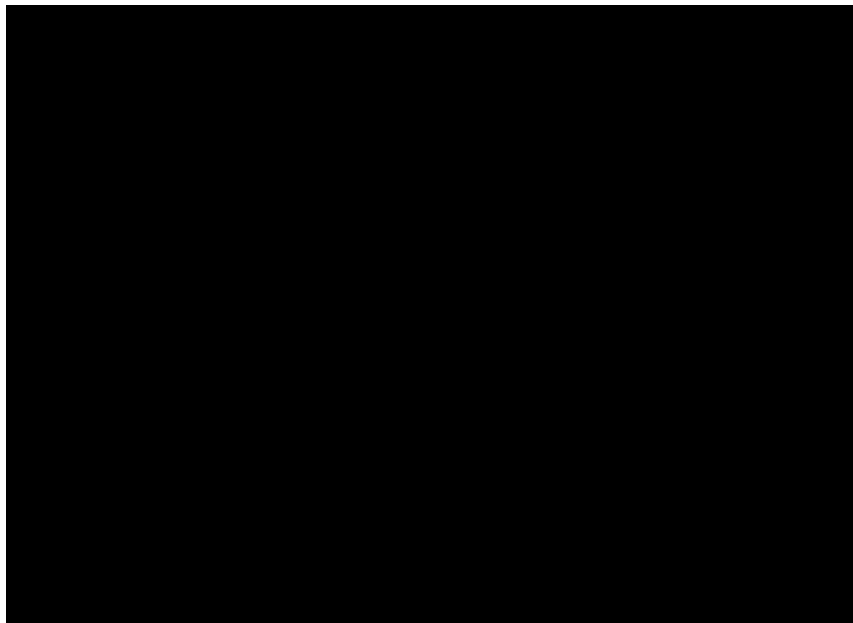
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## **SCHEDULE G**

### **Insurance Requirements**

Before commencing Services, the Supplier shall procure and maintain at its own expense for a period of two years beyond completion of the Services, the insurance types, limits, terms, and conditions listed in Section 1 below. In addition, for any Services that are authorized to be subcontracted, the supplier shall require each subcontractor to procure and maintain all insurance as outlined in section one.

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A CURRENT CERTIFICATE ON FILE WITH CUSTOMER** prior to commencement of Services, Certificates of Insurance evidencing supplier's and/or subcontractor's possession of insurance as outlined in Section 1 shall be filed with Customer for its review.

Certificates of Insurance should be mailed to the Procurement Department at the following address:

**AVANGRID Services Company  
Procurement Department/Insurance Cert.  
89 East Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14649-0001**

#### **1. Required Insurance Coverage's and Amounts**

Each insurance policy shall be placed with an insurance company licensed to write insurance in the State where the Services are to be performed and shall have an A.M. Best's Rating of not less than "B+" and a policyholder surplus of at least [REDACTED]

Each insurance policy, except Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability, shall be endorsed to add Customer as an additional insured. All insurance where Customer is an additional insured must contain provisions which state that the policy will respond to claims or suits by Customer against the Supplier/Consultant/ Labor supplier/etc. In addition, Customer should be notified of any reduction in the aggregate policy limits.

Each policy shall be endorsed to provide a minimum of thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation, intent not to renew, or material change in coverage.

Each policy shall be endorsed to provide a breach of warranty clause.

In the event Supplier and/or Subcontractor has a policy(ies) written on a "claims-made" basis, such insurance shall provide for a retroactive date not later than the commencement of Services under this agreement. In addition, the Supplier and/or Subcontractor will guarantee future coverage for claims arising out of events occurring during the course of this agreement.

All of the insurance required hereunder will be primary to any or all other insurance coverage in effect for Customer.

- 1.1 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance in accordance with the statutory requirements of the State of New York. For Services that are conducted outside of New York State, the minimum limit for Employers' Liability Insurance should be [REDACTED] each accident, [REDACTED] disease-policy limit, [REDACTED] disease-each employee.
- 1.2 Automobile Liability insuring any auto, all owned autos, hired autos, and non-owned autos with a bodily injury and property damage combined single limit of [REDACTED] per occurrence.
- 1.3 General Liability (Comprehensive or Commercial Form), including coverage for Premises/Operations, Underground/ Explosion & Collapse Hazard, Products/Completed Operations, Contractual Liability specifically insuring the attached Indemnity Agreement, Independent Contractors, Broad Form Property Damage, and Personal Injury, in the amount of [REDACTED] per occurrence and [REDACTED] aggregate.

The amount of insurance may be satisfied by purchasing primary coverage in the amounts specified or by purchasing a separate excess Umbrella Liability policy together with lower limit primary coverage.

Each General and/or Umbrella Liability Insurance policy shall be endorsed with the following Cross Liability clause or shall provide for the equivalent coverage: In the event of claims being made by reason of personal and/or bodily injuries suffered by any employee or employees of one insured hereunder for which another insured hereunder is or may be liable, then this policy shall cover such insured against whom a claim is made or may be made in the same manner as if separate policies had been issued to each insured hereunder, except with respect to limits of insurance. In the event of claims being made by reason of damage to property belonging to any insured hereunder for which another insured is or may be liable, then this policy shall cover such insured against whom a claim is made or may be made in the same manner as if separate policies had been issued to each insured hereunder, except with respect to the limits of insurance.

None of the requirements contained herein as to types, limits and approval of insurance coverage to be maintained by Supplier or Subcontractors are intended to, nor shall they in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by Supplier or Subcontractor under this agreement.

## **SCHEDULE H**

### **Background Check Requirements**

#### **Domestic Background Checks**

Contractor, at its expense, shall conduct a background check for each employee, agent, representative, contractor, or independent contractor (collectively, “Representatives”), as well as for the Representatives of its subcontractors, who will provide work or services to the Company on Company’s premises or who will have access to Company computer systems, either through on-site or remote access (collectively, “Contractor Representatives”). Contractor Representatives, for the purpose of this requirement, include such temporary staff as office support, custodial service, and third party vendors used by Contractor to provide, or assist in the provision of, work or services to the Company hereunder. Contractor’s obligations with respect to required background checks shall include those obligations specified for Contractor in the AVANGRID Services Company –Contractor Background Check Rule, as such Rule may be revised and/or supplemented from time to time, which Policy is incorporated herein and made part of this Agreement by reference (the “Rule”). Background checks are to be conducted using the Contractor’s background check vendor consistent with the process developed with the Company under this Agreement. The minimum Background Check process shall include, but not be limited to, the following checks:

- a. Social Security Number Verification
- b. Motor Vehicle Report
- c. Prohibited Parties Database Search\Debarment Lists
- d. County Criminal History Search in each county where a Contractor or Contractor Representative has resided during the seven (7) years preceding the search.
- e. National Sex Offender Registry.

The Background Check must be completed prior to initial access by Contractor Representative(s) and must, at minimum, meet the criteria specified in Attachment A of this Rule and be repeated every two (2) years for Contractor(s) and Contractor Representative(s) under continuing engagements. Any Contractor Representative who separates employment or other commercial relationship with the Contractor must undergo another Background Check prior to renewed access to the Company. The Company Department charged with managing the relationship with the Contractor hereunder (the “Company Liaison”) shall have the right to require more frequent Background Checks of Contractor Representatives or to require checks from other or additional sources than those listed above, and shall have the right to require that the Contractor furnish Background Check results to them. The Company reserves the right to audit Contractor’s Background Check process using either a third-party auditor or representatives from the Company’s Audit Department or the Company Liaison. All Contractor Representatives are responsible to self-disclose any misdemeanor or felony conviction(s) that occur during the course of their assignment hereunder within three (3) business days of the conviction. The conviction must be reported to the Contractor and the Company Liaison. If reported first to the Contractor, the Contractor shall notify the Company Liaison and the Company Director of Security within three (3) days of learning of the conviction. If, at any time during the term of this Agreement, it is discovered that any Contractor Representative has a criminal record that includes a felony or misdemeanor conviction, the Contractor is required to inform the Company Liaison who will assess the circumstances surrounding the conviction, time frame, nature, gravity, and relevancy of the conviction to the job duties to determine whether the Contractor Representative will be placed on, or continue in, the assignment with the Company, and consistent with, and to the extent permitted by, applicable state law. The Company may withhold its consent in its sole and absolute discretion. The failure of the Contractor

to comply with the terms of this provision shall constitute good cause for termination of this Agreement by the Company, in whole or in part.

## **Foreign Background Checks**

Contractor, at its expense, shall conduct a background check for each employee, agent, representative, contractor, or independent contractor (collectively, “**Representatives**”), as well as for the Representatives of its subcontractors, who will provide work or services to the Company on Company premises or who will have access to Company computer systems, either through on-site or remote access (collectively, “**Contractor Representatives**”). Contractor Representatives, for the purpose of this requirement, include such temporary staff as office support, custodial service, and third party vendors used by Contractor to provide, or assist in the provision of, work or services to the Company hereunder. Contractor’s obligations with respect to required background checks shall include those obligations specified for Contractor in the AVANGRID Services Company –Contractor Background Check Rule, as such Rule may be revised and/or supplemented from time to time, which Rule is incorporated herein and made part of this Agreement by reference (the “Rule”). Background checks are to be conducted using the Contractor’s background check vendor consistent with the process developed with the Company under this Agreement. The minimum Background Check process shall include, but not be limited to, the following checks:

**NERC CIP Access. If applicable (i.e., when AVANGRID determines that the Contractor engagement is such that compliance with NERC CIP Standards is required), the background check needs to include an identity verification and 7-year criminal history check as more particularly set forth below.**

- For someone who has resided and/or worked outside of Spain in the last 7 years, the contractor should perform an International Background Check to show the absence or existence of a criminal record. International background checks should verify known data such as employment, education, criminal and civil records, travel and immigration records, as well as address and identity verification
- For someone who has resided and worked only in Spain for the last 7 years, their passport and recent Criminal Record Certificate from the Spanish Ministry of Justice is sufficient (assuming it shows the absence of a criminal record).
- Due to EU privacy rules, the Criminal Record Certificate can only be supplied to the applicant after proof of identify. The Certificate certifies the absence or existence of a criminal record. If the applicant is not willing to obtain and provide the Certificate, an International Background Check should be conducted.

**Non CIP Access. To comply, the background check needs to include the following:**

- For someone who has resided and/or worked outside of Spain in the last 7 years, the vendor should include identity verification and perform an **International Background Check** to show the absence or existence of a criminal record. The international background check should verify known data such as employment, education, criminal and civil records, travel and immigration records, as well as identity.
- For someone who has resided and worked only in Spain for the last 7 years, a **certificate duly signed** by the vendor is sufficient if it states that its employee(s) assigned to work for AVANGRID Services Company (i) are duly affiliated to the Spanish Social Security and (ii) have the necessary academic and professional experience.

The Background Check must be completed prior to initial access by Contractor Representative(s) and must, at minimum, meet the criteria specified in Attachment A of this Rule and be repeated every two (2) years for Contractor(s) and Contractor Representative(s) under continuing engagements. Any Contractor Representative who separates employment or other commercial relationship with the Contractor must undergo another Background Check prior to renewed access to the Company. The Company Department charged with managing the relationship with the Contractor hereunder (the “Company Liaison”) shall have the right to require more frequent Background Checks of Contractor Representatives or to require checks from other or additional sources than those listed above, and shall have the right to require that the Contractor furnish Background Check results to them. The Company reserves the right to audit Contractor’s Background Check process using either a third-party auditor or representatives from the Company’s Audit Department or the Company Liaison. All Contractor Representatives are responsible to self-disclose any misdemeanor or felony conviction(s) that occur during the course of their assignment hereunder within three (3) business days of the conviction. The conviction must be reported to the Contractor and the Company Liaison. If reported first to the Contractor, the Contractor shall notify the Company Liaison and the Company Director of Security within three (3) days of learning of the conviction. If, at any time during the term of this Agreement, it is discovered that any Contractor Representative has a criminal record that includes a felony or misdemeanor conviction, the Contractor is required to inform the Company Liaison who will assess the circumstances surrounding the conviction, time frame, nature, gravity, and relevancy of the conviction to the job duties to determine whether the Contractor Representative will be placed on, or continue in, the assignment with the Company, and consistent with, and to the extent permitted by, applicable state law. The Company may withhold its consent in its sole and absolute discretion. The failure of the Contractor to comply with the terms of this provision shall constitute good cause for termination of this Agreement by the Company, in whole or in part.

# Contractor Certification Form

The undersigned agent of \_\_\_\_\_ **certifies** that the employees, contractors, or subcontractors listed below meet the requirements agreed to in Attachment B of the Rule.

It is the responsibility of the vendor to notify AVANGRID Services Company of all personnel changes to include additions as well as voluntary or involuntary terminations. Additions and voluntary terminations are to be communicated within seven (7) calendar days and involuntary terminations must be communicated immediately.

Employee Name	Employer	Date of Last Background Check

Further, I attest that the employees, contractors, or subcontractors listed above working for AVANGRID Services Company are in good standing and have been in good standing since their last background check.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Position

[End of Schedule H – Background Check Requirements]



## **SCHEDULE I**

### **Data Security Rider**

#### **Privacy and Data Security.**

(a) To the extent that [REDACTED] (sometimes hereinafter referred to as “VENDOR”) is regularly afforded access in any way to “Personal Data” or “Company Data” as defined below, this Rider shall apply with respect to Personal Data and Company Data.

(b) The following definitions are relevant to this Rider:

(i) “Personal Data” means any information that can be used to identify, locate, or contact an individual, including an employee, customer, or potential customer of CUSTOMER (also sometimes hereinafter referred to as “Company”), including, without limitation: (A) first and last name; (B) home or other physical address; (C) telephone number; (D) email address or online identifier associated with an individual; (E) “Sensitive Data” as defined below; (F) ZIP codes; (G) employment, financial or health information; or (H) any other information relating to an individual, including cookie information and usage and traffic data or profiles, that is combined with any of the foregoing.

(ii) “Sensitive Data” is that subset of Personal Data, including Social Security number, passport number, driver’s license number, or similar identifier, or credit or debit card number, whose unauthorized disclosure or use could reasonably entail enhanced potential risk for the data subject.

(iii) “Company Data” means any information that relates to the operation or functionality of plants, factories, networks, or grids of the Company or to which the Company has access, including, without limitation, Critical Infrastructure Information and internal financial information.

(iv) “Critical Infrastructure Information” means engineering, vulnerability, or detailed design information about proposed or existing critical infrastructure (physical or virtual) that (A) relates details about the production, generation, transmission, or distribution of energy; (B) could be useful to a person planning an attack on critical infrastructure; (C) is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act; and (D) gives strategic information beyond the location of the critical infrastructure.

(v) “Processing” (including its cognate, “process”) means any operation, action, error, omission, negligent act, or set of operations, actions, errors, omissions, or negligent acts that is performed upon Personal Data or Company Data, whether or not by automatic means, including, without limitation, collection, recording, organization, storage, access, adaptation, alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure, dissemination, exfiltration, taking, removing, copying, making available, alignment, combination, blocking, deletion, erasure, or destruction.

(vi) “Data Security Breach” means: (A) the loss or misuse (by any means) of Personal Data or Company Data; (B) the inadvertent, unauthorized and/or unlawful Processing, corruption, modification, transfer, sale or rental of Personal Data or Company Data; or (C) any other act or omission that compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of Personal Data or Company Data.

(vii) “Technical and Organizational Security Measures” means security measures, consistent with the type of Personal Data or Company Data being Processed and the services being provided by VENDOR, to protect Personal Data or Company Data, which measures shall implement industry accepted protections which may include physical, electronic and procedural safeguards to protect

the Personal Data or Company Data supplied to VENDOR against any Data Security Breach, and any security requirements, obligations, specifications or event reporting procedures set forth in any Schedule to this Agreement. As part of such security measures, VENDOR shall provide a reasonably secure environment for all Personal Data and Company Data and any hardware and software (including servers, network, and data components) to be provided or used by VENDOR as part of its performance under this Agreement on which Personal Data and Company Data is contained to the extent the same are located on VENDOR's premises.

(viii) "Losses" shall mean all losses, liabilities, damages, and claims and all related or resulting costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements and costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgment, interest and penalties).

(c) Personal Data and Company Data shall at all times remain the sole property of CUSTOMER, and nothing in this Agreement will be interpreted or construed as granting VENDOR any license or other right under any patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, or other proprietary right to Personal Data and Company Data.

(d) VENDOR shall not use independent contractors or provide Personal Data or Company Data to independent contractors or other personnel that are not full-time employees of VENDOR without CUSTOMER's prior written approval before doing so.

(e) VENDOR shall Process Personal Data and Company Data only on the instruction of CUSTOMER and in accordance with this Agreement and privacy and security laws applicable to VENDOR's services or VENDOR's possession or Processing of Personal Data and/or Company. CUSTOMER hereby instructs VENDOR, and VENDOR hereby agrees, to Process Personal Data or Company Data as necessary to perform VENDOR's obligations under this Agreement and for no other purpose.

(f) VENDOR shall not create or maintain data which are derivative of Personal Data or Company Data except for the purpose of performing its obligations under this Agreement and as authorized by CUSTOMER.

(g) As a condition to starting work, VENDOR's employees shall acknowledge in writing their agreement to comply with the terms of the Company's Acceptable Use Requirements set forth in Schedule C hereto, as such Acceptable Use Requirements may be modified or supplemented from time-to-time upon notice from the Company.

(h) At any and all times during which VENDOR is Processing Personal Data or Company Data, VENDOR shall:

(i) Comply with all applicable privacy and security laws to which it is subject, and not, by act or omission, place CUSTOMER in violation of any privacy or security law known by VENDOR to be applicable to CUSTOMER;

(ii) Have in place appropriate and reasonable Technical and Organizational Security Measures to protect the security of Personal Data and Company Data and prevent a Data Security Breach, including, without limitation, a breach resulting from or arising out of VENDOR's internal use, Processing or other transmission of Personal Data and Company Data, whether between or among VENDOR's subsidiaries and affiliates or any other person or entity acting on behalf of VENDOR;

(iii) Safely secure or encrypt all Sensitive Data and Company Data during storage or transmission;

(iv) Except as may be necessary in connection with providing Support Services (and provided that immediately upon the need for such Personal Data and Company Data ceasing, such Personal Data is immediately destroyed or erased), not use or maintain any Personal Data or Company Data on a laptop, hard drive, USB key, flash drive, removable memory card, smartphone, or other portable device or unit;

(v) Notify CUSTOMER no later than one (1) day from the date of obtaining actual knowledge of any Data Security Breach and, at VENDOR's cost and expense, assist and cooperate with CUSTOMER concerning any disclosures to affected parties and other remedial measures as requested by CUSTOMER or required under applicable law;

(vi) Not permit any officer, director, employee, agent, other representative, subsidiary, affiliate, independent contractor, or any other person or entity acting on behalf of VENDOR to Process Personal Data or Company Data unless such Processing is in compliance with this Agreement and is necessary in order to carry out VENDOR's obligations under this Agreement;

(vii) Not disclose Personal Data or Company Data to any third party (including, without limitation, VENDOR's subsidiaries and affiliates and any person or entity acting on behalf of VENDOR) unless with respect to each such disclosure: (A) the disclosure is necessary in order to carry out VENDOR's obligations under this Agreement; (B) such third party is bound by the same provisions and obligations set forth in this Agreement; (C) VENDOR has received CUSTOMER's prior written consent; and (D) VENDOR shall remain responsible for any breach of the obligations set forth in this Agreement to the same extent as if VENDOR caused such breach; and

(viii) Establish policies and procedures to provide all reasonable and prompt assistance to CUSTOMER in responding to any and all requests, complaints, or other communications received from any individual who is or may be the subject of any Personal Data or Company Data Processed by VENDOR to the extent such request, complaint or other communication relates to VENDOR's Processing of such Personal Data.

(ix) Establish policies and procedures to provide all reasonable and prompt assistance to CUSTOMER in responding to any and all requests, complaints, or other communications received from any individual, government, government agency, regulatory authority, or other entity that is or may have an interest in the Personal Data or Company Data, exfiltration of Personal Data or Company Data, disclosure of Personal Data or Company Data, or misuse of Personal Data or Company Data to the extent such request, complaint or other communication relates to VENDOR's Processing of such Personal Data or Company Data.

(x) Not transfer any Personal Data or Company Data across a country border, unless directed to do so in writing by CUSTOMER, and VENDOR agrees that CUSTOMER is solely responsible for determining that any transfer of Personal Data or Company Data across a country border under this Contract complies with the applicable data protection laws and this Contract.

(i) At the time of the signing of this agreement, and at the time of any CUSTOMER request, VENDOR shall provide evidence that it has established and maintains Technical and Organizational Security Measures governing the Processing of Personal Data and Company Data appropriate to the Processing and the nature of the Personal Data and Company Data to be protected. To the extent VENDOR maintains Personal Data and Company Data at its location, CUSTOMER shall have the right

to conduct onsite inspections and/or audits (with no advance notice to VENDOR) of VENDOR's information security protocols, and VENDOR agrees to cooperate with CUSTOMER regarding such inspections or audits; provided, any such inspections or audits shall be conducted during normal business hours and in a manner so as to minimize any disruptions to VENDOR's operations. VENDOR will promptly correct any deficiencies in the Technical and Organizational Security Measures identified by CUSTOMER to VENDOR.

(j) VENDOR shall return, delete, or destroy, or cause or arrange for the return, deletion, or destruction of, all Personal Data and Company Data subject to this Agreement, including all originals and copies of such Personal Data and Company Data in any medium and any materials derived from or incorporating such Personal Data and Company Data, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, or when there is no longer any legitimate business need (as determined by CUSTOMER) to retain such Personal Data and Company Data, or otherwise on the instruction of CUSTOMER, but in no event later than ten (10) days from the date of such expiration, earlier termination, expiration of the legitimate business need, or instruction. If applicable law prevents or precludes the return or destruction of any Personal Data or Company Data, VENDOR shall notify CUSTOMER of such reason for not returning or destroying such Personal Data and Company Data and shall not Process such Personal Data and Company Data thereafter without CUSTOMER's express prior written consent. VENDOR's obligations under this Agreement to protect the security of Personal Data and Company Data shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(k) To the extent that VENDOR is afforded regular access in any way to "Cardholder Data" as defined below and for so long as it has such access, the following requirements shall apply with respect to the Cardholder Data; provided, that the parties do not anticipate that VENDOR will have access to any Cardholder Data:

(i) VENDOR represents that it is presently in compliance, and will remain in compliance with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard ("PCI Standard"), and all updates to PCI Standard, developed and published jointly by American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa ("Payment Card Brands") for protecting individual credit and debit card account numbers ("Cardholder Data").

(ii) VENDOR acknowledges that Cardholder Data is owned exclusively by CUSTOMER, credit card issuers, the relevant Payment Card Brand, and entities licensed to process credit and debit card transactions on behalf of CUSTOMER, and further acknowledges that such Cardholder Data may be used solely to assist the foregoing parties in completing a transaction, supporting a loyalty program, providing fraud control services, or for other uses specifically required by law, the operating regulations of the Payment Card Brands, or this Agreement.

(iii) To the extent Cardholder Data is regularly maintained on the premises or property of VENDOR, VENDOR shall maintain a business continuity plan addressing the possibility of a potential disruption of service, disaster, failure or interruption of its ordinary business process, which business continuity plan provides for appropriate back-up facilities to ensure VENDOR can continue to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement.

(iv) VENDOR agrees that, in the event of a Data Security Breach arising out of or relating to VENDOR's premises or equipment contained thereon, VENDOR shall afford full cooperation and access to VENDOR's premises, books, logs and records by a designee of the Payment Card Brands to the extent necessary to perform a thorough security review and to validate VENDOR's compliance with the PCI Standards; provided, that such access shall be provided during regular business hours and in such a manner so as to minimize the disruption of VENDOR's operations.

(l) To the extent VENDOR is provided regular access to Personal Data, Company Data, or Cardholder Data, VENDOR represents that the security measures it takes in performance of its obligations under this Agreement are, and will at all times remain, at the highest of the following (collectively referred to herein as “Security Best Practices”): (a) Privacy & IT Security Best Practices (as defined by ISO 27001/27002); and (b) any security requirements, obligations, specifications, or event reporting procedures set forth in Schedule A.

(m) In addition to any other insurance required to be provided by VENDOR hereunder, VENDOR shall also provide the Cyber-Insurance coverage meeting the requirements specified in Schedule B, attached hereto and made part hereof. Vendor shall also comply with the terms and conditions in Schedule B as they relate to any insurance required to be provided by VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement.

(n) Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, VENDOR shall indemnify, defend and hold CUSTOMER harmless from and against all Losses suffered or sustained by the CUSTOMER, its affiliates, and their respective employees, officers, representatives, or contractors, or by any third party or entity, caused by, resulting from, or attributable to VENDOR’s breach or violation of any of the terms and conditions of this Data Security Rider. VENDOR’s obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold CUSTOMER harmless shall survive termination or expiration of the Agreement.

(o) Failure by VENDOR to comply with any requirement of this section shall constitute a material breach of the contract.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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