

INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT for Information Resources Technologies

THIS INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT is entered into by and between Government Support Services, Office of Management and Budget, State of Delaware, with its principal place of business at, 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4, Dover, DE 19904 and the STATE OF TEXAS, acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES, 300 West 15th Street, Suite 1300, Austin, Texas 78701 [DIR], pursuant to the authority granted and in compliance with the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 791 for Texas based Customers and Section 2054.0565, Texas Government Code, for out of state Customers.

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Interlocal Cooperation Contract [Contract] is to allow DIR Customer to purchase information resources technologies through DIR Contracts.

II. CONSIDERATION:

- a. Per the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Texas Government Code, § 791.025, or other applicable law, the DIR Customer satisfies the requirement to seek competitive bids for the purchase of goods and/or services.
- b. DIR agrees to allow DIR Customer to procure information resources technologies through existing Vendor contracts and Vendor contracts that DIR may enter into during the term of this interlocal cooperation contract, in accordance with specifications submitted through purchase orders from Customer. All DIR Vendor contracts shall be made available to the DIR Customer via the DIR Internet web site. DIR Customers utilizing the Cooperative Contracts shall issue a Purchase Order directly to the relevant Vendor. DIR Customers utilizing a DIR Contract for which DIR is the fiscal agent, the DIR Customer's Purchase Order shall be issued to DIR.
- c. DIR Customer agrees to notify DIR of any substantial problems in quality or service in relations with a vendor under a DIR vendor contract.

III. PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES:

- a. DIR Customer shall comply with Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code, or applicable local law, in making payments to the Vendor. Payment under a DIR Contract shall not foreclose the right to recover wrongful payments.
- b. Payments must be made in accordance with laws and procedures applicable to DIR Customer.
- c. DIR Customer agrees to pay the rates and/or prices set by DIR with its vendors. DIR Customer understands these rates and/or prices include a DIR administrative fee.
- d. All purchases executed under a DIR Contract will require a DIR Customer purchase order.

IV. TERM OF CONTRACT:

This Interlocal Cooperation Contract shall begin when fully executed by both parties and shall continue until terminated by Government Support Services.

Either party, upon written notice, may terminate this contract on thirty (30) days advance written notice. Customers shall pay for all goods and services received through the effective date of termination.

V. GOVERNING LAW AND OTHER REPRESENTATIONS:

DIR Customer:

[] Unit of Texas Local Government hereby certifying that is has statutory authority to perform its duties hereunder pursuant to Chapter _____, Texas _____ Code.

[√] Non-Texas State agency or unit of local government of another state hereby certifying that it has statutory authority to enter in to this Interlocal Agreement and perform its duties hereunder pursuant to Del. Code, Title 29, Chapter 69, § 6933 Authorization for cooperative purchasing.

VI. CERTIFYING FUNCTION:

Department of Information Resources acting as the owner of the DIR Contracts hereby certifies the eligibility of the DIR Customer to use the DIR Contracts.

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR OUT OF STATE DIR CUSTOMERS:

SELECTIONS PER THE GOVERNING LAW OF THE OUT OF STATE DIR CUSTOMER:

1. In any issue concerning this Interlocal Contract, or the DIR Contracts, in which DIR is involved shall be governed by the law of the State of Texas, excluding the conflict of law provisions.
2. Exclusive Venue for any litigation whatsoever involving DIR is the state district court of Travis County, Texas.
3. DIR Customer's use of the DIR Contracts shall be governed by the law of the State of Delaware, excluding the conflicts of law provisions.
4. Exclusive Venue for litigation arising between DIR Customer and Vendor from use of the DIR Contracts is to be determined by designated representative of the State of Delaware Attorney General's Office.
5. The following dispute resolution procedures shall be used to resolve disputes arising from use of the DIR Contracts See attached Dispute Resolution policy.

VIII. Notification

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

DIR Customer:

Contact Name: Contract Administrator
Customer Name: Government Support Services
Address: 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4
City, State, Zip Code: Dover, DE 19904
Phone Number: (302) 857-4501
Facsimile: (302) 739-2564
Email: contracting@state.de.us

This Interlocal Cooperation Contract is executed to be effective as of the date of the last party to sign.

**Government Support Services
Office of Management and Budget
State of Delaware**

Authorized By: Signature on File

Name: Peter Korolyk

Title: Deputy Director, GSS

Date: 2/2/16

**THE STATE OF TEXAS, acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION
RESOURCES**

Authorized By: Signature on File

Name: Dale Richardson

Title: Chief Operations Officer

Date: 2/4/16

Office of General Counsel: David Brown 2-4-16

Attachment to State of Delaware, DIR-TSO-IC709

Dispute Resolution

At the option of, and in the manner prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the parties shall attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement promptly by negotiation between executives who have authority to settle the controversy and who are at a higher level of management than the persons with direct responsibility for administration of this Agreement. All offers, promises, conduct and statements, whether oral or written, made in the course of the negotiation by any of the parties, their agents, employees, experts and attorneys are confidential, privileged and inadmissible for any purpose, including impeachment, in arbitration or other proceeding involving the parties, provided evidence that is otherwise admissible or discoverable shall not be rendered inadmissible.

If the matter is not resolved by negotiation, as outlined above, or, alternatively, OMB elects to proceed directly to mediation, then the matter will proceed to mediation as set forth below. Any disputes, claims or controversies arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be submitted to mediation by a mediator selected by OMB, and if the matter is not resolved through mediation, then it shall be submitted, in the sole discretion of OMB, to the Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services Director, for final and binding arbitration. OMB reserves the right to proceed directly to arbitration or litigation without negotiation or mediation. Any such proceedings held pursuant to this provision shall be governed by Delaware law and venue shall be in Delaware. The parties shall maintain the confidential nature of the arbitration proceeding and the Award, including the Hearing, except as may be necessary to prepare for or conduct the arbitration hearing on the merits. Each party shall bear its own costs of mediation, arbitration or litigation, including attorneys' fees.