<u>PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT</u> (Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system and Meter Data Management (MDM) system Consulting Services)

THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered on ______, by and between the **City of Lake Worth Beach**, a Florida municipal corporation ("City") and **E-Source Companies, LLC**, a Limited Liability Company, located at 3020 Carbon Place, Suite 300, Boulder, CO 80301, authorized to do business in the State of Florida ("Consultant").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Proposal (No. 24-202) for Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system and Meter Data Management (MDM) system Consultant Services to help the City procure a replacement for the existing water and electric AMI system as well as a Meter Data Management (MDM) system ("RFP"); and

WHEREAS, Consultant has provided the City with a written proposal in response to the RFP to provide the services as described and set out in the RFP which includes a price proposal as provided in **Exhibit "A"**; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to accept Consultant's proposal in order for Consultant to render the services to the City as provided herein; and

WHEREAS, the services sought by the City under this Agreement may be funded, in whole or in part, by a federal grant (Department of Energy Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships grant), which federal grant requires compliance with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, policies, procedures, directives and special clauses as further illustrated in **Exhibit "B"**; and

WHEREAS, Consultant further warrants that it is experienced and capable of performing the services hereunder in a professional and competent manner; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to set forth certain terms and conditions for the provision of services by Consultant to the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants herein contained, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by the parties, the City and Consultant agree as follows:

SECTION 1: <u>INCORPORATION OF RECITALS</u>. The foregoing Recitals are incorporated into this Agreement as true and correct statements.

SECTION 2: <u>CONSULTANT'S SERVICES</u>. The Consultant shall provide Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system and Meter Data Management (MDM) system consulting services to the City as more specifically described in the **RFP**, which is incorporated herein by reference, and in accordance with all Department of Energy Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships grant requirements, which federal requirements are illustrated in **Exhibit "B"** (Consultant is referred to as "Contractor" in Exhibit "B"). For more information or questions on the federal requirements or their applicability, Consultant shall contact the City prior to taking any action which may be contrary to the federal requirements. When the Consultant shall incorporate all federal requirements into the solicitation document as set forth in **Exhibit "B"** and as may otherwise be required by the City or the Department of Energy Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships grant.

SECTION 3: <u>INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP</u>. No relationship of employer or employee is created by this Agreement, it being understood that Consultant will act hereunder as an independent contractor and none of Consultant's, officers, directors, employees, independent contractors, representatives or agents performing services for Consultant pursuant to this Agreement shall have any claim under this Agreement or otherwise against the City for compensation of any kind under this Agreement. The relationship between the City and Consultant is that of independent contractors, and neither shall be considered a joint venturer, partner, employee, agent, representative or other relationship of the other for any purpose expressly or by implication.

SECTION 4: <u>TERM, TIME AND TERMINATION</u>.

a. <u>Term</u>. The term of this Agreement shall commence upon the approval of this Agreement and shall be for the term necessary to complete all services as set forth in the Consultant's proposal (**Exhibit** "A") unless earlier terminated as stated herein. The term may be extended by written agreement of the parties for further services related to those services identified herein.

b. <u>Time for Completion.</u> Time is of the essence in the performance of this Agreement. Consultant shall at all times carry out its duties and responsibilities as expeditiously as possible and in accordance with the project schedule as set forth in RFP or as otherwise agreed between the parties.

c. <u>Force Majeure</u>. Neither party hereto shall be liable for its failure to perform hereunder due to any circumstances beyond its reasonable control, such as acts of God, wars, riots, national emergencies, sabotage, strikes, labor disputes, accidents, and governmental laws, ordinances, rules, or regulations. The Consultant or City may suspend its performance under this Agreement as a result of a force majeure event without being in default of this Agreement, but upon the removal of such force majeure event, the Consultant or City shall resume its performance as soon as is reasonably possible. Upon the Consultant's request, the City shall consider the facts and extent of any failure to perform the services and, if the Consultant's failure to perform was without its or its sub-consultant's fault or negligence, the schedule and/or any other affected provision of this Agreement may be revised accordingly, subject to the City's rights to change, terminate, or stop any or all of the services at any time. No extension shall be made for delay occurring more than seven (7) days before a notice of delay or claim therefore is made in writing to the City. In the case of continuing cause of delay, only one (1) notice of delay or claim is necessary.

d. <u>Termination without cause</u>. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time with or without cause by giving not less than thirty (30) days written notice of termination.

e. <u>Termination for cause</u>. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time in the event that the other party engages in any act or makes any omission constituting a material breach of any term or condition of this Agreement. The party electing to terminate this Agreement for breach shall provide the other party with written notice specifying the nature of the breach. The party receiving the notice shall then have three (3) business days from the date of the notice in which to remedy the breach. If such corrective action is not taken within three (3) business days, then this Agreement shall terminate at the end of the three (3) business day period without further notice or demand.

f. <u>Early Termination</u>. If this Agreement is terminated before the completion of all services by either party, the Consultant shall:

- 1. Stop services on the date and to the extent specified including without limitation services of any sub-consultants.
- 2. Transfer all work in progress, completed work, and other materials related to the terminated services to the City in the format acceptable to City.

3. Continue and complete all parts of the services that have not been terminated.

Effect of Termination. Termination of this Agreement shall not affect any rights, g. obligations, and liabilities of the parties arising out of services provided prior to the date of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties acknowledge and agree that the City is a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and as such, this Agreement (and all Exhibits hereto) are subject to budgeting and appropriation by the City of funds sufficient to pay the costs associated herewith in any fiscal year of the City. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event that no funds are appropriated or budgeted by the City's governing board in any fiscal year to pay the costs associated with the City's obligations under this Agreement, or in the event the funds budgeted or appropriated are, or are estimated by the City to be, insufficient to pay the costs associated with the City's obligations hereunder in any fiscal period, then the City will notify Consultant of such occurrence and either the City or Consultant may terminate this Agreement by notifying the other in writing, which notice shall specify a date of termination no earlier than twenty-four (24) hours after giving of such notice. Termination in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be without penalty or expense to the City of any kind whatsoever; however, City shall pay Consultant for all services performed under this Agreement through the date of termination.

SECTION 5: <u>COMPENSATION</u>.

a. <u>Payments</u>. The City agrees to compensate Consultant in accordance with the price proposal attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**. The City shall not reimburse Consultant for any additional costs incurred as a direct or indirect result of Consultant providing services to the City under this Agreement and not set forth in **Exhibit "A"**. For additional hourly rate services and additional reimbursable expenses, the Consultant must receive prior written approval from the City before providing any services to be charged under the hourly rate.

b. <u>Invoices</u>. Consultant shall render invoices to the City for services that have been rendered in conformity with this Agreement, the RFP, and the price proposal set forth in **Exhibit "A**". The monthly invoices shall set forth the Total Annual Cost (at monthly increments) as set forth in Exhibit "A" (inclusive of reimbursable costs associated with the Total Annual Cost). The monthly invoices shall also include any additional hourly rate services and related reimbursable expenses, which have received the prior written approval of the City. The invoices shall also be clearly identified on the invoice with supporting documentation. Invoices will be reviewed for approval and if an invoice is not approved, the City will notify Consultant within ten (10) days of deficiencies in the invoice. Once the deficiencies are corrected and a new or amended invoice submitted, the City shall make payment within twenty (20) days. Invoices will normally be paid within thirty (30) days following the City's receipt of Consultant's invoice.

SECTION 6: <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>. Consultant, its officers, employees and agents shall indemnify and hold harmless the City, including its officers and employees from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees (at the trial and appellate levels), to the extent caused by the negligence, of Consultant, its officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents employed or utilized by Consultant in the performance of the services under this Agreement. The City agrees to be responsible for its own negligence. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create a contractual relationship with or a cause of action in favor of a third party against either the City or Consultant, nor shall this Agreement be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity for the City beyond the waiver provided in section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 7: <u>COMPLIANCE AND DISQUALIFICATION</u>. Each of the parties agrees to perform its responsibilities under this Agreement in conformance with all laws, regulations and administrative instructions that relate to the parties' performance of this Agreement.

SECTION 8: <u>PERSONNEL</u>. Consultant represents that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all necessary personnel required to perform the services under this Agreement. Such personnel shall not be employees of or have any contractual relationship with the City. All of the services required hereunder shall be performed by Consultant or under its supervision, and all personnel engaged in performing the services shall be fully qualified and authorized or permitted under federal, state and local law to perform such services.

SECTION 9: <u>SUB-CONSULTANTS</u>. The City reserves the right to accept the use of a sub-consultant or to reject the selection of a particular sub-consultant and approve all qualifications of any sub-consultant in order to make a determination as to the capability of the sub-consultant to perform properly under this Agreement. All sub-consultants providing professional services to Consultant under this Agreement will also be required to provide their own insurance coverage identical to those contained in this Agreement. In the event that a sub-consultant does not have insurance or does not meet the insurance limits as stated in this Agreement, Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless the City for any claim in excess of the sub-consultant.

SECTION 10: <u>FEDERAL AND STATE TAX</u>. The City is exempt from payment of Florida State Sales and Use Tax. Consultant is not authorized to use the City's Tax Exemption Number.

SECTION 11: <u>INSURANCE</u>. Prior to commencing any services, Consultant shall provide proof of insurance coverage as required hereunder. Such insurance policy(s) shall be issued by the United States Treasury or insurance carriers approved and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, and who must have a rating of no less than "excellent" by A.M. Best or as mutually agreed upon by the City and Consultant. All such insurance policies may not be modified or terminated without the express written authorization of the City.

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	Amount of Coverage		
Professional liability/ Errors and Omissions	\$1,000,000 per occurrence		
Commercial general liability (Products/completed operations	\$1, 000,000 per occurrence		
Contractual, insurance broad form property, Independent Consultant, personal injury)	\$2,000,000 annual aggregate		
Automobile (owned, non-owned, & hired)	\$ 1,000,000 single limits		
Worker's Compensation	\$ statutory limits		

The commercial general liability and automobile liability policies will name the City as an additional insured on a primary, non-contributing basis, and proof of all insurance coverage shall be furnished to the City by way of an endorsement to same or certificate of insurance prior to the provision of services. The certificates shall clearly indicate that Consultant has obtained insurance of the type, amount, and classification as required for strict compliance with this section. Failure to comply with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve Consultant of its liability and obligations under this Agreement.

SECTION 12: <u>SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS</u>. The City and Consultant each binds itself and its partners, successors, executors, administrators, and assigns to the other party of this Agreement and to the partners, successors, executors, administrators and assigns of such other party, in respect to all covenants of this Agreement. Except as agreed in writing by all parties, this Agreement is not assignable.

SECTION 13: <u>DISPUTE RESOLUTION, LAW, VENUE AND REMEDIES</u>. All claims arising out of this Agreement or its breach shall be submitted first to mediation. The parties shall share the mediator's fee equally. The mediation shall be held in Palm Beach County. Agreements reached in mediation shall be enforceable as settlement agreements in any court having jurisdiction thereof. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any and all legal action necessary to enforce the Agreement will be held in Palm Beach County. No remedy herein conferred upon any party is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof.

SECTION 14: <u>WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL</u>. TO ENCOURAGE PROMPT AND EQUITABLE RESOLUTION OF ANY LITIGATION, EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LITIGATION RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT.

SECTION 15: <u>ACCESS AND AUDITS</u>. Consultant shall maintain adequate records to justify all payments made by the City under this Agreement for at least three (3) years after completion of this Agreement and longer if required by applicable federal or state law. The City shall have access to such books, records, and documents as required in this section for the purpose of inspection or audit during normal business hours, at Consultant's place of business. In no circumstances will Consultant be required to disclose any confidential or proprietary information regarding its products and service costs.

SECTION 16: <u>NONDISCRIMINATION</u>. Consultant warrants and represents that all of its employees are treated equally during employment without regard to race, color, religion, disability, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, or sexual orientation.

SECTION 17: <u>AUTHORITY TO PRACTICE</u>. Consultant hereby represents and warrants that it has and will continue to maintain all licenses and approvals required to conduct its business and provide the services required under this Agreement, and that it will at all times conduct its business and provide the services under this Agreement in a reputable manner. Proof of such licenses and approvals shall be submitted to the City upon request.

SECTION 18: <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. If any term or provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall, to any extent, be held invalid or unenforceable, to remainder of this Agreement, or the application of such terms or provision, to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected, and every other term and provision of this Agreement shall be deemed valid and enforceable to the extent permitted by law.

SECTION 19: <u>PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES</u>. Consultant acknowledges and agrees that a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier or sub-contractor under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. The Consultant will advise the City immediately if it becomes aware of any violation of this statute.

SECTION 20: <u>NOTICE</u>. All notices required in this Agreement shall be sent by hand-delivery, certified mail (RRR), or by nationally recognized overnight courier, and if sent to the City shall be sent to:

City of Lake Worth Beach

Attn: City Manager/Financial Department/Procurement Division 7 N. Dixie Highway Lake Worth Beach, FL 33460

and if sent to Consultant, shall be sent to:

E-Source Companies, LLC Attn: Nicole Naassan, Senior Vice President 3020 Carbon Place, Suite 300 Boulder, CO 80301

The foregoing names and addresses may be changed if such change is provided in writing to the other party. Notice shall be deemed given upon receipt.

SECTION 21: <u>ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT</u>. The City and Consultant agree that this Agreement sets forth the entire agreement between the parties, and that there are no promises or understandings other than those stated herein. None of the provisions, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement may be added to, modified, superseded or otherwise altered, except by written instrument executed by the parties hereto.

SECTION 22: <u>WAIVER</u>. Failure of a party to enforce or exercise any of its right(s) under this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of that parties' right to enforce or exercise said right(s) at any time thereafter.

SECTION 23: <u>PREPARATION AND NON-EXCLUSIVE</u>. This Agreement shall not be construed more strongly against either party regardless of who was more responsible for its preparation. This is a non-exclusive Agreement and the City reserves the right to contract with individuals or firms to provide the same or similar services.

SECTION 24: <u>MATERIALITY</u>. All provisions of the Agreement shall be deemed material. In the event Consultant fails to comply with any of the provisions contained in this Agreement or exhibits, amendments and addenda attached hereto, said failure shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and City may at its option provide notice to Consultant to terminate for cause.

SECTION 25: <u>LEGAL EFFECT</u>. This Agreement shall not become binding and effective until approved by the City. The Effective Date is the date this Agreement is executed by the City.

SECTION 26: <u>NOTICE OF COMPLAINTS, SUITS AND REGULATORY VIOLATIONS</u>. Each party will promptly notify the other of any complaint, claim, suit or cause of action threatened or commenced against it which arises out of or relates, in any manner, to the performance of this Agreement. Each party agrees to cooperate with the other in any investigation either may conduct, the defense of any claim or suit in which either party is named, and shall do nothing to impair or invalidate any applicable insurance coverage.

SECTION 27: <u>SURVIVABILITY</u>. Any provision of this Agreement which is of a continuing nature or imposes an obligation which extends beyond the term of this Agreement shall survive its expiration or earlier termination.

SECTION 28: <u>COUNTERPARTS</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and will become effective and binding upon the parties as of the effective date at such time as all the signatories hereto have signed a counterpart of this Agreement. This Agreement may be signed digitally and each digitally signed counterpart shall be considered as an original of the signing party.

SECTION 29: <u>PALM BEACH COUNTY IG</u>. In accordance with Palm Beach County ordinance number 2011-009, Consultant acknowledges that this Agreement may be subject to investigation and/or audit by the Palm Beach County Inspector General. Consultant has reviewed Palm Beach County ordinance number 2011-009 and is aware of its rights and/or obligations under such ordinance.

SECTION 30: <u>AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS AND CONTROLLING PROVISIONS</u>. This Agreement consists of this Agreement, the RFP (which is incorporated herein by reference), **Exhibit "A"** and **Exhibit "B"**. The parties agree to be bound by all the terms and conditions set forth in the aforementioned documents. To the extent that there exists a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the remaining aforementioned documents, the terms and conditions of **Exhibit "B"** shall prevail with this Agreement next taking precedence. The RFP shall take precedence over the Consultant's price proposal. Wherever possible, the provisions of such documents shall be construed in such a manner as to avoid conflicts between provisions of the various documents.

SECTION 31: <u>OWNERSHIP OF DELIVERABLES</u>. The deliverables, work product, specifications, calculations, supporting documents, or other work products which are listed as deliverables by the City in in the RFP or by the Consultant in **Exhibit "A"** shall become the property of the City. Consultant may keep copies or samples thereof and shall have the right to use the same for its own purposes. The City accepts sole responsibility for the reuse of any such deliverables in a manner other than as initially intended or for any use of incomplete documents.

SECTION 32: <u>REPRESENTATIONS AND BINDING AUTHORITY</u>. By signing this Agreement, on behalf of Consultant, the undersigned hereby represents to the City that he or she has the authority and full legal power to execute this Agreement and any and all documents necessary to effectuate and implement the terms of this Agreement on behalf of Consultant for whom he or she is signing and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

SECTION 33: <u>PUBLIC RECORDS</u>. Consultant shall comply with Florida's Public Records Act, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and, if determined to be acting on behalf of the City as provided under section 119.011(2), Florida Statutes, specifically agrees to:

(a) Keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service.

(b) Upon request from the City's custodian of public records or designee, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.

(c) Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of this Agreement and following completion of this Agreement if Consultant does not transfer the records to the City.

(d) Upon completion of this Agreement, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of Consultant or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If Consultant transfers all public records to the City upon completion of the Agreement, Consultant shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential or exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Consultant keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Agreement, Consultant shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records or designee, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.

IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (561) 586-1660, <u>CITYCLERK@LAKEWORTHBEACHFL.GOV</u>, OR 7 NORTH DIXIE HIGHWAY, LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA 33460.

SECTION 34: <u>CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION</u>. Each party (the "Receiving Party") will keep confidential and not disclose to any other person or entity or use (except as expressly and unambiguously authorized by this Agreement) information, technology or software ("Confidential Information") obtained from the other party (the "Disclosing Party"); provided, however, that the Receiving Party will not be prohibited from disclosing or using information (i) that at the time of disclosure is publicly available or becomes publicly available through no act or omission of the Receiving Party, (ii) that is or has been disclosed to the Receiving Party by a third party who is not under, and to whom the Receiving Party does not owe, an obligation of confidentiality with respect thereto, (iii) that is or has been independently acquired or developed by the Receiving Party without access to the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information, (iv) that is already in the Receiving Party's possession at the time of disclosure, or (v) that is required to be released by law.

SECTION 35: <u>EXPORT ADMINISTRATION</u>. Each party agrees to comply with all export laws and regulations of the United States ("Export Laws") to assure that no software deliverable, item, service, technical data or any direct product thereof arising out of or related to this Agreement is exported directly or indirectly (as a physical export or a deemed export) in violation of Export Laws.

SECTION 36: SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES.

(a) Consultant certifies that it and its subcontractors are not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List and are not engaged in the boycott of Israel. Pursuant to section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the City may immediately terminate this Agreement at its sole option if Consultant or any of its subcontractors are found to have submitted a false certification; or if Consultant or any of its subcontractors, are placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in the boycott of Israel during the term of this Agreement.

(b) If this Agreement is for one million dollars or more, Consultant certifies that it and its subcontractors are also not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria as identified in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes. Pursuant to Section 287.135, the City may immediately terminate this Agreement at its sole option if Consultant, or any of its subcontractors are placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or are or have been engaged with business operations in Cuba or Syria during the term of this Agreement.

(c) Consultant agrees to observe the above requirements for applicable subcontracts entered into for the performance of work under this Agreement.

(d) Consultant agrees that the certifications in this section shall be effective and relied upon by the City for the term of this Agreement, including any and all renewals.

(e) Consultant agrees that if it or any of its subcontractors' status changes in regards to any certification herein, Consultant shall immediately notify the City of the same.

(f) As provided in Subsection 287.135(8), Florida Statutes, if federal law ceases to authorize the abovestated contracting prohibitions then they shall become inoperative.

SECTION 37: <u>E-VERIFY</u>. Pursuant to Section 448.095(2), Florida Statutes, the Consultant shall:

(a) Register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees and require all subcontractors (providing services or receiving funding under this Agreement) to register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all the subcontractors' newly hired employees;

(b) Secure an affidavit from all subcontractors (providing services or receiving funding under this Agreement) stating that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an "unauthorized alien" as defined in Section 448.095(1)(k), Florida Statutes;

(c) Maintain copies of all subcontractor affidavits for the duration of this Agreement and provide the same to the City upon request;

(d) Comply fully, and ensure all of its subcontractors comply fully, with Section 448.095, Florida Statutes;

(e) Be aware that a violation of Section 448.09, Florida Statutes (Unauthorized aliens; employment prohibited) shall be grounds for termination of this Agreement; and,

(f) Be aware that if the City terminates this Agreement under Section 448.095(2)(c), Florida Statues, the Consultant may not be awarded a contract for at least 1 year after the date on which the Agreement is terminated and will be liable for any additional costs incurred by the City as a result of the termination of the Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Professional Services Agreement (Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System and Meter Data Management (MDM) System Consulting Services) as of the day and year set forth above.

CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA

By: ______, Mayor

ATTEST:

By:

Melissa Anne Coyne, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By:

[Corporate Seal]

Glen J. Torcivia, City Attorney

APPROVED FOR FINANCIAL SUFFICIENCY

By: _____ Yannick Ngendahayo, Financial Services Director

CONSULTANT:

E-SOURCE COMPANIES, LLC By:

Nicole Naassan Print Name:

Title:

Sr. Vice President, Delivery

STATE OF COUNTY OF

THE FOREGOING instrument was acknowledged before me by means of \cdot physical presence or \cdot online notarization on this 20 day of 2024, by <u>ALCOLENAASSAN</u>, as the <u>SK VICE PRESIDENT</u> [title] of ______ E-Source Companies, LLC, a Limited Liability Company, who is personally known to me or who has produced <u>Driver</u> as identification, and who did take an oath that he or she is duly authorized to execute the foregoing instrument and bind the CONSULTANT to the same.

Notary Public Signature

Notary Seal:



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<u>EXHIBIT "A"</u> Consultant's Price Proposal

Tab 4 – Cost Effectiveness

E Source proposes to perform the requested scope of services as detailed in this proposal for a fixed labor fee of **\$149,480** plus travel expenses estimated to be nine (9) person-trips at \$1,850/trip. The breakdown of the labor and services fee is shown in Table 1 below.

Phase/Task	Fee		Expenses		Total	
AMI/MDM Consultant Services	\$	149,480	\$	16,650	\$	166,130
Task 1: Project Kick-off & Mobilization	\$	5,920	\$	5,550	\$	11,470
Task 2: Requirements and Procurement Strategy	\$	10,800	\$	-	\$	10,800
Task 3: RFP Draft	\$	15,240	\$	3,700	\$	18,940
Task 4: RFP Administration Support	\$	9,600	\$	-	\$	9,600
Task 5: Response Evaluation Support	\$	46,120	\$	3,700	\$	49,820
Task 6: Vendor Contract Negotiations	\$	45,560	\$	3,700	\$	49,260
Task 7: Project Management	\$	16,240	\$	-	\$	16,240
Total	\$	149,480	\$	16,650	\$	166,130

Table 1.	Breakdown	of Labor and	l Services Fee
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E Source has calculated the proposed fee based on experience with several similar projects and understanding of the level of effort desired by the City. Our fee includes all services and deliverables described herein. E Source can adjust the scope of work to provide more or less support to match the needs of the City. All tasks will be invoiced monthly.

Reimbursable Expenses

Reimbursable expenses (e.g., travel, incidentals, graphic design fees) are estimated to be **\$16,650** and will be submitted monthly for reimbursement on an actual and reasonable basis. There is no markup on these direct costs, and E Source does not charge for time spent traveling. We will seek to minimize expenses through the use of government contractor rates, if available, and teleconferences whenever possible.

Pricing for Additional Services

E Source does not have unit prices for our additional services as the level of effort and scope of each differs from client to client. We are happy to provide pricing for any additional services not included in the above fee that may be of interest to the City upon request.

Assumptions

The following assumptions apply to this proposal:

- E Source's proposed fee to implement this Scope of Work is based on the timely start and timely completion of each proposed task as outlined in the project schedule provided herein. If an unforeseen delay in any proposed task(s) impacts the level of effort identified or exceeds the duration outlined in the proposed schedule, E Source reserves the right to develop a change order applicable to the additional services / level of effort required to complete the impacted task(s).
- Deliverable documents will be in Microsoft Office, including MS-Word, PowerPoint, Excel, MS-Project, Visio, and Adobe PDF.

- The City will provide E Source with working space, network connections, infrastructure, administrative support, and other services and materials reasonably required to perform project work while onsite at the City offices, if requested.
- The City personnel will support workshops and meetings as needed.
- These rates and estimates are exclusive of taxes. Any required state, city, or local government taxes, fees, or business licenses costs will be invoiced at actual cost incurred.

Payment Terms

Payment terms are net thirty (30) days unless otherwise agreed upon. E Source reserves the right to charge one and one-half (1.5%) percent per month, or the maximum rate permitted by law, if less than 1.5%, on any balance remaining unpaid after thirty (30) days.

Proposal Terms and Conditions

Terms of this proposal remain valid for 90 days from date of submittal. E Source reserves the right to negotiate any terms and conditions of the written agreement relating to this SOW with the City.

<u>EXHIBIT "B"</u> Federal Requirements

Federal Contract Provisions

The Contractor hereby agrees that the following terms, at a minimum, will be incorporated into any subsequent contract resulting from this RFP, which is funded in whole or in part with any federal or other funding where the following terms are applicable:

Equal Employment Opportunity. During the performance of the resulting contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

(3) The Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the Contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

(4) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(5) The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(6) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(7) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(8) The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor

will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract. The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a Contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1) Overtime requirements. No Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. DOJ, the State of Florida, or the CITY shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement

If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2(a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

Clean Air Act

(1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

(2) The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the City, and understands and agrees that the City will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by DOJ.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

(1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

(2) The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the CITY and understands and agrees that the CITY will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by DOJ.

Suspension and Debarment.

(1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the Contractor is required to verify that none of the Contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

(2) The Contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification, as laid out in Exhibit I, is a material representation of fact relied upon by the City. If it is later determined that the Contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the State of Florida or the City, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment.

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification as laid out in Exhibit J. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency,

a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

Procurement of Recovered materials.

(i) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—

- Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- Meeting contract performance requirements; or
- At a reasonable price.

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

(iii) The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act."

Access to Records.

(1) The Contractor agrees to provide the State of Florida, the CITY, the DOJ Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

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

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

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

DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags.

The Contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific DOJ pre-approval.

Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.

By signing this agreement, the Contractor acknowledges that federal financial assistance may be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The Contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, federal policies, procedures, and directives.

No Obligation by Federal Government.

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts. The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

Affirmative Steps. Required Affirmative Steps

If the Contractor intends to subcontract any portion of the work covered by this Contract, the Contractor must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms are solicited and used when possible. Affirmative steps must include:

(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;

(2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;

(3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

(4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and

(5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

Domestic preferences for procurements / Buy America Provisions.

The Recovery Act Buy American provisions and the Buy America Act are two separate laws which are applicable to the Department of Energy Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships grant. Adherence to such laws is required (with exceptions) as follows:

(1) As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the Contractor should purchase, acquire, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products).

(2) For purposes of this section:

(a) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

(b) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of nonferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

Prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment.

(1) The Contractor is prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:

(a) Procure or obtain;

(b) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or

(c) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

(i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

(ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

(iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

(2) In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), the City shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.

Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act.

a. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.

b. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.

c. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS - LOWER-TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

This document is a covered transaction for purposes of the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (Non- procurement Debarment and Suspension). As such, Contractor is required to confirm that none of the Contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

1) By signing this Certification, the Contractor, also sometimes referred to herein as a prospective primary participant, is providing the certification set out below.

2) The inability of a Contractor to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in the covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the City's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.

3) The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the City determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the City, the City may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

4) The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the City if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

5) The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal and voluntarily excluded, as used in this certification, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549.

6) The prospective primary participant agrees by signing the Addendum that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transactions with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly entered into such a transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the City, the City may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

7) The prospective primary participant further agrees by signing this Addendum that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction," as available through the United States Department of Homeland Security, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

8) A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification

is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.

Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in 9) order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Nicole Naassan, Sr. Vice President, Delivery Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

 $\frac{3/20/24}{\text{Date}}$

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor ______ certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Nicole Naassan, Sr. Vice President, Delivery

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