

# STATE OF NEBRASKA CONTRACT AWARD

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**CONTRACT NUMBER**  
**15303 OC**

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BUSINESS UNIT 9000	BUYER NANCY STORANT (AS)
VENDOR NUMBER: 2194424	
VENDOR ADDRESS:  PALO ALTO NETWORKS INC 3000 TANNERY WAY SANTA CLARA CA 95054-2832	

AN AWARD HAS BEEN MADE TO THE CONTRACTOR NAMED ABOVE FOR THE FURNISHING OF MATERIALS AND/OR SERVICES AS LISTED BELOW FOR THE PERIOD:

**MAY 6, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

NO ACTION ON THE PART OF THE CONTRACTOR NEEDS TO BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME. ORDERS FOR THE MATERIALS AND/OR SERVICES WILL BE MADE AS NEEDED BY THE VARIOUS AGENCIES OF THE STATE.

THIS CONTRACT IS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT TO FURNISH THE MATERIALS AND/OR SERVICES SHOWN BELOW, AND DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE PURCHASE OF SIMILAR MATERIALS AND/OR SERVICES FROM OTHER SOURCES.

THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF THIS CONTRACT BEYOND THE TERMINATION DATE WHEN MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TO THE CONTRACTOR AND THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

Supply and deliver Data Communications Products and Related Services, FOB Destination, to the State of Nebraska per the following Contract Information and attached Participating Addendum.

Palo Alto Networks, Inc./ NASPO ValuePoint website: <<https://www.naspovaluepoint.org/portfolio/data-communications-products-services-2014-2020/palo-alto-networks/>>

The Palo Alto Networks, Inc. NASPO ValuePoint website will assist you with contact information, product and service information, etc.

The State Purchasing Bureau encourages agencies to contact the designated Inside Sales Representative/Account Representative to learn more about special promotions, and to obtain volume discount quotes.

The Purchase Order must include the State of Nebraska NASPO ValuePoint Contract #15303 OC and the Palo Alto Networks, Inc. NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Number AR3229.

Leasing for State Agencies is outside the scope of the NASPO ValuePoint Agreement and this contract.

Political Subdivisions are responsible for processing Purchase Orders directly with the contracted vendor.

(For the File: This RFP and Contract are bid and awarded by the State of Utah. All backup bids, etc., are retained by the State of Utah, Department of Administration)

(For the File: The NASPO ValuePoint/Palo Alto Networks, Inc. Master Price Agreement contract period was effective on October 1, 2019. The NASPO ValuePoint/Palo Alto Networking, Inc. Participating Addendum became effective on May 6, 2020.

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Nancy Storant  
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Line	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price
1	DATA COMMUNICATIONS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES	1,000,000.0000	\$	1.0000



BUYER INITIALS

Master Agreement #: AR3229

Contractor: **PALO ALTO NETWORKS, INC.**

Participating Entity: **STATE OF NEBRASKA CONTRACT 15303 OC**

The following products or services are included in this contract portfolio:

- All products and accessories listed on the Contractor page of the NASPO ValuePoint website.

**Master Agreement Terms and Conditions:**

1. Scope: This addendum covers the Data Communications led by the State of Nebraska for use by state agencies and other entities located in the Participating State authorized by that State's statutes to utilize State contracts with the prior approval of the State's Chief Procurement Official.
2. Participation: This NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement may be used by all state agencies, institutions of higher institution, political subdivisions and other entities authorized to use statewide contracts in the State of Nebraska. Issues of interpretation and eligibility for participation are solely within the authority of the State Chief Procurement Official.
3. Primary Contacts: The primary contact individuals for this Participating Addendum are as follows (or their named successors):

Contractor

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Participating Entity

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Telephone:	402-471-0974
Email:	Nancy.storant@nebraska.gov

#### **4. PARTICIPATING ENTITY MODIFICATIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE MASTER AGREEMENT**

These modifications or additions apply only to actions and relationships within the Participating Entity. Participating Entity must check one of the boxes below.

No changes to the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement are required.

The following changes are modifying or supplementing the Master Agreement terms and conditions.

##### **I. TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Contract Term: May 6, 2020 through September 30, 2024 with the option to renew for an additional two (2) one (2) year periods.

If a conflict or ambiguity arises after the addendums have been negotiated and agreed to, the addendums shall be interpreted as follows:

1. If only one (1) Party's document has a particular clause then that clause shall control;
2. If both Party's documents have a similar clause, but the clauses do not conflict, the clauses shall be read together;
3. If both Party's documents have a similar clause, but the clauses conflict, the State's clause shall control.

##### **A. GENERAL**

Please reference NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Attachment A 1.a

Any ambiguity or conflict in the contract discovered after its execution, not otherwise addressed herein, shall be resolved in accordance with the rules of contract interpretation as established in the State.

##### **B. NOTIFICATION**

Contractor and State shall identify the contract manager who shall serve as the point of contact for the executed contract.

Communications regarding the executed contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or mailed, by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at their respective addresses set forth below, or at such other addresses as may be specified in writing by either of the parties. All notices, requests, or communications shall be deemed effective upon personal delivery or five (5) calendar days following deposit in the mail.

Either party may change its address for notification purposes by giving notice of the change, and setting forth the new address and an effective date.

##### **C. NOTICE (POC)**

The State reserves the right to appoint a Buyer's Representative to manage [or assist the Buyer in managing] the contract on behalf of the State. The Buyer's Representative will be appointed in writing, and the appointment document will specify the extent of the Buyer's Representative authority and responsibilities. If a Buyer's Representative is appointed, the Contractor will be provided a copy of the appointment document, and is expected to cooperate accordingly with the Buyer's Representative. The Buyer's Representative has no authority to bind the State to a contract, amendment, addendum, or other change or addition to the contract.

##### **D. GOVERNING LAW (Statutory)**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, or any amendment or addendum(s) entered into contemporaneously or at a later time, the parties understand and agree that, (1) the State of Nebraska is a sovereign state and its authority to contract is therefore subject to limitation by the State's Constitution, statutes, common law, and regulation; (2) this contract will be interpreted and enforced under the laws of the State of Nebraska; (3) any action to enforce the provisions of this contract must be brought in the State of Nebraska per state law; (4) the person signing this contract on behalf of the State of Nebraska does not have the authority to waive the State's sovereign immunity, statutes, common law, or regulations; (5) the indemnity, limitation of liability, remedy, and other similar provisions of the final contract, if any, are entered into subject to the State's Constitution, statutes, common law, regulations, and sovereign immunity; and, (6) all terms and conditions of the final contract, including but not limited to the clauses concerning third-party use, licenses, warranties, limitations of liability, governing law and venue, usage verification, indemnity, liability, remedy or other similar provisions of the final contract are entered into specifically subject to the State's Constitution, statutes, common law, regulations, and sovereign immunity.

The Parties must comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, ordinances, rules, orders, and regulations.

**E. BEGINNING OF WORK**

The Contractor shall not commence any billable work until a valid contract has been fully executed by the State and the successful Contractor. The Contractor will be notified in writing when work may begin.

**F. AMENDMENT**

This Contract may be amended in writing, within scope, upon the agreement of both parties.

**G. CHANGE ORDERS OR SUBSTITUTIONS**

The State and the Contractor, upon the written agreement, may make changes to the contract within the general scope of the solicitation. Changes may involve specifications, the quantity of work, or such other items as the State may find necessary or desirable. Corrections of any deliverable, service, or work required pursuant to the contract shall not be deemed a change. The Contractor may not claim forfeiture of the contract by reasons of such changes.

The Contractor shall prepare a written description of the work required due to the change and an itemized cost sheet for the change. Changes in work and the amount of compensation to be paid to the Contractor shall be determined in accordance with applicable unit prices if any, a pro-rated value, or through negotiations. The State shall not incur a price increase for changes that should have been included in the Contractor's proposal, were foreseeable, or result from difficulties with or failure of the Contractor's proposal or performance.

No change shall be implemented by the Contractor until approved by the State, and the Contract is amended to reflect the change and associated costs, if any. If there is a dispute regarding the cost, but both parties agree that immediate implementation is necessary, the change may be implemented, and cost negotiations may continue with both Parties retaining all remedies under the contract and law.

In the event any product is discontinued or replaced upon mutual consent during the contract period or prior to delivery, the State reserves the right to amend the contract or purchase order to include the alternate product at the same price.

**\*\*\*Contractor will not substitute any item that has been awarded without prior written approval of SPB\*\*\***

**H. VENDOR PERFORMANCE REPORT(S)**

The State may document any instance(s) of products or services delivered or performed which exceed or fail to meet the terms of the purchase order, contract, and/or solicitation specifications. The State Purchasing Bureau may contact the Vendor regarding any such report. Vendor performance report(s) will become a part of the permanent record of the Vendor.

**I. NOTICE OF POTENTIAL CONTRACTOR BREACH**

If Contractor breaches the contract or anticipates breaching the contract, the Contractor shall immediately give written notice to the State. The notice shall explain the breach or potential breach, a proposed cure, and may include a request for a waiver of the breach if so desired. The State may, in its discretion, temporarily or permanently waive the breach. By granting a waiver, the State does not forfeit any rights or remedies to which the State is entitled by law or equity, or pursuant to the provisions of the contract. Failure to give immediate notice, however, may be grounds for denial of any request for a waiver of a breach.

**J. BREACH**

Either Party may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, if the other Party breaches its duty to perform its obligations under the contract in a timely and proper manner. Termination requires written notice of default and a thirty (30) calendar day (or longer at the non-breaching Party's discretion considering the gravity and nature of the default) cure period. Said notice shall be delivered by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, or in person with proof of delivery. Allowing time to cure a failure or breach of contract does not waive the right to immediately terminate the contract for the same or different contract breach which may occur at a different time.

In case of an uncured breach by the Contractor, the State may, without unreasonable delay, make a good faith effort to make a reasonable purchase or contract to purchased goods in substitution of those due from the contractor. The

State may recover from the Contractor as damages the difference between the costs of covering the breach. Notwithstanding any clause to the contrary, the State may also recover the contract price together with any incidental or consequential damages defined in UCC Section 2-715, but less expenses saved in consequence of Contractor's breach. OR In case of default of the Contractor, the State may contract the service from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.

The State's failure to make payment shall not be a breach, and the Contractor shall retain all available statutory remedies. (See Indemnity - Self-Insurance and Payment)

**K. NON-WAIVER OF BREACH**

The acceptance of late performance with or without objection or reservation by a Party shall not waive any rights of the Party nor constitute a waiver of the requirement of timely performance of any obligations remaining to be performed.

**L. SEVERABILITY**

If any term or condition of the contract is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and conditions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the provision held to be invalid or illegal.

**M. INDEMNIFICATION**

Section 39 of the Master Agreement shall govern provisions regarding general indemnity and intellectual property indemnification.

**1. PERSONNEL**

The Contractor shall, at its expense, indemnify and hold harmless the indemnified parties from and against any claim with respect to withholding taxes, worker's compensation, employee benefits, or any other claim, demand, liability, damage, or loss of any nature relating to any of Contractor's personnel, including subcontractor's and their employees, provided by the Contractor.

**2. SELF-INSURANCE (Statutory)**

The State is self-insured for any loss and purchases excess insurance coverage pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-8,239.01 (Reissue 2008). If there is a presumed loss under the provisions of this contract, Contractor may file a claim with the Office of Risk Management pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-8,829 through 81-8,306 for review by the State Claims Board. The State retains all rights and immunities under the State Miscellaneous (Section 81-8,294), Tort (Section 81-8,209), and Contract Claim Acts (Section 81-8,302), as outlined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-8,209 et seq. and under any other provisions of law and accepts liability under this contract to the extent provided by law.

The Parties acknowledge that Attorney General for the State is required by statute to represent the legal interests of the State, and that any provision of this indemnity clause is subject to the statutory authority of the Attorney General.

**N. ATTORNEY'S FEES**

In the event of any litigation, appeal, or other legal action to enforce any provision of the contract, the Parties agree to pay all expenses of such action, as permitted by law and if ordered by the court, including attorney's fees and costs, if the other party prevails.

**O. ASSIGNMENT, SALE, OR MERGER**

Assignment of the contract shall be governed by Section 32 of the Master Agreement.

The Contractor retains the right to enter into a sale, merger, acquisition, internal reorganization, or similar transaction involving Contractor's business. Contractor agrees to cooperate with the State in executing amendments to the contract to allow for the transaction. If a third party or entity is involved in the transaction, the Contractor will remain responsible for performance of the contract until such time as the person or entity involved in the transaction agrees in writing to be contractually bound by this contract and perform all obligations of the contract.

**P. CONTRACTING WITH OTHER POLITICAL SUB-DIVISIONS OF THE STATE OR ANOTHER STATE**

The Contractor may, but shall not be required to, allow agencies, as defined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-145, to use this contract. The terms and conditions, including price, of the contract may not be amended. The State shall not be contractually obligated or liable for any contract entered into pursuant to this clause.

The Contractor may, but shall not be required to, allow other states, agencies or divisions of other states, or political subdivisions of other states to use this contract. The terms and conditions, including price, of this contract shall apply to any such contract, but may be amended upon mutual consent of the Parties. The State of Nebraska shall not be contractually or otherwise obligated or liable under any contract entered into pursuant to this clause. The State shall be notified if a contract is executed based upon this contract.

**Q. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party shall be liable for any costs or damages, or for default resulting from its inability to perform any of its obligations under the contract due to a natural or man-made event outside the control and not the fault of the affected party ("Force Majeure Event"). The Party so affected shall immediately make a written request for relief to the other party, and shall have the burden of proof to justify the request. The other Party may grant the relief requested; relief may not be unreasonably withheld. Labor disputes with the impacted party's own employees will not be considered a Force Majeure Event.

**R. CONFIDENTIALITY**

All non-public materials and information provided by the Parties or acquired by a Party on behalf of the other Party that are marked as confidential or that by their nature would reasonably be regarded as confidential shall be regarded as confidential information. All materials and information provided or acquired shall be handled in accordance with federal and state law, and ethical standards. Should said confidentiality be breached by a Party, the Party shall notify the other Party immediately of said breach and take immediate corrective action. For the avoidance of doubt, Contractor may utilize data provided by the State that might be regarded as confidential to the extent that is necessary to continue to operate, adapt and improve its current security offerings. Such use shall not in any manner identify State to any third party and will be used strictly for product operation and improvement purposes.

It is incumbent upon the Parties to inform their officers and employees of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a (i)(1), which is made applicable by 5 U.S.C. 552a (m)(1), provides that any officer or employee, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position has possession of or access to agency records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.

**S. EARLY TERMINATION**

The contract may be terminated as follows:

1. The State and the Contractor, by mutual written agreement, may terminate the contract at any time.
2. The State, at its sole discretion, may terminate the contract for any reason upon thirty (30) calendar day's written notice to the Contractor. In the event of termination the Contractor shall be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for products or services satisfactorily performed or provided.
3. The State may terminate the contract immediately for the following reasons:
  - a. if directed to do so by statute;
  - b. Contractor has made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, has admitted in writing its inability to pay debts as they mature, or has ceased operating in the normal course of business;
  - c. a trustee or receiver of the Contractor or of any substantial part of the Contractor's assets has been appointed by a court;
  - d. fraud, misappropriation, embezzlement, malfeasance, misfeasance, or illegal conduct pertaining to performance under the contract by its Contractor, its employees, officers, directors, or shareholders;
  - e. an involuntary proceeding has been commenced by any party against the Contractor under any one of the chapters of Title 11 of the United States Code and (i) the proceeding has been pending for at least sixty (60) calendar days; or (ii) the Contractor has consented, either expressly or by operation of law, to the entry of an order for relief; or (iii) the Contractor has been decreed or adjudged a debtor;
  - f. a voluntary petition has been filed by the Contractor under any of the chapters of Title 11 of the United States Code;
  - g. Contractor intentionally discloses confidential information;
  - h. In the event funding is no longer available.

**T. CONTRACT CLOSEOUT**

Upon termination of the contract for any reason the Contractor shall within thirty (30) days, unless stated otherwise herein:

1. Work with the State to determine a path for return to the State or the destruction of all information and data, unless the Contractor is permitted to keep the information or data by contract or rule of law. Contractor may retain one copy of any information or data as required to comply with applicable work product documentation standards or as are automatically retained in the course of Contractor's routine back up procedures or as a function of Contractor's products;
2. Cooperate with any successor contractor, person or entity in the assumption of any or all of the obligations of this contract;
3. Cooperate with any successor contractor, person or entity to reach mutually agreeable terms in relation with the transfer of information or data related to this contract;
4. Return or vacate any state owned real or personal property; and,
5. Return all data in a mutually acceptable format and manner under agreed upon terms.

Nothing in this Section should be construed to require the Contractor to surrender intellectual property, real or personal property, or information or data owned by the Contractor for which the State has no legal claim.



## **II. CONTRACTOR DUTIES**

### **A. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR / OBLIGATIONS**

It is agreed that the Contractor is an independent contractor and that nothing contained herein is intended or should be construed as creating or establishing a relationship of employment, agency, or a partnership.

The Contractor is solely responsible for fulfilling the contract. The Contractor or the Contractor's representative shall be the sole point of contact regarding all contractual matters.

The Contractor shall secure, at its own expense, all personnel required to perform the services under the contract. The personnel the Contractor uses to fulfill the contract shall have no contractual or other legal relationship with the State; they shall not be considered employees of the State and shall not be entitled to any compensation, rights or benefits from the State, including but not limited to, tenure rights, medical and hospital care, sick and vacation leave, severance pay, or retirement benefits.

By-name personnel commitments made in the Contractor's proposal shall not be changed without the prior written approval of the State. Replacement of these personnel, if approved by the State, shall be with personnel of equal or greater ability and qualifications.

The Contractor warrants that all persons assigned to the project shall be employees of the Contractor or a Subcontractor, and shall be fully qualified to perform the work required herein. Personnel employed by the Contractor or a subcontractor to fulfill the terms of the contract shall remain under the sole direction and control of the Contractor or the subcontractor respectively.

With respect to its employees, the Contractor agrees to be solely responsible for the following:

1. Any and all pay, benefits, and employment taxes and/or other payroll withholding;
2. Any and all vehicles used by the Contractor's employees, including all insurance required by state law;
3. Damages incurred by Contractor's employees within the scope of their duties under the contract;
4. Maintaining Workers' Compensation and health insurance that complies with state and federal law and submitting any reports on such insurance to the extent required by governing law;
5. Determining the hours to be worked and the duties to be performed by the Contractor's employees; and,
6. All claims on behalf of any person arising out of employment or alleged employment (including without limit claims of discrimination alleged against the Contractor, its officers, agents, or subcontractors or subcontractor's employees).

If the Contractor intends to utilize any subcontractor, the Subcontractor's level of effort, tasks, and time allocation must be clearly defined in the Contractor's proposal. The Contractor shall agree that it will not utilize any Subcontractors not specifically included in its proposal in the performance of the contract without the prior written authorization of the State.

The State reserves the right to require the Contractor to reassign or remove from the project any Contractor or Subcontractor employee.

Contractor shall insure that the terms and conditions contained in any contract with a sub-contractor does not conflict with the terms and conditions of this contract.

The Contractor shall include a similar provision, for the protection of the State, in the contract with any Subcontractor engaged to perform work on this contract.

### **B. EMPLOYEE WORK ELIGIBILITY STATUS**

The Contractor is required and hereby agrees to use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of employees physically performing work within the State. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program authorized by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324a, known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of an employee.

**C. COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT / NONDISCRIMINATION (Statutory)**

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal statutes and regulations regarding civil rights laws and equal opportunity employment. The Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act prohibits Contractors of the State, and their Subcontractors, from discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment, with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, compensation, or privileges of employment because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, marital status, or national origin (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 48-1101 through 48-1125). The Contractor guarantees compliance with the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, and breach of this provision shall be regarded as a material breach of contract. The Contractor shall insert a similar provision in all Subcontracts for goods or services to be covered by any contract resulting from this solicitation.

**D. COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS**

Contractor may be required to work with or in close proximity to other contractors or individuals that may be working on the same or different projects. The Contractor shall agree to cooperate with such other contractors or individuals, and shall not commit or permit any act which may interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or individual. Contractor is not required to compromise Contractor's intellectual property or proprietary information unless expressly required to do so by this contract.

**E. PRICES**

Pricing shall be governed by Section 11 of the Master Agreement Terms and Conditions.

**F. COST CLARIFICATION**

The State reserves the right to review all aspects of cost for reasonableness and to request clarification of any proposal where the cost component shows significant and unsupported deviation from industry standards or in areas where detailed pricing is required. The State acknowledges and agrees that all pricing is dictated by Contractor's channel partners and that final pricing responsibility lies with the partners.

**G. PERMITS, REGULATIONS, LAWS**

The contract price shall include the cost of all royalties, licenses, permits, and approvals, whether arising from patents, trademarks, copyrights or otherwise, that are in any way involved in the contract. The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all royalties, licenses, and permits, and approvals necessary for the performance of the contract. The Contractor must guarantee that it has the full legal right to the materials, supplies, equipment, software, and other items used to execute this contract.

**H. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor shall comply with Section 28 of the Master Agreement concerning insurance coverage and shall provide the State a current Certificate of Insurance/Accord Form (COI) verifying the coverage. Subcontractors used by the Contractor shall also comply with this provision to the extent applicable under the Master Agreement.

If by the terms of any insurance a mandatory deductible is required, or if the Contractor elects to increase the mandatory deductible amount, the Contractor shall be responsible for payment of the amount of the deductible in the event of a paid claim.

**1. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract the statutory Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance for all of the contractors' employees to be engaged in work on the project under this contract. This policy shall be written to meet the statutory requirements for the state in which the work is to be performed. **The policy shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State and the COI shall state the waiver of subrogation.** The amounts of such insurance shall not be less than the limits stated hereinafter. For employees working in the State, the policy must be written by an entity authorized by the State of Nebraska Department of Insurance to write Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance for Nebraska employees.

**I. ANTITRUST**

The Contractor hereby assigns to the State any and all claims for overcharges as to goods and/or services provided in connection with this contract resulting from antitrust violations which arise under antitrust laws of the United States and the antitrust laws of the State.

**J. STATE PROPERTY**

The Contractor shall be responsible for the proper care and custody of any State-owned property which is furnished for the Contractor's use during the performance of the contract. The Contractor shall reimburse the State for any loss or damage of such property; normal wear and tear is expected.

**K. SITE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that its employees, agents, and Subcontractors comply with site rules and regulations while on State premises. If the Contractor must perform on-site work outside of the daily operational hours set forth by the State, it must make arrangements with the State to ensure access to the facility and the equipment has been arranged. No additional payment will be made by the State on the basis of lack of access, unless the State fails to provide access as agreed to in writing between the State and the Contractor.

**L. ADVERTISING**

The Contractor agrees not to refer to the contract award in advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the company or its goods and services are endorsed or preferred by the State. Any publicity releases pertaining to the project shall not be issued without prior written approval from the State.

**M. NEBRASKA TECHNOLOGY ACCESS STANDARDS (Statutory)**

Contractor shall review the Nebraska Technology Access Standards, found at <http://nitc.nebraska.gov/standards/2-201.html> and shall take commercially reasonable steps to ensure that products and/or goods provided under the contract are in compliance or will comply with the applicable standards to the greatest degree possible. In the event such standards change during the Contractor's performance, the State may create an amendment to the contract to request the contract comply with the changed standard at a cost mutually acceptable to the parties.

**N. DISASTER RECOVERY/BACK UP PLAN**

The Contractor shall have a disaster recovery and back-up plan which includes, but is not limited to equipment, personnel, facilities, and transportation, in order to continue delivery of goods and services as specified under the specifications in the contract in the event of a disaster.

**O. DRUG POLICY**

Contractor certifies it maintains a drug free work place environment to ensure worker safety and workplace integrity. Contractor agrees to provide a copy of its drug free workplace policy at any time upon request by the State.

**P. WARRANTY**

Warranty shall be as described in Section 18 of the Master Agreement.

NASPO ValuePoint  
**PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM**



**DATA COMMUNICATION PRODUCTS &  
SERVICES (2019-2026)**

Led by the State of Utah

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**III. PAYMENT**

**A. PROHIBITION AGAINST ADVANCE PAYMENT (Statutory)**

Neb. Rev. Stat. §§81-2403 states, "[n]o goods or services shall be deemed to be received by an agency until all such goods or services are completely delivered and finally accepted by the agency."

**B. TAXES (Statutory)**

The State is not required to pay taxes and assumes no such liability as a result of this solicitation. The Contractor may request a copy of the Nebraska Department of Revenue, Nebraska Resale or Exempt Sale Certificate for Sales Tax Exemption, Form 13 for their records. Any property tax payable on the Contractor's equipment which may be installed in a state-owned facility is the responsibility of the Contractor.

**C. INVOICES**

Invoices for payments must be submitted by the Contractor's partner to the agency requesting the services with sufficient detail to support payment. The terms and conditions included in the Contractor's partner's invoice shall be deemed to be solely for the convenience of the parties. No terms or conditions of any such invoice shall be binding upon the State, and no action by the State, including without limitation the payment of any such invoice in whole or in part, shall be construed as binding or estopping the State with respect to any such term or condition, unless the invoice term or condition has been previously agreed to by the State as an amendment to the contract.

**D. INSPECTION AND APPROVAL**

Final inspection and approval of all work required under the contract shall be performed by the designated State officials.

The State and/or its authorized representatives shall have the right to enter any premises where the Contractor or Subcontractor duties under the contract are being performed, and to inspect, monitor or otherwise evaluate the work being performed. All inspections and evaluations shall be at reasonable times and in a manner that will not unreasonably delay work.

**E. PAYMENT (Statutory)**

Payment will be made by the responsible agency in compliance with the State of Nebraska Prompt Payment Act (See Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-2403). The State may require the Contractor's partner to accept payment by electronic means such as ACH deposit. In no event shall the State be responsible or liable to pay for any goods and services provided by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date of the contract, and the Contractor hereby waives any claim or cause of action for any such services.

**F. LATE PAYMENT (Statutory)**

The Contractor's partner may charge the responsible agency interest for late payment in compliance with the State of Nebraska Prompt Payment Act (See Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-2401 through 81-2408).

**G. SUBJECT TO FUNDING / FUNDING OUT CLAUSE FOR LOSS OF APPROPRIATIONS (Statutory)**

The State's obligation to pay amounts due on the Contract for a fiscal years following the current fiscal year is contingent upon legislative appropriation of funds. Should said funds not be appropriated, the State may terminate the contract with respect to those payments for the fiscal year(s) for which such funds are not appropriated. The State will give the Contractor written notice thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of termination. All obligations of the State to make payments after the termination date will cease. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any authorized work which has

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been satisfactorily completed as of the termination date. In no event shall the Contractor be paid for a loss of anticipated profit.

**H. RIGHT TO AUDIT (First Paragraph is Statutory)**

The State shall have the right to audit the Contractor's performance of this contract upon a thirty (30) day written notice. Contractor shall utilize generally accepted accounting principles, and shall maintain the accounting records, and other records and information relevant to the contract (Information) to enable the State to audit the contract. (Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-304 et seq.) The State may audit and the Contractor shall maintain the information during the term of the contract and for a period of five (5) years after the completion of this contract or until all issues or litigation are resolved, whichever is later. The Contractor shall make the Information available to the State at Contractor's place of business or a location acceptable to both Parties during normal business hours. If this is not practical or the Contractor so elects, the Contractor may provide electronic or paper copies of the Information. The State reserves the right to examine, make copies of, and take notes on any Information relevant to this contract, regardless of the form or the Information, how it is stored, or who possesses the Information. In no circumstances will contractor be required to create or maintain documents not kept in the ordinary course of contractor's business operations, nor will contractor be required to disclose any information, including but not limited to product cost data, which is confidential or proprietary to contractor.

The Parties shall pay their own costs of the audit unless the audit finds a previously undisclosed overpayment by the State. If a previously undisclosed overpayment exceeds one-half of one percent (.5%) of the total contract billings, or if fraud, material misrepresentations, or non-performance is discovered on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall reimburse the State for the total costs of the audit. Overpayments and audit costs owed to the State shall be paid within ninety (90) days of written notice of the claim. The Contractor agrees to correct any material weaknesses or condition found as a result of the audit.

**I. REPORTS**

The Contractor shall also provide to the State of Nebraska primary contact person quarterly utilization reports containing, at a minimum, the following information pertaining to State of Nebraska Utilization:

- 1) Purchase Order number;
- 2) Description;
- 3) Quantity; and
- 4) Price.

These reports will be provided in Excel format and sent via email on a quarterly basis as follows:

<u>Period End</u>	<u>Report Due</u>
December 31	February 28
March 31	May 31
June 30	August 31
September 30	November 30

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**J. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE /REBATE**

The Contractor agrees to provide a quarterly administrative fee in the form of a check. The fee will be payable to the State of Nebraska for an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the net sales (net of any returns, credits, or adjustments) under this Addendum for the applicable fee period. The Contractor's NASPO ValuePoint pricing to the State of Nebraska shall not be adjusted to offset for the equivalent fee amount. Payments shall be made in accordance with following schedule:

<u>Period End</u>	<u>Fee Due</u>
December 31	February 28
March 31	May 31
June 30	August 31
September 30	November 30

The Contractor agrees to provide a quarterly utilization report, reflecting new sales to the State of Nebraska during the associated fee period. The report shall be in the format developed by the Lead State and as agreed to by the Contractor. The report will be provided in secure electronic format and/or submitted electronically to the State contact listed in the Addendum.

**K. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE/REBATE REMITTANCE LOCATION**

All Administrative Fees/Rebates will be sent to the following address:

State Purchasing Bureau  
c/o Central Finance, Administrative Services  
1526 K Street, Suite 150  
Lincoln, NE 68508

5. Subcontractors: All contactors, dealers, and resellers authorized in the State of Nebraska, as shown on the dedicated Contractor (cooperative contract) website, are approved to provide sales and service support to participants in the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement. The contractor's dealer participation will be in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the aforementioned Master Agreement.
6. Orders: Any order placed by a Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity for a product and/or service available from this Master Agreement shall be deemed to be a sale under (and governed by the prices and other terms and conditions) of the Master Agreement unless the parties to the order agree in writing that another contract or agreement applies to such order.

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IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Addendum as of the date of execution by both parties below.

Participating Entity:	Contractor:
Signature: 	Signature: DocuSigned by: <i>Melinda Thompson</i> 076D11B782F74FD
Name: Doug Carlson	Name: Melinda Thompson
Title: Materiel Administrator	Title: VP, Deputy GC
Date: 5/5/2020	Date: Apr-08-2020



For questions on executing a participating addendum, please contact:

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