

**PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM
NASPO VALUEPOINT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM
Laboratory Equipment and Supplies
Administered by the State of Idaho (hereinafter "Lead State")**

**VWR International, LLC
Master Agreement No: MA16000234-2
(hereinafter "Contractor")**

And

State of North Dakota
(hereinafter "Participating State")

1. Scope: This Participating Addendum (PADD) covers the Laboratory Equipment and Supplies contract led by the State of Idaho (Master Agreement No. MA16000234-2) for use by state agencies and other entities located in the Participating state, as provided below.

2. Participation: Use of NASPO ValuePoint cooperative contracts by agencies, political subdivisions and other entities authorized by an individual state's statutes to use state contracts are subject to the prior approval of the respective State Chief Procurement Official. Issues of interpretation and eligibility for participation are solely within the authority of the State Chief Procurement Official.

3. Participating State Modifications or Additions to Master Agreement:

Notwithstanding any provisions in the Master Agreement to the contrary, the following shall apply to this PADD:

4. Coterminous: The term of this participating addendum shall be coterminous with the State of Idaho Master Agreement No. MA16000234-2.

5. Confidentiality: CONTRACTOR shall not use or disclose any information it receives from STATE under this contract that STATE has previously identified as confidential or exempt from mandatory public disclosure except from mandatory public disclosure except as necessary to carry out the purposes of this contract or as authorized in advance by STATE. STATE shall not disclose any information it receives from CONTRACTOR that CONTRACTOR has previously identified as confidential and that STATE determines in its sole discretion is protected from mandatory public disclosure under a specific exception to the North Dakota open records law, N.D.C.C ch. 44-04. The duty of STATE and CONTRACTOR to maintain confidentiality of information under this section continues beyond the term of this contract.

6. Compliance with public records laws: CONTRACTOR understands that, except for disclosures prohibited in this Contract, STATE must disclose to the public upon request any records it receives from CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR further understands that any records obtained or generated by CONTRACTOR under this Contract, except for records that are confidential under this Contract, may, under certain circumstances, be open to the public upon request under the North Dakota public records law. CONTRACTOR agrees to contact STATE as soon as reasonably possible upon receiving a request for information under the public records law and to comply with STATE's instructions on how to respond to the request.

7. Spoilation: CONTRACTOR shall notify State of all potential claims that CONTRACTOR is aware of that arise as a result of CONTRACTOR'S performance under this contract. CONTRACTOR shall also take all reasonable steps to preserve all physical evidence and information that may be relevant to the circumstances surrounding a potential claim, while maintaining public safety, and grants to State the opportunity to review and inspect the evidence, including the scene of an accident.

8. Cooperative Purchasing Contract: This contract is a cooperative purchasing contract established pursuant to North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.) § ~~54-44.4-13~~. This contract is made available to state entities, institutions under the

jurisdiction of the State Board of Higher Education, other government entities (including counties, cities, townships, public primary and secondary educational entities, governmental boards and commissions), nonprofit entities established on behalf of public entities, tribal agencies, transportation providers under N.D.C.C ch. 39-04.2, and the International Peace Garden. Participation in this open-ended contract is not mandated; therefore, the estimated volume of this contract is not known.

9. Governing Law and Venue: This Contract is governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Dakota. Any action to enforce this Contract must be adjudicated exclusively in the state District Court of Burleigh County, North Dakota. Each party consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of such court and waives any claim of lack of jurisdiction or *forum non conveniens*.

10. Insurance

Contractor shall secure and keep in force during the term of this agreement, from insurance companies, government self-insurance pools or government self-retention funds, authorized to do business in North Dakota, the following insurance coverages:

- 1) Commercial general liability, including premises or operations, contractual, and products or completed operations coverages (if applicable), with minimum liability limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- 2) Workers compensation coverage meeting all statutory requirements. The policy must provide coverage for all states of operation that apply to the performance of this Contract.
- 3) Employer's liability or "stop gap" insurance of not less than \$1,000,000 as an endorsement on the workers compensation or commercial general liability insurance.

The insurance coverages listed above must meet the following additional requirements:

- 1) Any deductible or self-insured retention amount or other similar obligation under the policies shall be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.
- 2) This insurance may be in policy or policies of insurance, primary and excess, including the so-called umbrella or catastrophe form and must be placed with insurers rated "A-" or better by A.M. Best Company, Inc., provided any excess policy follows form for coverage. Less than an "A-" rating must be approved by the State. The policies shall be in form and terms approved by the State.
- 3) The duty to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State under this agreement shall not be limited by the insurance required in this agreement.
- 4) The state of North Dakota and its agencies, officers, and employees shall be endorsed on the commercial general liability policy, including any excess policies (to the extent applicable), as additional insured.

The insurance required in this agreement, through a policy or endorsement, shall include:

- a) Waiver of Subrogation" waiving any right to recovery the insurance company may have against the State.
- b) A provision that CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary (i.e., pay first) as respects any insurance, self-insurance or self-retention maintained by the State and that any insurance, self-insurance or self-retention maintained by the State shall be in excess of CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- c) Cross liability/severability of interest for all policies and endorsements.
The legal defense provided to the State under the policy and any endorsements must be free of any conflicts of interest, even if retention of separate legal counsel for the State is necessary.
- d) The insolvency or bankruptcy of the insured CONTRACTOR shall not release the insurer from payment under the policy, even when such insolvency or bankruptcy prevents the insured CONTRACTOR from meeting the retention limit under the policy.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall furnish a certificate of insurance to the undersigned State representative prior to commencement of this agreement. All endorsements shall be provided as soon as practicable.
- 6) Failure to provide insurance as required in this agreement is a material breach of contract entitling STATE to terminate this agreement immediately.
- 7) CONTRACTOR shall provide at least 30 day notice of any cancellation to the policies or endorsements.

11. **Indemnification.** In addition to any indemnity obligations found within the Master Agreement, CONTRACTOR agrees that any attorney appointed to represent the STATE must first qualify as and be appointed by the North Dakota Attorney General as a Special Assistant Attorney General as required under N.D.C.C. § 54-12-08.
12. **Alternative dispute resolution – jury trial**
STATE does not agree to any form of binding arbitration, mediation, or other forms of mandatory alternative dispute resolution. The parties have the right to enforce their rights and remedies in judicial proceedings. STATE does not waive any right to a jury trial.
13. **Attorney fees**
In the event a lawsuit is instituted by STATE to obtain performance due under this Contract, and STATE is the prevailing party, CONTRACTOR shall, except when prohibited by N.D.C.C. § 28-26-04, pay STATE'S reasonable attorney fees and costs in connection with the lawsuit.
14. **Primary Contacts:** The primary contact individuals for this Participating Addendum are as follows (or their named successors):

Contractor

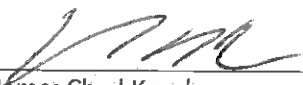
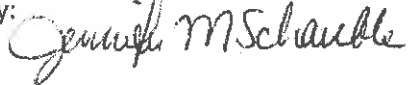
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15. **Orders:** Any Order placed by a Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity for a Product and/or Service available from this Master Agreement shall be deemed to be a sale under (and governed by the prices and other terms and conditions) of the Master Agreement unless the parties to the Order agree in writing that another contract or agreement applies to such Order. All orders issued by purchasing entities within the state must include the Participating State contract number: PADD 171 as well as the Lead State Master Agreement No. MA16000234-2.
16. **Entire Agreement:** This PADD and the Master Agreement No. MA16000234-2, together with its exhibits, set forth the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of all previous communications, representations or agreements, whether oral or written. The terms and conditions of this PADD shall prevail and govern in the case of any inconsistency or conflict with the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement, as to the Participating State, and shall otherwise have no impact on the Master Agreement and its exhibits.

The parties have executed this PADD as of the date of the last signature below.

Participating State: <i>North Dakota</i>	Contractor: VWR International, LLC
By: 	By: 
Name: Chad Keech	Name: <i>Jennifer Schauble</i>
Title: Procurement Officer II	Title: <i>Director, Contracts Management</i>
Date: 3/04/2016	Date: <i>3/7/16</i>

For questions on executing a participating addendum, please contact:

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