

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

by

**The University of Texas System,
acting through The University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance,**

for

selection of a

PREFERRED SUPPLIER

of

PC AND DATA CENTER HARDWARE AND RELATED SERVICES

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SECTION 1 **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Description of The University of Texas System

The University of Texas System is comprised of System Administration and 14 institutions of higher education with campuses across the State of Texas whose missions are devoted to world class healthcare, teaching, research, and public service (collectively, "**UT System**"). UT System is one of the larger education systems in the United States. With an operating budget of \$18.8 billion, UT System has a current student enrollment exceeding 221,000. UT System employs about 100,000 faculty and staff, making UT System one of the largest employers in the State of Texas.

UT System is comprised of the following institutions:

- The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (UTSW)
- The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHSCH)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA)
- The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center (UTMDACC)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler (UTHSCT)
- The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA)
- The University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin)
- The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD)
- The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP)
- The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB)
- The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA)
- The University of Texas at Tyler (UTT)
- The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV)

UT System has established The UT System Supply Chain Alliance (the "**Alliance**") to conduct and coordinate strategic purchasing initiatives across UT System. The Alliance essentially operates as UT System's own, in-house group purchasing organization. The Alliance is also affiliated with various Texas institutions of higher education. Through collaborative relationships, the Alliance seeks to combine supply chain and contracting activities and obtain best value goods

and services while reducing total acquisition costs. The Alliance has created a team of supply chain professionals (the “**Strategic Services Group**”) that has been tasked with executing Alliance purchasing initiatives. The Strategic Services Group assembles a team of subject matter experts (“**SMEs**”) from participating institutions to assist in developing each sourcing event and evaluating suppliers during the procurement process. SMEs are involved from the sourcing event’s inception and work with the Alliance and UT System to select the best value supplier(s). Any agreement resulting from this Request for Proposal (this “**RFP**”) will be extended and marketed to all UT System institutions. Various non-UT System institutions that are affiliated with the Alliance may participate, too, in any agreement resulting from this RFP.

By participating in this RFP, proposer(s) (collectively, “**Proposer**”) agrees to extend all goods, services and pricing to any Alliance member or affiliate (collectively, “**Institutional Participant**”) that wishes to participate in any contract entered into with Proposer.

1.2 Objective of this Request for Proposal

UT System, acting through the Alliance, is soliciting proposals in response to this RFP for selection of a Preferred Supplier(s) to provide personal computers (“**PCs**”) and data center hardware including related software and services, as more specifically described in **Section 5.4** (Scope of Work) of this RFP (collectively, the “**Computing Hardware**”). A successful Proposer to whom business may be awarded is referred to in this RFP as the “**Preferred Supplier.**”

Please note that UT System is requesting proposals that would involve purchasing Computing Hardware, as well as those that involve leasing Computing Hardware. Any leasing proposals should be limited, however, to those involving genuine operating leases, not leases that involve elements of debt financing. Also, any Proposer submitting a leasing proposal should include all elements of the leasing transaction that would be necessary for the Institutional Participants to know in conducting a lease vs. buy analysis.

UT System is seeking to identify a Preferred Supplier that will provide the most practical and cost-effective business model to serve the needs of the Institutional Participants. The goal of this RFP is to work toward solutions that will minimize cost, while maintaining or improving current service levels for all participating institutions.

Proposer is invited to submit a proposal to establish a strategic business alliance with UT System that will maximize the resources of both organizations to most effectively meet the requirements specified in this RFP document. Specifically, this RFP process should:

- provide a comprehensive and guaranteed pricing structure for the Computing Hardware;
- leverage the aggregate purchasing volumes of Institutional Participants;
- achieve cost savings for Institutional Participants;
- improve overall customer satisfaction; and
- enhance relationships between Preferred Supplier and Institutional Participants.

UT System intends to identify a Preferred Supplier that will provide strong product support, communicate and share best practices throughout the agreement resulting from this RFP, and be dedicated to ongoing product improvement.

Preferred Supplier will be enrolled in the Alliance’s Supplier Relationship Management Program (“**SRM**”) to monitor Preferred Supplier’s performance and pricing. UT System expects Preferred

Supplier to work closely with the Alliance and each Institutional Participant and produce benefits for all parties involved in the relationship.

Proposer should realize that what is written in their final proposal submitted to UT System may become part of the successful Proposer's final contract.

UT System may ask Proposer(s) to provide a formal presentation, prior to contract award, with additional information to SMEs or the Strategic Services Group. This presentation will allow the Alliance to clarify any technical, quality, or price-based questions that may arise from Proposer's response.

Proposer should provide solutions involving historically underutilized business suppliers, where possible (ref. **Section 2.5** of this RFP).

1.3 Background and Scope of Opportunity

It is anticipated that the term of the agreement resulting from this RFP will be five (5) years, consisting of an initial term of three years, with UT System having the option to extend the term for an additional two-year period upon written notice given to Preferred Supplier.

UT System estimates the total aggregated spend by UT System institutions for Computing Hardware to be in excess of \$150 million annually. This estimated aggregate spend is based upon existing contracts and historical spend reports of UT System institutions that may participate in any agreement resulting from this RFP, and is only an estimate of possible future volume.

Since the Alliance intends to promote the use of the selected Preferred Supplier of the Computing Hardware to affiliated institutions, which include other institutions of higher education within the State of Texas, annual volumes could be higher than the above estimate.

THE ABOVE FIGURES ARE ESTIMATES ONLY. VOLUMES PURCHASED ON THE BASIS OF ANY AGREEMENT RESULTING FROM THIS RFP MAY INVOLVE MORE OR LESS THAN THE ESTIMATES PROVIDED. UT SYSTEM DOES NOT REPRESENT, WARRANT OR GUARANTY THAT PARTICIPANTS WILL PURCHASE ANY PARTICULAR DOLLAR VALUE OR ANY PARTICULAR QUANTITY, AND UT SYSTEM SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY SUCH REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND GUARANTIES.

SECTION 2 **NOTICE TO PROPOSER**

2.1 Submittal Deadline

UT System will accept proposals submitted in response to this RFP until **3:00 PM**, Houston Time, on **June 6, 2018** (the "**Submittal Deadline**").

2.2 UT System Contact Person

Proposers will direct all questions or concerns regarding this RFP to the following UT System contact person (the "**UT System Contact**"):

Nancy Martinez
Sourcing Specialist

UT System Supply Chain Alliance
 Email: njmartinez@mdanderson.org

UT System specifically instructs all interested parties to restrict all contact and questions regarding this RFP to written communications forwarded to the UT System Contact. The UT System Contact must receive all questions or concerns no later than **5:00 PM**, Houston Time, on **May 22, 2018**. UT System will use a reasonable amount of time to respond to questions or concerns. It is UT System's intent to respond to all appropriate questions and concerns; however, UT System reserves the right to decline to respond to any question or concern.

2.3 Criteria for Selection

Successful Proposer, if any, selected by UT System in accordance with the requirements and specifications set forth in this RFP, will be the Proposer that submits a proposal in response to this RFP, on or before the Submittal Deadline, that is most advantageous to UT System.

Proposer is encouraged to propose terms and conditions offering the maximum benefit to UT System in terms of (1) products and services to be provided and (2) total overall cost to participating institutions. Proposers should describe all educational, state and local government discounts, as well as any other applicable discounts that may be available.

An evaluation team from UT System will evaluate proposals. The evaluation of proposals and the selection of Preferred Supplier will be based on the information provided by Proposer in its proposal. UT System may give consideration to additional information if UT System deems such information relevant.

The criteria to be considered by UT System in evaluating proposals and selecting Preferred Supplier, will be those factors listed below:

2.3.1 Threshold Criteria Not Scored

- 2.3.1.1 Ability of UT System to comply with laws regarding Historically Underutilized Businesses; and
- 2.3.1.2 Ability of UT System to comply with laws regarding purchases from persons with disabilities.

2.3.2 Scored Criteria

- 2.3.2.1 cost of the goods and services;
- 2.3.2.2 reputation of Proposer and of Proposer's goods or services;
- 2.3.2.3 quality of Proposer's goods or services;
- 2.3.2.4 extent to which the goods or services meet UT System's needs;
- 2.3.2.5 Proposer's past relationship with UT System;
- 2.3.2.6 the total long-term cost of acquiring Proposer's goods or services ; and
- 2.3.2.7 Proposer's exceptions to the terms and conditions set forth in **Section 4** of this RFP.

2.4 Key Events Schedule

Issuance of RFP	May 8, 2018
Deadline for Indicating Interest in Attending Pre-Proposal Conference (ref. Section 2.6 of this RFP)	May 14, 2018 3:00 PM, Houston Time
Pre-Proposal Conference (ref. Section 2.6 of this RFP)	May 15, 2018, 10:00 AM, Houston Time
Deadline for Questions/Concerns (ref. Section 2.2 of this RFP)	May 22, 2018, 5:00 PM, Houston Time
Submittal Deadline (ref. Section 2.1 of this RFP)	June 6, 2018, 3:00 PM, Houston Time
Selection of Finalists	July 2018
Finalists Interviews and Negotiations	August 2018
Anticipated Contract Award(s)	August 2018

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The Key Events Schedule represents many sourcing and contracting activities occurring within a short period of time. Proposer is asked in advance to make the following resources available to expedite the selection and contracting process:

1. If selected as a finalist, Proposer may be required to attend an interview session that includes a face-to-face meeting with an advance notice of no more than one week. The anticipated location of this activity is Houston, Texas.
2. If selected for contract award, Proposer should have its chief legal and business officers available for commencement of contract negotiations with 72 hours of notice of award. Such negotiations may take place face-to-face in order to expedite the contracting phase. The anticipated location of this activity is Houston, Texas. Proposer is requested to reference **Section 4.1** of this RFP and provide any exceptions as part of Proposer's RFP response.

Proposer should not underestimate the necessity of complying with the Key Events Schedule and critical activities listed above. UT System reserves the right to revise the Key Events Schedule at any time.

2.5 Historically Underutilized Businesses

2.5.1 All agencies of the State of Texas are required to make a good faith effort to assist historically underutilized businesses (each a "**HUB**") in receiving contract awards. The goal of the HUB program is to promote full and equal business opportunity for all businesses in contracting with state agencies. Pursuant to the HUB program, if under the terms of any agreement or contractual arrangement resulting from this RFP, Preferred Supplier subcontracts any of its performance hereunder, Preferred Supplier must make a good faith effort to utilize HUBs certified by the Texas Procurement and Support Services

Division of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts or any successor agency. Proposals that fail to comply with the requirements contained in this **Section 2.5** will constitute a material failure to comply with advertised specifications and will be rejected by UT System as non-responsive. Additionally, compliance with good faith effort guidelines is a condition precedent to awarding any agreement or contractual arrangement resulting from this RFP. Proposer acknowledges that, if selected by UT System, its obligation to make a good faith effort to utilize HUBs when subcontracting hereunder will continue throughout the term of all agreements and contractual arrangements resulting from this RFP. Furthermore, any subcontracting hereunder by Proposer is subject to review by UT System to ensure compliance with the HUB program.

- 2.5.2 UT System has reviewed this RFP in accordance with Texas Administrative Code Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 20, Subchapter D, Division 1, Section 20.285, and has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this RFP.
- 2.5.3 A HUB Subcontracting Plan (“**HSP**”) is required as part of Proposer’s proposal.

*Each Proposer must complete and return the HSP in accordance with the terms and conditions of this RFP, including the requirements set forth in Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses attached as **APPENDIX TWO** and incorporated herein for all purposes. Proposals that fail to do so will be considered non-responsive to this RFP in accordance with Section 2161.252, Texas Government Code.*

Preferred Supplier will not be permitted to change its HSP unless: (1) Preferred Supplier completes a newly modified version of the HSP that sets forth all changes requested by Preferred Supplier, (2) Preferred Supplier provides UT System with such modified version of the HSP, (3) UT System approves the modified HSP in writing, and (4) all agreements or contractual arrangements resulting from this RFP are amended in writing by UT System and Preferred Supplier to conform to the modified HSP.

- 2.5.4 Proposer must submit one (1) signed copy of the HSP to UT System at the same time as it submits its proposal to UT System (ref. **Section 3.1** of this RFP). The signed copy of the HSP (the “**HSP Packet**”) must be submitted electronically utilizing the Jaggaer e-sourcing tool as more particularly described in **Section 3.1** of this RFP. Proposer must ensure that the HSP Packet is submitted according to the electronic instructions provided in this RFP.

Any proposal submitted in response to this RFP that is not accompanied by an HSP Packet meeting the above requirements will be rejected by UT System and remain unopened, as that proposal will be considered non-responsive due to material failure to comply with advertised specifications. Furthermore, UT System will open a Proposer’s HSP Packet prior to opening the proposal submitted by Proposer, in order to ensure that Proposer has submitted a signed copy of the Proposer’s HSP Packet as required by this RFP. A Proposer’s failure to submit a signed copy of the completed HSP Packet as required by this RFP will result in UT System’s rejection of the proposal submitted by that Proposer as non-responsive, due to material failure to comply with advertised specifications; such a proposal will remain unopened and will be disqualified and not reviewed by UT System (ref. **Section 1.5** of **APPENDIX ONE** to this RFP).

Note: The requirement that Proposer provide a signed and completed HSP Packet under this **Section 2.5.4** is separate from and does not affect Proposer’s obligation to provide UT System with its proposal as specified in **Section 3.1** of this RFP.

- 2.5.5 UT System may offer Proposer the opportunity to seek an informal review of its draft HSP by the UT System Office of HUB Development. If so, details regarding this opportunity will be provided in the Pre-Proposal Conference (ref. **Section 2.6** of this RFP) or by other means. This process of informal review is designed to help address questions Proposer may have about how to complete its HSP properly. Any concurrence in or comments on the draft HSP by the UT System Office of HUB Development will NOT constitute formal approval of the HSP, and will NOT eliminate the need for Proposer to submit its final HSP to UT System, concurrently with its proposal, in accordance with the detailed instructions in this **Section 2.5**.

2.6 Pre-Proposal Conference

UT System will hold a pre-proposal conference at **10:00 AM**, Houston Time, on **May 15, 2018**, with Proposers attending a webinar broadcast via the Internet utilizing the “Go-to-Meeting” webinar conference service.

The Pre-Proposal Conference will allow all Proposers an opportunity to ask the Alliance, the Strategic Services Group, and UT System HUB representatives relevant questions and clarify provisions of this RFP. Proposer should notify the UT System Contact **by no later than 3:00 PM, Houston Time, on May 14, 2018**, whether it will attend the Pre-Proposal Conference, by emailing the UT System Contact. UT System will provide complete details and instructions (including personal computer requirements).

SECTION 3 **SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL**

3.1 Electronic Submission Notice

Submittal of proposals in response to this RFP will be conducted entirely electronically, utilizing the Jaggaer e-sourcing tool. To register for participation in this RFP, please email the UT System Contact for further instructions. An original signature by an authorized officer of Proposer must appear on the Execution of Offer (ref. **Section 2** of **APPENDIX ONE**) and electronically uploaded as instructed. Proposals must be completed and received by UT System on or before the Submittal Deadline (ref. **Section 2.1** of this RFP).

3.2 Proposal Validity Period

Each proposal must state that it will remain valid for UT System’s acceptance for a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) days after the Submittal Deadline, to allow time for evaluation, selection, and any unforeseen delays.

3.3 Terms and Conditions

- 3.3.1 Proposer must comply with the requirements and specifications contained in this RFP, the General Terms and Conditions (ref. **Section 4** of this RFP), the Notice to Proposer (ref. **Section 2** of this RFP), Proposal Requirements (ref. **APPENDIX ONE**) and the Specifications, Additional Questions and Scope of Work (ref. **Section 5** of this RFP). If there is a conflict among the provisions in this RFP, the provision requiring Proposer to supply the better quality or greater quantity of goods and services will prevail, or if such

conflict does not involve quality or quantity, then interpretation will be in the following order of precedence:

- 3.3.1.1 Specifications, Additional Questions and Scope of Work (ref. **Section 5** of this RFP);
- 3.3.1.2 General Terms and Conditions (ref. **Section 4** of this RFP);
- 3.3.1.3. Proposal Requirements (ref. **APPENDIX ONE**); and
- 3.3.1.4 Notice to Proposer (ref. **Section 2** of this RFP).

3.4 Submittal Checklist

Proposer is instructed to complete, sign, and upload into the Jaggaer e-Sourcing tool, the following documents as a part of its proposal. If Proposer fails to return each of the following items with its proposal, UT System may reject the proposal:

- 3.4.1 Signed and Completed Execution of Offer (ref. **Section 2** of **APPENDIX ONE**).
- 3.4.2 Responses to questions and requests for information in the Specifications, Additional Questions and Scope of Work Section (ref. **Section 5** of this RFP).
- 3.4.3 Signed and Completed Pricing Affirmation (ref. **Section 6** of this RFP).
- 3.4.4 Signed and completed copy of the HUB Subcontracting Plan or other applicable documents (ref. **Section 2.5** of this RFP and **APPENDIX TWO**).
- 3.4.5 Responses to Proposer's Survey (ref. **Section 5.5** of this RFP).
- 3.4.6 Proposer's Price Schedule (ref. **Section 5.6** of this RFP).

SECTION 4 **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

4.1 General Information regarding Structure of Transaction and Terms and Conditions

The structure of the transaction UT System intends to enter into as a result of this RFP will be substantially similar to the following: (1) one Preferred Supplier Agreement (“**PSA**”) between UT System and Preferred Supplier; and (2) several Institutional Participation Agreements (each an “**IPA**”) signed by participating Alliance members and affiliates (collectively, the “**Agreement**”).

The terms and conditions contained in the attached Sample Preferred Supplier Agreement (ref. **APPENDIX THREE**) or, in the sole discretion of UT System, terms and conditions substantially similar to those contained in **APPENDIX THREE**, will constitute and govern any agreement that results from this RFP. If Proposer takes exception to any terms or conditions set forth in the Preferred Supplier Agreement, Proposer must submit a list of the exceptions as part of its proposal in accordance with **Section 5.3** of this RFP. Proposer's exceptions will be reviewed by UT System and may result in disqualification of Proposer's proposal as non-responsive to this RFP. If

Proposer's exceptions do not result in disqualification of Proposer's proposal, UT System may consider Proposer's exceptions when UT System evaluates the Proposer's proposal.

SECTION 5

SPECIFICATIONS, ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AND SCOPE OF WORK

5.1 General

The requirements and specifications for the Computing Hardware, as well as certain requests for information to be provided by Proposer as part of its proposal, are set forth below. The winning Proposer should understand that the Computing Hardware will be required to be provided directly to Institutional Participants, and not to UT System or the Alliance.

5.2 Minimum Requirements

Each proposal must include information that clearly indicates that Proposer meets the following minimum qualification requirements:

- 5.2.1 Proposer must be an original equipment manufacturer ("**OEM**") or authorized reseller of Computing Hardware (ref. **Section 5.4.1** of this RFP).
- 5.2.2 Preferred Supplier must pay to the Alliance an administrative fee of 1% of the Total Net Sales made under the Agreement (ref. **Section 6.2** of this RFP). This fee will be payable quarterly, based on the Total Net Sales made by Preferred Supplier under the Agreement during the related quarter. "**Total Net Sales**" means total revenue received by Preferred Supplier for PC and Data Center hardware and related services purchased or leased by Institutional Participants, less credits, returns, taxes, unpaid invoices, lease financing fees and collections. Total Net Sales includes revenue received by Preferred Supplier not only on sales or leases directly to Institutional Participants, but also in connection with leases to Institutional Participants via an independent leasing company. The fee will be used to defray the costs incurred by the Alliance, as UT System's own, in-house group purchasing organization, in organizing, implementing, sustaining and optimizing group procurements for UT System institutions.

5.3 Additional Questions Specific to this RFP and Scope of Work

Proposer must submit the following information as part of Proposer's proposal:

- 5.3.1 In its proposal, Proposer must indicate whether it will consent to include in the Agreement the "Access by Individuals with Disabilities" language that is set forth in **APPENDIX FOUR, Access by Individuals with Disabilities**. If Proposer objects to the inclusion of the "Access by Individuals with Disabilities" language in the Agreement, Proposer must, as part of its proposal, specifically identify and describe in detail all of the reasons for Proposer's objection. **NOTE THAT A GENERAL OBJECTION IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE RESPONSE TO THIS QUESTION.**
- 5.3.2 If Proposer takes exception to any terms or conditions set forth in **Section 4** of this RFP, Proposer must submit a list of the exceptions.
- 5.3.3 Proposers will provide answers to the questions listed in the Proposer's Survey ("**Proposer's Survey**") (ref. **Section 5.5** of this RFP) to the best of Proposer's knowledge, as responses may be incorporated into the Agreement. The questions in the Proposer's

Survey will provide UT System with additional information about Proposer and various efficiencies and economies of scale that Proposer may provide to participating institutions.

- 5.3.4 In its proposal, Proposer must respond to each item listed in **APPENDIX FIVE, Electronic and Information Resources (“EIR”) Environment Specifications**. **APPENDIX FIVE** will establish specifications, representations, warranties and agreements related to the EIR that Proposer is offering to provide. Responses to **APPENDIX FIVE** will be incorporated into the Agreement and will be binding on Proposer.
- 5.3.5 In its proposal, Proposer must respond to each item listed in **APPENDIX SIX, Security Characteristics and Functionality of Contractor’s Information Resources and Cloud Security Questionnaire**. Responses to **APPENDIX SIX** will be incorporated into the Agreement and will be binding on Proposer.
- 5.3.6 By signing the Execution of Offer (ref. **Section 2 of APPENDIX ONE**), Proposer agrees to comply with Section 2252.908, Government Code (“**Disclosure of Interested Parties Statute**”), and 1 Texas Administration Code Sections 46.1 through 46.5 (“**Disclosure of Interested Parties Regulations**”), as implemented by the Texas Ethics Commission (“**TEC**”), including, among other things, providing the TEC and UT System with the information required on the form promulgated by the TEC and set forth in **APPENDIX SEVEN**. Proposers may learn more about these disclosure requirements, including the use of the TEC electronic filing system, by reviewing information on the TEC website at https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/FAQ_Form1295.html. The Certificate of Interested Parties must be submitted by Preferred Supplier upon delivery to UT System of a signed Agreement.

5.4 Scope of Work

5.4.1 General Description

The details noted below will form the basis for the Scope of Work to be included in the Agreement to be signed by UT System and Preferred Supplier.

Preferred Supplier will provide Computing Hardware to Institutional Participants. In order to facilitate the efficient evaluation of proposals, Computing Hardware has been divided into the two product categories described in **Section 5.4.5**. Proposer must submit a proposal only for categories in which they are the OEM or an authorized reseller of the products in the defined category.

Proposer should understand that this RFP provides a general description of the products and services to be provided and is not intended to be all inclusive. Proposer must be familiar with the requirements and general conditions that are essential to provide the products and services consistent with industry best practices and in accordance with all licensing, regulations, and professional standards.

The requirements and specifications for the products and services, as well as certain requests for information to be provided by Proposer as part of its proposal, are set forth below.

5.4.2 Campus Requirements.

- 5.4.2.1 Each Institutional Participant will have its own unique set of rules and regulations for conducting business on its campuses. Preferred Supplier will be responsible for compliance with each Institutional Participant's rules and regulations, including any and all requirements for background checks, badging/credentialing, and security.
- 5.4.2.2 The Institutional Participants utilize a variety of ERP Systems, software, ordering methods, tools, technologies and formats (e.g. PeopleSoft, Jaggaer, Workday, EDI, XML, cXML). Preferred Supplier will be responsible for integrating these systems with Preferred Supplier's systems for ordering, delivery/receipting, invoicing, payment, at no additional charge to the Institutional Participants.
- 5.4.2.3 Preferred Supplier will establish with each Institutional Participant campus-specific delivery methods, delivery schedules, and delivery locations.
- 5.4.2.4 Preferred Supplier will cause its representatives, agents, employees and permitted subcontractors (if any) to become aware of, fully informed about, and in full compliance with all applicable UT System and Institutional Participant rules and policies, including, without limitation, those relative to personal health, security, environmental quality, safety, fire prevention, noise, smoking, and access restrictions; consideration for students, patients and their families as well as employees; parking; and security.
- 5.4.3 Preferred Supplier-Alliance Account Support Team. Preferred Supplier will provide a Senior Management Account Representative with the authority and responsibility for the overall success of the Agreement within Preferred Supplier's organization. The Preferred Supplier also will designate an individual assigned to the Alliance account responsible for (i) receiving and providing ongoing communications by and between Preferred Supplier and UT System; (ii) monitoring the overall implementation of the Agreement at each Institutional Participant and providing updates to the UT System Contract Administrator; (iii) identifying and fostering process improvements; (iv) serving as the liaison to engage resources with Preferred Supplier's organization to troubleshoot and resolve problems; (v) organizing Quarterly Business Reviews ("QBRs"); monitoring Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs") and (vi) providing early warning notices of service performance and other concerns to Preferred Supplier's management team and the UT System Contract Administrator.
- 5.4.4 Preferred Supplier-Institutional Participant Account Support Team.

Each Institutional Participant will have different support needs. The following outlines the minimum account management, sales and technical support to be provided to each Institutional Participant by Preferred Supplier. Within sixty (60) days after execution of the Agreement, Preferred Supplier will develop with each Institutional Participant a mutually agreed-upon, customized work plan, to include without limitation: local performance measures; program goals; implementation plan; sales marketing plan; ordering method(s); invoicing method(s); and premises rules.

Sales Manager: Preferred Supplier will assign Sales Manager(s) who will provide the following minimum services:

- Be responsible for and facilitate the relationship between Institutional Participant's purchasing team and Preferred Supplier's local and corporate team.
- Facilitate quarterly or as requested on-site reviews with an Institutional Participant's IT leadership.
- Achieve understanding of Institutional Participant's business processes, rules, and requirements and operate within such processes, rules and requirements.
- Support and manage direct reports and maintain the site-specific work plan.
- Provide and manage personnel staffing to support initiatives.
- Work to develop and train representatives.
- Identify opportunities in coordination with Institutional Participant and provide strategic direction.
- Provide support for issue resolution, product selling, conversion, and savings opportunities.
- Provide project management and oversee Preferred Supplier resource utilization.
- Identify and communicate each institutional Participant's requirements within Preferred Supplier's organization.
- Work with Institutional Participant on analysis and goal measurement for both Institutional Participant and Preferred Supplier.
- Provide expertise and product knowledge.
- Help to identify and present opportunities and facilitate problem resolution with customers as required.

Inside Sales Support: Preferred Supplier will provide an inside customer service representative or team, available via a toll-free number and/or email, who is intimately familiar with the account requirements, to provide the following minimum services:

- Provide reports or analytic tools to assist Institutional Participants to recognize/prioritize savings opportunities, understand supply chain performance and better manage its operations.
- Conduct product research and provide services and knowledge.
- Process orders.
- Assist with pricing validation and error correction.
- Handle all billing and credit issues, including returns.
- Track shipments and product staging when required.
- Support the sales representative on campus when required.
- Furnish information regarding more cost-effective alternatives for Institutional Participants.
- Provide training and support for use of on-line ordering systems.
- Provide access to account information on-line, including but not limited to, usage history, usage by delivery address, order status, order entry, product specifications and various other analysis tools.
- Assist Institutional Participants with monitoring current configurations, replacing hardware nearing end of life, review maintenance agreements, and discuss current and future projects.

5.4.5 Computer Hardware Product Category Details. The category definitions below are intended to describe, but not limit, the scope of products for which UT System intends to award contracts. UT System reserves the right to make a single award or multiple awards

per category, remove products from a category, or eliminate any category in its entirety from the final award decision.

- Category 1: Personal Computers including Related Software and Services
- Desktops, laptops, notebooks, netbooks, tablets and thin clients
 - Monitors, keyboards, mice, docking stations, and other “close-to-the-box” peripherals
 - Imaging, Tagging, Staged Deployment, and other related services

Note: *Purposely excluded from the scope of this RFP are (1) desktops, laptops, notebooks and netbooks that run on an operating system other than Windows; (2) tablets that run on the Apple iOS operating system; and (3) smart phones of any kind.*

- Category 2: Servers and Storage Hardware including Related Software and Services
- Servers: blade, tower servers, load balancer
 - Primary Storage: direct attached storage systems (DASD), storage area network (SAN) storage systems, primary storage, and storage systems (disk, flash based and hybrid)
 - Backup Systems: backup storage systems, recovery, archive storage, tape drives, virtual tape
 - Storage Networks: fibre channel, infiniband, omni-path, Ethernet, iSCSI
 - Storage Virtualization: both hardware and software based
 - Load Balancers: network, application, proxy
 - Electrical: power distribution units (PDUs), flywheel UPS systems, battery UPS systems
 - HVAC: cooling distribution units (CDU), computer room air conditioners (CRAC)
 - Rack Equipment: rack mounts, cabinet rails, shelves, doors, and server lifts

Proposer will state their ability to provide services related to supporting the above product categories. Proposal must include a full description of each service offering. Services may include, but not be limited to, management, configuration, and integration, installation/de-installation, staging/deployment, asset tagging, image loading, maintenance, support, training, migration, asset management, recycling/disposal, design, disaster recovery planning support, and technical support.

Proposer will need to be able to support all UT Institutional Participants for the proposed product category. Any proposed solution needs to have as options: maintenance, normal and optional extended warranties, technical support, and training. Because Institutions have differing Computing Hardware needs, the proposal must be flexible enough to meet those Institutional specific needs.

Computing Hardware products that are added to Preferred Supplier’s catalog during the term of the Agreement, such as those due to technological advancements or emerging trends, will be become available to Institutional Participants at the same percentage discount applied to other items in the same product category.

5.4.6 Warranty and Returns.

- (a) If Preferred Supplier fails to deliver, or erroneously delivers products, Preferred Supplier will take immediate corrective action to make the correct delivery at no cost to Institutional Participant.
- (b) Preferred Supplier will provide a 60-day, hassle-free return policy, without handling charges, return shipping charges, or restocking fees. To ensure prompt handling, Institutional Participants must obtain a return goods authorization number from Preferred Supplier and reference this number on return shipping documents. Returns made without the authorization number will be returned to Institutional Participants freight collect. Preferred Supplier may reverse any credit issued to Institutional Participants for any product not returned after authorization and request by Preferred Supplier. Products to be returned will be picked up by Preferred Supplier within five (5) business days after notification, and Preferred Supplier will provide to Institutional Participant a written receipt confirming return of product at time of pick up.
- (c) Should any action cause visible damage to the products during transport, once notified by either the carrier or Institutional Participant, Preferred Supplier will immediately contact Institutional Participant and make arrangements to inspect the damaged product and/or authorize a return of the product and ship a replacement.
- (d) Preferred Supplier will provide installation/repair training to Institutional Participants, dealing with methods and techniques of installation and repair.
- (e) Preferred Supplier will have the capability of tracking all shipments and upon request will provide a shipment status report to Institutional Participant.
- (f) Preferred Supplier will track all returned shipments and upon request will provide a shipment status report to Institutional Participant.
- (g) At a minimum, the OEM's standard warranty will apply to all products supplied by Preferred Supplier. If Preferred Supplier is a reseller, it may offer a warranty that clearly illustrates an improvement to the OEM's standard warranty to benefit an Institutional Participant.

5.4.7 Invoicing and Payment.

- (a) Preferred Supplier will invoice Institutional Participants, not UT System or the Alliance. Due to the numerous E-procurement platforms used by Institutional Participants, invoicing requirements will be established by agreement between Preferred Supplier and each Institutional Participant. Each invoice relating to the Agreement will reference the appropriate Institutional Participant purchase order number and include a detailed description of the products to which it relates.
- (b) Each Institutional Participant is solely responsible for the payment of any purchase orders or PCT it issues, and no other Institutional Participant will have any liability whatsoever relating to a purchase order or PCT issued by another Institutional Participant.

- (c) Institutional Participant will remit payments of invoices issued under the Agreement on a Net 30 Days basis, subject to requirements of the Texas Prompt Payment Act.
- (d) Preferred Supplier will resolve all order and invoice discrepancies (e.g. shortage, overage, damage, etc.) within five (5) business days after written notification or, if because of their nature, the discrepancies cannot be resolved within that time frame, Preferred Supplier will take all of the steps the Institutional Participant's purchasing department deems necessary.

5.4.8 Product Condition of Sale.

Preferred Supplier certifies and warrants that all products sold to Institutional Participant will be:

- New and genuine and in conformity to published specifications
- Free from defects in design, materials or workmanship
- Provided in the manufacturer's original packaging (unless otherwise requested)
- Sold or manufactured via legal and reputable channels
- Not misbranded

5.4.9 Pricing.

5.4.9.1 Preferred Supplier's overall price structure and discount levels will remain firm and unchanged for the term of the Agreement, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the UT System Contract Administrator and Preferred Supplier. Preferred Supplier, however, is encouraged to provide volume and promotional discounts above those stated in the Agreement.

5.4.9.2 Proposer must submit pricing using the spreadsheets in **Attachment A** and **Attachment B** based on the Product Categories they can support (ref. **Section 5.4.5**).

- Attachment A-1: contains standard configurations ("**Standards**") for Product Category 1 which represent commonly purchased products that the Alliance plans to establish, maintain, and promote to Institutional Participants as the standard configurations.

The Standards were created and agreed upon by SMEs representing institutions that are expected to participate in any agreement resulting from this RFP. Preferred Supplier's proposed fixed pricing for Standards should be discounted in a manner that takes into consideration the scope and size of UT System's aggregated volume.

- Attachment A-2: Institutional Participants' operational needs will also require that they create custom configurations ("**Non-Standards**") to satisfy operational requirements. In this attachment, Proposer must provide their minimum guaranteed discount for Non-Standards that would be applicable to Product Category 1.

- Attachment A-3: Proposer will describe its entire service line for Product Category 1 and all the charge elements associated with the services available for this category.
- Attachment B-1: In this attachment, Proposer must provide the minimum guaranteed discount that would be applicable to their product offerings in Product Category 2.
- Attachment B-2: Proposer will describe its entire service line for Product Category 2 and all the charge elements associated with the services available for this category.

5.4.9.3 Preferred Supplier and the UT System Contract Administrator will review all price structures for the Computing Hardware on a periodic basis as determined by the UT System Contract Administrator. Preferred Supplier's initial and subsequent pricing will be routinely benchmarked by the Strategic Services Group for market competitiveness. Preferred Supplier agrees to negotiate in good faith to adjust pricing if necessary to remain competitive. Should pricing listed in the Agreement change during such periodic reviews, such changes will be documented in a written amendment to the Agreement agreed to by Preferred Supplier and the UT System Contract Administrator

5.4.10 Management Reports. Preferred Supplier will submit to the UT System Contract Administrator the reports listed below, within thirty (30) days after the close of each calendar quarter. The reports will be provided in electronic format or computer-generated spreadsheets, in accordance with a template to be provided by UT System. At a minimum, the reports will provide:

- Sales History Report: Preferred Supplier will submit to the UT System Contract Administrator a "**Sales History Report**" on the last day of the month following the end of each calendar quarter. The report will be provided in Microsoft Excel format, in accordance with the Sales History Report Format, Field Definitions, and a template to be provided by UT System. The report will provide sales and returns/credits to each Institutional Participant, using the required fields as defined in the Sales History Report Format and Field Definitions. Sales or returns/credits fulfilled by Preferred Supplier and approved HUB Subcontractors under the Agreement must be included in the report. If no sales or returns are made during the calendar quarter, Preferred Supplier will submit confirmation of no sales or returns to the UT System Contract Administrator at the mailbox utsscainfo@mdanderson.org. The Sales History Report and reports of no sales or returns will be reviewed with the UT System Contract Administrator. Upon review, the UT System Contract Administrator may request Preferred Supplier to make formatting and content changes to the Sales History Report for past and/or future Sales History Reports. Timeliness of the Sales History Report on or before the Due Date will be evaluated as a Key Performance Indicator within the Supplier Relationship Management (SRM) Program described in in **APPENDIX THREE – 400**.

Preferred Supplier will submit the Sales History Report for all Total Net Sales or returns/credits made by Preferred Supplier during the term of the Agreement to each Alliance member and affiliate, even if they have not signed an Institutional Participation Agreement. Sales or returns/credits made to Institutional Participants under other

agreements, such as a local agreement between the Preferred Supplier and the Institutional Participant, are not required to be reported in the Sales History Report. All Total Net Sales or returns/credits made under the Agreement to an Institutional Participant not listed in the Institution Name Table described below must be reported to the UT System Contract Administrator for review.

The following tables indicate when Sales History Report will be due.

Sales History Report Quarterly Sales Period and Report Due Dates		
Calendar Quarter	Time Frame	Due Date
Q1	January-March	April 30
Q2	April-June	July 31
Q3	July-September	October 31
Q4	October-December	January 31

Institution Name Table

The names of current Alliance member and affiliated institutions are listed in the table below and are the only acceptable names that may be submitted to the Alliance in the Sales History Report. The UT System Contract Administrator will inform Preferred Supplier when an institution needs to be added to the Sales History Report. All other abbreviations and alternative names are unacceptable. The column titled “Examples of Other Institution Names” is only for reference purposes. Preferred Supplier should address to the UT System Contract Administrator any questions about institution names.

ID Number	Institution Name	Examples of Other Institution Names
714	UT Arlington	
721	UT Austin	UT Applied Research Labs (ARL) UT Austin Athletics
738	UT Dallas	
724	UT El Paso	
742	UT Permian Basin	
	UT Rio Grande Valley	UT Brownsville UT Pan American
743	UT San Antonio	
750	UT Tyler	
729	UT Southwestern Medical Center	
723	UT Medical Branch Galveston	
744	UT Health Science Center Houston	UT Physicians
745	UT Health Science Center San Antonio	
506	UT MD Anderson Cancer Center	University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center Science Park The Virginia Harris Cockrell Cancer Research Center MD Anderson Smithville
750	UT Health Science Center Tyler	UT Health Northeast
720	UT System	<i>Only used for sales or returns by the System Administration Office</i> UTIMCO UT System Personal Use UT Systems Info Resources

A103	Angelo State University	
823	Baylor College of Medicine	BCM
A100	Baylor University	Baylor
A102	Children's Health Dallas	Children's Medical Center Dallas
S2271	Manor Independent School District	Manor ISD
A101	Rice University	
755	Stephen F. Austin State University	
555	Texas A&M University - AgriLife Extension Service	
556	Texas A&M University - AgriLife Research	
770	Texas A&M University - Central Texas	
711	Texas A&M University - College Station	
751	Texas A&M University - Commerce	
760	Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi	
718	Texas A&M University - Galveston	
709	Texas A&M University - Health Science Center	
761	Texas A&M University - International	
732	Texas A&M University - Kingsville	
715	Texas A&M University - Prairie View	Prairie View A&M University
749	Texas A&M University - San Antonio	
713	Texas A&M University - Tarleton	Tarleton State University
764	Texas A&M University - Texarkana	
557	Texas A&M University - Veterinary Med Diagnostic Lab	
757	Texas A&M University - West Texas	West Texas A&M University
710	Texas A&M University System	<i>Only used for sales or returns by the System Administration Office.</i>
739	Texas Tech Health Science Center	
768	Texas Tech System	<i>May be used if sales or returns cannot be distinguished per System institution.</i>
733	Texas Tech University	
A105	Texas State Technical College	TSTC Harlingen
985	Tyler Junior College	
752	University of North Texas	
763	University of North Texas Health Science Center	
773	University of North Texas (Dallas)	
769	University of North Texas System	<i>May be used if sales or returns cannot be distinguished per System institution.</i>
A104	University of Tennessee System	<i>May be used if sales or returns cannot be distinguished per System institution</i>
A104-1	University of Tennessee Chattanooga	
A104-2	University of Tennessee Health Science Center	
A104-3	University of Tennessee Martin	

The following is a sample report of the fields required in the Sales History Report. The required categories may be updated, as required by the UT System Contract Administrator.

Sample Report									
Preferred Supplier	Institution Name	Purchasing Method (Purchase/Lease)	Supplier Catalog Number	Product Description	UOM	Unit Price	QTY	Extended Price	Invoice Date
PC Computers	UT Austin	Purchase	Infinity-P5000	Laptop with 27 inch monitor and docking station	1	\$150.00	10	\$1500	5-1-2018

- Off-Contract Pricing Report: Preferred Supplier will report separately its quarterly sales made to each Institutional Participant for products sold at prices below the prices in the Agreement.
- HUB Report: Preferred Supplier will provide periodic reports as required by the HUB subcontracting plan, as applicable.

5.5 Proposer's Survey

Proposer must complete the Proposer's Survey.

The Proposer's Survey contains a list of additional questions the Proposer will answer when responding to this RFP. The questionnaire will provide each Proposer the opportunity to explain how its proposal meets UT System's needs. Responses to the Proposer's Survey will offer UT System insight into company financial information, account management plan, customer references, price protection guarantees, etc.

If Proposer needs to submit additional supporting information, refer to the supporting information in responses to the Proposer's Survey and attach supporting materials in a logical and clear manner. Any supporting information must be included in electronic form via the Jaggaer (formerly SciQuest) e-Sourcing tool and must follow the following naming convention: (<Proposer Name> - <Question Number> - Response - <File Name>).

SECTION 6 PRICE SCHEDULE AND AFFIRMATION

6.1 Price Schedule

Proposer must submit, as part of its proposal, detailed prices for the Computing Hardware described in **Section 5.4** (Scope of Work) of this RFP. The prices must include all charges associated with providing the full scope of work.

6.2 Pricing Affirmation

THE FOLLOWING FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND SUBMITTED WITH THE PROPOSER'S PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR PROPOSAL.

Proposal of: _____
(Proposer Company Name)

To: The University of Texas System
Ref.: Preferred Supplier of PC and Data Center Hardware and Related Services
RFP No. UTS/A66

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having carefully examined all the specifications and requirements of this RFP and any attachments thereto, the undersigned proposes to furnish the subject Computing Hardware upon the pricing terms quoted below.

The prices quoted in in response to this RFP (see **Section 5.6**) will be Proposer’s guaranteed pricing.

Proposer agrees that if Proposer is awarded an agreement under this RFP, it will provide to UT System a quarterly administrative fee of 1% of the Total Net Sales made by Preferred Supplier under the Agreement. *[Note to Proposer: this will be addressed in the Agreement’s Scope of Work.]* **“Total Net Sales”** is defined in **Section 5.2.2** of this RFP.

Subject to the requirements of the Texas Prompt Payment Act (Chapter 2251, *Texas Government Code*), UT System’s standard payment terms are “Net 30 days.” Proposer will provide the following prompt payment discount:

Prompt Payment Discount: _____%_____days/net 30 days.

Proposer certifies and agrees that all prices proposed in Proposer’s proposal have been reviewed and approved by Proposer’s executive management.

Respectfully submitted,

Proposer: _____

By: _____
(Authorized Signature for Proposer)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

APPENDIX ONE

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

SECTION 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Purpose

UT System is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from Proposers having suitable qualifications and experience providing goods and services in accordance with the terms, conditions and requirements set forth in this RFP. This RFP provides sufficient information for interested parties to prepare and submit proposals for consideration by UT System.

By submitting a proposal, Proposer certifies that it understands this RFP and has full knowledge of the scope, nature, quality, and quantity of the goods and services to be performed, the detailed requirements of the goods and services to be provided, and the conditions under which such goods and services are to be performed. Proposer also certifies that it understands that all costs relating to preparing a response to this RFP will be the sole responsibility of Proposer.

PROPOSER IS CAUTIONED TO READ THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS RFP CAREFULLY AND TO SUBMIT A COMPLETE RESPONSE TO ALL REQUIREMENTS AND QUESTIONS AS DIRECTED.

1.2 Inquiries and Interpretations

UT System may in its sole discretion respond in writing to written inquiries concerning this RFP and post its response as an Addendum to all parties recorded by UT System as participating in this RFP. Only UT System's responses that are made by formal written Addenda will be binding on UT System. Any verbal responses, written interpretations or clarifications other than Addenda to this RFP will be without legal effect. All Addenda issued by UT System prior to the Submittal Deadline will be and are hereby incorporated as a part of this RFP for all purposes.

Proposers are required to acknowledge receipt of each Addendum by selecting "acknowledge" in the Addendum section of the RFP in Jaggaer. Each Addendum must be acknowledged by Proposer prior to the Submittal Deadline and should accompany Proposer's proposal.

1.3 Public Information

Proposer is hereby notified that UT System strictly adheres to all statutes, court decisions and the opinions of the Texas Attorney General with respect to disclosure of public information.

UT System may seek to protect from disclosure all information submitted in response to this RFP until such time as a final agreement is executed.

Upon execution of a final agreement, UT System will consider all information, documentation, and other materials requested to be submitted in response to this RFP, to be of a non-confidential and non-proprietary nature and, therefore, subject to public disclosure under the *Texas Public Information Act* (*Government Code*, Chapter 552.001, et seq.). Proposer will be advised of a

request for public information that implicates their materials and will have the opportunity to raise any objections to disclosure to the Texas Attorney General. Certain information may be protected from release under Sections 552.101, 552.110, 552.113, and 552.131, *Government Code*.

1.4 Type of Agreement

Preferred Supplier, if any, will be required to enter into an agreement with UT System in a form that (i) includes terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in **Section 4** of this RFP, and (ii) is otherwise acceptable to UT System in all respects.

1.5 Proposal Evaluation Process

UT System will select Preferred Supplier by using the competitive sealed proposal process described in this Section. UT System will open the HSP Packet submitted by a Proposer prior to opening Proposer's proposal in order to ensure that Proposer has submitted the completed and signed HUB Subcontracting Plan (also called the HSP) that is required by this RFP (ref. **Section 2.5.4** of the RFP). All proposals submitted by the Submittal Deadline accompanied by the completed and signed HSP required by this RFP will be opened. Any proposals that are not submitted by the Submittal Date or that are not accompanied by the completed and signed HSP required by this RFP will be rejected by UT System as non-responsive due to material failure to comply with advertised specifications. After the opening of the proposals and upon completion of the initial review and evaluation of the proposals, UT System may invite one or more selected Proposers to participate in oral presentations. UT System will use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid public disclosure of the contents of a proposal prior to selection of Preferred Supplier.

UT System may make the selection of Preferred Supplier on the basis of the proposals initially submitted, without discussion, clarification or modification. In the alternative, UT System may make the selection of Preferred Supplier on the basis of negotiation with any of Proposers. In conducting such negotiations, UT System will avoid disclosing the contents of competing proposals.

At UT System's sole option and discretion, UT System may discuss and negotiate all elements of the proposals submitted by selected Proposers within a specified competitive range. For purposes of negotiation, UT System may establish, after an initial review of the proposals, a competitive range of acceptable or potentially acceptable proposals composed of the highest rated proposal(s). In that event, UT System will defer further action on proposals not included within the competitive range pending the selection of Preferred Supplier; provided, however, UT System reserves the right to include additional proposals in the competitive range if deemed to be in the best interests of UT System.

After submission of a proposal but before final selection of Preferred Supplier is made, UT System may permit a Proposer to revise its proposal in order to obtain Proposer's best and final offer. In that event, representations made by Proposer in its revised proposal, including price and fee quotes, will be binding on Proposer. UT System will provide each Proposer within the competitive range with an equal opportunity for discussion and revision of its proposal. UT System is not obligated to select Proposer offering the most attractive economic terms if that Proposer is not the most advantageous to UT System overall, as determined by UT System.

UT System reserves the right to (a) enter into an agreement for all or any portion of the requirements and specifications set forth in this RFP with one or more Proposers, (b) reject any and all proposals and re-solicit proposals, or (c) reject any and all proposals and temporarily or

permanently abandon this selection process, if deemed to be in the best interests of UT System. Proposer is hereby notified that UT System will maintain in its files concerning this RFP a written record of the basis upon which a selection, if any, is made by UT System.

1.6 Proposer's Acceptance of Evaluation Methodology

By submitting a proposal, Proposer acknowledges (1) Proposer's acceptance of [a] the Proposal Evaluation Process (ref. **Section 1.5 of APPENDIX ONE**), [b] the Criteria for Selection (ref. **2.3** of this RFP), [c] the Specifications, Additional Questions and Scope of Work (ref. **Section 5** of this RFP), [d] the terms and conditions set forth in **Section 4** of this RFP, and [e] all other requirements and specifications set forth in this RFP; and (2) Proposer's recognition that some subjective judgments must be made by UT System during this RFP process.

1.7 Solicitation for Proposal and Proposal Preparation Costs

Proposer understands and agrees that (1) this RFP is a solicitation for proposals and UT System has made no representation written or oral that one or more agreements with UT System will be awarded under this RFP; (2) UT System issues this RFP predicated on UT System's anticipated requirements for the related goods and services, and UT System has made no representation, written or oral, that any particular goods or services will actually be required by UT System; and (3) Proposer will bear, as its sole risk and responsibility, any cost that arises from Proposer's preparation of a proposal in response to this RFP.

1.8 Proposal Requirements and General Instructions

- 1.8.1 Proposer should carefully read the information contained herein and submit a complete proposal in response to all requirements and questions as directed.
- 1.8.2 Proposals and any other information submitted by Proposer in response to this RFP will become the property of UT System.
- 1.8.3 UT System will not provide compensation to Proposer for any expenses incurred by Proposer for proposal preparation or for demonstrations or oral presentations that may be made by Proposer, unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing. Proposer submits its proposal at its own risk and expense.
- 1.8.4 Proposals that (i) are qualified with conditional clauses; (ii) alter, modify, or revise this RFP in any way; or (iii) contain irregularities of any kind, are subject to disqualification by UT System, at UT System's sole discretion.
- 1.8.5 Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of Proposer's ability to meet the requirements and specifications of this RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness, clarity of content, and responsiveness to the requirements and specifications of this RFP.
- 1.8.6 UT System makes no warranty or guarantee that an award will be made as a result of this RFP. UT System reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, waive any formalities, procedural requirements, or minor technical inconsistencies, and delete any requirement or specification from this RFP when deemed to be in UT System's best interest. UT System reserves the right to seek clarification from any Proposer concerning any item contained in its proposal prior to final selection. Such clarification may be

provided by telephone conference or personal meeting with or writing to UT System, at UT System's sole discretion. Representations made by Proposer within its proposal will be binding on Proposer.

- 1.8.7 Any proposal that fails to comply with the requirements contained in this RFP may be rejected by UT System, in UT System's sole discretion.

1.9 Preparation and Submittal Instructions

1.9.1 Specifications and Additional Questions

Proposals must include responses to the questions referenced in Specifications, Additional Questions and Scope of Work (ref. **Section 5** of this RFP).

1.9.2 Execution of Offer

Proposer must complete, sign and return the attached Execution of Offer (ref. **Section 2** of **APPENDIX ONE**) as part of its proposal. The Execution of Offer must be signed by a representative of Proposer duly authorized to bind Proposer to its proposal. Any proposal received without a completed and signed Execution of Offer may be rejected by UT System, in its sole discretion.

1.9.3 Pricing Affirmation

Proposer must complete and return the Pricing Affirmation (ref. **Section 6** of this RFP), as part of its proposal.

UT System will not recognize or accept any charges or fees that are not specifically stated in the Pricing Affirmation.

1.9.4 Submission

Proposer should submit all proposal materials via the Jaggaer e-sourcing tool. Proposer should ensure that all documents are submitted electronically in accordance with the instructions in **Section 3.1** of this RFP.

Proposer must also submit the HUB Subcontracting Plan (also called the HSP) as required by this RFP (ref. **Section 2.5** of the RFP.)

UT System will not, under any circumstances, consider a proposal that is received after the Submittal Deadline or which is not accompanied by the completed and signed HSP that is required by this RFP.

UT System will not accept proposals submitted by telephone, proposals submitted by Facsimile ("**FAX**") transmission, or proposals submitted by hard copy (i.e., paper form) in response to this RFP.

Except as otherwise provided in this RFP, no proposal may be changed, amended, or modified after it has been submitted to UT System. However, a proposal may be withdrawn and resubmitted at any time prior to the Submittal Deadline. No proposal may be withdrawn after the Submittal Deadline without UT System's consent, which will be based

on Proposer's submittal of a written explanation and documentation evidencing a reason acceptable to UT System, in UT System's sole discretion.

By signing the Execution of Offer (ref. **Section 2** of **APPENDIX ONE**) and submitting a proposal, Proposer certifies that any terms, conditions, or documents attached to or referenced in its proposal are applicable to this procurement only to the extent that they (a) do not conflict with the laws of the State of Texas or this RFP and (b) do not place any requirements on UT System that are not set forth in this RFP or in the Appendices to this RFP. Proposer further certifies that the submission of a proposal is Proposer's good faith intent to enter into the Agreement with UT System as specified herein and that such intent is not contingent upon UT System's acceptance or execution of any terms, conditions, or other documents attached to or referenced in Proposer's proposal.

SECTION 2 **EXECUTION OF OFFER**

THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH PROPOSER'S PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER WITH PROPOSER'S PROPOSAL MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF THE PROPOSAL.

- 2.1** By signature hereon, Proposer represents and warrants the following:
- 2.1.1 Proposer acknowledges and agrees that (1) this RFP is a solicitation for a proposal and is not a contract or an offer to contract; (2) the submission of a proposal by Proposer in response to this RFP will not create a contract between UT System and Proposer; (3) UT System has made no representation or warranty, written or oral, that one or more contracts with UT System will be awarded under this RFP; and (4) Proposer will bear, as its sole risk and responsibility, any cost arising from Proposer's preparation of a response to this RFP.
 - 2.1.2 Proposer is a reputable company that is lawfully and regularly engaged in providing the subject goods and services.
 - 2.1.3 Proposer has the necessary experience, knowledge, abilities, skills, and resources to perform under the Agreement.
 - 2.1.4 Proposer is aware of, is fully informed about, and is in full compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances.
 - 2.1.5 Proposer understands (i) the requirements and specifications set forth in this RFP and (ii) the terms and conditions set forth in Section 4 of this RFP, under which Proposer will be required to operate.
 - 2.1.6 If selected by UT System, Proposer will not delegate any of its duties or responsibilities under this RFP or the Agreement to any sub-contractor, except as expressly provided in the Agreement.
 - 2.1.7 If selected by UT System, Proposer will maintain any insurance coverage as required by the Agreement during the term thereof.

- 2.1.8 All statements, information and representations prepared and submitted in response to this RFP are current, complete, true and accurate. Proposer acknowledges that UT System will rely on such statements, information and representations in selecting Preferred Supplier. If selected by UT System, Proposer will notify UT System immediately of any material change in any matters with regard to which Proposer has made a statement or representation or provided information.
- 2.1.9 PROPOSER WILL DEFEND WITH COUNSEL APPROVED BY UT SYSTEM, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS UT SYSTEM, THE STATE OF TEXAS, AND ALL OF THEIR REGENTS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES, FROM AND AGAINST ALL ACTIONS, SUITS, DEMANDS, COSTS, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES AND OTHER CLAIMS OF ANY NATURE, KIND OR DESCRIPTION, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES INCURRED IN INVESTIGATING, DEFENDING OR SETTLING ANY OF THE FOREGOING, ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH, OR RESULTING FROM ANY NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF PROPOSER OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF PROPOSER IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF ANY CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT RESULTING FROM THIS RFP.
- 2.1.10 Pursuant to Sections 2107.008 and 2252.903, *Government Code*, any payments owing to Proposer under any contract or agreement resulting from this RFP may be applied directly to any debt or delinquency that Proposer owes the State of Texas or any agency of the State of Texas regardless of when it arises, until such debt or delinquency is paid in full.
- 2.2 By signature hereon, Proposer offers and agrees to comply with all terms, conditions, requirements and specifications set forth in this RFP.
- 2.3 By signature hereon, Proposer affirms that it has not given or offered to give, nor does Proposer intend to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public servant in connection with its submitted proposal. Failure to sign this Execution of Offer, or signing with a false statement, may void the submitted proposal or any resulting contracts, and Proposer may be removed from all proposal lists at UT System.
- 2.4 By signature hereon, Proposer certifies that it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any taxes due under Chapter 171, *Tax Code*, or that Proposer is exempt from the payment of those taxes, or that Proposer is an out-of-state taxable entity that is not subject to those taxes, whichever is applicable. A false certification will be deemed a material breach of any resulting contract or agreement and, at UT System's option, may result in termination of any resulting contract or agreement.
- 2.5 By signature hereon, Proposer hereby certifies that neither Proposer nor any firm, corporation, partnership or institution represented by Proposer, or anyone acting for such firm, corporation or institution, has violated the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, codified in Section 15.01, et seq., *Business and Commerce Code*, or the Federal antitrust laws, nor communicated directly or indirectly the proposal made to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business.
- 2.6 By signature hereon, Proposer certifies that the individual signing this document and the documents made a part of this RFP, is authorized to sign such documents on behalf of Proposer and to bind Proposer under any agreements and other contractual arrangements that may result from the submission of Proposer's proposal.

2.7 By signature hereon, Proposer certifies as follows:

"Under Section 231.006, *Family Code*, relating to child support, Proposer certifies that the individual or business entity named in Proposer's proposal is not ineligible to receive the specified contract award and acknowledges that any agreements or other contractual arrangements resulting from this RFP may be terminated if this certification is inaccurate."

2.8 By signature hereon, Proposer certifies that (i) no relationship, whether by blood, marriage, business association, capital funding agreement or by any other such kinship or connection exists between the owner of any Proposer that is a sole proprietorship, the officers or directors of any Proposer that is a corporation, the partners of any Proposer that is a partnership, the joint venturers of any Proposer that is a joint venture or the members or managers of any Proposer that is a limited liability company, on one hand, and any member of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas System or an employee of any component of The University of Texas System, on the other hand, other than the relationships which have been previously disclosed to UT System in writing; (ii) Proposer has not been an employee of any component institution of The University of Texas System within the immediate twelve (12) months prior to the Submittal Deadline; and (iii) no person who, in the past four (4) years served as an executive of a state agency was involved with or has any interest in Proposer's proposal or any contract resulting from this RFP (ref. Section 669.003, *Government Code*). All disclosures by Proposer in connection with this certification will be subject to administrative review and approval before UT System enters into a contract or agreement with Proposer.

2.9 By signature hereon, Proposer certifies that in accordance with Section 2155.004, *Government Code*, no compensation has been received for its participation in the preparation of the requirements or specifications for this RFP. In addition, Proposer certifies that an award of a contract to Proposer will not violate Section 2155.006, *Government Code*, prohibiting UT System from entering into a contract that involves financial participation by a person who, during the previous five years, has been convicted of violating federal law or assessed a penalty in a federal civil or administrative enforcement action in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005. Pursuant to Sections 2155.004 and 2155.006, *Government Code*, Proposer certifies that Proposer is not ineligible to receive the award of or payments under the Agreement and acknowledges that the Agreement may be terminated and payment withheld if these certifications are inaccurate.

2.10 By signature hereon, Proposer certifies its compliance with all federal laws and regulations pertaining to Equal Employment Opportunities and Affirmative Action.

2.11 By signature hereon, Proposer represents and warrants that all products and services offered to UT System in response to this RFP meet or exceed the safety standards established and promulgated under the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Law (Public Law 91-596) and the *Texas Hazard Communication Act*, Chapter 502, *Health and Safety Code*, and all related regulations in effect or proposed as of the date of this RFP.

2.12 Proposer will and has disclosed, as part of its proposal, any exceptions to the certifications stated in this Execution of Offer. All such disclosures will be subject to administrative review and approval prior to the time UT System makes an award or enters into any contract or agreement with Proposer.

2.13 If Proposer will sell or lease computer equipment to UT System under any agreements or other contractual arrangements that may result from the submission of Proposer’s proposal then, pursuant to Section 361.965(c), *Health & Safety Code*, Proposer certifies that it is in compliance with the Manufacturer Responsibility and Consumer Convenience Computer Equipment Collection and Recovery Act set forth in Chapter 361, Subchapter Y, *Health & Safety Code* and the rules adopted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality under that Act as set forth in Title 30, Chapter 328, Subchapter I, *Texas Administrative Code*. Section 361.952(2), *Health & Safety Code* states that, for purposes of the Manufacturer Responsibility and Consumer Convenience Computer Equipment Collection and Recovery Act, the term “computer equipment” means a desktop or notebook computer and includes a computer monitor or other display device that does not contain a tuner.

2.14 Proposer should complete the following information:

If Proposer is a Corporation, then State of Incorporation: _____

If Proposer is a Corporation then Proposer’s Corporate Charter Number: _____

RFP No.: UTS/A-_____

NOTICE: WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, INDIVIDUALS ARE ENTITLED ON REQUEST TO BE INFORMED ABOUT THE INFORMATION THAT GOVERNMENTAL BODIES OF THE STATE OF TEXAS COLLECT ABOUT SUCH INDIVIDUALS. UNDER SECTIONS 552.021 AND 552.023, GOVERNMENT CODE, INDIVIDUALS ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW SUCH INFORMATION. UNDER SECTION 559.004, GOVERNMENT CODE, INDIVIDUALS ARE ENTITLED TO HAVE GOVERNMENTAL BODIES OF THE STATE OF TEXAS CORRECT INFORMATION ABOUT SUCH INDIVIDUALS THAT IS INCORRECT.

THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH PROPOSER’S PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER WITH PROPOSER’S PROPOSAL MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF THE PROPOSAL.

Submitted and Certified By:

(Proposer Institution’s Name)

(Signature of Duly Authorized Representative)

(Printed Name/Title)

(Date Signed)

(Proposer’s Street Address)

(City, State, Zip Code)

(Telephone Number)

(FAX Number)

APPENDIX TWO

UT SYSTEM POLICY ON UTILIZATION OF HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES

[Note: the Alliance should include the most recent edition, obtained from the UT System HUB Office, of the System's Policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses.]

APPENDIX THREE

SAMPLE PREFERRED SUPPLIER AGREEMENT

for

PC AND DATA CENTER HARDWARE AND RELATED SERVICES

between

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM

and

_____ **University of Texas Agreement Number:** _____

This Preferred Supplier Agreement, dated effective as of _____, 20__ (“**Effective Date**”), is made by and between **The University of Texas System (“UT System”)**, a state agency and institution of higher education authorized under the laws of the State of Texas, and _____ (“**Preferred Supplier**”), a _____ corporation, Federal Tax Identification Number _____, with its principal offices located at _____.

This Agreement specifies the terms and conditions applicable to the supply by Preferred Supplier of PC and data center hardware and related services to institutional participants, all as further described below.

Now, therefore, the parties, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

SECTION 1 – Definitions

“**Alliance**” means The University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance, an in-house group purchasing organization established by UT System to conduct and coordinate strategic purchasing initiatives across UT System. UT System health and academic institutions are members of the Alliance. The Alliance is also affiliated with other institutions of higher education that have executed an Alliance affiliate agreement.

“**Computing Hardware**” means the PC and data center hardware, including related services, as described in **Rider 100** (Scope of Work).

“**Institutional Participant**” means an Alliance member or affiliated institution of higher education, as designated by the Alliance, that has executed an Institutional Participation Agreement in connection with this Agreement.

“Institutional Participation Agreement” or **“IPA”** means the Institutional Participation Agreement attached to this Agreement as **Rider 300** and incorporated for all purposes, to be executed by each Institutional Participant.

“UT Party” means, as applicable, UT System and/or the Institutional Participants.

“UT System Contract Administrator” means the Director of the Alliance, who will be the initial contact for all contractual concerns related to this Agreement.

SECTION 2 – Term:

The term of this Agreement will begin on the Effective Date and expire _____ [*initial fixed term of three years*], unless earlier terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. UT System will have the option to extend the term of this Agreement for an additional two-year period, upon written notice given to Preferred Supplier at least 90 days in advance of the renewal term.

The Parties acknowledge that, prior to any scheduled expiration of this Agreement, UT System may conduct a competitive procurement for the purchase of products comparable to the Computing Hardware, for the period following expiration. If Preferred Supplier is not selected as the source for the succeeding period, Institutional Participants may need to transition over a period of time to purchasing the products and services primarily from the new source, rather than from Preferred Supplier. In such event, in order to allow for an orderly transition, Institutional Participants may wish to continue purchasing from Preferred Supplier for a limited period of time after the anticipated expiration of this Agreement. As a result, Preferred Supplier agrees that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement:

- Preferred Supplier will make the Computing Hardware available for purchase or lease by Institutional Participants after _____ (or the anticipated expiration date under any extended term of this Agreement), for a transitional period of six months (the **“Transition Period”**), on the same terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.
- The Administrative Fee provided for in **Rider 1** (Scope of Work) will apply to all products and services purchased hereunder during the Transition Period, and all related obligations of Preferred Supplier under this Agreement (such as to report sales volumes to UT System) will continue during such period.
- The Administrative Fee will apply to all future payments made by Institutional Participants for purchases or leases of products and services initiated during this Agreement, including the Transition Period, even if such payments are made following expiration of this Agreement.
- All incentive / rebate trigger amounts that may be established in this Agreement for any calendar year will be pro-rated automatically on a straight-line basis, to account for partial calendar years during which this Agreement exists, including the Transition Period.

SECTION 3 – Amendment:

No change, modification, alteration, or waiver of this Agreement will be effective unless it is set forth in a written agreement that is signed by UT System and Preferred Supplier.

SECTION 4 – Performance by Preferred Supplier:

Preferred Supplier will perform its obligations under this Agreement to the satisfaction of UT Party. Time is of the essence in connection with this Agreement. UT Party will not have any obligation to accept late performance or waive timely performance by Preferred Supplier. Preferred Supplier will obtain, at its own cost, any and all approvals, licenses, filings, registrations and permits required by federal, state or local laws, regulations or ordinances, for its performance hereunder.

SECTION 5 – Family Code Child Support Certification:

Pursuant to Section 231.006, *Family Code*, Preferred Supplier certifies that it is not ineligible to receive the award of or payments under this Agreement and acknowledges that this Agreement may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

SECTION 6 – Eligibility Certifications:

Pursuant to Sections 2155.004 and 2155.006, *Texas Government Code*, Preferred Supplier certifies that it has not received compensation for participation in the preparation of the Request for Proposal related to this Agreement and is not ineligible to receive the award of or payments under this Agreement; and acknowledges that this Agreement may be terminated and payment withheld if these certifications are inaccurate.

SECTION 7 – Tax Certification:

If Preferred Supplier is a taxable entity as defined by Chapter 171, Texas Tax Code (“**Chapter 171**”), then Preferred Supplier certifies that it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any taxes due under Chapter 171, or that Preferred Supplier is exempt from the payment of those taxes, or that Preferred Supplier is an out-of-state taxable entity that is not subject to those taxes, whichever is applicable.

SECTION 8 – Payment of Debt or Delinquency to the State:

Pursuant to Sections 2107.008 and 2252.903, *Texas Government Code*, Preferred Supplier agrees that any payments owing to Preferred Supplier under this Agreement may be applied directly toward any debt or delinquency that Preferred Supplier owes the State of Texas or any agency of the State of Texas regardless of when it arises, until such debt or delinquency is paid in full.

SECTION 9 – Loss of Funding:

Performance by UT Party under this Agreement may be dependent upon the appropriation and allotment of funds by the Texas State Legislature (the “**Legislature**”) and/or allocation of funds by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System (the “**Board**”). If the Legislature fails to appropriate or allot the necessary funds, or the Board fails to allocate the necessary funds, then UT Party will issue written notice to Preferred Supplier and UT Party may terminate this Agreement without further duty or obligation hereunder, other than payment for goods and services already delivered or provided to Institutional Participant. Preferred Supplier acknowledges that appropriation, allotment, and allocation of funds are beyond the control of UT Party.

SECTION 10 – Force Majeure:

None of the parties to this Agreement will be liable or responsible to another for any loss or damage or for any delays or failure to perform due to causes beyond its reasonable control including acts of God,

strikes, epidemics, war, riots, flood, fire, sabotage, or any other circumstances of like character (“**force majeure occurrence**”). Provided, however, in the event of a force majeure occurrence, Preferred Supplier agrees to use its best efforts to mitigate the impact of the occurrence so that UT Party may continue to provide healthcare services during the occurrence.

SECTION 11 – Notices:

Except as otherwise provided in this Section, all notices, consents, approvals, demands, requests or other communications provided for or permitted to be given under any of the provisions of this Agreement will be in writing and will be sent via registered or certified mail, overnight courier, confirmed facsimile transmission (to the extent a facsimile number is set forth below), or email (to the extent an email address is set forth below), and notice will be deemed given (i) if mailed, when deposited, postage prepaid, in the United States mail, (ii) if sent by overnight courier, one business day after delivery to the courier, (iii) if sent by facsimile (to the extent a facsimile number is set forth below), when transmitted, and (iv) if sent by email (to the extent an email address is set forth below), when received:

If to UT System: Office of Business Affairs
The University of Texas System
210 W. 7th Street
Attn: Executive Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs
Austin, Texas 78701-2982
Fax: 512-499-4289
Email: Lloyd@utsystem.edu

with copy to: The University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance
Mid Campus Building
7007 Bertner Ave., Suite 11.2339
Houston, TX 77030
Attention: Director
Fax : 713-792-8084
Email:jfjoshua@mdanderson.org

If to Preferred Supplier: _____

Attn: _____
Fax: _____
Email: _____

If to an Institutional Participant: The contact information for Institutional Participant as set forth in its IPA.

with copy to: Office of Business Affairs
The University of Texas System
210 W. 7th Street
Attn: Executive Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs
Austin, Texas 78701-2982
Fax: 512-499-4289
Email: LegalNotices@utsystem.edu

and The University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance
Mid Campus Building

7007 Bertner Ave., Suite 11.2339
Houston, TX 77030
Attention: Director
Fax: 713-792-8084
Email:jfjoshua@mdanderson.org

or such other person or address as may be given in writing by either party to the other in accordance with the aforesaid.

SECTION 12 – Preferred Supplier's Obligations.

12.1 Preferred Supplier represents that it has the knowledge, ability, skills, and resources to perform its obligations hereunder.

12.2 Preferred Supplier will maintain a staff of properly trained and experienced personnel to ensure satisfactory performance hereunder. Preferred Supplier will cause all persons connected with the Preferred Supplier directly in charge of performance hereunder to be duly registered and/or licensed under all applicable federal, state and municipal, laws, regulations, codes, ordinances and orders, including the rules, regulations and procedures promulgated by the Board or Institutional Participants, and those of any other body or authority having jurisdiction (collectively, “**Applicable Law**”).

12.3 Preferred Supplier represents, warrants and agrees that (a) it will use commercially reasonable efforts to perform hereunder, in a good and workmanlike manner and in accordance with commercially reasonable standards of Preferred Supplier’s profession or business, and (b) all good and services provided hereunder will be of the quality that prevails among similar businesses engaged in providing similar products and services in major United States urban areas under the same or similar circumstances.

12.4 Preferred Supplier warrants and agrees that the Computing Hardware and all related services supplied under this Agreement will be accurate and free from any material defects. Preferred Supplier’s performance hereunder will at no time be in any way diminished by reason of any approval by UT Party nor will Preferred Supplier be released from any liability by reason of any approval by UT Party, it being agreed that UT Party at all times is relying upon Preferred Supplier’s skill and knowledge in performing hereunder. Preferred Supplier will, at its own cost, correct all material defects in the Computing Hardware and related services supplied under this Agreement, as soon as practical after Preferred Supplier becomes aware of the defects. If Preferred Supplier fails to correct such material defects within a reasonable time, then UT Party may correct the defect at Preferred Supplier’s expense. This remedy is in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other remedy for the defect that UT Party may have at law or in equity.

12.5 Preferred Supplier will call to the attention of UT Party, in writing, all information in any materials supplied to Preferred Supplier (by UT Party or any other party) that Preferred Supplier regards as unsuitable, improper or inaccurate in connection with the purposes for which the material is furnished.

12.6 Preferred Supplier represents that if (i) it is a corporation or limited liability company, then it is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Texas, or a foreign corporation or limited liability company duly authorized and in good standing to conduct business in the State of Texas, that it has all necessary corporate power and has received all necessary corporate approvals to execute and deliver this Agreement, and the individual executing this Agreement on behalf of Preferred Supplier has been duly authorized to act for and bind Preferred Supplier; or (ii) if it is a partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company then it has

all necessary power and has secured all necessary approvals to execute and deliver this Agreement and perform all its obligations hereunder, and the individual executing this Agreement on behalf of Preferred Supplier has been duly authorized to act for and bind Preferred Supplier.

12.7 Preferred Supplier will provide the warranties more particularly described in Section ___ of **Rider 100**, Scope of Work.

12.8 Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by Preferred Supplier nor Preferred Supplier's performance hereunder will (a) result in the violation of any provision [i] if a corporation, of Preferred Supplier's articles of incorporation or by-laws, [ii] if a limited liability company, of its articles of organization or regulations, or [iii] if a partnership, of any partnership agreement by which Preferred Supplier is bound; (b) result in the violation of any provision of any agreement by which Preferred Supplier is bound; or (c) to the best of Preferred Supplier's knowledge and belief, conflict with any order or decree of any court or other body or authority having jurisdiction.

SECTION 13 – State Auditor's Office:

Preferred Supplier understands that acceptance of funds under this Agreement constitutes acceptance of the authority of the Texas State Auditor's Office, or any successor agency (collectively, "**Auditor**"), to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds pursuant to Sections 51.9335(c), 73.115(c) and 74.008(c), Education Code. Preferred Supplier agrees to cooperate with the Auditor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including without limitation providing all records requested. Preferred Supplier will include this provision in all contracts with permitted subcontractors.

SECTION 14 – Governing Law:

Travis County, Texas, will be the proper place of venue for suit on or in respect of this Agreement. This Agreement and all of the rights and obligations of the parties thereto and all of the terms and conditions thereof will be construed, interpreted and applied in accordance with and governed by and enforced under the internal laws of the State of Texas.

SECTION 15 – Breach of Contract Claims:

15.1 To the extent that Chapter 2260, Texas Government Code, as it may be amended from time to time ("**Chapter 2260**"), is applicable to this Agreement and is not preempted by other Applicable Law, the dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260 will be used, as further described herein, by UT Party and Preferred Supplier to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of contract made by Preferred Supplier:

15.1.1 Preferred Supplier's claims for breach of this Agreement that the parties cannot resolve pursuant to other provisions of this Agreement or in the ordinary course of business will be submitted to the negotiation process provided in subchapter B of Chapter 2260. To initiate the process, Preferred Supplier will submit written notice, as required by subchapter B of Chapter 2260, to UT Party in accordance with the notice provisions in this Agreement. Preferred Supplier's notice will specifically state that the provisions of subchapter B of Chapter 2260 are being invoked, the date and nature of the event giving rise to the claim, the specific contract provision that UT Party allegedly breached, the amount of damages Preferred Supplier seeks, and the method used to calculate the damages. Compliance by Preferred Supplier with subchapter B of Chapter 2260 is a required prerequisite to Preferred Supplier's filing of a contested case proceeding under subchapter C of Chapter 2260. The UT Party's chief business officer, or another officer of UT Party as may be designated from time to time by UT Party by written notice thereof to Preferred

Supplier in accordance with the notice provisions in this Agreement, will examine Preferred Supplier's claim and any counterclaim and negotiate with Preferred Supplier in an effort to resolve the claims.

15.1.2 If the parties are unable to resolve their disputes under **Section 15.1.1**, the contested case process provided in subchapter C of Chapter 2260 is Preferred Supplier's sole and exclusive process for seeking a remedy for any and all of Preferred Supplier's claims for breach of this Agreement by UT Party.

15.1.3 Compliance with the contested case process provided in subchapter C of Chapter 2260 is a required prerequisite to seeking consent to sue from the Legislature under Chapter 107, Civil Practices and Remedies Code. The parties hereto specifically agree that (i) neither the execution of this Agreement by UT Party nor any other conduct, action or inaction of any representative of UT Party relating to this Agreement constitutes or is intended to constitute a waiver of UT Party's or the state's sovereign immunity to suit and (ii) UT Party has not waived its right to seek redress in the courts.

15.2 The submission, processing and resolution of Preferred Supplier's claim is governed by the published rules adopted by the Texas Attorney General pursuant to Chapter 2260, as currently effective, thereafter enacted or subsequently amended.

15.3 UT Party and Preferred Supplier agree that any periods set forth in this Agreement for notice and cure of defaults are not waived.

SECTION 16 – Compliance with Law:

Preferred Supplier will perform hereunder in compliance with all Applicable Law. Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that neither Preferred Supplier nor any firm, corporation or institution represented by Preferred Supplier, nor anyone acting for such firm, corporation or institution, (1) has violated the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, Chapter 15, *Texas Business and Commerce Code*, or federal antitrust laws, or (2) has communicated directly or indirectly the content of Preferred Supplier's response to UT System's procurement solicitation to any competitor or any other person engaged in a similar line of business during the procurement process.

SECTION 17 – UT System's Right to Audit:

At any time during the term of this Agreement and for a period of four (4) years thereafter UT System or a duly authorized audit representative of UT System, or the State of Texas, at its expense and at reasonable times, reserves the right to audit Preferred Supplier's records and books directly related to charges paid for all products and services provided under this Agreement. The right will not extend to any fixed fee component of the charges or to any services performed more than one year prior to the date of request for review. In the event such an audit by UT System reveals any errors or overpayments by an Institutional Participant, Preferred Supplier will refund the full amount of such overpayments within thirty (30) days of such audit findings. Institutional Participant, at its option, reserves the right to deduct such amounts owing to Institutional Participant from any payments due to Preferred Supplier.

SECTION 18 – Access to Documents:

To the extent applicable to this Agreement, in accordance with Section 1861(v)(1)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x) as amended, and the provisions of 42 CFR Section 420.300, et seq., Preferred Supplier agrees to allow, during and for a period of not less than four (4) years after this Agreement term,

access to this Agreement and its books, documents, and records; and contracts between Preferred Supplier and its subcontractors or related organizations, including books, documents and records relating to same, by the Comptroller General of the United States, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and their duly authorized representatives.

SECTION 19 – Insurance:

19.1 Preferred Supplier, consistent with its status as an independent contractor, will carry and will cause its subcontractors to carry, at least the following insurance, with companies authorized to do insurance business in the State of Texas or eligible surplus lines insurers operating in accordance with the Texas Insurance Code, having an A.M. Best Rating of A-:VII or better, and in amounts not less than the following minimum limits of coverage:

19.1.1 Workers' Compensation Insurance with statutory limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000:

Employers Liability - Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Employers Liability - Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Employers Liability - Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

Workers' Compensation policy must include under Item 3.A. on the information page of the workers' compensation policy the state in which services are to be performed for Institutional Participant.

19.1.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance with limits of not less than:

Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000
Damage to Rented Premises	\$ 300,000
Personal & Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Products - Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000

The required Commercial General Liability policy will be issued on a form that insures Preferred Supplier's and subcontractor's liability for bodily injury (including death), property damage, personal and advertising injury assumed under the terms of this Agreement.

19.1.3 Business Auto Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned or hired automobiles, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 single limit of liability per accident for Bodily Injury and Property Damage. Contractors transporting hazardous materials must provide the MCS-90 endorsement and CA9948 Broadened Pollution Liability endorsement on the Business Auto Liability policy. Policy limits must be in line with Federal requirements.

19.1.4 Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence and aggregate with a deductible of no more than \$10,000, and will be excess over and at least as broad as the underlying coverage as required under **Sections 19.1.1** Employer's Liability; **19.1.2** Commercial General Liability; and **19.1.3** Business Auto Liability. Inception and expiration dates will be the same as the underlying policies. Drop-down coverage will be provided for reduction or exhaustion of underlying aggregate limits and will provide a duty to defend for any insured.

19.1.5 Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim. The coverage will be continuous for the duration of this Agreement and for not less than twenty-four (24) months following the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

19.2 Preferred Supplier will deliver to Institutional Participant:

19.2.1 Evidence of insurance on a Texas Department of Insurance approved certificate form verifying the existence and actual limits of all required insurance policies after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the performance by Preferred Supplier under this Agreement. Additional evidence of insurance will be provided verifying the continued existence of all required insurance no later than thirty (30) days after each annual insurance policy renewal.

19.2.2 **All insurance policies** (with the exception of workers' compensation, employer's liability and professional liability) will be endorsed and name The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System and Institutional Participant as Additional Insureds for liability caused in whole or in part by Preferred Supplier's acts or omissions with respect to its on-going and completed operations up to the actual liability limits of the required insurance policies maintained by Preferred Supplier. The Commercial General Liability Additional Insured endorsement including on-going and completed operations coverage will be submitted with the Certificates of Insurance. Commercial General Liability and Business Auto Liability will be endorsed to provide primary and non-contributory coverage.

19.2.3 Preferred Supplier hereby waives all rights of subrogation against The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System and Institutional Participant. **All insurance policies** will be endorsed to provide a waiver of subrogation in favor of The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System, and Institutional Participant. Preferred Supplier will notify Institutional Participant within ten business days after being notified by Preferred Supplier's insurance carrier of, and at least 15 days prior to, any cancellation, material change, or non-renewal relating to any insurance policy required in this **Section 19**.

19.2.4 Preferred Supplier will pay any deductible or self-insured retention for any loss. Any self-insured retention must be declared to and approved by Institutional Participant prior to the performance by Preferred Supplier under this Agreement. All deductibles and self-insured retentions will be shown on the Certificates of Insurance.

19.2.5 Certificates of Insurance and Additional Insured Endorsements as required by this Agreement will be mailed, faxed, or emailed to the Institutional Participant contact identified in the Institutional Participation Agreement.

19.3 Preferred Supplier's or subcontractor's insurance will be primary to any insurance carried or self-insurance program established by Institutional Participant or The University of Texas System. Preferred Supplier's or subcontractor's insurance will be kept in force until all obligations under this Agreement have been fully performed and accepted by Institutional Participant in writing, except as provided in this **Section 19.3**.

19.3.1 Directors and Officers Liability insurance coverage written on a claims-made basis requires Preferred Supplier to purchase an Extended Reporting Period Endorsement, effective for 24 months after the expiration or cancellation of this policy.

SECTION 20 – Indemnification:

20.1 TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, PREFERRED SUPPLIER WILL AND DOES HEREBY AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, PROTECT, DEFEND WITH COUNSEL APPROVED BY UT PARTY, AND HOLD HARMLESS UT PARTY AND ITS AFFILIATED ENTERPRISES, REGENTS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, ATTORNEYS, EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES AND AGENTS (COLLECTIVELY “**INDEMNITEES**”) FROM AND AGAINST ALL DAMAGES, LOSSES, LIENS, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, JUDGMENTS, EXPENSES, AND OTHER CLAIMS OF ANY NATURE, KIND, OR DESCRIPTION, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS’ FEES INCURRED IN INVESTIGATING, DEFENDING OR SETTLING ANY OF THE FOREGOING (COLLECTIVELY “**CLAIMS**”) BY ANY PERSON OR ENTITY, ARISING OUT OF, CAUSED BY, OR RESULTING FROM PREFERRED SUPPLIER’S PERFORMANCE UNDER OR BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT, AND THAT ARE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY ANY NEGLIGENT ACT, NEGLIGENT OMISSION OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF PREFERRED SUPPLIER, ANYONE DIRECTLY EMPLOYED BY PREFERRED SUPPLIER OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS PREFERRED SUPPLIER MAY BE LIABLE. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION WILL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO ELIMINATE OR REDUCE ANY OTHER INDEMNIFICATION OR RIGHT WHICH ANY INDEMNITEE HAS BY LAW OR EQUITY. ALL PARTIES WILL BE ENTITLED TO BE REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.

20.2 IN ADDITION, PREFERRED SUPPLIER WILL AND DOES HEREBY AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, PROTECT, DEFEND WITH COUNSEL APPROVED BY UT PARTY, AND HOLD HARMLESS INDEMNITEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS ARISING FROM INFRINGEMENT OR ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT OF ANY PATENT, COPYRIGHT, TRADEMARK OR OTHER PROPRIETARY INTEREST ARISING BY OR OUT OF THE PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES OR THE PROVISION OF GOODS BY PREFERRED SUPPLIER, OR THE USE BY INDEMNITEES, AT THE DIRECTION OF PREFERRED SUPPLIER, OF ANY ARTICLE OR MATERIAL; PROVIDED, THAT, UPON BECOMING AWARE OF A SUIT OR THREAT OF SUIT FOR INFRINGEMENT, UT PARTIES WILL PROMPTLY NOTIFY PREFERRED SUPPLIER AND PREFERRED SUPPLIER WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT. IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, UT PARTIES AGREE TO REASONABLY COOPERATE WITH PREFERRED SUPPLIER. ALL PARTIES WILL BE ENTITLED TO BE REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.

SECTION 21 – Ethics Matters; No Financial Interest:

Preferred Supplier and its employees, agents, representatives and subcontractors have read and understand:

- (1) UT System’s Conflicts of Interest Policy available at <https://www.utsystem.edu/board-of-regents/policy-library/policies/uts180-conflicts-interest-conflicts-commitment-and-outside>;
- (2) UT System’s Standards of Conduct Guide available at <https://www.utsystem.edu/documents/docs/policies-rules/ut-system-administration-standards-conduct-guide>; and
- (3) applicable state ethics laws and rules available at <https://www.utsystem.edu/offices/general-counsel/ethics#use>.

Neither Preferred Supplier nor its employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors will assist or cause UT Party’s employees to violate UT System’s Conflicts of Interest Policy, provisions described by UT System’s Standards of Conduct Guide, or applicable state ethics laws or rules. Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that no member of the Board has a direct or indirect financial interest in the transaction that is the subject of this Agreement.

SECTION 22 – Assignment of Overcharge Claims:

Preferred Supplier hereby assigns to UT Party any and all claims for overcharges associated with this Agreement arising under the antitrust laws of the United States, 15 U.S.C.A., Sec. 1 et seq., or arising under the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, Business and Commerce Code, Sec. 15.01, et seq.

SECTION 23 – Assignment and Subcontracting:

Except as specifically provided in any Historically Underutilized Business Subcontracting Plan (“HSP”) attached as **Rider 500** and incorporated for all purposes, neither Preferred Supplier's interest in this Agreement, its duties and obligations under this Agreement nor fees due to Preferred Supplier under this Agreement may be subcontracted, assigned, delegated or otherwise transferred to a third party, in whole or in part, and any attempt to do so will (1) not be binding on UT Party; and (2) be a breach of this Agreement for which Preferred Supplier will be subject to any remedial actions provided by Texas law, including Chapter 2161, Texas Government Code, and 34 Texas Administrative Code (“TAC”) Section 20.14. UT Party may report nonperformance under this Agreement to the Texas Procurement and Support Services Division of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts or any successor agency (collectively, “TPSS”) in accordance with 34 TAC Chapter 20, Subchapter F, Vendor Performance and Debarment Program. The benefits and burdens of this Agreement are, however, assignable by UT Party.

SECTION 24 – Historically Underutilized Business Subcontracting Plan:

24.1 If an HSP is attached to this Agreement, Preferred Supplier agrees to use good faith efforts to subcontract the scope of work in accordance with the HSP. Preferred Supplier agrees to maintain business records documenting its compliance with the HSP and to submit a monthly compliance report to UT Party in the format required by the TPSS. Submission of compliance reports will be required as a condition for payment under this Agreement. If UT Party determines that Preferred Supplier has failed to subcontract as set out in the HSP, UT Party will notify Preferred Supplier of any deficiencies and give Preferred Supplier an opportunity to submit documentation and explain why the failure to comply with the HSP should not be attributed to a lack of good faith effort by Preferred Supplier. If UT Party determines that Preferred Supplier failed to implement the HSP in good faith, UT Party, in addition to any other remedies, may report nonperformance to the TPSS in accordance with 34 TAC Chapter 20, Subchapter F, Vendor Performance and Debarment Program. UT Party may also revoke this Agreement for breach and make a claim against the Preferred Supplier.

24.2 If at any time during the term of this Agreement, Preferred Supplier desires to change the HSP, before the proposed changes become effective (1) Preferred Supplier must comply with 34 TAC Section 20.14; (2) the changes must be reviewed and approved by UT Party; and (3) if UT Party approves changes to the HSP, this Agreement must be amended in accordance with Section 2.5.3 to replace the HSP with the revised subcontracting plan.

24.3 If UT Party expands the scope of this Agreement through a change order or any other amendment, UT Party will determine if the additional scope of work contains probable subcontracting opportunities not identified in the initial solicitation for the scope of work. If UT Party determines additional probable subcontracting opportunities exist, Preferred Supplier will submit an amended subcontracting plan covering those opportunities. The amended subcontracting plan must comply with the provisions of 34 TAC Section 20.14 before (1) this Agreement may be amended to include the additional scope of work; or (2) Preferred Supplier may perform the additional scope of work. If Preferred Supplier subcontracts any of the additional subcontracting opportunities identified by UT Party without prior authorization and without complying with 34 TAC Section 20.14, Preferred Supplier will be deemed to be in breach of this

Agreement under Section 4.19 and will be subject to any remedial actions provided by Texas law including Chapter 2161, Texas Government Code, and 34 TAC Section 20.14. UT Party may report nonperformance under this Agreement to the TPSS in accordance with 34 TAC Chapter 20, Subchapter F, Vendor Performance and Debarment Program.

SECTION 25 – Payment and Invoicing:

Institutional Participant agrees to pay fees due under this Agreement in accordance with the Texas Prompt Payment Act (“Act”), Chapter 2251, *Texas Government Code*. Pursuant to the Act, payment will be deemed late on the 31st day after the later of: 1) the date the performance is completed, or 2) the date Institutional Participant receives an invoice for the related goods or services. Institutional Participant will be responsible for interest on overdue payments equal to the sum of: 1) one percent, plus 2) the prime rate as published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year (Institutional Participant’s fiscal year begins September 1) that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday. Institutional Participant will have the right to verify the details set forth in Preferred Supplier’s invoices and supporting documentation, either before or after payment, by (a) inspecting the books and records of Preferred Supplier at mutually convenient times; (b) examining any reports with respect to the related goods or services; and (c) other reasonable action.

Section 51.012, *Texas Education Code*, authorizes UT Party to make any payment through electronic funds transfer methods. Preferred Supplier agrees to receive payments from UT Party through electronic funds transfer methods, including the automated clearing house system (also known as ACH). Prior to the first payment under this Agreement, UT Party will confirm Preferred Supplier’s banking information. Any changes to Preferred Supplier’s banking information will be communicated by Preferred Supplier to UT Party in writing at least thirty (30) days in advance of the effective date of the change.

SECTION 26 – Limitations:

The parties to this Agreement are aware that there are constitutional and statutory limitations on the authority of UT Party (a state agency) to enter into certain terms and conditions of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, those terms and conditions relating to disclaimers and limitations of warranties; disclaimers and limitations of liability for damages; waivers, disclaimers and limitations of legal rights, remedies, requirements and processes; limitations of periods to bring legal action; granting control of litigation or settlement to another party; liability for acts or omissions of third parties; payment of attorneys’ fees; dispute resolution; indemnities; and confidentiality (collectively, the “**Limitations**”), and terms and conditions related to the Limitations will not be binding on UT Party except to the extent authorized by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 27 – Affirmative Action:

Preferred Supplier agrees that either a written copy of Preferred Supplier’s Civil Rights "Affirmative Action Compliance Program" or, if Preferred Supplier is not required to have such a written program, the reason Preferred Supplier is not subject to such requirement, is attached to this Agreement as **Rider 600** and incorporated for all purposes.

SECTION 28 – OSHA Compliance:

Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that all products and services furnished under this Agreement meet or exceed the safety standards established and promulgated under the Federal Occupational Safety

and Health Law (Public Law 91-598) and its regulations in effect or proposed as of the date of this Agreement.

SECTION 29 - Certifications of Nonsegregated Facilities and Equal Employment Opportunities Compliance:

Preferred Supplier certifies that, except for restrooms and wash rooms and one (1) or more lactation rooms each of which is segregated on the basis of sex: (1) it does not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments and that it does not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained; (2) it will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments; and (3) it will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. Preferred Supplier agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in this Agreement. The term "**segregated facilities**" means any waiting rooms, work area, rest rooms and wash rooms, entertainment areas, transportation, or housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, because of habit, local custom, or otherwise. Preferred Supplier further agrees that, except where it has contracts prior to the award with subcontractors exceeding \$10,000.00 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity clause, Preferred Supplier will retain such certifications for each one of its subcontractors in Preferred Supplier's files, and that it will forward the following notice to all proposed subcontractors (except where the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE SUBCONTRACTORS OF REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATIONS OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES - A Certification on Nonsegregated Facilities must be submitted prior to the award of any subcontract exceeding \$10,000.00 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity clause. The certification may be submitted either for each subcontract or for all subcontracts during a period (i.e. quarterly, semiannually, or annually).

Preferred Supplier understands that the penalty for making false statements regarding the subject matters of this Section is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

SECTION 30 – Premises Rules:

If this Agreement requires Preferred Supplier's presence on UT Party's premises or in UT Party's facilities, Preferred Supplier agrees to cause its representatives, agents, employees and permitted subcontractors (if any) to become aware of, fully informed about, and in full compliance with all applicable UT Party rules and policies, including, without limitation, those relative to personal health, security, environmental quality, safety, fire prevention, noise, smoking, and access restrictions; consideration for students, patients and their families as well as employees; parking; and security.

SECTION 31 – Debarment:

Preferred Supplier confirms that neither Preferred Supplier nor its Principals are suspended, debarred, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the award of contracts from United States ("U.S.") federal government procurement or nonprocurement programs, or are listed in the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Nonprocurement Programs issued by the U.S. General Services Administration. "**Principals**" means officers, directors, owners, partners, and persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g. general manager, plant manager, head of a subsidiary, division or business segment, and similar positions).

Preferred Supplier will provide immediate written notification to UT Party if, at any time prior to award, Preferred Supplier learns that this certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when UT Party executes this Agreement. If it is later determined that Preferred Supplier knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to the other remedies available to UT Party, UT Party may terminate this Agreement for default by Preferred Supplier.

SECTION 32 – Office of Inspector General Certification:

Preferred Supplier acknowledges that UT Party is prohibited by federal regulations from allowing any employee, subcontractor, or agent of Preferred Supplier to work on site at UT Party premises or facilities if that individual is not eligible to work on federal healthcare programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, or other similar federal programs. Therefore, Preferred Supplier will not assign any employee, subcontractor or agent that appears on the List of Excluded Individuals issued by the United States Office of the Inspector General ("**OIG**") to work on site at UT Party premises or facilities. Preferred Supplier will perform an OIG sanctions check quarterly on each of its employees, subcontractors and agents during the time such employees, subcontractors and agents are assigned to work on site at UT Party premises or facilities. Preferred Supplier acknowledges that UT Party will require immediate removal of any employee, subcontractor or agent of Preferred Supplier assigned to work at UT Party premises or facilities if such employee, subcontractor or agent is found to be on the OIG's List of Excluded Individuals. The OIG's List of Excluded Individuals may be accessed through the following Internet website: <http://www.dhhs.gov/progorg/oig/cumsan/index.htm>.

SECTION 33 – Termination:

33.1 In the event of a material failure by either party to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement ("**default**"), the other, non-defaulting party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice of termination setting forth the nature of the material failure. The termination will not be effective if the material failure is fully cured prior to the end of the 30-day period. No such termination will relieve the defaulting party from liability for the underlying default or breach of this Agreement or any other act or omission.

33.2 UT System may terminate this Agreement, without cause, upon written notice to Preferred Supplier; provided, however, this Agreement will not terminate until the later of (1) 90 days after receipt of notice of termination, or (2) the date that performance is complete under all purchase orders issued by Institutional Participant to Preferred Supplier prior to receipt of notice of termination. Institutional Participant may not issue any purchase orders after receipt of notice of termination. Termination of this Agreement will not relieve any party from liability for its default under or breach of this Agreement or any other act or omission of that party. In the event that this Agreement is terminated, then within thirty (30) days after termination, Preferred Supplier will reimburse UT Party for all fees paid by UT Party to Preferred Supplier that were (a) not earned by Preferred Supplier prior to termination, or (b) for goods or services that UT Party did not receive from Preferred Supplier prior to termination.

33.3 UT System or Institutional Participant may terminate an IPA, without cause, upon written notice to Preferred Supplier; provided, however, the IPA will not terminate until the later of (1) thirty (30) days after receipt of notice of termination, or (2) the date that performance is complete under all purchase orders issued by Institutional Participant to Preferred Supplier prior to receipt of notice of termination. Institutional Participant may not issue any purchase orders after receipt of notice of termination. Termination of an IPA will not relieve any party from liability for its default under or breach of the IPA or any other act or omission of that party. In the event that an IPA is terminated, then within thirty (30) days after termination, Preferred Supplier will reimburse Institutional Participant for all fees paid by Institutional Participant to

Preferred Supplier that were (a) not earned by Preferred Supplier prior to termination, or (b) for goods or services that Institutional Participant did not receive from Preferred Supplier prior to termination.

SECTION 34 – Authority:

The individuals executing this Agreement on behalf of each party have been duly authorized to act for and bind the party they represent.

SECTION 35 – Survival of Provisions:

Expiration or termination of this Agreement will not relieve either party of any obligations under this Agreement that by their nature survive such expiration or termination.

SECTION 36 – Confidentiality; Press Releases; Public Information:

36.1 Confidentiality and Safeguarding of UT Party Records. Under this Agreement, Preferred Supplier may (1) create, (2) receive from or on behalf of UT Party, or (3) have access to, UT Party's records or record systems (collectively, "**UT Party Records**"). Among other things, UT Party Records may contain social security numbers, credit card numbers, or data protected or made confidential or sensitive by applicable federal, state and local, laws, regulations, and ordinances. Preferred Supplier represents, warrants, and agrees that it will: (1) hold UT Party Records in strict confidence and will not use or disclose UT Party Records except as (a) permitted or required by this Agreement, (b) required by law, or (c) otherwise authorized by UT Party in writing; (2) safeguard UT Party Records according to reasonable administrative, physical and technical standards commonly in effect within Preferred Supplier's industry and that are no less rigorous than the standards by which Preferred Supplier protects its own confidential information; (3) continually monitor its operations in accordance with reasonable standards commonly in effect within Preferred Supplier's industry and take any action necessary to ensure that UT Party Records are safeguarded and that the confidentiality of UT Party Records is maintained in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local, laws, regulations, and ordinances, and the terms of this Agreement; and (4) comply with UT Party's rules, policies, and procedures regarding access to and use of UT Party's computer systems. At the request of UT Party, Preferred Supplier will provide UT Party with a written summary of the procedures Preferred Supplier uses to safeguard and maintain the confidentiality of UT Party Records.

36.2 Notice of Impermissible Use. If an impermissible use or disclosure of any UT Party Records occurs, Preferred Supplier will provide written notice to UT Party within one (1) business day after Preferred Supplier's discovery of that use or disclosure. Preferred Supplier will promptly provide UT Party with all information requested by UT Party regarding the impermissible use or disclosure.

36.3 Return of UT Party Records. Preferred Supplier agrees that within thirty (30) days after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, for any reason, all UT Party Records created or received from or on behalf of UT Party will be (1) returned to UT Party, with no copies retained by Preferred Supplier; or (2) if return is not feasible, destroyed. Twenty (20) days before destruction of any UT Party Records, Preferred Supplier will provide UT Party with written notice of Preferred Supplier's intent to destroy UT Party Records. Within five (5) days after destruction, Preferred Supplier will confirm to UT Party in writing the destruction of UT Party Records.

36.4 Disclosure. If Preferred Supplier discloses any UT Party Records to a subcontractor or agent, Preferred Supplier will require the subcontractor or agent to comply with the same restrictions and obligations as are imposed on Preferred Supplier by this **Section 36**.

36.5 Press Releases. Preferred Supplier will not make any press releases, public statements, or advertisement referring to this Agreement, or release any information relative to this Agreement for publication, advertisement or any other purpose, without the prior written approval of UT Party.

36.6 Public Information. UT Party strictly adheres to all statutes, court decisions and the opinions of the Texas Attorney General with respect to disclosure of public information under the *Texas Public Information Act* (“TPIA”), Chapter 552, *Texas Government Code*. In accordance with Section 552.002 of TPIA and Section 2252.907, *Texas Government Code*, and at no additional charge to UT Party, Preferred Supplier will make any information created or exchanged with UT Party pursuant to this Agreement (and not otherwise exempt from disclosure under TPIA) available in a format reasonably requested by UT Party that is accessible by the public.

36.7 Termination. In addition to any other termination rights set forth in this Agreement, and any other rights at law or equity, if UT Party reasonably determines that Preferred Supplier has breached any of the restrictions or obligations set forth in this Section, UT Party may immediately terminate this Agreement without notice or opportunity to cure.

36.8 Duration. The restrictions and obligations under this Section will survive expiration or termination of this Agreement for any reason.

SECTION 37 – Tax Exemption

UT System institutions, being agencies of the State of Texas, are exempt from Texas Sales & Use Tax on goods and services in accordance with Section 151.309, *Tax Code*, and Title 34 TAC Section 3.322. Pursuant to 34 TAC Section 3.322(c)(4), UT System institutions are not required to provide a tax exemption certificate to establish their tax exempt status.

SECTION 38 – Undocumented Workers:

The *Immigration and Nationality Act* (8 *United States Code* 1324a) (“**Immigration Act**”) makes it unlawful for an employer to hire or continue employment of undocumented workers. The United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Service has established the Form I-9 Employment Eligibility Verification Form (“**I-9 Form**”) as the document to be used for employment eligibility verification (8 *Code of Federal Regulations* 274a). Among other things, Preferred Supplier is required to: (1) have all employees complete and sign the I-9 Form certifying that they are eligible for employment; (2) examine verification documents required by the I-9 Form to be presented by the employee and ensure the documents appear to be genuine and related to the individual; (3) record information about the documents on the I-9 Form, and complete the certification portion of the I-9 Form; and (4) retain the I-9 Form as required by law. It is illegal to discriminate against any individual (other than a citizen of another country who is not authorized to work in the United States) in hiring, discharging, or recruiting because of that individual's national origin or citizenship status. If Preferred Supplier employs unauthorized workers during performance of this Agreement in violation of the Immigration Act then, in addition to other remedies or penalties prescribed by law, UT Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Section 4.31. Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that it is in compliance with and agrees that it will remain in compliance with the provisions of the Immigration Act.

SECTION 39 – No Required Quantities or Minimum Amounts:

Preferred Supplier understands that this Agreement does not obligate UT Party to purchase any specific amount of goods or services from Preferred Supplier under this Agreement or otherwise. For example,

this Agreement does not establish any minimum quantity or minimum dollar amount of goods or services that UT Party must purchase from Preferred Supplier during the term of this Agreement.

SECTION 40 – Access by Individuals with Disabilities:

Preferred Supplier represents and warrants (“**EIR Accessibility Warranty**”) that the electronic and information resources and all associated information, documentation, and support that it provides under this Agreement (collectively, the “**EIRs**”) comply with the applicable requirements set forth in Title 1, Chapter 213, *Texas Administrative Code*, and Title 1, Chapter 206, Rule §206.70, *Texas Administrative Code* (as authorized by Chapter 2054, Subchapter M, *Government Code*). To the extent Preferred Supplier becomes aware that the EIRs, or any portion thereof, do not comply with the EIR Accessibility Warranty, then Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that it will, at no cost to UT Party, either (1) perform all necessary remediation to make the EIRs satisfy the EIR Accessibility Warranty or (2) replace the EIRs with new EIRs that satisfy the EIR Accessibility Warranty. In the event Preferred Supplier fails or is unable to do so, UT Party may terminate this Agreement, and Preferred Supplier will refund to UT Party all amounts UT Party has paid under this Agreement within thirty (30) days after the termination date.

SECTION 41 – Certification regarding Boycotting Israel:

Pursuant to Chapter 2270, Texas Government Code, Preferred Supplier certifies that it (1) does not currently boycott Israel; and (b) will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement. Preferred Supplier acknowledges this Agreement may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

SECTION 42 – Certification regarding Business with Certain Countries and Organizations:

Pursuant to Subchapter F, Chapter 2252, Texas Government Code, Preferred Supplier certifies that it is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization. Preferred Supplier acknowledges this Agreement may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

SECTION 43 – Background Checks:

Preferred Supplier will not knowingly assign any individual to provide services on a UT Party’s campus if the individual has a history of criminal conduct unacceptable for a university campus or healthcare center, including violent or sexual offenses. If requested by any UT Party to comply with its policy, Preferred Supplier will perform appropriate criminal background checks on each individual who will provide such services on the UT Party’s campus.

SECTION 44 – Entire Agreement; Modifications:

This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, between Preferred Supplier and UT System and will constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement and each of its provisions will be binding upon the parties and may not be waived, modified, amended or altered except by a writing signed by UT System and Preferred Supplier.

SECTION 45 – Captions:

The captions of sections and subsections in this Agreement are for convenience only and will not be considered or referred to in resolving questions of interpretation or construction.

SECTION 46 – Waivers:

No delay or omission in exercising any right accruing upon a default in performance of this Agreement will impair any right or be construed to be a waiver of any right. A waiver of any default under this Agreement will not be construed to be a waiver of any subsequent default under this Agreement.

SECTION 47 – Binding Effect:

This Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective permitted assigns and successors.

SECTION 48 – Limitations of Liability:

Except for UT Party's obligation (if any) to pay Preferred Supplier certain fees and expenses, UT Party will have no liability to Preferred Supplier or to anyone claiming through or under Preferred Supplier by reason of the execution or performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any duty or obligation of UT Party to Preferred Supplier or to anyone claiming through or under Preferred Supplier, no present or future affiliated enterprise, subcontractor, agent, officer, director, employee, representative, attorney or regent of UT Party, or anyone claiming under UT Party has or will have any personal liability to Preferred Supplier or to anyone claiming through or under Preferred Supplier by reason of the execution or performance of this Agreement.

SECTION 49 – Relationship of the Parties:

For all purposes of this Agreement and notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, Preferred Supplier is an independent contractor and is not a state employee, partner, joint venturer, or agent of UT Party. Preferred Supplier will not bind nor attempt to bind UT Party to any agreement or contract. As an independent contractor, Preferred Supplier is solely responsible for all taxes, withholdings, and other statutory or contractual obligations of any sort, including workers' compensation insurance.

SECTION 50 – Severability:

In case any provision of this Agreement will, for any reason, be held invalid or unenforceable in any respect, the invalidity or unenforceability will not affect any other provision of this Agreement, and this Agreement will be construed as if the invalid or unenforceable provision had not been included.

SECTION 51 – External Terms:

This Agreement completely supplants, replaces, and overrides all other terms and conditions or agreements, written or oral ("**External Terms**"), concerning Preferred Supplier's performance under this Agreement. Such External Terms are null and void and will have no effect under this Agreement, regardless of whether UT Party or any of its employees, contractors, or agents consents or agrees to External Terms. External Terms include any shrinkwrap, clickwrap, browsewrap, web-based terms and conditions of use, and any other terms and conditions displayed in any format that UT Party, or its employees, contractors, or agents are required to accept or agree to before or in the course of accessing or using any goods or services provided solely by Preferred Supplier.

SECTION 52 – Conflicts:

In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and those of an IPA, the terms of this Agreement will control and govern.

SECTION 53 – Attachments:

The Riders listed below are attached to and fully incorporated into this Agreement as substantive parts of this Agreement:

- Rider 100** – Scope of Work
- Rider 200** – Price Schedule
- Rider 300** – Institutional Participation Agreement Form
- Rider 400** – Supplier Relationship Management
- Rider 500** – HUB Subcontracting Plan
- Rider 600** – Affirmative Action Compliance Program

Having agreed to the foregoing terms, and with the intention of being legally bound, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates shown below.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM

[PREFERRED SUPPLIER]

Signed: _____
Scott C. Kelley, Executive Vice
Chancellor for Business Affairs

Signed: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

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INSTITUTIONAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

By entering into this Institutional Participation Agreement (“**Institutional Participation Agreement**”), the undersigned institution (“**Institutional Participant**”) agrees to the terms and conditions set forth in the Preferred Supplier Agreement between The University of Texas System and _____, Agreement Number UTSSCA_____, dated effective _____, 20__ (the “**Preferred Supplier Agreement**” or “**PSA**”). All of the terms and conditions of the PSA are incorporated into this Institutional Participation Agreement for all purposes. Unless otherwise specified in this Institutional Participation Agreement, all defined terms used in this Institutional Participation Agreement have the same meaning as assigned to those terms in the PSA.

By entering into this Institutional Participation Agreement, Institutional Participant is authorized to take full advantage of all of the benefits and provisions set forth in the PSA including, but not limited to, the benefits listed below, which are specified in detail in the PSA:

Benefits from Preferred Supplier Agreement:

To obtain PCs and data center hardware and related services at discounted pricing.

Institutional Participant’s Responsibilities

To the extent authorized by applicable law and relevant rules and regulations of UT System and Institutional Participant, Institutional Participant will use commercially reasonable efforts to perform the following responsibilities:

- Identify Preferred Supplier as a primary supplier of the subject hardware and services.
- Organize and share benefits of the PSA at one or more “kick-off” events.
- Facilitate and promote at least one (1) Preferred Supplier products show per year, involving the services available for purchase under the PSA.
- Assist in the organization of technical presentations by Preferred Supplier.
- Permit Preferred Supplier, at its sole cost, to create and distribute sales and technical materials involving services available for purchase under the PSA and that may include updates on: pricing, new services information, technical developments, and special promotions. All such communications will be subject to prior approval by Institutional Participant.
- Periodically provide information to Preferred Supplier on current and projected opportunities for supply of Preferred Supplier’s products and services under the PSA.
- On an ongoing basis, make Institutional Participant’s end-users aware of the business relationship with Preferred Supplier and value-generation opportunities.
- Conduct quarterly business reviews to review reports and commitments.
- Facilitate resolution of customer/supplier conflicts.

Institutional Participant's notice address and contact information is:

[Name of Institutional Participant]

Street Address: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Attention: _____

Institutional Participant designates the following contacts who will be responsible for facilitating this Institutional Participation Agreement:

INSTITUTIONAL PARTICIPANT: Primary Contact:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

INSTITUTIONAL PARTICIPANT: HUB Contact:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Preferred Supplier designates the following contact who will be responsible for facilitating this Institutional Participation Agreement:

PREFERRED SUPPLIER Primary Contact:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Insurance Paperwork. The insurance provisions of this Agreement require certain certificates and endorsements to be mailed, faxed, or emailed to Institutional Participant. Contact information for the Institutional Participant's representative authorized to receive such certificates and endorsements is as follows:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Fax: _____
Email: _____

Institutional Participant agrees to the terms of this Institutional Participation Agreement:

[Name of Institutional Participant]

By: _____
Printed Name and Title: _____
Signature: _____
Street: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Date: _____

Upon activation of this Institutional Participation Agreement, Institutional Participant's Primary Contact will receive notification of activation via email. Please return signed completed form to the UT System Supply Chain Alliance Strategic Services Group at utsscainfo@mdanderson.org.

APPENDIX THREE - 400

SUPPLIER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT

[Note: this is a Sample for Discussion]

1.0 Supplier Relationship Management (“SRM”) Program Requirements

Quality Business Reviews (“QBRs”) of Preferred Supplier’s performance under this Agreement will be conducted by the UT System Contract Administrator on behalf of UT System four (4) times annually, with each QBR scheduled within sixty (60) days after the close of the calendar year quarter (March, June, September, December). Institutional Participants may elect to establish a local level SRM program by a separate mutual agreement with Preferred Supplier (including, e.g., separate key performance indicators relating to dealer network).

2.0 Quarterly Business Reviews

2.1 QBRs will consist of two major components:

- (a) Key Performance Indicators: Preferred Supplier’s performance will be determined as measured against the Service Level for each Performance Measure set forth in **Table 1** below.
- (b) Business Relationship Indicators: The Business Relationship Indicators (defined and set forth in **Table 2** below) are designed to confirm that the objectives and goals of the relationship between Preferred Supplier and the Alliance remain aligned and moving in a mutually beneficial direction.

Table 1: Key Performance Indicators

Performance Measure	Service Level	Variance from Service Level	Maximum Score (100)	Definition and Measurement
Fill Rate	99%	$\leq 2\%$ $>2\%-\leq 5\%$ $>5\%$	20 10 0	Total number of items delivered on first delivery, compared to total number of items ordered, in each case aggregated across all Institutional Participants.
Shipping Errors	99%	$<2\%$ $\geq 2\%-\leq 5\%$ $>5\%$	15 10 0	Total number of items shipped without delivery errors. Errors = <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrong Item • Wrong Location
Customer Satisfaction –	90% of metric	$\leq 3\%$ $>3\%-\leq 8\%$	20 10	Preferred Supplier will attain customer satisfaction score of 90% or greater. Survey content and distribution to be agreed with

Institutional Participant		>8%-≤15%	5	Preferred Supplier to ensure appropriate measures recorded.
		>15%	0	
Account Management	98%	≤ 1%	10	Timely response and resolution of inquiries and support calls placed by Institutional Participants: Initial response time will not exceed 4 hours.
		>1%-≤3%	8	
		>3%-≤5%	5	
		>5%	0	
Pricing Accuracy	99%	≤ 1%	10	Contract pricing in accordance with fee structure, as confirmed by Alliance audit.
		>1%-≤5%	8	
		>5%	0	
Invoice Accuracy	98%	≤ 1%	5	Proportion of invoiced items reflecting accurate contract pricing, as confirmed by Alliance audit
		>1%-≤5%	3	
		>5%	0	
Administrative Fees & Incentive Payments	Not more than 5 days late	Y	10	Paid accurately and on time within contract schedules
		N	0	
Reports	Not more than 5 days late	Y	10	Reports submitted within contract schedule each quarter to the Alliance (e.g. Sales History Report, HUB Report)
		N	0	

Table 2: Business Relationship Indicators

Performance Measure	Goal	Definition
Campus Outreach	Number and type of communications and events as defined in the Strategic Action Plan	Implement targeted communications and educational programs for end-users and purchasing personnel at each Institutional Participant to: a) foster cooperation and collaboration, b) increase understanding of the value of this Agreement, and c) create greater awareness of savings and savings opportunities.
Cost Savings	Minimum 5% overall	Year-over-year saving. Report on savings, process changes, Improvements, and or innovations that have created increased value for the Institutional Participants

2.2 Business Relationship Indicators

Within sixty (60) days after the Effective Date of this Agreement, Preferred Supplier will submit for approval to the UT System Contractor Administrator a written Strategic Action Plan to achieve the goals in **Table 2**, above. At a minimum the Strategic Action Plan will define the specific strategies, tasks, responsibilities, reports, and timelines to be executed to achieve each goal.

2.3 QBR Meeting Reports and Metrics

Preferred Supplier will prepare and deliver to the UT System Contract Administrator for review at each QBR a report of the Key Performance Indicators and Business Relationship Indicators. The Key Performance Indicator report will be provided both in the aggregate, reflecting the total score for all Institutional Participants, and also will be reported separately for each Institutional Participant.

An advance copy of the Key Performance Indicator Report will be sent to the UT System Contract Administrator no less than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled QBR meeting date.

All report requirements may be modified by Institutional Participants within Preferred Supplier's reasonable capabilities to meet local requirements and service levels. Metrics may be revised upon mutual agreement between Preferred Supplier and the UT System Contract Administrator or the applicable Institutional Participant.

3.0 Preferred Supplier Evaluation and Rating

No less than once each quarter the UT System Contract Administrator will prepare and present to Preferred Supplier a scorecard of Preferred Supplier's performance based on their measured results under each of the KPIs for the preceding quarter. The scorecard will be presented and reviewed by Preferred Supplier and the UT System Contract Administrator during each QBR. Preferred Supplier must obtain a minimum composite score of 85 from UT System for each quarter during the remaining term of this Agreement.

4.0 Corrective Action Plan

The UT System Contract Administrator will notify Preferred Supplier during a QBR if Preferred Supplier receives a composite score of less than 85 during the previous quarter or a score of Zero ("0") for any KPI. Within fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of such notice, Preferred Supplier will provide the UT System Contract Administrator with a written corrective action plan ("**CAP**") acceptable to the UT System Contract Administrator to address such unacceptable scores. At a minimum, the CAP will address Preferred Supplier's performance issues resulting in unacceptable score(s) and contain a root cause analysis of the problems causing such performance issue, proposed solutions to those problems, proposed process modifications to prevent recurrence of such problems, a time frame for Preferred Supplier's implementation of the proposed solutions and process modifications, and the person(s) who will be responsible for Preferred Supplier's implementation of the CAP. The CAP will be presented to the UT System Contract Administrator for concurrence prior to implementation. Concurrence with the CAP by the UT System Contract Administrator will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Concurrence with the CAP will not constitute a waiver by UT System of any rights regarding remedies.

5.0 Corrective Action and Remedies

If Preferred Supplier's implementation of the CAP does not result in a minimum composite score of 85 or better or if two (2) or more KPI's remain with a score of Zero ("0") during each subsequent calendar quarter, UT System may, at its sole discretion:

- Permit Preferred Supplier to resubmit a further Corrective Action Plan, or
- exercise other remedies available under this Agreement or applicable law.

APPENDIX FOUR

ACCESS BY INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Access by Individuals with Disabilities. Preferred Supplier represents and warrants (“**EIR Accessibility Warranty**”) that the electronic and information resources and all associated information, documentation, and support that it provides under this Agreement (collectively, the “**EIRs**”) comply with the applicable requirements set forth in Title 1, Chapter 213, *Texas Administrative Code*, and Title 1, Chapter 206, Rule §206.70, *Texas Administrative Code* (as authorized by Chapter 2054, Subchapter M, *Government Code*). To the extent Preferred Supplier becomes aware that the EIRs, or any portion thereof, do not comply with the EIR Accessibility Warranty, then Preferred Supplier represents and warrants that it will, at no cost to UT Party, either (1) perform all necessary remediation to make the EIRs satisfy the EIR Accessibility Warranty or (2) replace the EIRs with new EIRs that satisfy the EIR Accessibility Warranty. In the event Preferred Supplier fails or is unable to do so, UT Party may terminate this Agreement, and Preferred Supplier will refund to UT Party all amounts UT Party has paid under this Agreement within thirty (30) days after the termination date.

APPENDIX FIVE

ELECTRONIC AND INFORMATION RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENT SPECIFICATIONS

[insert the latest version of this form]

APPENDIX SIX

**SECURITY CHARACTERISTICS AND FUNCTIONALITY OF
PROPOSER'S INFORMATION RESOURCES**

[insert the latest version of this form, as applicable]

APPENDIX SEVEN

CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES (Texas Ethics Commission Form 1295)

This is a sample of the Texas Ethics Commission's FORM 1295 – DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTIES. Contractor must use the Texas Ethics Commission electronic filing web page (at https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm) to complete the most current Disclosure of Interested Parties form and submit the form as instructed to the Texas Ethics Commission and UT System. **The Certificate of Interested Parties will be submitted to UT System by Preferred Supplier only when the Agreement resulting from this RFP is signed.**

CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES		FORM 1295	
Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties. Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.		OFFICE USE ONLY	
1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.			
2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.			
3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the goods or services to be provided under the contract.			
4 Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of Interest (check applicable)	
		Controlling	Intermediary
5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party. <input type="checkbox"/>			
6 AFFIDAVIT I swear, or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the above disclosure is true and correct.			
_____ Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity			
AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE			
Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said _____, this the _____ day of _____, 20 _____, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.			
_____ Signature of officer administering oath Printed name of officer administering oath Title of officer administering oath			
ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY			

SECTION 5.5
PROPOSER'S SURVEY

1.0 Company Profile

- 1.1 Provide your company's main address, telephone and fax number.
- 1.2 Provide your company's FEIN.
- 1.3 Provide your company's DUNS number.
- 1.4 Provide your company's main contact for this RFP including telephone number and email address.
- 1.5 What is your company's legal structure (e.g., corporation, partnership, etc.).
- 1.6 For all individuals, groups, corporations, etc. that holds 25% or greater equity in the company list their name and their percentage (%) held.
- 1.7 Provide any details of all past or pending litigation or claims filed against your company that would affect your company's performance under an Agreement with UT System.
- 1.8 Has your company, or any of its parents or subsidiaries, ever had a Bankruptcy Petition filed in its name, voluntarily or involuntarily? If yes, specify the date, circumstances, and resolution.
- 1.9 Is your company currently in default on any loan agreement or financing agreement with any bank, financial institution, or other entity. If yes, specify date(s), details, circumstances, and prospects for resolution.
- 1.10 Is your company currently for sale or involved in any transaction to expand or to become acquired by another business entity? If yes, please explain the impact both in organizational and directional terms.
- 1.11 If requested, please indicate your company's agreement to provide the company's audited financial statements for the last two (2) years.
- 1.12 What product category are you an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or an authorized reseller for? Please check all that apply:
 - Product Category 1
 - Product Category 2
- 1.13 If a reseller, how long has your company been selling the proposed product category as a certified reseller? Please include your level of certification.

2.0 References

- 2.1 Please provide three existing customers (preferably healthcare or academic institutions) who can be contacted for a reference related to the products and services described in the RFP. Details should include: a brief outline of the products and services provided, the length of time the products and services have been provided, a named contact who can be approached for a reference and their contact details. Reference sites should be contacted by Proposer in advance of their inclusion in the proposal response to ensure they are available to provide a reference.
- 2.2 If you did not provide your DUNS number as requested in response to question 1.3 above, please provide two financial references (1 trade reference and 1 financial institution/bank reference). List should include company name, mailing address, telephone number, FAX number, contact person and length of financial relationship.

3.0 Account Management

- 3.1 Provide the name, title and brief resume of the individual who will assume responsibility for the overall contractual relationship with UT System, as well as the individuals who will assume overall responsibility at each Institutional Participant's campus.
- 3.2 Provide a project-staffing plan that identifies all "key" staff members who will be assigned to this account, and define their role in supporting the UT institutions. Please also identify any technical staff to which UT institutions would have access.
- 3.3 Identify the staff/personnel resources outside of your company that you typically engage to assist in providing the products and services contemplated under this RFP, and the role they would play in supporting UT institutions.
- 3.4 Please provide your company's problem resolution process outlining the escalation path for product or service problems that cannot be properly resolved in the normal course of business. Include an escalation matrix showing the hierarchy of management personnel that will be engaged to progressively resolve critical issues.
- 3.5 Where is your company's help desk support line located (e.g., United States, etc.)?
- 3.6 Can your organization geographically support the needs of all UT System institutions across Texas? If no, please detail your limitations.
- 3.7 How does your company guarantee accuracy and consistency in the application of pricing discounts?
- 3.8 Please state how your organization will proactively benchmark the marketplace and pass along any decreases in price during the contract term.
- 3.9 If submitting a proposal for Category 1 Products, will your company agree to allow for periodic review and revision of the contracted Standards?
- 3.10 Describe how your company will educate its management team and sales team about any Agreement awarded to your company as a result of this RFP.

- 3.11 Will your organization work with UT institutions during budgeting cycles to establish estimates for fiscal year budgets?
- 3.12 Can your company provide a secure web site / real time portal that would allow UT Institutions to see the status of all their equipment maintenance, software maintenance, and to track orders and reported technical issues (i.e., account info and activity)? If yes, please describe.
- 3.13 Do you provide hardware (and related software) maintenance support 24 hours a day, seven days a week?
- 3.14 Provide your proposed service level agreement which should include severity or priority levels with initial response time and ultimate resolution time for each level.

4.0 Product Categories

- 4.1 Category 1: Personal Computers including Related Software and Services
 - 4.1.1 Identify the hardware, software, maintenance, and professional services your company is authorized to sell?
 - 4.1.2 Are these services handled by your company or they subcontracted you use a Third party. If your company is subcontracting/partnering with another company(s) or prime supplier, please provide a clear implementation plan outlining each party's responsibilities and utilization/role in delivering the products and services required, timeframe for implementation, and key milestones.
- 4.2 Category 2: Servers and Storage Hardware including Related Software and Services
 - 4.2.1 Identify the hardware, software, maintenance, and professional services your company is authorized to sell?
 - 4.2.2 Are these services handled by your company or they subcontracted you use a Third party. If your company is subcontracting/partnering with another company(s) or prime supplier, please provide a clear implementation plan outlining each party's responsibilities and utilization/role in delivering the products and services required, timeframe for implementation, and key milestones.

5.0 Returns and Shortages

- 5.1 What is the maximum period of time for unconditional (no questions asked) return of new hardware purchases?
- 5.2 Provide details of your return policy; what items are not acceptable for return?
- 5.3 Excluding shipping, what fees are associated with the return of products (e.g., restocking fee, etc.)?
- 5.4 Will you waive any one of the fees identified in question 4.3 as part of your offering?

- 5.5 Does your company provide shipping labels for return products?
- 5.6 Provide details of your process for issuance of “credit memos.”
- 5.7 What is your company’s mechanism for managing and communicating product shortages, back orders and substitutions? Please explain.

6.0 Warranty Guarantees & Reimbursements

- 6.1 Does your company have a labor reimbursement program for warranty repairs performed by the customer? If so, please provide specific details on your company's proposed program. Include your proposed labor reimbursement structure.
- 6.2 Does your company have a certification program for customer technicians? If so, what are the terms, conditions and pricing associated with the certification program (exams, renewal, etc.)?
- 6.3 What are your company's available warranty programs? Please list all available offerings.
- 6.4 Please describe how warranty parts are provided or reimbursed back to the customer?
- 6.5 Can customers order replacement parts online for in-warranty repairs?
- 6.6 Please describe the process for onsite repair by a technician?
- 6.7 What is the average time it takes for your company to provide onsite repair services?
- 6.8 Will your company offer loaner units to an institution for units requiring extensive warranty work?
- 6.9 Does your company offer a “lemon policy” on equipment with recurring technical issues? If yes, please provide details.
- 6.10 Please list any areas in Texas for which your company cannot provide a certified technician to perform warranty repairs.
- 6.11 How are local stocking levels determined for replacement parts?

7.0 Delivery and Installation

- 7.1 Please identify all shipping costs that would be applicable to the products being offered in your organization’s proposal. What is the added cost per unit?
- 7.2 Do you offer bulk packaging? Will your company provide bulk packaging at no additional cost? Please describe.

7.3 Does your organization offer comprehensive training programs for installation, user admin, operations admin?

8.0 Ordering

8.1 Please describe the ordering methods that your company can support (online, phone, email, etc.) Do you offer online ordering for all product offerings?

8.2 Does your company have the ability to create a custom website portal containing a tailored catalog for UT Institutions?

8.3 Does your company have experience integrating with software for e-procurement? If so, please provide details.

8.4 What tools does your company have to create custom quotes, track quotes and shipments?

9.0 Leasing

9.1 Describe any leasing program your company would offer to an Institutional Participant for the products contemplated by this RFP? Please ensure that at a minimum your program addresses the following items where applicable:

- Hard drive Disposal
- Warranties
- Refresh Program
- Asset Monitoring
- Asset Tagging
- Specific Installation Periods
- 24-month, 36-month, and 48-month, 60-month Lease Rates
- Asset Disposal

9.2 Does your company provide leasing through a third-party financing company or do you provide your own financing? Will there be separate invoices for lease payment and service payments?

9.3 What is the name of the Third Party Leasing Company, if applicable?

9.4 Is your company willing to hold the lease rates for a fixed period of time?

9.5 How long will your company maintain fixed rates?

9.6 Please describe what steps are taken to ensure your lease rates stay competitive with suppliers in the leasing market.

10.0 Asset Management

- 10.1 Describe your company's asset management services (e.g. bar coding, multiple site inventory tracking, staged deployment, warehousing, etc.). Please identify which services are an additional cost, and which are included at no additional cost.
- 10.2 What technology and tools can your company provide to an Institutional Participant to support asset management services?
- 10.3 Provide an overview of the various asset management training programs available to an Institutional Participant.
- 10.4 Describe your program capabilities with integrating with internal systems. Which systems have you successfully integrated with in the past?

11.0 Additional Value & Competitive Advantage

- 11.1 Please describe any additional incentives (volume, electronic invoicing, etc.) your organization would like to offer as part of its proposal for UT System's consideration?
- 11.2 Briefly describe your organization's advantage in the marketplace.
- 11.3 Please advise how your organization will maintain its competitive "best value" price and non-price offering long-term.
- 11.4 What fees is your company willing to waive and offer to an Institutional Participant at no cost?

12.0 Maintenance

- 12.1 Can your company provides OEM maintenance contract management at no additional cost? Provide details regarding how devices are reviewed to ensure coverage and how changes to the inventory are managed and reported back to the institution.
- 12.2 Please describe the maintenance services that your company can provide that would be associated with the hardware included in your proposal.

13.0 Reporting

- 13.1 Describe the capacity of your company to report quarterly sales under the Preferred Supplier Agreement by each Institutional Participant as described in 5.4.10. What is the hierarchy level your company can provide?

14.0 Historically Underutilized Businesses

In addition to your completion of the HSP (**Appendix Two**), please respond to the following.

- 14.1 Is your company a State of Texas HUB firm and/or a Small Business (as defined by the US Small Business Administration)? If so, please list all HUB/Small Business categories your company is qualified under.

- 14.2 If your company is subcontracting/partnering with another company(s) or prime supplier, please provide a clear implementation plan outlining each party's responsibilities and utilization/role in delivering the products and services required, timeframe for implementation, and key milestones.

ATTACHMENT A-1

PRICE SCHEDULE: CATEGORY 1 Personal Computer Standard Configurations

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Each standard configuration provides the minimum requirement proposer must quote. Proposer must complete Columns D-G for each Item ID#.
2. If not quoting on an item, Proposer must indicate "no bid" in Column D.
3. Please quote an exact match where possible. UT System understands that Proposer may not offer configurations that exactly meet the Standards listed in Column B. When an exact match is not available, Proposer should quote an equivalent product by indicating "alternate" in Column C and completing Columns H-K. The equivalent product quoted by Proposer must be equivalent or superior in quality and performance to the product identified in Column B.
4. Proposer may quote both an exact match and alternative.

Standards: Small Form Factor Desktop Configuration

ID#	Product Description	QTY	Proposed Offering	Published List Price	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alliance Purchase Price	Alternate Offering Product Description	Alternate Published List Price	Alternate Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alternate Alliance Purchase Price
100	6th Generation Intel® Core™ i5-6500 Quad Core Processor (3.2GHz 6MB cache) Windows Professional, 64-Bit, English (latest version) 8GB (1x8GB) 2133MHz DDR4 Memory, 4 slots up to 32GB 2.5 Inch 500GB (7,200 rpm) Opal 2.0 FIPS Self Encrypting Hard Drive 8X DVD+/-RW Tray Load Optical Disk Drive Integrated Intel® HD Graphics 530 Realtek High-Definition Audio Integrated Intel® i219-LM Ethernet LAN 10/100/1000 240W Power Supply (up to 85% efficient) Monitor Not Included Wired Keyboard, Black Wired Mouse, Black Intel vPro Technology Enabled 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite	1								
101	Intel® Core™ i3-6100, 3.7GHz, Dual Core Standard Software Loaded: Windows Enterprise (latest version), Microsoft Office 2016, Microsoft Endpoint Protection 8GB DDR3 Non-ECC SDRAM, 2400MHz, 1 DIMM 128GB 2.5 SATA Solid State Drive Class 20 8x DVD/RW Optical Drive Intel® Integrated Graphics Internal Business Audio Speaker Monitor Not Included Wired Quiet Key Keyboard, Black Wired Optical Mouse, Black I/O Ports:8 USB;1 DisplayPort;1 RJ-45;1 HDMI 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite	1								
102	7th Gen Intel i5-7600 Quad Core Processor Windows Home 1x8GB 2400MHz DDR4 (with one free/available slot) 128GB SSD hard drive Integrated Video Card No Optical Drive Monitor Not Included 4 Year Hardware Service with onsite service after remote diagnosis Wired Quiet Key Keyboard, Black Wired Optical Mouse, Black Ports: USB 2.0, USB 3.1; HDMI, and Display Port	1								

Intel Unite			
Intel vPro Technology Enabled			

Standards: Mini Tower Desktop Configuration

ID#	Product Description	QTY	Proposed Model	Published List Price	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alliance Purchase Price	Alternate Offering Product Description	Alternate Published List Price	Alternate Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alternate Alliance Purchase Price
103	6th Generation Intel® Core™ i5-6500 Quad Core Processor (3.2GHz 6MB cache) Windows Professional, 64-Bit, English (latest version) 8GB (1x8GB) 2133MHz DDR4 Memory, 4 slots up to 32GB 8X DVD+/-RW Tray Load Optical Disk Drive Integrated Intel® HD Graphics 530 2.5 Inch 500GB (7,200 rpm) Opal 2.0 FIPS Self Encrypting Hard Drive Integrated Intel® i219-LM Ethernet LAN 10/100/1000 240W Power Supply (up to 85% efficient) Wired Multimedia Keyboard Black Wired Optical Mouse Black Intel vPro Technology Enabled Realtek High-Definition Audio Internal Speaker 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite	1								
104	Intel® Core™ i3-6100, 3.7GHz, Dual Core Standard Software Loaded: Windows® Enterprise (latest version), Microsoft Office (latest version) Microsoft Endpoint Protection 8GB DDR3 Non-ECC SDRAM, 2400MHz, 1 DIMM 128GB 2.5 SATA Solid State Drive Class 20 8x DVD/RW Optical Drive Intel® Integrated Graphics Internal Audio Speaker Monitor Not Included Wired Quiet Key Keyboard, Black Wired Optical Mouse, Black I/O Ports:8 USB;1 DisplayPort;1 RJ-45;1 HDMI 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite	1								
105	7th Gen Intel i5-7500 Quad Core Processor Windows Home Edition Monitor Not Included 1x8GB 2400MHz DDR4 128GB SSD hard drive No Optical Drive 4 Year Hardware Service with onsite service after remote diagnosis Wired Quiet Key Keyboard, Black Wired Optical Mouse, Black Ports: USB 2.0, USB 3.1; HDMI, and Display Port Intel vPro Technology Enabled	1								

Standards: Laptop Configurations

ID#	Product Description	QTY	Proposed Model	Published List Price	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alliance Purchase Price	Alternate Offering Product Description	Alternate Published List Price	Alternate Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alternate Alliance Purchase Price
200	6th Generation Intel® Core™ i5-6300U Dual Core Processor (2.4GHz, 3M cache) Windows Professional, 64-Bit, English (latest version) 8GB (1x8GB) 2133MHz DDR4 Memory, 2 slots up to 16GB	1								

	M.2 256GB SATA Class 20 Solid State Drive Opal 2.0 SED Drive 12.5" HD (1366 x 768) Anti-Glare LCD with Camera and Microphone WLAN/WWAN Capable Intel® Integrated HD Graphics 520 Intel® vPro™ Technology Advanced Management Features Smart Card Reader Realtek High Definition Audio Intel Dual-Band Wireless AC 8260 Wi-Fi + BT 4.1 Wireless Card (2x2) 82 Key Internal Backlit English Keyboard 3-Cell Battery 65W A/C Adapter, 3 - Pin 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite 3 Year Hardware Service: Extended Battery Service 3 Year Hardware Service: Accidental Damage Service 3 Year Hardware Service: Harddrive Retention								
201	6th Generation Intel® Core™ i5-6300HQ Quad Core Processor (2.3GHz, 6M cache) Windows Professional, 64-Bit, English (latest version) 8GB (1x8GB) 2133MHz DDR4 Memory, 2 slots up to 16GB M.2 256GB SATA Class 20 Solid State Drive Opal 2.0 SED Drive Internal Single Pointing Keyboard, English Intel® Integrated HD Graphics 530 14.0" HD (1366 x 768) Anti-Glare LCD with Camera and Microphone WLAN Capable Intel Dual-Band Wireless AC 8260 Wi-Fi + BT 4.1 Wireless Card (2x2) Intel® vPro™ Technology Advanced Management Features Single Pointing Palmrest with Contact Smart Card Only Primary 4-Cell (62Whr) Battery Realtek High Definition Audio 90W A/C Adapter 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite 3 Year Hardware Service: Extended Battery Service 3 Year Hardware Service: Accidental Damage Service 3 Year Hardware Service: Harddrive Retention	1							
202	6th Generation Intel® Core™ i5-6300U Dual Core Processor (2.4GHz, 3M cache) Windows Professional, 64-Bit, English (latest version) 8GB (1x8GB) 2133MHz DDR4 Memory, 2 slots up to 16GB M.2 256GB SATA Class 20 Solid State Drive Opal 2.0 SED Drive Internal Dual Pointing Keyboard, English Intel® Integrated HD Graphics 520 15.6" FHD (1920 x 1080) Anti-Glare LCD, Camera and Microphone, WLAN Capable Intel Dual-Band Wireless AC 8260 Wi-Fi + BT 4.1 Wireless Card (2x2) Intel® vPro™ Technology Advanced Management Features Dual Pointing Palmrest with Contact Smart Card Only Primary 4-Cell (62Whr) Battery Realtek High Definition Audio 65W A/C Adapter 3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite 3 Year Hardware Service: Extended Battery Service 3 Year Hardware Service: Accidental Damage Service 3 Year Hardware Service: Harddrive Retention								
203	Intel® Core™ i5-6200U 2.3 GHz processor Standard Software Loaded: Windows® Enterprise (latest version), Microsoft Office (latest version) Microsoft Endpoint Protection 8GB, DDR4-2400MHz SDRAM, 1 DIMM 128GB Solid State Drive M.2 Class 20	1							

	NO Optical Drive (optional external DVD/RW available)								
	15.6" HD(1366X768) anti-glare LCD panel								
	Dock station Not Included								
	Qualcomm QCA61x4A 802.11ac dual band wireless adapter+ Bluetooth								
	Internal English Single Pointing Keyboard								
	3-Cell Battery								
	65 Watt A/C Adapter								
	No Monitor Included								
	Light Sensitive Webcam and Noise Cancelling Digital Array Mic								
	Briefcase 15 inch								
	Intel® Integrated HD Graphics 520								
	3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite								
204	7th Gen Intel i5-7300 Dual Core Processor	1							
	Windows Home Edition								
	14-inch HD touch display with web cam & mic								
	1x8GB 2400MHz DDR4 (one free RAM slot)								
	128GB Solid State Drive								
	No Optical Drive								
	Backlit Keyboard								
	Ports: USB 3.0, USB-C								
	Dock station Not Included								
	Intel 8265 Wi-Fi + BT 4.2 Wireless Card								
	Intel vPro								
	4 Year Hardware Service with onsite service after remote diagnosis								
	2-year extended battery service								

Standards: Tablet Configurations

ID#	Product Description	QTY	Proposed Model	Published List Price	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alliance Purchase Price	Alternate Offering Product Description	Alternate Published List Price	Alternate Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alternate Alliance Purchase Price
300	Intel® Core™ i5 6300U 2.40GHz Standard Software Loaded: Windows® Enterprise (latest version), Microsoft Office (latest version) Microsoft Endpoint Protection 8GB RAM Solid State Drive (SSD) 256GB Drive 12.3 inch 2736 x 1824 Touchscreen Display 802.11 a b g n a/c WiFi with Bluetooth Stylus Pen Included 3 Year Support with 3 Year Accidental Damage Service	1								
301	7th Gen Intel i5-7300 Dual Core Processor Windows Home Edition 12-inch HD touch display with web cam & mic 1x8GB 2400MHz DDR4 (one free RAM slot) 128GB Solid State Drive No Optical Drive Ports: USB 3.0, USB-C Accessories: Active Pen Accessories: detachable keyboard Dock station Not Included Intel 8265 Wi-Fi + BT 4.2 Wireless Card Intel vPro 4 Year Hardware Service with onsite service after remote diagnosis 3 Year accidental damage protection 2 Year extended battery service	1								

Standards: Thin Client Configurations

ID#	Product Description	QTY	Proposed Model	Published List Price	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alliance Purchase Price	Alternate Offering Product Description	Alternate Published List Price	Alternate Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List	Alternate Alliance Purchase Price
400	8GB FLASH / 2GB RAM without WiFi, Non TPM	1								
	24" Monitor									
	Wired Keyboard, Black									
	Wired Mouse, Black									
	15W AC Adapter									
	5 Year Technical Support									
401	2GB (1x2GB) 1600MHZ DDR3L Memory									
	8GB SATA Flash Storage Drive									
	CPU Processor: AMD G-T48E 1.4GHz Dual Core									
	Graphics Processor: AMD Radeon HD6250									
	Internal Wireless 802.11 a/b/g/n, Dual Radio & Dual Antenna @ 300 Mbps									
	Wired Keyboard, Black									
	Wired Mouse, Black									
	65 Watt AC Adapter									
	DVI to VGA Adapter									
	Vertical Stand									
	3 Year Hardware Service with Next Business Day Onsite									
	3 Year Device Maintenance									
	Device Manager Enterprise Seat License									
	3 Year OS Software Maintenance									

ATTACHMENT A-2

PRICE SCHEDULE: CATEGORY 1 Personal Computer Non-Standards

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. For each non-standard product, Proposer will provide percentage discount for the entire catalog of Category 1 Products by manufacturer and product type.
- 2. Proposer must provide the minimum guaranteed percentage discounts for their catalog of products specified in Column B for each Manufacturer. Proposer may insert additional categories.

Manufacturer	Category 1 Product	Model Number	Price List	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount from List
	Desktops			
	Laptops			
	Thin Client Computers			
	Tablets			
	Docking Stations, Monitors, Port Replicators			
	Workstations			
	<i>Please list any other additional products applicable to category 1 below.</i>			

ATTACHMENT A-3 PRICE SCHEDULE: CATEGORY 1 Personal Computer Service Lines

(desktops, laptops, workstations, thin clients, and tablets)

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. For each service line, Proposer must complete Columns A-D.
- 2. Proposer must quote their entire service line for this product category and clearly describe all cost elements (hourly rates, minimum guaranteed discount off list, etc.).

Services	Description	Price Structure	Cost to Institutional Participant
Example: Delivery & Installation			
Example: Asset Management			
Example: Hardware Maintenance			

ATTACHMENT B-1

PRICE SCHEDULE: CATEGORY 2 Servers and Storage Hardware

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For each ID Number, Proposer must complete Columns D
2. If not quoting on a Product, indicate "no bid" in Column D.

ID Number	Product	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount From List	Applicable Price List
A1	Blade Servers	___%	
A2	Tower Servers	___%	
A3	Load Balancer	___%	
A4	Direct Attached Storage Systems (DASD)	___%	
A5	Storage Area Network (SAN)	___%	
A6	Primary Storage	___%	
A7	Disk Storage Systems	___%	
A8	Flash Based Storage Systems	___%	
A9	Hybrid Storage Systems	___%	
A10	Backup Storage Systems	___%	
A11	Recovery Storage Systems	___%	
A12	Archive Storage	___%	
A13	All other Storage Systems	___%	
A14	Tape Drives	___%	
A15	Virtual Tape	___%	
A16	Storage Virtualization (Hardware Based)	___%	
A17	Storage Virtualization (Software Based)	___%	
A18	Network Load Balancer	___%	
A19	Application Load Balancer	___%	
A20	Proxy Load Balancer	___%	
A21	All other Load Balancers	___%	
A22	Power Distribution Unit	___%	
A23	Flywheel UPS Systems	___%	
A24	Battery UPS Systems	___%	
A25	Cooling Distribution Unit (CDU)	___%	
A26	Computer Room Air Conditioners (CRAC)	___%	
A27	Switches	___%	
A28	WAPs	___%	
A29	Routers	___%	
A30	Rack Mounts	___%	
A31	Cabinet Rails	___%	
A32	Cabinet Shelves	___%	
A33	Cabinet Doors	___%	
A34	Server Lifts	___%	
	Additional Product Offerings <i>(Please list any other products applicable to Category 2 below)</i>	Minimum Guaranteed % Discount From List	Applicable Price List
A35		___%	

ATTACHMENT B-2
PRICE SCHEDULE: Servers and Storage Hardware Services
INSTRUCTIONS:
 1. For each service line, Proposer must complete Columns A-D.

 Proposer must clearly describe all cost elements (hourly rates, discount off list, etc.)

Services	Description	Price Structure	Cost to Institutional Participant
Example: Delivery & Installation			
Example: Asset Management			
Example: Hardware Maintenance			
Example: Backup and Archive Management			
Example: Security Management			

APPENDIX TWO
UTILIZATION OF
HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES

Each Proposer must complete and return a HUB Subcontracting Plan (“HSP”) as required under Section 2.5 of this RFP. The HSP Documents are attached.

The HUB goal and category for this RFP is 26.0 percent -Other Services

For questions regarding the HUB forms and requirements contact:

Cynthia L Booker
HUB Coordinator
Office of HUB Programs
The University of Texas System
Phone: (409) 772.1353 or (512)-322-3779
cbooker@utsystem.edu

Guide to Selecting the Appropriate HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

(For UT System Supply Chain Alliance, Scope of Work defined, *non-construction* solicitations only)

*****An HSP is required for all contracts/purchase orders exceeding \$100,000.00 in total life value*****

Complete **ONLY ONE** of the HSP options listed below. Once you determine which option is applicable to your company's subcontracting intentions, complete the form for that option per the instructions included in the applicable HSP form.

Option 1 - Complete a Self-Performing HSP if:

Your company will perform, in-house, ALL areas of advertised Scope of Work, as defined in Section 5 of the RFP/RFQ, or as defined in Invitation to Bids (ITB) exceeding \$100,000.00 in total life-of-contract value. You **cannot** use this option if you choose to subcontract ANY portion of the Scope of Work.

Option 2 – Complete this subcontracting HSP Option if:

ALL *subcontracting* opportunities will be performed by ONLY Texas-certified HUB vendors. You **cannot** use this option if (a) you choose to subcontract ANY portion of the Scope of Work to NON-HUB vendors in addition to HUB subcontractors, or (b) if all subcontracting opportunities will be performed by NON-HUB vendors.

Option 3 – Complete this subcontracting HSP Option if:

1. *Subcontracting* opportunities will be performed by Texas-certified HUB vendors AND NON- HUB vendors.
2. All subcontracted work **will meet or exceed** stated HUB participation percentage goal.

Option 4 – Complete this subcontracting HSP Option if:

1. *Subcontracting* opportunities will be performed by Texas-certified HUB vendors AND/OR NON-HUB vendors.
2. All HUB subcontracted work **will NOT meet** stated HUB participation percentage goal.

NOTE: ALL completed and signed forms ***must*** be scanned and submitted in accordance with RFP Section 3.1

For questions or clarifications regarding the HUB Subcontracting Plan options, please contact the HUB Coordinator listed below:

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Exhibit H – Policy on Utilization Historically Underutilized Businesses *Scope of Work Defined* (SD)*

Option 1 HUB Subcontracting Plan for:

- Commodities
- Special Trades
- Other Services
- Miscellaneous Professional Services

UT System Administration Only

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**Scope of Work as defined in RFP/ Solicitation*

Revision 2 dated June 5, 2017



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* **Note 1:** *If awarded a contract, the Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) is a required form with each payment application submitted. This form is a condition of payment.*

UT System Administration
Historically Underutilized Subcontracting Plans (HSP)
Commodities-39.61%, Other Services-26%, Special
Trades-32.9%, Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%

Option 1 - Complete a Self-Performing HSP as follows:

Section 1

- Respondent and Requisition Information. Complete as indicated on the form. VID # refers to the tax ID number.

Section 2A

- Mark the 'NO', I will not be sub-consulting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources. Continue to Section 3.

Section 3

- Mark the "NO" box and in the space provided indicate how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.

_____ has the resources to complete all scopes of this RFP with our own equipment, supplies, materials and personnel. If sub-contracting opportunities are identified at a future date, we will immediately contact the project manager and HUB Coordinator and commit to perform a Good Faith Effort through solicitation of HUB firms and submit an amended HUB Subcontracting Plan.

Section 4

- Sign the form. Include your e-mail address and contact phone number should UT System HUB have any questions.

HUB Subcontracting Plan Required Documents

HUB forms may also be downloaded at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/offices/historically-underutilized-business/hub-forms>

Changes to the Plan

Once the HUB Plan has been submitted any changes to the HSP must be approved in writing by the UT System project manager and HUB Coordinator **prior** to any work commencing by the new subcontractor. Once the contract has been awarded the HSP is considered part of the contract. Violations to the HSP can be deemed a breach of contract by UT System.

Reporting – After Award

Prime contractor payment requests shall include: Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) identify all HUB and non-HUB subcontractor payments. PAR form and instructions for completion can be found at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/offices/historically-underutilized-business/hub-forms>

NOTE: RESPONSES THAT DO NOT INCLUDE AN HSP WILL BE REJECTED AS A MATERIAL FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ADVERTISED SPECIFICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH RFP/ RFQ.

Regional HUB Coordinator
 The University of Texas System
 Office of HUB Programs
 201 W. 6th Street, Room B.140E
 Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Historically Underutilized Business Plan for (Project Title): _____
 Project/ RFP/ RFQ Number: _____ - _____

Dear

I am pleased to forward this HUB Subcontracting Plan as an integral part of our response in connection with your invitation for Request for Proposals referencing the above project.

I have read and understand The University of Texas System Policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs). I also understand the State of Texas Annual Procurement Goal according to 34 Texas Administrative Code Section 20.284, and the goal as stated in the Agency Special Instructions section of the HUB Subcontracting Plan, page 5.

Subcontractors	No. of Subcontractors	Total Subcontract \$ Value	Total Estimated Subcontracting	% Minority Owned	% Woman Owned	% Service Disabled Veteran
HUB			%	%	%	%
NON-HUB	Not Applicable			%		
TOTAL			%			

I understand the above HUB percentages must represent Texas Comptroller HUB certification standards. For each of the listed HUB firms, I have attached a Texas Comptroller HUB Certification document.

During the course of this contract should we discover additional subcontractors claiming Historically Underutilized Business status or if for some reason a HUB is unable to fulfill its contractual obligation with us, we will notify you immediately in order to take the appropriate steps to amend this HUB subcontracting Plan.

Sincerely,

 (signature)

 (print name)

Project Executive
 cc: Project Manager



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.284 are:

- **11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,**
- **21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,**
- **32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,**
- **23.7 percent for professional services contracts,**
- **26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and**
- **21.1 percent for commodities contracts.**

- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

*In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only the aggregate percentage of the contracts expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which the respondent **does not** have a **continuous contract*** in place for **more than five (5) years** shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.*

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.13(d)(1)(D)(iii), the goals below are the applicable goals for **The University of Texas System Administration only** effective January 1, 2016.

Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%

Commodities-39.61%

Other Services-26%

Special Trades- 32.9%

- Respondents shall submit a completed HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) to be considered responsive. Failure to submit a completed HSP shall result in the bid, proposal or other expression of interest to be considered Non-responsive.
- Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) shall be submitted with each request for payment as a condition of payment. A copy of the UT System Contract Management System (UTCMS) Compliance Report shall be attached to the State of Texas HUB PAR and shall be submitted with each request for payment as a condition of payment.
- Please note that phone logs are no longer acceptable documentation of Good Faith Effort. Only fax, email and certified letter are acceptable.

SECTION 1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORMATION

a. Respondent (Company) Name: _____ State of Texas VID #: _____
 Point of Contact: _____ Phone #: _____
 E-mail Address: _____ Fax #: _____

b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB? - Yes - No

c. Requisition #: _____ Bid Open Date: _____
(mm/dd/yyyy)

SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, **including contracted staffing, goods and services will be subcontracted**. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.282, a "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- **Yes**, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If **Yes**, complete Item b of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- **No**, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources, including employees, goods and services. (If **No**, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you do not have a continuous contract* in place for more than five (5) years .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a continuous contract* in place for more than five (5) years .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
1		%	%	%
2		%	%	%
3		%	%	%
4		%	%	%
5		%	%	%
6		%	%	%
7		%	%	%
8		%	%	%
9		%	%	%
10		%	%	%
11		%	%	%
12		%	%	%
13		%	%	%
14		%	%	%
15		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using **only** Texas certified HUBs to perform **all** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- **No** (If **No**, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)

d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract **with Texas certified HUBs** with which you **do not** have a **continuous contract*** in place with for **more than five (5) years**, **meets or exceeds** the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements."

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- **No** (If **No**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

***Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: _____

Requisition #: _____

SECTION 3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4.) If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, in the space provided below **explain how** your company will perform the entire contract with its own employees, supplies, materials and/or equipment.

Large empty rectangular box for providing the self-performing justification.

SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report – PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>
	email address	Phone Number	

Reminder:

- If you responded "Yes" to **SECTION 2, Items c or d**, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "**No**" **SECTION 2, Items c and d**, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.



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Exhibit H – Policy on Utilization Historically Underutilized Businesses *Scope of Work Defined* (SD)*

Option 2 HUB Subcontracting Plan for:

- Commodities
- Special Trades
- Other Services
- Miscellaneous Professional Services

UT System Administration Only

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**Scope of Work as defined in RFP/ Solicitation*



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UT System Administration
Historically Underutilized Subcontracting Plans (HSP)
Commodities-39.61%, Other Services-26%, Special
Trades-32.9%, Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%

Option 2 – Complete if all subcontracting opportunities are performed by ONLY HUB vendors.

Section 1

- Respondent and Requisition Information. Complete as indicated on the form. VID # refers to the tax ID number.

Section 2A

- Mark the ‘YES’, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract.

Section 2B

- List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicated the percentage of the contract you expect to award to HUB vendors.

Section 2C

- Mark “YES”.

Section 4

- Sign the form. Include your e-mail address and contact phone number should UT System HUB have any questions.

Good-Faith Effort (Attachment A)

Section A-1

- Complete this attachment for each subcontracting opportunity listed in Section 2B.

Section A2

- List the subcontractors you selected to perform this subcontracting opportunity listed above in Section A-1. Please include their VID #, State of Texas HUB certificate, the appropriate \$ amount and the contract percentage.

HUB Subcontracting Plan Required Documents

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RE: Historically Underutilized Business Plan for (Project Title): _____
 Project/ RFP/ RFQ Number: _____ - _____

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I have read and understand The University of Texas System Policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs). I also understand the State of Texas Annual Procurement Goal according to 34 Texas Administrative Code Section 20.284, and the goal as stated in the Agency Special Instructions section of the HUB Subcontracting Plan, page 5.

Subcontractors	No. of Subcontractors	Total Subcontract \$ Value	Total Estimated Subcontracting	% Minority Owned	% Woman Owned	% Service Disabled Veteran
HUB			%	%	%	%
NON-HUB			%			
TOTAL			%			

I understand the above HUB percentages must represent Texas Comptroller HUB certification standards. For each of the listed HUB firms, I have attached a Texas Comptroller HUB Certification document.

During the course of this contract should we discover additional subcontractors claiming Historically Underutilized Business status or if for some reason a HUB is unable to fulfill its contractual obligation with us, we will notify you immediately in order to take the appropriate steps to amend this HUB subcontracting Plan.

Sincerely,

 (signature)

 (print name)

Project Executive
 cc: Project Manager



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

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- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

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In accordance with 34 TAC §20.13(d)(1)(D)(iii), the goals below are the applicable goals for **The University of Texas System Administration only** effective January 1, 2016.

Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%

Commodities-39.61%

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SECTION 1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORMATION

a. Respondent (Company) Name: _____

State of Texas VID #: _____

Point of Contact: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Fax #: _____

b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB? - Yes - No

c. Requisition #: _____

Bid Open Date: _____
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SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, **including contracted staffing, goods and services will be subcontracted**. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.282, a "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- **Yes**, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If **Yes**, complete Item b of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- **No**, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources, including employees, goods and services. (If **No**, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
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(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using **only** Texas certified HUBs to perform **all** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
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Enter your company's name here: _____

Requisition #: _____

SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS (CONTINUATION SHEET)

This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, Section 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

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Requisition #: _____

SECTION 3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4.) If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, in the space provided below **explain how** your company will perform the entire contract with its own employees, supplies, materials and/or equipment.

NOT APPLICABLE

SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
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- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
	_____	_____	
	email address	Phone Number	

Reminder:

- If you responded "Yes" to **SECTION 2, Items c or d**, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "**No**" **SECTION 2, Items c and d**, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.



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Office of HUB Programs
512-499-4530
www.utsystem.edu/hub

Exhibit H – Policy on Utilization Historically Underutilized Businesses *Scope of Work Defined* (SD)*

Option 3 HUB Subcontracting Plan for:

- Commodities
- Special Trades
- Other Services
- Miscellaneous Professional Services

UT System Administration Only

For questions or clarifications regarding the HUB Subcontracting Plan, please contact the HUB Coordinator listed below:

Cynthia Booker
HUB Coordinator
409.772.1353 or 512.322.3779
cbooker@utsystem.edu

**Scope of Work as defined in RFP/ Solicitation*

Revision 2 dated June 5, 2017



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* **Note 1:** *If awarded a contract, the Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) is a required form with each payment application submitted. This form is a condition of payment.*

UT System Administration
Historically Underutilized Subcontracting Plans (HSP)
Commodities-39.61%, Other Services-26%, Special
Trades-32.9%, Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%

Option 3 – Complete if subcontracting opportunities by both HUB and non-HUB vendors meet or exceed the HUB goals stated above.

Section 1

- Respondent and Requisition Information. Complete as indicated on the form. VID # refers to the tax ID number.

Section 2A

- Mark the ‘YES’, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract.

Section 2B

- List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicated the percentage of the contract you expect to award to HUB vendors and Non HUB vendors

Section 2C

- Mark “NO”.

Section 2D

- Mark “YES”.

Section 4

- Sign the form. Include your e-mail address and contact phone number should UT System HUB have any questions.

Good-Faith Effort (Attachment A)

- Complete this attachment for each subcontracting opportunity listed in Section 2B.

Section A1

- List the name of the subcontracting opportunity listed on the corresponding line in Section 2B.

Section A2

- Please include their VID #, State of Texas HUB certificate, the appropriate \$ amount and the contract percentage.

HUB Subcontracting Plan Required Documents

HUB forms may also be downloaded at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/offices/historically-underutilized-business/hub-forms>

Changes to the Plan

Once the HUB Plan has been submitted any changes to the HSP must be approved in writing by the UT System project manager and HUB Coordinator **prior** to any work commencing by the new subcontractor. Once the contract has been awarded the HSP is considered part of the contract. Violations to the HSP can be deemed a breach of contract by UT System.

Reporting – After Award

Prime contractor payment requests shall include: Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) identify all HUB and non-HUB subcontractor payments. PAR form and instructions for completion can be found at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/offices/historically-underutilized-business/hub-forms>

NOTE: RESPONSES THAT DO NOT INCLUDE AN HSP WILL BE REJECTED AS A MATERIAL FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ADVERTISED SPECIFICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RFP/ RFQ.

Regional HUB Coordinator
 The University of Texas System
 Office of HUB Programs
 201 W. 6th Street, Room B.140E
 Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Historically Underutilized Business Plan for (Project Title): _____
 Project/ RFP/ RFQ Number: _____ - _____

Dear

I am pleased to forward this HUB Subcontracting Plan as an integral part of our response in connection with your invitation for Request for Proposals referencing the above project.

I have read and understand The University of Texas System Policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs). I also understand the State of Texas Annual Procurement Goal according to 34 Texas Administrative Code Section 20.284, and the goal as stated in the Agency Special Instructions section of the HUB Subcontracting Plan, page 5.

Subcontractors	No. of Subcontractors	Total Subcontract \$ Value	Total Estimated Subcontracting	% Minority Owned	% Woman Owned	% Service Disabled Veteran
HUB			%	%	%	%
NON-HUB			%			
TOTAL			%			

I understand the above HUB percentages must represent Texas Comptroller HUB certification standards. For each of the listed HUB firms, I have attached a Texas Comptroller HUB Certification document.

During the course of this contract should we discover additional subcontractors claiming Historically Underutilized Business status or if for some reason a HUB is unable to fulfill its contractual obligation with us, we will notify you immediately in order to take the appropriate steps to amend this HUB subcontracting Plan.

Sincerely,

 (signature)

 (print name)

Project Executive
 cc: Project Manager



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.284 are:

- **11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,**
- **21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,**
- **32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,**
- **23.7 percent for professional services contracts,**
- **26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and**
- **21.1 percent for commodities contracts.**

- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

*In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only the aggregate percentage of the contracts expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which the respondent **does not** have a **continuous contract*** in place for **more than five (5) years** shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.*

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.13(d)(1)(D)(iii), the goals below are the applicable goals for **The University of Texas System Administration only** effective January 1, 2016.

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a. Respondent (Company) Name: _____	State of Texas VID #: _____
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E-mail Address: _____	Fax #: _____
b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB? - Yes - No	
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As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
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Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date
(mm/dd/yyyy)

email address

Phone Number

Reminder:

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HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)

Enter your company's name here: _____	Requisition #: _____
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IMPORTANT: If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the format <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>

SECTION A-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

SECTION A-2: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed above in SECTION A-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number or federal Employer Identification Number (EIN), the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, and the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/passcmbsearch/passcmbsearch.do>. HUB status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	Texas VID or federal EIN <small>Do not enter Social Security Numbers. If you do not know their VID / EIN, leave their VID / EIN field blank.</small>	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
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REMINDER: As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report

This form must be completed and submitted to the contracting agency each month to document compliance with your HSP.

Contract/Requisition Number: _____	Date of Award: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)	Object Code: _____ <small>(Agency Use Only)</small>
Contracting Agency/University Name: _____		
Contractor (Company) Name: _____	State of Texas VID #: _____	
Point of Contact: _____	Phone #: _____	
Reporting (Month) Period: _____	Total Amount Paid this Reporting Period to Contractor: \$ _____	

Report HUB and Non-HUB subcontractor information

Subcontractor's Name	Subcontractor's VID or HUB Certificate Number	*Texas Certified HUB? (Yes or No)	Total Contract \$ Amount from HSP Subcontractor	Total \$ Amount Paid This Reporting Period to Subcontractor	Total Contract \$ Amount Paid to Date to Subcontractor	Object Code <small>(Agency Use Only)</small>
			\$	\$	\$	
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			\$	\$	\$	
TOTALS:			\$	\$	\$	

Signature: _____	Title: _____	Date: _____
Printed Name: _____	Phone #: _____	



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Office of HUB Programs
512-499-4530
www.utsystem.edu/hub

Exhibit H – Policy on Utilization Historically Underutilized Businesses *Scope of Work Defined* (SD)*

Option 4 HUB Subcontracting Plan for:

- Commodities
- Special Trades
- Other Services
- Miscellaneous Professional Services

UT System Administration Only

For questions or clarifications regarding the HUB Subcontracting Plan, please contact the HUB Coordinator listed below:

Cynthia Booker
HUB Coordinator
409.772.1353 or 512.322.3779
cbooker@utsystem.edu

**Scope of Work as defined in RFP/ Solicitation*

Revision 2 dated June 5, 2017



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* **Note 1:** *If awarded a contract, the Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) is a required form with each payment application submitted. This form is a condition of payment.*

UT System Administration
Historically Underutilized Subcontracting Plans (HSP)
Commodities-39.61%, Other Services-26%, Special
Trades-32.9%, Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%

Option 4 - Complete a Subcontracting HSP as follows:

Section 1

- Respondent and Requisition Information. Complete as indicated on the form. VID # refers to the tax ID number.

Section 2A

- Mark the ‘YES’, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract.

Section 2B

- List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicated the percentage of the contract you expect to award to HUB vendors and Non HUB vendors.

Section 2C

- Mark “NO”.

Section 2D

- Mark “NO”.

Section 4

- Sign the form. Include your e-mail address and contact phone number should UT System HUB have any questions.

Good-Faith Effort (Attachment B)

- Complete this attachment for each subcontracting opportunity listed in Section 2B.

Section B1

- List the name of the subcontracting opportunity listed on the corresponding line in Section 2B.

Section B3

- Subsection (b)- List 3 three HUBs you notified regarding the portion of work indicated in Section B1. **NOTE: Attach addressed and dated supporting documentation in the form of letters, fax transmittals, e-mails etc. demonstrating evidence of the Good Faith Effort performed. Please note that you must give the subcontractor 7 working days to respond to your request. Holidays and skeleton crew days do not count as working days.**

Subsection (d) – Indicate the names of two minority or women’s organization you contacted. **NOTE: Include copies of correspondence as well as the date the notice is sent and indicate if the notice was accepted or rejected.** The minority organizations at the link below, have expressed their willingness to accept notices of subcontracting opportunities from vendors to distribute to their minority and woman-owned business members.
<https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/resources.php>

Section B4

List the subcontractor you selected to perform the portion of the work indicated in Section 3. Include the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, the dollar value and whether company selected is a HUB. If company selected is not a HUB, provide written justification of your selection process in Section B4, sub-section b.

NOTE: RESPONSES THAT DO NOT INCLUDE AN HSP WILL BE REJECTED AS A MATERIAL FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ADVERTISED SPECIFICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RFP/ RFQ.

(Option 4 - Continued next page)

(cont.) Option 4 - Complete a Subcontracting HSP as follows:

Determination of Good Faith Effort in developing an HSP for commodities contracts includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Divide the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices.
2. The respondent shall notify HUBs of subcontracting opportunities that the respondent intends to subcontract in writing. Notice shall include the following:
 - a. Scope of work
 - b. Specifications
 - c. Identify a contact person with phone number and emailThe respondent shall provide potential HUB subcontractors no less than seven (7) working days from receipt of notice to respond.
3. The respondent shall use the Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL), HUB Directory, Internet resources, and/or other directories as identified by the agency when searching for HUB subcontractors. Respondents may also rely on the services of minority/ women and community organizations, contractor groups, local, state and federal business assistance offices in identifying qualified HUB subcontractors. Search the CMBL at: <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/tpasscmbllsearch/tpasscmbllsearch.do>
4. The respondent shall provide notice of subcontracting opportunities to **minority/women trade organizations or development centers** to assist in identifying HUBs by disseminating subcontracting opportunities to their membership. Minority and business contacts may be found at: <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/resources.php>
Notice must be provided no less than seven (7) working days prior to the submission of the response. Notice shall include the following:
 - a. Scope of work
 - b. Specifications
 - c. Identify a contact person
5. The respondent shall provide notice to three or more HUBs per each subcontracting opportunity that provide the type of work required for each subcontracting opportunity identified in the contract specifications or any other subcontracting opportunity the respondent cannot complete with its own equipment, supplies, materials, and/or employees. The respondent must keep and provide official written documentation (i.e. fax transmittals, email, etc. to demonstrate compliance).
6. Provide written justification of the selection process if a non HUB subcontractor is selected.
7. Encourage selected non-certified minority or woman owned business subcontractors to apply for HUB certification. If the minority or woman owned vendor is not a State certified HUB you may refer the firm to the HUB office for additional information on becoming HUB certified or the State HUB website <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/resources.php>

HUB Subcontracting Plan Required Documents

HUB forms may also be downloaded at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/offices/historically-underutilized-business/hub-forms>

Changes to the Plan

Once the HUB Plan has been submitted any changes to the HSP must be approved in writing by the UT System project manager and HUB Coordinator **prior** to any work commencing by the new subcontractor. Once the contract has been awarded the HSP is considered part of the contract. Violations to the HSP can be deemed a breach of contract by UT System.

Reporting – After Award

Prime contractor payment requests shall include: Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) identify all HUB and non-HUB subcontractor payments. PAR form and instructions for completion can be found at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/offices/historically-underutilized-business/hub-forms>

Regional HUB Coordinator
 The University of Texas System
 Office of HUB Programs
 201 W. 6th Street, Room B.140E
 Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Historically Underutilized Business Plan for (Project Title): _____
 Project/ RFP/ RFQ Number: _____ - _____

Dear

I am pleased to forward this HUB Subcontracting Plan as an integral part of our response in connection with your invitation for Request for Proposals referencing the above project.

I have read and understand The University of Texas System Policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs). I also understand the State of Texas Annual Procurement Goal according to 34 Texas Administrative Code Section 20.284, and the goal as stated in the Agency Special Instructions section of the HUB Subcontracting Plan, page 6.

Subcontractors	No. of Subcontractors	Total Subcontract \$ Value	Total Estimated Subcontracting	% Minority Owned	% Woman Owned	% Service Disabled Veteran
HUB			%	%	%	%
NON-HUB			%			
TOTAL			%			

I understand the above HUB percentages must represent Texas Comptroller HUB certification standards. For each of the listed HUB firms, I have attached a Texas Comptroller HUB Certification document.

During the course of this contract should we discover additional subcontractors claiming Historically Underutilized Business status or if for some reason a HUB is unable to fulfill its contractual obligation with us, we will notify you immediately in order to take the appropriate steps to amend this HUB subcontracting Plan.

Sincerely,

 (signature)

 (print name)

Project Executive
 cc: Project Manager



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.284 are:

- **11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,**
- **21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,**
- **32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,**
- **23.7 percent for professional services contracts,**
- **26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and**
- **21.1 percent for commodities contracts.**

- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

*In accordance with 34 TAC §20.285(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only the aggregate percentage of the contracts expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which the respondent **does not** have a **continuous contract*** in place for **more than five (5) years** shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.*

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.13(d)(1)(D)(iii), the goals below are the applicable goals for **The University of Texas System Administration only** effective January 1, 2016.

- Miscellaneous Professional Services – 23.7%**
- Commodities-39.61%**
- Other Services-26%**
- Special Trades- 32.9%**

- Respondents shall submit a completed HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) to be considered responsive. Failure to submit a completed HSP shall result in the bid, proposal or other expression of interest to be considered Non-responsive.
- Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report (PAR) shall be submitted with each request for payment as a condition of payment. A copy of the UT System Contract Management System (UTCMS) Compliance Report shall be attached to the State of Texas HUB PAR and shall be submitted with each request for payment as a condition of payment.
- Please note that phone logs are no longer acceptable documentation of Good Faith Effort. Only fax, email and certified letter are acceptable.

SECTION 1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORMATION

a. Respondent (Company) Name: _____ State of Texas VID #: _____
 Point of Contact: _____ Phone #: _____
 E-mail Address: _____ Fax #: _____

b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB? - Yes - No

c. Requisition #: _____ Bid Open Date: _____
 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, **including contracted staffing, goods and services will be subcontracted**. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.282, a "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- **Yes**, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If **Yes**, complete Item b of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- **No**, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources, including employees, goods and services. (If **No**, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you do not have a continuous contract* in place for more than five (5) years .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a continuous contract* in place for more than five (5) years .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
1		%	%	%
2		%	%	%
3		%	%	%
4		%	%	%
5		%	%	%
6		%	%	%
7		%	%	%
8		%	%	%
9		%	%	%
10		%	%	%
11		%	%	%
12		%	%	%
13		%	%	%
14		%	%	%
15		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using **only** Texas certified HUBs to perform **all** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- **No** (If **No**, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)

d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract **with Texas certified HUBs** with which you **do not** have a **continuous contract*** in place with for **more than five (5) years**, **meets or exceeds** the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements."

- **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- **No** (If **No**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

***Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: _____

Requisition #: _____

SECTION 2: RESPONDENT'S SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS (CONTINUATION SHEET)

This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, Section 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you do not have a continuous contract* in place for more than five (5) years.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a continuous contract* in place for more than five (5) years.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
16		%	%	%
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19		%	%	%
20		%	%	%
21		%	%	%
22		%	%	%
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24		%	%	%
25		%	%	%
26		%	%	%
27		%	%	%
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32		%	%	%
33		%	%	%
34		%	%	%
35		%	%	%
36		%	%	%
37		%	%	%
38		%	%	%
39		%	%	%
40		%	%	%
41		%	%	%
42		%	%	%
43		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

***Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: _____

Requisition #: _____

SECTION 3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4.) If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, in the space provided below **explain how** your company will perform the entire contract with its own employees, supplies, materials and/or equipment.

NOT APPLICABLE

SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report – PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
	_____	_____	
	email address	Phone Number	

Reminder:

- If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "No" SECTION 2, Items c and d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

Enter your company's name here: _____ Requisition #: _____

IMPORTANT: If you responded “No” to SECTION 2, Items c and d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed “HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)” for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>

SECTION B-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

SECTION B-2: MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM

If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that specific portion of work.

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.

- Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTIONB-4.)
- No / Not Applicable (If No or Not Applicable, continue to SECTION B-3 and SECTIONB-4.)

SECTION B-3: NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

When completing this section you **MUST** comply with items **a, b, c and d**, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person. When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/forms.php>

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers. Also, be mindful that a working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be “day zero” and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.

- a.** Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs **at least seven (7) working days** to respond to the notice prior to you submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/tpasscmbsearch/tpasscmbsearch.do>. HUB status code “A” signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b.** List the **three (3) Texas certified HUBs** you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

Company Name	Texas VID <small>(Do not enter Social Security Numbers.)</small>	Date Notice Sent <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Did the HUB Respond?
			- Yes - No
			- Yes - No
			- Yes - No

- c.** Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to **two (2)** or more trade organizations or development centers in Texas to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to trade organizations or development centers **at least seven (7) working days** prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/resources.php>

- d.** List **two (2) trade organizations or development centers** you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

Trade Organizations or Development Centers	Date Notice Sent <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Was the Notice Accepted?
		- Yes - No
		- Yes - No

HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B) Cont.

Enter your company's name here: _____	Requisition #: _____
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SECTION B-4: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in **SECTION 2, Item b**, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

a. Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity for which you are completing this Attachment B continuation page.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

b. List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in **SECTION B-1**. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their Texas Vendor Identification (VID) Number or federal Employer Identification Number (EIN), the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, and the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted. When searching for Texas certified HUBs and verifying their HUB status, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) - Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Directory Search located at <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/tpasscmlsearch/tpasscmlsearch.do>. HUB status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	Texas VID or federal EIN <small>Do not enter Social Security Numbers. If you do not know their VID / EIN, leave their VID / EIN field blank.</small>	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%

c. If any of the subcontractors you have selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in **SECTION B-1** is not a Texas certified HUB, provide written justification for your selection process (attach additional page if necessary):

REMINDER: As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to **all** the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity it (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report

This form must be completed and submitted to the contracting agency each month to document compliance with your HSP.

Contract/Requisition Number: _____ Date of Award: _____ Object Code: _____
(mm/dd/yyyy) (Agency Use Only)

Contracting Agency/University Name: _____

Contractor (Company) Name: _____ State of Texas VID #: _____

Point of Contact: _____ Phone #: _____

Reporting (Month) Period: _____ Total Amount Paid this Reporting Period to Contractor: \$ _____

Report HUB and Non-HUB subcontractor information

Subcontractor's Name	Subcontractor's VID or HUB Certificate Number	*Texas Certified HUB? (Yes or No)	Total Contract \$ Amount from HSP Subcontractor	Total \$ Amount Paid This Reporting Period to Subcontractor	Total Contract \$ Amount Paid to Date to Subcontractor	Object Code (Agency Use Only)
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Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Phone #: _____



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Addendum Issue Date: **May 15, 2018**

ADDENDUM 1
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
UTS/A66
PC & DATA CENTER HARDWARE
AND RELATED SERVICES

DIRECT QUESTIONS TO: Nancy Martinez via the SciQuest System

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Item One:

The Pre-proposal Conference Presentation (May 15, 2018) is attached hereto.

Item Two:

The Pre-proposal Conference Attendee List (May 15, 2018) is attached hereto.

All other terms, conditions and requirements set forth in RFP UTS/A66 remain unchanged and in effect.

END OF ADDENDUM 1

Attendee

Report: UTS/A66 PC and Data Center Hardware and Related Services

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Addendum Issue Date: **May 22, 2018**

ADDENDUM 2
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
UTS/A66
PC & DATA CENTER HARDWARE
AND RELATED SERVICES

DIRECT QUESTIONS TO: Nancy Martinez via the Jaggaer (SciQuest) System

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Item One:

The deadline for questions/concerns is extended to Friday, May 25, 2018 at 5:00 PM, Houston Time.

Section 2.2, last paragraph, Amend as follows:

Delete: UT System specifically instructs all interested parties to restrict all contact and questions regarding this RFP to written communications forwarded to the UT System Contact. The UT System Contact must receive all questions or concerns no later than **5:00 PM**, Houston Time, on **May 22, 2018**. UT System will use a reasonable amount of time to respond to questions or concerns. It is UT System's intent to respond to all appropriate questions and

Insert: UT System specifically instructs all interested parties to restrict all contact and questions regarding this RFP to written communications forwarded to the UT System Contact. The UT System Contact must receive all questions or concerns no later than **5:00 PM**, Houston Time, on **May 25, 2018**. UT System will use a reasonable amount of time to respond to questions or concerns. It is UT System's intent to respond to all appropriate questions and

Section 2.4, Deadline for Questions/Concerns, Amend as follows:

Delete: Deadline for Questions/Concerns May 22, 2018, (ref. **Section 2.2** of this RFP) 5:00 PM, Houston Time

Insert: Deadline for Questions/Concerns May 25, 2018, (ref. **Section 2.2** of this RFP) 5:00 PM, Houston Time

Item Two:

Supplier Questions we have received as of May 22, 2018 and Answers.

1. Is it the Alliance's desire to see responses from the resellers as primary contractors with the OEMs as the subcontractor?

A: There is no predetermined preference. All vendors and proposed business models will be afforded an equal and fair opportunity by the Evaluation Team. We encourage you to submit a proposal for the business model your firm feels would best serve the needs of UT System.

2. Can you define EIR and what role it will play in the goods and services contained within this RFP?

A: EIR means Electronic and Information Resources. Proposers should answer questions in Appendix 5 – EIR based on the hardware they would be selling to an Institution for their individual use.

3. Is this section directed at the internal systems of the Proposer (i.e. ERP system) or product and services within a product category of the RFP? If directed towards a product category, which products?

A: The submitted question does not identify the section number, we are therefore unable to appropriately answer the question.

4. Can you please provide the Execution of Offer as a separate document for printing? It currently begins in the middle of page 5.

A: The document will suffice as currently provided. Please print Appendix One - Section 2, sign, and upload the document.

5. Section 5.5, Question 2.1: Can the references be from within the UT System entities? If yes, will these be given equal, higher, or lower weight than non-UT System references?

A: The references can be from within UT System or other outside institutions (preferably healthcare or academic institutions) who can be contacted for a reference related to the products and services described in the RFP.

6. For the HUB Subcontracting Plan, will it count against a company to elect Option 1 – Self performing HSP?

A: No. UT System Policy #137 requires a “good-faith effort” to include minority and woman-owned businesses in all of our procurement opportunities. A supplier may submit a HUB Subcontracting Plan and elect option 1.

7. Is there a limit on bidding multiple manufacturer options on this RFP? For example, Dell and HPE.

A: There is no limit. We encourage you to submit a proposal that your firm feels would best meet the needs of UT System.

8. If multiple manufacturers are allowed, how do you prefer that Appendix Five be submitted – one document with various sections for each manufacturer, or separate documents for each manufacturer?

A: Appendix Five should be submitted as one document. If the products are homogeneous, treat all as one. If different, detail common characteristics and salient differences per manufacturer.

9. If multiple manufacturers are allowed, how do you prefer that Appendix Six be submitted – one document with various sections for each manufacturer, or separate documents for each manufacturer?

A: Appendix Six should be submitted as one document. If security are significant differentiators then separate sections for each manufacturer.

10. If multiple manufacturers are allowed, how do you prefer that Attachments A & B be submitted – one document with various sections for each manufacturer, or separate documents for each manufacturer?

A: One document that includes multiple manufacturers.

11. Can the response due date of this RFP be extended by 60 days (8/6/18)? If an extension isn't available, please advise on the time line for the next opportunity to apply for this contract.

A: The RFP deadline is June 6, 2018 at 3:00 PM, Houston Time. We are not extending the bid deadline at this time. The next anticipated RFP, for the specific product categories contemplated by this current RFP, would be at or near the expiration of any contracts awarded as a result of this current RFP. We would encourage you to please visit the MD Anderson open bid website regularly to view any opportunities available by the UT System Supply Chain Alliance.

All other terms, conditions and requirements set forth in RFP UTS/A66 remain unchanged and in effect.

END OF ADDENDUM 2



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Addendum Issue Date: **May 29, 2018**

ADDENDUM 3
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
UTS/A66
PC & DATA CENTER HARDWARE
AND RELATED SERVICES

DIRECT QUESTIONS TO: Nancy Martinez via the Jaggaer (SciQuest) System

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Item One:

The deadline to submit a proposal for UTS/A66 PC & DATA CENTER HARDWARE AND RELATED SERVICES RFP has been extended to June 14, 2018 at 3:00 PM (Houston TX Time)

Section 2.1, Amend as follows:

Delete: **Submittal Deadline**
UT System will accept proposals submitted in response to this RFP until **3:00 PM**, Houston Time, on **June 6, 2018** (the "**Submittal Deadline**").

Insert: **Submittal Deadline**
UT System will accept proposals submitted in response to this RFP until **3:00 PM**, Houston Time, on **June 14, 2018** (the "**Submittal Deadline**").

Section 2.4, Submittal Deadline, Amend as follows:

Delete: Submittal Deadline June 6, 2018,
(ref. **Section 2.1** of this RFP) 3:00 PM, Houston Time

Insert: Submittal Deadline June 14, 2018,
(ref. **Section 2.1** of this RFP) 3:00 PM, Houston Time

Item Two:

A reminder to all proposers, the deadline for questions/concerns is Friday, May 25, 2018 at 5:00 PM, Houston Time.

All other terms, conditions and requirements set forth in RFP UTS/A66 remain unchanged and in effect.

END OF ADDENDUM 3



RFP Submittal Deadline: **June 14, 2018** at **3:00 PM** (CST)

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Addendum Issue Date: **May 29, 2018**

ADDENDUM 4
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
UTS/A66
PC & DATA CENTER HARDWARE
AND RELATED SERVICES

DIRECT QUESTIONS TO: Nancy Martinez via the Jaggaer (SciQuest) System

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Item One:

Supplier Questions that arrived after May 22, 2018 and Answers.

1. If awarded a contract, would it be acceptable for the Preferred Supplier to report sales and pay the administrative fee for spend under the Preferred Supplier or one of its HUBs?
A: Yes. The Preferred Supplier will be responsible for reporting Total Net Sales and paying to the Alliance an administrative fee of the Total Net Sales under the agreement.
2. During the pre-proposal conference, UTS said it would clarify the intention of Appendix 5: EIR Environment Specifications and Appendix 6: Security Characteristics and Functionality of Contractor's Information Resources. Can you please clarify how UTS expects the proposer to respond to each?
A: Please review the answer to questions #'s 2, 8, and 9 provided in Addendum 2 to UTS/A66 RFP.
3. What are the approximate individual budgets or spend estimates for category 1 and category 2 within the RFP?
A: There is currently \$70M a year going through the existing Alliance agreements for Computing Hardware Category 1. Based on spend data we have obtained from some of our UT Institutions, it is estimated that there is potential for an additional \$80M in annual spend to be captured by contracting for Computing Hardware Category 2.
4. Is role-based access to reporting and order visibility a requirement, or is it expected to be delivered centrally to an individual or distribution list?
A: As part of an awarded contract, the Preferred Supplier will be required to submit sales and management reports to the UT Supply Chain Alliance Strategic Services Group (SSG). In

addition, operational reports at the campus level may be requested and agreed upon by the Institutional Participant and the Preferred Supplier.

5. Are there requirements for local staging ahead of delivery?
A: Each Institutional Participant will have varied needs and requirements. Preferred Suppliers are expected to work directly with each Institutional Participant to identify and meet local requirements.
6. What is the SLA expectation from order placement to delivery?
A: SLAs will be addressed in any contract awarded as a result of this RFP. Please refer to question # 3.14 in the Proposer's Survey. We request that you provide a copy of your standard SLA for review and consideration by the evaluation team.
7. Where will the spec for "staged to order" requirements to be published? Are they consistent across all campuses?
A: Each Institutional Participant will have varied needs and requirements. Preferred Suppliers are expected to work directly with each Institutional Participant to identify and meet local requirements.
8. For campuses with aesthetic requirements and regulations, is there a delivery schedule to abide by or non-delivery days?
A: Yes. The awarded supplier will be expected to work with each Institutional Participant to identify the specific delivery schedule.
9. Are any post-delivery management services related to devices required aside from support and maintenance such as security, performance, or location monitoring?
A: Each Institutional Participant will have varied needs and requirements. We request that Proposer identify all the services their company can provide and their proposed cost for these services.
10. Will UT System be notifying OEM providers that a specific supplier has been named the preferred supplier?
A: Each Supplier that submits a proposal will receive communication on the status of their proposal by the Strategic Services Group.
11. Does UT System have any PREFERRED HUB suppliers that we should prioritize engagement with to maintain continuity?
A: No.
12. Are there specific requirements or formatting preferences for reporting MBE spend?
A: Yes. The requirements will be included in an awarded agreement.
13. Can you define monthly volume for orders in units per month?
A: No, we do not have this level of detail as volume and requirements will vary by Institutional Participant.
14. On attachment B, how should we submit different discounts for different subcategories within the broader category? For example, for Disk Storage Systems, there will be different discounts for

Tier 1 Solid State drives than for lower-tier spinning disk. How should we reflect this in the attachment?

A: Attachment B is an unlocked file. A proposer would be able to include the product category and their proposed pricing for the category in the document.

15. Do you have a network design, we can see the network and make suggestions per location? If no, do you have general specs that you wish to have?

A: We do not have this information as the network specifications will vary by Institutional Participant.

16: What type of warranty do you need?

A: Please include the warranty options your company can provide and the associated costs in your proposal.

17. Any special rules regarding cloud and virtualization policy and procsures regarding cloud offerings or virtuallaiztion their own

A: We are unclear what is being asked in this question. Policies and initiatives related to cloud and virtualization will vary by Institutional Participant. Preferred Supplier is expected to work with each Institutional Participant to understand their specific needs and requirements.

18. Do both categories need to be answered or can one be answered?

A: A proposer may submit their proposal for both Category 1 and 2 or submit a proposal for just one of the categories.

19. For the lease option will UT be the lessee or will the chosen company be the lessee?

A: The lessee would be the Institutional Participant.

20. UT System RFP No. UTS/A66 , Section 6 Price and Schedule Affirmation states: The prices quoted in in response to this RFP (see **Section 5.6**) will be Proposer's guaranteed pricing. But there is no Section 5.6 in Section 5 Specifications Questions & SOW. There is a 5.6 in Section 5.5 Proposers Survey, but it refers to Credit Memos. Can you please clarify?

A. The referenced section should be Section 5.4.9. A new Section 6 file has been uploaded to reference section 5.4.9.

21. Can you clarify what you are looking for in Proposer's Survey 13.1: "What is the hierarchy level your company provide?"

A: The second part of the question requests the Proposer's ability to detail and report on the products and services they will support. The question is requesting the level of detail to which your company can classify its products or services (i.e. UNSPSC hierarchical classification).

22. In Appendix 3: Sample Participating Supplier Agreement, can you clarify which documents/Appendix numbers in the portal that Riders 100-600 listed on page 19 correspond with?

A: Appendix Three is a sample Preferred Supplier Agreement (PSA). Riders 100 – 600 will be attachments to the PSA that include specific details associated with the actual contract that is awarded (e.g., products, pricing, services, account management details, etc.). These Riders will be created as part of the contracting process after an award decision has been made, and it would therefore not be possible to include examples of each in the RFP. However, the included Appendix Three-300 and Appendix Three-400 are boilerplate examples of Riders 300 and 400 respectively.

23. As the due date for the proposal has been extended will the HUB plan review also be extended accordingly?

A: The HUB plan review is a courtesy offered by the HUB Office. The RFP UTSA/66 deadline was extended, however, the HUB plan courtesy review was not extended.

All other terms, conditions and requirements set forth in RFP UTS/A66 remain unchanged and in effect.

END OF ADDENDUM 4

SECTION 6
PRICE SCHEDULE AND AFFIRMATION

6.1 Price Schedule

Proposer must submit, as part of its proposal, detailed prices for the Computing Hardware described in **Section 5.4** (Scope of Work) of this RFP. The prices must include all charges associated with providing the full scope of work.

6.2 Pricing Affirmation

THE FOLLOWING FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND SUBMITTED WITH THE PROPOSER’S PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR PROPOSAL.

Proposal of: _____
(Proposer Company Name)

To: The University of Texas System
Ref.: Preferred Supplier of PC and Data Center Hardware and Related Services
RFP No. UTS/A66

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having carefully examined all the specifications and requirements of this RFP and any attachments thereto, the undersigned proposes to furnish the subject Computing Hardware upon the pricing terms quoted below.

The prices quoted in in response to this RFP (see **Section 5.4.9**) will be Proposer’s guaranteed pricing.

Proposer agrees that if Proposer is awarded an agreement under this RFP, it will provide to UT System a quarterly administrative fee of 1% of the Total Net Sales made by Preferred Supplier under the Agreement. *[Note to Proposer: this will be addressed in the Agreement's Scope of Work.]* **“Total Net Sales”** is defined in **Section 5.2.2** of this RFP.

Subject to the requirements of the Texas Prompt Payment Act (Chapter 2251, *Texas Government Code*), UT System’s standard payment terms are “Net 30 days.” Proposer will provide the following prompt payment discount:

Prompt Payment Discount: _____%_____days/net 30 days.

Proposer certifies and agrees that all prices proposed in Proposer’s proposal have been reviewed and approved by Proposer’s executive management.

Respectfully submitted,

Proposer: _____

By: _____
(Authorized Signature for Proposer)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____