

AUTHORIZED
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SCHEDULE PRICELIST
GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE AND SERVICES

SIN 132-8 PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT

FSC CLASS 7010 - SYSTEM CONFIGURATION: End User Computers/Desktop Computers, Professional Workstations, Servers, Laptop/Portable/Notebook Computers, Large Scale Computers, Optical and Imaging Systems, Other Systems Configuration Equipment, Not Elsewhere Classified

SIN 132-12 - MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT, REPAIR SERVICE, AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS (FPDS Code J070 - Maintenance and Repair Service)(Repair Parts/Spare Parts - See FSC Class for basic equipment)

- Maintenance & Repair Service

SIN 132-33 - PERPETUAL SOFTWARE LICENSES

FSC CLASS 7030 - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SOFTWARE

Microcomputers: Operating System Software & Communications Software

NOTE: Offerors are encouraged to identify within their software items any component interfaces that support open standard interoperability. An item's interface may be identified as interoperable on the basis of participation in a Government agency-sponsored program or in an independent organization program. Interfaces may be identified by reference to an interface registered in the component registry located at <http://www.core.gov>.

SIN 132-34 - MAINTENANCE OF SOFTWARE

1. Software Maintenance as a Product

Software maintenance as a product includes the publishing of bug/defect fixes via patches and updates/upgrades in function and technology to maintain the operability and usability of the software product. It may also include other no charge support that are included in the purchase price of the product in the commercial marketplace. No charge support includes items such as user blogs, discussion forums, on-line help libraries and FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions), hosted chat rooms, and limited telephone, email and/or web-based general technical support for user's self diagnostics.

Software maintenance as a product does NOT include the creation, design, implementation, integration, etc. of a software package. These examples are considered software maintenance as a service.

SIN 132-50 - TRAINING COURSES FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE (FPDS Code U012)

SIN 132-51 - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

FPDS Code D301	IT Facility Operation and Maintenance
FPDS Code D302	IT Systems Development Services
FPDS Code D306	IT Systems Analysis Services
FPDS Code D307	Automated Information Systems Design and Integration Services
FPDS Code D308	Programming Services
FPDS Code D310	IT Backup and Security Services
FPDS Code D311	IT Data Conversion Services
FPDS Code D313	Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAD/CAM) Services
FPDS Code D316	IT Network Management Services
FPDS Code D317	Creation/Retrieval of IT Related Automated News Services, Data Services, or Other Information Services (All other information services belong under Schedule 76)
FPDS Code D399	Other Information Technology Services, Not Elsewhere Classified

Note 1: All non-professional labor categories must be incidental to and used solely to support hardware, software and/or professional services, and cannot be purchased separately.

Note 2: Offerors and Agencies are advised that the Group 70 - Information Technology Schedule is not to be used as a means to procure services which properly fall under the Brooks Act. These services include, but are not limited to, architectural, engineering, mapping, cartographic production, remote sensing, geographic information systems, and related services. FAR 36.6 distinguishes between mapping services of an A/E nature and mapping services which are not connected nor incidental to the traditionally accepted A/E Services.

Note 3: This solicitation is not intended to solicit for the reselling of IT Professional Services, except for the provision of implementation, maintenance, integration, or training services in direct support of a product. Under such circumstances the services must be performance by the publisher or manufacturer or one of their authorized agents.

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Products and ordering information in this Authorized FSS Information Technology Schedule Pricelist are also available on the GSA Advantage! System. Agencies can browse GSA Advantage! by accessing the Federal Acquisition Service's Home Page via the Internet at <http://www.fss.gsa.gov/>

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**INFORMATION FOR ORDERING ACTIVITIES
APPLICABLE TO ALL SPECIAL ITEM NUMBERS**

SPECIAL NOTICE TO AGENCIES: Small Business Participation

SBA strongly supports the participation of small business concerns in the Federal Acquisition Service. To enhance Small Business Participation SBA policy allows agencies to include in their procurement base and goals, the dollar value of orders expected to be placed against the Federal Supply Schedules, and to report accomplishments against these goals.

For orders exceeding the micropurchase threshold, FAR 8.404 requires agencies to consider the catalogs/pricelists of at least three schedule contractors or consider reasonably available information by using the GSA Advantage!™ on-line shopping service (www.gsaadvantage.gov). The catalogs/pricelists, GSA Advantage!™ and the Federal Acquisition Service Home Page (www.fss.gsa.gov) contain information on a broad array of products and services offered by small business concerns.

This information should be used as a tool to assist ordering activities in meeting or exceeding established small business goals. It should also be used as a tool to assist in including small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small businesses among those considered when selecting pricelists for a best value determination.

For orders exceeding the micropurchase threshold, customers are to give preference to small business concerns when two or more items at the same delivered price will satisfy their requirement.

1. GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE OF CONTRACT:

Domestic delivery is delivery within the 48 contiguous states, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Washington, DC, and U.S. Territories. Domestic delivery also includes a port or consolidation point, within the aforementioned areas, for orders received from overseas activities.

Overseas delivery is delivery to points outside of the 48 contiguous states, Washington, DC, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Territories.

Offerors are requested to check one of the following boxes:

- The Geographic Scope of Contract will be domestic and overseas delivery.
- The Geographic Scope of Contract will be overseas delivery only.
- The Geographic Scope of Contract will be domestic delivery only.

2. CONTRACTOR'S ORDERING ADDRESS AND PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Ordering and Payment Address

NikSoft Systems Corp
1984 Isaac Newton Sq W
Suite 306A
Reston, VA 20190

Contractors are required to accept credit cards for payments equal to or less than the micro-purchase threshold for oral or written delivery orders. Credit cards will not be acceptable for payment above the micro-purchase threshold. In addition, bank account information for wire transfer payments will be shown on the invoice.

The following telephone number(s) can be used by ordering activities to obtain technical and/or ordering assistance:

703-435-2260

When Authorized Dealers are allowed by the Contractor to bill ordering activities and accept payment, the order and/or payment must be in the name of the Contractor, in care of the Authorized Dealer.

3. LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DAMAGE

The Contractor shall not be liable for any injury to ordering activity personnel or damage to ordering activity property arising from the use of equipment maintained by the Contractor, unless such injury or damage is due to the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

4. STATICAL DATA FOR GOVERNMENT ORDERING OFFICE COMPLETION OF STANDARD FORM 279:

Block 9: G. Order/Modification Under Federal Schedule
Block 16: Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number: 071215037
Block 30: Type of Contractor – A. Small Disadvantaged Business

Block 31: Woman-Owned Small Business - No
Block 36: Contractor's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): 54-1912126

- 4a. CAGE Code: 3RYX3
- 4b. Contractor has registered with the Central Contractor Registration Database.

5. FOB DESTINATION

6. DELIVERY SCHEDULE

- a. **TIME OF DELIVERY:** The Contractor shall deliver to destination within the number of calendar days after receipt of order (ARO), as set forth below:

SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER	DELIVERY TIME (Days ARO)
SIN 132-8, 132-12, 132-33, 132-34, 132-50	30 Days

- b. **URGENT REQUIREMENTS:** When the Federal Supply Schedule contract delivery period does not meet the bona fide urgent delivery requirements of an ordering activity, ordering activities are encouraged, if time permits, to contact the Contractor for the purpose of obtaining accelerated delivery. The Contractor shall reply to the inquiry within 3 workdays after receipt. (Telephonic replies shall be confirmed by the Contractor in writing.) If the Contractor offers an accelerated delivery time acceptable to the ordering activity, any order(s) placed pursuant to the agreed upon accelerated delivery time frame shall be delivered within this shorter delivery time and in accordance with all other terms and conditions of the contract.

7. DISCOUNTS: Prices shown are NET Prices; Basic Discounts have been deducted.

- a. Prompt Payment: 0% - ___ days from receipt of invoice or date of acceptance, whichever is later.
- b. Government Educational Institutions are offered the same discounts as all other Government customers.

8. TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT OF 1979, as amended:

All items are U.S. made end products, designated country end products, Caribbean Basin country end products, Canadian end products, or Mexican end products as defined in the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, as amended.

9. STATEMENT CONCERNING AVAILABILITY OF EXPORT PACKING:None

10. Small Requirements: The minimum dollar value of orders to be issued is \$100.

11. MAXIMUM ORDER (All dollar amounts are exclusive of any discount for prompt payment.)

- a. The Maximum Order value for the following Special Item Numbers (SINs) is \$500,000:
- Special Item Number 132-8 - Purchase of Equipment
 - Special Item Number 132-12 – Maintenance of Equipment, Repair Service, and Repair Parts/Spare Parts
 - Special Item Number 132-33 - Perpetual Software Licenses
 - Special Item Number 132-34 – Maintenance of Software
 - Special Item Number 132-51 - Information Technology (IT) Professional Services
- b. The Maximum Order value for the following Special Item Numbers (SINs) is \$25,000:
- Special Item Number 132-50 - Training Courses

12. ORDERING PROCEDURES FOR FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE CONTRACTS

Ordering activities shall use the ordering procedures of Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.405 when placing an order or establishing a BPA for supplies or services. These procedures apply to all schedules.

- a. FAR 8.405-1 Ordering procedures for supplies, and services not requiring a statement of work.
- b. FAR 8.405-2 Ordering procedures for services requiring a statement of work.

13. FEDERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/TELECOMMUNICATION STANDARDS

REQUIREMENTS: ordering activities acquiring products from this Schedule must comply with the provisions of the Federal Standards Program, as appropriate (reference: NIST Federal Standards Index). Inquiries to determine whether or not specific products listed herein comply with Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) or Federal Telecommunication Standards (FED-STDS), which are cited by ordering activities, shall be responded to promptly by the Contractor.

13.1 FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARDS PUBLICATIONS (FIPS PUBS):

Information Technology products under this Schedule that do not conform to Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) should not be acquired unless a waiver has been granted in accordance with the applicable "FIPS Publication." Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS PUBS) are issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), pursuant to National Security Act. Information concerning their availability and applicability should be obtained from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161. FIPS PUBS include voluntary standards when these are adopted for Federal use. Individual orders for FIPS PUBS should be referred to the NTIS Sales Office, and orders for subscription service should be referred to the NTIS Subscription Officer, both at the above address, or telephone number (703) 487-4650.

13.2 FEDERAL TELECOMMUNICATION STANDARDS (FED-STDS): Telecommunication products under this Schedule that do not conform to Federal Telecommunication Standards (FED-STDS) should not be acquired unless a waiver has been granted in accordance with the applicable "FED-STD." Federal Telecommunication Standards are issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), pursuant to National Security Act. Ordering information and information concerning the availability of FED-STDS should be obtained from the GSA, Federal Acquisition Service, Specification Section, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 8100, SW, Washington, DC 20407, telephone number (202)619-8925. Please include a self-addressed mailing label when requesting information by mail. Information concerning their applicability can be obtained by writing or calling the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone number (301)975-2833.

14. CONTRACTOR TASKS / SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (C-FSS-370) (NOV 2001)

(a) Security Clearances: The Contractor may be required to obtain/possess varying levels of security clearances in the performance of orders issued under this contract. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such security clearances should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule.

(b) Travel: The Contractor may be required to travel in performance of orders issued under this contract. Allowable travel and per diem charges are governed by Pub .L. 99-234 and FAR Part 31, and are reimbursable by the ordering agency or can be priced as a fixed price item on orders placed under the Multiple Award Schedule. The Industrial Funding Fee does NOT apply to travel and per diem charges.

NOTE: Refer to FAR Part 31.205-46 Travel Costs, for allowable costs that pertain to official company business travel in regards to this contract.

(c) Certifications, Licenses and Accreditations: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess any variety of certifications, licenses and accreditations for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/ possessing such certifications, licenses and accreditations should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule program.

(d) Insurance: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess insurance coverage for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such insurance should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule program.

(e) Personnel: The Contractor may be required to provide key personnel, resumes or skill category descriptions in the performance of orders issued under this contract. Ordering activities may require agency approval of additions or replacements to key personnel.

(f) Organizational Conflicts of Interest: Where there may be an organizational conflict of interest as determined by the ordering agency, the Contractor's participation in such order may be restricted in accordance with FAR Part 9.5.

(g) Documentation/Standards: The Contractor may be requested to provide products or services in accordance with rules, regulations, OMB orders, standards and documentation as specified by the agency's order.

(h) Data/Deliverable Requirements: Any required data/deliverables at the ordering level will be as specified or negotiated in the agency's order.

(i) Government-Furnished Property: As specified by the agency's order, the Government may provide property, equipment, materials or resources as necessary.

(j) Availability of Funds: Many Government agencies' operating funds are appropriated for a specific fiscal year. Funds may not be presently available for any orders placed under the contract or any option year. The Government's obligation on orders placed under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for ordering purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are available to the ordering Contracting Officer.

15. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION FOR ORDERING ACTIVITIES: Any ordering activity, with respect to any one or more delivery orders placed by it under this contract, may exercise the same rights of termination as might the GSA Contracting Officer under provisions of FAR 52.212-4, paragraphs (l) Termination for the ordering activity's convenience, and (m) Termination for Cause (See C.1.)

16. GSA ADVANTAGE!

GSA Advantage! is an on-line, interactive electronic information and ordering system that provides on-line access to vendors' schedule prices with ordering information. GSA Advantage! will allow the user to perform various searches across all contracts including, but not limited to:

- (1) Manufacturer;
- (2) Manufacturer's Part Number; and
- (3) Product categories.

Agencies can browse GSA Advantage! by accessing the Internet World Wide Web utilizing a browser (ex.: NetScape). The Internet address is <http://www.gsaadvantage.gov> .

17. PURCHASE OF OPEN MARKET ITEMS

NOTE: Open Market Items are also known as incidental items, noncontract items, non-Schedule items, and items not on a Federal Supply Schedule contract. ODCs (Other Direct Costs) are not part of this contract and should be treated as open market purchases. Ordering Activities procuring open market items must follow FAR 8.402(f).

For administrative convenience, an ordering activity contracting officer may add items not on the Federal Supply Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) -- referred to as open market items -- to a Federal Supply Schedule blanket purchase agreement (BPA) or an individual task or delivery order, **only if-**

- (1) All applicable acquisition regulations pertaining to the purchase of the items not on the Federal Supply Schedule have been followed (e.g., publicizing (Part 5), competition requirements (Part 6), acquisition of commercial items (Part 12), contracting methods (Parts 13, 14, and 15), and small business programs (Part 19));
- (2) The ordering activity contracting officer has determined the price for the items not on the Federal Supply Schedule is fair and reasonable;
- (3) The items are clearly labeled on the order as items not on the Federal Supply Schedule; and
- (4) All clauses applicable to items not on the Federal Supply Schedule are included in the order.

18. CONTRACTOR COMMITMENTS, WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS

a. For the purpose of this contract, commitments, warranties and representations include, in addition to those agreed to for the entire schedule contract:

- (1) Time of delivery/installation quotations for individual orders;
- (2) Technical representations and/or warranties of products concerning performance, total system performance and/or configuration, physical, design and/or functional characteristics and capabilities of a product/equipment/ service/software package submitted in response to requirements which result in orders under this schedule contract.
- (3) Any representations and/or warranties concerning the products made in any literature, description, drawings and/or specifications furnished by the Contractor.

b. The above is not intended to encompass items not currently covered by the GSA Schedule contract.

19. OVERSEAS ACTIVITIES

The terms and conditions of this contract shall apply to all orders for installation, maintenance and repair of equipment in areas listed in the pricelist outside the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia, except as indicated below:

None

Upon request of the Contractor, the ordering activity may provide the Contractor with logistics support, as available, in accordance with all applicable ordering activity regulations. Such ordering activity support will be provided on a reimbursable basis, and will only be provided to the Contractor's technical personnel whose services are exclusively required for the fulfillment of the terms and conditions of this contract.

20. BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENTS (BPAs)

The use of BPAs under any schedule contract to fill repetitive needs for supplies or services is allowable. BPAs may be established with one or more schedule contractors. The number of BPAs to be established is within the discretion of the ordering activity establishing the BPA and should be based on a strategy that is expected to maximize the effectiveness of the BPA(s). Ordering activities shall follow FAR 8.405-3 when creating and implementing BPA(s).

21. CONTRACTOR TEAM ARRANGEMENTS

Contractors participating in contractor team arrangements must abide by all terms and conditions of their respective contracts. This includes compliance with Clauses 552.238-74, Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting, i.e., each contractor (team member) must report sales and remit the IFF for all products and services provided under its individual contract.

22. INSTALLATION, DEINSTALLATION, REINSTALLATION

The Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a-276a-7) provides that contracts in excess of \$2,000 to which the United States or the District of Columbia is a party for construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) of public buildings or public works with the United States, shall contain a clause that no laborer or mechanic employed directly upon the site of the work shall receive less than the prevailing wage rates as determined by the Secretary of Labor. The requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply if the construction work is incidental to the furnishing of supplies, equipment, or services. For example, the requirements do not apply to simple installation or alteration of a public building or public work that is incidental to furnishing supplies or equipment under a supply contract. However, if the construction, alteration or repair is segregable and exceeds \$2,000, then the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act applies.

The ordering activity issuing the task order against this contract will be responsible for proper administration and enforcement of the Federal labor standards covered by the Davis-Bacon Act. The proper Davis-Bacon wage determination will be issued by the ordering activity at the time a request for quotations is made for applicable construction classified installation, deinstallation, and reinstallation services under SIN 132-8.

23. SECTION 508 COMPLIANCE.

If applicable, Section 508 compliance information on the supplies and services in this contract are available in Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) at the following:

www.niksoft.com

The EIT standard can be found at: www.Section508.gov/.

24. PRIME CONTRACTOR ORDERING FROM FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULES.

Prime Contractors (on cost reimbursement contracts) placing orders under Federal Supply Schedules, on behalf of an ordering activity, shall follow the terms of the applicable schedule and authorization and include with each order –

- (a) A copy of the authorization from the ordering activity with whom the contractor has the prime contract (unless a copy was previously furnished to the Federal Supply Schedule contractor); and
- (b) The following statement:

This order is placed under written authorization from _____ dated _____. In the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this order and those of your Federal Supply Schedule contract, the latter will govern.

25. INSURANCE—WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION (JAN 1997)(FAR 52.228-5)

(a) The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance of this contract, at least the kinds and minimum amounts of insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract.

(b) Before commencing work under this contract, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing that the required insurance has been obtained. The policies evidencing required insurance shall contain an endorsement to the effect that any cancellation or any material change adversely affecting the Government's interest shall not be effective—

(1) For such period as the laws of the State in which this contract is to be performed prescribe; or

(2) Until 30 days after the insurer or the Contractor gives written notice to the Contracting Officer, whichever period is longer.

(c) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts under this contract that require work on a Government installation and shall require subcontractors to provide and maintain the insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of all subcontractors' proofs of required insurance, and shall make copies available to the Contracting Officer upon request.

26. SOFTWARE INTEROPERABILITY.

Offerors are encouraged to identify within their software items any component interfaces that support open standard interoperability. An item's interface may be identified as interoperable on the basis of participation in a Government agency-sponsored program or in an independent organization program. Interfaces may be identified by reference to an interface registered in the component registry located at <http://www.core.gov>.

27. ADVANCE PAYMENTS

A payment under this contract to provide a service or deliver an article for the United States Government may not be more than the value of the service already provided or the article already delivered. Advance or pre-payment is not authorized or allowed under this contract. (31 U.S.C. 3324)

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO PURCHASE OF GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT
(SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-8)**

1. MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP

All equipment furnished hereunder must satisfactorily perform the function for which it is intended.

2. ORDER

Written orders, EDI orders (GSA Advantage! and FACNET), credit card orders, and orders placed under blanket purchase agreements (BPA) agreements shall be the basis for purchase in accordance with the provisions of this contract. If time of delivery extends beyond the expiration date of the contract, the Contractor will be obligated to meet the delivery and installation date specified in the original order.

For credit card orders and BPAs, telephone orders are permissible.

3. TRANSPORTATION OF EQUIPMENT

FOB DESTINATION. Prices cover equipment delivery to destination, for any location within the geographic scope of this contract.

4. INSTALLATION AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

a. **INSTALLATION.** When the equipment provided under this contract is not normally self-installable, the Contractor's technical personnel shall be available to the ordering activity, at the ordering activity's location, to install the equipment and to train ordering activity personnel in the use and maintenance of the equipment. The charges, if any, for such services are listed below, or in the price schedule:

Vordel

The Vordel equipment and software are self-installable. However, should the customer require additional installation and training services, those are available from Niksoft and or Vordel via Niksoft Systems Corp.

b. **INSTALLATION, DEINSTALLATION, REINSTALLATION.** The Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a-276a-7) provides that contracts in excess of \$2,000 to which the United States or the District of Columbia is a party for construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) of public buildings or public works with the United States, shall contain a clause that no laborer or mechanic employed directly upon the site of the work shall received less than the prevailing wage rates as determined by the Secretary of Labor. The requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply if the construction work is incidental to the furnishing of supplies, equipment, or services. For example, the requirements do not apply to simple installation or alteration of a public building or public work that is incidental to furnishing supplies or equipment under a supply contract. However, if the construction, alteration or repair is segregable and exceeds \$2,000, then the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act applies.

The ordering activity issuing the task order against this contract will be responsible for proper administration and enforcement of the Federal labor standards covered by the Davis-Bacon Act. The proper Davis-Bacon wage determination will be issued by the ordering activity at the time a request for quotations is made for applicable construction classified installation, deinstallation, and reinstallation services under SIN 132-8.

c. **OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE MANUALS.** The Contractor shall furnish the ordering activity with one (1) copy of all operating and maintenance manuals which are normally provided with the equipment being purchased.

5. INSPECTION/ACCEPTANCE

The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The ordering activity reserves the right to inspect or test any equipment that has been tendered for acceptance. The ordering activity may require repair or replacement of nonconforming equipment at no increase in contract price. The ordering activity must exercise its postacceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

6. WARRANTY

a. Unless specified otherwise in this contract, the Contractor's standard commercial warranty as stated in the contract's commercial pricelist will apply to this contract.

Vordel

Vordel warrants, for your benefit alone (a) that it has the right to grant the licence granted in this agreement; and (b) that for a period of thirty (30) days after shipment of the Software, the Software, when operated with the equipment configuration and in the operating environment specified in the Documentation, will perform substantially in accordance with the technical specifications included or referred to in the Documentation.

Remedies – As your sole and exclusive remedy for any defect or error covered by the warranty set forth in Paragraph above, and as Vordel's entire liability in contract, tort, or otherwise (subject to the disclaimer set out in paragraph below), Vordel shall use commercially reasonable efforts to correct or cure such defect or error by issuing corrected instructions, a fix or a bypass. If Vordel has not corrected such defect or error within 12 weeks after receiving notice of the defect, you shall have the right to terminate this license with respect to the defective or nonconforming module(s) of the Software. These remedies are provided on the condition that (a) you report the defect or error within the warranty period and provide Vordel with information sufficient to allow Vordel to reproduce the defect or error; (b) you have not modified, misused or damaged the Software or used it with other software or equipment with which it is incompatible; and (c) Vordel's examination of the Software discloses that the defect or error actually existed. Ongoing Software support and maintenance is available from Vordel at additional cost.

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b. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

c. **Limitation of Liability.** Except as otherwise provided by an express or implied warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the ordering activity for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

d. If inspection and repair of defective equipment under this warranty will be performed at the Contractor's plant, the address is as follows: For Vordel appliance hardware repair, after it is determined you have defective hardware by Dell support, you will be instructed by Dell to get a return authorization and instructions on where to go.

7. PURCHASE PRICE FOR ORDERED EQUIPMENT

The purchase price that the ordering activity will be charged will be the ordering activity purchase price in effect at the time of order placement, or the ordering activity purchase price in effect on the installation date (or delivery date when installation is not applicable), whichever is less.

8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations (Federal, State, City or otherwise) covering work of this character, and shall include all costs, if any, of such compliance in the prices quoted in this offer.

9. TRADE-IN OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

When an ordering activity determines that Information Technology equipment will be replaced, the ordering activity shall follow the contracting policies and procedures in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the policies and procedures regarding disposition of information technology excess personal property in the Federal Property Management Regulations (FPMR) (41 CFR 101-43.6), and the policies and procedures on exchange/sale contained in the FPMR (41 CFR part 101-46).

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO MAINTENANCE, REPAIR SERVICE AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS FOR GOVERNMENT-OWNED GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT (AFTER EXPIRATION OF GUARANTEE/WARRANTY PROVISIONS AND/OR WHEN REQUIRED SERVICE IS NOT COVERED BY GUARANTEE/WARRANTY PROVISIONS) AND FOR LEASED EQUIPMENT
(SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-12)**

1. SERVICE AREAS

- a. The maintenance and repair service rates listed herein are applicable to any ordering activity location within a _____ (**insert miles**) mile radius of the Contractor's service points. If any additional charge is to apply because of the greater distance from the Contractor's service locations, the mileage rate or other distance factor shall be stated in paragraphs 8.d and 9.d of this Special Item Number 132-12.
- b. When repair services cannot be performed at the ordering activity installation site, the repair services will be performed at the Contractor's plant(s) listed below:

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Hardware Related – Dell Computers – USA

Software Related – Vordel USA, or Dublin - Ireland

2. MAINTENANCE ORDER

- a. Agencies may use written orders, EDI orders, credit card orders, or BPAs, for ordering maintenance under this contract. The Contractor shall confirm orders within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of receipt, except that confirmation of orders shall be considered automatic for renewals for maintenance (Special Item Number 132-12). Automatic acceptance of order renewals for maintenance service shall apply for machines which may have been discontinued from use for temporary periods of time not longer than 120 calendar days. If the order is not confirmed by the Contractor as prescribed by this paragraph, the order shall be considered to be confirmed by the Contractor.
- b. The Contractor shall honor orders for maintenance for the duration of the contract period or a lesser period of time, for the equipment shown in the pricelist. Maintenance service shall commence on a mutually agreed upon date, which will be written into the maintenance order. Maintenance orders shall not be made effective before the expiration of any applicable maintenance and parts guarantee/warranty period associated with the purchase of equipment. Orders for maintenance service shall not extend beyond the end of the contract period.
- c. Maintenance may be discontinued by the ordering activity on thirty (30) calendar days written notice, or shorter notice when agreed to by the Contractor; such notice to become effective thirty (30) calendar days from the date on the notification. However, the ordering activity may extend the original discontinuance date upon written notice to the Contractor, provided that such notice is furnished at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the original discontinuance date.
- d. Annual Funding. When annually appropriated funds are cited on a maintenance order, the period of maintenance shall automatically expire on September 30th of the contract period, or at the end of the contract period, whichever occurs first. Renewal of a maintenance order citing the new appropriation shall be required, if maintenance is to continue during any remainder of the contract period.
- e. Cross-year Funding Within Contract Period. Where an ordering activity's specific appropriation authority provides for funds in excess of a 12 month, fiscal year period, the ordering activity may place an order under this schedule contract for a period up to the expiration of the contract period, notwithstanding the intervening fiscal years.
- f. Ordering activities should notify the Contractor in writing thirty (30) calendar days prior to the expiration of maintenance service, if maintenance is to be terminated at that time. Orders for continued maintenance will be required if maintenance is to be continued during the subsequent period.

3. REPAIR SERVICE AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS ORDERS

- a. Agencies may use written orders, EDI orders, credit card orders, blanket purchase agreements (BPAs), or small order procedures for ordering repair service and/or repair parts/spare parts under this contract. Orders for repair service shall not extend beyond the end of the contract period.
- b. When repair service is ordered, only one chargeable repairman shall be dispatched to perform repair service, unless the ordering activity agrees, in advance, that additional repair personnel are required to effect repairs.

4. LOSS OR DAMAGE

When the Contractor removes equipment to his establishment for repairs, the Contractor shall be responsible for any damage or loss, from the time the equipment is removed from the ordering activity installation, until the equipment is returned to such installation.

5. SCOPE

- a. The Contractor shall provide maintenance for all equipment listed herein, as requested by the ordering activity during the contract term. Repair service and repair parts/spare parts shall apply exclusively to the equipment types/models within the scope of this Information Technology Schedule.
- b. Equipment placed under maintenance service shall be in good operating condition.
 - (1) In order to determine that the equipment is in good operating condition, the equipment shall be subject to inspection by the Contractor, without charge to the ordering activity.
 - (2) Costs of any repairs performed for the purpose of placing the equipment in good operating condition shall be borne by the Contractor, if the equipment was under the Contractor's guarantee/warranty or maintenance responsibility prior to the effective date of the maintenance order.
 - (3) If the equipment was not under the Contractor's responsibility, the costs necessary to place the equipment in proper operating condition are to be borne by the ordering activity, in accordance with the provisions of Special Item Number 132-12 (or outside the scope of this contract).

6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORDERING ACTIVITY

- a. Ordering activity personnel shall not perform maintenance or attempt repairs to equipment while such equipment is under the purview of a maintenance order, unless agreed to by the Contractor.
- b. Subject to security regulations, the ordering activity shall permit access to the equipment which is to be maintained or repaired.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

For equipment not covered by a maintenance contract or warranty, the Contractor's repair service personnel shall complete repairs as soon as possible after notification by the ordering activity that service is required. Within the service areas, this repair service should normally be done within 4 hours after notification.

8. REPAIR SERVICE RATE PROVISIONS

- a. **CHARGES.** Charges for repair service will include the labor charge, computed at the rates set forth below, for the time during which repairmen are actually engaged in work, and, when applicable, the charge for travel or transportation.

b. **MULTIPLE MACHINES.** When repairs are ordered by a ordering activity on two or more machines located in one or more buildings within walking distance of each other, the charges will be computed from the time the repairman commences work on the first machine, until the work is completed on the last machine. The time required to go from one machine to another, or from one building to another, will be considered actual work performance, and chargeable to the ordering activity, provided the time consumed in going between machines (or buildings) is reasonable.

c. **TRAVEL OR TRANSPORTATION**

(1) **AT THE CONTRACTOR'S SHOP**

(a) When equipment is returned to the Contractor's shop for adjustments or repairs which are not covered by the guarantee/warranty provision, the cost of transportation, packing, etc., from the ordering activity location to the Contractor's plant, and return to the ordering activity location, shall be borne by the ordering activity.

(b) The ordering activity should not return defective equipment to the Contractor for adjustments and repairs or replacement without his prior consultation and instruction.

(2) **AT THE ORDERING ACTIVITY LOCATION (Within Established Service Areas)**

When equipment is repaired at the ordering activity location, and repair service rates are established for service areas or zones, the listed rates are applicable to any ordering activity location within such service areas or zones. No extra charge, time, or expense will be allowed for travel or transportation of repairmen or machines to or from the ordering activity office; such overhead is included in the repair service rates listed.

(3) **AT THE ORDERING ACTIVITY LOCATION (Outside Established Service Areas)**

(a) The repair service rates listed for subparagraph (2) above apply, except that a travel charge of _____ per mile for repairmen will apply to the round-trip distance between the geographic limits of the applicable service area and the ordering activity location. Such charge will apply as an additional charge, but it will be limited to one round trip for each request that is made by the ordering activity for repair service, regardless of whether repairs are performed at the ordering activity location or at the Contractor's shop.

(b) When the overall travel charge computed at the above mileage rate is unreasonable (considering the time required for travel, actual and necessary transportation costs, and the allowable ordering activity per diem rate for each night the repairman is required to remain overnight at the ordering activity location), the ordering activity shall have the option of reimbursing the Contractor for actual costs, provided that the actual costs are reasonable and allowable. The Contractor shall furnish the ordering activity with a report of travel performed and related expenses incurred. The report shall include departure and arrival dates, times, and the applicable mode of travel.

d. **LABOR RATES**

(1) **REGULAR HOURS**

The Regular Hours repair service rates listed herein shall entitle the ordering activity to repair service during the period 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, exclusive of holidays observed at the ordering activity location. There shall be no additional charge for repair service which was requested during Regular Hours, but performed outside the Regular Hours defined above, at the convenience of the Contractor.

(2) **AFTER HOURS**

When the ordering activity requires that repair service be performed outside the Regular Hours defined above, except Sundays and Holidays observed at the ordering activity location, the After Hours repair service rates listed herein shall apply. The Regular Hours rates defined above shall apply when repair service is requested during Regular Hours, but performed After Hours at the convenience of the Contractor.

(3) **SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS**

When the ordering activity requires that repair service be performed on Sundays and Holidays observed at the ordering activity location, the Sundays and Holidays repair service rates listed herein shall apply. When repair service is requested to be performed during Regular Hours and/or After Hours, but is performed at the

convenience of the Contractor on Sundays or Holidays observed at the ordering activity location, the Regular Hours and/or After Hours repair service rates, as applicable, shall apply.

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Vordel is the first point of contact for all support queries, te they hardware or software related.

Where it is determined that support is required for a hardware-based fault resolution, Vordel will communicate directly with the relevant Dell Hardware Support team in the territory where the Vordel appliance is deployed. Initially, Vordel will arrange with Dell for local Dell support engineers to make a phone call to the local customer technical representative. Should diagnosis of the fault determine that an online visit is required by a Dell support engineer; this will be arranged directly by Dell with the customer's appliance data center representatives. Dell do not require that a customer technical IT representative be available on site.

Vordel will monitor at all times the hardware problem resolution process status and obtain status and plans until the problem is closed.

Should diagnosis reveal that the problem is a software-related issue; Vordel will communicate directly with the customer and manage the resolution process directly through the online Vordel Issue Reporting and Tracking system. If a software patch is required Vordel will issue this as a digitally signed package for uploading to the appliance. Software patches are made available for download by the customer via the secured Vordel Extranet. All packages are digitally signed to prevent foreign/malicious software being installed on the appliance. Product documentation provides information on how to upload signed packages to the appliance.

Response and resolution timeframes for oth hardware and software issues are as outlined in Sections 2.3 and 2.4 of the Vordel Services Agreement.

Vordel hardware service and warranties are covered by Dell Computers,. On-site response options vary depending on the type of service Customer purchased. Customer's invoice indicated Customer's type of non-site response, if any. Customer's invoice indicated the type of support purchased. Dell computers will provide replacement parts on an exchange basis when a Dell technician determines that a part in a Supported Product requires replacement. A replacement part is provided pursuant to the specific service level purchased by Customer for their Supported Products (e.g., Next Business Day, 4-Hour delivery, etc.)

9. REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS RATE PROVISIONS

All parts, furnished as spares or as repair parts in connection with the repair of equipment, unless otherwise indicated in this pricelist, shall be new, standard parts manufactured by the equipment manufacturer. All parts shall be furnished at prices indicated in the Contractor's commercial pricelist dated ___N/A___, at a discount of __N/A__% from such listed prices.

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Dell Will provide replacement parts on exchange basis when a Dell technician determines that a part in a Supported Product requires replacement. A replacement part is provided pursuant to the specific service level purchased by Customer for their support Products.

Advanced Exchange Service: If a Dell analyst has determined that Customer's Supported Product has experienced a qualified failure, Dell will ship a replacement product to Customer's business location. If Customer calls prior to 5:00 p.m. Customer local time, in most cases the replacement product will be shipped the next business day. In some instances at Dell's discretion, an on-site technician may also be dispatched to replace/install the replacement product. Upon receipt of the replacement product, Customer must return the defective Supported Product to Dell by taking the defective Supported Product to the designated carrier location within the next three days.

Limited Warranty on Dell-Branded Hardware Products. Dell will indicate the limited warranty period for the Products on the invoice. The limited warranty period will begin on the date of shipment from Dell's manufacturing location. The limited warranty statement shipped with the Products or otherwise made available to OEM is the exclusive statement of the controlling terms and conditions of the limited warranties on Dell-branded hardware Products. Nothing in this agreement or any other written documentation or any oral communications with OEM or other parties may alter the terms and conditions of Dell's limited warranty statement shipped with the Products. Dell may, in its

sole discretion, revise its limited warranties from time to time. However, no change in limited warranties will affect Product Orders already accepted by Dell. OEM agrees to only pass on to OEM's end-users. OEM agrees to inform OEM's end-users that Dell's return policy is not available on Products sold to OEM under this agreement. OEM will indemnify, defend and hold Dell harmless for any damages or other costs that arise because of OEM's failure to properly inform OEM's end-users of Dell's current limited warranties or return policies.

Note 1:

5 Years is the maximum time period that Dell will offer standard warranty support on any systems. Dell and Vordel may agree a customized support offering to extend this such as buying spare parts if advance. Our experience is that this is difficult to maintain and expensive to the customer and would not be a recommended action.

10. GUARANTEE/WARRANTY—REPAIR SERVICE AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS

a. REPAIR SERVICE

All repair work will be guaranteed/warranted for a period of 90 Days.

b. REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS

All parts, furnished either as spares or repairs parts will be guaranteed/warranted for a period 90 days Repairs.

Dell will complete warranty repairs according to the limited warranty applicable at the time OEM purchases Products from Dell. Dell assumes no obligation to repair non-warranted defects in Products or to repair Products after the warranty period has expired.

Warranty Disclaimer. Dell makes no express or implied warranties for the products except those included for Dell-branded hardware in the limited warranty statement for the products. This warranty does not cover damage due to external causes, including accident, abuse, misuse, neglect, problems with electrical power, service (including installation or De-installation) not performed or authorized by Dell, usage not in accordance with product instructions, normal wear and tear, and problems caused by incorporating or using parts and components not approved by dell. The warranty does not cover any non-dell software or anything added or modified after shipment by Dell. Warranty service and technical support may be discontinued by Dell for nonpayment. Overdue invoice balances may suspend Dell's limited warranties, Dell disclaims all other warranties, express or implied, including, without limitation, implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose.

11. INVOICES AND PAYMENTS

a. Maintenance Service

(1) Invoices for maintenance service shall be submitted by the Contractor on a quarterly or monthly basis, after the completion of such period. Maintenance charges must be paid in arrears (31 U.S.C. 3324). PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

(2) Payment for maintenance service of less than one month's duration shall be prorated at 1/30th of the monthly rate for each calendar day.

b. Repair Service and Repair Parts/Spare Parts

Invoices for repair service and parts shall be submitted by the Contractor as soon as possible after completion of work. Payment under blanket purchase agreements will be made quarterly or monthly, except where cash payment procedures are used. Invoices shall be submitted separately to each ordering activity office ordering services under the contract. The cost of repair parts shall be shown as a separate item on the invoice, and shall be priced in accordance with paragraph #10, above. PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO TERM SOFTWARE LICENSES PERPETUAL SOFTWARE LICENSES (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-33) AND MAINTENANCE (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-34) OF GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SOFTWARE

1. INSPECTION/ACCEPTANCE

The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The ordering activity reserves the right to inspect or test any software that has been tendered for acceptance. The ordering activity may require repair or replacement of nonconforming software at no increase in contract price. The ordering activity must exercise its postacceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the software, unless the change is due to the defect in the software.

2. GUARANTEE/WARRANTY

- a. Unless specified otherwise in this contract, the Contractor's standard commercial guarantee/warranty as stated in the contract's commercial pricelist will apply to this contract.
- b. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- c. **Limitation of Liability.** Except as otherwise provided by an express or implied warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the ordering activity for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

3. TECHNICAL SERVICES

The Contractor, without additional charge to the ordering activity, shall provide a hot line technical support number **Europe:** +353-1-234 2500 **USA:** 1 866-607-0023 for the purpose of providing user assistance and guidance in the implementation of the software. The technical support number is available from:

Times: Monday – Friday (9.0 – 17.0hrs UTC)

Times: Monday – Friday (9.0 – 17.0hrs EST)

24X7X52 Support: Through Vordel's network of international support partners, support and maintenance services can be made available 24 X 7 X 52. These customers should use the dedicated call numbers already provided. If you wish to know more about these services please contact your Vordel Sales Representative.

4. SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE

- a. Software maintenance as it is defined: (select software maintenance type) :
 1. Software Maintenance as a Product

Software maintenance as a product includes the publishing of bug/defect fixes via patches and updates/upgrades in function and technology to maintain the operability and usability of the software product. It may also include other no charge support that are included in the purchase price of the product in the commercial marketplace. No charge support includes items such as user blogs, discussion forums, on-line help libraries and FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions), hosted chat rooms, and limited telephone, email and/or web-based general technical support for user's self diagnostics.

Software maintenance as a product does **NOT** include the creation, design, implementation, integration, etc. of a software package. These examples are considered software maintenance as a service.

b. Invoices for maintenance service shall be submitted by the Contractor on a quarterly or monthly basis, after the completion of such period. Maintenance charges must be paid in arrears (31 U.S.C. 3324). PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

5. PERIODS OF MAINTENANCE (132-34)

a. The Contractor shall honor orders for periods for the duration of the contract period or a lesser period of time.

b. Maintenance may be discontinued by the ordering activity on thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the Contractor.

c. Annual Funding. When annually appropriated funds are cited on an order for maintenance, the period of the maintenance shall automatically expire on September 30 of the contract period, or at the end of the contract period, whichever occurs first. Renewal of the maintenance orders citing the new appropriation shall be required, if the maintenance is to be continued during any remainder of the contract period.

d. Cross-Year Funding Within Contract Period. Where an ordering activity's specific appropriation authority provides for funds in excess of a 12 month (fiscal year) period, the ordering activity may place an order under this schedule contract for a period up to the expiration of the contract period, notwithstanding the intervening fiscal years.

e. Ordering activities should notify the Contractor in writing thirty (30) calendar days prior to the expiration of an order, if the maintenance is to be terminated at that time. Orders for the continuation of maintenance will be required if the maintenance is to be continued during the subsequent period.

6. UTILIZATION LIMITATIONS - (132-33, AND 132-34)

a. Software acquisition is limited to commercial computer software defined in FAR Part 2.101.

b. When acquired by the ordering activity, commercial computer software and related documentation so legend shall be subject to the following:

(1) Title to and ownership of the software and documentation shall remain with the Contractor, unless otherwise specified.

(2) Software licenses are by site and by ordering activity. An ordering activity is defined as a cabinet level or independent ordering activity. The software may be used by any subdivision of the ordering activity (service, bureau, division, command, etc.) that has access to the site the software is placed at, even if the subdivision did not participate in the acquisition of the software. Further, the software may be used on a sharing basis where multiple agencies have joint projects that can be satisfied by the use of the software placed at one ordering activity's site. This would allow other agencies access to one ordering activity's database. For ordering activity public domain databases, user agencies and third parties may use the computer program to enter, retrieve, analyze and present data. The user ordering activity will take appropriate action by instruction, agreement, or otherwise, to protect the Contractor's proprietary property with any third parties that are permitted access to the computer programs and documentation in connection with the user ordering activity's permitted use of the computer programs and documentation. For purposes of this section, all such permitted third parties shall be deemed agents of the user ordering activity.

(3) Except as is provided in paragraph 8.b(2) above, the ordering activity shall not provide or otherwise make available the software or documentation, or any portion thereof, in any form, to any third party without the prior written approval of the Contractor. Third parties do not include prime Contractors, subcontractors and agents of the ordering activity who have the ordering activity's permission to use the licensed software and documentation at the facility, and who have agreed to use the licensed software and documentation only in accordance with these restrictions. This provision does not limit the right of the ordering activity to use software, documentation, or information therein, which the ordering activity may already have or obtains without restrictions.

(4) The ordering activity shall have the right to use the computer software and documentation with the computer for which it is acquired at any other facility to which that computer may be transferred, or in cases of disaster recovery, the ordering activity has the right to transfer the software to another site if the ordering activity site for which it is acquired is deemed to be unsafe for ordering activity personnel; to use the computer software and documentation with a backup computer when the primary computer is inoperative; to copy computer programs for safekeeping (archives) or backup purposes; to transfer a copy of the software to another site for purposes of benchmarking new hardware and/or software; and to modify the software and documentation or combine it with other software, provided that the unmodified portions shall remain subject to these restrictions.

(5) "Commercial Computer Software" may be marked with the Contractor's standard commercial restricted rights legend, but the schedule contract and schedule pricelist, including this clause, "Utilization Limitations" are the only governing terms and conditions, and shall take precedence and supersede any different or additional terms and conditions included in the standard commercial legend.

7. SOFTWARE CONVERSIONS - (132-33)

Full monetary credit will be allowed to the ordering activity when conversion from one version of the software to another is made as the result of a change in operating system, or from one computer system to another. Under a perpetual license (132-33), the purchase price of the new software shall be reduced by the amount that was paid to purchase the earlier version.

8. DESCRIPTIONS AND EQUIPMENT COMPATIBILITY

The Contractor shall include, in the schedule pricelist, a complete description of each software product and a list of equipment on which the software can be used. Also, included shall be a brief, introductory explanation of the modules and documentation which are offered.

9. RIGHT-TO-COPY PRICING

The Contractor shall insert the discounted pricing for right-to-copy licenses.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO PURCHASE OF TRAINING COURSES FOR GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-50)

1. SCOPE

- a. The Contractor shall provide training courses normally available to commercial customers, which will permit ordering activity users to make full, efficient use of general purpose commercial IT products. Training is restricted to training courses for those products within the scope of this solicitation.
- b. The Contractor shall provide training at the Contractor's facility and/or at the ordering activity's location, as agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity.

2. ORDER

Written orders, EDI orders (GSA Advantage! and FACNET), credit card orders, and orders placed under blanket purchase agreements (BPAs) shall be the basis for the purchase of training courses in accordance with the terms of this contract. Orders shall include the student's name, course title, course date and time, and contracted dollar amount of the course.

3. TIME OF DELIVERY

The Contractor shall conduct training on the date (time, day, month, and year) agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity.

4. CANCELLATION AND RESCHEDULING

- a. The ordering activity will notify the Contractor at least seventy-two (72) hours before the scheduled training date, if a student will be unable to attend. The Contractor will then permit the ordering activity to either cancel the order or reschedule the training at no additional charge. In the event the training class is rescheduled, the ordering activity will modify its original training order to specify the time and date of the rescheduled training class.
- b. In the event the ordering activity fails to cancel or reschedule a training course within the time frame specified in paragraph a, above, the ordering activity will be liable for the contracted dollar amount of the training course. The Contractor agrees to permit the ordering activity to reschedule a student who fails to attend a training class within ninety (90) days from the original course date, at no additional charge.
- c. The ordering activity reserves the right to substitute one student for another up to the first day of class.
- d. In the event the Contractor is unable to conduct training on the date agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity, the Contractor must notify the ordering activity at least seventy-two (72) hours before the scheduled training date.

5. FOLLOW-UP SUPPORT

The Contractor agrees to provide each student with unlimited telephone support for a period of one (1) year from the completion of the training course. During this period, the student may contact the Contractor's instructors for refresher assistance and answers to related course curriculum questions.

6. PRICE FOR TRAINING

The price that the ordering activity will be charged will be the ordering activity training price in effect at the time of order placement, or the ordering activity price in effect at the time the training course is conducted, whichever is less.

7. INVOICES AND PAYMENT

Invoices for training shall be submitted by the Contractor after ordering activity completion of the training course. Charges for training must be paid in arrears (31 U.S.C. 3324). PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

8. FORMAT AND CONTENT OF TRAINING

a. The Contractor shall provide written materials (i.e., manuals, handbooks, texts, etc.) normally provided with course offerings. Such documentation will become the property of the student upon completion of the training class.

b. ****If applicable**** For hands-on training courses, there must be a one-to-one assignment of IT equipment to students.

c. The Contractor shall provide each student with a Certificate of Training at the completion of each training course.

d. The Contractor shall provide the following information for each training course offered:

- (1) The course title and a brief description of the course content, to include the course format (e.g., lecture, discussion, hands-on training);
- (2) The length of the course;
- (3) Mandatory and desirable prerequisites for student enrollment;
- (4) The minimum and maximum number of students per class;
- (5) The locations where the course is offered;
- (6) Class schedules; and
- (7) Price (per student, per class (if applicable)).

e. For those courses conducted at the ordering activity's location, instructor travel charges (if applicable), including mileage and daily living expenses (e.g., per diem charges) are governed by Pub. L. 99-234 and FAR Part 31.205-46, and are reimbursable by the ordering activity on orders placed under the Multiple Award Schedule, as applicable, in effect on the date(s) the travel is performed. Contractors cannot use GSA city pair contracts. The Industrial Funding Fee does NOT apply to travel and per diem charges.

9. "NO CHARGE" TRAINING

The Contractor shall describe any training provided with equipment and/or software provided under this contract, free of charge, in the space provided below.

None

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-51)**

1. SCOPE

- a. The prices, terms and conditions stated under Special Item Number 132-51 Information Technology Professional Services apply exclusively to IT Services within the scope of this Information Technology Schedule.
- b. The Contractor shall provide services at the Contractor's facility and/or at the ordering activity location, as agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity.

2. PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES

- a. Performance incentives may be agreed upon between the Contractor and the ordering activity on individual fixed price orders or Blanket Purchase Agreements under this contract in accordance with this clause.
- b. The ordering activity must establish a maximum performance incentive price for these services and/or total solutions on individual orders or Blanket Purchase Agreements.
- c. Incentives should be designed to relate results achieved by the contractor to specified targets. To the maximum extent practicable, ordering activities shall consider establishing incentives where performance is critical to the ordering activity's mission and incentives are likely to motivate the contractor. Incentives shall be based on objectively measurable tasks.

3. ORDER

- a. Agencies may use written orders, EDI orders, blanket purchase agreements, individual purchase orders, or task orders for ordering services under this contract. Blanket Purchase Agreements shall not extend beyond the end of the contract period; all services and delivery shall be made and the contract terms and conditions shall continue in effect until the completion of the order. Orders for tasks which extend beyond the fiscal year for which funds are available shall include FAR 52.232-19 (Deviation – May 2003) Availability of Funds for the Next Fiscal Year. The purchase order shall specify the availability of funds and the period for which funds are available.
- b. All task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of the contract. In the event of conflict between a task order and the contract, the contract will take precedence.

4. PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES

- a. The Contractor shall commence performance of services on the date agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity.
- b. The Contractor agrees to render services only during normal working hours, unless otherwise agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity.
- c. The ordering activity should include the criteria for satisfactory completion for each task in the Statement of Work or Delivery Order. Services shall be completed in a good and workmanlike manner.
- d. Any Contractor travel required in the performance of IT Services must comply with the Federal Travel Regulation or Joint Travel Regulations, as applicable, in effect on the date(s) the travel is performed. Established Federal Government per diem rates will apply to all Contractor travel. Contractors cannot use GSA city pair contracts.

5. STOP-WORK ORDER (FAR 52.242-15) (AUG 1989)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may, at any time, by written order to the Contractor, require the Contractor to stop all, or any part, of the work called for by this contract for a period of 90 days after the order is delivered to the Contractor, and for any further period to which the parties may agree. The order shall be specifically identified as a stop-work order issued under this clause. Upon receipt of the order, the Contractor shall immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage. Within a period of 90 days after a stop-work is delivered to the Contractor, or within any extension of that period to which the parties shall have agreed, the Contracting Officer shall either-

- (1) Cancel the stop-work order; or
- (2) Terminate the work covered by the order as provided in the Default, or the Termination for Convenience of the Government, clause of this contract.

(b) If a stop-work order issued under this clause is canceled or the period of the order or any extension thereof expires, the Contractor shall resume work. The Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule or contract price, or both, and the contract shall be modified, in writing, accordingly, if-

- (1) The stop-work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in the Contractor's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this contract; and
- (2) The Contractor asserts its right to the adjustment within 30 days after the end of the period of work stoppage; provided, that, if the Contracting Officer decides the facts justify the action, the Contracting Officer may receive and act upon the claim submitted at any time before final payment under this contract.

(c) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for the convenience of the Government, the Contracting Officer shall allow reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order in arriving at the termination settlement.

(d) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for default, the Contracting Officer shall allow, by equitable adjustment or otherwise, reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order.

6. INSPECTION OF SERVICES

The Inspection of Services–Fixed Price (AUG 1996) (Deviation – May 2003) clause at FAR 52.246-4 applies to firm-fixed price orders placed under this contract. The Inspection–Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour (JAN 1986) (Deviation – May 2003) clause at FAR 52.246-6 applies to time-and-materials and labor-hour orders placed under this contract.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations (Federal, State, City, or otherwise) covering work of this character. If the end product of a task order is software, then FAR 52.227-14 (Deviation – May 2003) Rights in Data – General, may apply.

8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORDERING ACTIVITY

Subject to security regulations, the ordering activity shall permit Contractor access to all facilities necessary to perform the requisite IT Services.

9. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

All IT Services performed by the Contractor under the terms of this contract shall be as an independent Contractor, and not as an agent or employee of the ordering activity.

10. ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

a. Definitions.

“Contractor” means the person, firm, unincorporated association, joint venture, partnership, or corporation that is a party to this contract.

“Contractor and its affiliates” and “Contractor or its affiliates” refers to the Contractor, its chief executives, directors, officers, subsidiaries, affiliates, subcontractors at any tier, and consultants and any joint venture involving the Contractor, any entity into or with which the Contractor subsequently merges or affiliates, or any other successor or assignee of the Contractor.

An “Organizational conflict of interest” exists when the nature of the work to be performed under a proposed ordering activity contract, without some restriction on ordering activities by the Contractor and its affiliates, may either (i) result in an unfair competitive advantage to the Contractor or its affiliates or (ii) impair the Contractor’s or its affiliates’ objectivity in performing contract work.

b. To avoid an organizational or financial conflict of interest and to avoid prejudicing the best interests of the ordering activity, ordering activities may place restrictions on the Contractors, its affiliates, chief executives, directors, subsidiaries and subcontractors at any tier when placing orders against schedule contracts. Such restrictions shall be consistent with FAR 9.505 and shall be designed to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate organizational conflicts of interest that might otherwise exist in situations related to individual orders placed against the schedule contract. Examples of situations, which may require restrictions, are provided at FAR 9.508.

11. INVOICES

The Contractor, upon completion of the work ordered, shall submit invoices for IT services. Progress payments may be authorized by the ordering activity on individual orders if appropriate. Progress payments shall be based upon completion of defined milestones or interim products. Invoices shall be submitted monthly for recurring services performed during the preceding month.

12. PAYMENTS

For firm-fixed price orders the ordering activity shall pay the Contractor, upon submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for service rendered and accepted. Progress payments shall be made only when authorized by the order. For time-and-materials orders, the Payments under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts at FAR 52.232-7 (DEC 2002), (Alternate II – Feb 2002) (Deviation – May 2003) applies to time-and-materials orders placed under this contract. For labor-hour orders, the Payment under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts at FAR 52.232-7 (DEC 2002), (Alternate II – Feb 2002) (Deviation – May 2003)) applies to labor-hour orders placed under this contract. 52.216-31(Feb 2007) Time-and-Materials/Labor-Hour Proposal Requirements—Commercial Item Acquisition As prescribed in 16.601(e)(3), insert the following provision:

(a) The Government contemplates award of a Time-and-Materials or Labor-Hour type of contract resulting from this solicitation.

(b) The offeror must specify fixed hourly rates in its offer that include wages, overhead, general and administrative expenses, and profit. The offeror must specify whether the fixed hourly rate for each labor category applies to labor performed by—

- (1) The offeror;
- (2) Subcontractors; and/or
- (3) Divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the offeror under a common control.

13. RESUMES

Resumes shall be provided to the GSA Contracting Officer or the user ordering activity upon request.

14. INCIDENTAL SUPPORT COSTS

Incidental support costs are available outside the scope of this contract. The costs will be negotiated separately with the ordering activity in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the FAR.

15. APPROVAL OF SUBCONTRACTS

The ordering activity may require that the Contractor receive, from the ordering activity's Contracting Officer, written consent before placing any subcontract for furnishing any of the work called for in a task order.

16. DESCRIPTION OF IT SERVICES AND PRICING

PRICING

Contractor Site Rate

LABOR CATEGORY	11/18/2007	11/18/2008
	11/17/2008	11/17/2009
Project Manager	\$191.33	\$199.75
Senior Configuration Management Specialist	\$168.19	\$175.59
Configuration Management Specialist	\$163.56	\$170.75
Senior Software Engineer	\$185.16	\$193.30
Software Engineer	\$162.01	\$169.14
Junior Software Engineer	\$138.87	\$144.98
Senior Computer Specialist	\$177.44	\$185.25
Senior Intranet/Extranet/Internet Site Developer/Engineer	\$185.16	\$193.30
Senior Database Engineer	\$177.44	\$185.25
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 5	\$231.45	\$241.63
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 3	\$185.16	\$193.30
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 1	\$172.81	\$180.42
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 5	\$219.88	\$229.55
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 4	\$202.52	\$211.43
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 3	\$179.37	\$187.26
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 2	\$162.01	\$169.14
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 1	\$144.65	\$151.02
Systems Engineer	\$217.43	\$227.00
Senior Systems Engineer	\$237.19	\$247.63
Architect	\$256.96	\$268.27
Architect Mid-Level	\$276.72	\$288.90
Senior Architect	\$296.50	\$309.54

GOV'T SITE RATE

LABOR CATEGORY	11/18/2007	11/18/2008
	11/17/2008	11/17/2009
Project Manager	\$169.32	\$176.77
Senior Configuration Management Specialist	\$148.84	\$155.39
Configuration Management Specialist	\$144.74	\$151.11
Senior Software Engineer	\$163.86	\$171.07
Software Engineer	\$143.37	\$149.68
Junior Software Engineer	\$122.89	\$128.30
Senior Computer Specialist	\$157.03	\$163.94
Senior Intranet/Extranet/Internet Site Developer/Engineer	\$163.86	\$171.07
Senior Database Engineer	\$157.03	\$163.94
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 5	\$204.82	\$213.83
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 3	\$163.86	\$171.07
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 1	\$152.93	\$159.66
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 5	\$194.58	\$203.14
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 4	\$179.22	\$187.10
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 3	\$158.74	\$165.72
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 2	\$143.37	\$149.68
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 1	\$128.01	\$133.65
Systems Engineer	\$217.43	\$227.00
Senior Systems Engineer	\$237.19	\$247.63
Architect	\$256.96	\$268.27
Architect Mid-Level	\$276.72	\$288.90
Senior Architect	\$296.50	\$309.54

LABOR CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS

Labor Category	Experience/Degree General Specialized Experience
Project Manager	BS + 8 years of experience of MS + 5 years of experience. Experience must include over 3 years managing an IT project.
Senior Configuration Management Specialist	BS + 8 or MS + 5, experience must include the use of configuration management tools include Rational of equivalent. Experience should also include the deployment and management of the software libraries and COTS and custom software applications management
Configuration Management Specialist	BS + 6 or MS + 4, experience must include the use of configuration management tools include Rational of equivalent. Experience should also include the deployment and management of the software libraries and COTS and custom software applications management
Senior Software Engineer	BS + 7 or MS + 5, experience must include the custom software development and expertise including the Cots integration and customization for the government or public sector customers
Software Engineer	BS + 5 or MS + 3, experience must include the full software development lifecycle. Must also have experience in the development of the software for the public sector and its integration with the legacy and modernized government software systems.
Junior Software Engineer	BS or 4 years of IT experience. Experience must include the full software development lifecycle. Must also have experience in the development of the software for the public sector and its integration with the legacy and modernized government software systems
Senior Computer Specialist	BS + 7 or MS + 5, experience must include the different operating systems including, Solaris, General UNIX and NT. Familiarity required with the messaging software and some experience with mainframe systems.
Senior Intranet/Extranet/ Internet Site Developer/Engineer	BS + 7 or MS + 5. Experience must include the development of internet and intranet portals. Also must have experience in the integration of the legacy and other backend systems to the modernized portal.
Senior Database Engineer	BS + 7 or MS + 7. Experience must include the database design and development. Also must have experience in the installation, design, deployment and performance tuning and monitoring of the RDBMS systems. Database experience must include Oracle and/or DB2
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 5	BS + 10 or MS + 8. Experience must include the full functional knowledge of the business application. Must have the functional experience in the implementation of the business requirement. Must have experience interfacing with the business customer and have experience in converting the business needs/requirement into the functional and technical requirements to be handed over to the technical SME for the implementation.
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 3	BS + 7 or MS + 5. Experience must include the full functional knowledge of the business application. Must have the functional experience in the implementation of the business requirement. Must have experience interfacing with the business customer and have experience in converting the business needs/requirement into the functional and technical requirements to be handed over to the technical SME for the implementation.
Subject Matter Expert (Functional) 1	BS +5 or MS + 3. Experience must include the full functional knowledge of the business application. Must have the functional experience in the implementation of the business requirement. Must have experience

Labor Category	Experience/Degree General Specialized Experience
	interfacing with the business customer and have experience in converting the business needs/requirement into the functional and technical requirements to be handed over to the technical SME for the implementation.
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 5	BS + 10 or MS + 8. Experience must be at the level of a subject matter expert in the area of the specific technologies required by the customer. Must also have the experience that would allow the SME to support the required technology or COTS product for its full lifecycle from requirement and product selection to the installation and deployment.
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 4	BS + 8 or MS + 6. Experience must be at the level of a subject matter expert in the area of the specific technologies required by the customer. Must also have the experience that would allow the SME to support the required technology or COTS product for its full lifecycle from requirement and product selection to the installation and deployment.
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 3	BS + 6 or MS + 4. Experience must be at the level of a subject matter expert in the area of the specific technologies required by the customer. Must also have the experience that would allow the SME to support the required technology or COTS product for its full lifecycle from requirement and product selection to the installation and deployment.
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 2	BS + 5 or MS + 3. Experience must be at the level of a subject matter expert in the area of the specific technologies required by the customer. Must also have the experience that would allow the SME to support the required technology or COTS product for its full lifecycle from requirement and product selection to the installation and deployment.
Subject Matter Expert (Technical) 1 Systems Engineer Senior Systems Engineer Architect Architect Mid Senior Architect	BS + 3 or MS + 1. Experience must be at the level of a subject matter expert in the area of the specific technologies required by the customer. Must also have the experience that would allow the SME to support the required technology or COTS product for its full lifecycle from requirement and product selection to the installation and deployment. BS + 5 or MS + 3, experience must include the custom software development and expertise in the Systems Engineering and Analysis and customization for the government or public sector customers BS + 6 or MS + 4, experience must include the custom software development and expertise in the Systems Engineering and Analysis and customization for the government or public sector customers BS + 4 years of experience of MS + 2 years of experience. Experience must include the enterprise architecture and integration. Also must have experience working with the business customers for the requirements analysis and act as a liaison between the business and technical customers. BS + 8 years of experience of MS + 6 years of experience. Experience must include the enterprise architecture and integration. Also must have experience working with the business customers for the requirements analysis and act as a liaison between the business and technical customers. Experience with the technology evaluation and selection process BS Degree + 8 years relevant experience or MS + 6 years relevant experience. Additional 4 years of experience can be used to substitute for BS. 6-8 years experience including enterprise architecture and integration. Also must have experience working with the business customers for the requirements analysis and act as a liaison between the business and technical customers. Experience with the technology evaluation and selection process. Also be able to act as a technical advisor to the senior level executives or the program managers for long-term strategic directions.

**USA COMMITMENT TO PROMOTE
SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION
PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS**

PREAMBLE

(Name of Company) provides commercial products and services to ordering activities. We are committed to promoting participation of small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses in our contracts. We pledge to provide opportunities to the small business community through reselling opportunities, mentor-protégé programs, joint ventures, teaming arrangements, and subcontracting.

COMMITMENT

To actively seek and partner with small businesses.

To identify, qualify, mentor and develop small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses by purchasing from these businesses whenever practical.

To develop and promote company policy initiatives that demonstrate our support for awarding contracts and subcontracts to small business concerns.

To undertake significant efforts to determine the potential of small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small business to supply products and services to our company.

To insure procurement opportunities are designed to permit the maximum possible participation of small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small businesses.

To attend business opportunity workshops, minority business enterprise seminars, trade fairs, procurement conferences, etc., to identify and increase small businesses with whom to partner.

To publicize in our marketing publications our interest in meeting small businesses that may be interested in subcontracting opportunities.

We signify our commitment to work in partnership with small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses to promote and increase their participation in ordering activity contracts. To accelerate potential opportunities please contact (Manesh Gupta, 703-627-1424, mgupta@niksoft.com, fax:703-935-8603

**BEST VALUE
BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT
FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE**

(Insert Customer Name)

In the spirit of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (ordering activity) and (Contractor) enter into a cooperative agreement to further reduce the administrative costs of acquiring commercial items from the General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Supply Schedule Contract(s) _____.

Federal Supply Schedule contract BPAs eliminate contracting and open market costs such as: search for sources; the development of technical documents, solicitations and the evaluation of offers. Teaming Arrangements are permitted with Federal Supply Schedule Contractors in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 9.6.

This BPA will further decrease costs, reduce paperwork, and save time by eliminating the need for repetitive, individual purchases from the schedule contract. The end result is to create a purchasing mechanism for the ordering activity that works better and costs less.

Signatures

Ordering Activity

Date

Contractor

Date

BPA NUMBER _____

(CUSTOMER NAME)
BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Pursuant to GSA Federal Supply Schedule Contract Number(s) _____, Blanket Purchase Agreements, the Contractor agrees to the following terms of a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) EXCLUSIVELY WITH (ordering activity):

(1) The following contract items can be ordered under this BPA. All orders placed against this BPA are subject to the terms and conditions of the contract, except as noted below:

MODEL NUMBER/PART NUMBER	*SPECIAL BPA DISCOUNT/PRICE
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(2) Delivery:

DESTINATION	DELIVERY SCHEDULES / DATES
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(3) The ordering activity estimates, but does not guarantee, that the volume of purchases through this agreement will be _____.

(4) This BPA does not obligate any funds.

(5) This BPA expires on _____ or at the end of the contract period, whichever is earlier.

(6) The following office(s) is hereby authorized to place orders under this BPA:

OFFICE	POINT OF CONTACT
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(7) Orders will be placed against this BPA via Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), FAX, or paper.

(8) Unless otherwise agreed to, all deliveries under this BPA must be accompanied by delivery tickets or sales slips that must contain the following information as a minimum:

- (a) Name of Contractor;
- (b) Contract Number;
- (c) BPA Number;
- (d) Model Number or National Stock Number (NSN);
- (e) Purchase Order Number;
- (f) Date of Purchase;

- (g) Quantity, Unit Price, and Extension of Each Item (unit prices and extensions need not be shown when incompatible with the use of automated systems; provided, that the invoice is itemized to show the information); and
 - (h) Date of Shipment.
- (9) The requirements of a proper invoice are specified in the Federal Supply Schedule contract. Invoices will be submitted to the address specified within the purchase order transmission issued against this BPA.
- (10) The terms and conditions included in this BPA apply to all purchases made pursuant to it. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of this BPA and the Contractor's invoice, the provisions of this BPA will take precedence.
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**BASIC GUIDELINES FOR USING
“CONTRACTOR TEAM ARRANGEMENTS”**

Federal Supply Schedule Contractors may use “Contractor Team Arrangements” (see FAR 9.6) to provide solutions when responding to a ordering activity requirements.

These Team Arrangements can be included under a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA). BPAs are permitted under all Federal Supply Schedule contracts.

Orders under a Team Arrangement are subject to terms and conditions or the Federal Supply Schedule Contract.

Participation in a Team Arrangement is limited to Federal Supply Schedule Contractors.

Customers should refer to FAR 9.6 for specific details on Team Arrangements.

Here is a general outline on how it works:

- The customer identifies their requirements.
- Federal Supply Schedule Contractors may individually meet the customers needs, or -
- Federal Supply Schedule Contractors may individually submit a Schedules “Team Solution” to meet the customer’s requirement.
- Customers make a best value selection