



## Visual Information System, Inc.

### Information Technology Schedule Pricelist

### General Purpose Commercial Information Technology Equipment, Software And Services

### General Description Of The Commodities and Services Offered Application SIN, FSC Classes and FPDS Codes

	DESCRIPTION	FSC CLASS/FPDS CODE
SIN 132-51	Information Technology Professional Services	D302, D306, D307, D308, D311, D399

**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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**General Services Administration  
Federal Acquisition Service**

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Products and ordering information in this Authorized FSS Information Technology Schedule Pricelist are also available on the GSA Advantage! System (<http://www.gsaadvantage.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 Supply Schedules Program. 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](http://www.gsaadvantage.gov)). The catalogs/pricelists, GSA Advantage!™ and the Federal Acquisition Service Home Page ([www.gsa.gov/fas](http://www.gsa.gov/fas)) 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:**

**Visual Information System, Inc.  
8901 Triple Ridge Road  
Fairfax Station, Virginia 22039**

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 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) 643-1628** FAX: **(703) 643-0621**.

**3. Liability for Injury or Damage**

Visual Information System, Inc. 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 Visual Information System, Inc., unless such injury or damage is due to the fault or negligence of Visual Information System, Inc.

**4. Statistical 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: **94-918-2182**

Block 30: Type of Contractor – **A. Small Disadvantaged Business**

Block 31: Woman-Owned Small Business - **No**

Block 36: Contractor's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): **54-1668162**

4a. CAGE Code: **1XJ27**

4b. **Visual Information System, Inc.** has registered with the Central Contractor Registration Database.

**5. FOB Destination**

FOB Destination available in continental US only.

**6. Delivery Schedule**

a. TIME OF DELIVERY: Visual Information System, Inc. shall deliver to destination within 30 days after receipt of order (ARO), or as negotiated between the ordering activity and Visual Information System, Inc. Expedited Delivery Time: Expedited deliveries will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Overnight and 2-Day Delivery Times: Schedule customers may require overnight or two-day delivery. Contact Visual Information System, Inc. to check on the availability of personnel to fulfill the service.

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 Visual Information System, Inc. for the purpose of obtaining accelerated delivery. Visual Information System, Inc. shall reply to the inquiry within 3 workdays after receipt. (Telephonic replies shall be confirmed by Visual Information System, Inc. in writing.) If Visual Information System, Inc. 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: **None**

b. Quantity: **None**

c. Dollar Volume: **None**

d. Government Educational Institutions: **None**

e. Other: **None**

**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:**

Export Packing is available at additional charge.

**10. Small Requirements:**

The minimum dollar value of orders to be issued is **\$1000.00**.

**11. Maximum Order (All dollar amounts are exclusive of any discount for prompt payment.)**

**SIN 132-51 - \$500,000**

**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 Tehcnology/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 Supply 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 2003)**

- 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.
- 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.
- k) Overtime: For professional services, the labor rates in the Schedule should not vary by virtue of the Contractor having worked overtime. For services applicable to the Service Contract Act (as identified in the Schedule), the labor rates in the Schedule will vary as governed by labor laws (usually assessed a time and a half of the labor rate).

#### **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).

#### **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.fss.gsa.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.

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. Visual Information System, Inc. 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 Visual Information System, Inc.

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

#### **19. Overseas Activities**

Upon request of Visual Information System, Inc., the ordering activity may provide Visual Information System, Inc. 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 Visual Information System, Inc.'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, Contractor's Reports of Sales and 552.238-76, Industrial Funding Fee, i.e., each contractor (team member) must report sales and remit the IFF for all products and services provided under its individual contract.

#### **22. Intallation, 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.

### **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. The EIT standard can be found at: [www.Section 508.gov/](http://www.Section508.gov/)

### **24. Orders by Federal Government Contractors**

Aquarian Systems, Inc., will accept orders from Federal Government Contractors under this Schedule Contract providing that:

a. A copy of the authorization to procure products/services from the Schedule provided to the contractor from the Government Contracting Officer is provided to Aquarian Systems, Inc. This authorization should cite the contract number, the period of authorization, and state that title to any equipment purchased by the Contractor will vest in the U.S. Government, and:

b. The order placed by the authorized Federal Government Contractor states:

"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, the latter will govern."

It is understood and agreed that title to any machine purchased there under shall vest directly in the Government at the time of acceptance. Machines purchased and programs licensed there under will be used solely for the performance of the cost reimbursement prime contract under which this authorization was granted. Maintenance service ordered there under is solely for the purpose of maintaining Government owned machines.

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

### **1. Scope**

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

### **2. Performance Incentives I-FSS-60 Performance Incentives (April 2000)**

- 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 agency'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 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. Visual Information System shall commence performance of services on the date agreed to by the Visual Information System and the ordering activity.
- b. Visual Information System agrees to render services only during normal working hours, unless otherwise agreed to by Visual Information System 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 Visual Information System 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 Visual Information System travel. Visual Information System 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**

In accordance with FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAR 2009) (DEVIATION I - FEB 2007) for Firm-Fixed Price orders and FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAR 2009) (ALTERNATE I OCT 2008) (DEVIATION I - FEB 2007) applies to Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts orders placed under this contract.

## **7. Responsibilities of Visual Information System**

Visual Information System 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 Rights in Data - General, may apply.

## **8. Responsibilities of the Ordering Activity**

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

## **9. Independent Contractor**

All IT Services performed by Visual Information System 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**

Visual Information System, 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 52.212-4 (MAR 2009) (ALTERNATE I – OCT 2008) (DEVIATION I – FEB 2007) 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 52.212-4 (MAR 2009) (ALTERNATE I – OCT 2008) (DEVIATION I – FEB 2007) 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 Visual Information System 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.

#### 16A. Description of IT Services

Visual Information Systems, Inc. (VIS) has proven expertise in successfully designing and developing legal and non-legal case management software applications with Oracle database under client/server and web-based (J2EE, Oracle Portals, ASP) environments. VIS brings to the table extensive knowledge of organizational structures, system architectures and design, and successful conversions of major database systems in such large departments such as Department of Justice, Consumer Product Safety Commission, and other non-profit organizations. Using our state of the art programming tools VIS has linked enterprise units over remote geographical locations and has provided enterprise management headquarters sites the crucial management tools necessary to maintain currency and snapshot views of disparate groups and total enterprise snapshots with accurate and unparalleled consistency.

#### 16B. Professional Services Pricing

The hourly rates specified below shall apply regardless of whether the services are performed by Visual Information System or its subcontractors, as long as the individuals performing the services meet the education, experience and expertise requirements for the applicable category.

The charges apply to purchases of contracted professional services during normal business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00AM to 5:00PM) exclusive of Holidays observed by the government or Visual Information System and the local service area (50 mile radius). For those services that cannot be provided within the local services area Visual Information System will provide the government-ordering agency with a not-to-exceed quote of travel and per diem.

Labor Category	Hourly Rate
Technical Systems Specialist	\$140.40
Senior Programmer	\$119.02
Project Manager	\$127.02

#### 16C. Labor Category Descriptions

**1) Technical Systems Specialist** - Minimum/General Experience: 6 yrs experience in the design, development, and maintenance of large-scale data base management systems, as well as a broad knowledge of data processing environments, including office automation networks, PC-based database and other applications, server-based database and other applications. Functional Responsibility: Directs project team in the complex design, programming, database administration, and system integration issues. Requires substantial, hands-on analysis and programming experience in high-level database and database tools on a variety of systems, as well as exchanging information with other databases. Minimum Education: A Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Information Systems, Engineering, Business or other related discipline. Equivalent technical training and/or technical experience may be substituted for education.

**2) Senior Programmer** - Minimum/General Experience: 5 years experience in developing, testing and documenting computer programs applying knowledge of programming techniques and computer systems. Functional Responsibilities: Evaluates user requests for new or modified software routines and program(s); formulates plan outlining steps required to develop program, using structured analysis and design; converts project specifications into sequential instructions and logical coding steps, applying knowledge of computer programming techniques and computer languages. May use computer-aided software tools in each stage of system development; may monitor performance of program after implementation. Minimum Education: A Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Information Systems, Engineering, Business, or other related discipline. Equivalent technical training and/or technical experience may be substituted for education.

**3) Project Manager** - Minimum/General Experience: 5 years experience in managing project performance from inception to deployment. Functional Responsibility: Serves as project and/or site manager for a large, complex task order or a group of task orders affecting the same

common/standard/migration system. Manages the development team and interacts with users to define system specification. Assist the Program Manager in working with the Government Program Manager, Contracting Officer (CO), and other appropriate government personnel. Responsible for overall management of the specific task order(s) and assures that contractor and subcontractor personnel deliver the customer's desired technical solution within the mutually established contract schedule and cost. Minimum Education: A Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Information Systems, Engineering, Business, or other related discipline. Equivalent technical training and/or technical experience may be substituted for education experience may be substituted for education.

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

### **Preamble**

(Visual Information System, Inc.) 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 Vinh Q. Nguyen, President, Visual Information System, Inc., phone: 703-643-1628, FAX: 703-643-0621, e-mail: [vnguyen@visualinformationsystem.com](mailto:vnguyen@visualinformationsystem.com).

**Best Value Blanket Purchase AGREEMENT FEDERAL Supply Schedule**  
(Insert Customer Name)

In the spirit of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (Ordering Activity) and (Visual Information System, Inc.) 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	Visual Information System, Inc.	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
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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(2) Delivery:

DESTINATION	DELIVERY SCHEDULE/DATES
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_____	_____
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(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
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_____	_____
_____	_____
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(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.



## **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 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.