

## **AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES**

This Agreement for Legal Services (“Agreement”), effective January 26, 2025 (“Effective Date”), is between the County of Oneida (“County”), a New York municipal corporation with its principal offices at 800 Park Avenue, Utica, New York 13501, and the Hon. Scott D. McNamara, Esq. (“Mr. McNamara”), an individual engaged in the practice of law residing at 2796B State Route 12B, Deansboro, New York 13328.

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the County desires to retain Mr. McNamara to furnish and perform legal services for the County, as described herein; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McNamara has agreed to provide legal services to the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and the mutual covenants hereinafter expressed, it is hereby agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1.     **THE SERVICES.** Mr. McNamara shall, in coordination with the Oneida County Sheriff’s Office, prosecute in local courts of competent jurisdiction contested violations of Oneida County Local Law No. 3 of 2020, which establishes a school bus photo violation monitoring system and imposes liability on the owner of a motor vehicle for the operator’s failure to stop for a school bus displaying a red visual signal and stop arm (the “Services”).
2.     **PAYMENT AND EXPENSES.**
  - a.     In exchange for the Services, the County shall pay Mr. McNamara at the hourly rate of one hundred fifty-eight dollars and zero cents (\$158.00).
  - b.     The County shall reimburse Mr. McNamara for his reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in providing the Services, if any, and mileage at the applicable IRS standard rate.
  - c.     Total compensation pursuant to this Agreement shall not exceed forty-five thousand dollars and zero cents (\$45,000.00).
  - d.     No payments described in this Section 2 shall be due and owing until Mr. McNamara has submitted to the County a detailed signed voucher, and such voucher has been audited and approved for payment by the County. It is understood that any such payments shall be made directly to Mr. McNamara. It is further understood that any form 1099 issued by the County with respect to such payments shall show Mr. McNamara as the recipient of the payments.
3.     **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.** Mr. McNamara represents that he is duly licensed and in good standing to practice law in the courts of the State of New York, and has the qualifications, specialized skills, experience and the ability to properly perform the

Services. He shall use his best efforts to perform the Services such that the results are satisfactory to the County. He shall be solely responsible for determining the method, details and means of performing the Services.

4. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

- a. Mr. McNamara will be furnishing and providing the Services described herein on a contractual basis, and that Mr. McNamara may have other clients. However, the Mr. McNamara shall give reasonable priority to County legal matters so that the County's legal needs are properly and promptly attended to.
- b. It is expressly understood that Mr. McNamara is an independent contractor and shall not be deemed to be an officer or employee of the County for any purpose. Mr. McNamara, in accordance with his status as an independent contractor, covenants and agrees that he will conduct himself consistently with such status. Mr. McNamara will not make any claim, demand or application to or for any right or privilege applicable to an officer or employee of the County, including, but not limited to, workers' compensation coverage, unemployment insurance benefits, social security coverage, or retirement membership or credit for services under this Agreement. The parties agree that Mr. McNamara is not entitled to or eligible for social security, Medicare, disability benefits, health insurance benefits, sick leave benefits, vacation benefits, retirement benefits for services under this Agreement, unemployment insurance benefits or any other benefits through the County.

5. TERM. This Agreement shall be for a 12-month term, which shall commence upon the Effective Date.
6. NOTICES. Notices under this Agreement shall be sent by certified mail to the address of the receiving party first set forth above.
7. TERMINATION. During the term of this Agreement, either party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the other party. At such time as either party may elect to terminate the Agreement, all files, documents, reports, and other papers in the possession of Mr. McNamara under the terms of the Agreement shall be returned to County along with a final report from Mr. McNamara as to the then current status of the services Mr. McNamara is currently engaged in. At such time as either party may elect to terminate this Agreement, the payments to Mr. McNamara shall be made as of and to the date of termination.
8. CONFIDENTIALITY. Mr. McNamara agrees to maintain in confidence and not disclose to any person or entity, without County's prior written consent, any confidential information, knowledge or data of the County, unless such disclosure is reasonably incident and necessary to the performance of his duties under this Agreement.
9. RECORDKEEPING. Mr. McNamara shall keep and maintain all records concerning the Services and upon termination of this Agreement shall return all such records to County.

10. EXECUTORY FUNDS. The obligations of County are conditioned upon the continued availability of County funds for the purposes set forth in this Agreement. Should funds become unavailable or County officials fail to appropriate sufficient funds for payment for the Services set forth herein, County must immediately terminate this Agreement upon providing written notice to Mr. McNamara. In such an event, County shall have no further obligation to Mr. McNamara other than reimbursement for Services already performed prior to termination and in no event will County be responsible for any consequential damages as a result of termination.
11. ASSIGNMENT. Mr. McNamara shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Agreement, or of his right, title or interest in this Agreement, or his power to execute this Agreement, to any other person or corporation without the previous consent in writing of the County.
12. NO WAIVER. No waiver of any breach of any condition of this Agreement shall be binding unless in writing and signed by the party waiving said breach. No such waiver shall in any way affect any other term or condition of this Agreement or constitute a cause or excuse for a repetition of such or any other breach unless the waiver shall include the same.
13. COMPLETE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, including the Standard Oneida County Conditions attached as Exhibit A hereto, constitutes the complete agreement and understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof.
14. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE. This Agreement shall be construed, enforced and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. Any litigation arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Oneida County, New York.
15. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be an original.

[SIGNATURE APPEAR ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands on the date respectively stated.

County of Oneida

Hon. Scott D. McNamara

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony J. Picente, Jr.  
Oneida County Executive

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hon. Scott D. McNamara, Esq.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved:

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Christopher J. Kalil  
Assistant Oneida County Attorney

Exhibit A

(Standard Terms and Conditions)

## **STANDARD ONEIDA COUNTY CONDITIONS**

The County of Oneida ("County") and the Hon. Scott D. McNamara, Esq. ("Contractor"), for good consideration, agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the foregoing Agreement:

### **1. EXECUTORY OR NON-APPROPRIATION CLAUSE.**

The County shall have no liability or obligation under this Contract to the Contractor or to anyone else beyond the annual funds being appropriated and available for this Contract.

### **2. ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS: RESOLUTION #249 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL REQUIREMENTS.**

Pursuant to Oneida County Board of Legislator Resolution No. 249 of May 26, 1999, the Contractor agrees to deliver exclusively to the facilities of the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority, all waste and recyclables generated within the Authority's service area by performance of this Contract by the Contractor and any subcontractors. Upon awarding of this Contract, and before work commences, the Contractor will be required to provide Oneida County with proof that Resolution No. 249 of 1999 has been complied with, and that all wastes and recyclables in the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority's service area which are generated by the Contractor and any subcontractors in performance of this Contract will be delivered exclusively to Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority facilities.

### **3. CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING, DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS, AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS.**

- a. Lobbying. As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code and implemented at 34 CFR Part 82 for persons entering into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 34 CFR Part 82, Section 82.105 and 82.110, the Contractor certifies that:
  - i. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Contractor, to any persons for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal grant or cooperative agreement.

- ii. If any funds other than federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal grant or cooperative agreement, the Contractor shall complete and submit Standard Form 111 "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
  - iii. The Contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subcontracts and that all subcontractors shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- b. Debarment, Suspension and other Responsibility Matters. As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarments and Suspension, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 83.105 and 85.110,
  - i. The Contractor certifies that it and its principals:
    - A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
    - B. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Contract been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
    - C. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity (federal, state or

local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in subparagraph (B), above, of this certification; and

D. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) for cause or default;

ii. Where the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this Contract.

c. Drug-Free Workplace (Contractors other than individuals). As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for Contractors, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610:

i. The Contractor will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

A. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

B. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:

1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

2) The Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance program; and

4) The penalties that may be imposed upon an employee for drug abuse violation occurring in the workplace;



C. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the Contract be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (A), above;

D. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (A), above, that as a condition of employment under the Contract, the employee will:

1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) calendar days after such conviction;

E. Notifying the County, in writing within ten (10) calendar days after having received notice under subparagraph (D)(2), above, from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position and title, to:

Director, Grants Management Bureau, State Office Building Campus, Albany, New York 12240. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected contract.

F. Taking one of the following actions, within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (D)(2), above, with respect to any employee who is so convicted;

1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes

by a federal, state or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

G. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (A),(B),(C),(D),(E) and (F), above.

- ii. The Contractor may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific contract.

Place of Performance (street, address, city, county, state, zip code).

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- d. Drug-Free Workplace (Contractors who are individuals). As required by the Drug-Free Workplace act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for Contractors that are individuals, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610:

- i. As a condition of the contract, the Contractor certifies that he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the Contract; and
- ii. If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any contract activity, the Contractor will report the conviction, in writing, within ten (10) calendar days of the conviction, to:

Director, Grants Management Bureau, State Office Building Campus, Albany, NY 12240. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected Contract.

4. HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPPA).

When applicable to the services provided pursuant to the Contract:

- a. The Contractor, as a Business Associate of the County, shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, hereinafter referred to as “HIPAA,” as well as all regulations promulgated by the Federal Government in furtherance thereof, to assure the privacy and security of all protected health information exchanged between the Contractor and the County. In order to assure such privacy and security, the Contractor agrees to enact the following safeguards for protected health information:
  - i. Establish policies and procedures, in written or electronic form, that are reasonably designed, taking into consideration the size of, and the type of activities undertaken by, the Contractor, to comply with the Standards for Privacy of Individual Identifiable Health Information, commonly referred to as the Privacy Rule;
  - ii. Utilize a combination of electronic hardware and computer software in order to securely store, maintain, transmit, and access, protected health information electronically; and
  - iii. Utilize an adequate amount of physical hardware, including but not limited to, locking filing cabinets, locks on drawers, other cabinets and office doors, in order to prevent unwarranted and illegal access to computers and paper files that contain protected health information of the County’s clients.
- b. This agreement does not authorize the Contractor to use or further disclose the protected health information that the Contractor handles in treating patients of the County in any manner that would violate the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.504(e), if that same use or disclosure were done by the County, except that:
  - i. The Contractor may use and disclose protected health information for the Contractor’s own proper management and administration; and
  - ii. The Contractor may provide data aggregation services relating to the health care operations of the County.
- c. The Contractor shall:

- i. Not use or further disclose protected health information other than as permitted or required by this contract or as required by law;
- ii. Use appropriate safeguards to prevent the use or disclosure of protected health information other than as provided for in this Contract;
- iii. Report to the County any use or disclosure of the information not provided for by this Contract of which the Contractor becomes aware;
- iv. Ensure that any agents, including a subcontractor, to whom the Contractor provides protected health information received from, or created or received by the Contractor on behalf of the County, agrees to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to the Contractor with respect to such protected health information;
- v. Make available protected health information in accordance with 45 CFR §164.524;
- vi. Make available protected health information for amendment and incorporate any amendments to protected health information in accordance with 45 CFR §164.528;
- vii. Make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.528;
- viii. Make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the use and disclosure of protected health information received from, or created or received by, the Contractor on behalf of the County available to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining the County's compliance with 45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii); and
- ix. At the termination of this Contract, if feasible, return or destroy all protected health information received from, or created or received by, the Contractor on behalf of the County that the Contractor still maintains, in any form, and retain no copies of such information; or, if such return or destruction is not feasible, extend the protections of this Contract permanently to such information and

limit further uses and disclosures to those purposes that make the return or destruction of the information infeasible.

- d. The Contractor agrees that this contract may be amended if any of the following events occurs:
  - i. HIPAA, or any of the regulations promulgated in furtherance thereof, is modified by Congress or the Department of Health and Human Services;
  - ii. HIPAA, or any of the regulations promulgated in furtherance thereof, is interpreted by a court in a manner impacting the County's HIPAA compliance; or
  - iii. There is a material change in the business practices and procedures of the County.
- e. Pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(iii), the County is authorized to unilaterally terminate this Contract if the County determines that the Contractor has violated a material term of this Contract.

5. NON-ASSIGNMENT CLAUSE.

In accordance with Section 109 of the General Municipal Law, this Contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet or otherwise disposed of without the County's previous written consent, and any attempts to do so are null and void. The Contractor may, however, assign its right to receive payments without the County's prior written consent unless this Contract concerns Certificates of Participation pursuant to Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law.

6. WORKER'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS.

In accordance with Section 108 of the General Municipal Law, this Contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of this Contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

7. NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS.

To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other state and federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or marital status. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a Contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that this Contract shall be performed within the State of New York, the Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 of the Labor Law, the Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Contract. The Contractor is subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 as well as possible termination of this Contract and forfeiture of all monies due hereunder for a second or subsequent violation.

8. WAGE AND HOURS PROVISIONS.

If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered by Article 9 of the Labor Law, neither the Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said Articles, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, the Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally, effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be a condition precedent to payment by the County of any County-approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

9. NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION.

In accordance with Section 103-d of the General Municipal Law, if this Contract is awarded based upon the submission of bids, the Contractor certifies and affirms, under penalty of perjury, as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

(1) the prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor; and (2) unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor; and (3) no attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition. The Contractor further affirms that, at the time the Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to the County a non-collusive bidding certification on the Contractor's behalf.

#### 10. RECORDS.

The Contractor shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts and other evidence directly pertaining to performance under this Contract (hereinafter, collectively, "the Records"). The Records shall include, but not be limited to, reports, statements, examinations, letters, memoranda, opinions, folders, files, books, manuals, pamphlets, forms, papers, designs, drawings, maps, photos, letters, microfilms, computer tapes or discs, electronic files, e-mails (and all attachments thereto), rules, regulations and codes. The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter. The County Comptroller, the County Attorney and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an audit or examination, as well as the agency or agencies involved in this Contract, shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at an office of the Contractor within the County or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the County, for the term specified above, for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying. The County shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the "Statute"), provided that: (a) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate County official, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; (b) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (c) in the sole discretion of the County, designation of said records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the County's right to discovery in any pending or future litigation. Notwithstanding any other language, the Records may be subject to disclosure under the New York Freedom of Information Law, for other applicable state or federal law, rule or regulation.

#### 11. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND PRIVACY NOTIFICATION.

- a. Identification Number(s). Every invoice or claim for payment submitted to a County agency by a payee, for payment for the sale of goods or service or for transactions (e.g., leases, easements, licenses, etc.) related to real or personal

property must include the payee's identification number. This number includes any or all of the following: (i) the payee's Federal employer identification number, (ii) the payee's Federal social security number, and/or (iii) the payee's Vendor Identification Number assigned by the Statewide Financial System. Where the payee does not have such number or numbers, the payee, on its invoice or claim for payment, must state with specificity the reason or reasons why the payee does not have such number or numbers.

- b. Privacy Notification. (i) The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the County is mandatory. The principle purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law. (ii) The personal information is requested by the County's purchasing unit contracting to purchase goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by this Contract.

12. CONFLICTING TERMS.

In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Contract (including any and all attachments thereto and amendments thereof) and the terms of this Addendum, the terms of this Addendum shall control.

13. GOVERNING LAW.

This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal Supremacy Clause requires otherwise.

14. PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL HARDWOODS.

The Contractor certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this Contract award will be acquired in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of Section 165 of the State Finance Law (Use of Tropical Hardwoods), which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted by the State or any governmental agency or political subdivision or public benefit corporation. Qualification for an exemption under this law



will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor to establish to meet with the approval of the County.

In addition, when any portion of this Contract involving the use of woods, whether for supply or installation, is to be performed by any subcontractor, the prime Contractor will indicate and certify in the submitted bid proposal that the subcontractor has been informed and is in compliance with specifications and provisions regarding use of tropical hardwoods as detailed in Section 165 of the State Finance Law. Any such use must meet with approval of the County; otherwise, the bid may not be considered responsive. Under bidder certifications, proof of qualification for exemption will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor to establish to meet with the approval of the County.

15. COMPLIANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE INFORMATION SECURITY BREACH AND NOTIFICATION ACT.

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa).

16. GRATUITIES AND KICKBACKS.

- a. Gratuities. It shall be unethical for any person to offer, give, or agree to give any County employee or former County employee, or for any County employee or former County employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, or preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request; influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard; rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application; request for ruling, determination, claim, or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefor.
- b. Kickbacks. It shall be unethical for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime Contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

17. AUDIT

The County, the State of New York, and the United States shall have the right at any time during the term of this agreement and for the period limited by the applicable statute of limitations to audit the payment of monies hereunder. The Contractor shall comply with any demands made by the County to provide information with respect to the payment of monies made hereunder during the period covered by this paragraph. The Contractor shall maintain its books and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or such other method of account which is approved in writing by the County prior to the date of this agreement. The revenues and expenditures of the Contractor in connection with this agreement shall be separately identifiable. Each expenditure or claim for payment shall be fully documented. Expenditures or claims for payment which are not fully documented may be disallowed. The Contractor agrees to provide to, or permit the County to examine or obtain copies of, any documents relating to the payment of money to the Contractor or expenditures made by the Contractor for which reimbursement is requested to be made or has been made to the Contractor by the County. The Contractor shall maintain all records required by this paragraph for 7 years after the date this agreement is terminated or ends.

If the Contractor has expended, in any fiscal year, \$300,000.00 or more in funds provided by a federal financial assistance program from a federal agency pursuant to this agreement and all other contracts with the County, the Contractor shall provide the County with an audit prepared by an independent auditor in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1984, 31 U.S.C. §§ 7501, et seq., as amended, and the regulations adopted pursuant to such Act.

18. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT.

Pursuant to Section 103-g of the General Municipal Law, by submitting a bid in response to this solicitation or by assuming the responsibility of a Contract awarded hereunder, each bidder or Contractor, or any person signing on behalf of any bidder or Contractor, and any assignee or subcontractor and, in the case of a joint bid, each party thereto, certifies, under penalty of perjury, that once the Prohibited Entities List is posted on the Office of General Services (hereinafter "OGS") website, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, that each bidder or Contractor and any subcontractor or assignee is not identified on the Prohibited Entities List created pursuant to State Finance Law § 165-a(3)(b).

Additionally, the bidder or Contractor is advised that once the Prohibited Entities List is posted on the OGS website, any bidder or Contractor seeking to renew or extend a Contract or assume the responsibility of a Contract awarded in response to this solicitation must certify at the time the Contract is renewed, extended or assigned that it is not included on the Prohibited Entities List.

During the term of the Contract, should the County receive information that a bidder or Contractor is in violation of the above-referenced certification, the County will offer the person or entity an

opportunity to respond. If the person or entity fails to demonstrate that he, she or it has ceased engagement in the investment which is in violation of the Iran Divestment Act of 2012 within ninety (90) days after the determination of such violation, then the County shall take such action as may be appropriate, including, but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages or declaring the bidder or Contractor in default.

The County reserves the right to reject any bid or request for assignment for a bidder or Contractor that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the award of a Contract and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any bidder or Contractor that is awarded a Contract and subsequently appears on the Prohibited Entities List.

#### 19. PROHIBITION ON TOBACCO AND E-CIGARETTE USE ON COUNTY PROPERTY

Pursuant to Local Law No. 3 of 2016, the use of tobacco and e-cigarettes are prohibited on Oneida County property, as follows:

- a. For the purposes of this provision, the “use of tobacco” shall include:
  - i. The burning of a lighted cigarette, pipe, cigar or other lighted instrument for the purpose of smoking tobacco or a tobacco substitute;
  - ii. The use of tobacco and/or a substance containing tobacco or a tobacco substitute by means other than smoking, including: chewing; holding in the mouth; or expectoration of chewing tobacco.
- b. For the purposes of this provision, “e-cigarette” shall mean an electronic device composed of a mouthpiece, heating element, battery and electronic circuit that delivers vapor which is inhaled by an individual user as he or she simulates smoking.
- c. For the purposes of this provision, “on Oneida County property” shall be defined as:
  - i. Upon all real property owned or leased by the County of Oneida; and
  - ii. Within all County of Oneida-owned vehicles or within private vehicles when being used for a County of Oneida purpose, except that a driver may smoke in a privately-owned vehicle being used

for a County of Oneida Purpose if the driver is the sole occupant of the vehicle.

- d. Each violation of this Local Law No. 3 of 2016 shall constitute a separate and distinct offense and may be punishable by a fine of up to \$200.00 for a first offense and up to \$1,000.00 for subsequent offenses.

20. COMPLIANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE LABOR LAW § 201-G

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of New York State Labor Law § 201-g.