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# ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By signing this subcontract, beginning performance, and/or delivering items or services ordered under this subcontract, the Subcontractor agrees to comply with all the Ts&Cs, specifications, and other documents that are incorporated by reference or attachment to this subcontract. NTESS hereby objects to any Ts&Cs contained in any acknowledgment of this subcontract that are different from or in addition to those mentioned in this document. Failure of NTESS or Subcontractor to enforce any of the provisions of this subcontract shall not be construed as evidence to interpret the requirements of this subcontract, nor a waiver of any requirement, nor of the right of NTESS or Subcontractor to enforce each and every provision. All rights and obligations shall survive final performance of this subcontract.

# ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

The following terms shall have the meanings set forth below for all purposes of this subcontract:

1. COMMERCIAL COMPONENT, PRODUCT, SERVICE, and COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE OFF-THE-SHELF (COTS) ITEM as defined in FAR 52.202-1 Definitions and FAR 2.101 Definitions
2. DOE means the U.S. Department of Energy
3. GOVERNMENT means the United States of America and includes the U.S. DOE/NNSA, the Secretary of Energy of the U.S., or any duly authorized representative thereof.
4. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS means any material with the potential to cause illness, injury, or death to a person, or damage to a facility or to the environment, for the categories of radioactive material, biological agents, explosives, and hazardous chemicals.
5. NNSA means the U.S. Department of Energy - National Nuclear Security Administration
6. NTESS means National Technology and Engineering Solutions of Sandia, LLC, the management and operating Contractor for the Sandia National Laboratories under Prime Contract No. DE-NA0003525 with DOE/NNSA.
7. NTESS-DIRECTED WORK means work under a subcontract for which NTESS retains accountability for the outcome of the work performed and routinely provides work direction to the Subcontractor's work force.
8. SANDIA means Sandia National Laboratories operated by NTESS under Prime Contract No. DE-NA0003525 with DOE/NNSA.
9. SDR means Sandia Delegated Representative. The SP may delegate personnel as authorized representatives for such purposes as and to the extent specified in the delegation. Such delegation shall be in writing to the Subcontractor and shall designate by name the personnel so delegated as authorized representatives. The SDR shall exercise no supervision over the Subcontractor's employees. THE SDR's AUTHORITY IS LIMITED SOLELY TO THE AUTHORITY ENUMERATED IN SUCH WRITTEN DELEGATION. THE SDR HAS NO AUTHORITY TO CHANGE ANY TERM OR CONDITION CONTAINED IN THIS SUBCONTRACT.
10. SELLER means the person or organization that has entered into this subcontract with NTESS.
11. SNL means Sandia National Laboratories operated by NTESS under Prime Contract No. DE-NA0003525 with DOE/NNSA.
12. SP means the Subcontracting Professional or Buyer; the only person authorized to execute and/or administer this subcontract for NTESS.
13. SUBCONTRACT means subcontract at all tiers, Purchase Order, Price Agreement, Ordering Agreement, or modifications thereof.
14. SUBCONTRACTOR means the person or organization that has entered into this subcontract to sell something to NTESS or the Construction Contractor that has entered into this subcontract to perform construction & construction-related work for NTESS. (Construction Specifications may refer to this entity as “Contractor” to avoid confusion.)
15. SUBCONTRACTOR-DIRECTED WORK means work under a subcontract for which the Subcontractor is accountable for the outcome of the work performed and routinely provides work direction to the Subcontractor's work force or lower-tier subcontractors (also referred to as “Subs”).
16. U.S./US means the United States of America

Note: Sandia National Laboratories; SNL; Sandia; National Technology and Engineering Solutions of Sandia, LLC; and NTESS may be used interchangeably throughout Sections I and II of this subcontract or agreement.

# APPLICABLE LAW - INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL

The rights, obligations, claims, and disputes of the parties hereto shall be governed by this subcontract and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the United States. The parties agree to jurisdiction and venue in the United States Federal District Court for the District of New Mexico.

# ASSIGNMENT - INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL

Subcontractor shall not assign rights or obligations to third parties without the prior written consent of NTESS. When the Subcontractor becomes aware that a change in its ownership has occurred, or is likely to occur, the Subcontractor shall notify the SP within thrity (30) days. This subcontract may be transferred from NTESS to U.S. Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE/NNSA) or its designee, and in case of such transfer and notice, thereof, to the Subcontractor, NTESS shall have no further responsibilities hereunder.

# BANKRUPTCY

If the Subcontractor enters into any proceeding relating to bankruptcy, it shall provide written notice to the SP within five (5) business days of initiation of the proceedings. The notification shall include the date on which the proceeding was filed, the identity and location of the court, and a listing of the subcontract numbers for which final payment has not been made.

# BREACH OF SUBCONTRACT

Any Subcontractor personnel who personally violate any requirements of this subcontract may be denied access to any Government site and Subcontractor may be terminated for default of this subcontract.

# CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

1. NTESS may cancel this subcontract, in whole or in part, if the Subcontractor fails to comply with any of the terms of this subcontract, or fails to provide adequate assurance of future performance. In that event, NTESS shall not be liable for any amount for item or services not yet accepted by NTESS.
2. NTESS may terminate this subcontract for the convenience of NTESS or the government, in whole or in part, for any item or services not yet accepted by NTESS. In that event NTESS shall be liable for the purchase price of item or services already completed or identified to this subcontract but not yet accepted by NTESS.
3. Subcontractor shall not be liable for delays in performance occasioned by causes beyond Subcontractor's reasonable control and without Subcontractor's fault or negligence.
4. The rights and remedies of NTESS in this clause are subject to the Disputes clause of this subcontract.

# CHANGES

1. The SP may at any time, by written notice, make changes to the SOW of this subcontract in any one or more of the following:
	1. Description of the services to be performed
	2. Place of performance
	3. The amount of services to be furnished.
2. If any such change causes a difference in the cost of, or the time required for performance, an equitable adjustment shall be made in the price and/or delivery schedule and other affected provisions.
	1. Such adjustment shall be made by written revision to this subcontract signed by both parties.
	2. Any claim for adjustment by Subcontractor must be made within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of NTESS' change notice, although NTESS in its sole discretion may receive and act upon any claim for adjustment at any time before final payment.
3. Nothing in this clause, including any disagreement with NTESS about the equitable adjustment, shall excuse Subcontractor from proceeding with the subcontract as changed.

# CITIZENSHIP STATUS

Unless otherwise approved by NTESS, all personnel of the Subcontractor and its lower-tier subcontractors who will perform work on this subcontract and who will require physical and/or cyber access to NTESS-controlled, government-controlled or government-owned sites, information, technology, or cyber resources, to include remote access must be United States citizens, or foreign nationals who are legal aliens or have the required authorization to perform work in the United States and must meet rules of the site for access to the work areas in place at the time of performance of this subcontract. The Subcontractor agrees and shall ensure that non-United States citizen personnel, to include lower-tier subcontractor personnel, who will require physical and/or cyber access to NTESS-controlled, government-controlled or government- owned sites, information, technology, or cyber resources to perform work on this subcontract are identified and receive prior approval from NTESS Security, in accordance with all laws, regulations, policies, and site access rules, including, but not limited to DOE and NTESS security requirements, before access is granted.

# Compliance with the Laws of the Country and the United States

1. Subcontractor Warranties and Certifications
	1. Subcontractor warrants and certifies that in performing the duties required under this subcontract, Subcontractor shall comply with the laws, regulations and administrative requirements of the Country in which Subcontractor is operating (“Country”), except to the extent such compliance is inconsistent with, or penalized under, U.S. law. Further, Subcontractor shall take no action which would subject NTESS to penalties under U.S. or Country laws, regulations and administrative requirements.
	2. Subcontractor further warrants and certifies that Subcontractor has not and will not offer, pay, promise to pay, or authorize the payment of any money, or offer, give, promise to give, or authorize the giving of anything of value to a foreign official (as defined in the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) (Public Law 95 213), as amended), to any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, or to any person, while knowing or being aware of a high probability that all or a portion of such money or thing of value will be offered, given or promised, directly or indirectly, to any foreign official, to any foreign political party or official thereof, or to any candidate for foreign political office, for the purposes of:
		1. influencing any act or decision of such foreign official, political party, party official, or candidate in his or its official capacity, including a decision to fail to perform his or its official functions; or
		2. inducing such foreign official, political party, party official, or candidate to use his or its influence with the foreign government or instrumentality thereof to affect or influence any act or decision of such government or instrumentality, in order to assist NTESS or Subcontractor in obtaining or retaining business for or with, or directing business to NTESS or Subcontractor.
	3. Subcontractor warrants that Subcontractor is familiar with, and will comply in all respects with, U.S. laws, regulations and administrative requirements applicable to NTESS’ relationship with the Subcontractor, including, the FCPA (A guide to the FCPA may be found at this U.S. Department of Justice web site: <http://www.justice.gov/criminal/fraud/fcpa/>)
	4. Subcontractor warrants and certifies that Subcontractor has not been charged with or convicted of a felony offense in any jurisdiction or country, or listed by any U.S. Government agency as debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or otherwise ineligible for government procurement programs.
2. Notices
	1. If subsequent developments cause the certifications and information reported to be no longer accurate or complete, Subcontractor shall immediately furnish NTESS with a supplementary report detailing such change in circumstances.
	2. Subcontractor agrees to give prompt written notice in the event that, at any time during the term of this subcontract, Subcontractor has failed to comply with or has breached any of its warranties or any of the certifications become inaccurate.
3. Remedies
	1. Failure or refusal to promptly furnish any required certificate or disclosure indicating compliance with this clause upon request from NTESS will be the basis for immediate termination of this subcontract.
	2. In the event Subcontractor has not complied or has breached any of its warranties hereunder or any other certifications hereunder become inaccurate, this subcontract shall be null and void from the time of such noncompliance, breach or inaccuracy. The foregoing warranties shall survive the termination of this subcontract and shall continue in effect with respect to all business activities of NTESS in the Country until all such activities have ceased.
4. NTESS represents and warrants that Subcontractor does not desire and will not request any service or action by Subcontractor that would or might constitute a violation of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act or any other law, regulation or administrative requirement of the U.S. or the Country.

# DATA TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS

# NTESS is required to report certain information on subcontract awards (classified information is excluded from disclosure) per the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-282), as amended by section 6202 of the Government Funding Transparency Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-252), and other NTESS prime contract clauses. These require reported information be made publicly available; accordingly, NTESS is notifying its subcontractors that the required information will be made public.

# DISCLOSING USE OF FREE, LIBRE & OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE (FLOSS) AND THIRD-PARTY SOFTWARE (TPS)

*This clause applies to subcontracts that include the delivery of software (including software residing on hardware).*

Subcontractor shall disclose in writing any FLOSS and/or TPS delivered in connection with this subcontract. Send written disclosures to the SP listed on this first page of this subcontract and contractnotification@sandia.gov.

1. FLOSS refers to software that incorporates, embeds, uses, bundles, or otherwise associates with any of the following:
	1. Open source, publicly available, or "free" software, library or documentation
	2. Software licensed under a FLOSS License
	3. Software provided under a license that subjects the delivered software to any FLOSS License, or requires the delivered software to be licensed for the purpose of making derivative works or be redistributable at no charge
2. FLOSS License(s) include any Free Software, Open Source and Public License(s). FLOSS License also refers to: General Public License (GPL), Lesser/Library GPL (LGPL), the Affero GPL (APL), the Apache license, the Berkeley Software Distribution (“BSD”) license, the MIT license, the Artistic License (e.g., PERL), the Mozilla Public License (MPL), or variations thereof.

# DISPUTES

Subcontractor and NTESS agree to use the NTESS Acquisition Conflict Resolution Process set forth at:

<http://www.sandia.gov/bus-ops/scm/Contractor/Contractor-info.html> for resolving any and all disputes arising from this subcontract. NTESS Acquisition Conflict Resolution Process is available in “Policies” tab.

# ETHICAL CONDUCT

The Subcontractor, including any officers, employees or lower-tier subcontractors while engaged in work related to this subcontract shall:

1. Comply with all applicable laws, regulations and the terms of the subcontract
2. Conduct themselves with the highest degree of ethics, integrity and honesty
3. Treat others with respect and dignity, and create an environment free from discrimination, harassment, threats, violence, bullying, intimidating conduct or other similar behavior
4. Promptly report violations via email to the NTESS Procurement Policy and Compliance Department manager at ppqd@sandia.gov
5. Report any concerns relating to fraud, waste, abuse or any other ethical concerns with the Ethics Advisory and Investigative Services Anonymous Helpline (505) 845-9900.

# EXCESS FREIGHT CHARGES

When NTESS pays any amount for freight charges in connection with this subcontract, the Subcontractor is responsible for and shall pay to NTESS the amount of any excess freight charges, if the routing specified in writing by the SP is not used. If the specified routing cannot be used, the Subcontractor shall promptly notify the SP before shipment, and obtain new routing directions from the SP.

# EXCUSABLE DELAYS

1. Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Subcontractor shall not be in default because of any failure to perform this subcontract under its terms if the failure arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Subcontractor. Examples of these causes are:
	1. Acts of God or of the public enemy
	2. Acts of NTESS
	3. Acts of the government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity
	4. Fires
	5. Floods
	6. Epidemics
	7. Quarantine restrictions
	8. Strikes
	9. Freight embargoes
	10. Unusually severe weather
2. If the failure to perform is caused by the failure of a subcontractor at any tier to perform or make progress, and if the cause of the failure was beyond the control of both the Subcontractor and lower-tier subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Subcontractor shall not be deemed to be in default, unless:
	1. The subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources
	2. The SP ordered the Subcontractor in writing to purchase these supplies or services from the other source
	3. The Subcontractor failed to comply reasonably with this order
3. Upon request of the Subcontractor, the SP shall ascertain the facts and extent of the failure. If the SP determines that any failure to perform results from one or more of the causes above, the delivery schedule shall be revised, subject to the rights of NTESS or the government under the Termination Clause of this subcontract.

# EXPORT CONTROL

1. Any export controlled item, technical data, or software, or services (“Export Controlled Information”) furnished by NTESS in connection with this subcontract is supplied for use in the United States only. “Export Controlled Information” is any item, technical data, information, software, or service that is determined to be greater than Export Administration Regulations (EAR) 99. Subcontractor agrees to comply with all applicable U.S. export-control laws and regulations, specifically including, but not limited to, the requirements of the Arms Export Control Act, 22 USC 2751 - 2794, including the International Traffic in Arms Regulation (ITAR), 22 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 120 - 130; the Export Administration Act, 50 USC app. 2401 - 2420, including the Export Administration Regulations (EAR), 15 CFR 730 - 774; and including the requirement for obtaining any export license or agreement, if applicable. Without limiting the foregoing, Subcontractor agrees that it will not transfer any Export Controlled Information, to include transfer to foreign persons (as defined under the EAR Part 722 and ITAR 120.16), without the authority of an export license, agreement, or applicable exemption or exception. Subcontractor shall immediately notify the SP if it transfers any Export Controlled Information under this subcontract to foreign persons. Diversion contrary to U.S. export control laws and regulations is prohibited.
2. Subcontractor shall immediately notify the SP if Subcontractor is, or becomes, listed in any Denied Parties List (e.g., Denied Persons List, Entity List, Unverified List, Military End User List, AECA Debarred List, Consolidated Screening List, etc.) or if Subcontractor's export privileges are otherwise denied, suspended or revoked in whole or in part by any U.S. Government entity or agency.
3. If Subcontractor is engaged in the business of either exporting or manufacturing (whether exporting or not) defense articles or furnishing defense services, Subcontractor represents that it is registered with the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, as required by the ITAR, and it maintains an export/import compliance program in accordance with the provisions of the ITAR.
4. The Subcontractor shall flow down the requirements of this clause to all lower-tier subcontracts.

# EXTRAS

Items shall not be supplied in excess of quantities specified in this subcontract. Subcontractor shall be liable for handling charges and return shipment costs for any excess quantities.

# GRATUITIES OR KICKBACKS

No gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) or kickbacks shall be offered or given by Subcontractor, to any employee of NTESS with a view toward securing favorable treatment as a subcontractor. Subcontractor shall not accept for, or otherwise assist, any employee of NTESS in transferring anything of value to any foreign government official of any country, with a view toward obtaining, retaining or facilitating any business with any government.

# HANDLING, PROTECTION, AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

1. Subcontract-related information, as used in this clause, means recorded information, regardless of form or the media, and computer software. Examples of subcontract-related information include, but are not limited to:
	1. Information identified with any NTESS-applied marking (e.g., Official Use Only (“OUO”), Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI), NTESS Proprietary, Sandia Proprietary);
	2. Information directly related to subcontract and/or lower-tier subcontract administration, such as: program and planning, project management documentation, electronic or hardcopy correspondence, negotiations, financial, administrative, program office, and personnel information;
	3. Technical and design information or guidance derived from or embodied in models, diagrams, drawings or translations, analysis models, manufacturing models, and computer-aided engineering and design, related to subcontract performance, regardless of whether the information is marked; and
	4. Information obtained directly from NTESS or SNL-owned electronic resources, regardless of whether the information is marked.
	5. Computer software, in either executable or source code form, delivered to Subcontractor and related to this subcontract.
2. Handling of Information
Subcontractor shall:
	1. Ensure any subcontract-related information provided by or accessed through NTESS in performance of this subcontract, whether identified by a NTESS-applied marking or not, is used only for purposes of performing this subcontract, and is not used or distributed for any other purpose;
	2. Safeguard subcontract-related information from unauthorized access, use, and disclosure;
	3. Inform employees and lower-tier subcontractors who may require access to subcontract-related information about obligations to use the information only for performance of this subcontract and requirements to safeguard the information from unauthorized use and disclosure;
	4. Require that each employee with access to the information complies with the obligations included in this clause;
	5. Maintain any restrictive markings on information from NTESS and on any subsequent copies.
3. Protection of Information
Subcontractor agrees to implement and maintain safeguards for subcontract-related information that meet or exceed the following requirements:
	1. Protection in Use. Subcontractor shall take precautions to prevent access to subcontract-related information by persons who do not require the information to perform their jobs.
	2. Protection in Storage. Subcontractor shall store subcontract-related information as identified in this clause in a secure manner that prevents unauthorized or inadvertent access. Control of user access privileges shall occur for electronic information and physical storage locations shall be secured in a locked room or other receptacle (e.g., a locked file cabinet, desk);
	3. Review of Storage Methods. Subcontractor shall allow and participate in Operations Security (OPSEC) reviews conducted when new construction or major modifications are planned for a facility that will process or store classified or sensitive information or matter. For assistance regarding conduct of OPSEC reviews, please contact opsec@sandia.gov.
		1. Sensitive information is defined as classified or unclassified information that has been determined to have national security, governmental, proprietary, or personal privacy restrictions. Stewards of sensitive information must ensure that persons granted access have proper authorization (i.e., clearance) and Need-to-Know.
	4. Reproduction. Subcontractor shall limit reproduction of subcontract-related information (including 3-D print prototypes) and any information with restrictive markings to a minimum, by only reproducing information to the extent necessary for performance of this subcontract;
	5. Disposal or Return. Return and/or disposal of subcontract-related information shall occur via methods specified by NTESS when the information is no longer needed for performance of work under this subcontract or associated business purpose. Hard-copy subcontract-related information shall be destroyed prior to disposal via a cross-cut shredder (residue not to exceed 1mmx5mm). Disks shall be overwritten using approved software and destroyed. For assistance with authorized disposal methods, please contact the Supply Chain Risk Management Office at s scrm\_ds@sandia.gov.
4. Release of Information
	1. Disclosure of subcontract-related information or other NTESS information to persons or entities outside of Subcontractor’s organization or authorized lower-tier subcontractors is prohibited without advance written approval from NTESS. Disclosure requests may be sought by writing to the SP on this subcontract.
	2. Publication proposals related to work performed or data obtained under this subcontract shall be coordinated with the SP prior to submission to any scientific, academic, technical, professional, or other publication.
		1. Subcontractor shall provide NTESS an opportunity to review publication proposals related in whole or in part to work connected to this subcontract at least forty-five (45) calendar days prior to submission;
		2. NTESS will review the proposed publication and provide a response within forty-five (45) calendar days;
		3. Subcontractor may assume NTESS has no comments after the response period has elapsed.
		4. Subcontractor agrees to address any issues or concerns identified by NTESS before submitting publication proposals.
	3. NTESS critical information shall not be released outside of the security boundary (virtual or physical) and is considered to have passed the security boundary once it is no longer under direct or exclusive control of the Subcontractor’s or NTESS’s personnel or infrastructure. NTESS critical information is identified and recorded at the program or operational level and provision of such material will be disclosed by NTESS. For assistance regarding NTESS critical information, please contact opsec@sandia.gov.
		1. Critical information is defined as specific facts about friendly (e.g., U.S., DOE, Sandia) intentions, capabilities, or activities that are vitally needed by adversaries for them to plan and act effectively in their attempts to guarantee failure of, or unacceptable consequences to, friendly objectives.
	4. Subcontractor shall ensure its employees and lower-tier subcontractors comply with this clause.
	5. In no event shall the interest of NTESS or the DOE or the government in this subcontract be indicated in any advertising or publicity without advance written approval of the SP.
5. Clause Interpretation
	1. In the event of conflict between the provisions of this clause and a Nondisclosure Agreement between NTESS and the Subcontractor, the terms and conditions of the Nondisclosure Agreement shall govern.
	2. This clause shall not prohibit Subcontractor’s fulfillment of routine internal or external reporting requirements, including the disclosure of the existence and nature of this subcontract as required by law. External reporting as used in this clause refers to reports submitted to state or federal government offices.
	3. Under a valid court or government agency order, Subcontractor may release subcontract-related information necessary to fulfill obligations, provided that Subcontractor send the written notice and a copy of order or other obligating document to NTESS within a reasonable amount of time to provide the owner of the subcontract-related information notice of such obligation and the opportunity to oppose disclosure.

# INFORMATION OF SUBCONTRACTOR

# Subcontractor shall not provide any proprietary information to NTESS without prior execution by NTESS of a Proprietary Information Agreement.

# INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

# NTESS and the government may inspect all deliverables at reasonable times and places, including, when practicable, during manufacture and before shipment. Subcontractor shall provide all information, facilities, and assistance necessary for safe and convenient inspection without additional charge. No inspection shall relieve Subcontractor of its obligations to furnish all items in accordance with the requirements of this subcontract. NTESS' final inspection and final acceptance shall be at destination. Subcontractor shall not re-tender rejected items without disclosing the corrective actions taken.

# LANGUAGE

The English language version of this subcontract shall be controlling. All deliverables under this subcontract shall use and/or be in the English language.

# LOWER-TIER SUBCONTRACTING

All lower-tier subcontracts shall be made in the name of the Subcontractor and shall not bind nor purport to bind NTESS or shall not relieve Subcontractor of any obligation under this purchase order/subcontract. If Subcontractor subcontracts any work in the performance of this subcontract, Subcontractor is responsible for reviewing NTESS's Section II Terms and Conditions applicable to this subcontract found at <http://www.sandia.gov/working_with_sandia/current_suppliers/contract_information/index.html> and incorporating all required NTESS's Section II Terms and Conditions into their lower-tier subcontracts

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# NOTICE OF POTENTIAL DELAY

Subcontractor shall strictly comply with the delivery requirements of this subcontract. Whenever the Subcontractor has knowledge of any actual or potential delay or threatened delay in the timely performance of this subcontract, the Subcontractor shall immediately give notice thereof, confirmed in writing, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the SP. Such notice shall not relieve the Subcontractor from compliance from of all the requirements of the subcontract.

# ORDER OF PRECEDENCE - INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL

Any inconsistencies shall be resolved in accordance with the following descending order of precedence:

1. Section I
2. SF 6432-IC, Section II
3. Specifications, drawings, and other documents incorporated in the subcontract

# PAYMENTS - INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL

1. Invoices or vouchers requesting payment for item(s) of Government Property as defined in Department of Energy Acquisition Regulation (DEAR) 970.5204-21 Property, shall be separately listed on such invoices or vouchers.
2. Any offered discount shall be taken if payment is made within the discount period that the Subcontractor indicates.

# PRICING OF SUBCONTRACT AND LOWER-TIER SUBCONTRACT MODIFICATIONS

The cost principles and procedures set forth in FAR Part 31 as modified by DEAR Part 931 shall be used to price subcontract and lower-tier subcontract modifications, if any, whenever cost analysis is performed to negotiate the price of any such modification.

# PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

In addition to prohibitions elsewhere stated in this subcontract, the following activities are prohibited under this Subcontract:

1. Subcontractor does not have authority to act on behalf of NTESS. At no time shall the Subcontractor say or do anything that suggests that Subcontractor is acting with authority for NTESS or on its behalf.
2. Subcontractor shall not transfer or offer to transfer anything of value to any employee, officer, or representative of any customer or potential customer of NTESS for any purpose related to any NTESS activity or performance of this subcontract. Subcontractor commits to adhere to U.S. and foreign laws with respect to such activities, including but not limited to U.S. laws prohibiting conduct in violation of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. 78dd et seq.
3. Subcontractor shall not directly solicit work or tasks for NTESS from customers or potential customers, and shall not engage in the negotiation of any statement of work requirements, cost estimates or prices, or any other terms or conditions.
4. Subcontractor shall adhere to the requirements of FAR clause 52.203-12, Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions, which prohibits the expenditure of federal appropriations for lobbying or lobbying-related activities.

# PROPERTY

This clause is applicable if this subcontract provides that NTESS will furnish Government-owned property to the Subcontractor (hereinafter referred to as "NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property") or that the Subcontractor will acquire property.

1. NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property
	1. NTESS shall deliver to the Subcontractor, for use in connection with and under the terms of this subcontract, the NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property described in Section I together with any related data and information that the Subcontractor may request and is reasonably required for the intended use of the property (hereinafter referred to as NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property").
	2. The delivery or performance dates for this subcontract are based upon the expectation that NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property suitable for use (except for property furnished "as-is") will be delivered to the Subcontractor at the times stated in Section I or, if not so stated, in sufficient time to enable the Subcontractor to meet the subcontract's delivery or performance dates.
	3. If NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property is received by the Subcontractor in a condition not suitable for the intended use, the Subcontractor shall, upon receipt of it, notify the SP, detailing the facts, and, as directed by the SP and at NTESS expense, either repair, modify, return, or otherwise dispose of the property. After completing the directed action and upon written request of the Subcontractor, the CR shall make an equitable adjustment.
	4. If NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property is not delivered to the Subcontractor by the required time, the SP shall, upon the Subcontractor's timely written request, make a determination of the delay, if any, caused to the Subcontractor and shall make an equitable adjustment.
2. Title in Property
Unless otherwise provided in this subcontract, title to all NTESS-Furnished U.S. Government Property and/or property acquired through funds transferred through this effort, shall pass to the End-user upon the Subcontractor's receipt of the property. All responsibility, including repair or replacement of property for which the Subcontractor holds title, shall be accomplished by the Subcontractor at its own expense.

# PROTECTION OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION (PII)

In performing this subcontract, the Subcontractor may be provided with PII relating to NTESS employees, subcontractor employees, and any other individuals related to the work under this subcontract. The Subcontractor shall take all reasonable steps and precautions to ensure all PII provided to the Subcontractor is adequately controlled, protected, and used only to perform work called for under this subcontract.

1. For the purposes of this subcontract, PII is defined as:
	1. Any of the information listed below that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, is collected and maintained for the purpose of conducting official NTESS business, and is not solely comprised of information that is available to the general public:
		1. social security number
		2. driver's license number
		3. passport number
		4. other federal- or state-issued identification card number
		5. bank account number (with or without routing number, access code, or Personal Identification Number [PIN])
		6. financial or benefit account number in combination with any required code permitting access; background information; verification report
		7. credit report, including consumer reports
		8. medical or health information, including biometric, bio-monitoring, or genetic information
		9. employment history including ratings, salary, wage, deduction information, and disciplinary actions
		10. security clearance history or related information
		11. criminal history
		12. date of birth or age
		13. place of birth
		14. mother’s maiden name
		15. and race or ethnicity
	2. One means of distinguishing or tracing an individual’s identity is to include the first name or the first initial and last name of an individual in combination with any information listed above.
	3. PII does not include information that is on NTESS computing resources as a result of incidental personal use of computing and information resources or other assets.
2. Loss of Control of PII. If the Subcontractor becomes aware or suspects that any NTESS-provided PII, has been inappropriately, taken, used, disclosed, and/or released or that the controls for access to the information have been compromised, the Subcontractor will immediately take steps to prohibit further disclosure and preserve related documents, records, and communications. Subcontractor shall notify NTESS of the incident within 48 hours by providing written notice to contractnotification@sandia.gov and contacting the named SP. Subcontractor shall cooperate with NTESS and provide information needed to allow NTESS to evaluate the nature and extent of the release or loss of control.
3. The provisions of this clause shall survive and continue in force following the completion of work under this subcontract until such time that any PII provided to the Subcontractor is either destroyed in its entirety in a manner that ensures it is not readable or decipherable through any means, or that the PII, including any copies, is returned to NTESS. The Subcontractor shall ensure that these provisions shall be made applicable to any lower-tier subcontractor or non-governmental third party who receives PII provided through this subcontract.

# QUALITY CONTROL SYSTEM

Subcontractor shall provide and maintain a quality control system to an industry recognized Quality Standard for any work performed under this subcontract. Records of all quality control inspections performed by Subcontractor shall be kept complete and available to NTESS during the performance of this subcontract and for a period of three (3) years form the final payment under this subcontract.

# RECYCLED AND/OR NEW MATERIALS

Unless otherwise specified in this subcontract, all items delivered shall consist of recycled and/or new materials. New is defined as previously unused which may include residual inventory or unused former government surplus property. Subcontractor shall give preference to the use of recycled materials in support of NTESS’ Sustainable Acquisition Program as set forth in Department of Energy Acquisition Regulation (DEAR) 970.5223-7 SUSTAINABLE ACQUISITION PROGRAM.

# RELEASES VOID

Neither NTESS personnel nor any government representative shall be required to waive or release any personal rights to Subcontractor under this subcontract. Subcontractor agrees that no such waiver or release shall be pleaded by Subcontractor in any action or proceeding.

# REPORTS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBCONTRACT

Final and interim reports as may be required by this subcontract constitute deliverables under this subcontract and shall be submitted in an electronic format such as Microsoft Word or other format commonly used at NTESS, along with any paper format required by this subcontract and shall be submitted on CD ROM, or other media, as requested by the SDR.

# RIGHTS IN DATA

FAR 52.227-14 Rights in Data - General, as modified in accordance with 48 CFR 927.409(a) and including Alternate V, applies to all deliverables which are copyrightable works produced as part of the performance of this subcontract.

# RISK OF LOSS

If NTESS is responsible for the risk of loss during transportation of compliant item, NTESS shall compensate Subcontractor the lesser of:

1. The agreed price of such item or
2. The Subcontractor's cost of replacing such item.

Such loss shall entitle the Subcontractor to an equitable adjustment in delivery schedule obligations.

# SOFTWARE, SERVICES & INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY ASSURANCE

1. Subcontractor warrants that all items, information systems, software and services, including cloud-based service models (e.g., infrastructure as a service, platform as a service, or software as a service) provided under this subcontract are free of code or other mechanisms that: collect personal information, assert control of the system without NTESS’ consent, or which may restrict NTESS’ access to or use of company data. Subcontractor further warrants that it will not knowingly introduce, via any means, spyware, adware, ransomware, rootkit, keylogger, virus, trojan, worm, or other code or mechanism designed to permit unauthorized access to the NTESS data, or which may restrict NTESS access to, or use of NTESS data or compromise NTESS data.
2. Subcontractor shall use due diligence to verify that features, functions, and capabilities of deliverables conform to specifications. Subcontractor represents that deliverables only contain features and/or functions that are disclosed.
3. If Subcontractor suspects or becomes aware of any threat events, security incidents, or vulnerabilities in Subcontractor’s operations, products, and/or services, Subcontractor shall provide written notice to contractnotification@sandia.gov within 48 hours.
4. Subcontractor shall cooperate fully with NTESS to investigate all potential security incidents, threat events, and/or vulnerabilities.

NOTE: As used in this clause, the terms “threat event” and “vulnerability” have the meanings defined in NIST SP 800-30. The term “security incident” has the meaning defined in NIST SP 800-53. Security incidents include, but are not limited to: malfunctions due to design/implementation errors and omissions, targeted malicious attacks, untargeted malicious attacks, insider threats, unintended capabilities, and compromises/breaches involving information system components, information technology products, and development processes or personnel.

# TAXES - INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL

To the extent that this subcontract provides for furnishing supplies or performing services outside the U.S. and its outlying areas, this clause applies in lieu of an U.S. Federal, State, and local taxes clause of the subcontract.

1. Definitions. As used in this clause—
	1. SUBCONTRACT DATE means the date set for bid opening or, if this is a negotiated subcontract or a modification, the effective date of this subcontract or modification.
	2. COUNTRY CONCERNED means any country, other than the U.S. and its outlying areas, in which expenditures under this subcontract are made.
	3. TAX / TAXES include fees and charges for doing business that are levied by the government of the country concerned or by its political subdivisions.
	4. ALL APPLICABLE TAXES AND DUTIES means all taxes and duties, in effect on the subcontract date, that the taxing authority is imposing and collecting on the transactions or property covered by this subcontract, pursuant to written ruling or regulation in effect on the subcontract date.
2. Unless otherwise provided in this subcontract, the subcontract price includes all applicable taxes and duties, except taxes and duties that the Government of the U.S. and the government of the country concerned have agreed shall not be applicable to expenditures in such country by or on behalf of the U.S., or any tax or duty not applicable to this subcontract or any subcontracts under this subcontract, pursuant to the laws of the country concerned.
3. It is the Subcontractor’s responsibility to obtain the exemption from or refund of any taxes or duties, including interest or penalty, from which the U.S. Government, NTESS, the Subcontractor, any lower-tier subcontractor, or the transactions or property covered by this subcontract are exempt under the laws of the country concerned or its political subdivisions or which the governments of the U.S. and of the country concerned have agreed shall not be applicable.

# TIMELY PERFORMANCE

Subcontractor's timely performance is a critical element of this subcontract. Subcontractor shall not make delivery in advance of the scheduled delivery date without advance written approval of the SP. If Subcontractor becomes aware of difficulty in performing this subcontract, Subcontractor shall timely notify the SP in writing, giving pertinent details.

# TRANSPORTATION

1. All transportation shall be "FOB Destination" unless otherwise specified in this subcontract.
2. If transportation is specified "Freight on Board (FOB) Origin":
	1. No insurance cost shall be allowed unless authorized in writing; and
	2. The bill of lading shall indicate that transportation is for DOE/NNSA and the actual total transportation charges paid to the carrier(s) shall be reimbursed by the government pursuant to Prime Contract No. DE-NA0003525. Confirmation will be made by NTESS.

# WARRANTY

1. Subcontractor expressly warrants that no counterfeit item or components shall be delivered to NTESS on this subcontract.
2. Subcontractor warrants, except for exclusions elsewhere in this clause, that work performed under this subcontract conforms to the subcontract requirements and is free of any defect in equipment, material, or design furnished, or workmanship performed by the Subcontractor or any subcontractor or supplier at any tier.
3. Subcontractor expressly warrants that all items provided under this subcontract shall have a rightful transfer of good title thereto and are delivered free of any rightful claims of any third person by way of infringement of any intellectual property right.
4. Warranty period
	1. The warranty for products delivered under this subcontract shall begin upon receipt of conforming items and extend for a period of:
		1. The manufacturer's warranty period or six (6) months, whichever is longer, if the Subcontractor is not the manufacturer and has not modified the item, or
		2. One (1) year or the manufacturer's warranty period, whichever is longer, if the Subcontractor is the manufacturer of the item or has modified it.
	2. The warranty for services performed under this subcontract shall:
		1. Continue for a period of one (1) year from date of final acceptance of the work.
		2. If NTESS or the government takes possession of any part of the work before final acceptance, this warranty shall continue for a period of one (1) year from the date NTESS takes possession.
5. Within the warranty period, Subcontractor shall
	1. Promptly repair or replace any nonconforming product at Subcontractor's election, or.
	2. Re-perform any nonconforming or defective service.
6. Subcontractor shall remedy, at Subcontractor's expense, any damage to government-owned or controlled real or personal property, when that damage is the result of:
	1. Subcontractor's failure to conform to subcontract requirements, or
	2. Any defect of equipment, material, workmanship, or design furnished.
7. Transportation of replacement item(s), return of nonconforming item(s), and reperformance of nonconforming services shall be at Subcontractor's expense.
8. Subcontractor's warranty with respect to work repaired or replaced will run for one (1) year from the date of repair or replacement.
9. NTESS will notify Subcontractor within a reasonable time after the discovery of any nonconformance, failure, defect, or damage. Subcontractor shall notify NTESS of whether it chooses to make repairs, furnish replacements, or schedule for reperformance of services within three (3) working days after receiving NTESS' notice of nonconformity.
10. If repair, replacement, or re-performance of services is not timely, NTESS may elect to return the nonconforming item, re-procure or repair a nonconforming product or re-procure or self-perform nonconforming services at Subcontractor's expense.
11. With respect to all warranties, express or implied, from lower-tier subcontractors, manufacturers, or suppliers for work performed and/or materials furnished under this subcontract, the Subcontractor shall:
	1. Obtain all warranties that would be given in standard commercial practice;
	2. Require all warranties to be executed, in writing, for the benefit of the government, if directed by NTESS; and
	3. Enforce all warranties for the benefit of the government, if directed by NTESS
12. In the event the Subcontractor's warranty under this clause has expired, the government or NTESS may bring suit at its expense to enforce a subcontractor's, manufacturer's, or supplier's warranty at any tier.
13. Unless a defect is caused by the negligence or intentional misconduct of the Subcontractor or lower-tier subcontractor or supplier at any tier, the Subcontractor shall not be liable for the repair of any defects of material or design furnished by NTESS nor for the repair of any damage that results from any defect in Government-Furnished Material/Property or design.
14. This warranty shall not limit NTESS' rights under the "Inspection and Acceptance" clause, if included, in this subcontract with respect to latent defects, gross mistakes, or fraud.
15. Defects in design or manufacture of equipment specified by NTESS on a "brand name and model" basis, shall not be included in this warranty. In this event, the Subcontractor shall require any lower-tier subcontractors, manufacturers, or suppliers at any tier thereof to execute their warranties, in writing, directly to NTESS.

# WORK FOR HIRE

Subcontractor hereby acknowledges that:

1. All duties performed hereunder are specifically ordered or commissioned by NTESS ("Work")
2. Subcontractor has required all of its employees who will do the Work to assign all intellectual property generated in the course of employment to the Subcontractor
3. The Work constitutes and shall constitute a work-made-for-hire as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act of 1976
4. NTESS is and shall be the author of said work-made-for-hire and the owner of all rights in and to the Work.
5. To the extent that the Work is not recognized as a work-made-for-hire, Subcontractor hereby assigns, transfers, and conveys to NTESS, without reservation, all of Subcontractor's rights, title and interest in the Work, including, without limitation, all rights of copyright and copyright renewal in said Work or any part thereof.
6. Subcontractor agrees to execute all papers and to perform such other proper acts as NTESS may deem necessary to secure for NTESS the rights herein assigned.

**WRITTEN NOTICES**

1. The Subcontractor shall immediately notify the SP in writing of:
	1. Any action, including any proceeding before an administrative agency, filed against the Subcontractor arising out of the performance of this subcontract
	2. Any claim against the Subcontractor, the cost and expense of which is allowable under the terms of this subcontract
2. If, at any time during the performance of this subcontract, the Subcontractor becomes aware of any circumstances which may jeopardize its performance of all or any portion of the subcontract, it shall immediately notify the SP in writing of such circumstances, and the Subcontractor shall take whatever action is necessary to cure such defect within the shortest possible time.

# ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This subcontract incorporates by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text, the following cited FAR clauses and Department of Energy Acquisition Regulation (DEAR) clauses. The FAR and DEAR clauses which are flowed down to subcontracts are as dated in Section I of the NTESS Prime Contract in effect at “Revision 0 – award” of this subcontract; available at <http://www.sandia.gov/working_with_sandia/current_suppliers/contract_information/index.html> under the “Policies” tab. The NTESS Prime Contract (DE-NA0003525) is available for reference at <https://nnsa.energy.gov/aboutus/ouroperations/apm/mosupportdept/sandia-national-laboratories> The full text of these clauses may be found under Title 48 of the CFR at <http://www.ecfr.gov> or at Acquisition.gov at <https://www.acquicition.gov/content/regulations>. Where the FAR/DEAR clauses refer to government and Contracting Officer, substitute NTESS and SP, except:

1. In the phrases “Government Property,” “Government-Furnished Property,” and “Government-Owned Property”;
2. In any patent clauses incorporated herein;
3. When a right, act, authorization or obligation can be granted or performed only by the Government or the Prime Contract Contracting Officer or his/her duly authorized representative;
4. When title to property is to be transferred directly to the Government;
5. In any duty-free entry clauses incorporated herein; and
6. Where specifically modified herein.

For authorized audit rights, the term “Contracting Officer or an authorized representative of the Contracting Officer” shall also include “NTESS, or an authorized representative of NTESS”.

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS AT ANY VALUE

FAR 52.203-3 Gratuities

FAR 52.203-15 Whistleblower Protections Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

FAR 52.203-19 Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements

FAR 52.204-9 Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel

FAR 52.204-21 Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems

FAR 52.209-10 Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations

# FAR 52.211-5 Material Requirements

FAR 52.222-29 Notification of VISA Denial

FAR 52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons (Alternate I)

FAR 52.225-8 Duty Free Entry

FAR 52.225-13 Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases

FAR 52.225-26 Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States

FAR 52.227-3 Patent Indemnity

FAR 52.227-16 Additional Data Requirements

FAR 52.227-23 Rights to Proposal Data (Technical). This clause applies only in any subcontract awarded based on consideration of a technical proposal.

FAR 52.232-39 Unenforceability of Unauthorized Obligations

FAR 52.242-15 Stop-Work Order

FAR 52.244-6 Subcontracts for Commercial Products and Commercial Services

FAR 52.245-1 Government Property

FAR 52.247-64 Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels

FAR 52.252-6 Authorized Deviations in Clauses

DEAR 952.204-71 Sensitive Foreign Nations Controls

DEAR 952.211-71 Priorities and Allocations (Atomic Energy). This clause applies only if Section I designates a Government Priority.

DEAR 952.217-70 Acquisition of Real Property

DEAR 952.235-71 Research Misconduct

DEAR 952.247-70 Foreign Travel

DEAR 952.250-70 Nuclear Hazards Indemnity Agreement

DEAR 970.5225-1 Compliance with Export Control Laws and Regulations (Export Clause)

DEAR 970.5227-1 Rights in Data - Facilities

DEAR 970.5227-6 Patent Indemnity

DEAR 970.5227-8 Refund of Royalties

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $15,000

FAR 52.222-36 Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $35,000

FAR 52.209-6 Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $150,000

FAR 52.203-12 Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $250,000

FAR 52.203-6 Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government

FAR 52.203-7 Anti-Kickback Procedures excluding paragraph (c)(1)

FAR 52.203-17 Contactor Employee Whistleblower Rights and Requirement to Inform Employees of Whistleblower Rights

FAR 52.227-1 Authorization and Consent

FAR 52.227-2 Notice and Assistance Regarding Patent and Copyright Infringement

FAR 52.247-63 Preference for U.S.-Flag Air Carriers

DEAR 970.5227-4 Authorization and Consent (Deviation) – This clause applies to subcontracts for research and development.

DEAR 970.5227-5 Notice and Assistance Regarding Patent and Copyright Infringement (Deviation)

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $500,000

FAR 52.227-16 Additional Data Requirements - Universities

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $550,000

FAR 52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons (Alternate I) - Compliance Plan

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $2,000,000

FAR 52.215-10 Price Reduction for Defective Cost or Pricing Data

FAR 52.215-11 Price Reduction for Defective Certified Cost or Pricing Data Modifications

FAR 52.215-12 Subcontractor Certified Cost or Pricing Data

FAR 52.215-13 Subcontractor Certified Cost or Pricing Data – Modifications

FAR 52.215-19 Notification of Ownership Changes

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS EXCEEDING $6,000,000

FAR 52.203-13 Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct, applies when POP is 120 days or more.

# APPLY TO SUBCONTRACTS WHICH INCLUDE ANY EXPERIMENTAL, RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENTAL, OR DEMONSTRATION WORK

37 CFR § 401.14 Standard Patent Rights Clauses

48 CFR § 952.227-13 Patent rights - Acquisition by the Government