

ATTACHMENT F CITIZENS' STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following sets forth Citizens' expectations of contractual terms and conditions to be included in the Agreement resulting from this RFP. Citizens is willing to modify these terms and conditions based on industry standards and the Vendor's reply to this solicitation.

- 1. **Definitions.** As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings:
 - 1.1. "Citizens Confidential Information" means all information, data, and documentation, whether marked as confidential or not, disclosed to Vendor in the course of this Agreement that is either: (a) Protected under any applicable state or federal law (including Chapter 119, Florida Statutes; Sections 501.171, and 627.351(6), Florida Statutes; Chapter 69O-128, Florida Administrative Code; and, 15 U.S.C. § 6801 et seq.); (b) private information concerning Citizens employees or policyholders (including social security numbers, personal health information, personal credit information, banking information, drivers' license numbers, personal email addresses, personal phone numbers, and home addresses); or, (c) related to any Citizens manuals, lists, operating and other systems or programs, business practices or procedures, insurance policies, claimants or claims, or any business, governmental, and regulatory matters affecting Citizens. "Citizens Confidential Information" does not include any information, data or documentation that: (a) is publicly available through no fault of Vendor or Vendor Staff; or, (b) Vendor developed independently without relying in any way on Citizens Confidential Information.
 - 1.2. "Vendor Staff" means any of Vendor's employees, agents, subcontractors or representatives who: (a) provide the Services; or, (b) have access to Citizens Confidential Information.

2. <u>Invoicing and Payment</u>.

2.1. <u>Invoices.</u> Vendor must timely submit all requests for compensation for Services or expenses, where permitted, in sufficient detail for a pre- or post-audit. The compensation request must include a unique invoice number, be in US dollars, legible, page-numbered, signed, and dated. Vendor shall submit the original invoice to Citizens' Contract Manager or designee as identified in section 11.2. Contract Managers. All late payment inquires must be submitted to the attention of Citizens' Accounts Payable department at <u>AccountsPayable@citizensfla.com</u> or Post Office Box 10749, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-2749 and must include, at a

minimum, the following: (a) Agreement/task order number/purchase order number, if applicable; (b) Vendor's name, address, phone number (and remittance address, if different); (c) Vendor's Federal Employment Identification Number; (d) Citizens' Contract Manager's name; (e) invoice date; (f) Services period; (g) taxes listed separately, if applicable; and, (h) itemized Services for which compensation is being sought.

2.2. <u>Taxes</u>. Citizens is a State of Florida, legislatively created, governmental entity which does not pay federal excise or state sales taxes on direct purchases of tangible personal property. Vendor represents and warrants that it is an independent contractor for purposes of federal, state, and local employment taxes. Vendor agrees that Citizens is not responsible to collect or withhold any federal, state, or local employment taxes, including personal property tax, income tax withholding, and social security contributions, for Vendor or Vendor Staff. Any and all taxes, interest or penalties, including personal property tax or any federal, state, or local withholding or employment taxes, imposed, assessed, or levied as a result of this Agreement shall be paid or withheld by Vendor or, if assessed against and paid by Citizens, shall be immediately reimbursed by Vendor upon demand by Citizens.

3. <u>Records; Audits; Public Records Laws</u>.

- 3.1. <u>Record Retention</u>. Vendor shall retain all records relating to this Agreement for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Agreement.
- 3.2. Right to Audit and Inquire. Citizens shall have reasonable access to Vendor's facilities and has the right to review and audit any of Vendor's records relating solely to this Agreement, upon written notice to Vendor of at least three (3) business days. Vendor also agrees to reasonably cooperate with any independent inquiries made by Citizens' Office of Internal Audit and Office of the Inspector General. Vendor shall cooperate with the requestor and provide requested documentation in a timely manner (preferably within five (5) business days). Vendor must resolve any deficiencies discovered during an audit within ninety (90) calendar days from being reported. Citizens may extend the response time period in its sole discretion. Citizens has the right to conduct follow-up audits to assess Vendor's corrective action(s). Any entity performing auditing services on behalf of Citizens pursuant to this Section shall execute a non-disclosure agreement with regard to Vendor's proprietary information, unless precluded from doing so by law. Vendor shall not unreasonably delay or inhibit Citizens' right to audit as set forth in this Section. Vendor agrees to reimburse Citizens for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by Citizens for investigations of Vendor's compliance with this Agreement which result in termination for cause or in regulatory or criminal penalties in connection with performance of this Agreement. Such costs shall include, but shall not be limited to: salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; expert witness fees; and, documentary fees.
- 3.3. <u>Public Records Laws</u>. Vendor acknowledges that Citizens is subject to Florida public records laws, including Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, (collectively, "Florida's Public Records Laws"). Therefore, any information provided to Citizens or maintained by Vendor in connection with this Agreement may be subject to disclosure to third parties.
 - 3.3.1. <u>Protection of Vendor's Confidential Information</u>. Section 627.351(6)(x)1.e., Florida Statutes, provides that proprietary information licensed to Citizens

under a contract providing for the confidentiality of such information is confidential and exempt from the disclosure requirements of Florida's Public Records Law. Other Florida Statutes allow for various protection of vendor's trade secrets and financial information. In order to protect any information provided to Citizens that Vendor considers to be protected from disclosure under Florida law ("Vendors Confidential Information"), Vendor should clearly label and mark each page or section containing such information as "Confidential", "Trade Secret" or other similar designation.

- 3.3.2. Responding to Request for Vendor Confidential Information. If Citizens receives a Public Records Request ("PRR") or a request from any regulatory or legislative entity regarding Vendor's Confidential Information, it shall promptly notify Vendor in writing. To the extent permitted by law, Citizens shall not produce Vendor's Confidential Information unless authorized by Vendor, or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event a legal proceeding is brought to compel the production of Vendor's Confidential Information, the Parties agree that Citizens is authorized to deliver Vendor's Confidential Information to the court or other legal tribunal for disposition. If Vendor continues to assert in good faith that Vendor's Confidential Information is confidential or exempt from disclosure or production pursuant to Florida's Public Records Laws then Vendor shall be solely responsible for defending its position, or seeking a judicial declaration. Nothing in this Agreement shall create an obligation or duty for Citizens to defend or justify Vendor's position. Vendor also agrees to reimburse Citizens for any attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses incurred by Citizens or awarded against Citizens in any legal proceeding in which the issue is a third party's challenge to Vendor's assertion of an exemption under Florida's Public Records Laws.
- 3.3.3. <u>Vendor's Duty to Forward Records Requests to Citizens</u>. Vendor receives a PRR that is in any way related to this Agreement, Vendor agrees to immediately notify Citizens' Records Custodian and forward the PRR to Citizens' Records Custodian for logging and processing. Citizens' Records Custodian's email address is: <u>Recordsrequest@citizensfla.com</u>. Citizens shall be the Party responsible for coordinating the response and production to the PRR. Vendor shall communicate with Citizens to determine whether requested information is confidential and/or exempt from public records disclosure requirements. Vendor agrees to assist Citizens in responding to any PRR in a prompt and timely manner as required by Florida's Public Records Laws.

IF VENDOR HAS QUESTIONS **REGARDING THE** APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, **FLORIDA** STATUTES, TO VENDOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, PLEASE CONTACT CITIZENS' RECORDS CUSTODIAN AT (i) (850) 521-8302; (ii) RECORDSREQUEST@CITIZENSFLA.COM; OR, (iii) CITIZENS RECORDS CUSTODIAN, PROPERTY CORPORATION, INSURANCE 2101 MARYLAND CIRCLE, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32303.

4. <u>Security and Confidentiality</u>.

- 4.1. <u>General Requirements</u>. Vendor shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards to: (a) ensure the security and confidentiality of Citizens Confidential Information; (b) protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of Citizens Confidential Information; and, (c) protect against unauthorized access to or use of Citizens Confidential Information that could cause harm or inconvenience to Citizens or any customer of Citizens.
- 5. <u>Vendor Conflicts of Interests</u>. Vendor must execute a Conflict of Interest Form as required by Citizens. Vendor shall not have a relationship with a Citizens officer or employee that creates a conflict of interest. If there is the appearance of a conflict of interest, Vendor will promptly contact Citizens' Contract Manager or designee to obtain a written decision as to whether action needs to be taken to ensure a conflict does not exist or that the appearance of a conflict is not significant.
- 6. <u>Convicted Vendor List</u>. Vendor shall immediately notify Citizens' Contract Manager or designee in writing if it or any of its affiliates are placed on the convicted vendor list maintained by the State of Florida pursuant to Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, or on any similar list maintained by any other state or the federal government.
- 7. <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Vendor and Vendor Staff will comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations governing Vendor's performance under this Agreement. This includes: (a) registration and annual renewal of authority to transact business in the State of Florida (via <u>www.sunbiz.org</u>) or Vendor's annual written attestation that such authorization is not required; and, (b) maintaining all other necessary permits or licenses from federal, state, and local regulatory/licensing authorities.
- 8. <u>Publicity; Use of Names and Logos</u>. Vendor may use Citizens' name and logo in its marketing materials, website and social media to indicate that it is a participating or contracted vendor for Citizens. However, Vendor may not in any way state, imply or infer that it holds a "preferred," "approved," "awarded," "selected" or otherwise special status with Citizens in any such materials. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, the use of endorsements or quotes from Citizens officials, Citizens vendor scores, or any other Citizens-related materials that may directly or indirectly imply that Vendor enjoys a special or preferred status with Citizens. Citizens reserves the right to determine that its name and/or logo have been misused and to request that Vendor cease using its name and/or logo in any way it deems inappropriate. Failure to comply will result in corrective action, up to and including contract termination. Vendor may only use the approved Citizens logo, which may be obtained by sending a request via email to: newsroom@citizensfla.com.
- **9.** <u>Jurisdiction and Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. This Agreement shall be deemed to have been made in the State of Florida and shall be subject to, and governed by, the laws of the State of Florida, and no doctrine of choice of law shall be used to apply any law other than that of the State of Florida. Each Party hereby irrevocably consents and submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Circuit Court of Leon County, Florida, for all purposes under this Agreement, and waives any defense to the assertion of such jurisdiction based on inconvenient forum or lack of personal jurisdiction. The Parties also agree to waive any

right to jury trial.

10. Force Majeure. Neither Party shall be responsible for delays or disruptions in performance if the cause of the delay or disruption was beyond that Party's reasonable control (or the reasonable control of its employees, subcontractors, or agents) to the extent not occasioned by the fault or negligence of the delayed or disrupted party. In no case shall Vendor's labor matters, such as strikes or availability of subcontractors, if any, be considered a force majeure event. Further, this Section may not be invoked to excuse or delay Vendor's compliance with its obligations to protect Citizens Confidential Information. To be excused from delays or disruptions hereunder, Vendor must promptly notify Citizens in writing of the delay or disruption. If the delay or disruption is justified, as solely determined by Citizen, Citizens will give Vendor a reasonable extension of time to perform; provided, however, that Citizens may elect to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part if Citizens determines, in its sole judgment, that such a delay or disruption will significantly impair the value of this Agreement to Citizens. THE FOREGOING EXTENSION OF TIME SHALL BE VENDOR'S SOLE REMEDY WITH RESPECT TO FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS. Vendor shall not be entitled to any increase in price or payment of any kind from Citizens for direct, indirect, consequential, or other costs or damages arising because of such delays or disruptions.

Because of the nature of Citizens' business, Citizens requires that Vendor take every reasonable measure to avoid or minimize any delay or disruption under this Section, including the timely activation of Vendor's business continuity and disaster recovery plans. Where Vendor fails to undertake such efforts, the delay or disruption shall be included in the determination of any service level achievement.

If a force majeure event results in a partial reduction in Vendor's capacity to serve its clients, Vendor agrees that Citizens will receive the same or better priority as Vendor's other clients with respect to the allocation of Vendor's resources.