# STATE OF NEBRASKA SERVICE CONTRACT AWARD

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BUSINESS UNIT	BÜYER
65070037_	NANCY STORANT (AS)
VENDOR NUMBER: 1392761	-

VENDOR ADDRESS:

UWORK.COM, INC. DBA COVENDIS TECHNOLOGIES 200 WALKER ST SW UNIT B ATLANTA GA 30313-1200

State Purchasing Bureau 1526 K Street, Suite 130 Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

Telephone: (402) 471-6500 Fax: (402) 471-2089

CONTRACT NUMBER 73501 O4

AN AWARD HAS BEEN MADE TO THE VENDOR/CONTRACTOR NAMED ABOVE FOR THE SERVICES AS LISTED BELOW FOR THE PERIOD:

## NOVEMBER 21, 2016 THROUGH NOVEMBER 20, 2020

THIS CONTRACT IS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT TO FURNISH THE SERVICES SHOWN BELOW, AND DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE PURCHASE OF SIMILAR SERVICES FROM OTHER SOURCES.

THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF THIS CONTRACT BEYOND THE TERMINATION DATE WHEN MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TO THE VENDOR/CONTRACTOR AND THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

Original/Bid Document 5210 Z1

Contract to supply and deliver IT Leased Employee Services to the State of Nebraska as per the attached specifications for a four (4) year period from date of award. The contract may be renewed for three (3) additional three (3) year periods when mutually agreeable to the vendor and the State of Nebraska.

Vendor Contact: Raymond Tsao Telephone (Office): 770-903-9990 Telephone: (Cellular): 404-421-8158

Fax: 770-903-9992

E-Mail: rtsao@covendis.com

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Line	Description	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES Initial Contract Period Year One	25,000,000.0000	\$	1.0000	25,000,000.00
2	TRAVEL EXPENSES INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD Year One	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
3	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES Initial Contract Period Year Two	25,000,000.0000	EA	1.0000	25,000,000.00
4	TRAVEL EXPENSES INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD Year Two	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
5	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES	25,000,000.0000	EA	1.0000	25,000,000,00

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Line	Description	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
	Initial Contract Period Year Three				
6	TRAVEL EXPENSES INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD Year Three	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
7	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES Initial Contract Period Year Four	25,000,000.0000	EA	1,0000	25,000,000.00
8	TRAVEL EXPENSES INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD Year Four	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
9	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES First Optional Renewal Period, Year One	25,000,000.0000	EA	1.0000	25,000,000.00
10	TRAVEL EXPENSES FIRST OPTIONAL RENEWAL PERIOD Year One	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
11	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES First Optional Renewal Period, Year Two	25,000,000.0000	EA	1.0000	25,000,000.00
12	TRAVEL EXPENSES FIRST OPTIONAL RENEWAL PERIOD Year Two	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
13	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES First Optional Renewal Period, Year Three	25,000,000.0000	EA	1.0000	25,000,000.00
14	TRAVEL EXPENSES FIRST OPTIONAL RENEWAL PERIOD Year Three	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
15	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES Second Optional Renewal Period, Year On-	25,000,000.0000 e	EA	1.0000	25,000,000.00
16	TRAVEL EXPENSES SECOND OPTIONAL RENEWAL PERIOD Year One	250,000.0000	EA	1.0000	250,000.00
17	FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT CONTRACT EMPLOYEES	25,000,000.0000	EA	1.0000	25,000,000.00

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FIND, PROVIDE AND MANAGE IT

Third Optional Renewal Period, Year Three

THIRD OPTIONAL RENEWAL PERIOD

CONTRACT EMPLOYEES

TRAVEL EXPENSES

Year Three

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# ADDENDUM ONE to Contract Award

#### Terms and Conditions

Contract 73501 O4 Provide and Manage IT Contract Employees and Provide a Web Application for these Functions

#### Between

The State of Nebraska and UWork.com, Inc. dba Covendis Technologies

The following Terms and Conditions, Addendum One of Contract 73501 O4 have been reviewed and agreed upon between uWork.com, Inc. dba Covendis Technologies "Contractor" and the State of Nebraska "State". This addendum will become part of the contract for to provide and manage IT contract employees and provide a web application for these functions. The terms and conditions of this Addendum shall supersede, prevail and govern in the case of any inconsistencies with the Terms and Conditions indicated in Section III of the Request for Proposal, except that any section herein marked "Reserved" shall have no effect on the Terms and Conditions indicated in Section III of the Request for Proposal.

By signing this Addendum the Contractor guarantees compliance with the provisions stated herein, agrees to the terms and conditions and certifies Contractor maintains a drug free work place environment.

#### A. GENERAL

The contract resulting from this Request for Proposal shall incorporate the following documents:

- Amendment to Contract Award with the most recent dated amendment having the highest priority;
- Contract Award and any attached Addenda;
- 3. The Request for Proposal form and the Contractor's Proposal, signed in ink:
- 4. Amendments to RFP and any Questions and Answers; and
- The original RFP document and any Addenda.

These documents constitute the entirety of the contract.

Unless otherwise specifically stated in a contract amendment, in case of any conflict between the incorporated documents, the documents shall govern in the following order of preference with number one (1) receiving preference over all other documents and with each lower numbered document having preference over any higher numbered document: 1) Amendment to Contract Award with the most recent dated amendment having the highest priority, 2) Contract Award and any attached Addenda, 3) the signed Request for Proposal form and the Contractor's Proposal, 4) Amendments to RFP and any Questions and Answers, 5) the original RFP document and Addenda.

Any ambiguity in any provision of this contract which shall be discovered after its execution shall be resolved in accordance with the rules of contract interpretation as established in the State of Nebraska.

Once proposals are opened they become the property of the State of Nebraska and will not be returned.

#### AWARD - RESERVED

# c. COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT / NONDISCRIMINATION

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal statutes and regulations regarding civil rights laws and equal opportunity employment. The Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act prohibits Contractors of the State of Nebraska, and their Subcontractors, from discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment, with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, compensation, or privileges of employment because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, marital status, or national origin (Neb. Rev. Stat. §48-1101 to 48-1125). The Contractor guarantees compliance with the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, and breach of this provision shall be regarded as a material breach of contract. The Contractor shall insert a similar provision in all Subcontracts for services to be covered by any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal.

#### D. PERMITS, REGULATIONS, LAWS

The Contractor shall procure and pay for all permits, licenses, and approvals necessary for the execution of the contract. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, ordinances, rules, orders, and regulations.

## E. OWNERSHIP OF INFORMATION AND DATA

The State of Nebraska shall have the unlimited right to publish, duplicate, use, and disclose all information and data developed or derived by the Contractor pursuant to this contract.

The Contractor must guarantee that it has the full legal right to the materials, supplies, equipment, and other rights or titles (e.g. rights to licenses transfer or assign deliverables) necessary to execute this contract. The contract price shall, without exception, include compensation for all royalties and costs arising from patents, trademarks, and copyrights that are in any way involved in the contract. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to pay for all royalties and costs, and the State must be held harmless from any such claims.

#### F. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall not commence work under this contract until all the insurance required hereunder has been obtained and such insurance has been approved by the State. The Contractor shall maintain all required insurance for the life of this contract and shall ensure that the State Purchasing Bureau has the most current certificate of insurance throughout the life of this contract. If Contractor will be utilizing any Subcontractors, the Contractor is responsible for obtaining the certificate(s) of insurance required herein under from any and all Subcontractor(s). The Contractor is also responsible for ensuring Subcontractor(s) maintain the insurance required until completion of the contract requirements. The Contractor shall not allow any Subcontractor to commence work on any Subcontract until all similar insurance required of the Subcontractor has been obtained and approved by the Contractor. Approval of the insurance by the State shall not limit, relieve, or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder.

If by the terms of any insurance a mandatory deductible is required, or if the Contractor elects to increase the mandatory deductible amount, the Contractor shall be responsible for payment of the amount of the deductible in the event of a paid claim.

Insurance coverages shall function independent of all other clauses in the contract, and in no instance shall the limits of recovery from the insurance be reduced below the limits required by this section.

#### WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract the statutory Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance for all of the contactors' employees to be engaged in work on the project under this contract and, in case any such work is sublet, the Contractor shall require the Subcontractor similarly to provide Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance for all of the Subcontractor's employees to be engaged in such work. This policy shall be written to meet the statutory requirements for the state in which the work is to be performed, including Occupational Disease. This policy shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State. The amounts of such insurance shall not be less than the limits stated hereinafter.

# 2. COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE AND COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract such Commercial General Liability Insurance and Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance as shall protect Contractor and any Subcontractor performing work covered by this contract from claims for damages for bodily injury, including death, as well as from claims for property damage, which may arise from operations under this contract, whether such operation be by the Contractor or by any Subcontractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them, and the amounts of such insurance shall not be less than limits stated hereinafter.

The Commercial General Liability Insurance shall be written on an occurrence basis, and provide Premises/Operations, Products/Completed Operations, Independent Contractors, Personal Injury, and Contractual Liability coverage. The policy shall include the State, and others as required by the contract documents, as Additional Insured(s). This policy shall be primary, and any insurance or self-insurance carried by the State shall be considered excess and non-contributory. The Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance shall be written to cover all Owned, Non-owned, and Hired vehicles.

#### 3. INSURANCE COVERAGE AMOUNTS REQUIRED

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COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Personal/Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000 per occurrence
Bodily Injury/Property Damage	\$1,000,000 per occurrence
Fire Damage	\$50,000 any one fire
Medical Payments	\$10,000 any one person
Damage to Rented Premises	\$300,000 each occurrence
Contractual	Included
XCU Liability (Explosion, Collapse, and	Included
Underground Damage)	
Independent Contractors	Included
Abuse & Molestation	Included

If higher limits are required, the Umbrella/Ex	cess Liability limits are allowed to satisfy		
the higher limit.			
WORKER'S COMPENSATION			
Employers Liability Limits	\$500K/\$500K/\$500K		
Statutory Limits- All States	Statutory - State of Nebraska		
USL&H Endorsement	Statutory		
Voluntary Compensation	Statutory		
COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY			
Bodily Injury/Property Damage	\$1,000,000 combined single limit		
Include All Owned, Hired & Non-Owned	Included		
Automobile liability			
Motor Carrier Act Endorsement	Where Applicable		
UMBRELLA/EXCESS LIABILITY			
Over Primary Insurance	\$5,000,000		
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY			
All Other Professional Liability (Errors &	\$1,000,000 Per Claim / Aggregate		
Omissions)			
COMMERCIAL CRIME			
Crime/Employee Dishonesty Including 3rd	\$1,000,000		
Party Fidelity			
CYBER LIABILITY			
Breach of Privacy, Security Breach, Denial of	\$10,000,000		
Service, Remediation, Fines and Penalties			

#### SUBROGATION WAIVER

"Workers' Compensation policy shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State of Nebraska."

## LIABILITY WAIVER

"Commercial General Liability & Commercial Automobile Liability policies shall be primary and any insurance or self-insurance carried by the State shall be considered excess and non-contributory."

#### 4. EVIDENCE OF COVERAGE

The Contractor should furnish the State, with their proposal response, a certificate of insurance coverage complying with the above requirements to the attention of the Buyer at 402-471-2089 (fax)

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These certificates or the cover sheet shall reference the RFP number, and the certificates shall include the name of the company, policy numbers, effective dates, dates of expiration, and amounts and types of coverage afforded. If the State is damaged by the failure of the Contractor to maintain such insurance, then the Contractor shall be responsible for all reasonable costs properly attributable thereto.

Notice of cancellation of any required insurance policy must be submitted to Administrative Services State Purchasing Bureau when issued and a new coverage binder shall be submitted immediately to ensure no break in coverage.

# G. COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS

The State may already have in place or choose to award supplemental contracts for work related to this Request for Proposal, or any portion thereof.

- The State reserves the right to award the contract jointly between two or more potential Contractors, if such an arrangement is in the best interest of the State.
- The Contractor shall agree to cooperate with such other Contractors, and shall not commit or permit any act which may interfere with the performance of work by any other Contractor.

#### H. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

It is agreed that nothing contained herein is intended or should be construed in any manner as creating or establishing the relationship of partners between the parties hereto. The Contractor represents that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all personnel required to perform the services under the contract. The Contractor's employees and other persons engaged in work or services required by the contractor under the contract shall have no contractual relationship with the State; they shall not be considered employees of the State.

All claims on behalf of any person arising out of employment or alleged employment (including without limit claims of discrimination against the Contractor, its officers, or its agents) shall in no way be the responsibility of the State. The Contractor will hold the State harmless from any and all such claims. Such personnel or other persons shall not require nor be entitled to any compensation, rights, or benefits from the State including without limit, tenure rights, medical and hospital care, sick and vacation leave, severance pay, or retirement benefits.

#### I. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

The Contractor is solely responsible for fulfilling the contract, with responsibility for all services offered and products to be delivered as stated in the Request for Proposal, the Contractor's proposal, and the resulting contract. The Contractor shall be the sole point of contact regarding all contractual matters.

If the Contractor intends to utilize any Subcontractor's services, the Subcontractor's level of effort, tasks, and time allocation must be clearly defined in the Contractor's proposal. The Contractor shall agree that it will not utilize any Subcontractors not specifically included in its proposal in the performance of the contract without the prior written authorization of the State. Following execution of the contract, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with all services and shall perform such services with qualified personnel in accordance with the contract.

#### J. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL

The Contractor warrants that all persons assigned to the project shall be employees of the Contractor or specified Subcontractors, and shall be fully qualified to perform the work required herein. Personnel employed by the Contractor to fulfill the terms of the contract shall remain under the sole direction and control of the Contractor. The Contractor shall include a

similar provision in any contract with any Subcontractor selected to perform work on the project.

Personnel commitments made in the Contractor's proposal shall not be changed without the prior written approval of the State. Replacement of key personnel, if approved by the State, shall be with personnel of equal or greater ability and qualifications.

The State reserves the right to require the Contractor to reassign or remove from the project any Contractor or Subcontractor employee.

In respect to its employees, the Contractor or specified subcontractor agrees to be responsible for the following:

- any and all employment taxes and/or other payroll withholding;
- any benefits, retirement and/or travel expenses (unless authorized);
- provide Health Insurance coverage that meets the standards of minimal coverage as defined under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and provide to the State proof of such coverage;
- any and all vehicles used by the Contractor's employees, including all insurance required by state law;
- damages incurred by Contractor's employees within the scope of their duties under the contract; and
- 6. provide and maintain workers' compensation insurance.

#### K. CONTRACT CONFLICTS

Contractor shall insure that contracts or agreements with sub-contractors and agents, and the performance of services in relation to this contract by sub-contractors and agents, does not conflict with this contract.

#### L. STATE OF NEBRASKA PERSONNEL RECRUITMENT PROHIBITION

The Contractor shall not, at any time, recruit or employ any State employee or agent who has worked on the Request for Proposal or project, or who had any influence on decisions affecting the Request for Proposal or project.

#### M. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

By submitting a proposal, bidder certifies that there does not now exist any relationship between the bidder and any person or entity which is or gives the appearance of a conflict of interest related to this Request for Proposal or project.

The bidder certifies that it shall not take any action or acquire any interest, either directly or indirectly, which will conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder or which creates an actual or appearance of conflict of interest.

The Bidder may not supply Contract Employees directly or through a subsidiary, division, or other business interest, whether wholly or partially owned, or in which the Bidder has an interest of any kind. Violation of this condition is a breach of contract.

The bidder certifies that it will not employ any individual known by bidder to have a conflict of interest.

#### PROPOSAL PREPARATION COSTS - RESERVED

#### o. ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

The bidder shall not take advantage of any errors and/or omissions in this Request for Proposal or resulting contract. The bidder must promptly notify the State of any errors and/or omissions that are discovered.

#### P. BEGINNING OF WORK

The bidder shall not commence any billable work until a valid contract has been fully executed by the State and the successful Contractor. The Contractor will be notified in writing when work may begin.

#### Q. ASSIGNMENT BY THE STATE

The State shall have the right to assign or transfer the contract or any of its interests herein to any agency, board, commission, or political subdivision of the State of Nebraska. There shall be no charge to the State for any assignment hereunder.

#### R. ASSIGNMENT BY THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor may not assign, voluntarily or involuntarily, the contract or any of its rights or obligations hereunder (including without limitation rights and duties of performance) to any third party, without the prior written consent of the State, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

#### s. DEVIATIONS FROM THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - RESERVED

#### T. GOVERNING LAW

The contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws and statutes of the State of Nebraska. Any legal proceedings against the State of Nebraska regarding this Request for Proposal or any resultant contract shall be brought in the State of Nebraska administrative or judicial forums as defined by State law. The Contractor must be in compliance with all Nebraska statutory and regulatory law.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

#### U. ATTORNEY'S FEES

In the event of any litigation, appeal, or other legal action to enforce any provision of the contract, the Contractor agrees to pay all expenses of such action, as permitted by law, including attorney's fees and costs, if the State is the prevailing party.

#### v. ADVERTISING

The Contractor agrees not to refer to the contract award in advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the company or its services are endorsed or preferred by the State. News releases pertaining to the project shall not be issued without prior written approval from the State.

#### w. STATE PROPERTY

The Contractor shall be responsible for the proper care and custody of any State-owned property which is furnished for the Contractor's use during the performance of the contract. The Contractor shall reimburse the State for any loss or damage of such property; normal wear and tear is expected.

#### x. SITE RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that its employees, agents, and Subcontractors comply with site rules and regulations while on State premises. If the Contractor must perform on-site work outside of the daily operational hours set forth by the State, it must make arrangements with the State to ensure access to the facility and the equipment has been arranged. No additional payment will be made by the State on the basis of lack of access, unless the State fails to provide access as agreed to between the State and the Contractor.

#### Y. NOTIFICATION

During the bid process, all communication between the State and a bidder shall be between the bidder's representative clearly noted in its proposal and the buyer noted in Section II.A. Procuring Office and Contact Person, of this RFP. After the award of the contract, all notices under the contract shall be deemed duly given upon delivery to the staff designated as the point of contact for this Request for Proposal, in person, or upon delivery by U.S. Mail, facsimile, or e-mail. Each bidder should provide in its proposal the name, title, and complete address of its designee to receive notices.

- 1. Except as otherwise expressly specified herein, all notices, requests, or other communications shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or mailed, by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at their respective addresses set forth above, or at such other addresses as may be specified in writing by either of the parties. All notices, requests, or communications shall be deemed effective upon personal delivery or three (3) calendar days following deposit in the mail.
- 2. Whenever the Contractor encounters any difficulty which is delaying or threatens to delay its timely performance under the contract, the Contractor shall immediately give notice thereof in writing to the State reciting all relevant information with respect thereto. Such notice shall not in any way constitute a basis for an extension of the delivery schedule or be construed as a waiver by the State of any of its rights or remedies to which it is entitled by law or equity or pursuant to the provisions of the contract. Failure to give such notice, however, may be grounds for denial of any request for an extension of the delivery schedule because of such delay.

Either party may change its address for notification purposes by giving notice of the change, and setting forth the new address and an effective date.

For the duration of the contract, all communication between Contractor and the State regarding the contract shall take place between the Contractor and individuals specified by the State in writing. Communication about the contract between Contractor and individuals not designated as points of contact by the State is strictly forbidden.

#### z. EARLY TERMINATION

The contract may be terminated as follows:

- 1. The State and the Contractor, by mutual written agreement, may terminate the contract at any time.
- 2. The State, in its sole discretion, may terminate the contract for any reason upon thirty (30) calendar day's written notice to the Contractor. Such termination shall not relieve the Contractor of warranty or other service obligations incurred under the terms of the contract. In the event of termination the Contractor shall be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for products or services satisfactorily performed or provided.
- 3. The State may terminate the contract immediately for the following reasons:
  - a. if directed to do so by statute;
  - Contractor has made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, has admitted in writing its inability to pay debts as they mature, or has ceased operating in the normal course of business;
  - a trustee or receiver of the Contractor or of any substantial part of the Contractor's assets has been appointed by a court;
  - d. fraud, misappropriation, embezzlement, malfeasance, misfeasance, or illegal conduct pertaining to performance under the contract by its Contractor, its employees, officers, directors, or shareholders;
  - e. an involuntary proceeding has been commenced by any party against the Contractor under any one of the chapters of Title 11 of the United States Code and (i) the proceeding has been pending for at least sixty (60) calendar days; or (ii) the Contractor has consented, either expressly or by operation of law, to the entry of an order for relief; or (iii) the Contractor has been decreed or adjudged a debtor:
  - a voluntary petition has been filed by the Contractor under any of the chapters of Title 11 of the United States Code;
  - g. Contractor intentionally discloses confidential information;
  - h. Contractor has or announces it will discontinue support of the deliverable:
  - i. second or subsequent documented "vendor performance report" form deemed acceptable by the State Purchasing Bureau; or
  - j. Contractor engaged in collusion or actions which could have provided Contractor an unfair advantage in obtaining this contract.

#### AA. FUNDING OUT CLAUSE OR LOSS OF APPROPRIATIONS

The State may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, in the event funding is no longer available. The State's obligation to pay amounts due for fiscal years following the current fiscal year is contingent upon legislative appropriation of funds for the contract. Should said funds not be appropriated, the State may terminate the contract with respect to those payments for the fiscal years for which such funds are not appropriated. The State will give the Contractor written notice thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of any termination, and advise the Contractor of the location (address and room number) of any related equipment. All obligations of the State to make payments after the termination date will cease and all interest of the State in any related equipment will terminate. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any authorized work which has

been satisfactorily completed as of the termination date. In no event shall the Contractor be paid for a loss of anticipated profit.

#### BB. BREACH BY CONTRACTOR

The State may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, if the Contractor fails to perform its obligations under the contract in a timely and proper manner. The State may, by providing a written notice of default to the Contractor, allow the Contractor to cure a failure or breach of contract within a period of thirty (30) calendar days (or longer at State's discretion considering the gravity and nature of the default). Said notice shall be delivered by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, or in person with proof of delivery. Allowing the Contractor time to cure a failure or breach of contract does not waive the State's right to immediately terminate the contract for the same or different contract breach which may occur at a different time. In case of default of the Contractor, the State may contract the service from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.

#### cc. ASSURANCES BEFORE BREACH

If any document or deliverable required pursuant to the contract does not fulfill the requirements of the Request for Proposal/resulting contract, upon written notice from the State, the Contractor shall deliver assurances in the form of additional Contractor resources at no additional cost to the project in order to complete the deliverable, and to ensure that other project schedules will not be adversely affected.

#### DD. ADMINISTRATION - CONTRACT TERMINATION

- 1. Contractor must provide confirmation that upon contract termination all deliverables prepared in accordance with this agreement shall become the property of the State of Nebraska; subject to the ownership provision (section E) contained herein, and is provided to the State of Nebraska at no additional cost to the State.
- 2. Contractor must provide confirmation that in the event of contract termination, all records that are the property of the State will be returned to the State within thirty (30) calendar days. Notwithstanding the above, Contractor may retain one copy of any information as required to comply with applicable work product documentation standards or as are automatically retained in the course of Contractor's routine back up procedures.

#### EE. PENALTY

In the event that the Contractor fails to perform any substantial obligation under the contract, the State may withhold all monies due and payable to the Contractor, without penalty, until such failure is cured or otherwise adjudicated.

#### FF. PERFORMANCE BOND - DELETED

#### GG. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be liable for any costs or damages resulting from its inability to perform any of its obligations under the contract due to a natural disaster, or other similar event outside the control and not the fault of the affected party ("Force Majeure Event"). A Force Majeure Event shall not constitute a breach of the contract. The party so affected shall immediately give

notice to the other party of the Force Majeure Event. The State may grant relief from performance of the contract if the Contractor is prevented from performance by a Force Majeure Event. The burden of proof for the need for such relief shall rest upon the Contractor. To obtain release based on a Force Majeure Event, the Contractor shall file a written request for such relief with the State Purchasing Bureau. Labor disputes with the impacted party's own employees will not be considered a Force Majeure Event and will not suspend performance requirements under the contract.

#### HH. PROHIBITION AGAINST ADVANCE PAYMENT

Payments shall not be made until contractual deliverable(s) are received and accepted by the State.

#### II. PAYMENT

State will render payment to Contractor when the terms and conditions of the contract and specifications have been satisfactorily completed on the part of the Contractor as solely determined by the State. Payment will be made by the responsible agency in compliance with the State of Nebraska Prompt Payment Act (See Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-2401 through 81-2408). The State may require the Contractor to accept payment by electronic means such as ACH deposit. In no event shall the State be responsible or liable to pay for any services provided by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date, and the Contractor hereby waives any claim or cause of action for any such services.

#### JJ. INVOICES

Invoices for payments must be submitted by the Contractor to the State with sufficient detail to support payment. All invoices will be for an entire calendar month and be broken down by Agency. Invoices shall be delivered electronically on or before the 10th of the following month. In most cases the OCIO will pay invoices. In a few situations the agency for which work was performed may pay the invoice. The Contractor must offer an early pay discount program that allows the State to reduce the total amount owed by 3/4% when paid by the 20th of the month. A Subcontractor may opt in or out of the early pay discount. The terms and conditions included in the Contractor's invoice shall be deemed to be solely for the convenience of the parties. No terms or conditions of any such invoice shall be binding upon the State, and no action by the State, including without limitation the payment of any such invoice in whole or in part, shall be construed as binding or estopping the State with respect to any such term or condition, unless the invoice term or condition has been previously agreed to by the State as an amendment to the contract.

#### KK. RIGHT TO AUDIT

Contractor shall establish and maintain a reasonable accounting system that enables the State to readily audit contract. The State and its authorized representatives shall have the right to audit, to examine, and to make copies of or extracts from all financial and related records (in whatever form they may be kept, whether written, electronic, or other) relating to or pertaining to this contract kept by or under the control of the Contractor, including, but not limited to those kept by the Contractor, its employees, agents, assigns, successors, and Subcontractors. Such records shall include, but not be limited to, accounting records, written policies and procedures; all paid vouchers including those for out-of-pocket expenses; other reimbursement supported by invoices; ledgers; cancelled checks; deposit slips; bank statements; journals; original estimates; estimating work sheets; subcontracts, contract

amendments and change order files; back charge logs and supporting documentation; insurance documents; payroll documents; timesheets; memoranda; and correspondence.

Contractor shall, at all times during the term of this contract and for a period of five (5) years after the completion of this contract, maintain such records, together with such supporting or underlying documents and materials. The Contractor shall at any time requested by the State, whether during or after completion of this contract and at Contractor's own expense make such records available for inspection and audit (including copies and extracts of records as required) by the State. Such records shall be made available to the State during normal business hours at the Contractor's office or place of business. In the event that no such location is available, then the financial records, together with the supporting or underlying documents and records, shall be made available for audit at a time and location that is convenient for the State. Contractor shall ensure the State has these rights with Contractor's assigns, successors, and Subcontractors, and the obligations of these rights shall be explicitly included in any subcontracts or agreements formed between the Contractor and any Subcontractors to the extent that those Subcontracts or agreements relate to fulfillment of the Contractor's obligations to the State.

Costs of any audits conducted under the authority of this right to audit and not addressed elsewhere will be borne by the State unless certain exemption criteria are met. If the audit identifies overpricing or overcharges (of any nature) by the Contractor to the State in excess of one-half of one percent (.5%) of the total contract billings, the Contractor shall reimburse the State for the total costs of the audit. If the audit discovers substantive findings related to fraud, misrepresentation, or non-performance, the Contractor shall reimburse the State for total costs of audit. Any adjustments and/or payments that must be made as a result of any such audit or inspection of the Contractor's invoices and/or records shall be made within a reasonable amount of time (not to exceed 90 days) from presentation of the State's findings to Contractor.

#### LL. TAXES

The State is not required to pay taxes of any kind and assumes no such liability as a result of this solicitation. Any property tax payable on the Contractor's equipment which may be installed in a state-owned facility is the responsibility of the Contractor.

#### MM. INSPECTION AND APPROVAL

Final inspection and approval of all work required under the contract shall be performed by the designated State officials. The State and/or its authorized representatives shall have the right to enter any premises where the Contractor or Subcontractor duties under the contract are being performed, and to inspect, monitor or otherwise evaluate the work being performed. All inspections and evaluations shall be at reasonable times and in a manner that will not unreasonably delay work.

# NN. CHANGES IN SCOPE/CHANGE ORDERS

The State may, upon the written agreement of Contractor, make changes to the contract within the general scope of the RFP. The State may, at any time work is in progress, by written agreement, make alterations in the terms of work as shown in the specifications, require the Contractor to make corrections, decrease the quantity of work, or make such other changes as the State may find necessary or desirable. The Contractor shall not claim forfeiture of contract by reasons of such changes by the State. Changes in work and the amount of compensation

to be paid to the Contractor shall be determined in accordance with applicable unit prices if any, or a pro-rated value.

Corrections of any deliverable, service or performance of work required pursuant to the contract shall not be deemed a modification. Changes or additions to the contract beyond the scope of the RFP are not permitted.

#### oo. SEVERABILITY

If any term or condition of the contract is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and conditions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.

#### PP. CONFIDENTIALITY

All materials and information provided by the State or acquired by the Contractor on behalf of the State shall be regarded as confidential information. All materials and information provided by the State or acquired by the Contractor on behalf of the State shall be handled in accordance with federal and state law, and ethical standards. The Contractor must ensure the confidentiality of such materials or information. Should said confidentiality be breached by a Contractor; Contractor shall notify the State immediately of said breach and take immediate corrective action.

It is incumbent upon the Contractor to inform its officers, and employees, and subcontractors of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a (i)(1), which is made applicable to Contractors by 5 U.S.C. 552a (m)(1), provides that any officer or employee of a Contractor, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position has possession of or access to agency records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

#### QQ. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION - RESERVED

# RR. CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION/COLLUSIVE BIDDING - RESERVED

#### ss. STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION

The proposal shall be arrived at by the bidder independently and be submitted without collusion with, and without any direct or indirect agreement, understanding or planned common course of action with, any person; firm; corporation; bidder; Contractor of materials, supplies, equipment or services described in this RFP. Bidder shall not collude with, or attempt to collude with, any state officials, employees or agents; or evaluators or any person involved in this RFP. The bidder shall not take any action in the restraint of free competition or designed to limit independent bidding or to create an unfair advantage.

Should it be determined that collusion occurred, the State reserves the right to reject a bid or terminate the contract and impose further administrative sanctions.

#### TT. PRICES

All prices, costs, and terms and conditions outlined in the proposal shall remain fixed and valid commencing on the opening date of the proposal until an award is made or the Request for Proposal is cancelled.

Prices quoted on the Cost Proposal form shall remain fixed for the period quoted. Any price increase for the next renewal period must be submitted, in writing, to the State Purchasing Bureau 180 days prior to the end of the current contract period and accompanied by documentation justifying the price increase. The price increase for each year of the renewal period can be no more than two percent (2%) per year. Further documentation may be required by the State to justify the increase. The State reserves the right to deny any requested price increase. If a price increase is denied by the State the Contractor may terminate the contract upon 30 days written notice, termination to take affect at the end of the current contract period and subject to the End of Contract Transition Requirement per Attachment A.PR-4. No price increases are to be billed to any State Agencies prior to written amendment of the contract by the parties.

The State will be given full proportionate benefit of any price decrease during the term of the contract. Contractor represents and warrants that all prices for services, now or subsequently specified, are as low as and no higher than prices which the Contractor has charged or intends to charge customers other than the State for the same or similar products and services of the same or equivalent quantity and quality for delivery or performance during the same periods of time. If, during the term of the contract, the Contractor shall reduce any and/or all prices charged to any customers other than the State for the same or similar products or services specified herein, the Contractor shall make an equal or equivalent reduction in corresponding prices for said specified products or services.

Contractor also represents and warrants that all prices set forth in the contract and all prices in addition, which the Contractor may charge under the terms of the contract, do not and will not violate any existing federal, state, or municipal law or regulations concerning price discrimination and/or price fixing. Contractor agrees to hold the State harmless from any such violation. Prices quoted shall not be subject to increase throughout the contract period unless specifically allowed by these specifications.

## UU. BEST AND FINAL OFFER - RESERVED

#### vv. ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING - RESERVED

#### ww. INDEMNIFICATION

#### 1. GENERAL

The Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, hold, and save harmless the State and its employees, volunteers, agents, and its elected and appointed officials ("the indemnified parties") from and against any and all claims, liens, demands, damages, liability, actions, causes of action, losses, judgments, costs, and expenses of every nature, including investigation costs and expenses, settlement costs, and attorney fees and expenses ("the claims"), sustained or asserted against the State, arising out of, resulting from, or attributable to the willful misconduct, negligence, error, or omission of

the Contractor, its employees, Subcontractors, consultants, representatives, agents, and Contract Employees except to the extent such Contractor liability is attenuated by any action of the State which directly and proximately contributed to the claims.

#### 2. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Contractor agrees it will, at its sole cost and expense, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the indemnified parties from and against any and all claims, to the extent such claims arise out of, result from, or are attributable to, the actual or alleged infringement or misappropriation of any patent, copyright, trade secret, trademark, or confidential information of any third party by the Contractor or its employees, Subcontractors, consultants, representatives, agents, and Contract Employees; provided, however, the State gives the Contractor prompt notice in writing of the claim. The Contractor may not settle any infringement claim that will affect the State's use of the Licensed Software without the State's prior written consent, which consent may be withheld for any reason.

If a judgment or settlement is obtained or reasonably anticipated against the State's use of any intellectual property for which the Contractor has indemnified the State, the Contractor shall, at the Contractor's sole cost and expense, promptly modify the item or items which were determined to be infringing, acquire a license or licenses on the State's behalf to provide the necessary rights to the State to eliminate the infringement, or provide the State with a non-infringing substitute that provides the State the same functionality. At the State's election, the actual or anticipated judgment may be treated as a breach of warranty by the Contractor, and the State may receive the remedies provided under this RFP.

#### 3. PERSONNEL

The Contractor shall, at its expense, indemnify and hold harmless the indemnified parties from and against any claim with respect to withholding taxes, worker's compensation, employee benefits, or any other claim, demand, liability, damage, or loss of any nature relating to any of the personnel or Contract Employees provided by the Contractor.

### 4. SELF-INSURANCE

The State of Nebraska is self-insured for any loss and purchases excess insurance coverage pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-8,239.01 (Reissue 2008). If there is a presumed loss under the provisions of this agreement, Contractor may file a claim with the Office of Risk Management pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-8,829 – 81-8,306 for review by the State Claims Board. The State retains all rights and immunities under the State Miscellaneous (Section 81-8,294), Tort (Section 81-8,209), and Contract Claim Acts (Section 81-8,302), as outlined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-8,209 *et seq.* and under any other provisions of law and accepts liability under this agreement to the extent provided by law.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

#### XX. NEBRASKA TECHNOLOGY ACCESS STANDARDS

Contractor shall review the Nebraska Technology Access Standards, found at <a href="http://nitc.nebraska.gov/standards/2-201.html">http://nitc.nebraska.gov/standards/2-201.html</a> and ensure that products and/or services provided under the contract are in compliance or will comply with the applicable standards to the greatest degree possible. In the event such standards change during the Contractor's

performance, the State may create an amendment to the contract to request the contract comply with the changed standard at a cost mutually acceptable to the parties.

#### YY. ANTITRUST

The Contractor hereby assigns to the State any and all claims for overcharges as to goods and/or services provided in connection with this contract resulting from antitrust violations which arise under antitrust laws of the United States and the antitrust laws of the State.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

#### ZZ. DISASTER RECOVERY/BACK UP PLAN

The Contractor shall have a disaster recovery and back-up plan, of which a copy should be provided to the State, which includes, but is not limited to equipment, personnel, facilities, and transportation, in order to continue services as specified under the specifications in the contract in the event of a disaster.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

#### AAA. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

Time is of the essence in this contract. The acceptance of late performance with or without objection or reservation by the State shall not waive any rights of the State nor constitute a waiver of the requirement of timely performance of any obligations on the part of the Contractor remaining to be performed.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

### **BBB. RECYCLING**

Preference will be given to items which are manufactured or produced from recycled material or which can be readily reused or recycled after their normal use as per Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-15,159.

#### ccc. DRUG POLICY

Contractor certifies it maintains a drug free work place environment to ensure worker safety and workplace integrity. Contractor agrees to provide a copy of its drug free workplace policy at any time upon request by the State.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

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#### **EMPLOYEE WORK ELIGIBILITY STATUS**

The Contractor is required and hereby agrees to use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program authorized by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324a, known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of an employee.

If the Contractor is an individual or sole proprietorship, the following applies:

- The Contractor must complete the United States Citizenship Attestation Form, available on the Department of Administrative Services website at http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing.html
  - The completed United States Attestation Form should be submitted with the Request for Proposal response.
- 2. If the Contractor indicates on such attestation form that he or she is a qualified alien, the Contractor agrees to provide the US Citizenship and Immigration Services documentation required to verify the Contractor's lawful presence in the United States using the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program.
- 3. The Contractor understands and agrees that lawful presence in the United States is required and the Contractor may be disqualified or the contract terminated if such lawful presence cannot be verified as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. §4-108.

Contractor shall include this condition in all subcontracts.

# EEE. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND INELIGIBILITY - RESERVED

#### FFF. POLITICAL SUB-DIVISIONS

The Contractor may extend the contract to political sub-divisions conditioned upon the honoring of the prices charged to the State. Terms and conditions of the Contract must be met by political sub-divisions. Under no circumstances shall the State be contractually obligated or liable for any purchases by political sub-divisions or other public entities not authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-145, listed as "all officers of the state, departments, bureaus, boards, commissions, councils, and institutions receiving legislative appropriations." A listing of Nebraska political subdivisions may be found at the website of the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts.

#### ATTACHMENT G

Initial Contract Periods Hourly Fee has been changed to \$.057 in lieu of providing Performance Bond.

This Addendum and any attachments hereto will become part of the Contract. Except as set forth in this Addendum, the Contract is unaffected and shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. If there is conflict between this Addendum and the Contract or any earlier Addendum, the terms of this Addendum will prevail.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Amendment as of the date of execution by both parties below.

State of Nebraska	Contractor: uWork.com, Inc. dba Covedis Techologies
Ву:	Ву:
Name: <u>Bo Botelho</u>	Name: RATMOND TSAO
Title: Materiel Administrator	Title: PVESIDENT
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