

Terms and Conditions

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GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY **EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE AND SERVICES**

Offering 25+ Quality IT Manufacturers on GSA!

Lyme Computer Systems is a Small Business Certified HUBZone (Certificate #56897, Date 1/26/2017)

Special Item No. 132-8 Purchase of Equipment

Special Item No. 132-12 Maintenance, Repair Service, Repair Parts/Spare Parts

Special Item No. 132-32 Term Software Licenses Special Item No. 132-33 Perpetual Software Licenses Special Item No. 132-34 Maintenance of Software

Special Item No. 132-40 Cloud Computing (pending for 2018)

Special Item No. 132-50 Training Courses

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Contract Term: May 26, 2017 - May 25, 2022

Lyme Computer Systems was founded in 1983 as a small, woman-owned, full service computer reseller that caters to federal, state, and municipal governments as well as educational institutions and government prime contractors. As of December 2008, Lyme is a 100% ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan) small business, and we are able to draw on over 30 years of experience and strategic relationships to excel in this very competitive global market. Our mission is to provide our customers with high quality computer hardware, and software solutions at extremely competitive prices. Our customer service is second to none and total customer satisfaction is our ultimate goal. We strive to be the preferred source for all our customer's computing product needs.

On January 26, 2017, Lyme Computer Systems was awarded Certificate #56897 as a Small Business Certified HUBZone.

We maintain a "single point of contact" philosophy where the sales representative handles all customer related issues, from pre-sales support to recommending products, quoting prices, order fulfillment, invoicing, satisfaction follow-up, to post-sale support and customer service and warranty issues. Each sales representative services a small number of customers in order to provide extraordinary customer service. Our sales reps are supported by our manufacturer-trained and certified technical staff that is always available for technical consultation.

Lyme Computer Systems offers a wide variety of leading edge products and is an authorized reseller for all the manufacturers we represent. We are constantly adding high quality manufacturers to our product offerings. Our sales reps have all the tools to track down obscure products and are always willing to do product research. This service demonstrates our goal of being the "one stop shopping source" for all computer products.

General Services Administration Federal Acquisition Service

Products and ordering information in this Authorized FAS Information Technology Schedule Pricelist are also available on the GSA Advantage! System. Agencies can browse GSA Advantage! by accessing the GSA Advantage! Home Page via the Internet at http://www.gsaadvantage.gov/

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INFORMATION FOR ORDERING ACTIVITIES APPLICABLE TO ALL SPECIAL ITEM NUMBERS

SPECIAL NOTICE TO AGENCIES: Small Business Participation

SBA strongly supports the participation of small business concerns in the Federal Acquisition Schedules Program. To enhance Small Business Participation SBA policy allows agencies to include in their procurement base and goals, the dollar value of orders expected to be placed against the Federal Acquisition Schedules, and to report accomplishments against these goals.

For orders exceeding the micropurchase threshold, FAR 8.404 requires agencies to consider the catalogs/pricelists of at least three schedule contractors or consider reasonably available information by using the GSA Advantage!™ online shopping service (www.FAS.gsa.gov). The catalogs/pricelists, GSA Advantage!™ and the Federal Acquisition Service Home Page (www.FAS.gsa.gov) contain information on a broad array of products and services offered by small business concerns.

This information should be used as a tool to assist ordering activities in meeting or exceeding established small business goals. It should also be used as a tool to assist in including small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small businesses among those considered when selecting pricelists for a best value determination.

For orders exceeding the micropurchase threshold, customers are to give preference to small business concerns when two or more items at the same delivered price will satisfy their requirement.

1. GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE OF CONTRACT:

Domestic delivery is delivery within the 48 contiguous states, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Washington, DC, and U.S. Territories. Domestic delivery also includes a port or consolidation point, within the aforementioned areas, for orders received from overseas activities.

Overseas delivery is delivery to points outside of the 48 contiguous states, Washington, DC, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Territories.

Offerors are requested to check one of the following boxes:

[X]	The Geographic Scope of Contract will be domestic and overseas delivery.
[]	The Geographic Scope of Contract will be overseas delivery only.
[]	The Geographic Scope of Contract will be domestic delivery only.

2. CONTRACTOR'S ORDERING ADDRESS AND PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Ordering Address: Lyme Computer Systems, Inc. One Lyme Common Lyme, NH 03768-0290

Payment Address: Lyme Computer Systems, Inc. P.O. Box 845172 Boston, MA 02284-5172

Contractors are required to accept credit cards for payments equal to or less than the micro-purchase threshold for oral or written delivery orders. Credit cards <u>will</u> be acceptable for payment above the micro-purchase threshold. In addition, bank account information for wire transfer payments will be shown on the invoice.

The following telephone number can be used by ordering activities to obtain technical and/or ordering assistance: **603-795-4000, 800-370-1095**.

3. LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DAMAGE

The Contractor shall not be liable for any injury to ordering activity personnel or damage to ordering activity property arising from the use of equipment maintained by the Contractor, unless such injury or damage is due to the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

4. STATICAL DATA FOR GOVERNMENT ORDERING OFFICE COMPLETION OF STANDARD FORM 279:

Block 9: G. Order/Modification Under Federal Schedule: Refresh 41

Block 16: Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number: 14-476-3067

Block 30: Type of Contractor - B. Small Business Certified HUBZone

Block 31: Woman-Owned Small Business - No

Block 36: Contractor's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): 02-0380993

4a. CAGE Code: **1BS14**

4b. Contractor <u>has</u> registered with the SAM (System for Award Management) Database.

5. FOB DESTINATION

6. DELIVERY SCHEDULE

a. TIME OF DELIVERY: The Contractor shall deliver to destination within the number of calendar days after receipt of order (ARO), as set forth below:

SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER	DELIVERY TIME (Days ARO)
<u>132-8</u>	<u>10</u> Days
<u>132-12</u>	<u>10</u> Days
<u>132-32</u>	<u>10</u> Days
<u>132-33</u>	<u>10</u> Days
<u>132-34</u>	<u>10</u> Days
<u>132-40</u> (Pending for 2018)	As agreed upon between the contractor and the ordering activity
<u>132-50</u>	As agreed upon between the contractor and the ordering activity

- b. URGENT REQUIREMENTS: When the Federal Acquisition Schedule contract delivery period does not meet the bona fide urgent delivery requirements of an ordering activity, ordering activities are encouraged, if time permits, to contact the Contractor for the purpose of obtaining accelerated delivery. The Contractor shall reply to the inquiry within 3 workdays after receipt. (Telephonic replies shall be confirmed by the Contractor in writing.) If the Contractor offers an accelerated delivery time acceptable to the ordering activity, any order(s) placed pursuant to the agreed upon accelerated delivery time frame shall be delivered within this shorter delivery time and in accordance with all other terms and conditions of the contract.
- 7. **DISCOUNTS:** Prices shown are NET Prices; Basic Discounts have been deducted.
 - a. Prompt Payment: None.

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- b. Quantity: None.
- c. Dollar Volume: None.
- d. Government Educational Institutions are offered the same discounts as all other Government customers.
- e. Other: None.

8. TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT OF 1979, as amended:

All items are U.S. made end products, designated country end products, Caribbean Basin country end products, Canadian end products, or Mexican end products as defined in the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, as amended.

- 9. STATEMENT CONCERNING AVAILABILITY OF EXPORT PACKING: None.
- 10. Small Requirements: The minimum dollar value of orders to be issued is \$100.00.
- 11. MAXIMUM ORDER (All dollar amounts are exclusive of any discount for prompt payment.)
- a. The Maximum Order value for the following Special Item Numbers (SINs) is \$500,000:
 - Special Item Number 132-8 Purchase of Equipment
 - Special Item Number 132-12 Maintenance of Equipment, Repair Service, and Repair Parts/Spare Parts
 - Special Item Number 132-32 Term Software Licenses
 - Special Item Number 132-33 Perpetual Software Licenses
 - Special Item Number 132-34 Maintenance of Software
 - Special Item Number 132-40 Cloud Computing
- b. The Maximum Order value for the following Special Item Numbers (SINs) is \$25,000:
 - Special Item Number 132-50 Training Courses

12. ORDERING PROCEEDURES FOR FEDERAL ACQUISITION SCHEDULE CONTRACTS

Ordering activities shall use the ordering procedures of Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.405 when placing an order or establishing a BPA for supplies or services. These procedures apply to all schedules.

- a. FAR 8.405-1 Ordering procedures for supplies, and services not requiring a statement of work.
- b. FAR 8.405-2 Ordering procedures for services requiring a statement of work.

13. FEDERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/TELECOMMUNICATION STANDARDS

REQUIREMENTS: ordering activities acquiring products from this Schedule must comply with the provisions of the Federal Standards Program, as appropriate (reference: NIST Federal Standards Index). Inquiries to determine whether or not specific products listed herein comply with Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) or Federal Telecommunication Standards (FED-STDS), which are cited by ordering activities, shall be responded to promptly by the Contractor.

13.1 FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARDS PUBLICATIONS (FIPS PUBS):

Information Technology products under this Schedule that do not conform to Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) should not be acquired unless a waiver has been granted in accordance with the applicable "FIPS Publication." Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS PUBS) are issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), pursuant to National Security Act.

Information concerning their availability and applicability should be obtained from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161. FIPS PUBS include voluntary standards when these are adopted for Federal use. Individual orders for FIPS PUBS should be referred to the NTIS Sales Office, and orders for subscription service should be referred to the NTIS Subscription Officer, both at the above address, or telephone number (703) 487-4650.

13.2 FEDERAL TELECOMMUNICATION STANDARDS (FED-STDS): Telecommunication products under this Schedule that do not conform to Federal Telecommunication Standards (FED-STDS) should not be acquired unless a waiver has been granted in accordance with the applicable "FED-STD." Federal Telecommunication Standards are issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), pursuant to National Security Act. Ordering information and information concerning the availability of FED-STDS should be obtained from the GSA, Federal Acquisition Service, Specification Section, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 8100, SW, Washington, DC 20407, telephone number (202)619-8925. Please include a self-addressed mailing label when requesting information by mail. Information concerning their applicability can be obtained by writing or calling the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone number (301)975-2833.

14. CONTRACTOR TASKS / SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (C-FAS-370) (NOV 2001)

- (a) <u>Security Clearances</u>: The Contractor may be required to obtain/possess varying levels of security clearances in the performance of orders issued under this contract. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such security clearances should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule.
- (b) <u>Travel</u>: The Contractor may be required to travel in performance of orders issued under this contract. Allowable travel and per diem charges are governed by Pub .L. 99-234 and FAR Part 31, and are reimbursable by the ordering agency or can be priced as a fixed price item on orders placed under the Multiple Award Schedule. The Industrial Funding Fee does NOT apply to travel and per diem charges.

NOTE: Refer to FAR Part 31.205-46 Travel Costs, for allowable costs that pertain to official company business travel in regards to this contract.

- (c) <u>Certifications, Licenses and Accreditations</u>: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess any variety of certifications, licenses and accreditations for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/ possessing such certifications, licenses and accreditations should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule program.
- (d) <u>Insurance</u>: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess insurance coverage for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such insurance should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule program.
- (e) <u>Personnel</u>: The Contractor may be required to provide key personnel, resumes or skill category descriptions in the performance of orders issued under this contract. Ordering activities may require agency approval of additions or replacements to key personnel.
- (f) <u>Organizational Conflicts of Interest</u>: Where there may be an organizational conflict of interest as determined by the ordering agency, the Contractor's participation in such order may be restricted in accordance with FAR Part 9.5.
- (g) <u>Documentation/Standards</u>: The Contractor may be requested to provide products or services in accordance with rules, regulations, OMB orders, standards and documentation as specified by the agency's order.
- (h) <u>Data/Deliverable Requirements</u>: Any required data/deliverables at the ordering level will be as specified or negotiated in the agency's order.

- (i) <u>Government-Furnished Property</u>: As specified by the agency's order, the Government may provide property, equipment, materials or resources as necessary.
- (j) <u>Availability of Funds</u>: Many Government agencies' operating funds are appropriated for a specific fiscal year. Funds may not be presently available for any orders placed under the contract or any option year. The Government's obligation on orders placed under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for ordering purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are available to the ordering Contracting Officer.
- 15. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION FOR ORDERING ACTIVITIES: Any ordering activity, with respect to any one or more delivery orders placed by it under this contract, may exercise the same rights of termination as might the GSA Contracting Officer under provisions of FAR 52.212-4, paragraphs (l) Termination for the ordering activity's convenience, and (m) Termination for Cause (See C.1.)

16. GSA ADVANTAGE!

GSA Advantage! is an on-line, interactive electronic information and ordering system that provides on-line access to vendors' schedule prices with ordering information. GSA Advantage! will allow the user to perform various searches across all contracts including, but not limited to:

- (1) Manufacturer;
- (2) Manufacturer's Part Number; and
- (3) Product categories.

Agencies can browse GSA Advantage! by accessing the Internet World Wide Web utilizing a browser. The Internet address is http://www.gsaadvantage.gov/

17. PURCHASE OF OPEN MARKET ITEMS

NOTE: Open Market Items are also known as incidental items, noncontract items, non-Schedule items, and items not on a Federal Acquisition Schedule contract. ODCs (Other Direct Costs) are not part of this contract and should be treated as open market purchases. Ordering Activities procuring open market items must follow FAR 8.402(f).

For administrative convenience, an ordering activity contracting officer may add items not on the Federal Supply Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) -- referred to as open market items -- to a Federal Acquisition Schedule blanket purchase agreement (BPA) or an individual task or delivery order, **only if**-

- (1) All applicable acquisition regulations pertaining to the purchase of the items not on the Federal Acquisition Schedule have been followed (e.g., publicizing (Part 5), competition requirements (Part 6), acquisition of commercial items (Part 12), contracting methods (Parts 13, 14, and 15), and small business programs (Part 19));
- (2) The ordering activity contracting officer has determined the price for the items not on the Federal Acquisition Schedule is fair and reasonable;
- (3) The items are clearly labeled on the order as items not on the Federal Acquisition Schedule; and
- (4) All clauses applicable to items not on the Federal Acquisition Schedule are included in the order.

18. CONTRACTOR COMMITMENTS, WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS

- a. For the purpose of this contract, commitments, warranties and representations include, in addition to those agreed to for the entire schedule contract:
 - (1) Time of delivery/installation quotations for individual orders;

- (2) Technical representations and/or warranties of products concerning performance, total system performance and/or configuration, physical, design and/or functional characteristics and capabilities of a product/equipment/ service/software package submitted in response to requirements which result in orders under this schedule contract.
- (3) Any representations and/or warranties concerning the products made in any literature, description, drawings and/or specifications furnished by the Contractor.
- b. The above is not intended to encompass items not currently covered by the GSA Schedule contract.

19. OVERSEAS ACTIVITIES

The terms and conditions of this contract shall apply to all orders for installation, maintenance and repair of equipment in areas listed in the pricelist outside the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia, except as indicated below: NONE

Upon request of the Contractor, the ordering activity may provide the Contractor with logistics support, as available, in accordance with all applicable ordering activity regulations. Such ordering activity support will be provided on a reimbursable basis, and will only be provided to the Contractor's technical personnel whose services are exclusively required for the fulfillment of the terms and conditions of this contract.

20. BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENTS (BPAs)

The use of BPAs under any schedule contract to fill repetitive needs for supplies or services is allowable. BPAs may be established with one or more schedule contractors. The number of BPAs to be established is within the discretion of the ordering activity establishing the BPA and should be based on a strategy that is expected to maximize the effectiveness of the BPA(s). Ordering activities shall follow FAR 8.405-3 when creating and implementing BPA(s).

21. CONTRACTOR TEAM ARRANGEMENTS

Contractors participating in contractor team arrangements must abide by all terms and conditions of their respective contracts. This includes compliance with Clauses 552.238-74, Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting, i.e., each contractor (team member) must report sales and remit the IFF for all products and services provided under its individual contract.

22. INSTALLATION, DEINSTALLATION, REINSTALLATION

The Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a-276a-7) provides that contracts in excess of \$2,000 to which the United States or the District of Columbia is a party for construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) of public buildings or public works with the United States, shall contain a clause that no laborer or mechanic employed directly upon the site of the work shall received less than the prevailing wage rates as determined by the Secretary of Labor. The requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply if the construction work is incidental to the furnishing of supplies, equipment, or services. For example, the requirements do not apply to simple installation or alteration of a public building or public work that is incidental to furnishing supplies or equipment under a supply contract. However, if the construction, alteration or repair is segregable and exceeds \$2,000, then the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act applies.

The ordering activity issuing the task order against this contract will be responsible for proper administration and enforcement of the Federal labor standards covered by the Davis-Bacon Act. The proper Davis-Bacon wage determination will be issued by the ordering activity at the time a request for quotations is made for applicable construction classified installation, deinstallation, and reinstallation services under SIN 132-8.

23. SECTION 508 COMPLIANCE.

If applicable, Section 508 compliance information on the supplies and services in this contract are available in Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) at the following:

http://www.lyme.com/html/section 508.html

The EIT standard can be found at: www.Section508.gov/.

24. PRIME CONTRACTOR ORDERING FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION SCHEDULES.

Prime Contractors (on cost reimbursement contracts) placing orders under Federal Acquisition Schedules, on behalf of an ordering activity, shall follow the terms of the applicable schedule and authorization and include with each order –

- (a) A copy of the authorization from the ordering activity with whom the contractor has the prime contract (unless a copy was previously furnished to the Federal Acquisition Schedule contractor); and
- (b) The following statement:

 This order is placed under written authorization from ______ dated _____. In the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this order and those of your Federal Acquisition Schedule contract, the latter will govern.

25. INSURANCE—WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION (JAN 1997)(FAR 52.228-5)

- (a) The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance of this contract, at least the kinds and minimum amounts of insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract.
- (b) Before commencing work under this contract, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing that the required insurance has been obtained. The policies evidencing required insurance shall contain an endorsement to the effect that any cancellation or any material change adversely affecting the Government's interest shall not be effective—
 - (1) For such period as the laws of the State in which this contract is to be performed prescribe; or
 - (2) Until 30 days after the insurer or the Contractor gives written notice to the Contracting Officer, whichever period is longer.
- (c) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts under this contract that require work on a Government installation and shall require subcontractors to provide and maintain the insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of all subcontractors' proofs of required insurance, and shall make copies available to the Contracting Officer upon request.

26. SOFTWARE INTEROPERABILITY.

Offerors are encouraged to identify within their software items any component interfaces that support open standard interoperability. An item's interface may be identified as interoperable on the basis of participation in a Government agency-sponsored program or in an independent organization program. Interfaces may be identified by reference to an interface registered in the component registry located at http://www.core.gov.

27. ADVANCE PAYMENTS

A payment under this contract to provide a service or deliver an article for the United States Government may not be more than the value of the service already provided or the article already delivered. Advance or pre-payment is not authorized or allowed under this contract. (31 U.S.C. 3324)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO PURCHASE OF GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY NEW EQUIPMENT (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-8)

1. MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP

All equipment furnished hereunder must satisfactorily perform the function for which it is intended.

2. ORDER

Written orders, EDI orders (GSA Advantage! and FACNET), credit card orders, and orders placed under blanket purchase agreements (BPA) agreements shall be the basis for purchase in accordance with the provisions of this

contract. If time of delivery extends beyond the expiration date of the contract, the Contractor will be obligated to meet the delivery and installation date specified in the original order.

For credit card orders and BPAs, telephone orders are permissible.

3. TRANSPORTATION OF EQUIPMENT

FOB DESTINATION. Prices cover equipment delivery to destination, for any location within the geographic scope of this contract.

4. INSTALLATION AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

a. INSTALLATION. When the equipment provided under this contract is not normally self-installable, the	
Contractor's technical personnel shall be available to the ordering activity, at the ordering activity's location, to insta	all
the equipment and to train ordering activity personnel in the use and maintenance of the equipment. The charges, if	
any, for such services are listed below, or in the price schedule:	

See price schedule		
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b. **INSTALLATION, DEINSTALLATION, REINSTALLATION.** The Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a-276a-7) provides that contracts in excess of \$2,000 to which the United States or the District of Columbia is a party for construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) of public buildings or public works with the United States, shall contain a clause that no laborer or mechanic employed directly upon the site of the work shall received less than the prevailing wage rates as determined by the Secretary of Labor. The requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply if the construction work is incidental to the furnishing of supplies, equipment, or services. For example, the requirements do not apply to simple installation or alteration of a public building or public work that is incidental to furnishing supplies or equipment under a supply contract. However, if the construction, alteration or repair is segregable and exceeds \$2,000, then the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act applies.

The ordering activity issuing the task order against this contract will be responsible for proper administration and enforcement of the Federal labor standards covered by the Davis-Bacon Act. The proper Davis-Bacon wage determination will be issued by the ordering activity at the time a request for quotations is made for applicable construction classified installation, deinstallation, and reinstallation services under SIN 132-8.

c. OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE MANUALS. The Contractor shall furnish the ordering activity with one (1) copy of all operating and maintenance manuals which are normally provided with the equipment being purchased.

5. INSPECTION/ACCEPTANCE

The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The ordering activity reserves the right to inspect or test any equipment that has been tendered for acceptance. The ordering activity may require repair or replacement of nonconforming equipment at no increase in contract price. The ordering activity must exercise its postacceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

6. WARRANTY

a. Unless specified otherwise in this contract, the Contractor's standard commercial warranty as stated in the contract's commercial pricelist will apply to this contract.

- b. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- c. Limitation of Liability. Except as otherwise provided by an express or implied warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the ordering activity for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.
- d. If inspection and repair of defective equipment under this warranty will be performed at the Contractor's plant, the address is as follows: Lyme Computer Systems, 18 on The Common, Lyme NH 03768
- e. Per the return policy of many of our manufacturers, unless the product is defective or is returned as the result of manufacturer error, we may charge a restocking fee of 10%. Other manufacturers do not accept returns of open, used, or special order items; in such cases, we will put forth our best efforts to facilitate the return of such products to mitigate the cost to the government.

7. PURCHASE PRICE FOR ORDERED EQUIPMENT

The purchase price that the ordering activity will be charged will be the ordering activity purchase price in effect at the time of order placement, or the ordering activity purchase price in effect on the installation date (or delivery date when installation is not applicable), whichever is less.

8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations (Federal, State, City or otherwise) covering work of this character, and shall include all costs, if any, of such compliance in the prices quoted in this offer.

9. TRADE-IN OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

When an ordering activity determines that Information Technology equipment will be replaced, the ordering activity shall follow the contracting policies and procedures in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the policies and procedures regarding disposition of information technology excess personal property in the Federal Property Management Regulations (FPMR) (41 CFR 101-43.6), and the policies and procedures on exchange/sale contained in the FPMR (41 CFR part 101-46).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO MAINTENANCE, REPAIR SERVICE AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS FOR GOVERNMENT-OWNED GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, RADIO/TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT, (AFTER EXPIRATION OF GUARANTEE/WARRANTY PROVISIONS AND/OR WHEN REQUIRED SERVICE IS NOT COVERED BY GUARANTEE/WARRANTY PROVISIONS) AND FOR LEASED EQUIPMENT (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-12)

1. SERVICE AREAS

- a. The maintenance and repair service rates listed herein are applicable to any ordering activity location within a $\underline{100}$ mile radius of the Contractor's service points. If any additional charge is to apply because of the greater distance from the Contractor's service locations, the mileage rate or other distance factor shall be negotiated at the Task Order level.
- b. When repair services cannot be performed at the ordering activity installation site, the repair services will be performed at the Contractor's plant(s) listed below:

Lyme Computer Systems, One Lyme Common, Lyme NH 03768, or manufacturer's designated repair facility.

2. MAINTENANCE ORDER

- a. Agencies may use written orders, EDI orders, credit card orders, or BPAs, for ordering maintenance under this contract. The Contractor shall confirm orders within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of receipt, except that confirmation of orders shall be considered automatic for renewals for maintenance (Special Item Number 132-12). Automatic acceptance of order renewals for maintenance service shall apply for machines which may have been discontinued from use for temporary periods of time not longer than 120 calendar days. If the order is not confirmed by the Contractor as prescribed by this paragraph, the order shall be considered to be confirmed by the Contractor.
- b. The Contractor shall honor orders for maintenance for the duration of the contract period or a lesser period of time, for the equipment shown in the pricelist. Maintenance service shall commence on a mutually agreed upon date, which will be written into the maintenance order. Maintenance orders shall not be made effective before the expiration of any applicable maintenance and parts guarantee/warranty period associated with the purchase of equipment. Orders for maintenance service shall not extend beyond the end of the contract period.
- c. Maintenance may be discontinued by the ordering activity on thirty (30) calendar days written notice, or shorter notice when agreed to by the Contractor; such notice to become effective thirty (30) calendar days from the date on the notification. However, the ordering activity may extend the original discontinuance date upon written notice to the Contractor, provided that such notice is furnished at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the original discontinuance date.
- d. Annual Funding. When annually appropriated funds are cited on a maintenance order, the period of maintenance shall automatically expire on September 30th of the contract period, or at the end of the contract period, whichever occurs first. Renewal of a maintenance order citing the new appropriation shall be required, if maintenance is to continue during any remainder of the contract period.
- e. Cross-year Funding Within Contract Period. Where an ordering activity's specific appropriation authority provides for funds in excess of a 12 month, fiscal year period, the ordering activity may place an order under this schedule contract for a period up to the expiration of the contract period, notwithstanding the intervening fiscal years.
- f. Ordering activities should notify the Contractor in writing thirty (30) calendar days prior to the expiration of maintenance service, if maintenance is to be terminated at that time. Orders for continued maintenance will be required if maintenance is to be continued during the subsequent period.

3. REPAIR SERVICE AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS ORDERS

- a. Agencies may use written orders, EDI orders, credit card orders, blanket purchase agreements (BPAs), or small order procedures for ordering repair service and/or repair parts/spare parts under this contract. Orders for repair service shall not extend beyond the end of the contract period.
- b. When repair service is ordered, only one chargeable repairman shall be dispatched to perform repair service, unless the ordering activity agrees, in advance, that additional repair personnel are required to effect repairs.

4. LOSS OR DAMAGE

When the Contractor removes equipment to his establishment for repairs, the Contractor shall be responsible for any damage or loss, from the time the equipment is removed from the ordering activity installation, until the equipment is returned to such installation.

5. SCOPE

- a. The Contractor shall provide maintenance for all equipment listed herein, as requested by the ordering activity during the contract term. Repair service and repair parts/spare parts shall apply exclusively to the equipment types/models within the scope of this Information Technology Schedule.
- b. Equipment placed under maintenance service shall be in good operating condition.
 - (1) In order to determine that the equipment is in good operating condition, the equipment shall be subject to inspection by the Contractor, without charge to the ordering activity.
 - (2) Costs of any repairs performed for the purpose of placing the equipment in good operating condition shall be borne by the Contractor, if the equipment was under the Contractor's guarantee/warranty or maintenance responsibility prior to the effective date of the maintenance order.
 - (3) If the equipment was not under the Contractor's responsibility, the costs necessary to place the equipment in proper operating condition are to be borne by the ordering activity, in accordance with the provisions of Special Item Number 132-12 (or outside the scope of this contract).

6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORDERING ACTIVITY

- a. Ordering activity personnel shall not perform maintenance or attempt repairs to equipment while such equipment is under the purview of a maintenance order, unless agreed to by the Contractor.
- b. Subject to security regulations, the ordering activity shall permit access to the equipment which is to be maintained or repaired.
- c. If the Ordering Activity desires a factory authorized/certified service personnel then this should be clearly stated in the task or delivery order.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

- a. For equipment not covered by a maintenance contract or warranty, the Contractor's repair service personnel shall complete repairs as soon as possible after notification by the ordering activity that service is required. Within the service areas, this repair service should normally be done within 4 hours after notification.
- b. If the Ordering Activity task or delivery order specifies a factory authorized/certified service personnel then the Contractor is obligated to provide such a factory authorized/certified service personnel for the equipment to be repaired or serviced, unless otherwise agreed to in advance between the Agency and the Contractor.

8. MAINTENANCE RATE PROVISIONS

a. The Contractor shall bear all costs of maintenance, including labor, parts, and such other expenses as are necessary to keep the equipment in good operating condition, provided that the required repairs are not occasioned by fault or negligence of the ordering activity.

b. REGULAR HOURS

The basic monthly rate for each make and model of equipment shall entitle the ordering activity to maintenance service during a mutually agreed upon nine (9) hour principal period of maintenance, Monday through Friday, exclusive of holidays observed at the ordering activity location.

c. AFTER HOURS

Should the ordering activity require that maintenance be performed outside of Regular Hours, charges for such maintenance, if any, will be specified in the pricelist. Periods of less than one hour will be prorated to the nearest quarter hour.

d. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

If any charge is to apply, over and above the regular maintenance rates, because of the distance between the ordering activity location and the Contractor's service area, the charge will be negotiated at the Task Order level.

e. QUANTITY DISCOUNTS

Quantity discounts from listed maintenance service rates for multiple equipment owned and/or leased by an ordering activity are indicated below: <u>None.</u>

9. REPAIR SERVICE RATE PROVISIONS

- a. CHARGES. Charges for repair service will include the labor charge, computed at the rates set forth below, for the time during which repairmen are actually engaged in work, and, when applicable, the charge for travel or transportation.
- b. MULTIPLE MACHINES. When repairs are ordered by a ordering activity on two or more machines located in one or more buildings within walking distance of each other, the charges will be computed from the time the repairman commences work on the first machine, until the work is completed on the last machine. The time required to go from one machine to another, or from one building to another, will be considered actual work performance, and chargeable to the ordering activity, provided the time consumed in going between machines (or buildings) is reasonable.

c. TRAVEL OR TRANSPORTATION

(1) AT THE CONTRACTOR'S SHOP

- (a) When equipment is returned to the Contractor's shop for adjustments or repairs which are not covered by the guarantee/warranty provision, the cost of transportation, packing, etc., from the ordering activity location to the Contractor's plant, and return to the ordering activity location, shall be borne by the ordering activity.
- (b) The ordering activity should not return defective equipment to the Contractor for adjustments and repairs or replacement without his prior consultation and instruction.

(2) AT THE ORDERING ACTIVITY LOCATION (Within Established Service Areas)

When equipment is repaired at the ordering activity location, and repair service rates are established for service areas or zones, the listed rates are applicable to any ordering activity location within such service areas or zones. No extra charge, time, or expense will be allowed for travel or transportation of repairmen or machines to or from the ordering activity office; such overhead is included in the repair service rates listed.

(3) AT THE ORDERING ACTIVITY LOCATION (Outside Established Service Areas)

- (a) If repairs are to be made at the ordering activity location, and the location is outside the service area as shown in paragraph 1.a, the repair service and mileage rates negotiated per subparagraphs 1.a and 8.d will apply.
- (b) When the overall travel charge computed at the above mileage rate is unreasonable (considering the time required for travel, actual and necessary transportation costs, and the allowable ordering activity per diem rate for each night the repairman is required to remain overnight at the ordering activity location), the ordering activity shall have the option of reimbursing the Contractor for actual costs, provided that the actual costs are reasonable and allowable. The Contractor shall furnish the ordering activity with a report of travel performed and related expenses incurred. The report shall include departure and arrival dates, times, and the applicable mode of travel.

d. LABOR RATES

(1) REGULAR HOURS

The Regular Hours repair service rates listed herein shall entitle the ordering activity to repair service during the period 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, exclusive of holidays observed at the ordering activity location. There shall be no additional charge for repair service which was requested during Regular Hours, but performed outside the Regular Hours defined above, at the convenience of the Contractor.

(2) AFTER HOURS

When the ordering activity requires that repair service be performed outside the Regular Hours defined above, except Sundays and Holidays observed at the ordering activity location, the After Hours repair service rates

listed herein shall apply. The Regular Hours rates defined above shall apply when repair service is requested during Regular Hours, but performed After Hours at the convenience of the Contractor.

(3) SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS

When the ordering activity requires that repair service be performed on Sundays and Holidays observed at the ordering activity location, the Sundays and Holidays repair service rates listed herein shall apply. When repair service is requested to be performed during Regular Hours and/or After Hours, but is performed at the convenience of the Contractor on Sundays or Holidays observed at the ordering activity location, the Regular Hours and/or After Hours repair service rates, as applicable, shall apply.

REPAIR SERVICE RATES:

LOCATION	MINIMUM CHARGE*	REGULAR HOURS PER HOUR**	AFTER HOURS PER HOUR**	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS PER HOUR
CONTRACTOR'S SHOP	<u>\$35.00</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>
ORDERING ACTIVITY LOCAT (WITHIN ESTABLISHED SERVICE AREAS)	ION _\$50.00	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
ORDERING ACTIVITY LOCAT (OUTSIDE ESTABLISHED SERVICE AREAS)	ION <u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>

^{*}MINIMUM CHARGES INCLUDE 1 FULL HOUR ON THE JOB.

10. REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS RATE PROVISIONS

All parts, furnished as spares or as repair parts in connection with the repair of equipment, unless otherwise indicated in this pricelist, shall be new, standard parts manufactured by the equipment manufacturer. All parts shall be furnished at prices indicated in the Contractor's commercial pricelist dated $\underline{12/18/2017}$, at a discount of $\underline{0}\%$ from such listed prices.

11. GUARANTEE/WARRANTY—REPAIR SERVICE AND REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS

a. REPAIR SERVICE

All repair work will be guaranteed/warranted for a period of 30 days.

b. REPAIR PARTS/SPARE PARTS

All parts, furnished either as spares or repairs parts will be guaranteed/warranted for a period of 90 days.

12. INVOICES AND PAYMENTS

- a. Maintenance Service
 - (1) Invoices for maintenance service shall be submitted by the Contractor on a quarterly or monthly basis, after the completion of such period. Maintenance charges must be paid in arrears (31 U.S.C. 3324). PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.
 - (2) Payment for maintenance service of less than one month's duration shall be prorated at 1/30th of the monthly rate for each calendar day.

^{**}FRACTIONAL HOURS, AT THE END OF THE JOB, WILL BE PRORATED TO THE NEAREST QUARTER HOUR.

b. Repair Service and Repair Parts/Spare Parts.

Invoices for repair service and parts shall be submitted by the Contractor as soon as possible after completion of work. Payment under blanket purchase agreements will be made quarterly or monthly, except where cash payment procedures are used. Invoices shall be submitted separately to each ordering activity office ordering services under the contract. The cost of repair parts shall be shown as a separate item on the invoice, and shall be priced in accordance with paragraph #10, above. PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO TERM SOFTWARE LICENSES (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-32), PERPETUAL SOFTWARE LICENSES (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-33) AND MAINTENANCE AS A SERVICE (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-34) OF GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SOFTWARE

1. INSPECTION/ACCEPTANCE

The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The ordering activity reserves the right to inspect or test any software that has been tendered for acceptance. The ordering activity may require repair or replacement of nonconforming software at no increase in contract price. The ordering activity must exercise its postacceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the software, unless the change is due to the defect in the software.

2. ENTERPRISE USER LICENSE AGREEMENTS REQUIREMENTS (EULA)

The Contractor shall provide all Enterprise User License Agreements in an editable Microsoft Office (Word) format.

3. GUARANTEE/WARRANTY

- a. Unless specified otherwise in this contract, the Contractor's standard commercial guarantee/warranty as stated in the contract's commercial pricelist will apply to this contract.
- b. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- c. Limitation of Liability. Except as otherwise provided by an express or implied warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the ordering activity for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

4. TECHNICAL SERVICES

The Contractor, without additional charge to the ordering activity, shall provide a hot line technical support number 603-795-4000 for the purpose of providing user assistance and guidance in the implementation of the software. The technical support number is available from 9:00 am Eastern Time to 5:00 pm Eastern Time.

5. SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE

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- a. Software maintenance as it is defined:
 - 1. Software Maintenance as a Product (SIN 132-32 or SIN 132-33)

Software maintenance as a product includes the publishing of bug/defect fixes via patches and updates/upgrades in function and technology to maintain the operability and usability of the software product. It may also include other no charge support that are included in the purchase price of the product in the commercial marketplace. No charge support includes items such as user blogs, discussion forums, on-line help libraries and FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions), hosted chat rooms, and limited telephone, email and/or web-based general technical support for user's self diagnostics.

Software maintenance as a product does <u>NOT</u> include the creation, design, implementation, integration, etc. of a software package. These examples are considered software maintenance as a service.

Software Maintenance as a product is billed at the time of purchase.

2. Software Maintenance as a Service (SIN 132-34)

Software maintenance as a service creates, designs, implements, and/or integrates customized changes to software that solve one or more problems and is not included with the price of the software. Software maintenance as a service includes person-to-person communications regardless of the medium used to communicate: telephone support, on-line technical support, customized support, and/or technical expertise which are charged commercially. Software maintenance as a service is billed arrears in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3324.

b. Invoices for maintenance service shall be submitted by the Contractor on a quarterly or monthly basis, after the completion of such period. Maintenance charges must be paid in arrears (31 U.S.C. 3324). PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

6. PERIODS OF TERM LICENSES (SIN 132-32) AND MAINTENANCE (SIN 132-34)

- a. The Contractor shall honor orders for periods for the duration of the contract period or a lesser period of time.
- b. Term licenses and/or maintenance may be discontinued by the ordering activity on thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the Contractor.
- c. Annual Funding. When annually appropriated funds are cited on an order for term licenses and/or maintenance, the period of the term licenses and/or maintenance shall automatically expire on September 30 of the contract period, or at the end of the contract period, whichever occurs first. Renewal of the term licenses and/or maintenance orders citing the new appropriation shall be required, if the term licenses and/or maintenance is to be continued during any remainder of the contract period.
- d. Cross-Year Funding Within Contract Period. Where an ordering activity's specific appropriation authority provides for funds in excess of a 12 month (fiscal year) period, the ordering activity may place an order under this schedule contract for a period up to the expiration of the contract period, notwithstanding the intervening fiscal years.
- e. Ordering activities should notify the Contractor in writing thirty (30) calendar days prior to the expiration of an order, if the term licenses and/or maintenance is to be terminated at that time. Orders for the continuation of term licenses and/or maintenance will be required if the term licenses and/or maintenance is to be continued during the subsequent period.

7. CONVERSION FROM TERM LICENSE TO PERPETUAL LICENSE

- a. The ordering activity may convert term licenses to perpetual licenses for any or all software at any time following acceptance of software. At the request of the ordering activity the Contractor shall furnish, within ten (l0) calendar days, for each software product that is contemplated for conversion, the total amount of conversion credits which have accrued while the software was on a term license and the date of the last update or enhancement.
- b. Conversion credits which are provided shall, within the limits specified, continue to accrue from one contract period to the next, provided the software remains on a term license within the ordering activity.
- c. The term license for each software product shall be discontinued on the day immediately preceding the effective date of conversion from a term license to a perpetual license.
- d. The price the ordering activity shall pay will be the perpetual license price that prevailed at the time such software was initially ordered under a term license, or the perpetual license price prevailing at the time of conversion from a term license to a perpetual license, whichever is the less, minus an amount equal to% of all term license payments during the period that the software was under a term license within the ordering activity.

8. TERM LICENSE CESSATION

- a. After a software product has been on a continuous term license for a period of * months, a fully paid-up, non-exclusive, perpetual license for the software product shall automatically accrue to the ordering activity. The period of continuous term license for automatic accrual of a fully paid-up perpetual license does not have to be achieved during a particular fiscal year; it is a written Contractor commitment which continues to be available for software that is initially ordered under this contract, until a fully paid-up perpetual license accrues to the ordering activity. However, should the term license of the software be discontinued before the specified period of the continuous term license has been satisfied, the perpetual license accrual shall be forfeited.
- b. The Contractor agrees to provide updates and maintenance service for the software after a perpetual license has accrued, at the prices and terms of Special Item Number 132-34, if the licensee elects to order such services. Title to the software shall remain with the Contractor.

9. UTILIZATION LIMITATIONS - (SIN 132-32, SIN 132-33, AND SIN 132-34)

- a. Software acquisition is limited to commercial computer software defined in FAR Part 2.101.
- b. When acquired by the ordering activity, commercial computer software and related documentation so legend shall be subject to the following:
 - (1) Title to and ownership of the software and documentation shall remain with the Contractor, unless otherwise specified.
 - (2) Software licenses are by site and by ordering activity. An ordering activity is defined as a cabinet level or independent ordering activity. The software may be used by any subdivision of the ordering activity

(service, bureau, division, command, etc.) that has access to the site the software is placed at, even if the subdivision did not participate in the acquisition of the software. Further, the software may be used on a sharing basis where multiple agencies have joint projects that can be satisfied by the use of the software placed at one ordering activity's site. This would allow other agencies access to one ordering activity's database. For ordering activity public domain databases, user agencies and third parties may use the computer program to enter, retrieve, analyze and present data. The user ordering activity will take appropriate action by instruction, agreement, or otherwise, to protect the Contractor's proprietary property with any third parties that are permitted access to the computer programs and documentation in connection with the user ordering activity's permitted use of the computer programs and documentation. For purposes of this section, all such permitted third parties shall be deemed agents of the user ordering activity.

- (3) Except as is provided in paragraph 8.b(2) above, the ordering activity shall not provide or otherwise make available the software or documentation, or any portion thereof, in any form, to any third party without the prior written approval of the Contractor. Third parties do not include prime Contractors, subcontractors and agents of the ordering activity who have the ordering activity's permission to use the licensed software and documentation at the facility, and who have agreed to use the licensed software and documentation only in accordance with these restrictions. This provision does not limit the right of the ordering activity to use software, documentation, or information therein, which the ordering activity may already have or obtains without restrictions.
- (4) The ordering activity shall have the right to use the computer software and documentation with the computer for which it is acquired at any other facility to which that computer may be transferred, or in cases of Disaster Recovery, the ordering activity has the right to transfer the software to another site if the ordering activity site for which it is acquired is deemed to be unsafe for ordering activity personnel; to use the computer software and documentation with a backup computer when the primary computer is inoperative; to copy computer programs for safekeeping (archives) or backup purposes; to transfer a copy of the software to another site for purposes of benchmarking new hardware and/or software; and to modify the software and documentation or combine it with other software, provided that the unmodified portions shall remain subject to these restrictions.
- (5) "Commercial Computer Software" may be marked with the Contractor's standard commercial restricted rights legend, but the schedule contract and schedule pricelist, including this clause, "Utilization Limitations" are the only governing terms and conditions, and shall take precedence and supersede any different or additional terms and conditions included in the standard commercial legend.

10. SOFTWARE CONVERSIONS - (SIN 132-32 AND SIN 132-33)

Full monetary credit will be allowed to the ordering activity when conversion from one version of the software to another is made as the result of a change in operating system, or from one computer system to another. Under a perpetual license (132-33), the purchase price of the new software shall be reduced by the amount that was paid to purchase the earlier version. Under a term license (132-32), conversion credits which accrued while the earlier version was under a term license shall carry forward and remain available as conversion credits which may be applied towards the perpetual license price of the new version.

11. DESCRIPTIONS AND EQUIPMENT COMPATIBILITY

The Contractor shall include, in the schedule pricelist, a complete description of each software product and a list of equipment on which the software can be used. Also, included shall be a brief, introductory explanation of the modules and documentation which are offered.

12. RIGHT-TO-COPY PRICING

The Right-to-copy license pricing is not available under the scope of this contract unless specifically specified in the pricelist. The Ordering Activity must contact the Manufacturer directly to discuss the applicability and associated costs of right-to-copy pricing.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO PURCHASE OF **CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICES** (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132 40)

1. SCOPE

The prices, terms and conditions stated under Special Item Number (SIN) 132-40 Cloud Computing Services apply exclusively to Cloud Computing Services within the scope of this Information Technology Schedule.

This SIN provides ordering activities with access to technical services that run in cloud environments and meet the NIST Definition of Cloud Computing Essential Characteristics. Services relating to or impinging on cloud that do not meet all NIST essential characteristics should be listed in other SINs.

The scope of this SIN is limited to cloud capabilities provided entirely as a service. Hardware, software and other artifacts supporting the physical construction of a private or other cloud are out of scope for this SIN. Currently, an Ordering Activity can procure the hardware and software needed to build on premise cloud functionality, through combining different services on other IT Schedule 70 SINs (e.g. 132-51).

Sub-categories in scope for this SIN are the three NIST Service Models: Software as a Service (SaaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), and Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS). Offerors may optionally select a single sub-category that best fits a proposed cloud service offering. Only one sub-category may be selected per each proposed cloud service offering. Offerors may elect to submit multiple cloud service offerings, each with its own single sub-category. The selection of one of three sub-categories does not prevent Offerors from competing for orders under the other two sub-categories. See service model guidance for advice on sub-category selection.

Sub-category selection within this SIN is optional for any individual cloud service offering, and new cloud computing technologies that do not align with the aforementioned three sub-categories may be included without a sub-category selection so long as they comply with the essential characteristics of cloud computing as outlined by NIST.

See Table 1 for a representation of the scope and sub-categories.

Table 1: Cloud Computing Services SIN

SIN Description

- Commercially available cloud computing services
- Meets the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) definition of Cloud Computing essential characteristics
- Open to all deployment models (private, public, community or hybrid), vendors specify deployment models

Sub-Categories

- 1. Software as a Service (SaaS): Consumer uses provider's applications on cloud infrastructure. Does not manage/control platform or infrastructure. Limited application level configuration may be available.
- 2. Platform as a Service (PaaS): Consumer deploys applications onto cloud platform service using provider-supplied tools. Has control over deployed applications and some limited platform configuration but does not manage the platform or infrastructure.
- **3. Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS):** Consumer provisions computing resources. Has control over OS, storage, platform, deployed applications and some limited infrastructure configuration, but does not manage the infrastructure.

[Offerors may optionally select the single sub-category that best fits each cloud service offering, per Service Model Guidance, or select no sub-category if the offering does not fit an existing NIST service model.]

2. DESCRIPTION OF CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICES AND PRICING

a. Service Description Requirements for Listing Contractors

The description requirements below are in addition to the overall Schedule 70 evaluation criteria described in SCP-FSS-001-N Instructions Applicable to New Offerors (Alternate I – MAR 2016) or SCP-FSS-001-S Instructions Applicable to Successful FSS Program Contractors, as applicable, SCP-FSS-004 and other relevant publications.

Refer to overall Schedule 70 requirements for timelines related to description and other schedule updates, including but not limited to clauses 552.238-81 – section E and clause I-FSS-600.

Table 2 summarizes the additional Contractor-provided description requirements for services proposed under the Cloud Computing Services SIN. All mandatory description requirements must be complete, and adequate according to evaluation criteria.

In addition there is one "Optional" reporting descriptions which exists to provide convenient service selection by relevant criteria. Where provided, optional description requirements must be complete and adequate according to evaluation criteria:

• The NIST Service Model provides sub-categories for the Cloud SIN and is strongly encouraged, but not required. The Service Model based sub-categories provide this SIN with a structure to assist ordering activities in locating and comparing services of interest. Contractors may optionally select the single service model most closely corresponding to the specific service offering.

• If a sub-category is selected it will be evaluated with respect to the NIST Service Model definitions and guidelines in "Guidance for Contractors".

Table 2: Cloud Service Description Requirements

<u>#</u>	Description Requirement	Reporting Type	<u>Instructions</u>
1	Provide a brief written description of how the proposed cloud computing services satisfies each individual essential NIST Characteristic	Mandatory	The cloud service must be capable of satisfying each of the five NIST essential Characteristics as outlined in NIST Special Publication 800-145. See 'GUIDANCE FOR CONTRACTORS: NIST Essential Characteristics' below in this document for detailed overall direction, as well as guidance on inheriting essential characteristics.
2	Select NIST deployment models for the cloud computing service proposed.	Mandatory	Contractors must select at least one NIST deployment model as outlined in NIST Special Publication 800- 145 describing how the proposed cloud computing service is deployed. Select multiple deployment models if the service is offered in more than one deployment model. See 'GUIDANCE FOR CONTRACTORS: NIST Deployment Model' below in this document for detailed direction on how to best categorize a service for the NIST deployment models.
3	Optionally select the most appropriate NIST service model that will be the designated subcategory, or may select no sub-category.	Optional	Contractor may select a single NIST Service model to subcategorize the service as outlined in NIST Special Publication 800-145. Sub-category selection is optional but recommended. See 'GUIDANCE FOR CONTRACTORS: NIST Service Model' below in this document for detailed direction on how to best categorize a service for the NIST IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS service models.

c. Pricing of Cloud Computing Services

All current pricing requirements for Schedule 70, including provision SCP-FSS-001-N (Section III Price Proposal), SCP-FSS-001-S, SCP-FSS-004 (Section III Price Proposal), and clause I-FSS-600 Contract Price Lists, apply. At the current time there is no provision for reducing or eliminating standard price list posting requirements to accommodate rapid cloud price fluctuations.

In addition to standard pricing requirements, all pricing models must have the core capability to meet the NIST Essential Cloud Characteristics, particularly with respect to on-demand self-service, while allowing alternate variations at the task order level at agency discretion, pursuant to the guidance on NIST Essential Characteristics.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations (Federal, State, City, or otherwise) covering work of this character.

a. Acceptance Testing

Any required Acceptance Test Plans and Procedures shall be negotiated by the Ordering Activity at task order level. The Contractor shall perform acceptance testing of the systems for Ordering Activity approval in accordance with the approved test procedures.

b. Training

If training is provided commercially the Contractor shall provide normal commercial installation, operation, maintenance, and engineering interface training on the system. Contractor is responsible for indicating if there are separate training charges.

c. Information Assurance/Security Requirements

The contractor shall meet information assurance/security requirements in accordance with the Ordering Activity requirements at the Task Order level.

d. Related Professional Services

The Contractor is responsible for working with the Ordering Activity to identify related professional services and any other services available on other SINs that may be associated with deploying a complete cloud solution. Any additional substantial and ongoing professional services related to the offering such as integration, migration, and other cloud professional services are out of scope for this SIN.

e. Performance of Cloud Computing Services

The Contractor shall respond to Ordering Activity requirements at the Task Order level with proposed capabilities to Ordering Activity performance specifications or indicate that only standard specifications are offered. In all cases the Contractor shall clearly indicate standard service levels, performance and scale capabilities.

The Contractor shall provide appropriate cloud computing services on the date and to the extent and scope agreed to by the Contractor and the Ordering Activity.

f. Reporting

The Contractor shall respond to Ordering Activity requirements and specify general reporting capabilities available for the Ordering Activity to verify performance, cost and availability.

In accordance with commercial practices, the Contractor may furnish the Ordering Activity/user with a monthly summary Ordering Activity report.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORDERING ACTIVITY

The Ordering Activity is responsible for indicating the cloud computing services requirements unique to the Ordering Activity. Additional requirements should not contradict existing SIN or IT Schedule 70 Terms and Conditions. Ordering Activities should include (as applicable) Terms & Conditions to address Pricing, Security, Data Ownership, Geographic Restrictions, Privacy, SLAs, etc.

Cloud services typically operate under a shared responsibility model, with some responsibilities assigned to the Cloud Service Provider (CSP), some assigned to the Ordering Activity, and others shared between the two. The distribution of responsibilities will vary between providers and across service models. Ordering activities should engage with CSPs to fully understand and evaluate the shared responsibility model proposed. Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) documentation will be helpful regarding the security aspects of shared responsibilities, but operational aspects may require additional discussion with the provider.

a. Ordering Activity Information Assurance/Security Requirements Guidance

- i. The Ordering Activity is responsible for ensuring to the maximum extent practicable that each requirement issued is in compliance with the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) as applicable.
- ii. The Ordering Activity shall assign a required impact level for confidentiality, integrity and availability (CIA) prior to issuing the initial statement of work [Per Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 199 & 200 (FIPS 199, "Standards for Security Categorization of Federal Information and Information Systems") (FIPS 200, "Minimum Security Requirements for Federal Information and Information Systems")]. The Contractor must be capable of meeting at least the minimum security requirements assigned against a low-impact information system in each CIA assessment area (per FIPS 200) and must detail the FISMA capabilities of the system in each of CIA assessment area.
- iii. Agency level FISMA certification, accreditation, and evaluation activities are the responsibility of the Ordering Activity. The Ordering Activity reserves the right to independently evaluate, audit, and verify the FISMA compliance for any proposed or awarded Cloud Computing Services.
- iv. The Ordering Activity has final responsibility for assessing the FedRAMP status of the service, complying with and making a risk-based decision to grant an Authorization to Operate (ATO) for the cloud computing service, and continuous monitoring. A memorandum issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on Dec 8, 2011 outlines the responsibilities of Executive departments and agencies in the context of FedRAMP compliance. 3
- v. Ordering activities are responsible for determining any additional information assurance and security related requirements based on the nature of the application and relevant mandates.

b. Deployment Model

If a particular deployment model (Private, Public, Community, or Hybrid) is desired, Ordering Activities are responsible for identifying the desired model(s). Alternately,

Ordering Activities could identify requirements and assess Contractor responses to determine the most appropriate deployment model(s).

c. Delivery Schedule

The Ordering Activity shall specify the delivery schedule as part of the initial requirement. The Delivery Schedule options are found in Information for Ordering Activities Applicable to All Special Item Numbers.

d. Interoperability

Ordering Activities are responsible for identifying interoperability requirements. Ordering Activities should clearly delineate requirements for API implementation and standards conformance [MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICERS: Security Authorization of Information Systems in Cloud Computing Environments. December 8, 2011].

e. Performance of Cloud Computing Services

The Ordering Activity should clearly indicate any custom minimum service levels, performance and scale requirements as part of the initial requirement.

f. Reporting

The Ordering Activity should clearly indicate any cost, performance or availability reporting as part of the initial requirement.

g. Privacy

The Ordering Activity should specify the privacy characteristics of their service and engage with the Contractor to determine if the cloud service is capable of meeting Ordering Activity requirements. For example, a requirement could be requiring assurance that the service is capable of safeguarding Personally Identifiable Information (PII), in accordance with NIST SP 800-122 [NIST SP 800-122, "Guide to Protecting the Confidentiality of Personally Identifiable Information (PII)"] and OMB memos M-06-16 [OMB memoM-06-16: Protection of Sensitive Agency Information ttp://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/memoranda/fy2006/m06-16.pdf] and M-07-16 [OMB Memo M-07-16: Safeguarding Against and Responding to the Breach of Personally Identifiable Information

http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/memoranda/fy2007/m07-16.pdf]. An Ordering Activity will determine what data elements constitute PII according to OMB Policy, NIST Guidance and Ordering Activity policy.

h. Accessibility

The Ordering Activity should specify the accessibility characteristics of their service and engage with the Contractor to determine the cloud service is capable of meeting Ordering Activity requirements. For example, a requirement could require assurance that the service is capable of providing accessibility based on Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d).

i. Geographic Requirements

Ordering activities are responsible for specifying any geographic requirements and engaging with the Contractor to determine that the cloud services offered have the capabilities to meet geographic requirements for all anticipated task orders. Common geographic concerns could include whether service data, processes and related artifacts can be confined on request to the United States and its territories, or the continental United States (CONUS).

j. Data Ownership and Retrieval and Intellectual Property

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Intellectual property rights are not typically transferred in a cloud model. In general, CSPs retain ownership of the Intellectual Property (IP) underlying their services and the customer retains ownership of its intellectual property. The CSP gives the customer a license to use the cloud services for the duration of the contract without transferring rights. The government retains ownership of the IP and data they bring to the customized use of the service as spelled out in the FAR and related materials.

General considerations of data ownership and retrieval are covered under the terms of Schedule 70 and the FAR and other laws, ordinances, and regulations (Federal, State, City, or otherwise). Because of considerations arising from cloud shared responsibility models, ordering activities should engage with the Contractor to develop more cloud-specific understandings of the boundaries between data owned by the government and that owned by the cloud service provider, and the specific terms of data retrieval.

In all cases, the Ordering Activity should enter into an agreement with a clear and enforceable understanding of the boundaries between government and cloud service provider data, and the form, format and mode of delivery for each kind of data belonging to the government.

The Ordering Activity should expect that the Contractor shall transfer data to the government at the government's request at any time, and in all cases when the service or order is terminated for any reason, by means, in formats and within a scope clearly understood at the initiation of the service. Example cases that might require clarification include status and mode of delivery for:

- Configuration information created by the government and affecting the government's use of the cloud provider's service.
- Virtual machine configurations created by the government but operating on the cloud provider's service.
- Profile, configuration and other metadata used to configure SaaS application services or PaaS platform services.

The key is to determine in advance the ownership of classes of data and the means by which Government owned data can be returned to the Government.

k. Service Location Distribution

The Ordering Activity should determine requirements for continuity of operations and performance and engage with the Contractor to ensure that cloud services have adequate service location distribution to meet anticipated requirements. Typical concerns include ensuring that:

- Physical locations underlying the cloud are numerous enough to provide continuity of operations and geographically separate enough to avoid an anticipated single point of failure within the scope of anticipated emergency events.
- Service endpoints for the cloud are able to meet anticipated performance requirements in terms of geographic proximity to service requestors.

Note that cloud providers may address concerns in the form of minimum distance between service locations, general regions where service locations are available, etc.

1. Related Professional Services

Ordering activities should engage with Contractors to discuss the availability of limited assistance with initial setup, training and access to the services that may be available through this SIN.

Any additional substantial and ongoing professional services related to the offering such as integration, migration, and other cloud professional services are out of scope for this SIN. Ordering activities should consult the appropriate GSA professional services schedule.

5. GUIDANCE FOR CONTRACTORS

This section offers guidance for interpreting the Contractor Description Requirements in Table 2, including the NIST essential cloud characteristics, service models and deployment models. This section is not a list of requirements.

Contractor-specific definitions of cloud computing characteristics and models or significant variances from the NIST essential characteristics or models are discouraged and will **not** be considered in the scope of this SIN or accepted in response to Factors for Evaluation. The only applicable cloud characteristics, service model/subcategories and deployment models for this SIN will be drawn from the NIST 800-145 special publication. Services qualifying for listing as cloud computing services under this SIN must substantially satisfy the essential characteristics of cloud computing as documented in the NIST Definition of Cloud Computing SP 800-145 [http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/800-145/SP800-145.pdf].

Contractors must select deployment models corresponding to each way the service can be deployed. Multiple deployment model designations for a single cloud service are permitted but at least one deployment model must be selected.

In addition, contractors submitting services for listing under this SIN are encouraged to select a subcategory for each service proposed under this SIN with respect to a single principal NIST cloud service model that most aptly characterizes the service. Service model categorization is optional.

Both service and deployment model designations must accord with NIST definitions. Guidance is offered in this document on making the most appropriate selection.

a. NIST Essential Characteristics

General Guidance

NIST's essential cloud characteristics provide a consistent metric for whether a service is eligible for inclusion in this SIN. It is understood that due to legislative, funding and other constraints that government entities cannot always leverage a cloud service to the extent that all NIST essential characteristics are commercially available. For the purposes of the Cloud SIN, meeting the NIST essential characteristics is determined by whether each essential capability of the commercial service is available for the service, whether or not the Ordering Activity actually requests or implements the capability. The guidance in Table 3 offers examples of how services might or might not be included based on the essential characteristics, and how the Contractor should interpret the characteristics in light of current government contracting processes.

Table 3: Guidance on Meeting NIST Essential Characteristics

Characteristic	Capability	Guidance
Access	are able to access services over standard agency networks • Service can be accessed and consumed using standard devices such as browsers, tablets and mobile phones	significant qualification and in relation to the deployment model and security domain of the service • Contractors must specify any ancillary activities, services or equipment required to access cloud services or integrate cloud with other cloud or noncloud networks and services. For example a private cloud might require an Ordering Activity to purchase or provide a dedicated router, etc. which is acceptable but should be indicated by the Contractor.
Resource Pooling	 Pooling distinguishes cloud services from offsite hosting. Ordering activities draw resources from a common pool maintained by the Contractor Resources may have general characteristics such as regional location 	 The cloud service must draw from a pool of resources and provide an automated means for the Ordering Activity to dynamically allocate them. Manual allocation, e.g. manual operations at a physical server farm where Contractor staff configure servers in response to Ordering Activity requests, does not meet this requirement Similar concerns apply to software and platform models; automated provisioning from a pool is required Ordering activities may request dedicated physical hardware, software or platform resources to access a private cloud deployment service. However the provisioned cloud resources must be drawn from a common pool and automatically allocated on request.

Rapid Elasticity

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• Rapid provisioning and deprovisioning commensurate with demand

- Rapid elasticity is a specific demand-driven case of selfservice
- Procurement guidance for ondemand self-service applies to rapid elasticity as well, i.e. rapid elasticity must be technically available but ordering activities and Contractors may mutually negotiate other contractual arrangements for procurement and payment.
- 'Rapid' should be understood as measured in minutes and hours, not days or weeks.
- Elastic capabilities by manual request, e.g. via a console operation or programming interface call, are required.
- Automated elasticity which is driven dynamically by system load, etc. is optional.

 Contractors must specify whether automated demanddriven elasticity is available and the general mechanisms that drive the capability.

Measured Service

- Measured service should be understood as a reporting requirement that enables an Ordering Activity to control their use in cooperation with self service
- Procurement guidance for ondemand self-service applies to measured service as well, i.e. rapid elasticity must be technically available but ordering activities and Contractors may mutually designate other contractual arrangements.
- Regardless of specific contractual arrangements, reporting must indicate actual usage, be continuously available to the Ordering Activity, and provide meaningful metrics appropriate to the service measured
- Contractors must specify that measured service is available and the general sort of metrics and mechanisms available

Inheriting Essential Characteristics

Cloud services may depend on other cloud services, and cloud service models such as PaaS and SaaS are able to inherit essential characteristics from other cloud services that support them. For example a PaaS platform service can inherit the broad network access made available by the IaaS service it runs on, and in such a situation would be fully compliant with the broad network access essential characteristic. Services inheriting essential characteristics must make the inherited characteristic fully available at their level of delivery to claim the relevant characteristic by inheritance.

Inheriting characteristics does not require the inheriting provider to directly bundle or integrate the inherited service, but it does require a reasonable measure of support and identification. For example, the Ordering Activity may acquire an IaaS service from "Provider A" and a PaaS service from "Provider B". The PaaS service may inherit broad network access from "Provider A" but must identify and support the inherited service as an acceptable IaaS provider.

Assessing Broad Network Access

Typically broad network access for public deployment models implies high bandwidth access from the public internet for authorized users. In a private cloud deployment internet access might be considered broad access, as might be access through a dedicated shared high bandwidth network connection from the Ordering Activity, in accord with the private nature of the deployment model.

Resource Pooling and Private Cloud

All cloud resource pools are finite, and only give the appearance of infinite resources when sufficiently large, as is sometimes the case with a public cloud. The resource pool supporting a private cloud is typically smaller with more visible limits. A finite pool of resources purchased as a private cloud service qualifies as resource pooling so long as the resources within the pool can be dynamically allocated to the ultimate users of the resource, even though the pool itself appears finite to the Ordering Activity that procures access to the pool as a source of dynamic service allocation.

b. NIST Service Model

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The Contractor may optionally document the service model of cloud computing (e.g. IaaS, PaaS, SaaS, or a combination thereof, that most closely describes their offering, using the definitions in The NIST Definition of Cloud Computing SP 800-145. The following guidance is offered for the proper selection of service models.

NIST's service models provide this SIN with a set of consistent sub-categories to assist ordering activities in locating and comparing services of interest. Service model is primarily concerned with the nature of the service offered and the staff and activities most likely to interact with the service. Contractors should select a single service model most closely corresponding to their proposed service based on the guidance below. It is understood that cloud services can technically incorporate multiple service models and the intent is to provide the single best categorization of the service.

Contractors should take care to select the NIST service model most closely corresponding to each service offered. Contractors should not invent, proliferate or select multiple cloud service model sub-categories to distinguish their offerings, because ad-hoc categorization prevents consumers from comparing similar offerings. Instead vendors should make full use of the existing NIST categories to the fullest extent possible.

For example, in this SIN an offering commercially marketed by a Contractor as "Storage as a Service" would be properly characterized as Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS), storage being a subset of infrastructure. Services commercially marketed as "LAMP as a Service" or "Database as a Service" would be properly characterized under this SIN as Platform as a Service (PaaS), as they deliver two kinds of platform services. Services commercially marketed as "Travel Facilitation as a Service" or "Email as a Service" would be properly characterized as species of Software as a Service (SaaS) for this SIN. However, Contractors can and should include appropriate descriptions (include commercial marketing terms) of the service in the full descriptions of the service's capabilities.

When choosing between equally plausible service model sub-categories, Contractors should consider several factors:

- 1) **Visibility to the Ordering Activity**. Service model sub-categories in this SIN exist to help Ordering Activities match their requirements with service characteristics. Contractors should select the most intuitive and appropriate service model from the point of view of an Ordering Activity.
- 2) **Primary Focus of the Service**. Services may offer a mix of capabilities that span service models in the strict technical sense. For example, a service may offer both IaaS capabilities for processing and storage, along with some PaaS capabilities for application deployment, or SaaS capabilities for specific applications. In a service mix situation the Contractor should select the service model that is their primary focus. Alternatively contractors may choose to submit multiple service offerings for the SIN, each optionally and separately subcategorized.
- 3) **Ordering Activity Role**. Contractors should consider the operational role of the Ordering Activity's primary actual consumer or operator of the service. For example services most often consumed by system managers are likely to fit best as IaaS; services most often consumed by application deployers or developers as PaaS, and services most often consumed by business users as SaaS.
- 4) **Lowest Level of Configurability.** Contractors can consider IaaS, PaaS and SaaS as an ascending hierarchy of complexity, and select the model with the lowest level of available Ordering Activity interaction. As an example, virtual machines are an IaaS service often bundled with a range of operating systems, which are PaaS services. The Ordering Activity usually has access to configure the lower level IaaS service, and the overall service should be considered IaaS. In cases where the Ordering Activity cannot configure the speed, memory, network configuration, or any other aspect of the IaaS component, consider categorizing as a PaaS service.

Cloud management and cloud broker services should be categorized based on their own characteristics and not those of the other cloud services that are their targets. Management and broker services typically fit the SaaS service model, regardless of whether the services they manage are SaaS, PaaS or IaaS. Use Table 3 to determine which service model is appropriate for the cloud management or cloud broker services, or, alternately choose not to select a service model for the service.

The guidance in Table 3 offers examples of how services might be properly mapped to NIST service models and how a Contractor should interpret the service model sub-categories.

Table 3: Guidance on Mapping to NIST Service Models

Service Model

Guidance

Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)

Select an IaaS model for service based equivalents of hardware appliances such as virtual machines, storage devices, routers and other physical devices.

- IaaS services are typically consumed by system or device managers who would configure physical hardware in a non-cloud setting
- The principal customer interaction with an IaaS service is provisioning then configuration, equivalent to procuring and then configuring a physical device.

Examples of IaaS services include virtual machines, object storage, disk block storage, network routers and firewalls, software defined networks.

Gray areas include services that emulate or act as dedicated appliances and are directly used by applications, such as search appliances, security appliances, etc. To the extent that these services or their emulated devices provide direct capability to an application they might be better classified as Platform services (PaaS). To the extent that they resemble raw hardware and are consumed by other platform services they are better classified as IaaS.

Select a PaaS model for service based equivalents of complete or partial software platforms. For the purposes of this classification, consider a platform as a set of software services

- capable of deploying all or part of an application.
- A complete platform can deploy an entire application. Complete platforms can be proprietary or open source
- Partial platforms can deploy a component of an application which combined with other components make up the entire deployment
- PaaS services are typically consumed by application deployment staff whose responsibility is to take a completed agency application and cause it to run on the designated

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- The principal customer interaction with a PaaS service is deployment, equivalent to deploying an application or portion of an application on a software platform service.
- A limited range of configuration options for the platform service may be available.

Examples of complete PaaS services include:

- A Linux/Apache/MySQL/PHP (LAMP) platform ready to deploy a customer PHP application,
- a Windows .Net platform ready to deploy a .Net application,
- A custom complete platform ready to develop and deploy an customer application in a proprietary language
- A multiple capability platform ready to deploy an arbitrary customer application on a range of underlying software services.

The essential characteristic of a complete PaaS is defined by the customer's ability to deploy a complete custom application directly on the platform.

PaaS includes partial services as well as complete platform services. Illustrative examples of individual platform enablers or components include:

- A database service ready to deploy a customer's tables, views and procedures,
- A queuing service ready to deploy a customer's message definitions
- A security service ready to deploy a customer's constraints and target applications for continuous monitoring

The essential characteristic of an individual PaaS component is the customer's ability to deploy their unique structures and/or data onto the component for a partial platform function. Note that both the partial and complete PaaS examples all have two things in common:

- They are software services, which offer significant core functionality out of the box
- They must be configured with customer data and structures to deliver results

As noted in IaaS, operating systems represent a

grey area in that OS is definitely a platform service, but is typically bundled with IaaS infrastructure. If your service provides an OS but allows for interaction with infrastructure, please sub-categorize it as IaaS. If your service "hides" underlying infrastructure, consider it as PaaS. Software as a Service (SaaS)

Software as a Service (SaaS)

Select a SaaS model for service based equivalents of software applications.

- SaaS services are typically consumed by business or subject-matter staff who would interact directly with the application in a noncloud setting
- The principal customer interaction with a SaaS service is actual operation and consumption of the application services the SaaS service provides.

Some minor configuration may be available, but the scope of the configuration is limited to the scope and then the permissions of the configuring user. For example an agency manager might be able to configure some aspects of the application for their agency but not all agencies. An agency user might be able to configure some aspects for themselves but not everyone in their agency. Typically only the Contractor would be permitted to configure aspects of the software for all users.

Examples of SaaS services include email systems, business systems of all sorts such as travel systems, inventory systems, etc., wiki's, websites or content management systems, management applications that allow a customer to manage other cloud or non-cloud services, and in general any system where customers interact directly for a business purpose.

Gray areas include services that customers use to configure other cloud services, such as cloud management software, cloud brokers, etc. In general these sorts of systems should be considered SaaS, per guidance in this document.

c. Deployment Model

Deployment models (e.g. private, public, community, or hybrid) are not restricted at the SIN level and any specifications for a deployment model are the responsibility of the Ordering Activity.

Multiple deployment model selection is permitted, but at least one model must be selected. The guidance in Table 4 offers examples of how services might be properly mapped to NIST deployment models and how the Contractor should interpret the deployment model characteristics. Contractors should take care to select the range of NIST deployment models most closely corresponding to each service offered.

Note that the scope of this SIN does not include hardware or software components used to construct a cloud, only cloud capabilities delivered as a service, as noted in the Scope section.

Table 4: Guidance for Selecting a Deployment Model

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Deployment Model	Guidance		
Private Cloud	The service is provided exclusively for the benefit of a definable organization and its components; access from outside the organization is prohibited. The actual services may be provided by third parties, and may be physically located as required, but access is strictly defined by membership in the owning organization.		
Public Cloud	The service is provided for general public use and can be accessed by any entity or organization willing to contract for it.		
Community Cloud	The service is provided for the exclusive use of a community with a definable shared boundary such as a mission or interest. As with private cloud, the service may be in any suitable location and administered by a community member or a third party.		
Hybrid Cloud	The service is composed of one or more of the other models. Typically hybrid models include some aspect of transition between the models that make them up, for example a private and public cloud might be designed as a hybrid cloud where events like increased load permit certain specified services in the private cloud to run in a public cloud for extra capacity, e.g. bursting.		

FACTORS FOR EVALUATION FOR IT SCHEDULE 70 CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICES SIN

The following technical evaluation factor applies in addition to the standard Schedule 70 evaluation factors outlined in CI-FSS-152-N Additional Evaluation Factors for New Offerors Under Schedule 70 or CI-FSS-152-S Additional Evaluation Factors for Successful FSS Program Contractors Under Schedule 70 and related documents and applies solely to the Cloud Computing Services SIN. A template will be provided at the time of solicitation refresh to complete the requested documentation.

FACTOR - Cloud Computing Services Adherence to Essential Cloud Characteristics

Within a two page limitation for each cloud service submitted, provide a description of how the cloud computing service meets each of the five essential cloud computing characteristics as defined in described in National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication 800-145 and subsequent versions of this publication. This standard specifies the definition of cloud computing for the use by Federal agencies. The cloud service must be capable of satisfying each of the five NIST essential Characteristics as follows:

- On-demand self-service
- Broad network access
- Resource Pooling
- Rapid Elasticity
- Measured Service

Refer to the 'Guidance for Contractors' section of the Terms & Conditions for the Cloud Computing Services SIN for guidance on meeting the NIST characteristics. For the purposes of the Cloud Computing Services SIN, meeting the NIST essential characteristics is concerned primarily with whether the underlying capability of the commercial service is available, whether or not an Ordering Activity actually requests or implements the capability.

FACTOR - Cloud Computing Services Deployment Model

For each cloud service submitted, provide a written description of how the proposed service meets the NIST definition of a particular deployment model (Public, Private, Community, or Hybrid), within a one half (1/2) page limitation for each designated deployment model of each cloud service submitted. Multiple deployment model selection is permitted, but at least one model must be indicated. Refer to the 'Guidance for Contractors' section of the Terms & Conditions for the Cloud Computing Services SIN for guidance on identifying the appropriate deployment model according to the NIST service model definitions.

FACTOR - Cloud Computing Services Service Model

For each cloud computing service proposed to be categorized under a specific sub-category (IaaS, PaaS or SaaS), provide a written description of how the proposed service meets the NIST definition of that service model, within a half (1/2) page limitation for each cloud service submitted.

Refer to the 'Guidance for Contractors' section of the Terms & Conditions for the Cloud Computing Services SIN for guidance on categorizing the service into a sub-category according to the NIST service model definitions.

Note that it is not mandatory to select a sub-category, and therefore this factor for evaluation applies ONLY to cloud services proposed to fall under a specific sub-category. If no sub-category is selected, this factor does not need to be addressed. The two other factors ('Adherence to Essential Cloud Characteristics' and 'Cloud Computing Services Deployment Model') apply to all cloud services.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO PURCHASE OF TRAINING COURSES FOR GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-50)

1. SCOPE

- a. The Contractor through the Manufacturer shall provide training courses normally available to commercial customers, which will permit Ordering Activity users to make full, efficient use of general purpose commercial IT products. Training is restricted to training courses for those products within the scope of this solicitation.
- b. The Contractor shall provide training at the Contractor's or Manufacturer's facility and/or at the ordering activity's location, as agreed to by the Contractor and the Ordering Activity.

2. ORDER

Written orders, EDI orders (GSA Advantage! and FACNET), credit card orders, and orders placed under blanket purchase agreements (BPAs) shall be the basis for the purchase of training courses in accordance with the terms of this contract. Orders shall include the student's name, course title, course date and time, and contracted dollar amount of the course.

3. TIME OF DELIVERY

The Contractor or its Manufacturer shall conduct training on the date (time, day, month, and year) agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering activity.

4. CANCELLATION AND RESCHEDULING

- a. Terms and Conditions governing a Manufacturer's cancellation and rescheduling policies are as set forth in the price file description or, if provided, applicable Manufacturer's Training Catalog.
- b. The Ordering Activity reserves the right to substitute one student for another up to the first day of class.
- c. In the event the Contractor is unable to conduct training on the date agreed to by the Contractor and the Ordering Activity, Contractor must notify the Ordering Activity at least seventy-two (72) hours before the scheduled training date.

5. FOLLOW-UP SUPPORT

Follow-up support to training courses is not available under the scope of this schedule contract unless expressly set forth in an applicable Manufacturer's Training Catalog and, in that case, follow-up support shall be provided as stated therein.

6. PRICE FOR TRAINING

The price that the ordering activity will be charged will be the ordering activity training price in effect at the time of order placement, or the ordering activity price in effect at the time the training course is conducted, whichever is less.

7. INVOICES AND PAYMENT

Invoices for training shall be submitted by the Contractor after ordering activity completion of the training course. Charges for training must be paid in arrears (31 U.S.C. 3324). PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE INVOICE.

8. FORMAT AND CONTENT OF TRAINING

- a. The Contractor shall provide written materials (i.e., manuals, handbooks, texts, etc.) normally provided with course offerings. Such documentation will become the property of the student upon completion of the training class.
- b. If applicable, for hands-on training courses, there must be a one-to-one assignment of IT equipment to students.
- c. The Contractor shall provide each student with a Certificate of Training at the completion of each training course.
- d. The Contractor shall provide the following information for each training course offered:
 - (1) The course title and a brief description of the course content, to include the course format (e.g., lecture, discussion, hands-on training);
 - (2) The length of the course;
 - (3) Mandatory and desirable prerequisites for student enrollment;
 - (4) The minimum and maximum number of students per class;
 - (5) The locations where the course is offered;
 - (6) Class schedules; and
 - (7) Price (per student, per class (if applicable)).
- e. For those courses conducted at the ordering activity's location, instructor travel charges (if applicable), including mileage and daily living expenses (e.g., per diem charges) are governed by Pub. L. 99-234 and FAR Part 31.205-46, and are reimbursable by the ordering activity on orders placed under the Multiple Award Schedule, as applicable, in effect on the date(s) the travel is performed. Contractors cannot use GSA city pair contracts. The Industrial Funding Fee does NOT apply to travel and per diem charges.
- f. For Online Training Courses, a copy of all training material must be available for electronic download by the students.

9. "NO CHARGE" TRAINING

The Contractor shall describe any training provided with equipment and/or software provided under this contract, free of charge, in the space provided below.

None.

USA COMMITMENT TO PROMOTE SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS

PREAMBLE

Lyme Computer Systems, Inc. provides commercial products and services to ordering activities. We are committed to promoting participation of small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses in our contracts. We pledge to provide opportunities to the small business community through reselling opportunities, mentor-protégé programs, joint ventures, teaming arrangements, and subcontracting.

COMMITMENT

To actively seek and partner with small businesses.

To identify, qualify, mentor and develop small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses by purchasing from these businesses whenever practical.

To develop and promote company policy initiatives that demonstrate our support for awarding contracts and subcontracts to small business concerns.

To undertake significant efforts to determine the potential of small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small business to supply products and services to our company.

To insure procurement opportunities are designed to permit the maximum possible participation of small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small businesses.

To attend business opportunity workshops, minority business enterprise seminars, trade fairs, procurement conferences, etc., to identify and increase small businesses with whom to partner.

To publicize in our marketing publications our interest in meeting small businesses that may be interested in subcontracting opportunities.

We signify our commitment to work in partnership with small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses to promote and increase their participation in ordering activity contracts. To accelerate potential opportunities please contact Josh Longacre at 603-495-4000.

BEST VALUE BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT FEDERAL ACQUISITION SCHEDULE

(Insert Customer Name)

In the spirit of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (ordering activity) and (Contractor) enter into a cooperative agreement to further reduce the administrative costs of acquiring commercial items from the General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Acquisition Schedule Contract GS-35F-4754G.

Federal Acquisition Schedule contract BPAs eliminate contracting and open market costs such as: search for sources; the development of technical documents, solicitations and the evaluation of offers. Teaming Arrangements are permitted with Federal Acquisition Schedule Contractors in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 9.6.

This BPA will further decrease costs, reduce paperwork, and save time by eliminating the need for repetitive, individual purchases from the schedule contract. The end result is to create a purchasing mechanism for the ordering activity that works better and costs less.

Signatures					
Ordering Activity	Date	Contractor	Date		

BPA NUMBER	BPA	NUMBER	
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(CUSTOMER NAME) BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Pursuant to GSA Federal Acquisition Schedule Contract Number <u>GS-35F-4754G</u>, Blanket Purchase Agreements, the Contractor agrees to the following terms of a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) EXCLUSIVELY WITH (ordering activity):

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(4)	This I	BPA does not obligate any funds.	
(5)	This l	BPA expires on or	at the end of the contract period, whichever is earlier.
(6)	The fe	ollowing office(s) is hereby authorized t	o place orders under this BPA:
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(7)	Order	rs will be placed against this BPA via El	ectronic Data Interchange (EDI), FAX, or paper.
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	(a)	Name of Contractor;	
	(b)	Contract Number;	
	(c)	BPA Number;	
	(d)	Model Number or National Stock Nu	umber (NSN);
	(e)	Purchase Order Number;	
	(f)	Date of Purchase;	
			of Each Item (unit prices and extensions need not be shown systems; provided, that the invoice is itemized to show the

- (h) Date of Shipment.
- (9) The requirements of a proper invoice are specified in the Federal Acquisition Schedule contract. Invoices will be submitted to the address specified within the purchase order transmission issued against this BPA.
- (10) The terms and conditions included in this BPA apply to all purchases made pursuant to it. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of this BPA and the Contractor's invoice, the provisions of this BPA will take precedence.

BASIC GUIDELINES FOR USING "CONTRACTOR TEAM ARRANGEMENTS"

Federal Acquisition Schedule Contractors may use "Contractor Team Arrangements" (see FAR 9.6) to provide solutions when responding to an ordering activity requirements.

These Team Arrangements can be included under a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA). BPAs are permitted under all Federal Acquisition Schedule contracts.

Orders under a Team Arrangement are subject to terms and conditions or the Federal Acquisition Schedule Contract.

Participation in a Team Arrangement is limited to Federal Acquisition Schedule Contractors.

Customers should refer to FAR 9.6 for specific details on Team Arrangements.

Here is a general outline on how it works:

- The customer identifies their requirements.
- Federal Acquisition Schedule Contractors may individually meet the customers needs, or -
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