

## AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR – 22nd Century Technologies Inc.

**THIS AGREEMENT** (hereafter Agreement) is made by and between the County of Santa Barbara, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereafter COUNTY) and **22nd Century Technologies, Inc.** with an address at 8251 Greensboro Drive, Suite 900, McLean, VA 22102 hereafter CONTRACTOR) wherein CONTRACTOR agrees to provide and COUNTY agrees to accept the services specified herein.

**WHEREAS**, CONTRACTOR represents that it is specially trained, skilled, experienced, and competent to perform the special services required by COUNTY and COUNTY desires to retain the services of CONTRACTOR pursuant to the terms, covenants, and conditions herein set forth;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

### 1. DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE

Luis Hernandez at phone number 805-568 2811 and at the email luhernandez@countyofsb.org is the designated representative of COUNTY and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of COUNTY. Reddy Bollineni at phone number 1-888-998-7284 is the authorized designated representative for CONTRACTOR. Changes in designated representatives shall be made only after advance written notice to the other party.

### 2. NOTICES

Any notice or consent required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be given to the respective parties via email to Luis Hernandez at luhernandez@countyofsb.org or in writing, by personal delivery or facsimile, or with postage prepaid by first class mail, registered or certified mail, or express courier service, as follows:

To COUNTY: Luis Hernandez, County of Santa Barbara, Human Resources  
1226 Anacapa St, Santa Barbara, CA, 93101  
Email: luhernandez@countyofsb.org

To CONTRACTOR: Reddy Bollineni, 22nd Century Technologies, Inc  
8251 Greensboro Drive, Suite 900, McLean, VA 22102

or at such other address or to such other person that the parties may from time to time designate in accordance with this Notices section. If sent by first class mail, notices and consents under this section shall be deemed to be received five (5) days following their deposit in the U.S. mail. This Notices section shall not be construed as meaning that either party agrees to service of process except as required by applicable law.

### 3. SCOPE OF SERVICES

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide services to COUNTY in accordance with EXHIBIT A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**4. TERM**

CONTRACTOR shall commence performance on **July 1, 2024** and end performance upon completion, but no later than **June 30, 2025** unless otherwise directed by COUNTY or unless earlier terminated.

**5. COMPENSATION OF CONTRACTOR**

In full consideration for CONTRACTOR's services, CONTRACTOR shall be paid for performance under this Agreement in accordance with the terms of EXHIBIT B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Billing shall be made by invoice, which shall include the contract number assigned by COUNTY and which is delivered to the address given in Section 2 NOTICES above following completion of the increments identified on EXHIBIT B. Unless otherwise specified on EXHIBIT B, payment shall be net thirty (30) days from presentation of invoice.

**6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

It is mutually understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR (including any and all of its officers, agents, and employees), shall perform all of its services under this Agreement as an independent contractor as to COUNTY and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venture, partner, or associate of COUNTY. Furthermore, COUNTY shall have no right to control, supervise, or direct the manner or method by which CONTRACTOR shall perform its work and function. However, COUNTY shall retain the right to administer this Agreement so as to verify that CONTRACTOR is performing its obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. CONTRACTOR understands and acknowledges that it shall not be entitled to any of the benefits of a COUNTY employee, including but not limited to vacation, sick leave, administrative leave, health insurance, disability insurance, retirement, unemployment insurance, workers' compensation and protection of tenure. CONTRACTOR shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible and save COUNTY harmless from all matters relating to payment of CONTRACTOR's employees, including compliance with Social Security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may be providing services to others unrelated to the COUNTY or to this Agreement.

**7. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE**

CONTRACTOR represents that it has the skills, expertise, and licenses/permits necessary to perform the services required under this Agreement. Accordingly, CONTRACTOR shall perform all such services in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the same profession in which CONTRACTOR is engaged. All products of whatsoever nature, which CONTRACTOR delivers to COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement, shall be prepared in a first class and workmanlike manner and shall conform to the standards of quality normally observed by a person practicing in CONTRACTOR's profession. CONTRACTOR shall correct or revise any errors or omissions, at COUNTY'S request without additional compensation. Permits and/or licenses shall be obtained and maintained by CONTRACTOR without additional compensation.

**8. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

- A. CONTRACTOR certifies to COUNTY that it and its employees and principals are not debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for, participation in federal, state, or county government contracts. CONTRACTOR certifies that it shall not contract with a subcontractor that is so debarred or suspended.



- B. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by COUNTY. If it is later determined that CONTRACTOR did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services and COUNTY, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- C. This Agreement is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such CONTRACTOR is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- D. CONTRACTOR must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- E. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

#### **9. TAXES**

CONTRACTOR shall pay all taxes, levies, duties, and assessments of every nature due in connection with any work under this Agreement and shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law. COUNTY shall not be responsible for paying any taxes on CONTRACTOR's behalf, and should COUNTY be required to do so by state, federal, or local taxing agencies, CONTRACTOR agrees to promptly reimburse COUNTY for the full value of such paid taxes plus interest and penalty, if any. These taxes shall include, but not be limited to, the following: FICA (Social Security), unemployment insurance contributions, income tax, disability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance.

#### **10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

CONTRACTOR covenants that CONTRACTOR presently has no employment or interest and shall not acquire any employment or interest, direct or indirect, including any interest in any business, property, or source of income, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR must promptly disclose to COUNTY, in writing, any potential conflict of interest. COUNTY retains the right to waive a conflict of interest disclosed by CONTRACTOR if COUNTY determines it to be immaterial, and such waiver is only effective if provided by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR in writing.

#### **11. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

COUNTY shall be the owner of the following items incidental to this Agreement upon production, whether or not completed: all data collected, all documents of any type whatsoever, all photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials, and any material necessary for the practical use of such items, from the time of collection

and/or production whether or not performance under this Agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. CONTRACTOR shall not release any of such items to other parties except after prior written approval of COUNTY.

Unless otherwise specified in Exhibit A, CONTRACTOR hereby assigns to COUNTY all copyright, patent, and other intellectual property and proprietary rights to all data, documents, reports, photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials prepared or provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement (collectively referred to as "Copyrightable Works and Inventions"). COUNTY shall have the unrestricted authority to copy, adapt, perform, display, publish, disclose, distribute, create derivative works from, and otherwise use in whole or in part, any Copyrightable Works and Inventions. CONTRACTOR agrees to take such actions and execute and deliver such documents as may be needed to validate, protect and confirm the rights and assignments provided hereunder. CONTRACTOR warrants that any Copyrightable Works and Inventions and other items provided under this Agreement will not infringe upon any intellectual property or proprietary rights of any third party. CONTRACTOR at its own expense shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless COUNTY against any claim that any Copyrightable Works or Inventions or other items provided by CONTRACTOR hereunder infringe upon intellectual or other proprietary rights of a third party, and CONTRACTOR shall pay any damages, costs, settlement amounts, and fees (including attorneys' fees) that may be incurred by COUNTY in connection with any such claims. This Ownership of Documents and Intellectual Property provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement.

#### **12. NO PUBLICITY OR ENDORSEMENT**

CONTRACTOR shall not use COUNTY's name or logo or any variation of such name or logo in any publicity, advertising or promotional materials. CONTRACTOR shall not use COUNTY's name or logo in any manner that would give the appearance that the COUNTY is endorsing CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall not in any way contract on behalf of or in the name of COUNTY. CONTRACTOR shall not release any informational pamphlets, notices, press releases, research reports, or similar public notices concerning the COUNTY or its projects, without obtaining the prior written approval of COUNTY.

#### **13. COUNTY PROPERTY AND INFORMATION**

All of COUNTY's property, documents, and information provided for CONTRACTOR's use in connection with the services shall remain COUNTY's property, and CONTRACTOR shall return any such items whenever requested by COUNTY and whenever required according to the Termination section of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR may use such items only in connection with providing the services. CONTRACTOR shall not disseminate any COUNTY property, documents, or information without COUNTY's prior written consent.

#### **14. RECORDS, AUDIT, AND REVIEW**

CONTRACTOR shall keep such business records pursuant to this Agreement as would be kept by a reasonably prudent practitioner of CONTRACTOR's profession and shall maintain such records for at least four (4) years following the termination of this Agreement. All accounting records shall be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. COUNTY shall have the right to audit and review all such documents and records at any time during CONTRACTOR's regular business hours or upon reasonable notice. In addition, if this Agreement exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), CONTRACTOR shall be subject to the examination and audit of the California State Auditor, at the



request of the COUNTY or as part of any audit of the COUNTY, for a period of three (3) years after final payment under the Agreement (Cal. Govt. Code Section 8546.7). CONTRACTOR shall participate in any audits and reviews, whether by COUNTY or the State, at no charge to COUNTY.

If federal, state or COUNTY audit exceptions are made relating to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall reimburse all costs incurred by federal, state, and/or COUNTY governments associated with defending against the audit exceptions or performing any audits or follow-up audits, including but not limited to: audit fees, court costs, attorneys' fees based upon a reasonable hourly amount for attorneys in the community, travel costs, penalty assessments and all other costs of whatever nature. Immediately upon notification from COUNTY, CONTRACTOR shall reimburse the amount of the audit exceptions and any other related costs directly to COUNTY as specified by COUNTY in the notification.

**15. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

CONTRACTOR agrees to the indemnification and insurance provisions as set forth in EXHIBIT C attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**16. NONDISCRIMINATION**

COUNTY hereby notifies CONTRACTOR that COUNTY's Unlawful Discrimination Ordinance (Article XIII of Chapter 2 of the Santa Barbara County Code) applies to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by this reference with the same force and effect as if the ordinance were specifically set out herein and CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with said ordinance.

**17. NONEXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT**

CONTRACTOR understands that this is not an exclusive Agreement and that COUNTY shall have the right to negotiate with and enter into contracts with others providing the same or similar services as those provided by CONTRACTOR as the COUNTY desires.

**18. NON-ASSIGNMENT**

CONTRACTOR shall not assign, transfer or subcontract this Agreement or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of COUNTY and any attempt to so assign, subcontract or transfer without such consent shall be void and without legal effect and shall constitute grounds for termination.

**19. TERMINATION**

A. **By COUNTY.** COUNTY may, by written notice to CONTRACTOR, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time, whether for COUNTY's convenience, for non-appropriation of funds, or because of the failure of CONTRACTOR to fulfill the obligations herein.

1. **For Convenience.** COUNTY may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon thirty (30) days written notice. During the thirty (30) day period, CONTRACTOR shall, as directed by COUNTY, wind down and cease its services as quickly and efficiently as reasonably possible, without performing unnecessary services or activities and by minimizing negative effects on COUNTY from such winding down and cessation of services.

2. **For Non-appropriation of Funds.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated or budgeted by federal, state or COUNTY governments, or funds are not otherwise available for payments in the fiscal year(s) covered by the term of this Agreement, then COUNTY will notify CONTRACTOR of such occurrence and COUNTY may terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part, with or without a prior notice period. Subsequent to termination of this Agreement under this provision, COUNTY shall have no obligation to make payments with regard to the remainder of the term.
  3. **For Cause.** Should CONTRACTOR default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of its provisions, COUNTY may, at COUNTY's sole option, terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part by written notice. Upon receipt of notice, CONTRACTOR shall immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise) and notify COUNTY as to the status of its performance. The date of termination shall be the date the notice is received by CONTRACTOR, unless the notice directs otherwise.
- B. By CONTRACTOR.** Should COUNTY fail to pay CONTRACTOR all or any part of the payment set forth in EXHIBIT B, CONTRACTOR may, at CONTRACTOR's option terminate this Agreement if such failure is not remedied by COUNTY within thirty (30) days of written notice to COUNTY of such late payment.
- C.** Upon termination, CONTRACTOR shall deliver to COUNTY all data, estimates, graphs, summaries, reports, and all other property, records, documents or papers as may have been accumulated or produced by CONTRACTOR in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in process, except such items as COUNTY may, by written permission, permit CONTRACTOR to retain. Notwithstanding any other payment provision of this Agreement, COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR for satisfactory services performed to the date of termination to include a prorated amount of compensation due hereunder less payments, if any, previously made. In no event shall CONTRACTOR be paid an amount in excess of the full price under this Agreement nor for profit on unperformed portions of service. CONTRACTOR shall furnish to COUNTY such financial information as in the judgment of COUNTY is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by CONTRACTOR. In the event of a dispute as to the reasonable value of the services rendered by CONTRACTOR, the decision of COUNTY shall be final. The foregoing is cumulative and shall not affect any right or remedy which COUNTY may have in law or equity.

## **20. SECTION HEADINGS**

The headings of the several sections, and any Table of Contents appended hereto, shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect hereof.

## **21. SEVERABILITY**

If any one or more of the provisions contained herein shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, then such provision or provisions shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions hereof, and such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.



**22. REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE**

No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to COUNTY is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies, and each and every such remedy, to the extent permitted by law, shall be cumulative and in addition to any other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise.

**23. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE**

Time is of the essence in this Agreement and each covenant and term is a condition herein.

**24. NO WAIVER OF DEFAULT**

No delay or omission of COUNTY to exercise any right or power arising upon the occurrence of any event of default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy given by this Agreement to COUNTY shall be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient in the sole discretion of COUNTY.

**25. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT**

In conjunction with the matters considered herein, this Agreement contains the entire understanding and agreement of the parties and there have been no promises, representations, agreements, warranties or undertakings by any of the parties, either oral or written, of any character or nature hereafter binding except as set forth herein. This Agreement may be altered, amended or modified only by an instrument in writing, executed by the parties to this Agreement and by no other means. Each party waives their future right to claim, contest or assert that this Agreement was modified, canceled, superseded, or changed by any oral agreements, course of conduct, waiver or estoppel.

**26. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

All representations, covenants and warranties set forth in this Agreement, by or on behalf of, or for the benefit of any or all of the parties hereto, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such party, its successors and assigns.

**27. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW**

CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with all County, State and Federal ordinances and statutes now in force or which may hereafter be in force with regard to this Agreement. The judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, or the admission of CONTRACTOR in any action or proceeding against CONTRACTOR, whether COUNTY is a party thereto or not, that CONTRACTOR has violated any such ordinance or statute, shall be conclusive of that fact as between CONTRACTOR and COUNTY.

**28. CALIFORNIA LAW AND JURISDICTION**

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Any litigation regarding this Agreement or its contents shall be filed in the County of Santa Barbara, if in state court, or in the federal district court nearest to Santa Barbara County, if in federal court.

**29. EXECUTION OF COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and each of such counterparts shall

for all purposes be deemed to be an original; and all such counterparts, or as many of them as the parties shall preserve undestroyed, shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

**30. AUTHORITY**

All signatories and parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(ies), person(s), or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement have been fully complied with. Furthermore, by entering into this Agreement, CONTRACTOR hereby warrants that it shall not have breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or agreement to which CONTRACTOR is obligated, which breach would have a material effect hereon.

**31. SURVIVAL**

All provisions of this Agreement which by their nature are intended to survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive such termination or expiration.

**32. PRECEDENCE**

In the event of conflict between the provisions contained in the numbered sections of this Agreement and the provisions contained in the Exhibits, the provisions of the Exhibits shall prevail over those in the numbered sections.

**33. PRIOR AGREEMENTS**

Upon execution, this Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between County and Contractor related to the scope of work contained in this Agreement.

**34. MANDATORY DISCLOSURE**

CONTRACTOR must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the COUNTY all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the award. Contractor is required to report certain civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings to the System for Award Management (SAM) located at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov). Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in 2 CFR §200.338 Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment. (See also 2 CFR part 180 and 31 U.S.C. 3321.)

**35. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS**

CONTRACTOR shall comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.



### **36. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

During the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR agrees as follows:

- A. CONTRACTOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. CONTRACTOR will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. CONTRACTOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. CONTRACTOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- C. CONTRACTOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of CONTRACTOR'S commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- D. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967, as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR Part 60) and all other applicable rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor. Title 41 CFR section 60.14 applies to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by this reference with the same force and effect as if the regulation were specifically set out herein and CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with said regulation.
- E. CONTRACTOR will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- F. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Agreement or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this Agreement may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- G. CONTRACTOR will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (A) and the provisions of paragraphs (A) through (F) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to

section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. CONTRACTOR will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency CONTRACTOR may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

**37. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS**

- A. As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the CONTRACTOR should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subcontractor agreements.
- B. For purposes of this section:
- i. "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
  - ii. "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of nonferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

**38. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT**

- A. CONTRACTOR is prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:
- i. Procure or obtain;
  - ii. Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
  - iii. Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in [Public Law 115-232](#), section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- B. For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).



- C. Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
- D. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.
- E. In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.
- F. See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.
- G. See also 2 CFR § 200.471.

**39. PROHIBITION OF EXPENDING LOCAL AGENCY STATE OR FEDERAL FUNDS FOR LOBBYING**

- a. CONTRACTOR, by signing its offer, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:
  - i. No state, federal or local agency appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any state or federal agency; a Member of the State Legislature or United States Congress; an officer or employee of the Legislature or Congress; or any employee of a Member of the Legislature or Congress, in connection with the awarding of any state or federal contract; the making of any state or federal grant; the making of any state or federal loan; the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any state or federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
  - ii. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency; a Member of Congress; an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress; in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement; CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit California State Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," to the COUNTY and in accordance with the instructions found therein.
- b. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.
- c. Contractor also agrees by signing this document that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower-tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**40. CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT**

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). CONTRACTOR shall promptly disclose, in writing, to the COUNTY office, to the Federal Awarding Agency, and to the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), whenever, in connection with the award, performance, or closeout of this contract or any subcontract thereunder, the CONTRACTOR has credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, or subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR has committed a violation of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251- 1387).



Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor between the County of Santa Barbara and 22nd Century Technologies, Inc.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement to be effective on the date executed by COUNTY.

ATTEST:

Mona Miyasato  
County Executive Officer  
Clerk of the Board

By: *Sheela LaGuerra*  
Deputy Clerk

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA:

By: *Steve Lavagnino*  
Steve Lavagnino, Chair  
Board of Supervisors  
Date: 6-4-24

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

Human Resources

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Kristine Schmidt  
Human Resources Director

CONTRACTOR:

22nd Century Technologies, Inc.

By: *Sandeep Singh*  
Authorized Representative

Name: Sandeep Singh  
Title: Business Head

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Rachel Van Mullem  
County Counsel

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*Claire Hartley*  
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Deputy County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:

Betsy M. Schaffer, CPA  
Auditor-Controller

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Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Greg Milligan  
Risk Manager

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Risk Management

## **EXHIBIT A STATEMENT OF WORK**

1. **PERFORMANCE.** Contractor shall provide temporary personnel as needed, at the time and place designated by County for the periods of time designated by County.
  - A. Contractor shall provide Assigned Individuals who meet the qualifications as defined by the County. Contractor shall administer the employment of the Assigned Individuals, including recruiting, selecting, arranging schedules, withholding proper taxes, paying wages including any applicable overtime, making employer contributions for FICA and federal and state unemployment taxes, performing background investigations and reviewing and assuring the maintenance of necessary licenses, health certificates, memberships and other qualifications necessary for the services to be provided.
  - B. Contractor shall comply with all state and federal laws applicable to the employment of Assigned Individuals assigned to County.
  - C. All temporary Assigned Individuals assigned to County pursuant to this Agreement shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be considered employees of Contractor. Contractor shall assume sole and exclusive responsibility for the payment of wages to the Assigned Individuals for services performed by them. Contractor shall, with respect to said Assigned Individuals, be responsible for withholding federal and state income taxes, paying Social Security taxes, unemployment insurance and maintaining compensation insurance coverage in an amount and under such terms as required by State law.
  
2. **Personnel Screening and Selection.**
  - A. Contractor shall match the skills and experience levels of Assigned Individuals to the specific needs of County. General qualifications are described in Exhibit A-1. If requested by the County ordering department, Contractor shall provide resumes for review so that the ordering department may review and/or interview candidates for positions if the ordering department chooses to do so.
  - B. Contractor shall verify identity and work authority of Assigned Individuals under applicable immigration laws.
  - C. Contractor shall interview, test, screen, conduct background checks and ensure compliance with legally required pre-employment obligations for all Assigned Individuals. Background checks will include reference checks and, if requested, criminal convictions. Contractor shall verify a minimum of two previous employment references for every applicant before they will be considered eligible for placement.
  - D. Contractor may provide education, drug testing, and credit reports for a nominal fee.
  - E. Contractor's Assigned Individuals shall report to their designated supervisor before beginning work. County will determine if temporary personnel needs HIPAA training and



will provide HIPAA training onsite during orientation, as well as training for other County policies as may be applicable.

- F. County may reject any Assigned Individuals offered from time to time upon notice to Contractor. In the event an Assigned Individual fails to meet the quality of work performance required, the Assigned Individual will be dismissed. Contractor will be notified within four hours and no charges may be assessed for the last four hours reported by that temporary employee. Contractor shall replace a temporary employee who is determined to be unsatisfactory at no charge, when Contractor is notified within the first four hours of the temporary placement.

### **3. Length of Employment.**

- A. County shall notify Contractor of the approximate number of hours an Assigned Individual will be needed. In the event an Assigned Individual is requested initially to work a full day and is released before working four hours, due to circumstances other than quality of performance, County shall be billed for four hours.
- B. 90 Day Limit – “Temporary services” are limited under California Government Code section 31000.4 which limits temporary employment to a period not to exceed 90 calendar days for any single position. County and Contractor will comply with any future amendments to Government Code section 31000.4. Contractor will notify County departmental contact and the County Human Resources Department contact specified in the Agreement Section 2, in writing, ten (10) days prior to reaching this limit. Any violations of this Code will be Contractor’s responsibility.
- C. The County is under no obligation to request, utilize or employ any certain extent or number of services, nor is the County restricted, by reason of this Agreement, from employing personnel for County’s needs by contracting with other temporary help suppliers.

### **4. County Hiring Process.**

- A. Due to the fact that County has a civil service system, County is unable to hire temporary employees directly to regular positions. An Assigned Individual who wishes to be considered for a regular County position must apply with the County and go through the competitive recruitment process for that position. Given the competitive nature and length of this recruitment process the County will not be responsible for any fees or penalties associated with the appointment of a temporary employee to a regular County position. The foregoing does not apply to County’s extra-help appointments. County agrees that temporary employees will not be offered extra-help positions until the temporary employee has met the 90-calendar day limit set forth in Government Code section 31000.4.

## 5. Pricing.

- A. Pricing. It is understood that the position descriptions in Exhibit A-1 are to be construed broadly when County requests particular skills. For example, requesting that a word processor have experience in PowerPoint should not incur any additional cost. However, it is anticipated that from time to time, County may require a person with a skill set that is so far outside any of the descriptions in Exhibit A-1 that it would be unreasonable for County to expect Contractor to fill the position at no extra charge. In such cases, rates will be negotiated between parties on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with EXHIBIT B and B-1.
- B. Adjustment Clause. Fees, as reflected in Exhibit B and B-1 or as otherwise agreed upon for other positions, shall be the maximum charged for the period of the Agreement including any periods in which the Agreement is extended. Contractor may increase the rates set forth herein in proportion to any statutory increases which may be required by federal, state or local law commencing upon the effective date of such increase including any increase which may be necessary due to the passage of any federal or state law mandating benefits for temporary employees. These charges include, but are not restricted to, Workers' Compensation Insurance, FICA, SUI and FUI increases. Such increases will be limited to the amounts or percentages common to the industry in the Santa Barbara area, and will not be allowed to the extent Contractor's experience rating exceeds the industry average for the Santa Barbara County area. Contractor will not increase the quoted prices during the term of the Agreement. No increase of any kind will be allowed without the advance written consent of County, upon written request and rationale by Contractor.



## EXHIBIT A-1 GENERAL JOB DESCRIPTIONS

1. Administrative Office Professional I/II – Performs routine clerical and other related tasks in an assigned work area. May include typing labels or filing, photocopying, stuffing and addressing envelopes, sorting and distribution of mail, counting, recording and labeling inventory, accurate message taking, good communication and human relations skills required.
2. Financial Office Professional I/II – Responsible for routine accounting duties in a large accounting department. May include checking, verifying and posting to accounts payable or receivable ledgers or journals. Performs calculations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and percentages. May also process invoices for payment or apply cash to open items. Must be proficient on calculator and have basic computer knowledge.
3. Financial Office Professional Senior – Performance of difficult financial/accounting record keeping, general clerical, and other related tasks to an assigned accounting, budget, or financial management support function. Incumbents apply an in-depth or broad understanding of technical or specialized program information, regulations, procedures, and/or operations. Skill to audit figures, postings, and documents for correct entry, mathematical accuracy, and proper coding. Knowledge and skill to use cost accounting principles, including cost centers, setting rates, and restricted funds.
4. Accountant I – Performs professional accounting duties including the examination, analysis, maintenance, reconciliation and verification of financial records; and performs related work as required. Incumbents work under well-established guidelines to develop sufficient knowledge to independently perform and assume journey-level responsibilities.
5. Accountant III – Incumbents independently perform complex professional accounting responsibilities under the supervision of a division head or department head. Prepares complex financial statements, audits, cost analysis, and other complicated accounting procedures. Must have knowledge of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and have the ability and experience to apply them in practice.
6. Technical Writer - Technical writers create technical documentation, including user documentation, how-to guides, integration guides, computer systems operation guides, and product specifications that increase the experience for the digital platform. They work with other technical experts, such as engineers and software developers, to ensure that the information they provide is accurate and easy to understand.
7. Courier - Performs a variety of duties that include U.S. mail processing, interoffice courier service, surplus property transportation, and other related duties as assigned.
8. Department Business Specialist I/II – Supports departmental staff in the proper and efficient application of business process, fiscal, and/or information system analysis in order to improve the service delivery of programs; analyzes and reports on program requirements and performance; and performs related duties as required. Incumbents are expected to be

knowledgeable in department business processes and at least one of the following: critical program regulations; governmental fiscal record keeping – including budget, contract, and grant preparation and monitoring; or automated systems.



**EXHIBIT B  
PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS**

**Compensation Upon Completion**

- A. For CONTRACTOR services to be rendered under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may be paid a total contract amount, including cost reimbursements, not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (**\$500,000.00**) for duration of the Agreement.
- B. Payment for services and/or reimbursement of costs shall be made upon CONTRACTOR's satisfactory performance, based upon the scope and methodology contained in **EXHIBIT A** as determined by COUNTY.
- C. Upon completion of the work detailed in **EXHIBIT A** and/or delivery to COUNTY of item(s) specified therein, CONTRACTOR shall submit to the ordering County Department an invoice or certified claim on the County Treasury for the service performed. This invoice or claim must cite the assigned Board Contract Number. Temporary personnel will present a time sheet or an electronic time record to COUNTY for verification and approval at the end of each week. The ordering Department shall evaluate the quality of the service performed and/or the item(s) delivered and if found to be satisfactory shall initiate payment processing. COUNTY shall pay invoices or claims for satisfactory work within 30 days of receipt of correct and complete invoices or claims from CONTRACTOR.
- D. COUNTY's failure to discover or object to any unsatisfactory work or billings prior to payment will not constitute a waiver of COUNTY's right to require CONTRACTOR to correct such work or billings or seek any other legal remedy.

**EXHIBIT B-1  
SCHEDULE OF RATES**

The following Pay Rates are included for descriptive purposes only and, as such are not restrictive to all positions. The pay rates are offered only as an aid to hiring Managers. On a case by case basis, parties may negotiate Pay Rates for other classifications.

<b>Title/Classification</b>	<b>Maximum Bill Rate (Per Hour)</b>
Administrative Office Professional I/II	22.88-\$28.60
Financial Office Professional I/II	25.74-\$37.70
Financial Office Professional Senior	30.03-\$42.90
Accountant I	31.46- \$44.20
Accountant III	34.32- \$50.70
Technical Writer	50.05 - \$71.50
Courier	22.88- \$28.60
Department Business Specialist I/II	42.9- \$65.00

1. Mark up rate for Classifications not included – 28% mark-up Maximum



**EXHIBIT C  
INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS  
(FOR PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTS)**

1. INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend (with counsel reasonably approved by County) and hold harmless County and its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all claims, actions, losses, damages, judgments and/or liabilities arising out of this Agreement from any cause whatsoever, including the acts, errors or omissions of any person or entity and for any costs or expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees) incurred by County on account of any claim except where such indemnification is prohibited by law. Contractor's indemnification obligation applies to County's active as well as passive negligence but does not apply to County's sole negligence or willful misconduct.

2. NOTIFICATION OF ACCIDENTS AND SURVIVAL OF INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS

Contractor shall notify County immediately in the event of any accident or injury arising out of or in connection with this Agreement. The indemnification provisions in this Agreement shall survive any expiration or termination of this Agreement.

3. INSURANCE

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Agreement insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

A. Minimum Scope of Insurance Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- i. **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal & advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.
- ii. **Automobile Liability:** ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- iii. **Workers' Compensation:** as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- iv. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)** Insurance appropriate to the Contractor's profession, with limit of no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate.

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the Contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

B. Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- i. **Additional Insured** – County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 23, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).
- ii. **Primary Coverage** – For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- iii. **Notice of Cancellation** – Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the County.
- iv. **Waiver of Subrogation Rights** – Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.
- v. **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention** – Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.
- vi. **Acceptability of Insurers** – Unless otherwise approved by Risk Management, insurance shall be written by insurers authorized to do business in the State of California and with a minimum A.M. Best's Insurance Guide rating of "A- VII".
- vii. **Verification of Coverage** – Contractor shall furnish the County with proof of insurance, original certificates and amendatory endorsements as required by this Agreement. The proof of insurance, certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The Contractor shall furnish evidence of renewal of coverage throughout the term of the Agreement. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.
- viii. **Failure to Procure Coverage** – In the event that any policy of insurance required under this Agreement does not comply with the requirements, is not procured, or is canceled and not replaced, County has the right but not the obligation or duty to terminate the Agreement. Maintenance of required insurance coverage is a material element of the



Agreement and failure to maintain or renew such coverage or to provide evidence of renewal may be treated by County as a material breach of contract.

- ix. **Subcontractors** – Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors.
- x. **Claims Made Policies** – If any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims- made basis:
  - a) The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
  - b) Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of contract work.
  - c) If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims- made policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase “extended reporting” coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
- xi. **Special Risks or Circumstances** – County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

Any change requiring additional types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits must be made by amendment to this Agreement. Contractor agrees to execute any such amendment within thirty (30) days of receipt.

Any failure, actual or alleged, on the part of County to monitor or enforce compliance with any of the insurance and indemnification requirements will not be deemed as a waiver of any rights on the part of County.

## EXHIBIT D HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (BAA)

This Business Associate Agreement (“BAA”) supplements and is made a part of the Agreement between COUNTY (referred to herein as “Covered Entity”) and CONTRACTOR (referred to herein as “Business Associate”).

### RECITALS

Covered Entity wishes to disclose certain information to Business Associate pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information (PHI) (defined below).

Covered Entity and Business Associate intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI disclosed to Business Associate pursuant to the Agreement in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, Public Law 111-005 (HITECH Act), and regulations promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HIPAA Regulations) and other applicable laws.

As part of the HIPAA Regulations, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule (defined below) require Covered Entity to enter into a contract containing specific requirements with Business Associate prior to the disclosure of PHI, as set forth in, but not limited to, Title 45, Sections 164.314(a), 164.502(e) and 164.504(e) of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) and contained in this BAA.

In consideration of the mutual promises below and the exchange of information pursuant to this BAA, the parties agree as follows:

### **A. Definitions**

1. **Breach** shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act [42 U.S.C. Section 17921].
2. **Business Associate** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17938 and 45 C.F.R. Section 160.103.
3. **Covered Entity** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 160.103.
4. **Data Aggregation** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
5. **Designated Record Set** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
6. **Electronic Protected Health Information** means Protected Health Information that



is maintained in or transmitted by electronic media.

7. **Electronic Health Record** shall have the meaning given to such term in the HITECT Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17921.
8. **Health Care Operations** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
9. **Privacy Rule** shall mean the HIPAA Regulation that is codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and E.
10. **Protected Health Information or PHI** means any information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium: (i) that relates to the past, present or future physical or mental condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and (ii) that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual, and shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501. Protected Health Information includes Electronic Protected Health Information [45 C.F.R. Sections 160.103, 164.501].
11. **Protected Information** shall mean PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate or created or received by Business Associate on Covered Entity's behalf.
12. **Security Rule** shall mean the HIPAA Regulation that is codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and C.
13. **Unsecured PHI** shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act and any guidance issued pursuant to such Act including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17932(h).

## **B. Obligations of Business Associate**

1. **Permitted Uses.** Business Associate shall not use Protected Information except for the purpose of performing Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement and as permitted under the Agreement and this BAA. Further, Business Associate shall not use Protected Information in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule or the HITECH Act if so used by Covered Entity. However, Business Associate may use Protected Information (i) for the proper management and administration of Business Associate, (ii) to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate, or (iii) for Data Aggregation purposes for the Health Care Operations of Covered Entity [45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A) and 164.504(e)(4)(i)].
2. **Permitted Disclosures.** Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information except for the purpose of performing Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement and as permitted under the Agreement and this BAA. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule or the HITECH Act if so disclosed by Covered Entity. However, Business Associate may disclose Protected Information (i) for the proper management

and administration of Business Associate; (ii) to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate; (iii) as required by law; or (iv) for Data Aggregation purposes for the Health Care Operations of Covered Entity. If Business Associate discloses Protected Information to a third party, Business Associate must obtain, prior to making any such disclosure, (i) reasonable written assurances from such third party that such Protected Information will be held confidential as provided pursuant to this BAA and only disclosed as required by law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to such third party, and (ii) a written agreement from such third party to immediately notify Business Associate of any breaches of confidentiality of the Protected Information, to the extent the third party has obtained knowledge of such breach [42 U.S.C. Section 17932; 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(i), 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B), 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A) and 164.504(e)(4)(ii)].

3. **Prohibited Uses and Disclosures.** Business Associate shall not use or disclose Protected Information for fundraising or marketing purposes. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information to a health plan for payment or health care operations purposes if the patient has requested this special restriction, and has paid out of pocket in full for the health care item or service to which the PHI solely relates [42 U.S.C. Section 17935(a)]. Business Associate shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for Protected Information, except with the prior written consent of Covered Entity and as permitted by the HITECH Act, 42 U.S.C. section 17935(d)(2); however, this prohibition shall not affect payment by Covered Entity to Business Associate for services provided pursuant to the Agreement.
4. **Appropriate Safeguards.** Business Associate shall implement appropriate safeguards as are necessary to prevent the use or disclosure of Protected Information otherwise than as permitted by the Agreement that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the Protected Information, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.308, 164.310, and 164.312. [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(B); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]. Business Associate shall comply with the policies and procedures and documentation requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.316 [42 U.S.C. Section 17931].
5. **Reporting of Improper Access, Use or Disclosure.** Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity in writing of any access, use or disclosure of Protected Information not permitted by the Agreement and this BAA, and any Breach of Unsecured PHI of which it becomes aware without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 calendar days after discovery [42 U.S.C. Section 17921; 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(C); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)].
6. **Business Associate's Agents.** Business Associate shall ensure that any agents, including subcontractors, to whom it provides Protected Information, agree in writing to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Business Associate with respect to such PHI and implement the safeguards required by paragraph (c) above with respect to Electronic PHI [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(D); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]. Business Associate shall implement and maintain sanctions against agents and subcontractors that violate such restrictions and conditions and shall mitigate the effects of any such violation (see 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.530(f) and 164.530(e)(1)).



7. **Access to Protected Information.** To the extent that the Covered Entity keeps a designated record set then Business Associate shall make Protected Information maintained by Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors in Designated Record Sets available to Covered Entity for inspection and copying within ten (10) days of a request by Covered Entity to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.524 [45 CF.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(E)]. If Business Associate maintains an Electronic Health Record, Business Associate shall provide such information in electronic format to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(e).
8. **Amendment of PHI for Business Associate who is Required to Maintain a Record Set.** If Business Associate is required to maintain a designated record set on behalf of the Covered Entity the Business Associate shall within ten (10) days of receipt of a request from Covered Entity for an amendment of Protected Information or a record about an individual contained in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors shall make such Protected Information available to Covered Entity for amendment and incorporate any such amendment to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.526. If any individual requests an amendment of Protected Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors, Business Associate must notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the request. Any approval or denial of amendment of Protected Information maintained by Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors shall be the responsibility of Covered Entity [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(F)].
9. **Accounting Rights.** Within ten (10) days of notice by Covered Entity of a request for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Information, Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors shall make available to Covered Entity the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.528, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(c), as determined by Covered Entity. Business Associate agrees to implement a process that allows for an accounting to be collected and maintained by Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors for at least six (6) years prior to the request. However, accounting of disclosures from an Electronic Health Record for treatment, payment or health care operations purposes are required to be collected and maintained for only three (3) years prior to the request, and only to the extent that Business Associate maintains an electronic health record and is subject to this requirement. At a minimum, the information collected and maintained shall include: (i) the date of disclosure; (ii) the name of the entity or person who received Protected Information and, if known, the address of the entity or person; (iii) a brief description of Protected Information disclosed and (iv) a brief statement of purpose of the disclosure that reasonably informs the individual of the basis for the disclosure, or a copy of the individual's authorization, or a copy of the written request for disclosure. In the event that the request for an accounting is delivered directly to Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors, Business Associate shall within five (5) days of a request forward it to Covered Entity in writing. It shall be Covered Entity's responsibility to prepare and deliver any such accounting

requested. Business Associate shall not disclose any Protected Information except as set forth in Sections 2.b. of this BAA [45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(G) and 165.528].

10. **Governmental Access to Records.** Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of Protected Information available to Covered Entity and to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Secretary) for purposes of determining Business Associate's compliance with the Privacy Rule [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(H)]. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity a copy of any Protected Information that Business Associate provides to the Secretary concurrently with providing such Protected Information to the Secretary.
11. **Minimum Necessary.** Business Associate (and its agents or subcontractors) shall request, use and disclose only the minimum amount of Protected Information necessary to accomplish the purpose of the request, use, or disclosure [42 U.S.C. Section 17935(b); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.514(d)(3)]. Business Associate understands and agrees that the definition of "minimum necessary" is in flux and shall keep itself informed of guidance issued by the Secretary with respect to what constitutes "minimum necessary."
12. **Notification of Breach.** During the term of the Agreement, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity within twenty-four (24) hours of any suspected or actual breach of security, intrusion or unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI of which Business Associate becomes aware and/or any actual or suspected use or disclosure of data in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. Business Associate shall take (i) prompt corrective action to cure any such deficiencies and (ii) any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
13. **Breach Pattern or Practice by Covered Entity.** Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 17934(b), if the Business Associate knows of a pattern of activity or practice of the Covered Entity that constitutes a material breach or violation of the Covered Entity's obligations under the Agreement or this BAA or other arrangement, the Business Associate must take reasonable steps to cure the breach or end the violation. If the steps are unsuccessful, the Business Associate must terminate the Agreement or other arrangement if feasible, or if termination is not feasible, report the problem to the Secretary. Business Associate shall provide written notice to Covered Entity of any pattern of activity or practice of the Covered Entity that Business Associate believes constitutes a material breach or violation of the Covered Entity's obligations under the Agreement or this BAA or other arrangement within five (5) days of discovery and shall meet with Covered Entity to discuss and attempt to resolve the problem as one of the reasonable steps to cure the breach or end the violation.
14. **Audits, Inspection and Enforcement.** Within ten (10) days of a written request by Covered Entity, Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors shall allow Covered Entity to conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures relating to the use or disclosure of Protected Information pursuant to this BAA for the purpose of determining whether



Business Associate has complied with this BAA; provided, however, that (i) Business Associate and Covered Entity shall mutually agree in advance upon the scope, timing and location of such an inspection, (ii) Covered Entity shall protect the confidentiality of all confidential and proprietary information of Business Associate to which Covered Entity has access during the course of such inspection; and (iii) Covered Entity shall execute a nondisclosure agreement, upon terms mutually agreed upon by the parties, if requested by Business Associate. The fact that Covered Entity inspects, or fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect, Business Associate's facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures does not relieve Business Associate of its responsibility to comply with this BAA, nor does Covered Entity's (i) failure to detect or (ii) detection, but failure to notify Business Associate or require Business Associate's remediation of any unsatisfactory practices, constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of Covered Entity's enforcement rights under the Agreement or this BAA, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity within ten (10) days of learning that Business Associate has become the subject of an audit, compliance review, or complaint investigation by the Office for Civil Rights.

### C. Termination

1. **Material Breach.** A breach by Business Associate of any provision of this BAA, as determined by Covered Entity, shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and shall provide grounds for immediate termination of the Agreement, any provision in the Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(iii)].
2. **Judicial or Administrative Proceedings.** Covered Entity may terminate the Agreement, effective immediately, if (i) Business Associate is named as a defendant in a criminal proceeding for a violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or other security or privacy laws or (ii) a finding or stipulation that the Business Associate has violated any standard or requirement of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or other security or privacy laws is made in any administrative or civil proceeding in which the party has been joined.
3. **Effect of Termination.** Upon termination of the Agreement for any reason, Business Associate shall, at the option of Covered Entity, return or destroy all Protected Information that Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors still maintain in any form, and shall retain no copies of such Protected Information. If return or destruction is not feasible, as determined by Covered Entity, Business Associate shall continue to extend the protections of Section 2 of this BAA to such information, and limit further use of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction of such PHI infeasible. [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(ii)(2)(I)]. If Covered Entity elects destruction of the PHI, Business Associate shall certify in writing to Covered Entity that such PHI has been destroyed.

### D. Certification

To the extent that Covered Entity determines that such examination is necessary to comply with Covered Entity's legal obligations pursuant to HIPAA relating to certification of its security practices, Covered Entity or its authorized agents or contractors, may, at Covered Entity's expense, examine Business Associate's facilities, systems, procedures and records as may be



necessary for such agents or contractors to certify to Covered Entity the extent to which Business Associate's security safeguards comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or this BAA.

#### **E. Amendment to Comply with Law**

The parties acknowledge that state and federal laws relating to data security and privacy are rapidly evolving and that amendment of the Agreement or this BAA may be required to provide for procedures to ensure compliance with such developments. The parties specifically agree to take such action as is necessary to implement the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule and other applicable laws relating to the security or confidentiality of PHI. The parties understand and agree that Covered Entity must receive satisfactory written assurance from Business Associate that Business Associate will adequately safeguard all Protected Information. Upon the request of either party, the other party agrees to promptly enter into negotiations concerning the terms of an amendment to this BAA embodying written assurances consistent with the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule or other applicable laws. Covered Entity may terminate the Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice in the event (i) Business Associate does not promptly enter into negotiations to amend the Agreement or this BAA when requested by Covered Entity pursuant to this Section or (ii) Business Associate does not enter into an amendment to the Agreement or this BAA providing assurances regarding the safeguarding of PHI that Covered Entity, in its sole discretion, deems sufficient to satisfy the standards and requirements of applicable laws.

#### **F. Assistance in Litigation of Administrative Proceedings**

Business Associate shall make itself, and any subcontractors, employees or agents assisting Business Associate in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement or this BAA, available to Covered Entity, at no cost to Covered Entity, to testify as witnesses, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against Covered Entity, its directors, officers or employees based upon a claimed violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, or other laws relating to security and privacy, except where Business Associate or its subcontractor, employee or agent is named adverse party.

#### **G. No Third-Party Beneficiaries**

Nothing express or implied in the Agreement or this BAA is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than Covered Entity, Business Associate and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.

#### **H. Effect on Agreement**

Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this BAA, or to the extent inconsistent with this BAA, all other terms of the Agreement shall remain in force and effect.

## **I. Entire Agreement of the Parties**

This BAA supersedes any and all prior and contemporaneous business associate agreements between the parties and constitutes the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. Covered Entity and Business Associate acknowledge that no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, with respect to the subject matter hereof, have been made by either party, or by anyone acting on behalf of either party, which are not embodied herein. No other agreement, statement or promise, with respect to the subject matter hereof, not contained in this BAA shall be valid or binding.

## **J. Interpretation**

The provisions of this BAA shall prevail over any provisions in the Agreement that may conflict or appear inconsistent with any provision in this BAA. This BAA and the Agreement shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this BAA shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule.

## **K. Costs Related to Inappropriate Use, Access or Disclosure of PHI**

If Business Associate fails to adhere to any of the privacy, confidentiality, and/or data security provisions set forth in this BAA or if there is a Breach of PHI in Business Associate's possession and, as a result, PHI or any other confidential information is unlawfully accessed, used or disclosed, Business Associate agrees to reimburse Covered Entity for any and all costs, direct or indirect, incurred by Covered Entity associated with any Breach notification obligations. Business Associate also agrees to pay for any and all fines and/or administrative penalties imposed for such unauthorized access, use or disclosure of confidential information or for delayed reporting if it fails to notify the Covered Entity of the Breach as required by this BAA.



## Federal Clauses Exhibit E

Additional Federal Clauses Applicable for Federal Funding under this Agreement: (2 CFR § 200.326; 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II, Required Contract Clauses)

### 1. REMEDIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE

In the event COUNTY determines, in its sole discretion, that CONTRACTOR is not in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY may:

- A. Require payments as reimbursements rather than advance payments;
- B. Withhold authority to proceed to the next phase until receipt of evidence of acceptable performance within a given period of performance;
- C. Require additional, more detailed financial reports;
- D. Require additional project monitoring;
- E. Requiring CONTRACTOR to obtain technical or management assistance; or
- F. Establish additional prior approvals.

### 2. CHANGES

- A. Notice. The primary purpose of this clause is to obtain prompt reporting of COUNTY conduct that CONTRACTOR considers to constitute a change to this contract. Except for changes identified as such in writing and signed by COUNTY, the Contractor shall notify the COUNTY in writing promptly, within five (5) calendar days from the date that the Contractor identifies any Government conduct (including actions, inactions, and written or oral communications) that the CONTRACTOR regards as a change to the contract terms and conditions. On the basis of the most accurate information available to the Contractor, the notice shall state
  - i. The date, nature, and circumstances of the conduct regarded as a change;
  - ii. The name, function, and activity of each Government individual and CONTRACTOR official or employee involved in or knowledgeable about such conduct;
  - iii. The identification of any documents and the substance of any oral communication involved in such conduct;
  - iv. In the instance of alleged acceleration of scheduled performance or delivery, the basis upon which it arose;
  - v. The particular elements of contract performance for which CONTRACTOR may seek an equitable adjustment under this clause, including:
    - What line items have been or may be affected by the alleged change;
    - What labor or materials or both have been or may be added, deleted, or wasted by the alleged change;
    - To the extent practicable, what delay and disruption in the manner and

sequence of performance and effect on continued performance have been or may be caused by the alleged change;

- What adjustments to contract price, delivery schedule, and other provisions affected by the alleged change are estimated; and
  - vi. CONTRACTOR'S estimate of the time by which COUNTY must respond to CONTRACTOR'S notice to minimize cost, delay or disruption of performance.
- B. Continued Performance. Following submission of the required notice, CONTRACTOR shall diligently continue performance of this Agreement to the maximum extent possible in accordance with its terms and conditions as construed by the CONTRACTOR.
- C. COUNTY Response. COUNTY shall promptly, within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice, respond to the notice in writing. In responding, COUNTY shall either--
- i. Confirm that the conduct of which CONTRACTOR gave notice constitutes a change and when necessary direct the mode of further performance;
  - ii. Countermand any communication regarded as a change;
  - iii. Deny that the conduct of which CONTRACTOR gave notice constitutes a change and when necessary direct the mode of further performance; or
  - iv. In the event the Contractor's notice information is inadequate to make a decision, advise CONTRACTOR what additional information is required, and establish the date by which it should be furnished and the date thereafter by which COUNTY will respond.
- D. Equitable Adjustments.
- i. If the COUNTY confirms that COUNTY conduct effected a change as alleged by the CONTRACTOR, and the conduct causes an increase or decrease in the CONTRACTOR'S cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this Agreement, whether changed or not changed by such conduct, an equitable adjustment shall be made --
    - In the contract price or delivery schedule or both; and
    - In such other provisions of the Agreement as may be affected.
  - ii. The Agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly. The equitable adjustment shall not include increased costs or time extensions for delay resulting from CONTRACTOR'S failure to provide notice or to continue performance as provided herein.

### 3. ACCESS TO RECORDS

The following access to records requirements apply to this Agreement:

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide COUNTY, the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the CONTRACTOR which are directly pertinent to this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.



- B. CONTRACTOR agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- C. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the Agreement.

4. USE OF U.S. DEPARTMENT OF FEDERAL LOGOS

CONTRACTOR shall not use the seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of any Federal Agency without specific pre-approval.

5. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAWS, REGULATIONS, AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund this Agreement. CONTRACTOR will only use FEMA funds as authorized herein. CONTRACTOR will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

6. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal Government is not a party to this Agreement and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, CONTRACTOR, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Agreement.

7. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

CONTRACTOR acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the CONTRACTOR'S actions pertaining to this Agreement.