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**Proposed Information Technology Schedule**  
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**AUTHORIZED FEDERAL SUPPLY SERVICE**  
**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SCHEDULE PRICELIST**

# GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE AND SERVICES

## General Description of Commodity

Established in 2000, **Telecommunication Solutions Group, Inc. (TSG)** is an ISO 9001:2015 registered, CVE-verified Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB), providing Systems Integration and Enterprise Management Solutions. Our product and service offerings include telecommunications, cyber-security, application development, network & information technology services provided to the Federal, State, Local Government, Military and Private sectors. We support the client's architectural needs by designing and implementing state-of-the-art technology solutions and personnel to provide ongoing support.

## TSG OFFERS SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- Telecommunication Systems & Support
- Cybersecurity
- Video Conferencing & Audio-Visual Systems
- Specialized Computer Equipment & Software
- Network and Computer Support
- Application Development
- Project Management
- Financial Systems Support
- Logistics Support
- Staff Augmentation

Special Item No. 132-51 Information Technology Professional Services

## **SIN 132-51 - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

FPDS Code D302	IT Systems Development Services
FPDS Code D306	IT Systems Analysis Services
FPDS Code D307	Automated Information Systems Design and Integration Services
FPDS Code D308	Programming Services

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### **Business Type Description**

27	Small Disadvantaged Business
2X	For-Profit Organization
OY	Black American Owned
XS	S Corporation
HQ	DoT Certified Disadvantage Business Enterprise
A5	Veteran Owned Business

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Products and ordering information in this Authorized FSS Information Technology Schedule Pricelist are also available on the GSA Advantage! System. Agencies can browse GSA Advantage! by accessing the Federal Supply Service's Home Page via the Internet at <http://www.fss.gsa.gov/>

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**INFORMATION FOR ORDERING OFFICES  
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 Supply 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 Supply 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!<sup>™</sup> on-line shopping service ([www.fss.gsa.gov](http://www.fss.gsa.gov)). The catalogs/pricelists, GSA Advantage!<sup>™</sup> and the Federal Supply Service Home Page ([www.fss.gsa.gov](http://www.fss.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: 48 contiguous states and District of Columbia.
2. Contractor's Ordering Address and Payment Information:

Ordering/Payment Address:       **Telecommunication Solutions Group, Inc.**  
5540 Centerview Drive Suite 304  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27606-3386

Contractors are required to accept the Government purchase card for payments equal to or less than the micro-purchase threshold for oral or written delivery orders. Government purchase cards will 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(s) can be used by ordering agencies to obtain technical and/or ordering assistance: (919) 233-7300

3.       **LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DAMAGE**

The Contractor shall not be liable for any injury to Government personnel or damage to Government 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.       Statistical Data for Government Ordering Office Completion of Standard Form 279:

Block 16: Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number: 02-715-7127  
Block 36: Contractor's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): 56-2227189

4a.      CAGE Code: 1U7A8

4b.      Contractor has registered with the SAM.GOV Contractor Registration 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

132-51

DELIVERY TIME (Days ARO)

30 Days

b. URGENT REQUIREMENTS: When the Federal Supply Schedule contract delivery period does not meet the bona fide urgent delivery requirements of an ordering agency, agencies 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 agency, 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: 0
- b. Quantity:
- c. Dollar Volume:
- d. Government Educational Institutions:
- e. Other:

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:

Non applicable

10. Small Requirements: The minimum dollar value of orders to be issued is \$100.

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 132-51 - Information Technology (IT) Professional Services

12. USE OF FEDERAL SUPPLY SERVICE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SCHEDULE CONTRACTS. In accordance with FAR 8.404:

**[NOTE: Special ordering procedures have been established for Special Item Numbers (SINs) 132-51 IT Professional Services and 132-52 EC Services; refer to the terms and conditions for those SINs.]**

Orders placed pursuant to a Multiple Award Schedule (MAS), using the procedures in FAR 8.404, are considered to be issued pursuant to full and open competition. Therefore, when placing orders under Federal Supply Schedules, ordering offices need not seek further competition, synopsise the requirement, make a separate determination of fair and reasonable pricing, or consider small business set-asides in accordance with subpart 19.5. GSA has already determined the prices of items under schedule contracts to be fair and reasonable. By placing an order against a schedule using the procedures outlined below, the ordering office has concluded that the order represents the best value and results in the lowest overall cost alternative (considering price, special features, administrative costs, etc.) to meet the Government's needs.

a. Orders placed at or below the micro-purchase threshold. Ordering offices can place orders at or below the micro-purchase threshold with any Federal Supply Schedule Contractor.

b. Orders exceeding the micro-purchase threshold but not exceeding the maximum order threshold. Orders should be placed with the Schedule Contractor that can provide the supply or service that represents the best value. Before placing an order, ordering offices should consider reasonably available information about the supply or service offered under MAS contracts by using the "GSA Advantage!" on-line shopping service, or by reviewing the catalogs/pricelists of at least three Schedule Contractors and selecting the delivery and other options

available under the schedule that meets the agency's needs. In selecting the supply or service representing the best value, the ordering office may consider--

- (1) Special features of the supply or service that are required in effective program performance and that are not provided by a comparable supply or service;
- (2) Trade-in considerations;
- (3) Probable life of the item selected as compared with that of a comparable item;
- (4) Warranty considerations;
- (5) Maintenance availability;
- (6) Past performance; and
- (7) Environmental and energy efficiency considerations.

c. Orders exceeding the maximum order threshold. Each schedule contract has an established maximum order threshold. This threshold represents the point where it is advantageous for the ordering office to seek a price reduction. In addition to following the procedures in paragraph b, above, and before placing an order that exceeds the maximum order threshold, ordering offices shall-

Review additional Schedule Contractors'

- (1) catalogs/pricelists or use the "GSA Advantage!" on-line shopping service;
- (2) Based upon the initial evaluation, generally seek price reductions from the Schedule Contractor(s) appearing to provide the best value (considering price and other factors); and
- (3) After price reductions have been sought, place the order with the Schedule Contractor that provides the best value and results in the lowest overall cost alternative. If further price reductions are not offered, an order may still be placed, if the ordering office determines that it is appropriate.

NOTE: For orders exceeding the maximum order threshold, the Contractor may:

- (1) Offer a new lower price for this requirement (the Price Reductions clause is not applicable to orders placed over the maximum order in FAR 52.216-19 Order Limitations);
- (2) Offer the lowest price available under the contract; or
- (3) Decline the order (orders must be returned in accordance with FAR 52.216-19).

d. Blanket purchase agreements (BPAs). The establishment of Federal Supply Schedule BPAs is permitted when following the ordering procedures in FAR 8.404. All schedule contracts contain BPA provisions. Ordering offices may use BPAs to establish accounts with Contractors to fill recurring requirements. BPAs should address the frequency of ordering and invoicing, discounts, and delivery locations and times.

e. Price reductions. In addition to the circumstances outlined in paragraph c, above, there may be instances when ordering offices will find it advantageous to request a price reduction. For example, when the ordering office finds a schedule supply or service elsewhere at a lower price or when a BPA is being established to fill recurring requirements, requesting a price reduction could be advantageous. The potential volume of orders under these agreements, regardless of the size of the individual order, may offer the ordering office the opportunity to secure greater discounts. Schedule Contractors are not required to pass on to all schedule users a price reduction extended only to an individual agency for a specific order.

f. Small business. For orders exceeding the micro-purchase threshold, ordering offices should give preference to the items of small business concerns when two or more items at the same delivered price will satisfy the requirement.

g. Documentation. Orders should be documented, at a minimum, by identifying the Contractor the item was purchased from, the item purchased, and the amount paid. If an agency requirement in excess of the micro-purchase threshold is defined so as to require a particular brand name, product, or feature of a product peculiar to one manufacturer, thereby precluding consideration of a product manufactured by another company, the ordering office shall include an explanation in the file as to why the particular brand name, product, or feature is essential to satisfy the agency's needs.

13. FEDERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/TELECOMMUNICATION STANDARDS REQUIREMENTS: Federal departments and agencies 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 offices, 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 Supply 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. SECURITY REQUIREMENTS. In the event security requirements are necessary, the ordering activities may incorporate, in their delivery orders, a security clause in accordance with current laws, regulations, and individual agency policy; however, the burden of administering the security requirements shall be with the ordering agency. If any costs are incurred as a result of the inclusion of security requirements, such costs will not exceed ten percent (10%) or \$100,000, of the total dollar value of the order, whichever is less.

15. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION FOR ORDERING OFFICES:

Any ordering office, 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 Government'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 (ex.: NetScape). The Internet address is <http://www.fss.gsa.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 Supply Schedule contract.

For administrative convenience, an ordering office contracting officer may add items not on the Federal Supply Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) -- referred to as open market items -- to a Federal Supply 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 Supply 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 office contracting officer has determined the price for the items not on the Federal Supply Schedule is fair and reasonable;
- (3) The items are clearly labeled on the order as items not on the Federal Supply Schedule; and
- (4) All clauses applicable to items not on the Federal Supply 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:

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Upon request of the Contractor, the Government may provide the Contractor with logistics support, as available, in accordance with all applicable Government regulations. Such Government 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)

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 13.303-1(a) defines Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) as "...a simplified method of filling anticipated repetitive needs for supplies or services by establishing 'charge accounts' with qualified sources of supply." The use of Blanket Purchase Agreements under the Federal Supply Schedule Program is authorized in accordance with FAR 13.303-2(c)(3), which reads, in part, as follows:

"BPAs may be established with Federal Supply Schedule Contractors, if not inconsistent with the terms of the applicable schedule contract."

Federal Supply Schedule contracts contain BPA provisions to enable schedule users to maximize their administrative and purchasing savings. This feature permits schedule users to set up "accounts" with Schedule Contractors to fill recurring requirements. These accounts establish a period for the BPA and generally address issues such as the frequency of ordering and invoicing, authorized callers, discounts, delivery locations and times. Agencies may qualify for the best quantity/volume discounts available under the contract, based on the potential volume of business that may be generated through such an agreement, regardless of the size of the individual orders. In addition, agencies may be able to secure a discount higher than that available in the contract based on the aggregate volume of business possible under a BPA. Finally, Contractors may be open to a progressive type of discounting where the discount would increase once the sales accumulated under the BPA reach certain prescribed levels. Use of a BPA may be particularly useful with the new Maximum Order feature. See the Suggested Format, contained in this Schedule Pricelist, for customers to consider when using this purchasing tool.

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, Contractor's Reports of Sales and 552.238-76, Industrial Funding Fee, 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 requisitioning 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:

Web-site: [www.telcomsg.com](http://www.telcomsg.com)

The EIT standard can be found at: [www.Section508.gov/](http://www.Section508.gov/).

24. PRIME CONTRACTOR ORDERING FROM FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULES.

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

- (a) A copy of the authorization from the Agency with whom the contractor has the prime contract (unless a copy was previously furnished to the Federal Supply 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 Supply Schedule contract, the latter will govern.

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.

**PRODUCTS & SERVICES – PRICE LIST FOR SIN 132-51**

<b>Service</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Net Price</b>
TSG Labor	Sr. Project Manager	\$94.45
TSG Labor	Sr. Network Engineer	\$75.56
TSG Labor	Network Engineer	\$65.49
TSG Labor	Senior Applications Programmer	\$65.49
TSG Labor	Technical Project Manager	\$75.56
TSG Labor	Technical Consultant	\$75.56
TSG Labor	Senior Field Engineer	\$64.48
TSG Labor	Application Systems Analyst/Programmer - Senior	\$88.66
TSG Labor	Business Systems Analyst Senior	\$89.67
TSG Labor	Systems Administrator	\$77.58
TSG Labor	Systems Programmer	\$80.09
TSG Labor	Database Administrator	\$75.56
TSG Labor	Help Desk Support Services Specialist Intermediate	\$50.38
TSG Labor	Help Desk Support Services Senior	\$59.44
TSG Labor	LAN Administrator Senior	\$65.49
TSG Labor	PC Systems Specialist	\$55.41
TSG Labor	Quality Assurance Analyst Senior	\$76.50
TSG Labor	Software Systems Engineer Senior	\$90.68
TSG Labor	Telecommunication Analyst /Technician	\$64.48
TSG Labor	Telecommunication/Communication Integration Engineer	\$86.65
TSG Labor	Project Engineer	\$90.68
TSG Labor	IT Subject Matter Specialist	\$118.86

**LABOR CATEGORIES DESCRIPTIONS**

**Senior Project Manager**

Description of Position: : Responsible for all aspect of the development and implementation of assigned projects and provides a single point of contact for those projects Takes projects from original concept through final implementation. Interfaces with all areas affected by the project including end-users, computer services and client services. Defines scope and objectives, develops detailed work plans, schedules, project estimates, resource plans and status reports. Conduct project meetings and is responsible for project tracking and analysis. Ensures adherence to quality standards and reviews vendor deliverables. Provides technical and

analytical guidance to project team. Recommends and takes action to direct the analysis and solutions of problems.

Qualifications:

B.S. Computer Science or related discipline required. A Master of Science (M.S) is desired and/or written certifiable knowledge of Project Management. A minimum of 10 years of progressive working experience is required.

### **Senior Application Programmer**

Minimum/General Experience: Able to plan, design, develop, modify, and test application programs. Able to translate systems/subsystems designs and detailed designs into applications logic. Able to provide advice on differing control systems applications designs and access methods in problem resolution, design, and development situations.

Functional Responsibility: Able to work with other senior technical and user staff to complete projects as well as provide assistance and guidance to less experienced technical staff.

Minimum Education: Has a Bachelor's Degree in an engineering discipline or seven (5) years related work experience developing web-based application utilizing Unix, Java, C++ and SQL.

### **Technical Project Manager**

Minimum/General Experience: Qualified in leading the design, development and maintenance of IT projects including developing layout and detailed drawings, preparing written specifications, performing design calculations and developing cost estimates. Able to plan, design, develop, modify, test and support software applications/interfaces as well as translate design and program specifications into functioning software code. Able to coordinate project needs with other design disciplines. Capable of investigating project design alternatives as identified by the Senior Design Engineer. Able to perform research for identification of acceptable materials or equipment. Capable of performing on-site inspections of projects.

Functional Responsibility: Acts as the senior technical focal point for all projects within the program responsible for all contractual, staffing, financial, performance and delivery issues.

Minimum Education: Possesses a Bachelor's Degree in an engineering discipline.

### **Technical Consultant**

Minimum/General Experience: Able to plan, architect and design complex systems. Able to translate systems/subsystems designs and detailed designs into applications logic. Able to provide advice on differing control systems applications designs and access methods in problem resolution, design, and development situations.

Functional Responsibility: Able to work with other senior technical and user staff to complete projects as well as provide assistance and guidance to less experienced technical staff.

Minimum Education: Has a Bachelor's Degree in an engineering discipline or seven (7) years related work experience developing web-based application utilizing Unix, Java, C++ and SQL.

### **Senior Field Engineer**

Minimum/General Experience: Provide IT services for hardware, software and telecommunications support as they are responsible for the support of all IT equipment, to include network servers, Personal Computers (PCs), printers, portable computers, Radio Frequency (RF) equipment, LAN/WAN hardware/software and other miscellaneous IT equipment to include Blackberry PDAs. The position requires the performance of services to analyze, implement, evaluate, document, integrate and provide support to the end-users and LAN.

Functional Responsibility: Able to work with other senior technical and user staff to complete projects as well as provide assistance and guidance to less experienced technical staff.

Minimum Education: Has a Bachelor's Degree in an engineering discipline or seven (5) years related work experience support complex systems and networks. MCSE certification is required. CCNA is desired but not required.

### **Senior Network Engineer**

**Description of Position:** Under general direction, manages the purchases, installation and support of network communications,

including LAN/WAN systems. Responsible for evaluating current systems and making recommendations. Works on complex problems where analysis of situation requires in-depth evaluation of various factors. Plans large-scale systems projects through vendor comparison and cost studies. Provide work leadership and training to lower level network engineers. Requires expert knowledge of LAN/WAN systems, networks and applications.

**Qualifications:**

B.S. Computer Science or related discipline required. Prefer written certifiable knowledge of specific network, systems and/or application. A minimum of 5 years of progressive working experience is required.

**Network Engineer**

**Description of Position:** Under general direction, oversees the purchases, installation and support of network communications, including LAN/WAN systems. Responsible for evaluating current systems. Works on problems of diverse scope where analysis of situation requires evaluation and judgment. Assist in the planning of large-scale systems projects through vendor comparison and cost studies. Requires thorough knowledge of LAN/WAN systems, networks and applications.

**Qualifications:**

B.S. Computer Science or related discipline and/or written certifiable knowledge of specific network, systems and/or application. A minimum of 3 years of progressive working experience is required.

**Applications Systems Analyst/Programmer - Senior:**

Under general direction, formulates and defines system scope and objectives. Devises or modifies procedures to solve complex problems considering computer equipment capacity and limitations, operating time, and form of desired results. Prepares detailed specifications from which programs will be written. Designs, codes, tests, debug, and document those programs. Competent to work at the highest technical level of all phases of applications systems analysis and programming activities. May be responsible for completion of a phase of a project. Regularly provides guidance and training to less-experienced analyst/programmers.

**Business Systems Analyst - Senior:**

Under general direction, formulates and defines systems scope and objectives based on both user needs and a good understanding of applicable business systems and industry requirements. Devises or modifies procedures to solve complex problems considering computer equipment capacity and limitations, operating time, and form of desired results. Includes analysis of business and user needs, documentation of requirements, and translation into proper system requirement specifications. Guides and advises less-experienced Business Systems Analysts. Competent to work at the highest technical level of most phases of systems analysis while considering the business implications of the application of technology to the current and future business environment.

**Systems Administrator:**

Coordinates the data administration technical function for both data warehouse development and maintenance. Plans and oversees the technical transitions between development, testing, and production phases of the workplace. Facilitates change control, problem management, and communication among data architects, programmers, analysts and engineers. Establishes and enforces processes to ensure a consistent, well-managed and well-integrated data warehouse infrastructure. Expands and improves data warehouse to include data from all functions of the organization using data manipulation, transformation and cleansing tools. Requires three years of experience in the field.

**Systems Programmer:**

Responsible for product support and maintenance of the data warehouse. Performs data warehouse design and construction. Codes and documents scripts and stored procedures. Designs/implements data strategy methods. Develops appropriate programs and systems documentation. Assists with Meta data repository management. Prepares/implements data verification and testing methods for the data warehouse. Creates index and view scripts. Two years of experience in the field required.

**Database Administrator:**

Participates in the design, creation, and maintenance of computerized databases. Responsible for quality control and auditing of databases to ensure accurate and appropriate use of data. Works with management to develop database strategies to support company needs. Consults with and advises users on access to various databases. Works directly with users to resolve data conflicts and inappropriate data usage. Directs the maintenance and use of the corporate data dictionary. Typically requires two to four years of experience.

**Help Desk Support Services Specialist - Intermediate:**

Under general supervision, provides second-tier support to end users for either PC, server, or mainframe applications and hardware. Handles problems that the first-tier of help desk support is unable to resolve. May interact with network services, software systems engineering, and/or applications development to restore service and/or identify and correct core problem. Simulates or recreates user problems to resolve operating difficulties. Recommends systems modifications to reduce user problems. Maintains currency and high level of technical skill in field of expertise. Escalates more complex problems to senior level.

**Help Desk Support Services Specialist - Senior:**

Under general direction, provides second-tier support to end users for either PC, server, or mainframe applications and hardware. Handles problems that the first tier of help desk support is unable to resolve. May interact with network services, software systems engineering, and/or applications development to restore service and/or identify and correct core problem. Simulates or recreates user problems to resolve operating difficulties. Recommends systems modifications to reduce user problems. Maintains currency and highest level of technical skill in field of expertise.

**LAN Administrator - Senior:**

Under general direction, responsible for administration and day-to-day operation of organization's local area network (LAN). Provides integrated team support and maintenance of LAN hardware and software. Maintains integrity of the LAN hardware and software. Installs LAN software upgrades, including planning and scheduling, testing and coordination. Studies vendor products to determine those which best meet organization needs; assists in presentation of information to management resulting in purchase, and installation of hardware, software, and telecommunications equipment. Performs LAN security procedures, including implementing login requests. Evaluates new products and technologies to determine impact on existing system configurations. Prepares proposals, cost/benefit analyses, and feasibility studies. Provides liaison support between the PC/LAN team, vendors and internal support group as needed. Typically requires five to seven years of experience. Frequently reports to an information system executive.

**PC Systems Specialist:**

Under general supervision, performs analytical, technical, and administrative work in the planning, design, and installation of new and existing personal computer systems. Works on moderately complex applications. Confers with end users to determine types of hardware and software required. Writes programs to fulfill requirements or selects appropriate off-the-shelf software and modifies to suit. May maintain or utilize telecommunications protocols. Installs new hardware and maintains existing hardware. Trains end users in use of equipment and software. Frequently reports to a PC Support Manager.

**Quality Assurance Analyst - Senior:**

Under general direction, carries out procedures to ensure that all information systems, products and services meet organization standards and end-user requirements. Performs and leads tests of software to ensure proper operation and freedom from defects. May create test data for applications. Documents and works to resolve all complex problems. Reports progress on problem resolution to management. Devises improvements to current procedures and develops models of possible future configurations. Acts as information resource about assigned areas to technical writers and other Quality Assurance Analysts. Performs complex workflow analysis and recommends quality improvements. Frequently reports to a Quality Assurance Manager.

**Software Systems Engineer – Senior**

Under general direction, formulates and defines specifications for complex operating software programming applications or modifies/maintains complex existing applications using engineering releases and utilities from the manufacturer. Designs, codes, tests, debug, and documents those programs. Responsible for applications dealing with the overall operating system, such as sophisticated file maintenance routines, large telecommunications networks, computer accounting, and advanced

mathematical/scientific software packages. Competent to work at this highest technical level on all phases of software systems programming applications. May have responsibility for the evaluation of new and existing software products. May assist other systems programmers to effectively utilize the system's technical software.

**Telecommunications Analyst/Technician:**

Provides maintenance of the switching equipment. Performs more complex activities for routine maintenance on switch. Reads and interprets circuit diagrams and electrical schematics.

**Qualifications:**

B.S. Computer Science or related discipline and/or written certifiable knowledge of specific network, systems and/or application. A minimum of 3 years of progressive working experience is required.

**Telecommunications/Communications Integration Engineer:**

Provides technical direction and analysis for telecommunication activities, including planning, designing, integrating, installing and maintaining large-scale telecommunications/ communications networks and services with computer systems. Applies telecommunications/communications engineering principles and theory to propose design and configuration alternatives. Analyzes network performance, usage and traffic flows, accesses and interfaces, transmission techniques, and protocols to interface with computer systems.

**Project Engineer:**

Manages long-term IT engineering projects. Performs engineering design evaluations and works to complete projects within budget and scheduling restraints. Develops, implements, and monitors information systems policies and controls to ensure data accuracy, security, and regulatory compliance. Reviews reports of computer and peripheral equipment production, malfunction, and maintenance to determine and address problems.

**IT Subject Matter Specialist:**

Provides extremely high-level subject matter proficiency for work described in the task. Provides advanced technical knowledge and analysis of highly specialized applications and operational environment, high-level functional systems analysis, design, integration, documentation, training, and implementation advice on complex problems that require doctorate level knowledge of the subject matter for effective implementation.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (SPECIAL ITEM NUMBER 132-51)**

### **1. SCOPE**

- a. The prices, terms and conditions stated under Special Item Number 132-51 Information Technology Professional Services apply exclusively to IT Services within the scope of this Information Technology Schedule.
- b. The Contractor shall provide services at the Contractor's facility and/or at the Government location, as agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering office.

### **2. PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES**

- a. When using a performance based statement of work, performance incentives may be agreed upon between the Contractor and the ordering office on individual fixed price orders or Blanket Purchase Agreements, for fixed price tasks, under this contract in accordance with this clause.
- b. The ordering office must establish a maximum performance incentive price for these services and/or total solutions on individual orders or Blanket Purchase Agreements.
- c. To the maximum extent practicable, ordering offices shall consider establishing incentives where performance is critical to the agency's mission and incentives are likely to motivate the contractor. Incentives shall be based on objectively measurable tasks.
- d. The above procedures do not apply to Time and Material or labor hour orders.

### **3. ORDERING PROCEDURES FOR SERVICES (REQUIRING A STATEMENT OF WORK)**

FAR 8.402 contemplates that GSA may occasionally find it necessary to establish special ordering procedures for individual Federal Supply Schedules or for some Special Item Numbers (SINs) within a Schedule. GSA has established special ordering procedures for services that require a Statement of Work. These special ordering procedures take precedence over the procedures in FAR 8.404 (b)(2) through (b)(3).

GSA has determined that the prices for services contained in the contractor's price list applicable to this Schedule are fair and reasonable. However, the ordering office using this contract is responsible for considering the level of effort and mix of labor proposed to perform a specific task being ordered and for making a determination that the total firm-fixed price or ceiling price is fair and reasonable.

(a) When ordering services, ordering offices shall—

(1) Prepare a Request (Request for Quote or other communication tool):

- (i) A statement of work (a performance-based statement of work is preferred) that outlines, at a minimum, the work to be performed, location of work, period of performance, deliverable schedule, applicable standards, acceptance criteria, and any special requirements (i.e., security clearances, travel, special knowledge, etc.) should be prepared.
- (ii) The request should include the statement of work and request the contractors to submit either a firm-fixed price or a ceiling price to provide the services outlined in the statement of work. A firm-fixed price order shall be requested, unless the ordering office makes a determination that it is not possible at the time of placing the order to estimate accurately the extent or duration of the work or to anticipate cost with any reasonable degree of confidence. When such a determination is made, a labor hour or time-and-materials proposal may be requested. The firm-fixed price shall be based on the rates in the schedule contract and shall consider the mix of labor categories and level of effort required to perform the services described in the statement of work. The firm-fixed price of the order should also include any travel costs or other incidental costs related to performance of the services ordered, unless the order provides for reimbursement of travel costs



at the rates provided in the Federal Travel or Joint Travel Regulations. A ceiling price must be established for labor-hour and time-and-materials orders.

(iii) The request may ask the contractors, if necessary or appropriate, to submit a project plan for performing the task, and information on the contractor's experience and/or past performance performing similar tasks.

(iv) The request shall notify the contractors what basis will be used for selecting the contractor to receive the order. The notice shall include the basis for determining whether the contractors are technically qualified and provide an explanation regarding the intended use of any experience and/or past performance information in determining technical qualification of responses. If consideration will be limited to schedule contractors who are small business concerns as permitted by paragraph (2)(i) below, the request shall notify the contractors that will be the case.

(2) Transmit the Request to Contractors:

(i) Based upon an initial evaluation of catalogs and price lists, the ordering office should identify the contractors that appear to offer the best value (considering the scope of services offered, pricing and other factors such as contractors' locations, as appropriate). When buying IT professional services under SIN 132—51 ONLY, the ordering office, at its discretion, may limit consideration to those schedule contractors that are small business concerns. This limitation is not applicable when buying supplies and/or services under other SINs as well as SIN 132-51. The limitation may only be used when at least three (3) small businesses that appear to offer services that will meet the agency's needs are available, if the order is estimated to exceed the micro-purchase threshold.

(ii) The request should be provided to three (3) contractors if the proposed order is estimated to exceed the micro-purchase threshold, but not exceed the maximum order threshold. For proposed orders exceeding the maximum order threshold, the request should be provided to additional contractors that offer services that will meet the agency's needs. Ordering offices should strive to minimize the contractors' costs associated with responding to requests for quotes for specific orders. Requests should be tailored to the minimum level necessary for adequate evaluation and selection for order placement. Oral presentations should be considered, when possible.

(3) Evaluate Responses and Select the Contractor to Receive the Order:

After responses have been evaluated against the factors identified in the request, the order should be placed with the schedule contractor that represents the best value. (See FAR 8.404)

(a) The establishment of Federal Supply Schedule Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) for recurring services is permitted when the procedures outlined herein are followed. All BPAs for services must define the services that may be ordered under the BPA, along with delivery or performance time frames, billing procedures, etc. The potential volume of orders under BPAs, regardless of the size of individual orders, may offer the ordering office the opportunity to secure volume discounts. When establishing BPAs, ordering offices shall—

(1) Inform contractors in the request (based on the agency's requirement) if a single BPA or multiple BPAs will be established, and indicate the basis that will be used for selecting the contractors to be awarded the BPAs.

(i) SINGLE BPA: Generally, a single BPA should be established when the ordering office can define the tasks to be ordered under the BPA and establish a firm-fixed price or ceiling price for individual tasks or services to be ordered. When this occurs, authorized users may place the order directly under the established BPA when the need for service arises. The schedule contractor that represents the best value should be awarded the BPA. (See FAR 8.404)

(ii) MULTIPLE BPAs: When the ordering office determines multiple BPAs are needed to meet its requirements, the ordering office should determine which contractors can meet any technical qualifications before establishing the BPAs. When multiple BPAs are established, the authorized users must follow the procedures in (a)(2)(ii) above and then place the order with the Schedule contractor that represents the best value.

(2) Review BPAs Periodically: Such reviews shall be conducted at least annually. The purpose of the review is to determine whether the BPA still represents the best value. (See FAR 8.404)

(c) The ordering office should give preference to small business concerns when two or more contractors can provide the services at the same firm-fixed price or ceiling price.

(d) When the ordering office's requirement involves both products as well as executive, administrative and/or professional, services, the ordering office should total the prices for the products and the firm-fixed price for the services and select the contractor that represents the best value. (See FAR 8.404)

The ordering office, at a minimum, should document orders by identifying the contractor from which the services were purchased, the services purchased, and the amount paid. If other than a firm-fixed price order is placed, such documentation should include the basis for the determination to use a labor-hour or time-and-materials order. For agency requirements in excess of the micro-purchase threshold, the order file should document the evaluation of Schedule contractors' quotes that formed the basis for the selection of the contractor that received the order and the rationale for any trade-offs made in making the selection.

Ordering procedures for other services available on schedule at fixed prices for specifically defined services or tasks should use the procedures in FAR 8.404. These procedures are listed in the pricelist, under "Information for Ordering Offices," paragraph #12.

#### 4. ORDER

a. Agencies may use written orders, EDI orders, blanket purchase agreements, individual purchase orders, or task orders for ordering services under this contract. Blanket Purchase Agreements shall not extend beyond the end of the contract period; all services and delivery shall be made and the contract terms and conditions shall continue in effect until the completion of the order. Orders for tasks which extend beyond the fiscal year for which funds are available shall include FAR 52.232-19 Availability of Funds for the Next Fiscal Year. The purchase order shall specify the availability of funds and the period for which funds are available.

b. All task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of the contract. In the event of conflict between a task order and the contract, the contract will take precedence.

#### 5. PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES

a. The Contractor shall commence performance of services on the date agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering office.

b. The Contractor agrees to render services only during normal working hours, unless otherwise agreed to by the Contractor and the ordering office.

c. The Agency should include the criteria for satisfactory completion for each task in the Statement of Work or Delivery Order. Services shall be completed in a good and workmanlike manner.

d. Any Contractor travel required in the performance of IT/EC Services must comply with the Federal Travel Regulation or Joint Travel Regulations, as applicable, in effect on the date(s) the travel is performed. Established Federal Government per diem rates will apply to all Contractor travel. Contractors cannot use GSA city pair contracts.

#### 6. INSPECTION OF SERVICES

The Inspection of Services-Fixed Price (AUG 1996) clause at FAR 52.246-4 applies to firm-fixed price orders placed under this contract. The Inspection-Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour (JAN 1986) clause at FAR 52.246-6 applies to time-and-materials and labor-hour orders placed under this contract.

#### 7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations (Federal, State, City, or otherwise) covering work of this character. If the end product of a task order is software, then FAR 52.227-14 Rights in Data - General, may apply.

#### 8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT

Subject to security regulations, the ordering office shall permit Contractor access to all facilities necessary to perform the requisite IT/EC Services.

#### 9. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

All IT/EC Services performed by the Contractor under the terms of this contract shall be as an independent Contractor, and not as an agent or employee of the Government.

#### 10. ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

a. Definitions.

“Contractor” means the person, firm, unincorporated association, joint venture, partnership, or corporation that is a party to this contract.

“Contractor and its affiliates” and “Contractor or its affiliates” refers to the Contractor, its chief executives, directors, officers, subsidiaries, affiliates, subcontractors at any tier, and consultants and any joint venture involving the Contractor, any entity into or with which the Contractor subsequently merges or affiliates, or any other successor or assignee of the Contractor.

An “Organizational conflict of interest” exists when the nature of the work to be performed under a proposed Government contract, without some restriction on activities by the Contractor and its affiliates, may either (i) result in an unfair competitive advantage to the Contractor or its affiliates or (ii) impair the Contractor’s or its affiliates’ objectivity in performing contract work.

b. To avoid an organizational or financial conflict of interest and to avoid prejudicing the best interests of the Government, ordering offices may place restrictions on the Contractors, its affiliates, chief executives, directors, subsidiaries and subcontractors at any tier when placing orders against schedule contracts. Such restrictions shall be consistent with FAR 9.505 and shall be designed to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate organizational conflicts of interest that might otherwise exist in situations related to individual orders placed against the schedule contract. Examples of situations, which may require restrictions, are provided at FAR 9.508.

11. INVOICES

The Contractor, upon completion of the work ordered, shall submit invoices for IT services. Progress payments may be authorized by the ordering office on individual orders if appropriate. Progress payments shall be based upon completion of defined milestones or interim products. Invoices shall be submitted monthly for recurring services performed during the preceding month.

12. PAYMENTS

For firm-fixed price orders the Government shall pay the Contractor, upon submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for service rendered and accepted. Progress payments shall be made only when authorized by the order. For time-and-materials orders, the Payments under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts (Alternate I (APR 1984)) at FAR 52.232-7 applies to time-and-materials orders placed under this contract. For labor-hour orders, the Payment under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts (FEB 1997) (Alternate II (JAN 1986)) at FAR 52.232-7 applies to labor-hour orders placed under this contract.

13. RESUMES

Resumes shall be provided to the GSA Contracting Officer or the user agency upon request.

14. INCIDENTAL SUPPORT COSTS

Incidental support costs are available outside the scope of this contract. The costs will be negotiated separately with the ordering agency in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the FAR.

15. APPROVAL OF SUBCONTRACTS

The ordering activity may require that the Contractor receive, from the ordering activity's Contracting Officer, written consent before placing any subcontract for furnishing any of the work called for in a task order.

16. DESCRIPTION OF IT SERVICES AND PRICING

a. The Contractor shall provide a description of each type of IT/EC Service offered under Special Item Numbers 132-51 and 132-52. IT/EC Services should be presented in the same manner as the Contractor sells to its commercial and other Government customers. If the Contractor is proposing hourly rates, a description of all corresponding commercial job titles (labor categories) for those individuals who will perform the service should be provided.

b. Pricing for all IT/EC Services shall be in accordance with the Contractor’s customary commercial practices; e.g., hourly rates, monthly rates, term rates, and/or fixed prices.

**USA COMMITMENT TO PROMOTE  
SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION  
PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS**

**PREAMBLE**

Telecommunication Solutions Group, Inc. provides commercial products and services to the Federal Government. 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 Federal Government contracts. To accelerate potential opportunities please contact:

**[Karen-Marie Aeppli, VP, 919.233.7300, kmaeppli@telcomsg.com, 919.233.7335 fax.](mailto:kmaeppli@telcomsg.com)**

BEST VALUE  
BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT  
FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE

(Insert Customer Name)

In the spirit of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (Agency) and (Contractor) enter into a cooperative agreement to further reduce the administrative costs of acquiring commercial items from the General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Supply Schedule Contract(s)

\_\_\_\_\_.

Federal Supply 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 Supply Schedule Contractors in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 9.6.

This BPA will father 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 Government that works better and costs less.

Signatures

\_\_\_\_\_

Agency

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Contractor

Date

(CUSTOMER NAME)  
 BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Pursuant to GSA Federal Supply Schedule Contract Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_, Blanket Purchase Agreements, the Contractor agrees to the following terms of a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) EXCLUSIVELY WITH (Ordering Agency):

(1) The following contract items can be ordered under this BPA. All orders placed against this BPA are subject to the terms and conditions of the contract, except as noted below:

MODEL NUMBER/PART NUMBER	*SPECIAL BPA DISCOUNT/PRICE
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(2) Delivery:

DESTINATION	DELIVERY SCHEDULES / DATES
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(3) The Government estimates, but does not guarantee, that the volume of purchases through this agreement will be \_\_\_\_\_.

(4) This BPA does not obligate any funds.

(5) This BPA expires on \_\_\_\_\_ or at the end of the contract period, whichever is earlier.

(6) The following office(s) is hereby authorized to place orders under this BPA:

OFFICE	POINT OF CONTACT
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(7) Orders will be placed against this BPA via Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), FAX, or paper.

(8) Unless otherwise agreed to, all deliveries under this BPA must be accompanied by delivery tickets or sales slips that must contain the following information as a minimum:

- (a) Name of Contractor;
- (b) Contract Number;
- (c) BPA Number;
- (d) Model Number or National Stock Number (NSN);
- (e) Purchase Order Number;
- (f) Date of Purchase;
- (g) Quantity, Unit Price, and Extension of Each Item (unit prices and extensions need not be shown when incompatible with the use of automated systems; provided, that the invoice is itemized to show the information); and
- (h) Date of Shipment.

(9) The requirements of a proper invoice are specified in the Federal Supply 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 Supply Schedule Contractors may use "Contractor Team Arrangements" (see FAR 9.6) to provide solutions when responding to a customer agency requirements.

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

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

Participation in a Team Arrangement is limited to Federal Supply 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 Supply Schedule Contractors may individually meet the customer's needs, or -
- Federal Supply Schedule Contractors may individually submit a Schedule "Team Solution" to meet the customer's requirement.
- Customers make a best value selection.