**Purchase Order Attachment**

**Acceptance of Offers 10% Below Statewide Mandatory [Term] Contract Price**

*Instructions: If an agency purchases any item available on the Term Contract identified below from a business (an Alternate Vendor) other than the Term Contract Contractor and the total price of the purchase order exceeds $500, then the procurement officer making the purchase must attach this form to the purchase order issued to the Alternate Vendor. The agency procurement officer must complete the following four blanks: the number and description of the applicable Term Contract, the number of the agency's Purchase Order, and the name of Term Contract Contractor that you offered an opportunity to match.*

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| Term Contract Solicitation No. | Term Contract Description |
| Term Contract Contractor | Purchase Order No. |

**Agreement**

By signing this document, Alternate Vendor is entering into a contract with the agency named above regarding the items referenced on Purchase Order identified above. Regarding the items acquired with the Purchase Order, Alternate Vendor agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions of the Term Contract Solicitation identified above. Alternate Vendor has received and read a copy of the Term Contract Solicitation identified above. The Purchase Order may be used to elect only those options expressly allowed in the Term Contract Solicitation. Possible options might include quantity, item, delivery date, and payment method. Any contract resulting from this Purchase Order is limited to the documents identified in the clause entitled Contract Documents & Order of Precedence.

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| NAME OF ALTERNATE VENDOR  (full legal name of business entering this contract) | STATE VENDOR NO.  (Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov) |
| AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE  (person authorized to enter binding contract on behalf of Alternate Vendor) | TITLE  (business title of person signing) |
| PRINTED NAME  (printed name of person signing above) | DATE SIGNED |

**Certification of Compliance**

I certify as follows: (1) every item acquired with the Purchase Order is priced at least ten percent less than the Term Contract price for the same item; (2) the Term Contract Contractor identified above declined to meet the prices stated on the Purchase Order after being offered a reasonable opportunity to meet the price stated on the Purchase Order; and, (3) this purchase complies with Section 11-35-310(37), which is reprinted below.

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| AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE  (procurement officer authorized to issue purchase order and sign certification) | TITLE  (business title of person signing) |
| PRINTED NAME  (printed name of person signing above) | DATE SIGNED |

Section 11-35-310(37) of the South Carolina Code of Laws reads as follows: "“Term contract” means contracts established by the chief procurement officer for specific supplies, services, or information technology for a specified time and for which it is mandatory that all governmental bodies procure their requirements during its term. As provided in the solicitation, if a public procurement unit is offered the same supplies, services, or information technology at a price that is at least ten percent less than the term contract price, it may purchase from the vendor offering the lower price after first offering the vendor holding the term contract the option to meet the lower price. The solicitation used to establish the term contract must specify contract terms applicable to a purchase from the vendor offering the lower price. If the vendor holding the term contract meets the lower price, then the governmental body shall purchase from the contract vendor. All decisions to purchase from the vendor offering the lower price must be documented by the procurement officer in sufficient detail to satisfy the requirements of an external audit. A term contract may be a multi term contract as provided in Section 11-35-2030."

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