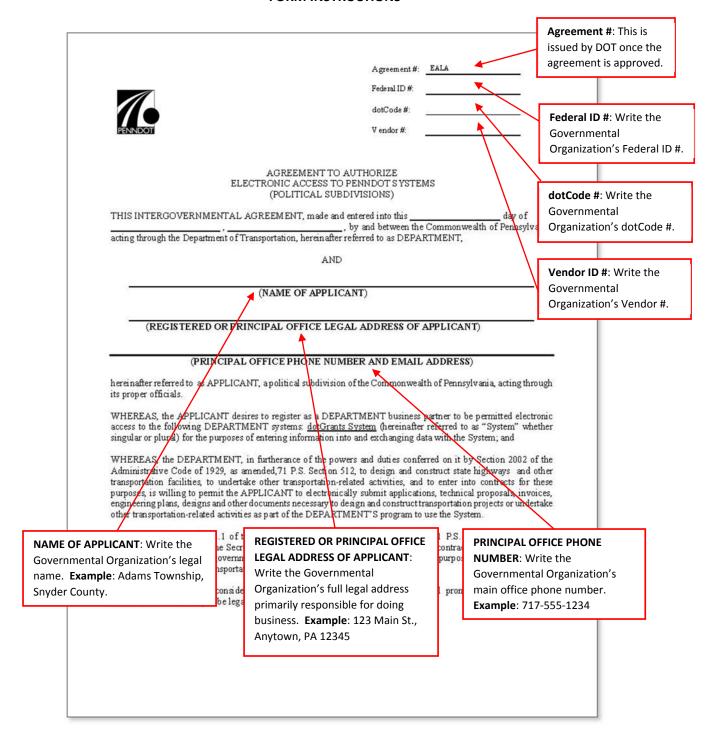
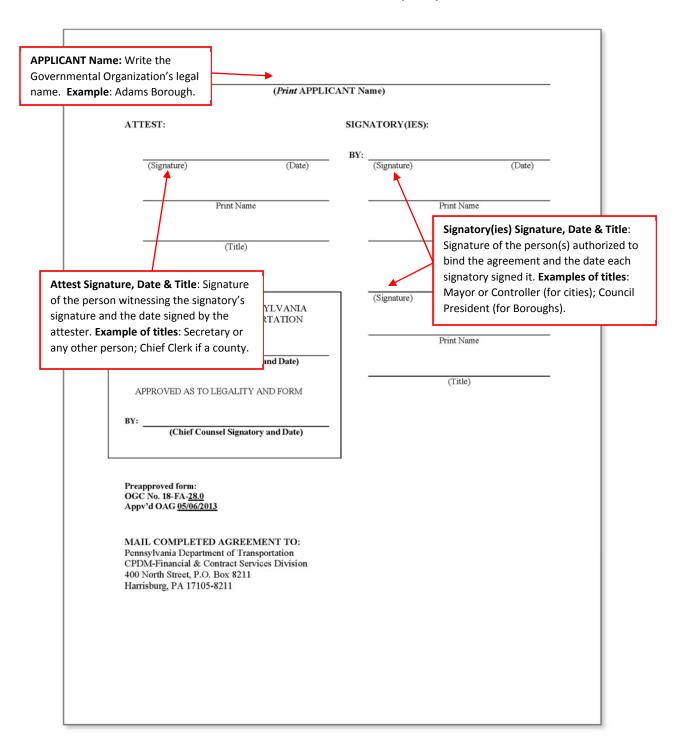
Electronic Access Licensing Agreement (EALA) for dotGrants

FORM INSTRUCTIONS



EALA FORM INSTRUCTIONS (cont')



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EXECUTION OF AGREEMENTS

1. POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (1st or 2nd CLASS TOWNSHIPS):

Signed according to resolution or other document delegating signature authority (for example, ordinance or bylaws)

However, if the following officials in particular subdivisions listed (and **only** those officials in these political subdivisions) sign the agreement, **no resolution or other delegation document is necessary**.

A. COUNTIES OF SECOND THROUGH EIGHT CLASSES

Signed by at least two of the county commissioners.

Attested by the Chief Clerk, who must also affix the County seal.

B. <u>CITIES OF THE THIRD CLASS</u>

Signed by the Mayor and the City Controller. Attested by any other person.

C. BOROUGHS

Signed by the Council President only. Attested by any other person.

2. AGREEMENT DATE:

Do **not** place a date in the date fields on Page 1 of the agreement. The Bureau will add the date when the agreement is fully executed. However, the individuals signing for the municipality need to date their signatures and indicate titles on the signature page.

3. **SEALS**:

Except in the case of Counties, seals are not required for valid execution by political subdivisions. The municipality is free to affix its seal if it so desires. If the municipality places the seal on an agreement, please be sure that the name on the seal corresponds exactly to the governmental body's name as set forth in the agreement.



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AGREEMENT TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO PENNDOT SYSTEMS (POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS)

THIS	INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT, made and entered into this day of,, by and between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
acting	through the Department of Transportation, hereinafter referred to as DEPARTMENT,
	AND
_	(NAME OF APPLICANT)
_	(REGISTERED OR PRINCIPAL OFFICE LEGAL ADDRESS OF APPLICANT)

(PRINCIPAL OFFICE PHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS)

hereinafter referred to as APPLICANT, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through its proper officials.

WHEREAS, the APPLICANT desires to register as a DEPARTMENT business partner to be permitted electronic access to the following DEPARTMENT systems: <u>dotGrants System</u> (hereinafter referred to as "System" whether singular or plural) for the purposes of entering information into and exchanging data with the System; and

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT, in furtherance of the powers and duties conferred on it by Section 2002 of the Administrative Code of 1929, as amended,71 P.S. Section 512, to design and construct state highways and other transportation facilities, to undertake other transportation-related activities, and to enter into contracts for these purposes, is willing to permit the APPLICANT to electronically submit applications, technical proposals, invoices, engineering plans, designs and other documents necessary to design and construct transportation projects or undertake other transportation-related activities as part of the DEPARTMENT'S program to use the System.

WHEREAS, Sections 2001.1 of the Administrative Code of 1929, as amended (71 P.S. §511.1) authorizes the DEPARTMENT, through the Secretary of Transportation, to enter into all necessary contracts and agreements with the proper agencies of any government, federal, state or political subdivision, "for any purpose connected in any way with the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual promises expressed in this document, and intending to be legally bound, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The APPLICANT is responsible for furnishing and assuming the total costs of all software and hardware necessary to connect to the System. Such software shall include an operating system, an Internet browser and any software needed to operate a modem. The APPLICANT is responsible for the procurement and cost of any data communications lines required to connect to the System. The APPLICANT is responsible for the cost of telephone lines and usage.
- 2. The APPLICANT will be permitted access to the System as the DEPARTMENT shall direct.
- 3. The APPLICANT will implement appropriate security measures to insure that only authorized employees of the APPLICANT will have access to and enter data into the System. The APPLICANT agrees to assign only its current employees User Identification Internet System access codes ("User ID codes") provided to the APPLICANT by the DEPARTMENT. The APPLICANT agrees to assign a separate and distinct User ID code to each current employee who will concur in awards, sign contracts and approve payments. The APPLICANT agrees to accept full responsibility for controlling the User ID codes that the APPLICANT assigns to the employees of the APPLICANT. The APPLICANT agrees to deactivate an employee's User ID code immediately upon the employee's separation and/or dismissal from the employ of or association with the APPLICANT. The APPLICANT agrees that the APPLICANT'S employees may not share User ID codes. The APPLICANT agrees to be responsible for the items submitted under one of its assigned User ID codes.
- 4. The DEPARTMENT shall make provisions for the APPLICANT to obtain initial training for the System. This training may not include any non-System program topics, nor may it include training on any other computer hardware or software, including, but not limited to, operation of a personal computer.
- 5. The DEPARTMENT will make reasonable attempts (barring unforeseen interruptions due to calamity, natural disaster or technical impossibility) to make the System available for on-line access 24 hours per day, seven days per week, except for ten hours each workday when the System databases are updated. The DEPARTMENT will provide support only during the normal business hours of the DEPARTMENT offices.
- 6. This Agreement shall continue until terminated by either Party, at any time, without cause, within fifteen (15) days upon receipt of written notice thereof. Any material breach of this Agreement by either Party shall entitle the other Party to terminate this Agreement without prejudice to its rights or remedies available at law or in equity. Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, APPLICANT shall cease and shall cause its users to cease attempts to access the System.
- 7. The APPLICANT agrees to comply with the Nondiscrimination/Sexual Harassment Clause (Exhibit "A"), the Contractor Integrity Provisions (Exhibit "B"), the Contractor Responsibility Provisions (Exhibit "C"), the Offset Provision (Exhibit "D") and the Provisions Concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act (Exhibit "E"), all of which are attached to and made part of this Agreement. As used in these exhibits, the term "contractor" refers to the APPLICANT.
- 8. The Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law, 65 P.S. §§ 67.101—3104, applies to this Agreement. Therefore, this Agreement is subject to, and the APPLICANT shall comply with, the clause entitled Contract Provisions Right to Know Law, attached as Exhibit "F" and made a part of this Agreement. As used in the attached exhibit, the term "Contractor" refers to the APPLICANT.
- 9. This Agreement embodies the entire understanding between the DEPARTMENT and APPLICANT and there are no contracts, agreements, or understanding with reference to the subject matter hereof which are not merged herein.

(Print APPLICANT Name) **ATTEST: SIGNATORY(IES):** BY: (Signature) (Date) (Signature) (Date) Print Name Print Name (Title) (Title) (Signature) (Date) COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Print Name BY: (Department Signatory and Date)

(Title)

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MAIL COMPLETED AGREEMENT TO:

APPROVED AS TO LEGALITY AND FORM

(Chief Counsel Signatory and Date)

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Center for Program Development & Management Financial & Contract Services Division 400 North Street, P.O. Box 8211 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8211

EXHIBIT A

NONDISCRIMINATION/SEXUAL HARASSMENT CLAUSE [Grants]

The Grantee agrees:

- 1. In the hiring of any employee(s) for the manufacture of supplies, performance of work, or any other activity required under the grant agreement or any subgrant agreement, contract, or subcontract, the Grantee, a subgrantee, a contractor, a subcontractor, or any person acting on behalf of the Grantee shall not discriminate by reason of race, gender, creed, color, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or in violation of the *Pennsylvania Human Relations Act* (PHRA) and applicable federal laws, against any citizen of this Commonwealth who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates.
- 2. The Grantee, any subgrantee, contractor or any subcontractor or any person on their behalf shall not in any manner discriminate by reason of race, gender, creed, color, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or in violation of the PHRA and applicable federal laws, against or intimidate any of its employees.
- 3. The Grantee, any subgrantee, contractor or any subcontractor shall establish and maintain a written nondiscrimination and sexual harassment policy and shall inform their employees in writing of the policy. The policy must contain a provision that sexual harassment will not be tolerated and employees who practice it will be disciplined. Posting this Nondiscrimination/Sexual Harassment Clause conspicuously in easily-accessible and well-lighted places customarily frequented by employees and at or near where the grant services are performed shall satisfy this requirement for employees with an established work site.
- **4.** The Grantee, any subgrantee, contractor or any subcontractor shall not discriminate by reason of race, gender, creed, color, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or in violation of the PHRA and applicable federal laws, against any subgrantee, contractor, subcontractor or supplier who is qualified to perform the work to which the grant relates.
- 5. The Grantee and each subgrantee, contractor and subcontractor represents that it is presently in compliance with and will maintain compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations relating to nondiscrimination and sexual harassment. The Grantee and each subgrantee, contractor and subcontractor further represents that it has filed a Standard Form 100 Employer Information Report ("EEO-1") with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") and shall file an annual EEO-1 report with the EEOC as required for employers' subject to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, that have 100 or more employees and employers that have federal government contracts or first-tier subcontracts and have 50 or more employees. The Grantee, any subgrantee, any contractor or any subcontractor shall, upon request and within the time periods requested by the Commonwealth, furnish all necessary employment documents and records, including EEO-1 reports, and permit access to their books, records, and accounts by the granting agency and the Bureau of Diversity, Inclusion and Small Business Opportunities for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the provisions of this Nondiscrimination/Sexual Harassment Clause.

EXHIBIT A

- **6.** The Grantee, any subgrantee, contractor or any subcontractor shall include the provisions of this Nondiscrimination/Sexual Harassment Clause in every subgrant agreement, contract or subcontract so that those provisions applicable to subgrantees, contractors or subcontractors will be binding upon each subgrantee, contractor or subcontractor.
- 7. The Granter's and each subgrantee's, contractor's and subcontractor's obligations pursuant to these provisions are ongoing from and after the effective date of the grant agreement through the termination date thereof. Accordingly, the Grantee and each subgrantee, contractor and subcontractor shall have an obligation to inform the Commonwealth if, at any time during the term of the grant agreement, it becomes aware of any actions or occurrences that would result in violation of these provisions.
- 8. The Commonwealth may cancel or terminate the grant agreement and all money due or to become due under the grant agreement may be forfeited for a violation of the terms and conditions of this Nondiscrimination/Sexual Harassment Clause. In addition, the granting agency may proceed with debarment or suspension and may place the Grantee, subgrantee, contractor, or subcontractor in the Contractor Responsibility File.

EXHIBIT B: CONTRACTOR INTEGRITY PROVISIONS

It is essential that those who seek to contract with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Commonwealth") observe high standards of honesty and integrity. They must conduct themselves in a manner that fosters public confidence in the integrity of the Commonwealth contracting and procurement process.

- 1. DEFINITIONS. For purposes of these Contractor Integrity Provisions, the following terms shall have the meanings found in this Section:
 - a. "Affiliate" means two or more entities where (a) a parent entity owns more than fifty percent of the voting stock of each of the entities; or (b) a common shareholder or group of shareholders owns more than fifty percent of the voting stock of each of the entities; or (c) the entities have a common proprietor or general partner.
 - b. "Consent" means written permission signed by a duly authorized officer or employee of the Commonwealth, provided that where the material facts have been disclosed, in writing, by prequalification, bid, proposal, or contractual terms, the Commonwealth shall be deemed to have consented by virtue of the execution of this contract.
 - c. "Contractor" means the individual or entity, that has entered into this contract with the Commonwealth.
 - d. "Contractor Related Parties" means any affiliates of the Contractor and the Contractor's executive officers, Pennsylvania officers and directors, or owners of 5 percent or more interest in the Contractor.
 - e. "Financial Interest" means either:
 - (1) Ownership of more than a five percent interest in any business; or
 - (2) Holding a position as an officer, director, trustee, partner, employee, or holding any position of management.
 - f. "Gratuity" means tendering, giving, or providing anything of more than nominal monetary value including, but not limited to, cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. The exceptions set forth in the Governor's Code of Conduct, Executive Order 1980-18, the 4 Pa. Code §7.153(b), shall apply.
 - g. "Non-bid Basis" means a contract awarded or executed by the Commonwealth with Contractor without seeking bids or proposals from any other potential bidder or offeror.
- 2. In furtherance of this policy, Contractor agrees to the following:
 - a. Contractor shall maintain the highest standards of honesty and integrity during the performance of this contract and shall take no action in violation of state or federal laws or regulations or any other applicable laws or regulations, or other requirements applicable to Contractor or that govern contracting or procurement with the Commonwealth.

- b. Contractor shall establish and implement a written business integrity policy, which includes, at a minimum, the requirements of these provisions as they relate to the Contractor activity with the Commonwealth and Commonwealth employees and which is made known to all Contractor employees. Posting these Contractor Integrity Provisions conspicuously in easily-accessible and well-lighted places customarily frequented by employees and at or near where the contract services are performed shall satisfy this requirement.
- c. Contractor, its affiliates, agents, employees and anyone in privity with Contractor shall not accept, agree to give, offer, confer, or agree to confer or promise to confer, directly or indirectly, any gratuity or pecuniary benefit to any person, or to influence or attempt to influence any person in violation of any federal or state law, regulation, executive order of the Governor of Pennsylvania, statement of policy, management directive or any other published standard of the Commonwealth in connection with performance of work under this contract, except as provided in this contract.
- d. Contractor shall not have a financial interest in any other contractor, subcontractor, or supplier providing services, labor, or material under this contract, unless the financial interest is disclosed to the Commonwealth in writing and the Commonwealth consents to Contractor's financial interest prior to Commonwealth execution of the contract. Contractor shall disclose the financial interest to the Commonwealth at the time of bid or proposal submission, or if no bids or proposals are solicited, no later than Contractor's submission of the contract signed by Contractor.
- e. Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that within the last five (5) years Contractor or Contractor Related Parties have not:
 - (1) been indicted or convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude or business honesty or integrity in any jurisdiction;
 - (2) been suspended, debarred or otherwise disqualified from entering into any contract with any governmental agency;
 - (3) had any business license or professional license suspended or revoked;
 - (4) had any sanction or finding of fact imposed as a result of a judicial or administrative proceeding related to fraud, extortion, bribery, bid rigging, embezzlement, misrepresentation or anti-trust; and
 - (5) been, and is not currently, the subject of a criminal investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency and/or civil anti-trust investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency.

If Contractor cannot so certify to the above, then it must submit along with its bid, proposal or contract a written explanation of why such certification cannot be made and the Commonwealth will determine whether a contract may be entered into with the Contractor. The Contractor's obligation pursuant to this certification is ongoing from and after the effective date of the contract through the termination date thereof. Accordingly, the Contractor shall have an obligation to immediately notify the Commonwealth in writing if at any time during the term of the contract if becomes aware of any event which would cause the Contractor's certification or explanation to change. Contractor acknowledges that the Commonwealth may, in its sole discretion, terminate the contract for cause if it learns that any of the certifications made herein are currently false due to intervening factual circumstances or were false or should have been known to be false when entering into the contract.

f. Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Lobbying Disclosure Act (65 Pa.C.S. §13A01 et seq.) regardless of the method of award. If this contract was awarded on a Non-

- bid Basis, Contractor must also comply with the requirements of the Section 1641 of the Pennsylvania Election Code (25 P.S. §3260a).
- g. When Contractor has reason to believe that any breach of ethical standards as set forth in law, the Governor's Code of Conduct, or these Contractor Integrity Provisions has occurred or may occur, including but not limited to contact by a Commonwealth officer or employee which, if acted upon, would violate such ethical standards, Contractor shall immediately notify the Commonwealth contracting officer or the Office of the State Inspector General in writing.
- h. Contractor, by submission of its bid or proposal and/or execution of this contract and by the submission of any bills, invoices or requests for payment pursuant to the contract, certifies and represents that it has not violated any of these Contractor Integrity Provisions in connection with the submission of the bid or proposal, during any contract negotiations or during the term of the contract, to include any extensions thereof. Contractor shall immediately notify the Commonwealth in writing of any actions for occurrences that would result in a violation of these Contractor Integrity Provisions. Contractor agrees to reimburse the Commonwealth for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Office of the State Inspector General for investigations of the Contractor's compliance with the terms of this or any other agreement between the Contractor and the Commonwealth that results in the suspension or debarment of the Contractor. Contractor shall not be responsible for investigative costs for investigations that do not result in the Contractor's suspension or debarment.
- i. Contractor shall cooperate with the Office of the State Inspector General in its investigation of any alleged Commonwealth agency or employee breach of ethical standards and any alleged Contractor non-compliance with these Contractor Integrity Provisions. Contractor agrees to make identified Contractor employees available for interviews at reasonable times and places. Contractor, upon the inquiry or request of an Inspector General, shall provide, or if appropriate, make promptly available for inspection or copying, any information of any type or form deemed relevant by the Office of the State Inspector General to Contractor's integrity and compliance with these provisions. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, Contractor's business or financial records, documents or files of any type or form that refer to or concern this contract. Contractor shall incorporate this paragraph in any agreement, contract or subcontract it enters into in the course of the performance of this contract/agreement solely for the purpose of obtaining subcontractor compliance with this provision. The incorporation of this provision in a subcontract shall not create privity of contract between the Commonwealth and any such subcontractor, and no third party beneficiaries shall be created thereby.
- j. For violation of any of these Contractor Integrity Provisions, the Commonwealth may terminate this and any other contract with Contractor, claim liquidated damages in an amount equal to the value of anything received in breach of these Provisions, claim damages for all additional costs and expenses incurred in obtaining another contractor to complete performance under this contract, and debar and suspend Contractor from doing business with the Commonwealth. These rights and remedies are cumulative, and the use or non-use of any one shall not preclude the use of all or any other. These rights and remedies are in addition to those the Commonwealth may have under law, statute, regulation, or otherwise.

EXHIBIT C: CONTRACTOR REPSONSIBILITY PROVISIONS

For the purpose of these provisions, the term contractor is defined as any person, including, but not limited to, a bidder, offeror, loan recipient, grantee or lessor, who has furnished or performed or seeks to furnish or perform, goods, supplies, services, leased space, construction or other activity, under a contract, grant, lease, purchase order or reimbursement agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Commonwealth). The term contractor includes a permittee, licensee, or any agency, political subdivision, instrumentality, public authority, or other public entity in the Commonwealth.

- 1. The Contractor certifies, in writing, for itself and its subcontractors required to be disclosed or approved by the Commonwealth, that as of the date of its execution of this Bid/Contract, that neither the Contractor, nor any such subcontractors, are under suspension or debarment by the Commonwealth or any governmental entity, instrumentality, or authority and, if the Contractor cannot so certify, then it agrees to submit, along with its Bid/Contract, a written explanation of why such certification cannot be made.
- 2. The Contractor also certifies, in writing, that as of the date of its execution of this Bid/Contract it has no tax liabilities or other Commonwealth obligations, or has filed a timely administrative or judicial appeal if such liabilities or obligations exist, or is subject to a duly approved deferred payment plan if such liabilities exist.
- 3. The Contractor's obligations pursuant to these provisions are ongoing from and after the effective date of the Contract through the termination date thereof. Accordingly, the Contractor shall have an obligation to inform the Commonwealth if, at any time during the term of the Contract, it becomes delinquent in the payment of taxes, or other Commonwealth obligations, or if it or, to the best knowledge of the Contractor, any of its subcontractors are suspended or debarred by the Commonwealth, the federal government, or any other state or governmental entity. Such notification shall be made within 15 days of the date of suspension or debarment.
- 4. The failure of the Contractor to notify the Commonwealth of its suspension or debarment by the Commonwealth, any other state, or the federal government shall constitute an event of default of the Contract with the Commonwealth.
- 5. The Contractor agrees to reimburse the Commonwealth for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Office of State Inspector General for investigations of the Contractor's compliance with the terms of this or any other agreement between the Contractor and the Commonwealth that results in the suspension or debarment of the contractor. Such costs shall include, but shall not be limited to, salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; and expert witness and documentary fees. The Contractor shall not be responsible for investigative costs for investigations that do not result in the Contractor's suspension or debarment.
- 6. The Contractor may obtain a current list of suspended and debarred Commonwealth contractors by either searching the Internet at http://www.dgs.state.pa.us/ or contacting the:

Department of General Services | Office of Chief Counsel 603 North Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17125 Telephone No: (717) 783-6472 | FAX No: (717) 787-9138

EXHIBIT D: OFFSET PROVISION

The Contractor agrees that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Commonwealth) may set off the amount of any state tax liability or other obligation of the Contractor or its subsidiaries to the Commonwealth against any payments due the contractor under any contract with the Commonwealth.

EXHIBIT E: PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

For the purpose of these provisions, the term contractor is defined as any person, including, but not limited to, a bidder, offeror, supplier, or grantee, who will furnish or perform or seeks to furnish or perform, goods, supplies, services, construction or other activity, under a purchase order, contract, or grant with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Commonwealth).

During the term of this agreement, the contractor agrees as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to federal regulations promulgated under the authority of the *Americans with Disabilities Act*, 28 C. F. R. § 35.101 et seq., the contractor understands and agrees that no individual with a disability shall, on the basis of the disability, be excluded from participation in this agreement or from activities provided for under this agreement. As a condition of accepting and executing this agreement, the contractor agrees to comply with the "General Prohibitions Against Discrimination," 28 C. F. R. § 35.130, and all other regulations promulgated under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act which are applicable to the benefits, services, programs, and activities provided by the Commonwealth through contracts with outside contractors.
- 2. The contractor shall be responsible for and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Commonwealth from all losses, damages, expenses, claims, demands, suits, and actions brought by any party against the Commonwealth as a result of the contractor's failure to comply with the provisions of paragraph 1.

EXHIBIT F: GRANT PROVISIONS – RIGHT TO KNOW LAW

- 1. Grantee or Subgrantee understands that this Grant Agreement and records related to or arising out of the Grant Agreement are subject to requests made pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law, 65 P.S. §§ 67.101-3104, ("RTKL"). For the purpose of these provisions, the term "the Commonwealth" shall refer to the granting Commonwealth agency.
- 2. If the Commonwealth needs the Grantee's or Subgrantee's assistance in any matter arising out of the RTKL related to this Grant Agreement, it shall notify the Grantee or Subgrantee using the legal contact information provided in the Grant Agreement. The Grantee or Subgrantee, at any time, may designate a different contact for such purpose upon reasonable prior written notice to the Commonwealth.
- 3. Upon written notification from the Commonwealth that it requires Grantee's or Subgrantee's assistance in responding to a request under the RTKL for information related to this Grant Agreement that may be in Grantee's or Subgrantee's possession, constituting, or alleged to constitute, a public record in accordance with the RTKL ("Requested Information"), Grantee or Subgrantee shall:
 - a. Provide the Commonwealth, within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of written notification, access to, and copies of, any document or information in Grantee's or Subgrantee's possession arising out of this Grant Agreement that the Commonwealth reasonably believes is Requested Information and may be a public record under the RTKL; and
 - b. Provide such other assistance as the Commonwealth may reasonably request, in order to comply with the RTKL with respect to this Grant Agreement.
- 4. If Grantee or Subgrantee considers the Requested Information to include a request for a Trade Secret or Confidential Proprietary Information, as those terms are defined by the RTKL, or other information that Grantee or Subgrantee considers exempt from production under the RTKL, Grantee or Subgrantee must notify the Commonwealth and provide, within seven (7) calendar days of receiving the written notification, a written statement signed by a representative of Grantee or Subgrantee explaining why the requested material is exempt from public disclosure under the RTKL.
- 5. The Commonwealth will rely upon the written statement from Grantee or Subgrantee in denying a RTKL request for the Requested Information unless the Commonwealth determines that the Requested Information is clearly not protected from disclosure under the RTKL. Should the Commonwealth determine that the Requested Information is clearly not exempt from disclosure, Grantee or Subgrantee shall provide the Requested Information within five (5) business days of receipt of written notification of the Commonwealth's determination.
- 6. If Grantee or Subgrantee fails to provide the Requested Information within the time period required by these provisions, Grantee or Subgrantee shall indemnify and hold the Commonwealth harmless for any damages, penalties, costs, detriment or harm that the Commonwealth may incur as a result of Grantee's or Subgrantee's failure, including any statutory damages assessed against the Commonwealth.

- 7. The Commonwealth will reimburse Grantee or Subgrantee for any costs associated with complying with these provisions only to the extent allowed under the fee schedule established by the office of Open Records or as otherwise provided by the RTKL if the fee schedule is inapplicable.
- 8. Grantee or Subgrantee may file a legal challenge to any Commonwealth decision to release a record to the public with the Office of Open Records, or in the Pennsylvania Courts, however, Grantee or Subgrantee shall indemnify the Commonwealth for any legal expenses incurred by the Commonwealth as a result of such a challenge and shall hold the Commonwealth harmless for any damages, penalties, costs, detriment or harm that the Commonwealth may incur as a result of Grantee's or Subgrantee's failure, including any statutory damages assessed against the Commonwealth, regardless of the outcome of such legal challenge. As between the parties, Grantee or Subgrantee agrees to waive all rights or remedies that may be available to it as a result of the Commonwealth's disclosure of Requested Information pursuant to the RTKL.
- 9. The Grantee's or Subgrantee's duties relating to the RTKL are continuing duties that survive the expiration of this Grant Agreement and shall continue as long as the Grantee or Subgrantee has Requested Information in its possession.