

BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER

STATE OF MARYLAND

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SHIP TO: AS SPECIFIED ON INDIVIDUAL ORDERS		
VENDOR ID: VWR INTERNATIONAL LLC BUILDING ONE STE 200 PO BOX 6660 100 MATSONFORD RD RADNOR, PA (610)386-1700	19087-8660	REFER QUESTIONS TO: MATTHEW SMITH (410)767-3039 MATTHEW.SMITH2@MARYLAND.GOV
ITB: 001IT821461	EXPR DATE: 02/28/29 POST DATE: 12/04/24	DISCOUNT TERMS: . NET 30 DAY CONTRACT AMOUNT: .00

TERMS:

ARTICLES HEREIN ARE EXEMPT FROM MARYLAND SALES AND USE TAXES BY EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE NUMBER 3000256-3 AND FROM FEDERAL EXCISE TAXES BY EXEMPTION NUMBER 52-73-0358K. IT IS THE VENDOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ADVISE COMMON CARRIERS THAT AGENCIES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND ARE EXEMPT FROM TRANSPORTATION TAX.

STATEWIDE ICPA CONTRACT FOR
LABORATORY EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

THIS IS A STATEWIDE CONTRACT FOR LABORATORY EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES
BASED ON NASPO VALUE POINT CONTRACT MA2024005, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2024
THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2029, WITH THREE (3) ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS.

VENDOR CONTACT: REBECCA RICHEY
VENDOR PHONE: 949-510-4566
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INDEFINITE DELIVEYR INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT FOR SUPPLYING THE STA
TE OF MARYLAND AND USING AUTHORITIES WITH LABORATORY EQUIPMENT AND SUP
PLIES AS DESCRIBED IN NASPO VALUEPOINT CONTRACT MA2024005.

QUANTITIES ARE ESTIMATES ONLY AND ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ANY
MINIMUM OR MAXIMUM GUARANTEE.

DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE:

DELIVERY SHALL BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SOLICITATION
SPECIFICATIONS. THE STATE, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, MAY EXTEND THE
TIME OF PERFORMANCE FOR EXCUSABE DELAYS DUE TO UNFORSEEABLE CAUSES
BEYOND THE CONTRACTOR'S CONTROL. THE STATE UNILATERALLY MAY ORDER IN
WRITING THE SUSPENSION, DELAY OR INTERRUPTION OF PERFORMANCE
HEREUNDER. STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TEST ANY MATERIAL EQUIPMENT,

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SUPPLIES OR SERVICES DELIVERED TO DETERMINE IF THE SPECIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN MET.

THE MATERIALS LISTED IN THE BID OR PROPOSAL SHALL BE DELIVERED FOB TO

THE MATERIALS LISTED IN THE BID OR PROPOSAL SHALL BE DELIVERED FOB TO THE POINT, OR POINTS, SPECIFIED PRIOR TO OR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE BID OR PROPOSAL. ANY MATERIAL THAT IS DEFECTIVE OR FAILS TO MEET THE TERMS OF THE SOLICITATION SPECIFICATIONS SHALL BE REJECTED. REJECTED MATERIALS SHALL PROMPTLY BE REPLACED. IF THE VENDOR REFUSES TO REPLACE REJECTED MATERIALS, THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT MATERIALS IN THE OPEN MARKET AND THE VENDOR SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY EXCESS PRICE PAID FOR THE REPLACEMENT PLUS APPLICABLE EXPENSES, IF ANY.

PURCHASES BY OTHER ENTITIES - INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACTS. THIS PROVISION APPLIES TO INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACTS:

A. PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 41, SECTION 18-201 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN (B) THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES MAY PURCHASE MATERIALS, SUPPLES AND EQUIPMENT UNDER THIS CONTRACT:

- (1) A COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY;
- (2) A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;
- (3) A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY IN THE STATE;
- (4) A PUBLIC OR QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY THAT:

- (I) RECEIVES STATE MONEY; AND
- (II) IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE;

- (5) A PRIVATE ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL THAT:

- (I) EITHER HAS BEEN ISSUED A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OR IS ACCREDITED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS; AND
- (II) IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER SECTION 501 (C)(3) IF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; OR

- (6) A NON-PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 17-106 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.

B. A PRIVATE ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL OR A NON-PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY NOT PURCHASE RELIGIOUS MATERIALS UNDER THIS CONTRACT.

C. THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO, BUT NOT IN SUBSTITUTION FOR, THE APPLICABLE POWER GRANTED TO ANY STATUTORY OR CHARTER PROVISION.

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D. ALL PURCHASES UNDER THIS CONTRACT BY ANY SUCH ENTITY WHICH IS NOT A UNIT OR AGENCY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND FOR WHICH THE STATE OF MARYLAND MAY BE HELD LIABLE IN CONTRACT (1) SHALL CONSTITUTE A PURCHASE OR CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CONTRACTOR AND THAT ENTITY ONLY; (2) SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A PURCHASE OR CONTRACT OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND; (3) SHALL NOT BE BINDING OR ENFORCEABLE AGAINST THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR ANY OF ITS UNITS OR AGENCIES; AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AGREED TO BY THE CONTRACTOR AND THE PURCHASER.

(E) CONTRACTOR BEARS THE RISK OF DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT ANY ENTITY FROM WHICH THE CONTRACTOR RECEIVES AN ORDER UNDER THE CONTRACT IS A UNIT OR AGENCY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND SUCH THAT THE CONTRACT MAY BE FORCED AGAINST THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE:

1. CONTRACTOR SHALL PAY AN ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE TO THE STATE IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE PERCENT (1%) OF THE TOTAL CONTRACT SALES.

THE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE IS CLACULATED BASED ON ALL SALES TRANSACTED UNDER THE CONTRACT, MINUS ANY RETURNS OR CREDITS. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE SHALL NOT BE CHARGED DIRECTLY TO THE CUSTOMER, E.G. AS A SEPERATE LINE ITEM, FEE OR SURCHARGE, BUT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACTOR'S UNIT PRICES.

2. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, FISCAL SERVICES DIVISION, 301 W. PRESTON STREET, ROOM 1309, BALTIMORE, MD 21201, THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE END OF EACH REPORTING PERIOD ALONG WITH A MONTHLY USAGE REPORT DOCUMENTING ALL CONTRACT SALES.

AN EXCEL VERSION OF THE MONTHLY USAGE REPORT SHALL BE EMAILED TO: DGS.STATEWIDECONTRACTUSAGEREPORT@MARYLAND.GOV.

3. FAILURE TO REMIT TRANSACTION FEES IN A TIMELY MANNER OR REMITTANCE OF FEES INCONSISTENT WITH THE CONTRACT'S REQUIREMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE STATE EXERCISING ALL RECOURSES AVAILABLE UNDER THE CONTRACT INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A THIRD PARTY AUDIT OF ALL CONTRACT ACTIVITY. SHOULD AN AUDIT BE REQUIRED BY THE STATE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL REIMBURSE THE STATE FOR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AUDIT UP TO \$10,000.00 OR ONE PERCENT (1%) OF THE CONTRACT'S ESTIMATED VALUE, WHICHEVER IS HIGHER.

4. PRIOR TO AWARD, CONTRACTORS WILL VBE ASKED TO CONFIRM, IN WRITING, THAT THEIR UNIT PRICES INCLUDE THE 1% ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE. PAYMENTS TO THE CONTRACTOR PURSUANT TO THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE MADE NO LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE STATE'S RECEIPT OF A PROPER INVOICE FROM THE CONTRACTOR. CHARGES FOR LATE PAYMENT OF INVOICES, OTHER THAN PRESCRIBED BY TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 1, OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, OR BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF MARYLAND WITH RESPECT TO REGULATED PUBLIC UTILITIES, AS APPLICABLE, ARE PROHIBITED.

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ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER WILL BE USED BY THE STATE TO PAY THE CONTRACTOR FOR THIS CONTRACT AND ANY OTHER STATE PAYMENTS DUE CONTRACTOR UNLESS THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE GRANTS CONTRACTOR AN EXCEPTION.

INVOICES: FOLLOWING DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE OF ANY MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES, VWR INTERNATIONAL, LLC SHALL SUBMIT AN ORIGINAL INVOICE TO THE AGENCY FOR PAYMENT. VENDOR MUST INCLUDE THE NINE (9) DIGIT ZIP CODE OF THE COMPANY ADDRESS ON ALL INVOICES. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DELAY OF PAYMENT.

BPO/PO AS CONTRACT:

THIS PROVISION APPLIES TO ALL PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS PROCURED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES EXCEPT CONTRACTS FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR A PRICE OF GREATER THAN \$200,000.

PRIOR TO ANY ORDERS BEING PLACED AGAINST THIS BPO, USING AGENCY SHALL REVIEW THE NASPO VALUEPOINT LANDING PAGE FOR ANY UPDATES.

[HTTPS://WWW.NASPOVALUEPOINT.ORG/PORTFOLIO/LABORATORY-EQUIPMENT-AND-SUPPLIES-2024-2032/](https://www.naspo.valuepoint.org/portfolio/laboratory-equipment-and-supplies-2024-2032/)

AND THE EXECUTED BID OF THE BIDDER. IF THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER ISSUES A BPO, AT THE OPTION OF THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER IT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY FOR THE BIDDER TO EXECUTE THE BPO OF ANY OTHER FORM OF CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT. THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER MAY REQUIRE THAT THE PARTIES BOTH EXECUTE A SINGLE DOCUMENT AS THE EMBODIMENT OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

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DIAGNOSTIC REAGENTS AND SUPPLIES (FOR AUTOMATED CHEMISTRY)
LABRATORY REAGENT SUPPLIES
SEE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR DISCOUNT INFORMATION

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