# TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT

Between <u>Lenovo Global Technology (United States) Inc.</u> and

(Company Name)

#### THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS),

a Department of Texas Education Service Center Region 8 for TIPS RFP 200105 Technology Solutions, Products and Services

#### **General Information**

The Vendor Agreement ("Agreement") made and entered into by and between The Interlocal Purchasing System (hereinafter referred to as "TIPS" respectfully) a government cooperative purchasing program authorized by the Region 8 Education Service Center, having its principal place of business at 4845 US Hwy 271 North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. This Agreement consists of the provisions set forth below, including provisions of all Attachments referenced herein. In the event of a conflict between the provisions set forth below and those contained in any Attachment, the provisions set forth shall control unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing and by signature and date on the attachment. If deviations are submitted to TIPS by the proposing vendor as provided by and within the solicitation process, this Agreement may be amended to incorporate any agreed deviations.

A Purchase Order, Agreement or Contract is the TIPS Member's approval providing the authority to proceed with the negotiated delivery order under the Agreement. Special terms and conditions as agreed between the Vendor and TIPS Member should be added as addendums to the Purchase Order, Agreement or Contract. Items such as certificate of insurance, bonding requirements, small or disadvantaged business goals are some, but not all, of the addendums possible.

# **Terms and Conditions**

#### **Freight**

All shipping costs are included in the price of the hardware.

#### **Warranty Conditions**

All new supplies equipment and services shall include <u>manufacturer's minimum standard warranty</u> unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Vendor shall be legally permitted to sell all products offered for sale to TIPS Members if the offering is included in the Request for Proposal category. All goods proposed and sold shall be new unless clearly stated in writing.

#### **Customer Support**

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support for orders to TIPS Members as agreed by the Parties. Vendors shall respond to such requests within a commercially reasonable time after receipt of the request. Vendor shall not provide training regarding products and/or services supplied by the Vendor unless otherwise specifically stated in a separate State of Work at the time of purchase.

#### **Agreements**

Agreements for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) executed by authorized agents of the TIPS Member participating government entities, but other means of placing an order may be used at the Member's discretion with vendor's mutual agreement.

#### Tax exempt status

Most TIPS Members are tax exempt and the related laws and/or regulations of the controlling jurisdiction(s) of the TIPS Member shall apply. In the event the TIPS Member is tax exempt, said TIPS Member shall provide the appropriate tax exempt documentation to the Vendor.

#### **Assignments of Agreements**

No assignment of this Agreement may be made without the prior notification of TIPS. Written approval of TIPS shall not be unreasonably withheld. Payment for delivered goods and services can only be made to the awarded Vendor, Vendor designated reseller or vendor assigned company.

#### **Disclosures**

- Vendor and TIPS affirms that he/she or any authorized employees or agents has not given, offered
  to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment,
  gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public servant in connection with this
  Agreement.
- Vendor shall attach, in writing, a complete description of any and all relationships, to the best of
  its knowledge and belief, that might be considered a conflict of interest in doing business with
  the TIPS program.
- The Vendor affirms that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the offer has been arrived at independently, and is submitted without collusion with anyone to obtain information or gain any favoritism that would in any way limit competition or give an unfair advantage over other vendors in the award of this Agreement.

#### **Term and Renewal of Agreements**

The Agreement with TIPS is for three (3) years from award with an option for renewal for an additional one (1) consecutive year if both parties agree. TIPS may or may not exercise the one-year extension beyond the base three-year term and whether or not to offer the extension is at the sole discretion of TIPS. The scheduled Agreement termination date shall be the last date of the

month of the last month of the agreement's legal effect. **Example:** If the agreement is scheduled to end on May 23, the anniversary date of the award, it would actually be extended to May 31 in the last month of the last year the contract is active.

# Automatic Renewal Clauses Incorporated in Awarded Vendor Agreements with TIPS Members Resulting from the Solicitation and with the Vendor Named in this Agreement.

No Agreement for goods or services with a TIPS Member by the awarded vendor named in this Agreement that results from the solicitation award named in this Agreement, may incorporate an automatic renewal clause that exceeds month to month terms with which the TIPS Member must comply. All renewal terms incorporated in an Agreement by the vendor with the TIPS Member shall only be valid and enforceable when the vendor receives written confirmation by purchase order, executed Agreement or other written instruction issued by the TIPS Member for any renewal period. The purpose of this clause is to avoid a TIPS Member inadvertently renewing an Agreement during a period in which the governing body of the TIPS Member has not properly appropriated and budgeted the funds to satisfy the Agreement renewal. This term is not negotiable and any Agreement between a TIPS Member and a TIPS awarded vendor with an automatic renewal clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

#### **Shipments**

The Vendor shall ship, deliver or provide ordered products or services within a commercially reasonable time after the receipt of the order from the TIPS Member. If a delay in said delivery is anticipated, the Vendor shall notify TIPS Member as to why delivery is delayed and shall provide an estimated time for

completion of the order. TIPS or the requesting entity may cancel the order if estimated delivery time is not acceptable or not as agreed by the parties.

#### **Invoices**

Each invoice or pay request shall include the TIPS Member's purchase order number or other identifying designation as provided in the order by the TIPS Member. If applicable, the shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification of TIPS Member receipt shall be made available upon request.

#### **Payments**

The TIPS Member will make payments directly to the Vendor, the vendor assigned dealer or as agreed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member within thirty (30) days after receiving invoice and in compliance with applicable payment statute(s).

#### **Pricing**

Price increases will be honored according to the terms of the solicitation. All pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as provided in the solicitation, to be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor. Vendor will not show adding the fee to the invoice presented to TIPS Member customer.

#### Participation Fees and Reporting of Sales to TIPS by Vendor

The Participation Fee that was published as part of the Solicitation and the fee published is the legally effective fee, along with any fee conditions stated in the RFP. Collection of the fees by TIPS is required under Texas Government Code §791.011 Et seq. Vendor or vendor assigned dealer agrees to pay the participation fee for all Agreement sales to TIPS on a monthly scheduled report or as otherwise agreed by the parties.

#### Reporting of Sales to TIPS by Vendor

Vendor is required to report all sales under the TIPS contract to TIPS. If the TIPS Member entity requesting a price from the awarded Vendor requests the TIPS contract, Vendor must include the TIPS Contract number on any communications with the TIPS Member entity. To report sales, login to the TIPS Vendor Portal and click on the PO's and Payments tab. Pages 3-7 of the Vendor Portal User Guide will walk you through the process of reporting sales to TIPS. Please refer to the TIPS Accounting FAQ's for more information about reporting sales and if you have further questions, contact the Accounting Team at accounting@tips-usa.com. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealers are responsible for keeping record of all sales that go through the TIPS Agreement and submitting same to TIPS. Failure to render the participation fee to TIPS shall constitute a breach of this agreement with our parent governmental entity, Texas Education Service Center Region 8, as established by the Texas legislature and shall be grounds for termination of this agreement and any other agreement held with TIPS and possible legal action. TIPS reserves all rights under the law to collect the fees due. Please contact TIPS at tips@tips-usa.com or call (866) 839-8477 if you have questions about paying fees.

#### Indemnification

The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees from and against all claims and suits by third parties for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's performance of this Agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors. Parties found liable shall pay their proportionate share of damages as agreed by the parties or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction over the case. NO LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARE PERMITTED OR AGREED BY TIPS/ESC REGION 8. Per Texas Education Code §44.032(f), and pursuant to its

requirements only, reasonable Attorney's fees are recoverable by the prevailing party in any dispute resulting in litigation.

If an infringement claim is made, TIPS will provide notice of such claim and grant Vendor sole control of the defense and provide reasonable support to defend such claim. Vendor will, at its own expense, mitigate its liabilities by the first of the following actions that is practicable: (a) obtain a right for continued use of the Product; (b) modify the Product to make it non-infringing; (c) substitute a comparable non-infringing Product; or (d) at TIPS' written request, accept return of the infringing Product and credit an amount equal to the net book value of the Product to TIPS and TIPS Members.

Vendor has no obligation for any claim arising from the (A) combination, by TIPS and TIPS members, of any of Vendor's Product(s) with a product which the Vendor's Product was not designed to operate or be combined with, to the extent such claim would not have arisen but for such combination of the Vendor's Product with any such product and (B) modification or alteration by TIP and TIPS members from the form that it was delivered by Vendor.

#### **Limitation of Liability**

In no event will either party be liable to the other for any lost revenues, lost profits, incidental, indirect, consequential, special or punitive damages. This mutual limitation of liability does not limit the obligations and liability of Vendor provided in the section entitled "Indemnification."

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, except for the indemnification obligations set forth in the "Indemnification" section, in no event shall either party's total liability for damages, losses, or liability of any kind exceed the amount of fees paid or payable by Vendor under this Agreement.

#### State of Texas Franchise Tax

By signature hereon, the bidder hereby certifies that he/she is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes owed the State of Texas under Chapter 171, Tax Code.

#### Miscellaneous

The Vendor acknowledges and agrees that continued participation in TIPS is subject to TIPS sole discretion and that any Vendor may be removed from the participation in the Program at any time with or without cause. Nothing in the Agreement or in any other communication between TIPS and the Vendor may be construed as a guarantee that TIPS or TIPS Members will submit any orders at any time. TIPS reserves the right to request additional proposals for items or services already on Agreement at any time.

#### **Purchase Order Pricing/Product Deviation**

If a deviation of pricing/product on a purchase order or contract modification occurs between the Vendor and the TIPS Member, TIPS must be notified within five (5) business days of receipt of change order.

#### Termination for Convenience of TIPS Agreement Only

TIPS reserves the right to terminate this agreement for cause or no cause for convenience with a thirty (30) days prior written notice. Termination for convenience is conditionally required under Federal Regulations 2 CFR part 200 if the customer is using federal funds for the procurement. All purchase orders presented to the Vendor, but not fulfilled by the Vendor, by a TIPS Member prior to the actual termination of this agreement shall be honored at the option of the TIPS Member. The awarded vendor may terminate the agreement with ninety (90) days prior written notice to TIPS 4845 US Hwy North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. The vendor will be paid for goods and services delivered prior to the termination provided that the goods and services were delivered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the terminated agreement. This termination clause does not affect the sales agreements executed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member customer pursuant to this agreement. TIPs Members may negotiate a termination for

convenience clause that meets the needs of the transaction based on applicable factors, such as funding sources or other needs.

#### **TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures**

Usually, purchase orders or their equal are issued by participating TIPS Member to the awarded vendor and should indicate on the order that the purchase is per the applicable TIPS Agreement number. Orders are typically emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com.

- Awarded vendor delivers goods/services directly to the participating member.
- Awarded vendor invoices the participating TIPS Member directly.
- Awarded vendor receives payment directly from the participating member.
- Awarded vendor reports sales monthly to TIPS (unless prior arrangements have been made with TIPS for an alternative submission schedule).

#### Licenses

Awarded vendor shall maintain, in current status, all federal, state and local licenses, bonds and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by awarded vendor. Awarded vendor shall remain reasonably fully informed of and in compliance with all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful

provision of goods or services under the Agreement. TIPS and TIPS Members reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel an order or terminate this or any other sales Agreement of any awarded vendor whose license(s) required for performance under this Agreement have expired, lapsed, are suspended or terminated subject to a 30-day cure period unless prohibited by applicable statue or regulation.

#### **Novation**

If awarded vendor sells or transfers all assets, rights or the entire portion of the assets or rights required to perform this Agreement, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Agreement. A simple change of name agreement will not change the Agreement obligations of awarded vendor. TIPS will consider Contract Assignments on a case by case basis. TIPS must be notified within five (5) business days of the transfer of assets or rights.

#### Site Requirements (only when applicable to service or job)

**Cleanup**: When performing work on site at a TIPS Member's property, awarded vendor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish resulting from their work as required or directed by TIPS Member or as agreed by the parties. Upon completion of work, the premises shall be left in good repair and an orderly, neat, clean and unobstructed condition. TIPS Members shall provide sufficient receptacles for the disposal of all debris and rubbish by Vendor.

**Preparation:** Awarded vendor shall not begin a project for which TIPS Member has not prepared the site, unless awarded vendor does the preparation work at no cost, or until TIPS Member includes the details of the specific site work cost of site preparation in a separate statement of work and purchase order. Site preparation includes, but is not limited to: moving furniture, installing wiring for networks or power, and similar pre-installation requirements.

Registered sex offender restrictions: For work to be performed at schools, awarded vendor agrees that no employee of a sub-contractor who has been adjudicated to be a registered sex offender will perform work at any time when students are, or reasonably expected to be, present unless otherwise agreed by the TIPS Member. Awarded vendor agrees that a violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach and may result in the cancellation of the purchase order at the TIPS Member's discretion.

Awarded vendor must identify any additional costs associated with compliance of this term. If no costs are specified, compliance with this term will be provided at no additional charge. **Safety measures:** Awarded vendor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of employees on its worksite, and shall erect and properly maintain all necessary safeguards for protection of workers and the public on its worksite as required by law. Awarded vendor shall post warning signs against all hazards created by the operation and

work in progress at its worksite as required by law. Proper precautions shall be taken pursuant to state law and standard practices to protect workers, general public and existing structures from injury or damage by TIPS Members on their worksites and by Vendor on its worksite.

#### **Smoking**

Persons working under Agreement shall adhere to the TIPS Member's or local smoking statutes, codes or policies.

#### Marketing

Awarded vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within TIPS website, marketing materials and advertisement subject to any reasonable restrictions provided to TIPS in the Proposal to the Solicitation. The Vendor may submit an acceptable use directive for Vendor's names and logos with which TIPS agrees to comply. Any use of TIPS name and logo or any form of publicity, inclusive of press release, regarding this Agreement by awarded vendor must have prior approval from TIPS which will not be unreasonably withheld. Request may be made by email to TIPS@TIPS-USA.COM

#### **Supplemental Agreements**

The TIPS Member entity participating in the TIPS Agreement and awarded vendor may enter into a separate Supplemental Agreement or contract to further define the level of service requirements over and above the minimum defined in this Agreement such as but not limited to, invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any Supplemental Agreement or contract developed as a result of this Agreement is exclusively between the TIPS Member entity customer and the Vendor. TIPS, its agents, TIPS Members and employees not a party to the Supplemental Agreement with the TIPS Member customer, shall not be made party to any claim for breach of such agreement unless named and agreed by the Party in question in writing in the agreement. If a Vendor submitting a Proposal requires TIPS and/or TIPS Member to sign an additional agreement, those agreements shall comply with the award made by TIPS to the Vendor. Supplemental Vendor's Agreement documents may not become part of TIPS's Agreement with vendor unless and until an authorized representative of TIPS reviews and approves it. TIPS review and approval may be at any time during the life of this Vendor Agreement. TIPS permits TIPS Members to negotiate additional terms and conditions with the Vendor for the provision of goods or services under the Vendor's TIPS Agreement so long as they do not materially conflict with this Agreement.

#### **Survival Clause**

All applicable sales, leases, Supplemental Agreements, contracts, software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that were entered into between Vendor and TIPS or the TIPS Member Customer under the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement. All Orders, Purchase Orders issued or contracts executed by TIPS or a TIPS Member and accepted by the Vendor prior to the expiration or termination of this agreement, shall survive expiration or termination of the Agreement, subject to previously agreed terms and conditions agreed by the parties or as otherwise specified herein relating to termination of this agreement.

#### **Legal obligations**

It is the responding Vendor's responsibility to be aware of and comply with all local, state and federal laws governing the sale of products/services identified in the applicable Solicitation that resulted in this Vendor Agreement and any awarded Agreement thereof. Applicable laws and regulations must be followed even if not specifically identified herein.

#### **Audit rights**

Due to transparency statutes and public accountability requirements of TIPS and TIPS Members', the awarded

Vendor shall, at their sole expense, maintain appropriate due diligence of all purchases made by TIPS Member that utilizes this Agreement. TIPS and Region 8 ESC each reserve the right to audit the accounting of TIPS related purchases for a period of three (3) years from the time such purchases are made. This audit right shall survive termination of this Agreement for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of termination. In order to ensure and confirm compliance with this agreement, TIPS shall have authority to conduct audits of Awarded Vendor's pricing or TIPS transaction documentation with TIPS Members with 30 calendar days' prior written notice unless the audit is ordered by a Court Order or by a Government Agency with authority to do so without notice.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that TIPS is made aware of any pricing being offered to eligible entities that is materially inconsistent with the pricing under this agreement, TIPS shall have the ability to conduct the audit internally or may engage a third- party auditing firm to investigate any possible non-compliant conduct or may terminate the Agreement according to the terms of this Agreement. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be reasonably provided in the time, format and at the location acceptable to Region 8 ESC or TIPS. TIPS agrees not to perform a random audit of the TIPS transaction documentation more than once per calendar year, but reserves the right to audit for just cause, so long as such just cause audit is not determined to be burdensome by Vendor, or as required by any governmental agency or court with regulatory authority over TIPS or the TIPS Member.

#### **Force Majeure**

Except for payment obligations, if by reason of Force Majeure, either party hereto shall be rendered unable wholly or in part to carry out its obligations under this Agreement then such party shall give notice and full particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon, and the obligation of the party giving such notice, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability then claimed, except as hereinafter provided, but for no longer period, and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch.

#### **Choice of Law**

The Agreement between the Vendor and TIPS/ESC Region 8 and any addenda or other additions resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles.

#### Venue, Jurisdiction and Service of Process

Any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract issued by TIPS resulting from or any contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the parties irrevocably to waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section may be served on any party anywhere in the world.

Venue for any dispute resolution process, other than litigation, between TIPS and the Vendor shall be located in Camp or Titus County, Texas.

#### **Project Delivery Order Procedures**

The TIPS Member having approved and signed an interlocal agreement, or other TIPS Membership

document, may make a request of the awarded vendor under this Agreement when the TIPS Member desires goods or services awarded to the Vendor. Notification may occur via phone, the web, courier, email, or in person. Upon notification of a pending request, the awarded vendor shall acknowledge the TIPS Member's request as soon as possible, but must make contact with the TIPS Member within two working days.

#### Status of TIPS Members as Related to This Agreement

TIPS Members stand in the place of TIPS as related to this agreement and have the same access to the proposal information and all related documents. TIPS Members have all the same rights under the awarded Agreement as TIPS.

#### Vendor's Resellers as Related to This Agreement

Vendor's Named Resellers under this Agreement shall comply with all terms and conditions of this agreement and all addenda or incorporated documents. All sales by Authorized Vendor's Resellers under this Agreement are the responsibility of the Awarded Vendor. If Resellers fail to report sales to TIPS under your Agreement, the awarded Vendor is responsible for their contractual failures and shall be billed for the fees. The awarded vendor may then recover the fees from their named reseller.

#### **Support Requirements**

If there is a dispute between the awarded vendor and TIPS Member, TIPS or its representatives will assist in conflict resolution or third party if requested by either party. TIPS, or its representatives, reserves the right to inspect any project and audit the awarded Vendor's TIPS project files, documentation and correspondence related to the requesting TIPS Member's order with advanced written notice. If there are confidentiality requirements by either party, TIPS shall comply to the extent permitted by law.

#### **Incorporation of Solicitation**

The TIPS Solicitation which resulted in this Vendor Agreement, whether a Request for Proposals, the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals or Request for Qualifications solicitation, or other, the Vendor's response to same and all associated documents and forms made part of the solicitation process, including any addenda, are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement as if copied verbatim. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the TIPS Request for Proposals or the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals and this Agreement, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall take precedence.

#### **SECTION HEADERS OR TITLES**

THE SECTON HEADERS OR TITLES WITHIN THIS DOCUMENT ARE MERELY GUIDES FOR CONVENIENCE AND ARE NOT FOR CLASSIFICATION OR LIMITING OF THE RESPONSIBILITES OF THE PARTIES TO THIS DOCUMENT.

#### STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Texas governmental entities are prohibited from doing business with companies that fail to certify to this condition as required by Texas Government Code Sec. 2270.

By executing this agreement, you certify that you are authorized to bind the undersigned Vendor and that your company (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the Agreement.

You certify that your company is not listed on and does not and will not do business with companies that are on the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts list of Designated Foreign Terrorists Organizations per Texas Gov't Code 2270.0153 found at <a href="https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf">https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf</a>

You certify that if the certified statements above become untrue at any time during the life of this Agreement that the Vendor will notify TIPS within three (3) business day of the change by a letter on Vendor's letterhead from and signed by an authorized representative of the Vendor stating the non-compliance decision and the TIPS Agreement number and description at:

Attention: General Counsel

ESC Region 8/The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS)

4845 Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX,75686

And by an email sent to bids@tips-usa.com

#### **Insurance Requirements**

The undersigned Vendor agrees to maintain the below minimum insurance requirements for TIPS Contract Holders.

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Holders.

General Liability \$1,000,000 each Occurrence/ Aggregate

Automobile Liability combined single limit \$300,000 per accident - Includes owned, hired & non-owned

Workers' Compensation Statutory limits for the jurisdiction in which the Vendor performs under this

Agreement.

Umbrella Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence and in aggregate

To the extent of Vendor's negligence, Vendor's insurance policies must be primary over any other valid and collectible insurance carried by the TIPS Member. The coverages and limits are to be considered minimum requirements of the Vendor(s). Insurance shall be written by a carrier with an A—; VII or better rating in accordance with current A.M. Best Key Rating Guide. "Claims made" policies will not be accepted. In the event Vendor receives notice of cancellation, suspension, termination, modification or non-renewal of above insurance policies, Vendor shall endeavor to forward such notice to TIPS or the TIPS member within thirty (30) days of receipt. Upon request, certified copies of all insurance policies shall be furnished to the TIPS or the TIPS Member. TIPS Member

# **Special Terms and Conditions**

- Orders: All vendor orders received from TIPS Members must be emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com. Should a TIPS Member send an order directly to the Vendor, it is the Vendor's responsibility to forward a copy of the order to TIPS at the email above within 3 business days and confirm its receipt with TIPS.
- Vendor Encouraging Members to bypass TIPS agreement: Encouraging TIPS Members to purchase
  directly from the Vendor or through another agreement, when the Member has requested using the
  TIPS cooperative Agreement or price, and thereby bypassing the TIPS Agreement is a violation of the
  terms and conditions of this Agreement and will result in removal of the Vendor from the TIPS
  Program.
- Order Confirmation: All TIPS Member Agreement orders are approved daily by TIPS and sent to vendor. The Vendor should confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS Member (customer) within 3 business days.
- Vendor custom website for TIPS: If Vendor is hosting a custom TIPS website, updated
  pricing when effective. TIPS shall be notified when prices change in accordance with the
  award.

The TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Page is inserted here.

# TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form

RFP 200105 Technology Solutions, Products and Services

Company Name Lenovo Global Technology (United States) Inc.
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Phone (740) 877-3123 Fax
Email of Authorized Representative tlink@lenovo.com
Name of Authorized Representative Tim Link
Title Sales Director
Signature of Authorized Representative Tim Link
Date02-20-2020
TIPS Authorized Representative Name Meredith Barton
Title Chief Operating Officer
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature Representative Signature
Approved by ESC Region 8 and Wayne Fitta
Date 6/2/2020

# **NOTICE TO MEMBERS REGARDING ATTRIBUTE RESPONSES**

TIPS VENDORS RESPOND TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS AS PART OF TIPS COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS. THE VENDOR'S RESPONSES TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS ARE INCLUDED HEREIN AS "SUPPLIER RESPONSE." PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DEVIATIONS, IF ANY, IN VENDOR'S RESPONSE TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS MAY NOT REFLECT VENDOR'S FINAL ATTRIBUTE RESPONSE, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS PRIOR TO AWARD. PLEASE CONTACT THE TIPS OFFICE AT 866-839-8477 WITH QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS REGARDING VENDOR ATTRIBUTE RESPONSE DEVIATIONS. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT TIPS DOES NOT PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO MEMBERS. TIPS RECOMMENDS THAT YOU CONSULT YOUR LEGAL COUNSEL WHEN EXECUTING CONTRACTS WITH OR MAKING PURCHASES FROM TIPS VENDORS.



# 200105 Addendum 2 Lenovo Global Technology (US), Inc Supplier Response

# **Event Information**

Number: 200105 Addendum 2

Title: Technology Solutions, Products and Services

Type: Request for Proposal

Issue Date: 1/9/2020

Deadline: 2/21/2020 03:00 PM (CT)

#### **Contact Information**

Contact: Kristie Collins

Address: Region 8 Education Service Center

4845 US Highway 271 North

Pittsburg, TX 75686

Phone: +1 (866) 839-8477 Fax: +1 (866) 839-8472 Email: bids@tips-usa.com

# Lenovo Global Technology (US), Inc Information

Address: 8001 Development Drive

Development Drive Morrisville, NC 27560

Phone: (919) 294-0609

By submitting your response, you certify that you are authorized to represent and bind your company.

 Tim Link
 tlink@lenovo.com

 Signature
 Email

Submitted at 2/21/2020 12:58:54 PM

# Requested Attachments

#### **Vendor Agreement**

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The vendor must download the Vendor Agreement from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and uploa d the completed agreement.

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### **Agreement Signature Form**

200105 Agreement Signature Form Lenovo.pdf

If you have not taken exception or deviation to the agreement language in the solicitation attributes, download the AG REEMENT SIGNATURE FORM from the "ATTACHMENTS" tab. This PDF document is a fillable form. Download the document to your computer, fill in the requested company information, print the file, SIGN the form, SCAN the completed a nd signed AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM, and upload here.

If you have taken exception to any of the agreement language and noted the exception in the deviations section of the attributes for the agreement, complete the AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM, but DO NOT SIGN until those deviations have been negotiated and resolved with TIPS management. Upload the unsigned form here, because this is a require d document.

#### **Pricing Spreadsheet #1**

200105 Pricing form 1 Lenovo Response.xlsx

The vendor must download the PRICING SPREADSHEET SHEET from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### Pricing Spreadsheet #2

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The vendor must download the PRICING SPREADSHEET SHEET from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

References Reference\_Form\_Lenovo.xls

The vendor must download the References spreadsheet from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet. DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### **Proposed Goods and Services**

Server Products.pdf

Please upload one or more documents or sheets describing your offerings, line cards, catalogs, links to offerings OR li st links to your offerings that illustrate the catalog of proposed lines of goods and or services you carry and offer unde r this proposal. I does not have to be exhaustive but should, at a minimum tell us what you are offering. It could be as simple as a sheet with your link to your online catalog of goods and services.

# Resellers/Dealers - COMPLETE AND UPLOAD ONLY IF YOU HAVE RESELLER OF YOUR GOODS OR SERVICES PROPOSED

Reseller\_Dealers\_Sheet\_Lenovo.xlsx

If the PROPOSING vendor has resellers that will be selling for the vendor UNDER this contract, the vendor must download the Resellers/Dealers spreadsheet from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### **HUB Subcontracting Plan Form OPTIONAL**

No response

Completion of the HUB Subcontracting Plan Form is OPTIONAL. THE FORM INFORMATION HAS NO EFFECT ON YOUR EVALUATION SCORE. IT IS INFORMATIONAL ONLY. Some Texas State agencies and Universities require it be a part of the file when determining if they can use a TIPS contract. If you choose to complete one, it is not project specific but the general plan the vendor would use. Complete it as best you can.

Vendor can download the HUB Subcontracting Plan Form from the "Attachments" tab and upload their HUB Subcontracting Plan Form.

#### D/M/WBE Certification OPTIONAL

No response

D/M/WBE Certification documentation may be scanned and uploaded if you desire to claim your status as one of the i dentified enterprises. (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Minority Business Enterprise and/or Woman Business Enterprise) If vendor has more than one certification scan into one document. (PDF Format ONLY) DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### **HUB Certification OPTIONAL**

No response

HUB Certification documentation may be scanned and uploaded if you desire to document you status as a HUB company. (Historically Underutilized Business) (PDF Format ONLY)

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

Warranty Lenovo Warranty.pdf

Warranty information (if applicable) must be scanned and uploaded. (PDF Format ONLY) DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### **Supplementary**

Server Product Portfolio.pdf

Supplementary information may be scanned and uploaded. (Company information, brochures, catalogs, etc.) (PDF Format ONLY)

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### All Other Certificates

Lenovo- ISO 14001 and 9001.pdf

All Other Certificates (if applicable) must be scanned and uploaded. If vendor has more than one other certification sc an into one document. (PDF Format ONLY)

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### Logo and Other Company Marks

Lenovo Logo.pdf

If you desire, please upload your company logo to be added to your individual profile page on the TIPS website. If any particular specifications are required for use of your company logo, please upload that information under the Supplem entary section or another non-required section under the "Response Attachment" tab. Preferred Logo Format: 300 x 2 25 px - .png, .eps, .jpeg preferred

# Conflict of Interest Form CIQ- ONLY REQUIRED IF A CONFLICT EXISTS PER THE INSTRUCTIONS

No response

ONLY REQUIRED IF A CONFLICT EXISTS PER THE INSTRUCTIONS

Conflict of Interest Form for Vendors that are required to submit the form. The Conflict of Interest Form is included in the Base documents or can be found at https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CIQ.pdf.

# Certificate of Corporate Offerer -

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATE OFFERER FORM Signed.pdf

COMPLETE ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION

COMPLETE AND UPLOAD FORM IN ATTACHMENTS SECTION ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION

## Disclosure of Lobbying Activities Standard Form LLL

No response

ONLY IF you answered "I HAVE Lobbied per above" to attribute #66, please download and complete and upload the St andard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in the Response attachments section.

#### **Confidentiality Form**

CONFIDENTIALITY\_CLAIM\_FORM\_rev111819RP Signed.pdf

REQUIRED CONFIDENTIALITY FORM. Complete the form according to your company requirements, make any desire d attachments and upload to the appropriate section under "Response Attachments" THIS FORM DETERMINES HOW ESC8/TIPS RESPONDS TO LEGAL PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS.

#### **Bid Attributes**

#### 1 Yes - No

Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise - D/M/WBE (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a D/M/WBE? Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" D/M/WBE CERTIFICATES section.

NO

#### 2 Yes - No

Historically Underutilized Business - HUB (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a HUB as defined by the State of Texas at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/

or in a HUBZone as defined by the US Small Business Administration at https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/ohp

Proof of one or both may be submitted. Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" HU B CERTIFICATES section.

No

#### 3 Yes - No

The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?

Yes

#### 4 States Served:

If answer is NO to question #3, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)

No response

#### 5 Company and/or Product Description:

This information will appear on the TIPS website in the company profile section, if awarded a TIPS contract. (Limit 7 50 characters.)

Lenovo is a US\$50 billion Fortune Global 500 company, with 57,000 employees and operates in 180 markets around the world. Focused on a bold vision to deliver smarter technology for all, we are developing world-changing technologies that create a more inclusive, trustworthy and sustainable digital society. By designing, engineering and building the world's most complete portfolio of smart devices and infrastructure, we are also leading an Intelligent Transformation – to create better experiences and opportunities for millions of customers around the world. To find out more visit https://www.lenovo.com.

#### 6 | Primary Contact Name

**Primary Contact Name** 

Lance Couch

#### 7 Primary Contact Title

**Primary Contact Title** 

**Proposal Manager** 

# **Primary Contact Email Primary Contact Email** lcouch@lenovo.com **Primary Contact Phone** Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 2817122155 **Primary Contact Fax** Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 N/A **Primary Contact Mobile** Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 N/A **Secondary Contact Name** Secondary Contact Name Solomon Surles

# **Secondary Contact Title**

Secondary Contact Title

**Contract Manager** 

# **Secondary Contact Email**

Secondary Contact Email

ssurles@lenovo.com

# **Secondary Contact Phone**

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

832-343-3295

# **Secondary Contact Fax**

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

N/A

# **Secondary Contact Mobile**

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

N/A

# 1 Admin Fee Contact Name

Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.

Melissa Autrey

## 1 Admin Fee Contact Email

Admin Fee Contact Email

**Contract Administrator** 

## 2 Admin Fee Contact Phone

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

919-294-0609

#### 2 Purchase Order Contact Name

Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.

Arielle Emery

#### 2 Purchase Order Contact Email

Purchase Order Contact Email

Morrisville, NC

#### 2 Purchase Order Contact Phone

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

919-809-3479

# 2 Company Website

Company Website (Format - www.company.com)

www.lenovo.com

#### 2 Federal ID Number:

Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)

81-3285564

# 2 Primary Address

**Primary Address** 

8001 Development Dr.

# 2 Primary Address City

Primary Address City

Morrisville

# Primary Address State

Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)

NC

Primary Address Zip Primary Address Zip
27560
Search Words:  Please list search words to be posted in the TIPS database about your company that TIPS website users might sear ch. Words may be product names, manufacturers, or other words associated with the category of award. YOU MAY NOT LIST NON-CATEGORY ITEMS. (Limit 500 words) (Format: product, paper, construction, manufacturer name, et c.)  ThinkServer, ThinkStorage, Networking, Server, Storage
Do you want TIPS Members to be able to spend Federal grant funds with you if awarded? Is it your intent to be able to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?  Most of our members receive Federal Government grants and they make up a significant portion of their budgets. T
he members need to know if your company is willing to sell to them when they spend federal budget funds on their p urchase. There are attributes that follow that are provisions from the federal regulations in 2 CFR part 200. Your an swers will determine if your award will be designated as Federal or Education Department General Administrative R egulations (EDGAR)compliant.
Do you want TIPS Members to be able to spend Federal grant funds with you if awarded and is it your intent to be a ble to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?  Yes
Yes - No Certification of Residency (Required by the State of Texas) The vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:
(A) has its principal place of business in Texas;
OR  (B) employs at least 500 persons in Texas?
No
Company Residence (City)  Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?  Morrisville
Company Residence (State) Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?  NC

# 3 Discount Offered - CAUTION READ CAREFULLY BECAUSE VENDORS FREQUENTLY MAKE MISTAKES 5 ON THIS ATTRIBUTE QUESTION

Remember this is a MINIMUM discount percentage so, be sure the discount percentage inserted here can be applied to ANY OFFERING OF GOODS OR SERVICES THROUGH OUT THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT

CAUTION: BE CERTAIN YOU CAN HONOR THIS MINIMUM DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE ON ANY OFFERED SERVICE OR GOOD.

What is the MINIMUM percentage discount off of any item or service you offer to TIPS Members that is in your regul ar catalog (as defined in the RFP document), website, store or shelf pricing? The resulting price of any goods or se rvices Catalog list prices after this discount is applied is a ceiling on your pricing and not a floor because, in order to be more competitive in the individual circumstance, you may offer a larger discount depending on the items or servi ces purchased and the quantity at time of sale. Must answer with a number between 0% and 100%.

0.5%

# 3 TIPS administration fee

By submitting a proposal, I agree that all pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as designated in the solicitation or as otherwise agreed in writing and shall be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor as agreed in the Vendor agreement. I agree that the fee shall not and will not be added by the vendor as a separate line item on a TIPS member invoice, quote, proposal or any other written communications with the TIPS member.

## 3 Yes - No

Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee?

TIPS/ESC Region 8 is required by Texas Government Code § 791 to be compensated for its work and thus, failure to agree shall render your response void and it will not be considered.

Yes

## Yes - No

Do you offer additional discounts to TIPS members for large order quantities or large scope of work?

Yes

# **Years Experience**

Company years experience in this category? This is an evaluation criterion worth a maximum of 10 points. See RFP for more information.

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#### 4 Resellers:

Does the vendor have resellers that it will name under this contract? Resellers are defined as other companies that sell your products under an agreement with you, the awarded vendor of TIPS.

EXAMPLE: BIGmart is a reseller of ACME brand televisions. If ACME were a TIPS awarded vendor, then ACME would list BIGmart as a reseller.

(If applicable, vendor should download the Reseller/Dealers spreadsheet from the Attachments section, fill out the form and submit the document in the "Response Attachments" RESELLERS section.

No

# Pricing discount percentage are guaranteed for? Does the vendor agrees to honor the proposed pricing discount percentage off regular catalog (as defined in the R FP document), website, store or shelf pricing for the term of the award? YES

# 4 Right of Refusal

Does the proposing vendor wish to reserve the right not to perform under the awarded agreement with a TIPS member at vendor's discretion?

Yes

# 4 NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATE

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies that:

- 1) This bid or proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion with any other Bidder or with any Competitor;
- 2) This bid or proposal has not been knowingly disclosed and will not be knowingly disclosed, prior to the opening of bids, or proposals for this project, to any other Bidder, Competitor or potential competitor:
- 3) No attempt has been or will be made to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to s ubmit a bid or proposal;
- 4) The person signing this bid or proposal certifies that he has fully informed himself regarding the accuracy of the statements contained in this certification, and under the penalties being applicable to the Bidder as well as to the person signing in its behalf.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered.

# 4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE - FORM CIQ - Do you have any CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO REPORT OR DISCLOSE under this statutory requirement?

Do you have any CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO REPORT OR DISCLOSE under this statutory requirement? YES or NO

If you have a conflict of interest as described in this form or the Local Government Code Chapter 176, cited thereinyou are required to complete and file with TIPS.

You may find the Blank CIQ form on our website at:

Copy and Paste the following link into a new browser or tab:

https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CIQ.pdf

There is an optional upload for this form provided if you have a conflict and must file the form.

No

# 4 Filing of Form CIQ

If yes (above), have you filed a form CIQ by uploading the form to this RFP as directed above?

No response

# 4 Regulatory Standing

I certify to TIPS for the proposal attached that my company is in good standing with all governmental agencies Fede ral or state that regulate any part of our business operations. If not, please explain in the next attribute question.

Yes

# 4 Regulatory Standing

Regulatory Standing explanation of no answer on previous question.

No response

# Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. Government Code § 2155.005)

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies that:

I affirm under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that:

- (1) I am duly authorized to execute this contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Company) listed below;
- (2) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any provision of the Tex as Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15;
- (3) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any federal antitrust law ;
- (4) Neither I nor any representative of the Company has directly or indirectly communicated any of the contents of this bid to a competitor of the Company or any other company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

#### **Suspension or Debarment Instructions**

Instructions for Certification:

- 1. By answering yes to the next Attribute question below, the vendor and prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out herein in accordance with these instructions.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this trans action was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an err oneous certification in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participa nts," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal" and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this claus e, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 1254 9. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regula tions.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this form that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include this clause titled "C ertification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier cove red transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, u nless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it det ermines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not r equired to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealing s.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.

#### **Suspension or Debarment Certification**

By answering yes, you certify that no federal suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must no t be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive

Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Sus pension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

By answering yes, you certify that no federal suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

Yes

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#### **Non-Discrimination Statement and Certification**

In accordance with Federal civil rights law, all U.S. Departments, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil right s activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies a nd complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, larg e print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Cent er at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, fo und online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Offic e of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fa x: (202) 690-7442; or (3)

email: program.intake@usda.gov.

(Title VI of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; Title 7 CFR Parts 15, 15a, and 15b; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and FNS Instruction 113-1, Ci vil Rights Compliance and Enforcement – Nutrition Programs and Activities)

All U.S. Departments, including the USDA are equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree by answering YES will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. I certify that in the performance of a contract with TIPS or its members, that our company will conform to the foregoing anti-discrimination statement and comply with the cited and all other applicable laws and regulations.

Yes

#### **2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions Explanation**

Required Federal contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts for contracts with ESC Region 8 and TIP S Members:

The following provisions are required to be in place and agreed if the procurement is funded in any part with federal funds.

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members are the subgrantee or Subrecipient by definition. Most of the provisions are I ocated in 2 CFR PART 200 - Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under F ederal Awards at 2 CFR PART 200. Others are included within 2 CFR part 200 et al.

In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Contracts

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

Notice: Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party.

Does vendor agree?

Yes

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Termination

Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be eff ected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000)

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess

of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for cause after giving the vendor an appropriate opportunity and up to 30 days, to cure the causal breach of terms and conditions. ESC Region 8 and

TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for convenience with 30 days notice in writing to the awarded vendor. The vendor

would be compensated for work performed and goods procured as of the termination date if for convenience of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the ESC Region 8 and TIPS reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS.

Does vendor agree?

Yes

#### 2 CFR PART 200 Clean Air Act

Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amen ded—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Fe deral award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violati ons must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Age ncy (EPA).

Pursuant to the Clean Air Act, et al above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires that the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor agrees to comply with all of the above regulations, including all of the terms listed and referenced therein.

Does vendor agree?

Yes		

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appro priated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that during the term and during the life of any contract with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor certifies to the terms included or referenced herein.

Does vendor agree?

Yes		

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Federal Rule

Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental P rotection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$1 00,000)

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that in performance of the contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of a mounts in excess of \$100,000, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirement s issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15).

Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act?

Yes		

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Procurement of Recovered Materials

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental P rotection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with

maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Solid Waste Disposal Act as described above?

Yes

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#### **Certification Regarding Lobbying**

Applicable to Grants, Subgrants, Cooperative Agreements, and Contracts Exceeding \$100,000 in Federal Funds

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all c overed subawards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

I HAVE NOT Lobbied per above



#### If you answered "I HAVE lobbied per above to the previous question.

IF you answered "I HAVE lobbied" per above Attribute question, you must download the Lobbying Report "Standard From LLL, disclosure Form to Report Lobbying" which includes instruction on completing the form, complete and su bmit it in the Response Attachments section as a report of the lobbying activities you performed or paid others to pe rform.

# Subcontracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

Do you ever anticipate the possibility of subcontracting any of your work under this award if you are successful?

IF NO, DO NOT ANSWER THE NEXT ATTRIBUTE QUESTION. . IF YES, and ONLY IF YES, you must answer the nex t question YES if you want a TIPS Member to be authorized to spend Federal Grant Funds for Procurement.

YES

# ONLY IF YES TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION OR if you ever do subcontract any part of your performance under the TIPS Agreement, do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?

ONLY IF YES TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION OR if you ever do subcontract any part of your performance under the TIPS Agreement,

do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?

Federal Regulation 2 CFR §200.321 Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. (a)The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that min ority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

- (b) Affirmative steps must include:(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterpr ises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum partic ipation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and min ority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration a nd the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
- (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs(1) through (5) of this section.

YES

#### Indemnification

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS is a Texas Political Subdivision and a local governmental entity; therefore, is prohibited from

indemnifying third parties pursuant to the Texas Constitution (Article 3, Section 52) except as specifically provided by law or as

ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. A provision in a contract to indemnify or hold a party harmless is a promise to pay for

any expenses the indemnified party incurs, if a specified event occurs, such as breaching the terms of the contract or negligently

performing duties under the contract. Article III, Section 49 of the Texas Constitution states that "no debt shall be cre ated by or on

behalf of the State ... " The Attorney General has counseled that a contractually imposed obligation of indemnity cre ates a "debt" in

the constitutional sense. Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. No. MW-475 (1982). Contract clauses which require the System or institutions to

indemnify must be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Tex as." Liquidated

damages, attorney's fees, waiver of vendor's liability, and waiver of statutes of limitations clauses should also be del eted or qualified

with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of State of Texas."

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do y ou agree

to these terms?

Yes

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#### Remedies

The parties shall be entitled to exercise any right or remedy available to it either at law or in equity, subject to the choice of law, venue

and service of process clauses limitations agreed herein. Nothing in this agreement shall commit the TIPS to an arbitration resolution

of any disagreement under any circumstances. Any Claim arising out of or related to the Contract, except for those specifically waived

under the terms of the Contract, may, after denial of the Board of Directors, be subject to mediation at the request o f either party. Any

issues not resolved hereunder MAY be referred to non-binding mediation to be conducted by a mutually agreed up on mediator as a

prerequisite to the filing of any lawsuit over such issue(s). The parties shall share the mediator's fee and any associ ated filing fee

equally. Mediation shall be held in Camp or Titus County, Texas. Agreements reached in mediation shall be reduced to writing, and

will be subject to the approval by the District's Board of Directors, signed by the Parties if approved by the Board of Directors, and, if

signed, shall thereafter be enforceable as provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

Do you agree to these terms?

Yes, I Agree

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#### **Remedies Explanation of No Answer**

No response

6	Choice	of Law
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The agreement between the Vendor and TIPS/ESC Region 8 and any addenda or other additions resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the law s of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles.

THIS DOES NOT APPLY to a vendor's agreement entered into with a TIPS Member, as the Member may be located outside Texas.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do y ou agree to these terms?

Yes

#### **Jurisdiction and Service of Process**

Any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract issued by TIPS resulting from or any

contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties

irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may no w or hereafter

have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and de termined only in

any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or an y contract resulting

from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph

with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the partie s irrevocably to

waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section

may be served on any party anywhere in the world. Venue clauses in contracts with TIPS members may be determined by the parties.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do y ou agree to these terms?

Yes

# Infringement(s)

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS and its employees, officers, agents , representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from any and all third party claims and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or service marks, and any other intellectual or intangible prop erty rights attributed to or claims based on the Vendor's proposal or Vendor's performance of contracts awarded an d approved.

Do you agree to these terms?

No

#### Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer

Please reference all the exceptions listed in Response Attachments under Vendor Agreement.

#### Indemnity

The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees fro m and against all claims and suits by third parties for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property dam ages, losses, and expenses including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's performance of this Agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors. Parties found liable shall pay their proportionate share of damages as agreed by the parties or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction over the case. NO LIMITATIO N OF LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARE PERMITTED OR AGRE ED BY TIPS/ESC REGION 8. Per Texas Education Code §44.032(f), and pursuant to its requirements only, reason able Attorney's fees are recoverable by the prevailing party in any dispute resulting in litigation.

If an infringement claim is made, TIPS will provide notice of such claim and grant Vendor sole control of the defens e and provide reasonable support to defend such claim. Vendor will, at its own expense, mitigate its liabilities by th e first of the following actions that is practicable: (a) obtain a right for continued use of the Product; (b) modify the Product to make it non-infringing; (c) substitute a comparable non-infringing Product; or (d) at TIPS' written reques t, accept return of the infringing Product and credit an amount equal to the net book value of the Product to TIPS a nd TIPS Members.

Vendor has no obligation for any claim arising from the (A) combination, by TIPS and TIPS members, of any of Vendor's Product(s) with a product which the Vendor's Product was not designed to operate or be combined with, to the extent such claim would not have arisen but for such combination of the Vendor's Product with any such product and (B) modification or alteration by TIP and TIPS members from the form that it was delivered by Vendor.

#### Limitation of Liability

In no event will either party be liable to the other for any lost revenues, lost profits, incidental, indirect, consequential, special or punitive damages. This mutual limitation of liability does not limit the obligations and liability of Vendor provided in the section entitled "Indemnification."

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, except for the indemnification obligations set forth in the "Indemnification" section, in no event shall either party's total liability for damages, losses, or liability of any kind exceed the amount of fees paid or payable by Vendor under this Agreement

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#### **Contract Governance**

Any contract made or entered into by the TIPS is subject to and is to be governed by Section 271.151 et seq, Tex L oc Gov't Code. Otherwise, TIPS does not waive its governmental immunities from suit or liability except to the extent expressly waived by other applicable laws in clear and unambiguous language.

Yes

#### **Payment Terms and Funding Out Clause**

**Payment Terms:** 

TIPS or TIPS members shall not be liable for interest or late payment fees on past due balances at a rate higher than permitted by the laws or regulations of the jurisdiction of the TIPS Member.

#### Funding Out Clause:

Vendor agrees to abide by the laws and regulations, including Texas Local Government Code § 271.903, or any sta tutory or regulatory limitations of the jurisdiction of any TIPS Member which governs contracts entered into by the V endor and TIPS or a TIPS Member that requires all contracts approved by TIPS or a TIPS Member are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of currently available funds by the entity or its governing body.

See statute(s) for specifics or consult your legal counsel.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered.

Do you agree to these terms?

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# **Insurance and Fingerprint Requirements Information**

#### **Insurance**

If applicable and your staff will be on TIPS member premises for delivery, training or installation etc. and/or with an a utomobile, you must carry automobile insurance as required by law. You may be asked to provide proof of insurance.

#### **Fingerprint**

It is possible that a vendor may be subject to Chapter 22 of the Texas Education Code. The Texas Education Code, Chapter 22, Section 22.0834. Statutory language may be found at: http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/

If the vendor has staff that meet both of these criterion:

- (1) will have continuing duties related to the contracted services; and
- (2) has or will have direct contact with students

Then you have "covered" employees for purposes of completing the attached form.

TIPS recommends all vendors consult their legal counsel for guidance in compliance with this law. If you have questions on how to comply, see below. If you have questions on compliance with this code section, contact the Texas Department of Public Safety Non-Criminal Justice Unit, Access and Dissemination Bureau, FAST-FACT at NCJU@txdps.state.tx.us and you should send an email identifying you as a contractor to a Texas Independent School District or ESC Region 8 and TIPS. Texas DPS phone number is (512) 424-2474.

See form in the next attribute to complete entitled:

Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees

#### **Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees**

Introduction: Texas Education Code Chapter 22 requires entities that contract with school districts to provide service s to obtain criminal history record information regarding covered employees. Contractors must certify to the district t hat they have complied. Covered employees with disqualifying criminal histories are prohibited from serving at a sch ool district.

Definitions: Covered employees: Employees of a contractor or subcontractor who have or will have continuing dutie s related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students. The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students. Disqualifying criminal history: Any conviction or other criminal history information designated by the District, or one of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school:

(a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; or (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

I certify that:

**NONE (Section A)** of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractors are covered employees, as defined above. If this box is checked, I further certify that Contractor has taken precautions or imposed conditions to ensure that the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor will not become covered employees. Contractor will maintain these precautions or conditions throughout the time the contracted services are provided.

#### <u>OR</u>

**SOME (Section B)** or all of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor are covered employees. If this box is checked, I further certify that:

- (1) Contractor has obtained all required criminal history record information regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying criminal history.
- (2) If Contractor receives information that a covered employee subsequently has a reported criminal history, Contra ctor will immediately remove the covered employee from contract duties and notify the District in writing within 3 busi ness days.
- (3) Upon request, Contractor will provide the District with the name and any other requested information of covered employees so that the District may obtain criminal history record information on the covered employees.
- (4) If the District objects to the assignment of a covered employee on the basis of the covered employee's criminal h istory record information, Contractor agrees to discontinue using that covered employee to provide services at the District.

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None

#### Texas Business and Commerce Code § 272 Requirements as of 9-1-2017

SB 807 prohibits construction contracts to have provisions requiring the contract to be subject to the laws of another state, to be required to litigate the contract in another state, or to require arbitration in another state. A contract with such provisions is voidable. Under this new statute, a "construction contract" includes contracts, subcontracts, or agreements with (among others) architects, engineers, contractors, construction managers, equipment lessors, or materials suppliers. "Construction contracts" are for the design, construction, alteration, renovation, remodeling, or repair of any building or improvement to real property, or for furnishing materials or equipment for the project. The t erm also includes moving, demolition, or excavation. BY RESPONDING TO THIS SOLICITATION, AND WHEN APPLI CABLE, THE PROPOSER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE TEXAS BUSINESS AND COMMERCE CODE § 272 WH EN EXECUTING CONTRACTS WITH TIPS MEMBERS THAT ARE TEXAS GOVERNMENT ENTITIES.

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#### **Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form**

Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form

Texas 2017 House Bill 89 has been signed into law by the governor and as of September 1, 2017 will be codified as Texas Government Code § 2270 and 808 et seq.

The relevant section addressed by this form reads as follows:

Texas Government Code Sec. 2270.002. PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. A governmental entity may not ent er into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the c ompany that it: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.engaged by ESC Region 8/The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS)

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verify by this writing that the above-named company affirms that it (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract, or any contract with the above-named Texas governmental entity in the futur e. I further affirm that if our company's position on this issue is reversed and this affirmation is no longer valid, that the above-named Texas governmental entity will be notified in writing within one (1) business day and we understand that our company's failure to affirm and comply with the requirements of Texas Government Code 2270 et seq. shall be grounds for immediate contract termination without penalty to the above-named Texas governmental entity.

our company is not listed on and we do not do business with companies that are on the the Texas Comptroller of Pu blic Accounts list of Designated Foreign Terrorists Organizations per Texas Gov't Code 2270.0153 found at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf

I swear and affirm that the above is true and correct.

YES

7	Logos	and	other	company	marks
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Please upload your company logo to be added to your individual profile page on the TIPS website. If any particular specifications are required for use of your company logo, please upload that information under the "Logo and Other Company Marks" section under the "Response Attachment" tab. Preferred Logo Format: 300 x 225 px - .png, .eps, . ipeg preferred

Potential uses of company logo:

- \* Your Vendor Profile Page of TIPS website
- \* Potentially on TIPS website scroll bar for Top Performing Vendors
- \* TIPS Quarterly eNewsletter sent to TIPS Members
- \* Co-branding Flyers and or email blasts to our TIPS Members (Permission and approval will be obtained before publishing)

## 7 Solicitation Deviation/Compliance

Does the vendor agree with the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal invitation?

Yes

# Solicitation Exceptions/Deviations Explanation

If the bidder intends to deviate from the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications li sted in this proposal invitation, all such deviations must be listed on this attribute, with complete and detailed conditi ons and information included or attached.

TIPS will consider any deviations in its proposal award decisions, and TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations indicated below or in any attachments or inclusions.

In the absence of any deviation entry on this attribute, the proposer assures TIPS of their full compliance with the St andard Terms and Conditions, Item Specifications, and all other information contained in this Solicitation.

No response

# 7 Agreement Deviation/Compliance

Does the vendor agree with the language in the Vendor Agreement?

No

#### Agreement Exceptions/Deviations Explanation

If the proposing Vendor desires to deviate form the Vendor Agreement language, all such deviations must be listed on this attribute, with complete and detailed conditions and information included. TIPS will consider any deviations in its proposal award decisions, and TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal based upon any deviations indicated below. In the absence of any deviation entry on this attribute, the proposer assures TIPS of their full compliance with the Vendor Agreement.

Not all exceptions will fit here. As such, please see Lenovo redlined modifications in the attachment section in Res ponse Attachments under Vendor Agreement.

#### Freight

All shipping costs are included in the price of the hardware.

#### Customer Support

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support for orders to TIPS Members as agreed by the Part ies. Vendors shall respond to such requests within a commercially reasonable time after receipt of the request. Vendor shall not provide training regarding products and/or services supplied by the Vendor unless otherwise specifically stated in a separate State of Work at the time of purchase.

Agreements

Agreements for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) executed by authorized agents of the TIPS Member participating government entities, but other means of placing an order may be used at the Member's discretion with vendors mutual agreement.

#### Tax exempt status

Most TIPS Members are tax exempt and the related laws and/or regulations of the controlling jurisdiction(s) of the TIPS Member shall apply. In the event the TIPS Member is tax exempt, said TIPS Member shall provide the appropriate tax exempt documentation to the Vendor.

• Vendor shall attach, in writing, a complete description of any and all relationships, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that might be considered a conflict of interest in doing business with the TIPS program.

#### Term and Renewal of Agreements

The Agreement with TIPS is for three (3) years from award with an option for renewal for an additional one (1) con secutive year if both parties agree. TIPS may or may not exercise the one-year extension beyond the base three-year term and whether or not to offer the extension is at the sole discretion of TIPS.

#### **Payments**

The TIPS Member will make payments directly to the Vendor, the vendor assigned dealer or as agreed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member within thirty (30) days after receiving invoice and in compliance with applicable payment statute(s).

#### Indemnity

The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees fro m and against all claims and suits by third parties for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property dam ages, losses, and expenses including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's performance of this Agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors. Parties found liable shall pay their proportionate share of damages as agreed by the parties or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction over the case. NO LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARE PERMITTED OR AGRE ED BY TIPS/ESC REGION 8. Per Texas Education Code §44.032(f), and pursuant to its requirements only, reason able Attorney's fees are recoverable by the prevailing party in any dispute resulting in litigation.

If an infringement claim is made, TIPS will provide notice of such claim and grant Vendor sole control of the defens e and provide reasonable support to defend such claim. Vendor will, at its own expense, mitigate its liabilities by th e first of the following actions that is practicable: (a) obtain a right for continued use of the Product; (b) modify the Product to make it non-infringing; (c) substitute a comparable non-infringing Product; or (d) at TIPS' written reques t, accept return of the infringing Product and credit an amount equal to the net book value of the Product to TIPS a nd TIPS Members.

Vendor has no obligation for any claim arising from the (A) combination, by TIPS and TIPS members, of any of Vendor's Product(s) with a product which the Vendor's Product was not designed to operate or be combined with, to the extent such claim

#### **Felony Conviction Notice**

Texas Education Code, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an own er or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony." Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract." (c) This section does not apply to a publicly held corporation. The person completing this proposal certifies that they are authorized to provide the answer to this question.

Select A., B. or C.

A. My firm is a publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable.

OR B.My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony, OR

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony. (if you answ er C below, you are required to provide information in the next attribute.

A. Firm is a publicly held corporation.

# 8 If you answered C. My Firm is owned or operated by a felon to the previous question, you are REQUIRED TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

If you answered C. My Firm is owned or operated by a felon to the previous question, you must provide the following information.

- 1. Name of Felon(s)
- 2. The named person's role in the firm, and
- 3. Details of Conviction(s).

No response

# 8 Long Term Cost Evaluation Criterion # 4.

READ CAREFULLY and see in the RFP document under "Proposal Scoring and Evaluation".

Points will be assigned to this criterion based on your answer to this Attribute. Points are awarded if you agree not i ncrease your catalog prices (as defined herein) more than X% annually over the previous year for years two and thr ee and potentially year four, unless an exigent circumstance exists in the marketplace and the excess price increase which exceeds X% annually is supported by documentation provided by you and your suppliers and shared with TIP S, if requested. If you agree NOT to increase prices more than 5%, except when justified by supporting documentation, you are awarded 10 points; if 6% to 14%, except when justified by supporting documentation, you receive 1 to 9 points incrementally. Price increases 14% or greater, except when justified by supporting documentation, receive 0 points.

increases will be 5% or less annually per question

# Required Confidentiality Claim Form

Required Confidentiality Claim Form

This completed form is required by TIPS. By submitting a response to this solicitation you agree to download from the "Attachments" section, complete according to the instructions on the form, then uploading the completed form, with any confidential attachments, if applicable, to the "Response Attachments" section titled "Confidentiality Form" in order to provide to TIPS the completed form titled, "CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIM FORM". By completing this process, you provide us with the information we require to comply with the open record laws of the State of Texas as they may apply to your proposal submission. If you do not provide the form with your proposal, an award will not be made if your proposal is qualified for an award, until TIPS has an accurate, completed form from you.

Read the form carefully before completing and if you have any questions, email Rick Powell at TIPS at <u>rick.powell@tips-usa.com</u>

#### Choice of Law clauses with TIPS Members

If the vendor is awarded a contract with TIPS under this solicitation, the vendor agrees to make any Choice of Law c lauses in any contract or agreement entered into between the awarded vendor and with a TIPS member entity to re ad as follows: "Choice of law shall be the laws of the state where the customer resides" or words to that effect.

Agreed

### 8 Venue of dispute resolution with a TIPS Member

In the event of litigation or use of any dispute resolution model when resolving disputes with a TIPS member entity a s a result of a transaction between the vendor and TIPS or the TIPS member entity, the Venue for any litigation or ot her agreed upon model shall be in the state and county where the customer resides unless otherwise agreed by the parties at the time the dispute resolution model is decided by the parties.

Agreed

### Automatic renewal of contracts or agreements with TIPS or a TIPS member entity

This clause **DOES NOT** prohibit multiyear contracts or agreements with TIPS member entities.

Because TIPS and TIPS members are governmental entities subject to laws that control appropriations of funds dur ing their fiscal years for contracts and agreements to provide goods and services, does the Vendor agree to limit an y automatic renewal clauses of a contract or agreement executed as a result of this TIPS solicitation award to not lo nger than "month to month" and at the TIPS contracted rate.

Agreed

### Indemnity Limitation with TIPS Members

Texas and other states restrict by law or state Constitution the ability of a governmental entity to indemnify others. TI PS requires that any contract entered into between a vendor and TIPS or a TIPS Member as a result of an award u nder this Solicitation limit the requirement that the Customer indemnify the Vendor by either eliminating any such ind emnity requirement clauses in any agreements, contracts or other binding documents <u>OR</u> by prefacing all indemnity clauses required of TIPS or the TIPS Member entity with the following: "To the extent permitted by the laws or the Constitution of the state where the customer resides, ".

### Agreement is a required condition to award of a contract resulting from this Solicitation.

Agreed

### **Arbitration Clauses**

Except for certain circumstances, TIPS forbids a mandatory arbitration clause in any contract or agreement entered into between the awarded vendor with TIPS or a TIPS member entity. Does the vendor agree to exclude any arbitration requirement in any contracts or agreement entered into between TIPS or a TIPS member entity through an awar ded contract with TIPS?

Agreed

## Required Vendor Sales Reporting

By responding to this Solicitation, you agree to report to TIPS all sales made under any awarded Agreement with TIPS. Vendor is required to report all sales under the TIPS contract to TIPS. If the TIPS Member entity requesting a price from the awarded Vendor requests the TIPS contract, Vendor must include the TIPS Contract number on any communications with the TIPS Member entity. If awarded, you will be provided access to the Vendor Portal. To report sales, login to the TIPS Vendor Portal and click on the PO's and Payments tab. Pages 3-7 of the Vendor Portal User Guide will walk you through the process of reporting sales to TIPS. Please refer to the TIPS Accounting FAQ's for more information about reporting sales and if you have further questions, contact the Accounting Team at accounting @tips-usa.com. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealers are responsible for keeping record of all sales that go through the TIPS Agreement and submitting same to TIPS.

REFERENCES	
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Please provide three (3) references, preferably from school districts or other governmental entities who have used your services within the last three years. Additional references may be required. <u>DO NOT INCLUDE TIPS EMPLOYEES AS A REFERENCE.</u>

You may provide more than three (3) references.

Entity Name	Contact Person	VALID EMAIL IS REQUIRED	Phone
Northern Michigan University	Scott Krau	skrau@nmu.edu	906-227-2828
Ball State University	Todd Phelps	tphelps@bsu.edu	765-289-1241
Duke University	Edward D Gomes Jr.	edward.gomes@duke.edu	919-684-4411

Please provide a list of resellers the proposing company desires to be authorized to sell their products and services under the TIPS Agreement, if awarded.

uthorized Reselling Company Name		Main Phone	Ext.1	Contact	Contact Ph	Ext	Contact Email	Website	Fax
IG	10240 Flanders Court, San Diego, CA 92121	800-858-0549						https://www.tig.com/Home.a	spx
<del>-</del> 11	290 Davidson Avenue, Somerset, NJ 08873	888-764-8888						https://www.shi.com/	
DWG	75 Tri-State International, Lincolnshie, IL 60069	847-465-6000						https://www.cdwg.com/	
							shawn.runner@stseducation.c		
TS Education	130-A W. Cochran Street, Simi Valley, CA 93065	866-499-2580		Shawn Runner	866-499-2580	1800	<u>om</u>	https://www.stseducation-us.	.com/
Connection	730 Milford Rd, Merrimack, NH 03054	603-683-2000						https://www.connection.com	/
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### **CERTIFICATION BY CORPORATE OFFERER**

DATE

**COMPLETE ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION,**THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE SHOULD BE EXECUTED AND INCLUDED AS PART OF PROPOSAL FORM/PROPOSAL FORM.

OFFERER:	Leno	vo Global Ted	chnology (United States) Inc.
OTT ETTEL		(Name of Cor	poration)
Tim Lin I, (Name of		e Secretary)	certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation
named as O	FFERE	R herein above; that	
Lance	Couc	h	
(Name of per	son who	completed proposal	document)
who signed the acting as Proposal Ma	O	ing proposal on beha	alf of the corporation offerer is the authorized person that is
(Title/Positio	n of pers	on signing proposal/	offer document within the corporation)
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Lenovo Global Technology (United States) Inc.

### **Required Confidential Information Status Form**

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT REQUESTS OF EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER REGION 8 AND TIPS (ESC8) IS GOVERNED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 552

If you consider any portion of your proposal to be confidential information and not subject to public disclosure pursuant to Chapter 552 Texas Gov't Code or other law(s), you <u>must attach a copy</u> of all claimed confidential materials within your proposal and put this COMPLETED form as a cover sheet to said materials then scan, name "CONFIDENTIAL" and upload with your proposal submission. (You must include all the confidential information in the submitted proposal. The copy uploaded is to indicate which material in your proposal, if any, you deem confidential in the event the receives a Public Information Request.) ESC8 and TIPS will follow procedures of controlling statute(s) regarding any claim of confidentiality and shall not be liable for any release of information required by law. Upon your claim and your defense to the Office of Texas Attorney General is required to make the final determination whether the information submitted by you and held by ESC8 and TIPS is confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

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Tim Link, Sales Director				
Printed Name and Title of authorized co	mpany officer declaring	below the	confidentia	l status of material
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### **Lenovo Statement of Limited Warranty**

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#### Part 1 - General Terms

This Statement of Limited Warranty includes Part 1 - General Terms, Part 2 - Country-unique Terms, and Part 3 - Warranty Information. The terms of Part 2 replace or modify those of Part 1. Part 3 includes definitions of specific warranty types that may apply to your Machine. For purposes of this Statement of Limited Warranty, "Lenovo" means the Lenovo entity that provided your Machine to you or to your reseller.

The warranties provided by Lenovo in this Statement of Limited Warranty apply to Machine(s) you purchase for your use, and not for resale. The term "Machine" means a hardware product identified by a Machine Type as well as its features, conversions or upgrades. The term "Machine" does not include any software programs, whether pre-loaded with the Machine, installed subsequently, or otherwise. NOTHING IN THIS STATEMENT OF LIMITED WARRANTY AFFECTS ANY STATUTORY RIGHTS OF CONSUMERS THAT CANNOT BE WAIVED OR LIMITED BY CONTRACT.

This Statement of Limited Warranty is available, in multiple languages, at the following Lenovo Internet website: http://www.lenovo.com/warranty/.

#### **What this Warranty Covers**

Lenovo warrants that each Machine is free from defects in materials and workmanship under normal use during the warranty period.

During the warranty period, Lenovo provides repair and exchange service for the Machine under the type of warranty service Lenovo designates for the Machine. The warranty period for the Machine starts on its original Date of Installation. For certain Machines, the warranty will be void if the Machine's usage limitations are exceeded during the specified warranty period. The date on your purchase invoice or sales receipt is the Date of

Installation unless Lenovo or your reseller informs you otherwise. The warranty period, type of warranty service, and service level that apply to your Machine are designated in the Machine's product guide and/or data sheet at the following Lenovo Internet website: www.lenovo.com

Except as stated otherwise, all parts or features that are configured and/or installed for use in your Machine and identified by an option number or feature code ("Option") shall be warranted for the duration of the Machine's warranty or one (1) year from purchase date, whichever is longer. The warranty for Intel Optane DC persistent memory (DCPMM) and solid state drive (SSD) Options shall be limited to DCPMMs and SSDs that have not reached the maximum guaranteed number of program/erase cycles, as documented in the product guide or specifications.

Lenovo may require you to provide proof of purchase (for example, a copy of your sales receipt or purchase invoice) to validate warranty entitlement.

If a Machine that Lenovo is responsible to install is not made available for Lenovo to install within six months from the date Lenovo ships the Machine to you or the reseller, installation will be subject to a charge under a Services agreement with Lenovo.

For a Machine that Lenovo is responsible to install, if you elect to install or service the Machine yourself, or if you relocate the Machine or have a third party install, service or relocate the Machine, Lenovo reserves the right to inspect the Machine before providing warranty Service on the Machine. Lenovo may, at its sole discretion, charge for the inspection. If the Machine is not in an acceptable condition for warranty Service, as solely determined by Lenovo, you may request that Lenovo restore it to an acceptable condition for Service or you may withdraw your request for warranty Service. Lenovo, at its sole discretion, will determine if restoration is possible. Restoration is provided as a billable Service. If specified, additional charges, such as transportation or special handling, may apply.

Many features, conversions, or upgrades involve the removal of parts and their return to Lenovo. A Lenovo part or feature installed during the initial installation of a Lenovo Machine is subject to the Machine's warranty period effective on the Date of Installation of the Machine. A Lenovo part or feature which replaces a previously installed part or feature assumes the remainder of the warranty period for the replaced part or feature. A Lenovo part or feature added to a Machine without replacing a previously installed part or feature is subject to the specified warranty period for the applicable part or feature effective on its Date of Installation. Unless Lenovo specifies otherwise, the warranty period, type of warranty service, and service level of such part or feature is the same as the Machine on which it is installed.

Unless Lenovo specifies otherwise, these warranties apply only in the country or region in which you purchased the Machine.

THESE WARRANTIES ARE YOUR EXCLUSIVE WARRANTIES AND REPLACE ALL OTHER WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND ANY WARRANTY OF TITLE OR NON-INFRINGMENT. SOME STATES OR JURISDICTIONS DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OF EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES, SO THE ABOVE EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU. IN THAT EVENT, SUCH WARRANTIES ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE WARRANTY PERIOD. NO WARRANTIES APPLY AFTER THAT PERIOD. SOME STATES OR JURISDICTIONS DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

#### What this Warranty Does not Cover

This warranty does not cover the following:

- a. failure or damage resulting from misuse (including, but not limited to, use of any Machine capacity or capability, other than that authorized by Lenovo in writing), accident, modification, unsuitable physical or operating environment, operation in other than the specified operating environment or improper maintenance by you or a third party;
- b. failure due to events beyond Lenovo's control;
- c. failure caused by a product for which Lenovo is not responsible;
- d. any non-Lenovo products, including those provided with, or installed on, a Lenovo Machine at your request;
- e. accessories, supply items and consumables, and structural parts (for example, frames and covers). **Unless specified otherwise. batteries are considered a consumable item and are not warranted**. If warranted, Lenovo will specify the warranty in the product guide for the Machine;
- f. service of Machine alterations;
- g. service of a Machine on which you are using capacity or capability, other than that authorized by Lenovo in writing; and
- h. certification in your country for the Machine's connection by any means to interfaces of public telecommunications networks unless Lenovo specifies otherwise in the product guide for the Machine. Further certification may be required by law prior to making any such connection.

The warranty is voided by removal or alteration of identification labels on the Machine or its parts.

Lenovo does not warrant uninterrupted or error-free operation of a Machine.

Any technical or other support provided for a Machine under warranty, such as assistance with "how-to" questions and those regarding Machine set-up and installation, is provided **WITHOUT WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND**.

#### **How to Obtain Warranty Service**

If the Machine does not function as warranted during the warranty period, refer to the service documentation for your Machine that can be found at the following Lenovo website: <a href="http://support.lenovo.com/">http://support.lenovo.com/</a>.

If you are unable to resolve your problem with the service documentation, contact Lenovo or the reseller to obtain warranty service. If you do not register the Machine with Lenovo, you may be required to present proof of purchase as evidence of your entitlement to warranty service.

#### What Lenovo Will Do to Correct Problems

Lenovo will attempt to diagnose and resolve your problem over the telephone or electronically by access to a Lenovo Internet website. Certain Machines contain remote support capabilities for direct problem reporting, remote problem determination, and resolution with Lenovo. When you contact Lenovo for service, you must follow the problem determination and resolution procedures that Lenovo specifies. Following problem determination, if Lenovo determines on-site service is required, a service technician will be scheduled for service at your location.

Certain Machines (and upgrades, as applicable) may contain Machine Code and may also contain Separately Licensed Code (SLC). The following Lenovo website identifies whether an acquired Machine (or upgrade, as applicable) contains Machine Code and/or SLC: http://support.lenovo.com/.

Unless specified otherwise, you are responsible for downloading or obtaining from Lenovo, and installing designated Machine Code (microcode, basic input/output system code (called "BIOS"), utility programs, device drivers, and diagnostics delivered with a Lenovo Machine) and other software updates in a timely manner from a Lenovo Internet website or from other electronic media, and following the instructions that Lenovo provides. You may request Lenovo to install Machine Code changes, however, you may be charged for that service.

Some parts of Lenovo Machines are designated as Customer Replaceable Units ("CRUs"). If your problem can be resolved with a CRU (e.g. keyboard, memory, hard disk drive) Lenovo will ship the CRU to you for you to install.

If the Machine does not function as warranted during the warranty period and your problem cannot be resolved over the telephone or electronically, through your application of Machine Code or software updates, or with a CRU, Lenovo or its subcontractor or a reseller that has been approved by Lenovo to provide warranty service, will either, at its discretion: 1) repair it to make it function as warranted; or 2) replace it with one that is at least functionally equivalent. If Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller is unable to do either, you may return the Machine to your place of purchase and your money will be refunded.

Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller will also manage and install selected engineering changes that apply to the Machine.

#### **Exchange of a Machine or Part**

When the warranty service involves the exchange of a Machine or part, the item Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller replaces becomes Lenovo's property, and the replacement becomes yours. You represent that all removed items are genuine and unaltered. The replacement may not be new, but will be in good working order and at least functionally equivalent to the item replaced. The replacement assumes the warranty service status of the replaced item.

#### Your Additional Responsibilities

#### You agree:

- a. before Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller exchanges a Machine or part, to remove all features, parts, options, alterations, and attachments not under warranty service and ensure that the Machine is free of any legal obligations or restrictions that prevent its exchange;
- b. to obtain authorization from the owner to have Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller service a Machine that you do not own;
- c. where applicable, before service is provided:
- (1) follow the service request procedures that Lenovo or its subcontractor or its reseller provides;
- (2) backup and secure all programs, data, and funds contained in the Machine; and
- (3) inform Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller of changes in the Machine's location;
- d. to provide Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller with sufficient and safe access to your facilities to permit Lenovo to fulfill its obligations;
- e. to allow Lenovo or its subcontractor or the reseller to install mandatory engineering changes, such as those required for safety;
- f. when the type of warranty service requires that you deliver a failing Machine to Lenovo, you agree to ship it suitably packaged, as Lenovo specifies, to a location Lenovo designates. After the Machine has been repaired or exchanged, Lenovo will return the repaired Machine or provide a replacement Machine to you at its expense, unless Lenovo specifies otherwise. Lenovo is responsible for loss of, or damage to, your Machine only while it is: 1) in Lenovo's possession; or 2) in transit in those cases where Lenovo is responsible for the transportation charges; and
- g. to securely erase from any Machine you return to Lenovo for any reason all programs not provided by Lenovo with the Machine, and data, including without limitation the following: 1) information about identified or identifiable individuals or legal entities ("Personal Data"); and 2) your confidential or proprietary information and other data. If removing or deleting Personal Data is not possible, you agree to transform such information (e.g., by making it anonymous or encrypting it) so that it no longer qualifies as Personal Data under applicable law. You also agree to remove all funds from Machines returned to Lenovo. Lenovo is not responsible for any funds, programs not provided by Lenovo with the Machine, or data contained in a Machine that you return to Lenovo. You acknowledge that, to perform its responsibilities under this Statement of Limited Warranty, Lenovo may ship all or part of the Machine or its software to other Lenovo or third party locations around the world, and you authorize Lenovo to do so.

#### **Limitation of Liability**

Circumstances may arise where, because of a default on Lenovo's part or other liability, you are entitled to recover damages from Lenovo. Regardless of the basis on which you are entitled to claim damages from Lenovo (including fundamental breach, negligence, misrepresentation, or other contract or tort claim), except for any liability that cannot be waived or limited by applicable laws, Lenovo's entire liability for all claims in the aggregate arising from or related to each Machine will not exceed:

- a. damages for bodily injury (including death) and damage to real property and tangible personal property; and
- b. the amount of any other actual direct damages, up to the charges (if recurring, 12 months' charges apply) for the Machine that is subject of the claim. For purposes of this item, the term "Machine" includes Machine Code.

This limit also applies to Lenovo's suppliers, subcontractors, and resellers. It is the maximum for which Lenovo and its suppliers, subcontractors, and resellers are collectively responsible.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS LENOVO OR ITS SUPPLIERS, SUBCONTRACTORS, OR RESELLERS LIABLE FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING EVEN IF INFORMED OF THEIR POSSIBILITY: 1) THIRD PARTY CLAIMS AGAINST YOU FOR DAMAGES (OTHER THAN THOSE UNDER THE FIRST ITEM LISTED ABOVE); 2) LOSS OF, OR DAMAGE TO, DATA; 3) SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR INDIRECT DAMAGES OR FOR ANY ECONOMIC CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES; OR 4) LOST PROFITS, BUSINESS, REVENUE, GOODWILL OR ANTICIPATED SAVINGS. SOME STATES OR JURISDICTIONS DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

#### **Governing Law**

Both you and Lenovo consent to the application of the laws of the country in which you acquired the Machine to govern, interpret, and enforce all of your and Lenovo's rights, duties, and obligations arising from, or relating in any manner to, the subject matter of this Statement of Limited Warranty, without regard to conflict of law principles.

THESE WARRANTIES GIVE YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE OR JURISDICTION TO JURISDICTION.

#### Jurisdiction

All of our rights, duties, and obligations are subject to the courts of the country in which you acquired the Machine.

### Part 2 - Country-unique Terms

#### **AMERICAS**

#### Jurisdiction:

The following sentence is added to this section as it applies to countries in bold print below:

Any litigation arising from this Statement of Limited Warranty will be settled exclusively by 1) in **Argentina**; the Ordinary Commercial Court of the city of Buenos Aires; 2) in **Bolivia**; the courts of the city of La Paz; 3) in **Brazil**; court of Rio de Janeiro, RJ; 4) in **Chile**; the Civil Courts of Justice of Santiago; 5) in **Colombia**; the Judges of the Republic of Colombia; 6) in **Equador**; the civil judges of Quito for executory or summary proceedings (as applicable); 7) in **Mexico**; the courts located in Mexico City, Federal District; 8) in **Paraguay**; the courts of the city of Asuncion; 9) in **Peru**; the judges and tribunals of the judicial district of Lima, Cercado; 10) in **Uruguay**; the courts of the city of Montevideo; 11) in **Venezuela**; the courts of the metropolitan area of the city of Caracas.

#### BRAZIL

#### **Exchange of a Machine or Part:**

Delete the last sentence:

The replacement assumes the warranty service status of the replaced item.

#### **CANADA**

#### What this Warranty Covers:

The following replaces the 2nd paragraph to this section:

During the warranty period, Lenovo provides repair and exchange service for the Machine under the type of warranty service Lenovo designates for the Machine. The warranty period for the Machine starts on its original Date of Installation unless specified otherwise (for example, for certain Machines, the warranty will void if the Machine's usage limitations are exceeded during the specified warranty period). The warranty period, type of warranty service, and service level that apply to your Machine are designated in the product guide for the Machine. Lenovo may require you to provide proof of purchase (for example, a copy of your sales receipt or purchase invoice) to validate warranty entitlement.

### **Limitation of Liability:**

The following replaces item a and item b of this section:

- a. damages for bodily injury (including death) or physical harm to real property and tangible personal property caused by Lenovo's negligence; and
- b. the amount of any other actual direct damages, up to the greater of \$100,000.00 or the charges (if recurring, 12 months' charges apply) for the Machine that is subject of the claim. For purposes of this item, the term "Machine" includes Machine Code.

#### Governing Law:

The following replaces "laws of the country in which you acquired the Machine" in the first sentence: laws in the Province of Ontario.

#### **PERU**

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

The following is added at the end of this section:

In accordance with Article 1328 of the Peruvian Civil Code the limitations and exclusions specified in this section will not apply to damages caused by Lenovo's willful misconduct ("dolo") or gross negligence ("culpa inexcusable").

#### **UNITED STATES**

#### Governing Law:

The following replaces "laws of the country in which you acquired the Machine" in the first sentence:

laws of the State of New York

#### **ASIA PACIFIC**

#### **AUSTRALIA**

#### What this Warranty Covers:

The following paragraphs are added to this section:

The warranties specified in this Section are in addition to any rights you may have under the Australian Consumer Law or other similar legislation and are only limited to the extent permitted by the applicable legislation. Throughout this document "Australian Consumer Law" means Schedule 2 of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010.

Where a product we supply to you is, for the purposes of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 deemed to be a "consumer transaction" (as defined in the Australian Consumer Law) then, in addition to your other rights under our agreement, the following may apply:

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

The following is added to this section:

To the extent permitted by law, where Lenovo is in breach of a guarantee under the Australian Consumer Law or other similar legislation, Lenovo's liability is limited, at its option to:

- a. for services:
- (1) the supply of the services again or
- (2) the payment of the cost of having the services supplied again; and
- b. for goods:
- (1) the repair or replacement of the goods or the supply of equivalent goods; or
- (2) the payment of the cost of having the services supplied again.

Where that guarantee relates to the right to sell, quiet possession or clear title, or if the goods are of a kind ordinarily acquired for personal, domestic or household use or consumption, then none of the limitations in this paragraph apply.

#### **Governing Law:**

The following replaces "laws of the country in which you acquired the Machine" in the first sentence:

laws of the State or Territory

#### CAMBODIA, INDONESIA AND LAOS

#### **Governing Law:**

The following replaces "laws of the country in which you acquired the Machine" in the first sentence: laws of Singapore

#### **CAMBODIA, INDONESIA AND LAOS**

#### **Arbitration:**

The following is added under this heading:

Disputes arising out of or in connection with this Statement of Limited Warranty shall be finally settled by arbitration which shall be held in Singapore in accordance with the Arbitration Rules of Singapore International Arbitration Center ("SIAC Rules") then in effect. The arbitration award shall be final and binding for the parties without appeal and shall be in writing and set forth the findings of fact and the conclusions of law.

The number of arbitrators shall be three, with each side to the dispute being entitled to appoint one arbitrator. The two arbitrators appointed by the parties shall appoint a third arbitrator who shall act as chairman of the proceedings. Vacancies in the post of chairman shall be filled by the president of the SIAC. Other vacancies shall be filled by the respective nominating party. Proceedings shall continue from the stage they were at when the vacancy occurred.

If one of the parties refuses or otherwise fails to appoint an arbitrator within 30 days of the date the other party appoints its, the first appointed arbitrator shall be the sole arbitrator, provided that the arbitrator was validly and properly appointed.

All proceedings shall be conducted, including all documents presented in such proceedings, in the English language. The English language version of this Statement of Limited Warranty prevails over any other language version.

#### HONG KONG S.A.R.

As applies to transactions initiated and performed in Hong Kong S.A.R., phrases throughout this Agreement containing the word "country" (for example, "country of purchase" and "country of Installation") are replaced with "Hong Kong S.A.R.."

#### **INDIA**

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

The following replaces item a and item b of this section:

a. liability for bodily injury (including death) or damage to real property and tangible personal property will be limited to that caused by Lenovo's negligence; and

b. as to any other actual damage arising in any situation involving nonperformance by Lenovo pursuant to, or in any way related to the subject of this Statement of Limited Warranty, the charge paid by you for the individual Machine that is the subject of the claim. For purposes of this item, the term "Machine" includes Machine Code.

#### **Arbitration:**

The following is added under this heading:

Disputes arising out of or in connection with this Statement of Limited Warranty shall be finally settled by arbitration which shall be held in Bangalore, India in accordance with the laws of India then in effect. The arbitration award shall be final and binding for the parties without appeal and shall be in writing and set forth the findings of fact and the conclusions of law.

The number of arbitrators shall be three, with each side to the dispute being entitled to appoint one arbitrator. The two arbitrators appointed by the parties shall appoint a third arbitrator who shall act as chairman of the proceedings. Vacancies in the post of chairman shall be filled by the president of the Bar Council of India. Other vacancies shall be filled by the respective nominating party. Proceedings shall continue from the stage they were at when the vacancy occurred.

If one of the parties refuses or otherwise fails to appoint an arbitrator within 30 days of the date the other party appoints its, the first appointed arbitrator shall be the sole arbitrator, provided that the arbitrator was validly and properly appointed.

All proceedings shall be conducted, including all documents presented in such proceedings, in the English language. The English language version of this Statement of Limited Warranty prevails over any other language version.

#### **JAPAN**

#### **Governing Law:**

The following sentence is added to this section:

Any doubts concerning this Statement of Limited Warranty will be initially resolved between us in good faith and in accordance with the principle of mutual trust.

#### MACAU S.A.R.

As applies to transactions initiated and performed in Macau S.A.R., phrases throughout this Agreement containing the word "country" (for example, "country of purchase" and "country of Installation") are replaced with "Macau S.A.R.."

#### **MALAYSIA**

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

The word "SPECIAL" in item 3 of the last paragraph is deleted.

#### **NEW ZEALAND**

#### What this Warranty Covers:

The following paragraph is added to this section:

The warranties specified in this section are in addition to any rights you may have under the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 or other legislation which cannot be excluded or limited. The Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 will not apply in respect of any goods which Lenovo provides, if you require the goods for the purposes of a business as defined in that Act.

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

The following is added to this section:

Where Machines are not acquired for the purposes of a business as defined in the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993, the limitations in this Section are subject to the limitations in that Act.

#### **PHILIPPINES**

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

Item 3 in the last paragraph is replaced by the following:

# SPECIAL (INCLUDING NOMINAL AND EXEMPLARY DAMAGES), MORAL, INCIDENTAL, OR INDIRECT DAMAGES FOR ANY ECONOMIC CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES; OR

#### **Arbitration:**

The following is added: under this heading

Disputes arising out of or in connection with this Statement of Limited Warranty shall be finally settled by arbitration which shall be held in Metro Manila, Philippines in accordance with the laws of the Philippines then in effect. The arbitration award shall be final and binding for the parties without appeal and shall be in writing and set forth the findings of fact and the conclusions of law.

The number of arbitrators shall be three, with each side to the dispute being entitled to appoint one arbitrator. The two arbitrators appointed by the parties shall appoint a third arbitrator who shall act as chairman of the proceedings. Vacancies in the post of chairman shall be filled by the president of the Philippine Dispute Resolution Center, Inc. Other vacancies shall be filled by the respective nominating party. Proceedings shall continue from the stage they were at when the vacancy occurred.

If one of the parties refuses or otherwise fails to appoint an arbitrator within 30 days of the date the other party appoints its, the first appointed arbitrator shall be the sole arbitrator, provided that the arbitrator was validly and properly appointed.

All proceedings shall be conducted, including all documents presented in such proceedings, in the English language. The English language version of this Statement of Limited Warranty prevails over any other language version.

#### **SINGAPORE**

#### **Limitation of Liability:**

The words "SPECIAL" and "ECONOMIC" in item 3 in the last paragraph are deleted.

#### **EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA (EMEA)**

#### THE FOLLOWING TERMS APPLY TO ALL EMEA COUNTRIES:

The terms of this Statement of Limited Warranty apply to Machines purchased from Lenovo or a Lenovo reseller.

#### **How to Obtain Warranty Service:**

Add the following paragraphs in **Western Europe** (Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia,

Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Vatican State, and any country subsequently added to the European Union, as from the date of accession):

The warranty for Machines acquired in Western Europe shall be valid and applicable in all Western Europe countries provided the Machines have been announced and made available in such countries.

If you purchase a Machine in one of the Western European countries, as defined above, you may obtain warranty service for that Machine in any of those countries from either (1) a Lenovo reseller approved to perform warranty service or (2) from Lenovo, provided the Machine has been announced and made available by Lenovo in the country in which you wish to obtain service.

If you purchase a Machine in a Middle East or African country, you may obtain warranty service for that Machine from the Lenovo entity within the country of purchase, if that Lenovo entity provides warranty service in that country, or from a Lenovo reseller, approved by Lenovo to perform warranty service on that Machine in that country. Warranty service in Africa is available within 50 kilometers of a Lenovo approved service provider. You are responsible for transportation costs for Machines located outside 50 kilometers of a Lenovo approved service provider.

#### Governing Law:

The phrase "the laws of the country in which you acquired the Machine" is replaced by:

1) "the laws of England and Wales" in Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, FYR Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan; 2) "the laws of France" in Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo Republic, Djibouti, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, French Guiana, French Polynesia, Gabon, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Lebanon, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mayotte, Morocco, New Caledonia, Niger, Reunion, Senegal, Seychelles, Togo, Tunisia, Vanuatu, and Wallis & Futuna; 3) "the laws of England" in Angola, Bahrain, Botswana, Burundi, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liberia, Malawi, Malta, Mozambique, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Rwanda, Sao Tome, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tanzania, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, West Bank/Gaza, Yemen, Zambia, and Zimbabwe; 4) "the laws of South Africa" in South Africa, Namibia, Lesotho and Swaziland; 5) "the laws of Switzerland" in Liechtenstein; 6) "the laws of Finland" in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania;

#### Jurisdiction:

The following exceptions are added to this section:

1) in Angola, Bahrain, Botswana, Burundi, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liberia, Malawi, Malta, Mozambique, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Rwanda, Sao Tome, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tanzania, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, West Bank/Gaza, Yemen, Zambia, and Zimbabwe; Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo Republic, Djibouti, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, French Guiana, French Polynesia, Gabon, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Lebanon, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mayotte, Morocco, New Caledonia, Niger, Reunion, Senegal, Seychelles, Togo, Tunisia, Vanuatu, and Wallis & Futuna, South Africa, Namibia, Lesotho and Swaziland, Czech Republic and Poland; all disputes arising out of this Statement of Limited Warranty or related to its execution, including summary proceedings, will be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts; 2) in **Belgium and Luxembourg**; all disputes arising out of this Statement of Limited Warranty or related to its interpretation or its execution, the law, and the courts of the capital city, of the country of your registered office and/or commercial site location only are competent; 3) in France, all disputes arising out of this Statement of Limited Warranty or related to its violation or execution, including summary proceedings, will be settled exclusively by the Commercial Court of Paris; 4) in Turkey; all disputes arising out of or in connection with this Statement of Limited Warranty shall be resolved by the Istanbul Central (Sultanahmet) Courts and Execution Directorates of Istanbul, the Republic of Turkey; 5) in each of the following specified countries, any legal claim arising out of this Statement of Limited Warranty will be brought before, and settled exclusively by, the competent court of a) Athens for Greece, b) Tel Aviv-Jaffa for Israel, c) Milan for Italy, d) Lisbon for Portugal, and e) Madrid for Spain; 6) in the United Kingdom; both of us agree to submit all disputes relating to this Statement of Limited Warranty to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts; 7) in Liechtenstein; all of our rights, duties, and obligations are settled exclusively by the competent court of Zurich.

### **EUROPEAN UNION (EU) BATTERY DIRECTIVE**

**Notice**: This mark applies only to countries within the European Union (EU)

Batteries or packaging for batteries are labeled in accordance with European Directive 2006/66/EC concerning batteries and accumulators and waste batteries and accumulators. The Directive determines the framework for the

return and recycling of used batteries and accumulators as applicable throughout the European Union. This label is applied to various batteries to indicate that the battery is not to be thrown away, but rather reclaimed upon end of life per the Directive.

In accordance with the European Directive 2006/66/EC, batteries and accumulators are labeled to indicate that they are to be collected separately and recycled at end of life. The label on the battery may also include a chemical symbol for the metal concerned in the battery (Pb for lead, Hg for mercury and Cd for cadmium). Users of batteries and accumulators must not dispose of batteries and accumulators as unsorted municipal waste, but use the collection framework available to customers for the return, recycling and treatment of batteries and accumulators. Customer participation is important to minimize any potential effects of batteries and accumulators on the environment and human health due to the potential presence of hazardous substances.

The retail price of batteries, accumulators and power cells includes the cost of the environmental management of their waste. For proper collection and treatment, contact your local Lenovo representative.

#### THE FOLLOWING TERMS APPLY TO ALL EU COUNTRIES:

The warranty for Machines acquired in EU countries is valid and applicable in all EU countries provided the Machines have been announced and made available in such countries.

#### **Part 3 - Warranty Information**

The type of warranty service applicable to your machine is documented in the product guide for the Machine located at www.lenovo.com.

The performance of warranty service is subject to the following: 1) the time your request for service is received; 2) Machine technology and redundancy; and 3) availability of parts. Please contact your local Lenovo representative or the subcontractor or reseller performing services on behalf of Lenovo for country and location specific information.

#### **Types of Warranty Service**

#### Customer Replaceable Unit ("CRU") / Parts Delivered Service

Lenovo provides replacement CRUs to you for you to install. CRU information and replacement instructions are available at www.lenovo.com or from Lenovo at any time on your request. CRUs are designated as being either a Tier 1 (mandatory) or a Tier 2 (optional) CRU. Installation of a Tier 1 CRU is your responsibility. If Lenovo installs a Tier 1 CRU at your request, you will be charged for the installation. You may install a Tier 2 CRU yourself or request Lenovo to install it, at no additional charge, under the type of warranty service designated for your Machine. Lenovo specifies in the materials shipped with a replacement CRU whether a defective CRU must be returned to Lenovo. When return is required, 1) return instructions and a container are shipped with the replacement CRU, and 2) you may be charged for the replacement CRU if Lenovo does not receive the defective CRU within 15 days of your receipt of the replacement.

#### **CRU** and Technician Installed Parts (formerly On-site Service)

At Lenovo's discretion you will receive CRU service or Lenovo, its subcontractor or your reseller will repair the failing Machine at your location and verify its operation. You must provide suitable working area to allow disassembly and reassembly of the Lenovo Machine. The area must be clean, well lit and suitable for the purpose.

#### **CRU** and Courier or Depot Service

At Lenovo's discretion you will receive CRU service or you will disconnect the failing Machine for collection arranged by Lenovo. Lenovo will provide you with a shipping container for you to return your Machine to a designated service center. A courier will pick up your Machine and deliver it to the designated service center. Following its repair or exchange, Lenovo will arrange the return delivery of the Machine to your location. You are responsible for its installation and verification of operation.

#### **CRU** and Customer Carry-In or Mail-In Service

At Lenovo's discretion you will receive CRU service or you will deliver or mail as Lenovo specifies (prepaid unless Lenovo specifies otherwise) the failing Machine suitably packaged to a location Lenovo designates. After Lenovo has repaired or exchanged the Machine, Lenovo will make it available for your collection or, for Mail-in Service, Lenovo will return it to you at Lenovo's expense, unless Lenovo specifies otherwise. You are responsible for its installation and verification of operation.

#### **CRU** and Machine Exchange Service

At Lenovo's discretion you will receive specified CRU service or Lenovo will initiate shipment of a replacement Machine to your location. You must pack the failing Machine into the shipping container that contained the replacement Machine and return the failing Machine to Lenovo. Transportation charges, both ways, are paid by Lenovo. You may be charged for the replacement Machine if Lenovo does not receive the failing Machine within 15 days of your receipt of the replacement Machine. You are responsible for its installation and verification of operation.

#### Service Levels

Service levels specified below are response-time objectives only and are not guarantees. The specified service level may not be available in all worldwide locations. Charges may apply outside Lenovo's normal service area. Response times are based on local standard business days and working hours. Unless otherwise specified, all responses are measured from the time the customer contacts Lenovo for problem determination until Lenovo has resolved the problem remotely or scheduled service to be performed. Same Business Day Warranty Service (SBD) is based on local standard business days and working hours. Next Business Day Warranty Service (NBD) is based on commercially reasonable effort.

Lenovo encourages you to use available remote support technologies. Failure to install and use available remote connectivity tools and equipment for direct problem reporting, remote problem determination and resolution may result in an increased service level response-time due to resource requirements.

- 1. Next Business Day (NBD), 9X5
- 2. Same Business Day (SBD), 9X5 3. Same Day (SD), 24X7

#### **Lenovo Contact information**

For Lenovo contact information, visit the Lenovo Internet website: http://support.lenovo.com/.