

Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement

This agreement is made between a government agency that executes a Lead Agency Certificate ("Lead Agency") to be appended and made a part hereof and other public agencies ("Participating Public Agencies") that register electronically with National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance ("NCPA") or otherwise execute a Participating Public Agency Certificate to be appended and made a part hereof.

Recitals

WHEREAS, after a competitive solicitation and selection process by Lead Agency, in compliance with their own policies, procedures, rules and regulations, a number of Vendors have entered into Master Agreements to provide a variety of goods, products and services based on national volumes (herein "Products");

WHEREAS, Master Agreements are made available by Lead Agency through NCPA and provide that Participating Public Agencies may purchase Products on the same terms, conditions and pricing as the Lead Agency, subject to any applicable local purchasing ordinances and the laws of the State of purchase;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained in this agreement, and of the mutual benefits to result, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. That each party will facilitate the cooperative procurement of Products.
- 2. That the procurement of Products subject to this agreement shall be conducted in accordance with and subject to the relevant statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations that govern each party's procurement practices.
- 3. That the cooperative use of bids obtained by a party to this agreement shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the bid, except as modification of those terms and conditions is otherwise allowed or required by applicable law.
- 4. That the Lead Agencies will make available, upon reasonable request and subject to convenience, information which may assist in improving the procurement of products by the Participating Public Agencies.
- 5. That a procuring party will make timely payments to the Vendor for Products received in accordance with the terms and conditions of the procurement. Payment for Products and inspections and acceptance of Products ordered by the procuring party shall be the exclusive obligation of such procuring party. Disputes between procuring party and Vendor are to be resolved in accord with the law and venue rules of the State of purchase.
- 6. The procuring party shall not use this agreement as a method for obtaining additional concessions or reduced prices for similar products or services.

- 7. The procuring party shall be responsible for the ordering of Products under this agreement. A non-procuring party shall not be liable in any fashion for any violation by a procuring party, and the procuring party shall hold non-procuring party harmless from any liability that may arise from action or inaction of the procuring party.
- 8. This agreement shall remain in effect until termination by a party giving 30 days written notice to the other party. The provisions of paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 hereof shall survive any such termination.
- 9. This agreement shall take effect after execution of the Lead Agency Certificate or Participating Public Agency Registration, as applicable.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

TED SELBY, COUNTY MANAGER Its: Designee

Date Signed: November 7, 2016



Register with NCPA

To participate in the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance, all you need to do is fill out the form below, check the Signature Check Box and hit "Submit".

Agency Name Nassau County Board of Federal Tax ID Number 85-8012559204C-5 Agency Type County V Department Contract Management Name David J. Pensante Address 96135 Nassau Place Address2 Suite 2 City Yulee State Florida V Postal Code 32097 Phone Number 904-530-6040 Email Address dpensante@nassaucoun How did you hear about us? Vendor V Waibel Energy Systems

☑ I agree to the <u>Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement</u> Terms and Conditions

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About NCPA

NCPA (National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance) is a leading national government purchasing cooperative working to reduce the cost of goods and services by leveraging the purchasing power of public agencies in all 50 states. NCPA utilizes state of the art procurement resources and solutions that result in cooperative purchasing contracts that ensure all public agencies are receiving products and services of the highest quality at the lowest prices.

NCPA's Process

NCPA works with a lead public agency, who competitively solicits master contracts. Contracts are based on quality, performance, and most importantly pricing. These contracts are established using the following process:

- The Lead Agency issues a competitive solicitation for a product or service on behalf of NCPA and all public agencies.
- The solicitation is advertised nationally for a minimum of 30 days. You can view our <u>current solicitations</u> on our website.
- The solicitation contains language that allows the contract to be accessible nationally to public agencies in states whose laws allow for intergovernmental contract use (also known as "piggybacking" or "adopting")
- Vendors respond to the solicitation with sealed responses that are recorded and publicly opened.
- The Lead Agency evaluates the responses based on "Identified Evaluation Criteria" and awards contracts.

Who Can Use NCPA's Contracts

There are over 90,000 agencies nationwide from both the public and nonprofit sectors that are eligible to utilize NCPA's <u>cooperative purchasing contracts</u>. These include, but are not limited to the following agency types:

- School Districts (including K-12, Charter schools, and Private K-12)
- Higher Education (including Universities, Community Colleges, Private Colleges, and Technical / Vocational Schools)
- Cities, Counties, and any Local Government
- State Agencies
- Healthcare Organizations
- Church/Religious
- Nonprofit Corporations

State Statutes

Want to see your state's laws on cooperative purchasing? Click here to view <u>your state's</u> laws on cooperative purchasing.



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Who can use NCPA?

There are over 90,000 agencies nationwide from both the public and nonprofit sectors that are eligible to utilize the NCPA program. These include, but are not limited to the following agency types:

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- Higher Education (including Universities, Community Colleges, Private Colleges, and Technical / Vocational Schools)
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- Counties
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What does a public agency do to participate?

All that is required is for your agency to register with NCPA at <u>www.ncpa.us/Register</u>. Once you have completed registration you will receive a confirmation email for your records.

Does it cost anything to participate with NCPA?

No. There are no costs or obligations for your agency to participate with us. Registration is free and there are no volume minimums on purchases.

Can my agency use the contracts without going out for solicitation?

Yes. All NCPA contracts have been competitively solicited by a lead public agency. Each solicitation contains language that allows the contract to be used by other government agencies. State statutes allow one government agency to purchase from contracts competitively solicited by another government agency.

Who is NCPA's lead public agency?

Region 14 ESC is NCPA's lead public agency. Region 14 ESC is a local governmental agency in the state of Texas, authorized by Chapter 8 of the Education Code. Section 8.008 states the center is considered to be a state agency and each employee is considered to be a state employee. For further information of Chapter 8 <u>click on the link</u>.

What is NCPA's solicitation and award process for contract?

NCPA works with Region 14 ESC, who as the lead public agency that competitively solicits national master contracts for use by all public agencies. Contracts are awarded based on quality, performance, and most importantly pricing. These contracts are established using the following process:

- Region 14 ESC issues a competitive solicitation for a product or service on behalf of NCPA and all public agencies.
- 2. The solicitation is advertised nationally for a minimum of 30 days.
- 3. The solicitation contains language that allows the contract to be accessible nationally to public agencies in states whose laws allow for intergovernmental contract use (also known as "piggybacking" or "adopting")
- 4. Vendors respond to the solicitation with sealed responses that are recorded and publicly opened.
- 5. Region 14 ESC evaluates the responses based on "Identified Evaluation Criteria" and awards contracts.

<u>Can I see documentation of the solicitation process associated with</u> <u>each competitively solicited contract?</u>

NCPA provides all the due diligence documents needed on each individual vendor page under the Contract Docs tab. <u>Click on the link</u> to be transferred to the Vendor Pages.

How do I use a NCPA awarded vendor?

After you have registered with NCPA <u>click on this link</u> to find a listing of all awarded vendors. Here you will find a great deal of information that will allow you to research and contact the vendor of your choosing so you can start working together. Billing is executed directly from the servicing vendor. No different than if you were using your own contracts.

What is a Joint Powers or Cooperative Procurement Authority?

State statutes and, if applicable, local ordinances generally allow one government agency to purchase from contracts competitively solicited by another government agency ("Lead Public Agency"). Generally, a public body may participate in, sponsor, conduct or administer a cooperative procurement agreement with one or more other public bodies, or agencies of the United States, for the purpose of combining requirements to increase efficiency or reduce administrative expenses.

Where can I find my states' statutes regarding cooperative purchasing?

<u>Click on this link</u> to go to your individual state statutes.

How do I become a NCPA awarded vendor?

Companies interested in becoming a awarded vendor must respond to a solicitation for the commodity or service that best fits their offering. All solicitations are advertised through USA Today and posted at <u>www.ncpa.us/Solicitations</u>. Also you can conveniently follow us on <u>Twitter</u>, like us on <u>Facebook</u>, or connect with us on <u>LinkedIn</u> to keep up with notifications. We are always open to new ideas for prospective contracts so please do not hesitate to <u>contact us</u>.



Florida

Title XI County Organization and Intergovernmental Relations Chapter 163 Intergovernmental Programs Part I Miscellaneous Programs

163.01 Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969.

1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969."

2. It is the purpose of this section to permit local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, population, and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities.

3. As used in this section:

a) "Interlocal agreement" means an agreement entered into pursuant to this section.

b) "Public agency" means a political subdivision, agency, or officer of this state or of any state of the United States, including, but not limited to, state government, county, city, school district, single and multipurpose special district, single and multipurpose public authority, metropolitan or consolidated government, an independently elected county officer, any agency of the United States Government, a federally recognized Native American tribe, and any similar entity of any other state of the United States.

c) "State" means a state of the United States.

d) "Person" means:

1. Any natural person;

2. The United States; any state; any municipality, political subdivision, or municipal corporation created by or pursuant to the laws of the United States or any state; or any board, corporation, or other entity or body declared by or pursuant to the laws of the United States or any state to be a department, agency, or instrumentality thereof;

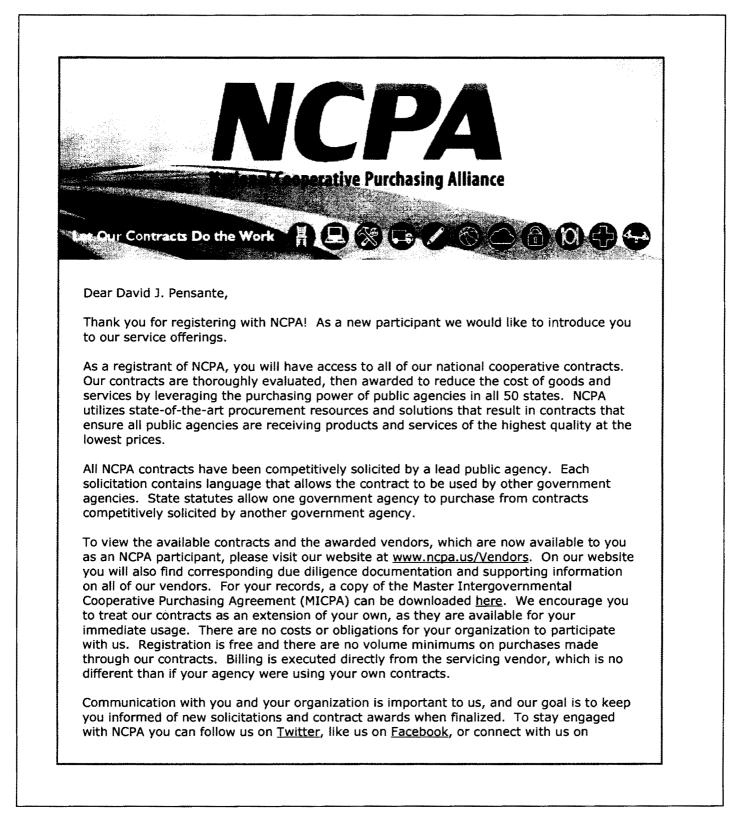
3. Any corporation, not-for-profit corporation, firm, partnership, cooperative association, electric cooperative, or business trust of any nature whatsoever which is organized and existing under the laws of the United States or any state; or

4. Any foreign country; any political subdivision or governmental unit of a foreign country; or any corporation, not-for-profit corporation, firm, partnership, cooperative association, electric cooperative, or business trust of any nature whatsoever which is organized and existing under the laws of a foreign country or of a political subdivision or governmental unit thereof.

5. A public agency of this state may exercise jointly with any other public agency of the state, of any other state, or of the United States Government any power, privilege, or authority which such agencies share in common and which each might exercise separately.

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<u>LinkedIn</u>. And, of course, we are always available to answer any questions via e-mail or phone.

We're excited that you're now a part of NCPA and we look forward to working with you! Please continue to share your feedback on our contracts and NCPA's service offerings. Click here to return to the <u>NCPA Home Page</u>.

Best regards,

Jonathan Applegate Director, Operations info@ncpa.us

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Fhank You

hank you for registering with the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance. You will receive a confirmatio mail shortly. If you do not receive any communications or if you have questions, please <u>contact us</u>.