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## SECTION H

### SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

#### H.1 RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Any proposed public release of information by the Contractor including publications, exhibits, or audiovisual productions pertaining to the work called for in this contract shall be submitted for approval prior to actual printing and distribution. Proposed releases are to be submitted to DOE- ORP, Office of Communications P.O. Box 450 H6-60, Richland, Washington 99352. All proposed releases should conform to the requirements of the applicable DOE Orders pertaining to the public release of information.

#### H.2 CONSECUTIVE NUMBERING

Due to automated procedures employed in formulating this document, clauses and provisions contained within may not always be consecutively numbered.

#### H.3 INFORMATION

(a) Management of Information Resources. The Contractor shall design and implement Information Resources Management (IRM) capabilities as required to execute this Contract in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-130, *Management of Federal Information Resources*.

(b) Release of Information.

The Contractor shall provide timely, accurate, and complete responses to information requested by DOE to comply with *Freedom of Information Act* and *Privacy Act* requirements.

(c) Unclassified, Controlled, Nuclear Information (UCNI). Documents originated by the Contractor or furnished by the Government to the Contractor, in connection with this Contract, may contain Unclassified, Controlled, Nuclear Information as determined pursuant to Section 148 of the *Atomic Energy Act of 1954*, as amended. The Contractor shall be responsible for protecting such information from unauthorized dissemination in accordance with DOE regulations and directives and Section I Clauses entitled, *DEAR 952.204-2, Security Requirements* and *DEAR 952.204-70, Classification/Declassification*.

- (d) Confidentiality of Information. To the extent that the work under this Contract requires that the Contractor be given access to confidential or proprietary business, technical, or financial information belonging to the Government or other companies, the Contractor shall, after receipt thereof, treat such information as confidential and agrees not to appropriate such information to its own use or to disclose such information to third parties unless specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer in writing. The foregoing obligations, however, shall not apply to:
- (1) Information which, at the time of receipt by the Contractor, is in the public domain;
  - (2) Information which is published after receipt thereof by the Contractor or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Contractor;
  - (3) Information which the Contractor can demonstrate was in its possession at the time of receipt thereof and was not acquired directly or indirectly from the Government or other companies;
  - (4) Information which the Contractor can demonstrate was received by it from a third party that did not require the Contractor to hold it in confidence.

The Contractor shall obtain the written agreement, in a form satisfactory to the Contracting Officer, of each employee permitted access to such information, whereby the employee agrees that he/she will not discuss, divulge or disclose any such information or data to any person or entity except those persons within the Contractor's organization directly concerned with the performance of the Contract.

The Contractor agrees, if requested by the Government, to sign an agreement identical, in all material respects, to the provisions of this subparagraph (d), with each company supplying information to the Contractor under this Contract, and to supply a copy of such agreement to the Contracting Officer. Upon request from the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall supply the Government with reports itemizing information received as confidential or proprietary and setting forth the company or companies from which the Contractor received such information.

The Contractor agrees that upon request by DOE, it will execute a DOE-approved agreement with any party whose facilities or proprietary data it is given access to or is furnished, restricting use and disclosure of the data or the information obtained from the facilities. Upon request by DOE, such an agreement shall also be signed by Contractor personnel.

- (e) The Government reserves the right to require the Contractor to include this Clause or a modified version of this Clause in any subcontract as directed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

#### H.4 MODIFICATION AUTHORITY

Notwithstanding any of the other provisions of this contract, the Contracting Officer shall be the only individual authorized to:

- (1) accept nonconforming work,
- (2) waive any requirement of this contract, or
- (3) modify any term or condition of this contract.

#### H.5 ASSIGNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF SUBCONTRACTS

- (a) Assignment of Subcontracts. The Government reserves the right to direct the Contractor to assign to the Government or another Contractor any subcontract awarded under this Contract, including lower-tier subcontracts. This Clause is required as a flow-down Clause in all subcontracts.
- (b) Assignment of DOE Prime Contracts. During the period of performance of this Contract it may become necessary for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to transfer and assign (and Contractor agrees to accept) existing or future DOE prime contracts supporting site work to this Contract. The transfer of these prime contracts will be for administration purposes and in effect the transferred contracts will become subcontracts to this Contract. Any recommendations and/or suggestions on individual transfers shall be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer prior to the transfer or assignment.
- (c) Administration of Subcontracts. The administration of all subcontracts entered into and/or managed by the Contractor, including responsibility for payment hereunder, shall remain with the Contractor unless assigned at the direction of the DOE.
- (d) Transfer of Subcontracts. The Contractor agrees to accept transfer of existing subcontracts as determined necessary by DOE for continuity of operations. The Contractor shall attempt to negotiate changes to the assigned subcontracts incorporating mandatory flow-down provisions at no cost. If the subcontractor refuses to accept the changes or requests price adjustments, the Contractor will notify the Contracting Officer in writing.

#### H.6 CRITICAL SUBCONTRACTS – DESIGNATION AND CONSENT

The following subcontracts have been determined to be critical subcontracts:

None identified

The above subcontracts require notification to, and consent by, the Contracting Officer regardless of any exceptions that may be stated in the Subcontracts clause of this contract. Consent of these subcontracts is retained by the Contracting Officer and will not be delegated. The Contracting Officer may unilaterally designate additional subcontracts as "critical" without such action constituting a basis for adjustment to any other terms of the contract.

#### **H.7 REPORTING OF FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE, CORRUPTION, OR MISMANAGEMENT**

The Contractor is required to comply with the following in accordance with the applicable DOE Order:

- (a) Notify their employees annually of their duty to report directly to the DOE Inspector General (IG) allegations of fraud, waste, abuse, corruption, or mismanagement in DOE programs, operations, funds, or contracts. The DOE Contractor employees should, when appropriate, report directly to the IG any information concerning wrongdoing by employees of DOE, Contractors, or subcontractors. The DOE Contractor employees should also report to the DOE IG any allegations of reprisals taken against DOE or DOE Contractor employees who have reported fraud, waste, abuse, corruption, or mismanagement to the IG;
- (b) Display and publish the DOE IG hotline telephone number in common areas of buildings, such as cafeterias, public telephone areas, official bulletin boards, reception rooms, and building lobbies; and
- (c) Publish the DOE IG hotline telephone number in phone books and newsletters.

#### **H.8 DOE CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION AND OVERSIGHT**

The 222-S LAS&T Contract at the Hanford site presents significant work scope, and makes it imperative that DOE has a focused approach for providing oversight of Contractor work. DOE oversight activities will focus primarily on ensuring safe operation and management of the 222-S LAS&T contract at Hanford. The DOE oversight will be conducted in a tailored and proactive manner with minimal interference with contract performance. The Contractor shall respond to DOE oversight and to concerns, findings, and observations as identified by the CO or COR during the conduct of these oversight activities. The areas of oversight are:

- (a) Management Oversight: This includes field inspection and the monthly assessments of contract status, which will be used to determine and validate contract performance.

- (b) Contract Management Oversight: Administration and monitoring of the prime contract will be in accordance with the contract terms and conditions which include, but are not limited to, the oversight required under FAR Subchapter G – Contract Management (FAR Parts 42-51) and its supplements, as applicable.
- (c) Financial Management Oversight: DOE will review all budgetary data submitted by the Contractor. DOE or its representative will monitor and audit Contractor funds management practices and procedures to ensure compliance with applicable regulations and statutes.
- (d) Other Oversight: The COR, Facility Representatives and/or Subject Matter Expert will conduct regular oversight and assessments. The purpose of these contacts will be to assess performance. In addition to this regular involvement, the Contractor shall support:
  - (1) Management Walkthroughs conducted in areas or locations where work is ongoing;
  - (2) Periodic Walkthroughs by DOE-HQ personnel or regulators; and
  - (3) Employee concerns elevated to DOE for evaluation.

## H.9 PRIVACY ACT SYSTEMS OF RECORD

- (a) The Contractor shall design, develop, or adopt the following systems of records on individuals to accomplish an agency function pursuant to the Section I Clause entitled, *FAR 52.224-2, Privacy Act*.

Title

Personnel Records of Former Contractor Employees  
 Emergency Locator Records  
 Payroll & Locator Records  
 Report of Compensation  
 Payroll & Pay-Related Data for Employees of Terminated Contractors  
 General Training Records  
 Personnel Medical Records  
 Personnel Radiation Exposure Records  
 Contractor Employees Insurance Claims  
 Personnel Security File  
 Security Investigations  
 Employee and Visitor Access Control Records  
 Access Authorization for ADP Equipment  
 General Correspondence Files

- (b) The above list shall be revised by mutual agreement between the Contractor and the Contracting Officer as necessary to keep it current. A formal modification to the Contract is not required to incorporate these revisions; but the revisions become effective upon mutual agreement of the parties. The mutually agreed upon revisions shall have the same effect as if actually listed above for the purpose of satisfying the listing requirement contained in paragraph (a)(1) of the Section I Clause entitled, *FAR 52.224-2, Privacy Act*. The revisions will be formally

incorporated per the next annual Contract update modification, unless added sooner by the Contracting Officer.

#### **H.10 WAGE DETERMINATION RATES**

In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements of U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination in Part III, Section J, Attachment J-5, U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination. Revised wage determinations shall be required from the Department of Labor and incorporated into this contract at least once every two (2) years but not more often than yearly.

#### **H.11 OBSERVANCE OF GOVERNMENT HOLIDAYS**

The following days are to be observed as holidays:

- New Year's Day
- President's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- The Friday after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day

#### **H.12 TRANSITION TO FOLLOW-ON CONTRACT**

At contract expiration or termination, the Contractor should cooperate with a successor contractor or DOE by allowing either to interview its employees for possible employment. If the employees accept employment with the successor contractor, the Contractor shall release such employees at the time established by DOE. During the transition period (up to 90 days after contract award), the Contractor shall pay the employee severance pay. Thereafter, the successor contract is responsible for paying employees severance pay, wages, pension and benefits.

#### **H.13 NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

This Contract is for the exclusive benefit and convenience of the parties hereto. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as granting, vesting, creating or conferring any right of action or any other right or benefit upon past, present or future employees of the Contractor, or upon any other third party. This provision is not intended to limit or impair the rights which any person may have under applicable Federal statutes.



## H.14 EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

External Affairs includes information and involvement programs to reach diverse external parties interested in Hanford (e.g. Tribal Nations, stakeholders, news media, elected officials and their staffs, local community officials and the public) with the status, challenges and objectives of the cleanup work. For all external constituencies, the Contractor shall anticipate specific areas of concern, interest, or controversy, and employ appropriate communication strategies that inform and involve.

DOE-ORP retains the primary role in directing the timing, substance and form of public information and must approve all products and outreach.

For activities within the Contract scope, the Contractor shall:

- (a) Provide information and/or resources as requested in support of DOE-ORP media interactions.
- (b) As requested, work with DOE-ORP to inform and involve the Tribal Nations as part of cleanup decision making processes, in accordance with the DOE American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal Government Policy and implementation guidance. Support and coordinate with DOE-ORP on the ongoing technical staff interactions to ensure that affected Tribes can be involved early and often in proposed plans and activities.
- (c) As requested, inform and involve the public, citizens advisory boards, and other interested parties in proposed plans and activities. Provide resources for required public comment and outreach processes related to upcoming decision making (e.g., NEPA and CERCLA).
- (d) As necessary, participate in tour planning and preparation, and make facilities and personnel available as requested by DOE-ORP. Visits to the project sites shall be part of ongoing communication and outreach activities.
- (e) Provide MSC with current information related to the Contract scope to maintain the external Hanford website.
- (f) Participate in meetings and briefings to update interested external parties on Contract activities when requested by DOE-ORP.
- (g) Provide ongoing support to DOE-ORP in the preparation of communication materials, such as presentations, fact sheets, specialized graphics and charts, large posters, and up-to-date photography.
- (h) Respond in a timely fashion with information as requested by DOE in support of Freedom of Information Act and/or Privacy Act requests.

## H.15 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE – (NOT APPLICABLE)

If the Contractor is a joint venture, limited liability company, other similar entity, or a newly formed entity, the Contractor's parent organization(s) or all member organizations shall guarantee performance of the contract as evidenced by the Performance Guarantee Agreement incorporated in the contract in Section J,

Appendix F. If the Contractor is a joint venture, limited liability company, or other similar entity where more than one organization is involved, the parent(s) or all member organizations shall assume joint and several liability for the performance of the contract. In the event any of the signatories to the Performance Guarantee Agreement enters into proceedings related to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the CO.

## H.16 WORKFORCE TRANSITION

### (a) Incumbent Employees Hiring Preferences

The Contractor shall use the Transition Period to make hiring decisions and to establish the management structures necessary to conduct an employee relations program. In establishing an initial workforce, and through the first three (3) months after Contract award, the Contractor shall give a first preference in hiring for vacancies in non-managerial positions under this Contract to Incumbent Employees (as defined in paragraph (b) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*) who meet the qualifications for a particular position. This hiring preference takes priority over the hiring preference provided in the Section I Clause entitled, *DEAR 952.226-74, Displaced Employee Hiring Preference*. The hiring preference does not apply to the Contractor's hiring of management staff (i.e., first line supervisors and above).

### (b) Employee Pay

The Contractor shall provide equivalent pay to employees receiving a hiring preference as compared to pay provided by the predecessor contractor for substantially equivalent duties and responsibilities for at least the first year of the term of the Contract.

## H.17 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION: PAY AND BENEFITS

### (a) Background on Benefit Plans

- (1) The Hanford Site Pension Plan (HSPP) is a multi-employer pension plan which includes three (3) separate benefit structures under the Plan: two (2) for bargaining unit employees and one (1) for non-bargaining unit employees (exempt and nonexempt). The HSPP covers eligible employees of certain U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Hanford prime contractors and subcontractors. The HSPP is managed and administered by committees composed of representatives from each of the sponsoring employers.

- (2) The Hanford Site Savings Plans (HSSPs) cover eligible employees of certain DOE Hanford prime contractors and subcontractors. The HSSPs includes three (3) separate plans: two (2) plans for bargaining unit employees and one (1) plan for non-bargaining unit employees (exempt and nonexempt). The HSSPs are managed and administered by committees composed of representatives from each of the sponsoring employers.
- (3) The Hanford Employee Welfare Trust (HEWT) is a multiple employer welfare arrangement (MEWA). Health and welfare benefits are administered under the HEWT which contains provisions for a wide range of medical and insurance benefits for eligible Hanford workers of certain DOE Hanford prime contractors and subcontractors and their beneficiaries. The HEWT is managed and administered by the HEWT Committee, which is composed of representatives from each sponsoring employer.
- (4) The Contractor is required in paragraph (m) to offer a market-based package of retirement and medical benefits to Non-Incumbent Employees (as defined in paragraph (c)). These benefit plans are referred to herein as "Market-Based Plans."
- (5) The HSPP, HSSP and HEWT are collectively referred to herein as the "Plans" for purposes of the Section H Clauses entitled, Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits, Post-Contract Responsibilities for Pension and Other Benefit Plans, and Incumbent Employees, Benefit Plans, and Approval for Subcontractors to Participate in the Plans.
- (b) Incumbent Employees for the purposes of this Contract  
Based on prior employment and the terms of the HSPP, Incumbent Employees are those employees eligible to participate, or to return to and participate, in the HSPP and accrue Benefit Service as defined in the HSPP.
- (c) Non-Incumbent Employees  
If an employee does not meet the definition of an Incumbent Employee with respect to the HSPP as described in paragraph (b), the employee will be considered a Non-Incumbent Employee for the purposes of this Contract.
- (d) Human Resources Compensation Plan  
The Contractor shall submit within 30 days of Contract award a *Human Resources Compensation Plan* demonstrating how the Contractor will comply with the requirements of this Contract. The *Human Resources*

*Compensation Plan* shall describe the Contractor's policies regarding compensation, pensions and other benefits, and how these policies will support at reasonable cost the effective recruitment and retention of a highly skilled, motivated, and experienced workforce.

(e) Total Compensation System

The Contractor shall develop, implement and maintain formal policies, practices and procedures to be used in the administration of its compensation system including a compensation system *Self-Assessment Plan* consistent with FAR 31.205-6 and DEAR 970.3102-05-6, *Compensation for Personal Services* ("Total Compensation System"). DOE-approved standards (e.g., set forth in an advance understanding or appendix), if any, shall be applied to the Total Compensation System. The Contractor's Total Compensation System shall meet the tests of allowability established by and in accordance with FAR 31.205-6 and DEAR 970.3102-05-6, be fully documented, consistently applied, and acceptable to the Contracting Officer. Costs incurred in implementing the Total Compensation System shall be consistent with the Contractor's documented *Human Resources Compensation Plan* as approved by the Contracting Officer.

(f) Appraisals of Contractor Performance

DOE will conduct periodic appraisals of Contractor performance with respect to Total Compensation System implementation. Such appraisals will be conducted through either DOE validation of the Contractor's performance self-assessment of its Total Compensation System or third party expert review.

(g) Reports and Information

The Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer with the following reports and information with respect to pay and benefits provided under this Contract:

- (1) *An Annual Contractor Salary-Wage Increase Expenditure Report* to include, at a minimum, breakouts for merit, promotion, variable pay, special adjustments, and structure movements for each pay structure showing actual against approved amounts.
- (2) A list of the top five (5) most highly compensated executives as defined in FAR 31.205-6(p)(2)(ii) and their total cash compensation at the time of Contract award, and at the time of any subsequent change to their total cash compensation.
- (3) *An Annual Report of Contractor Expenditures for Employee*

*Supplemental Compensation* through the DOE Workforce Information System (WFIS), compensation and benefits module no later than March 1 of each year.

- (4) A performance self-assessment of the Total Compensation System implementation and results to include an evaluation of total benefits using the Employee Benefits Value Study (Ben-Val) and the Employee Benefits Cost Study as described in paragraph (i).
- (h) Cash Compensation
- (1) The Contractor shall establish pay programs for employees.
- (2) The Contractor shall submit the following information to the Contracting Officer for determination of cost allowability for reimbursement for cash compensation under the Contract:
- (i) Any additional compensation system self-assessment data requested by the Contracting Officer that may be needed to validate and approve the Total Compensation System.
  - (ii) Any proposed major compensation program design changes prior to implementation.
  - (iii) *An Annual Compensation Increase Plan (CIP).*
  - (iv) Individual compensation actions for the Key Personnel, including initial and proposed changes to base salary and or payments under an *Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.*
  - (v) Any proposed establishment of an incentive compensation plan (variable pay plan/pay-at-risk).
- Contracting Officer approval of individual compensation actions will be required only for the top five (5) most highly compensated employees, or others as identified by the Contracting Officer.
- (3) Subject to the Hanford Site Severance Pay Plans, severance pay is not payable to an employee under this Contract if the employee:
- (i) Voluntarily separates, resigns or retires from employment,
  - (ii) Is offered comparable employment with a successor/replacement contractor,
  - (iii) Is offered comparable employment with a parent or affiliated company, or

- (iv) Is discharged for cause.
- (4) Service credit for purposes of determining severance pay does not include any period of prior service for which severance pay has been previously paid through a DOE cost reimbursement contract.
- (i) Pension and Other Benefit Programs
- (1) The Contractor shall become a sponsor of the pension and other benefit plans identified in paragraph (a), and shall be responsible for the management and administration of the Market-Based Plans identified in paragraphs (a)(4).
  - (2) Unless otherwise required by applicable law or approved by the Contracting Officer, no implementation of a benefit program and no amendment to any of the plans identified in paragraph (a) or underlying trust documents thereto shall result in allowable costs under this Contract.
  - (3) No presumption of allowability will exist when the Contractor implements a new benefit plan or makes changes to existing benefit plans identified in paragraph (a) until the Contracting Officer makes a determination of cost allowability for reimbursement for new or changed benefit plans.
  - (4) Cost reimbursement for pension and other benefit plans identified in paragraph (a) sponsored by the Contractor will be based on the Contracting Officer's approval of Contractor actions pursuant to an approved Ben-Val and an Employee Benefits Cost Study as described below.
  - (5) Unless otherwise stated, or as directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall submit the studies required in (i) and (ii) below. The studies shall be used by the Contractor as part of its performance self assessment described in paragraph (g)(4) and in calculating the cost of benefits under existing benefit plans. In addition, the Contractor shall submit updated studies to the Contracting Officer for approval prior to the adoption of any change to a pension or other benefit plan.
    - (i) Separate Ben-Val studies are required every two years for all plans identified in paragraph (a). A Ben-Val is an actuarial study of the relative value (RV) of the benefits programs offered by the Contractor measured against the RV of benefit programs offered by comparator companies approved by the Contracting Officer. To the extent that the

value studies do not address post retirement benefits other than pensions, the Contractor shall provide a separate cost and plan design data comparison for the post retirement benefits other than pensions using external benchmarks derived from nationally recognized and Contracting Officer approved survey sources; and,

- (ii) Separate Employee Benefits Cost Study comparisons are annually required for all plans identified in paragraph (a). An Employee Benefits Cost Study is a study which analyzes the Contractor's employee benefits cost on a per capita per full time equivalent employee basis and as a percent of payroll and compares them with the costs reported by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Annual Employee Benefits Cost Survey or other Contracting Officer approved, broad based, national survey.
- (6) When net benefit value exceeds the comparator group by more than five (5) percent (%), the Contractor shall submit a corrective action plan to the Contracting Officer.
- (7) When the average total benefit per capita cost or total benefit cost as a percent of payroll exceeds the comparator group by more than 5 %, and if required by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall submit an analysis of the specific plan costs that are above the per capita cost range or total benefit cost as a percent of payroll and a corrective action plan to achieve conformance with a Contracting Officer directed per capita cost range or total benefit cost as a percent of payroll.
- (8) Within two (2) years of approval of the Contractor's corrective action plan by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall implement corrective action plans to align employee benefit programs with the benefit value and per capita cost range as approved by the Contracting Officer.
- (9) The Contractor shall submit a separate Report of Contractor Expenditures for Supplementary Compensation for the previous calendar year for each of the plans identified in paragraph (a) via the DOE WFIS Compensation and Benefits Module no later than March 1 of the current calendar year.
- (10) The Contractor may not terminate any benefit plan during the term of the Contract without prior approval of the Contracting Officer in writing.

- (11) Cost reimbursement for Post Retirement Benefits (PRBs) is contingent on the specific terms of the plans identified in paragraph (a), as amended. Unless required by Federal or State law, advance funding of PRBs is not allowable.
  - (12) All costs of administration shall be costs of each plan individually and allocated to participating plan sponsors. Costs of administration shall be directly billed to the plans and not charged by indirect allocation.
  - (13) The Contractor shall maintain a sufficient number of trained and qualified personnel to perform all of the functions of the plans.
  - (14) The Contractor shall render all ordinary and normal administrative services and functions which may be reasonably required. The Contractor shall annually provide an itemization of costs incurred for plan administration for each plan to the Contracting Officer within 60 days of the end of each plan year.
  - (15) The Contractor shall manage Plan assets in a prudent manner. The Contractor shall develop and submit to the Contracting Officer an Investment Policy Statement for each plan that clearly defines investment return objectives and risk tolerances, and shall perform annual pension plan Investment Performance Self-Assessments. The Contractor performance self-assessments shall address investment objectives, development of the plans to achieve investment objectives, execution of the plans, performance monitoring, and appropriate corrective action planning and execution. The Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer with a copy of each plan's Investment Performance Self-Assessment.
  - (16) The Contractor shall comply with the Investment Policy Statements developed for the plans. Should the Contractor incur higher costs because the Contractor fails to comply with all or part of the established Investment Policy Statements provided to DOE, the additional costs incurred are unallowable.
- (j) Establishment and Maintenance of Pension Plans for which DOE Reimburses Costs
- (1) For cost allocability and reimbursement purposes, any defined benefit (DB) or defined contribution (DC) pension plans established and/or implemented, shall be maintained consistent with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code and *Employee Retirement Income Security Act*.



- (2) Contractor policies, practices, and procedures used in the administration of pension plans shall be consistent with law and regulation.
- (3) Employees working for the Contractor shall only accrue credit for service under this Contract after the date of Contract award.
- (4) Any pension plan maintained by the Contractor, for which DOE reimburses costs, shall be maintained as a separate pension plan distinct from any other pension plan which provides credit for current service not previously paid through a DOE cost reimbursement contract.
- (5) For each pension plan or portion of a pension plan for which DOE reimburses costs, the Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer with the following within nine (9) months of the last day of the current pension plan year:
  - (i) Copies of IRS 5500 forms, with schedules; and
  - (ii) Copies of all forms in the 5300 series that document the establishment, amendment, termination, spin-off, or merger of a plan.
- (6) Prior to the adoption of any changes to a pension plan, the Contractor shall submit the information required below, as applicable, to the Contracting Officer for approval or disapproval and a determination as to whether the costs to be incurred are consistent with the Contractor's documented *Human Resources Compensation Plan* and are deemed allowable pursuant to FAR 31.205-6, as supplemented by DEAR 970.3102-05-6.
  - (i) For proposed changes to pension plans and pension plan funding, the Contractor shall provide an analysis of the impact of any proposed changes on actuarial accrued liabilities and an analysis of relative benefit value; and,
  - (ii) The Contractor shall obtain the advance written approval of the Contracting Officer for any non-statutory pension plan changes that may increase costs or liabilities, and any proposed special programs (including, but not limited to, plan-loan features, employee contribution refunds, or ancillary benefits) and shall provide the Contracting Officer with an analysis of the impact of special programs on the actuarial accrued liabilities of the pension plan, and on relative benefit value, if applicable.

- (7) The Contractor shall not terminate any pension plan without at least 60 days notice to and the approval of the Contracting Officer prior to the scheduled date of plan termination.

(k) Benefits for Incumbent Employees under the HSPP and HSSP

(1) HSPP

- (i) The Contractor shall allow individuals who are Incumbent Employees to accrue credit under the HSPP for service under this Contract. The Contractor shall timely supply the Plan Administrator(s) with the information required by the Administrator(s) necessary to effectively administer the Plan(s). Contributions to the HSPP as determined by the Plan Administrator shall be allowable costs under this Contract, subject to compliance with other provisions of this Contract and terms of the Plans, as amended. At Contract completion, the Contractor shall fully fund its withdrawal liability under the HSPP; provided, however, that when or if this Contract expires or terminates, the Contractor shall continue as a plan sponsor of the HSPP pursuant to the Section H Clause entitled, *Post-Contract Responsibilities for Pension and Other Benefit Plans*.
- (ii) The Contractor shall coordinate with the HSPP Administrator to ensure DOE receives an annual reporting and accounting of the Contractor's pension obligations, pursuant to Financial Accounting Standard (FAS) 87, for those employees participating in the HSPP and supply the Administrator with all the information necessary to maintain the Federal tax qualifications of all Contractor and Hanford Site pension plans.

(2) HSSP

- (i) Contributions to the HSSP shall be allowable costs under this Contract, subject to compliance with other provisions of this Contract and terms of the Plans, as amended.

(l) Benefits for Incumbent Employees under the HEWT

- (1) The Contractor shall be a sponsor of the HEWT. Individuals who are Incumbent Employees for purposes of the HEWT shall be eligible to participate in the HEWT and receive medical and other benefits under the HEWT consistent with the terms of that HEWT, as amended. The Contractor shall recognize service credited

under the HEWT toward the service period required for benefits relating to vacation, sick leave, health insurance, severance, layoff, recall, and other benefits.

- (2) The Contractor shall in a timely manner supply the HEWT Administrator with the information required by the Administrator necessary to effectively administer the HEWT. The Contractor shall coordinate with the HEWT Administrator to ensure that DOE receives copies of all annual reports, actuarial reports, and submissions of FAS 106 data, and other reports as required by the Contracting Officer, of the Contractor's benefit obligations for those employees participating in the HEWT under this Contract. Contributions to the HEWT as determined by the HEWT Administrator shall be allowable costs under this Contract, subject to compliance with other provisions of this Contract.

(m) Pension and Other Benefits for Non-Incumbent Employees

- (1) The Contractor shall offer a market-based package of retirement and medical benefits competitive for the industry to individuals who are not Incumbent Employees. If the Contractor meets all applicable legal and tax requirements, the Contractor may establish a separate line of business pursuant to Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 410 and 414 for the purpose of maintaining the Federal tax qualification of pension covering the Contractor's employees.
- (2) The Contractor shall ensure that DOE receives copies of all annual reports, actuarial reports, applicable FAS data, and other reports as required by the Contracting Officer for eligible employees with respect to this Contract.
- (3) Any benefit programs established and/or maintained by the Contractor, for which DOE reimburses costs, shall meet the tests of allowability and reasonableness established by FAR 31.205-6 and DEAR 970.3102-05-6.

**H.18 POST-CONTRACT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PENSION AND OTHER BENEFIT PLANS**

- (a) If this Contract expires or terminates and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has awarded a contract under which the new contractor becomes a sponsor of the Hanford Site Pension Plan (HSPP), Hanford Site Savings Plan (HSSP), Hanford Employee Welfare Trust (HEWT), and Market-Based Plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this contract, and becomes responsible for management, and administration of the Market-Based

Plans, the Contractor shall cooperate and transfer to the new contractor its responsibility for sponsorship, management and administration of the plans as appropriate and consistent with direction from the Contracting Officer.

- (b) If this Contract expires or terminates without a contract with a new contractor under which the new contractor becomes a sponsor of the HSPP, HSSP, HEWT, and Market-Based Plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract and becomes responsible for management and administration of the Market-Based Plans, or if the Contracting Officer determines that the scope of work under the Contract has been completed (any one such event may be deemed by the Contracting Officer to be "Contract Completion" for purposes of this clause), whichever is earlier, and notwithstanding any other obligations and requirements concerning expiration or termination under any other clause of this Contract, the following actions shall occur regarding the Contractor's obligations regarding all of the plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract at the time of Contract Completion:
- (1) Subject to subparagraph (2) below, and notwithstanding any legal obligations independent of the Contract the Contractor may have regarding responsibilities for sponsorship, management, and administration of the plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract, the Contractor shall remain the sponsor of the plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract, in accordance with applicable legal requirements.
  - (2) The parties shall exercise their best efforts to reach agreement on the Contractor's responsibilities for sponsorship, management and administration of the plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract prior to or at the time of Contract Completion. However, if the parties have not reached agreement on the Contractor's responsibilities for sponsorship, management and administration of the plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract prior to or at the time of Contract Completion, unless and until such agreement is reached, the Contractor shall comply with written direction from the Contracting Officer regarding the Contractor's responsibilities for continued provision of pension and other benefits under the plans as defined in paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract, including but not limited to continued sponsorship of the plans as defined in

paragraph (a) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, of this Contract, in accordance with applicable legal requirements. To the extent that the Contractor incurs costs in implementing direction from the Contracting Officer, the Contractor's costs will be reimbursed pursuant to applicable Contract provisions.

## H.19 OVERTIME CONTROL PLAN

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Contract, if the aggregate overtime premium pay as a percent (%) of base salary exceeds 2 % for non-represented employees or 10% for represented employees, the Contractor shall submit to the Contracting Officer separate annual *Overtime Control Plans* in accordance with the Section I Clause entitled, *FAR 52.222-2, Payment for Overtime Premiums*.

## H.20 LABOR RELATIONS

- (a) The Contractor shall respect the right of employees to organize and to form, join, or assist labor organizations, to bargain collectively through their chosen labor representatives, to engage in other concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection, and to refrain from any or all of these activities.
- (b) The Contractor shall meet with the Contracting Officer or designee(s) for the purpose of reviewing the Contractor's bargaining objectives prior to negotiations of any collective bargaining agreement or revision there to and shall consult with and obtain the approval of the Contracting Officer regarding appropriate economic bargaining parameters, including those for pension and medical benefit costs, prior to the Contractor entering into the collective bargaining process. During the collective bargaining process, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer before submitting or agreeing to any collective bargaining proposal which can be calculated to affect allowable costs under this Contract or which could involve other items of special interest to the Government. During the collective bargaining process, the Contractor shall obtain the approval of the Contracting Officer before proposing or agreeing to changes in any pension or other benefit plans.
- (c) The Contractor will seek to maintain harmonious bargaining relationships that reflect a judicious expenditure of public funds, equitable resolution of disputes and effective and efficient bargaining relationships consistent with the requirements of FAR Subpart 22.1 and DEAR Subpart 970.2201 and all applicable Federal and state labor relations laws.
- (d) The Contractor will notify the Contracting Officer or designee in a timely fashion of all labor relations issues and matters of local interest including organizing initiatives, unfair labor practice, work stoppages, picketing,

labor arbitrations, and settlement agreements and will furnish such additional information as may be required by the Contracting Officer.

## H.21 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS

The Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that collective bargaining agreements negotiated under this Contract contain provisions designed to assure continuity of services. All such agreements entered into during the Contract period of performance should provide that grievances and disputes involving the interpretation or application of the agreement will be settled without resorting to strike, lockout, or other interruption of normal operations. For this purpose, each collective bargaining agreement should provide an effective grievance procedure with arbitration as its final step, unless the parties mutually agree upon some other method of assuring continuity of operations. As part of such agreements, management and labor should agree to cooperate fully with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. The Contractor shall include the substance of this Clause in any subcontracts for protective services or other services performed on the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)-owned site which will affect the continuity of operation of the facility.

## H.22 INCUMBENT EMPLOYEES, BENEFIT PLANS, AND APPROVAL FOR SUBCONTRACTORS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANS

- (a) DOE and the Contractor shall agree to those subcontractors that will be subject to the requirements to provide pension and other benefits for Incumbent Employees as defined in paragraph (b)(2) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*. The Contractor shall submit its proposed agreement to DOE no later than thirty days prior to the close of the Transition Period, as defined in the Section F Clause entitled, *Period of Performance*.
- (b) The Contractor shall flow down to all subcontractors that are subject to the agreement in paragraph (a) of this Clause the requirements of paragraphs (g)(3) and (4), (i), (j), (k), and (l) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, and paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Section H clause entitled, *Post-Contract Responsibilities for Pension and Other Benefit Plans*.
- (c) For the purpose of determining allowability of costs, the Contractor shall not take any action that would result in the change of status of an Incumbent Employee with respect to Plans identified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Section H Clause entitled, *Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits*, without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer.

- (d) Subject to other subcontract review and approval requirements in this Contract, this Clause does not limit the Contractor's ability to utilize subcontractors as necessary to perform Contract requirements.

### **H.23 WORKFORCE RESTRUCTURING**

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Contract, when the Contractor determines that a reduction of force is necessary, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing and seek U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) approval. The Contractor shall take no further action until receiving approval and direction by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall provide information as directed by the Contracting Officer related to workforce restructuring activities and to enable compliance with Section 3161 of the *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1993* and any other DOE guidance pertaining to employees who may be eligible for provisions of the Act. The Contractor shall comply with the *Hanford Site Workforce Restructuring Plan*, as amended, and shall supply workforce restructuring related information and reports as needed by DOE. The Contractor shall extend displaced employee hiring preference in accordance with the Section I Clause entitled, *DEAR 952.226-74, Displaced Employee Hiring Preference*.

### **H.24 WORKERS' COMPENSATION**

The Hanford Workers' Compensation Program is an administrative function that provides for the support of the Hanford Site Workers' Compensation Program under U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) State of Washington Self-Insurance. Pursuant to State of Washington Revised Code (RCW) Title 51, DOE is a group self-insurer for purposes of workers' compensation coverage. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Contract, the coverage afforded by the workers' compensation statutes shall, for performance of work under this Contract at the Hanford Site, be subject to the following:

- (a) Under the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I), DOE has agreed to perform all functions required by self-insurers in the State of Washington.
- (b) The Contractor shall take such action, and only such action, as DOE requests in connection with any accident reports, including assistance in the investigation and disposition of any claims thereunder and, subject to the direction and control of DOE, the conduct of litigation in the Contractor's own name in connection therewith.

- (c) Under RCW Title 51.32.073, DOE is the self-insurer and is responsible for making quarterly payments to the L&I. In support of this arrangement, the Contractor shall be responsible for withholding appropriate employee contributions and forwarding these contributions on a timely basis, plus the employer-matching amount to DOE.
- (d) The workers' compensation program shall operate in partnership with Contractor employee benefits, risk management, and environmental, safety, and health management programs. The Contractor shall cooperate with DOE for the management and administration of the DOE-RL self-insurance program.
- (e) The Contractor shall be responsible for all predecessor Contractor claims that fall under DOE's self-insurance. The Contractor shall maintain and retain all claim data for information and reporting needs.
- (f) The Contractor shall certify as to the accuracy of the payroll record used by DOE in establishing the self-insurance claims reserves and cooperate with any state audit.
- (g) The Contractor shall provide statutory workers' compensation coverage for staff members performing work under this Contract outside of the State of Washington and not otherwise covered by the State of Washington workers' compensation laws.
- (h) Time-loss compensation shall be paid to injured workers in accordance with the RCW § 51.08.178 and other applicable requirements. Compensation paid to workers in excess of the amounts required by statute are unallowable costs under this contract.
- (i) Upon request, the Contractor shall submit to DOE, or other party as designated by DOE, payroll records as required by Washington State Workers' Compensation laws.
- (j) Upon request, the Contractor shall submit to DOE, or other party as designated by DOE, the accident reports required by RCW Title 51, Section 51.28.010, or any other documentation requested by DOE pursuant to the Washington State Workers' Compensation laws.
- (k) Upon request, the Contractor shall submit to the Contracting Officer an evaluation and analysis of workers' compensation cost as a percent of payroll compared with the percentage of payroll cost reported by a nationally recognized Cost of Risk Survey that has been pre-approved by DOE.
- (l) The Contractor shall ensure all employees receive training and have a clear understanding of the workers' compensation process.



- (m) The Contractor shall develop and maintain a web site with Workers Compensation information and ensure that the web site is made available to employees within 45 days of the close of Transition.
- (n) The Contractor shall provide additional training to claimants on the workers' compensation process when a claim is filed. This training shall include but is not limited to information regarding company contacts, approvals needed for appointments, time off, documentation requirements, etc.
- (o) The Contractor shall submit ad hoc reports and other information as required by DOE.
- (p) The Contractor shall provide briefings to DOE as requested.
- (q) For purposes of workers' compensation, all entities included in the Contractor team arrangement, as defined below, shall be covered by DOE's self-insurance certification under Washington State Department of Labor and Industries for workers' compensation:
  - (1) Contractor team arrangement means an arrangement in which –
    - (i) Two or more companies form a partnership or joint venture to act as a potential prime Contractor; or
    - (ii) A potential prime Contractor agrees with one or more other companies to have them act as its subcontractors under a specified Government contract or acquisition program.
  - (2) Any changes to the Contractor team arrangement for purposes of workers' compensation coverage shall be subject to the prior approval of the Contracting Officer.
- (r) Subcontractors not meeting the Contractor teaming arrangement definition performing work under this Contract on behalf of the Contractor are not covered by the provision of the Memorandum of Understanding referenced above.
- (s) The Contractor shall flow-down to its subcontractors the requirements to provide statutory workers compensation coverage for the subcontractors' employees. The Contractor shall have no responsibility for subcontractor workers' compensation when it includes this requirement in the sub-contract(s).

**H. 25 ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION PROGRAM ACT (EEOICPA)**

The Contractor shall provide support of the EEOICPA established under Title XXXVI of the *National Defense Authorization Act of 2001* (Public Law 106-398). The Contractor shall provide records in accordance with the Section I Clause entitled, *DEAR 970.5204-3, Access to and Ownership of Records* in support of EEOICPA claims and the claim process under the EEOICPA.

The Contractor shall:

- (a) Verify employment and provide other records which contain pertinent information for compensation under the EEOICPA. The Contractor shall provide this support for itself and any named subcontractors' employees.
- (b) Provide reports as directed by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), such as costs associated with EEOICPA.
- (c) Provide an EEOICPA point-of-contact; this employee shall attend meetings, as requested by the U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (DOE-RL).
- (d) Locate, retrieve and provide a minimum of two (2) copies of any personnel and other program records as requested.
- (e) Perform records research needed to complete the Department of Labor (DOL) claims or to locate records needed to complete the claims.
- (f) Perform/coordinate records declassification activities required for the processing of claims forms.
- (g) Keep *Federal Compensation Program Act* (FCPA) information current on EEOICPA claims activities.
- (h) Ensure costs information is input to the FCPA electronic reporting system by the 10th of each month.
- (i) Ensure all EEOICPA claims received are completed and returned to DOE-RL within 45 calendar days of the date entered in the FCPA electronic reporting system.

The FCPA electronic reporting system will be provided to the Contractor.

**H.26 KEY PERSONNEL**

- (a) Introduction.

Key Personnel are considered essential to the success of all work being performed under this Contract. This Clause provides specific requirements for the Key Personnel Team, requirements for changes to Key Personnel, reductions in Contract fee for changes to Key Personnel, and identification of all Key Personnel for this Contract.

(b) Key Personnel Team Requirements.

All Key Persons under this Contract are collectively referred to as the Key Personnel Team. The Contracting Officer and designated Contracting Officer's Representative(s) shall have direct access to the Key Personnel. In addition to the definition contained in the Section I Clause entitled, *DEAR 952.231-71, Insurance – Litigation and Claims*, Key Person(s) are considered managerial personnel.

(c) Definitions

- (1) For the purposes of this Clause, *Changes to Key Personnel* is defined as: (i) any change to the position assignment of a current Key Person under the Contract, except for a person who acts for short periods of time, in the place of a Key Person during his or her absence, the total time of which shall not exceed 30 working days during any given year; (ii) utilizing the services of a new substitute Key Person for assignment to the Contract; or (iii) assigning a current Key Person for work outside the Contract.
- (2) For the purposes of this Clause, *Beyond the Contractor's Control* is defined as an event for which the Contractor lacked legal authority or ability to prevent *Changes to Key Personnel*.

(d) Requirements for Changes to Key Personnel

- (1) The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer and request approval in writing at least 60 days in advance of any changes to Key Personnel.
- (2) The Contractor shall not make a change in Key Personnel without prior written approval of the Contracting Officer.
- (3) No Key Person position shall remain vacant for a period more than 30 days following Contracting Officer approval of a change in Key Personnel.
- (4) Approval of changes to Key Personnel is at the unilateral discretion of the Contracting Officer.

(e) Contract Fee Reductions for Changes to Key Personnel

- (1) Notwithstanding approval by the Contracting Officer, any time the Laboratory Manager (the initial Laboratory Manager or any substitution approved by the Contracting Officer) is changed for any reason within two (2) years of being placed in the position, *Available Fee* described in Section B, *Supplies or Services and Prices/Costs*, will be permanently reduced by \$50,000 for each and every occurrence of a change to the Laboratory Manager. A change to the Laboratory Manager beyond the Contractor’s control shall not result in a permanent reduction of fee under this paragraph.
- (2) Notwithstanding approval by the Contracting Officer, any time a Key Person other than the Laboratory Manager (any initial Key Person or any substitution approved by the Contracting Officer) is changed for any reason within two (2) years of being placed in the position, *Available Fee* described in Section B, *Supplies or Services and Prices/Costs*, will be permanently reduced by \$25,000 for each and every occurrence of a change to the Key Person. A change to a Key Person other than the Laboratory Manager beyond the Contractor’s control shall not result in a permanent reduction of fee under this subsection.
- (3) The Contractor may request in writing that the Contracting Officer consider waiving all or part of a reduction in Contract fee. Such written request shall include the factual basis for the request. The Contracting Officer shall have unilateral discretion to make the determination to waive or not waive all or part of a reduction in Contract fee.

(f) Key Personnel for this Contract

The list of Key Personnel for this Contract will be amended during the course of the Contract to add or delete Key Personnel as approved by the Contracting Officer. The following is the current list of Key Personnel for this Contract:

Name	Position
Jou Hwang, Ph.D	Laboratory/Project Manager
Ms. Kristine Kuhl-Klinger	Business Services & Performance Assurance Manager
Ruth Bushaw, Ph.D	Lead Project Coordinator (LPC) & Technical Manager

Mr. Ray Akita	Hot Cells Operations & Facility Readiness Manager
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## H.27 RADIOLOGICAL SITE SERVICES AND RECORDS, AND OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE SERVICES AND RECORDS

- (a) The Contractor shall obtain Radiological Site Services (RSS) and occupational medicine services for all Contractor and subcontractor employees performing hazardous work that may expose workers to chemical, physical (including radiological), biological, and/or similar hazards. The Contractor shall identify required RSS and occupational medicine services as required by Section C, *PWS, Government-Furnished Services and Information (GFS/I)*.
- (b) RSS are obtained as specified in Contract Section J Attachment entitled, *Hanford Site Services and Interface Requirements Matrix*. RSS includes external dosimetry, internal dosimetry services, radiological instrumentation program, and radiological records services. The Section I Clauses entitled, DEAR 952.223-75, *Preservation of Individual Occupational Radiation Exposure Records* and DEAR 970.5204-3, *Access to and Ownership of Records* are implemented as follows with respect to radiological records: All radiological exposure records generated during the performance of Hanford-related activities will be maintained by the designated provider of this service listed in the Section J Attachment entitled, *Hanford Site Services and Interface Requirements Matrix* and are the property of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).
- (c) Occupational medicine services are provided under this Contract by the Hanford Site occupational medicine services contractor as specified in Contract Section J Attachment entitled, *Hanford Site Services and Interface Requirements Matrix*. The Section I Clause entitled, DEAR 970.5204-3, *Access to and Ownership of Records* is implemented as follows with respect to occupational medicine records: All occupational medicine records generated during the performance of Hanford-related activities will be maintained by the Hanford Site occupational medicine services provider and are the property of DOE.

**H.28 DISPOSITION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY – FAILURE TO COMPLETE CONTRACT PERFORMANCE**

The following provisions shall apply in the event the Contractor does not complete Contract performance for any reason:

- (a) Regarding technical data and other intellectual property, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) may take possession of all technical data, including limited rights data and data obtained from subcontractors, licensors, and licensees, necessary to complete the project, as well as the designs, operation manuals, flowcharts, software, information, etc., necessary for performance of the work, in conformance with the purpose of this Contract. Proprietary data will be protected in accordance with the limited rights data provisions of the Section I Clause entitled *DEAR 970.5227-1 Rights in Data-Facilities*. The Contractor shall ensure that its subcontractors and licensors make similar rights available to DOE and its contractors.
- (b) The Contractor agrees to and does hereby grant to the Government an irrevocable, non-exclusive, paid-up license in and to any inventions or discoveries regardless of when conceived or actually reduced to practice by the Contractor, and any other intellectual property, including technical data, which are owned or controlled by the Contractor, at any time through completion of this Contract and which are incorporated or embodied in the construction of the facilities or which are utilized in the operation or remediation of the facilities or which cover articles, materials or products manufactured at a facility: (1) to practice or to have practiced by or for the Government at the facility; and (2) to transfer such license with the transfer of that facility. The acceptance or exercise by the Government of the aforesaid rights and license shall not prevent the Government at anytime from contesting the enforceability, validity or scope of, or title to, any rights or patents or other intellectual property herein licensed.
- (c) In addition, the Contractor will take all necessary steps to assign permits, authorizations, leases, and any licenses in any third party intellectual property for operations, remediation and closure of the facilities to DOE or such other third party as DOE may designate.

**H.29 PRICE-ANDERSON AMENDMENTS ACT NON-COMPLIANCE**

The Contractor shall establish an internal Price Anderson Amendments Act (PAAA) noncompliance identification, tracking and corrective action system and shall provide access to and fully support DOE reviews of the system. The Contractor shall also implement a PAAA reporting process which meets applicable DOE standards. The Contractor shall be accountable for ensuring subcontractors adhere to the PAAA requirements.

**H.30 CONTRACTOR ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICES OF VIOLATION OR ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, FINES, AND PENALTIES**

- (a) The Contractor shall accept, in its own name, service of notices of violation or alleged violations (NOVs/NOAVs) issued by Federal or State regulators to the Contractor resulting from the Contractor's performance of work under this Contract, without regard to liability. The allowability of the costs associated with fines and penalties shall be subject to the other provisions of this Contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall notify DOE promptly when it receives service from the regulators of NOVs/NOAVs and fines and penalties.

**H.31 ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR CONTRACTOR AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES**

- (a) In this Clause:
  - (1) "Environmental" requirements means requirements imposed by applicable Federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations, including, without limitation, statutes, ordinances, regulations, court orders, consent decrees, administrative orders, or compliance agreements including the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order*, consent orders, permits, and licenses; and
  - (2) "Party" means either the Contractor or DOE.
- (b) Responsibility and liability for fines or penalties arising from or related to violations of environmental requirements shall be borne by the party causing the violation regardless of which party:
  - (1) The cognizant regulatory authority fines or penalizes;
  - (2) Signs permit applications (including situations where DOE signs defective or non-conforming permit applications or other environmental submittals prepared by or under the direction of the Contractor), manifests, reports, or other required documents;
  - (3) Is a permittee; or
  - (4) Is the named subject of an enforcement action or assessment of a fine or penalty.
- (c) Consequently, if the Contractor causes a violation:

- (1) All fines and penalties arising from or related to violations of environmental requirements are unallowable costs. If DOE pays a fine or penalty for a violation that the Contractor caused, the amount of the fine or penalty shall be due from the Contractor, and DOE may immediately offset that amount against payments to which the Contractor is otherwise entitled for allowable costs and fee, or any other funds otherwise owed by the Government to the Contractor; and
- (2) In accordance with subsection (e) of the Section I Clause entitled, *DEAR 952.231-71, Insurance-Litigation and Claims*, costs of challenging or defending actions brought against the Contractor for violations of environmental requirements are specifically disallowed. However, if the Contracting Officer provides prior written authorization to challenge or defend against the action, the Contractor shall proceed in accordance with *DEAR 952.231-71, Insurance-Litigation and Claims*. If the Contractor proceeds with the action without the prior written authorization of the Contracting Officer, the costs of the challenge or defense may be allowable if there is no settlement, conviction, or finding of liability.

### **H.32 ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR)**

- (a) The U. S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the Contractor both recognize that methods for fair and efficient resolution of significant disputes are essential to the successful and timely achievement of critical milestones and completion of all Contract requirements. Accordingly, the parties agree to jointly select a “standing neutral.” The standing neutral will be available to help resolve disputes as they arise. Such standing neutral can be an individual, a board comprised of three independent experts, or a company with specific expertise in the Contract area. If a standing neutral cannot be agreed upon, the DOE Office of Dispute Resolution will make a selection. Specific joint ADR processes shall be developed.
- (b) The parties agree the following provision may be invoked for significant disputes upon mutual agreement of the DOE and the Contractor:
  - (1) DOE and the Contractor shall use their best efforts to informally resolve any dispute, claim, question, or disagreement by consulting and negotiating with each other in good faith, recognizing their mutual interests, and attempting to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to both parties. If any agreement cannot be reached through informal negotiations within 30 days after the start of negotiations, then such disagreement shall be referred to the standing neutral, pursuant to the jointly-developed ADR procedures.



- (2) The standing neutral will not render a decision, but will assist the parties in reaching a mutually satisfactory agreement. In the event the parties are unable after 30 days to reach such an agreement, either party may request, and the standing neutral will render, a non-binding advisory opinion. Such opinion shall not be admissible in evidence in any subsequent proceedings.
- (3) If one party to this Contract requests the use of the process set forth in Paragraphs b(1) and b(2) of this Clause and the other party disagrees, the party disagreeing must express its position in writing to the other party. On any such occasion, if the party requesting the above process wishes to file a claim under the Section I Clause entitled, *FAR 52.233-1 Disputes*, it must do so within 30 days of receipt of the written position from the other party.

### **H.33 SUCCESSOR CONTRACTOR**

In the event the contractor becomes a “successor contractor,” the contractor and/or its team members agrees to recognize and bargain in good faith with the certified collective bargaining agent(s) (currently Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council) for the incumbent represented workforce, subject to and in compliance with the National Labor Relations Act requirement with respect to successor contracts.

### **H.34 LOBBYING RESTRICTION (ENERGY AND WATER ACT 2006)**

The Contractor agrees that none of the funds obligated on this award shall be expended, directly or indirectly, to influence Congressional action on any legislation or appropriation matters pending before Congress, other than communication to Members of Congress as described in United States Code Title 18 Part 1913, *Lobbying with Appropriated Moneys*. This restriction is in addition to those prescribed elsewhere in statute and regulation.

**H.35 ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY**

- (a) General. The Contractor is required to comply with all environmental laws, regulations, and procedures applicable to the work being performed under this Contract. This includes, but is not limited to, compliance with applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations, interagency agreements such as the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Decree* [also known as the Tri-Party Agreement (TPA)], consent orders, consent decrees, and settlement agreements between the U. S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Federal and state regulatory agencies. For the purposes of this Contract, the TPA constitutes a requirement pursuant to which the Contractor agrees to plan and perform the Contract work.
- (b) Environmental Permits. This Clause addresses three permit scenarios, where the Contractor is the sole permittee; where the Contractor and DOE are joint permittees; and where multiple Contractors are permittees.
- (1) Contractor as Sole Permittee. To the extent permitted by law and subject to other applicable provisions of the Contract that impose responsibilities on DOE, and provisions of law that impose responsibilities on DOE or third parties, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining in its own name, shall sign, and shall be solely responsible for compliance with all permits, authorizations and approvals from Federal, State, and local regulatory agencies which are necessary for the performance of the work required of the Contractor under this Contract. Under this permit scenario, that Contractor shall make no commitments or set precedents that are detrimental to DOE or other contractors. The Contractor shall coordinate its permitting activities with DOE, and with other Hanford Site contractors which may be affected by the permit or precedent established therein, prior to taking the permit action.
  - (2) Contractor and DOE as Joint Permittees. Where appropriate, required by law, or required by applicable regulatory agencies, DOE will sign permits as owner or as owner/operator with the Contractor as operator or co-operator, respectively. DOE will co-sign hazardous waste permit applications as owner/operator where required by applicable law. In this scenario, the Contractor shall coordinate its actions with DOE. DOE is responsible for timely notification to the Contractor of any issues or changes in the regulatory environment that impact or may impact Contractor implementation of any permit requirement. The Contractor shall be responsible for timely notification to DOE of any issues or changes in the regulatory environment that impact or may impact Contractor implementation of any permit requirement. Notification need not be in writing.

- (3) Multiple Contractors as Permittees. Where appropriate, in situations where multiple contractors are operators or co-operators of operations requiring environmental permits, DOE will sign such permits as owner or co-operator and affected contractors shall sign as operators, or co-operators. In this scenario, the Contractor shall coordinate as appropriate with DOE and other contractors affected by the permit.
- (c) Permit Applications. The Contractor shall provide to DOE for review and comment in draft form any permit applications and other regulatory materials necessary to be submitted to regulatory agencies for the purposes of obtaining a permit. In the event that the permit application is required to be co-signed, submitted by DOE, or is related to a permit in which DOE is a permittee, the Contractor shall provide the application for review and comment. Whenever reasonably possible all such materials shall be provided to DOE initially not later than 90 days prior to the date they are to be submitted to the regulatory agency. The Contractor shall normally provide final regulatory documents to DOE at least 30 days prior to the date of submittal to the regulatory agencies for DOE's final review and signature or concurrence which shall be performed by DOE in a prompt manner. Special circumstances may require permits to be submitted in a shorter time frame. The Contractor may submit for DOE's consideration, requests for alternate review, comment, or signature, schedules for environmental permit applications or other regulatory materials covered by this Clause. Any such requests shall be submitted 30 days before such material would ordinarily be required to be provided to DOE. Any such schedule revision shall be effective only upon approval from the Contracting Officer.
- (d) Financial Responsibility. DOE agrees that if bonds, insurance, or administrative fees are required as a condition for permits obtained by the Contractor under this Contract, such costs shall be allowable. In the event such costs are determined by DOE to be excessive or unreasonable, DOE will provide the regulatory agency with an acceptable form of financial responsibility. Under no circumstances shall the Contractor or its parent be required to provide any corporate resources or corporate guarantees to satisfy such regulatory requirements.
- (e) Copies, Technical Information. The Contractor shall provide DOE copies of all environmental permits, authorizations, and regulatory approvals issued to the Contractor by the regulatory agencies. DOE will, upon request, make available to the Contractor access to copies of all environmental permits, authorizations, and approvals issued by the regulatory agencies to DOE that the Contractor may need to comply with applicable law. The Contractor and DOE will provide to each other copies of all documentation, such as, letters, reports, or other such materials transmitted either to or from regulatory agencies relating to the Contract

work. The Contractor and DOE shall maintain all necessary technical information required to support applications for revision of DOE or other Hanford Site Contractor environmental permits when such applications or revisions are related to the Contractor's operations. Upon request, the Contractor or DOE shall provide to the other access to all necessary and available technical information required to support applications for or revisions to permits or permit applications. The Contractor shall provide to DOE a certification statement relating to such technical information in the form required by the following paragraph.

- (f) Certifications. The Contractor shall provide a written certification statement attesting that information DOE is requested to sign was prepared in accordance with applicable requirements. The Contractor shall include the following certification statement in the submittal of such materials to DOE:

*I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.*

The certification statement shall be signed by the individual authorized to sign such certification statements submitted to Federal or state regulatory agencies under the applicable regulatory program.

- (g) Fines, Penalties, Allowable Costs. The Contractor shall accept, in its own name, service of proposed notices, or notices of, correction, penalty, fine, violation, administrative orders, citation, or notice of alleged violations, (e.g., Notice of Correction [NOC], Notice of Penalty [NOP], Notice of Fine [NOF], Preliminary Notice of Violation [PNOV], Notice of Violation [NOV], and Notice of Alleged Violation [NOAV]) and any similar type notices issued by Federal or State regulators to the Contractor resulting from or relating to Contractor's performance of work under this Contract, without regard to liability. The Contractor shall immediately notify DOE of such receipt and shall provide copies or originals of such documents as soon as possible thereafter.
- (h) Negotiations. DOE may in its discretion choose to be in charge of, and direct, all negotiations with regulatory agencies regarding permits, fines, penalties, and any other proposed notice, notice, administrative order, and

any similar type of notice as described in paragraph (g) above. As directed or required by DOE, the Contractor shall participate in negotiations with regulatory agencies; however, the Contractor shall not make any commitments or offers to regulators purporting to bind or binding the Government in any form or fashion, including monetary obligations, without receiving written authorization or concurrence from the Contracting Officer or his/her authorized representative prior to making such offers/commitments. Failure to obtain such advance written approval may result in otherwise allowable costs being declared unallowable and/or the Contractor being liable for any excess costs to the Government associated with or resulting from such offers/commitments.

- (i) Termination, Expiration, Permit Transfer. In the event of expiration or termination of this Contract, DOE may require the Contractor to take all necessary steps to transfer on an allowable cost basis some or all environmental permits held by the Contractor. DOE will assume responsibility for such permits, with the approval of the regulating agency, and the Contractor shall be relieved of all liability and responsibility to the extent that such liability and responsibility results from the acts or omissions of a successor Contractor, DOE, or their agents, representatives, or assigns. The Contractor shall remain liable for all unresolved costs, claims, demands, fines and penalties, including reasonable legal costs, arising prior to the date such permits are transferred to another party. The Contractor shall not be liable for any such claims occurring after formal transfer unless said claims result from the Contractor's action or inaction that occurred prior to transfer.
- (j) Miscellaneous. The Contractor shall accept assignment or transfer of permits pertaining to matters under this Contract currently held by DOE and its existing Contractor. The Contractor may submit for DOE's consideration, requests for alternate review, comment, or signature schedules for environmental permit applications or other regulatory materials covered by this Clause. Any such schedule revision shall be effective only upon written approval from the Contracting Officer.

### **H.36 EMERGENCY CLAUSE**

- (a) The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Richland Operations Office (DOE-RL) Manager and/or the DOE Office of River Protection (DOE-ORP) Manager or designee shall have sole discretion to determine when an emergency situation exists at the Hanford Site. In the event that either the DOE-RL or DOE-ORP Manager or designee determines such an emergency exists, the applicable DOE Manager or designee will have the authority to direct any and all activities of the Contractor and subcontractors necessary to resolve the emergency situation. The applicable DOE

Manager or designee may direct the activities of the Contractor and subcontractors throughout the duration of the emergency.

- (b) During declared security events, DOE-RL may assume direct command and control of the Hanford Patrol. The Chief of the Hanford Patrol shall report directly to the DOE-RL Director of Security and Emergency Services (SES) once DOE-RL has assumed command.
- (c) The Contractor shall include this Clause in all subcontracts at any tier for work performed at the Hanford Site.

### **H.37 PROTECTION OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION (PII)**

#### (a) Definitions.

(1) Personally Identifiable Information: Any information about an individual maintained by DOE or its contractors, (e.g. medical, education, financial, criminal or other employment history and information, etc.), which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, (e.g. name, social security numbers, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, biometric records, etc.), and any other personal information which is linked or linkable to an individual.

(2) PII Incident: Any suspected or confirmed cyber security or physical security incident involving PII.

#### (b) Requirements.

(1) All suspected or confirmed cyber security and physical security incidents involving PII are to be reported to the DOE Cyber Incident Advisory Capability (CIAC) within 45 minutes of discovering the incident. Reports to the CIAC may be sent via email to [ciac@ciac.org](mailto:ciac@ciac.org), by phone to (925) 422-8193, or by fax to (925) 423-8002. The CIAC website is [www.ciac.org](http://www.ciac.org).

(2) In addition to notification to CIAC, all suspected or confirmed cyber security and physical security incidents involving PII shall be reported telephonically within 45 minutes of discovering the incident to: (i) the EM-3 Chief Operating Officer; and (ii) the ORP Manager, ORP Deputy Manager, or ORP Duty Officer.

(3) While the initial notification may be telephonic, the Contractor must follow-up writing signed by a senior Contractor official. Notices must at a minimum contain factual information describing both the circumstances surrounding the loss and the information that was compromised. All

notifications shall include the name and telephone number of a contact person.

(4) Appropriate steps shall be taken to minimize identity theft risks to the affected individuals.

(5) The Contractor shall notify all employees and others affected by the PII loss unless after consultation with law enforcement officials, the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management determines that notification will significantly compromise the investigation.

### **H.38 COMPLIANCE WITH FIPS PUB 201**

This contract involves the acquisition of hardware, software, or services related to physical access to Federal premises or electronic authentication or access control to a Federal agency's computer systems and electronic infrastructure. Any such hardware, software, or services delivered under this contract shall comply with FIPS Pub 201, and FIPS Pub 201 shall take precedence over any conflicting performance requirement of this contract. Should the contractor find that the Performance Work Statement or specifications of this contract do not conform to FIPS Pub 201, it shall notify the Contracting Officer of such nonconformance and shall act in accordance with instructions of the Contracting Officer.

### **H.39 HANFORD SITE RECREATION POLICY**

The Contractor shall comply with the Hanford Site Recreation Policy. The Contractor shall flow-down applicable requirements of this Clause to any subcontractors.

### **H.40 SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO WORK FUNDED UNDER AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 (FEB 2009)**

#### Preamble:

Work performed under this contract will be funded, in whole or in part, with funds appropriated by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5, (Recovery Act or Act). The Recovery Act's purposes are to stimulate the economy and to create and retain jobs. The Act gives preference to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds made available by it for activities that can be initiated not later than June 17, 2009.

Contractors should begin planning activities for their first tier subcontractors, including obtaining a DUNS number (or updating the

existing DUNS record), and registering with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR).

Be advised that Recovery Act funds can be used in conjunction with other funding as necessary to complete projects, but tracking and reporting must be separate to meet the reporting requirements of the Recovery Act and related Guidance. For projects funded by sources other than the Recovery Act, Contractors should plan to keep separate records for Recovery Act funds and to ensure those records comply with the requirements of the Act.

The Government has not fully developed the implementing instructions of the Recovery Act, particularly concerning the how and where for the new reporting requirements. The Contractor will be provided these details as they become available. The Contractor must comply with all requirements of the Act. If the contractor believes there is any inconsistency between ARRA requirements and current contract requirements, the issues will be referred to the Contracting Officer for reconciliation.

Be advised that special provisions may apply to projects funded by the Act relating to:

- Reporting, tracking and segregation of incurred costs;
- Reporting on job creation and preservation;
- Publication of information on the Internet;
- Protecting whistleblowers; and
- Requiring prompt referral of evidence of a false claim to the inspector general.

Definitions:

For purposes of this clause, "Covered Funds" means funds expended or obligated from appropriations under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5. Covered Funds will have special accounting codes and will be identified as Recovery Act funds in the contract and/or modification using Recovery Act funds. Covered Funds must be reimbursed by September 30, 2015.

Non-Federal employer means any employer with respect to Covered Funds – the contractor or subcontractor, as the case may be, if the contractor or subcontractor is an employer; and any professional membership organization, certification of other professional body, any agent or licensee of the Federal government, or any person acting directly or indirectly in the interest of an employer receiving Covered



Funds; or with respect to Covered Funds received by a State or local government, the State or local government receiving the funds and any contractor or subcontractor receiving the funds and any contractor or subcontractor of the State or local government; and does not mean any department, agency, or other entity of the federal government.

#### A. Flow Down Provision

Contractors must include this clause in every subcontract over \$25,000 that is funded, in whole or in part, by the Recovery Act unless the subcontract is with an individual.

#### B. Segregation and Payment of Costs

Contractor must segregate the obligations and expenditures related to funding under the Recovery Act. Financial and accounting systems should be revised as necessary to segregate, track and maintain these funds apart and separate from other revenue streams. No part of the funds from the Recovery Act shall be commingled with any other funds or used for a purpose other than that of making payments for costs allowable for Recovery Act projects. Recovery Act funds can be used in conjunction with other funding as necessary to complete projects, but tracking and reporting must be separate to meet the reporting requirements of the Recovery Act and OMB Guidance.

Invoices must clearly indicate the portion of the requested payment that is for work funded by the Recovery Act.

#### C. Prohibition on Use of Funds

None of the funds provided under this agreement derived from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5, may be for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, or swimming pool.

#### D. Wage Rates

All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5, shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code. With respect to the labor standards specified in this section, the Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan numbered 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267, 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40 United States Code. See <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/contracts/dbra.htm> .

E. Publication

Information about this agreement will be published on the Internet and linked to the website [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov), maintained by the Accountability and Transparency Board. The Board may exclude posting contractual or other information on the website on a case-by-case basis when necessary to protect national security or to protect information that is not subject to disclosure under sections 552 and 552a of title 5, United States Code.

F. Registration requirements

Contractor shall ensure that all first-tier subcontractors have a DUNS number and are registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) no later than the date the first report is due under paragraph H below.

G. Utilization of Small Business

Contractor shall to the maximum extent practicable give a preference to small business in the award of subcontracts for projects funded by Recovery Act dollars.