



MASTER INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT

This Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (this “**Agreement**”) is entered into by and between those certain government agencies that execute a Lead Public Agency Certificate (f/k/a a Principal Procurement Agency Certificate) (such agencies “**Lead Public Agencies**” and f/k/a Principal Procurement Agencies) with OMNIA Partners, Public Sector, Inc., a Delaware corporation f/k/a National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance Company; Communities Program Management, LLC, a California limited liability company d/b/a U.S. Communities, and/or NCPA LLC, a Texas limited liability company d/b/a National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (collectively, “**OMNIA Partners**”), in its capacity as the cooperative administrator, to be appended and made a part hereof and such other agencies (“**Participating Public Agencies**”), as defined in each Master Agreement (as defined below), who register to participate in the cooperative purchasing programs administered by OMNIA Partners and its affiliates and subsidiaries (collectively, the “**OMNIA Partners Parties**”) by either making purchases using the Master Agreement, registering on the OMNIA Partners website (www.omniapartners.com/publicsector or any successor website), or by executing a copy of this Agreement.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, after a competitive solicitation and selection process by Lead Public Agencies, in compliance with their own policies, procedures, rules and regulations, a number of suppliers have entered into “**Master Agreements**” (herein so called) to provide a variety of goods, products and services (“**Products**”) to the applicable Lead Public Agency and the Participating Public Agencies;

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

WHEREAS, in addition to Master Agreements, the OMNIA Partners Parties may from time to time offer Participating Public Agencies the opportunity to acquire Products through other group purchasing agreements.

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

1. Each party will facilitate the cooperative procurement of Products.
2. The Participating Public Agencies shall procure Products in accordance with and subject to the relevant federal, state and local statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations that govern Participating Public Agency's procurement practices. The Participating Public Agencies hereby acknowledge and agree that it is the intent of the parties that all provisions of this Agreement and that Lead Public Agencies' participation in the program described herein comply with all applicable laws, including but not limited to the requirements of 42 C.F.R. § 1001.952(j), as may be amended from time to time. The Participating Public Agencies further acknowledge and agree that they are solely responsible for their compliance with all applicable "safe harbor" regulations, including but not limited to any and all obligations to fully and accurately report discounts and incentives.
3. Each party acknowledges and agrees that OMNIA Partners, in its capacity as the cooperative administrator, has the right to receive Master Agreement sales information for Participating Public Agencies to try to ensure suppliers provide accurate and transparent contract pricing and sales reporting and OMNIA Partners reserves the right to conduct Master Agreement price verifications with suppliers and supplier audits using Lead Public Agencies and Participating Public Agencies sales information for purchases under Master Agreements. Participating Public Agency agrees to provide OMNIA Partners reasonable information related to purchases under Master Agreements upon request from OMNIA Partners in connection with such price verifications and/or audits of suppliers. Nothing herein shall require OMNIA Partners to conduct such price verifications or audits or be responsible for any supplier's accuracy in pricing or reporting.
4. The Participating Public Agency represents and warrants that the Participating Public Agency is not a hospital or other healthcare provider and is not purchasing Products on behalf of a hospital or healthcare provider; provided that the foregoing shall not prohibit Participating Public Agency from furnishing health care services so long as the furnishing of health care services is not in furtherance of a primary purpose of the Participating Public Agency.
5. The cooperative use of Master Agreements shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Master Agreements, except as modification of those terms and conditions is otherwise required by applicable federal, state or local law, policies or procedures.
6. The Lead Public Agencies will make available, upon reasonable request, Master Agreement information which may assist in improving the procurement of Products by the Participating Public Agencies.

7. The Participating Public Agency agrees the OMNIA Partners Parties may provide access to group purchasing organization (“**GPO**”) agreements directly or indirectly by enrolling the Participating Public Agency in another GPO’s purchasing program, provided that the purchase of Products through the OMNIA Partners Parties or any other GPO shall be at the Participating Public Agency’s sole discretion.

8. The Participating Public Agencies (each a “**Procuring Party**”) that procure Products through any Master Agreement or GPO Product supply agreement (each a “**GPO Contract**”) will make timely payments to the distributor, manufacturer or other vendor (collectively, “**Supplier**”) for Products received in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement or GPO Contract, as applicable. 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 any Supplier shall be resolved in accordance with the law and venue rules of the State of purchase unless otherwise agreed to by the Procuring Party and Supplier. The Participating Public Agency acknowledges and agrees that the OMNIA Partners Parties may market all Master Agreements available through Lead Public Agencies to such Participating Public Agency and its employees and representatives.

9. The Procuring Party shall not use this Agreement as a method for obtaining additional concessions or reduced prices for purchase of similar products or services outside of the Master Agreement. Master Agreements may be structured with not-to-exceed pricing, in which cases the Supplier may offer the Procuring Party and the Procuring Party may accept lower pricing or additional concessions for purchase of Products through a Master Agreement.

10. 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, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Procuring Party shall hold non-procuring party harmless from any liability that may arise from the acts or omissions of the Procuring Party.

11. WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, THE OMNIA PARTNERS PARTIES EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM ALL EXPRESS OR IMPLIED REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES REGARDING ANY PRODUCT, MASTER AGREEMENT AND GPO CONTRACT. THE OMNIA PARTNERS PARTIES SHALL NOT BE LIABLE IN ANY WAY FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE, OR RELIANCE DAMAGES, EVEN IF THE OMNIA PARTNERS PARTIES ARE ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. FURTHER, THE PROCURING PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THE OMNIA PARTNERS PARTIES SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY FOR ANY ACT OR OMISSION BY A SUPPLIER OR OTHER PARTY UNDER A MASTER AGREEMENT OR GPO CONTRACT.

12. This Agreement shall remain in effect until termination by either party giving thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party. The provisions of Paragraphs 6 - 10 hereof shall survive any such termination.

13. This Agreement shall take effect upon (i) execution of the Lead Public Agency Certificate, or (ii) registration on the OMNIA Partners website or the execution of this Agreement by a Participating Public Agency, as applicable.

14. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Agreement. The exchange of copies of this Agreement and of signature pages by facsimile, or by .pdf or similar electronic transmission, will constitute effective execution and delivery of this Agreement as to the parties and may be used in lieu of the original Agreement for all purposes. Signatures of the parties transmitted by facsimile, or by .pdf or similar electronic transmission, will be deemed to be their original signatures for any purpose whatsoever.