

**UNC LEARNING TECHNOLOGY COMMONS  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROCUREMENT OF  
SOFTWARE**

**1. DEFINITIONS.** As used herein,

- (a) "Agreement" or "Contract" means these Terms and Conditions for Procurement of Software and incorporating the University's Purchase Order.
- (b) "Documentation" means the user manuals and guides to operations issued by Vendor from time-to-time for the Software.
- (c) "Parties" means the University and the Vendor (each, individually, a "Party").
- (d) "Purchase Order" means the document used by the University to order Software provided by Vendor in sufficient detail to allow Vendor to accept and accurately fulfill the University's order, and including terms describing price, quantity, invoicing addresses, and purchasing agent contact information.
- (e) "Software" means any software licensed or provided by Vendor to University in accordance with the Solicitation Document and/or Purchase Order(s), as applicable.
- (f) "Solicitation Document" means the University's request for proposal, request for information, invitation for bid, and/or other solicitation document issued by the University to solicit offers for the Software or similar software.
- (g) "University" means The University of North Carolina, its constituent institutions, and its successors and assigns.
- (h) "Vendor" means the Party providing the Software to the University under this Agreement, and its successors and assigns.

**2. PAYMENT TERMS.**

(a) *Terms.* All invoices shall be submitted to the University's Systems and Operations Department unless otherwise instructed on the face of the Purchase Order. Payment terms are net thirty (30) days after the University's receipt of a correct invoice or acceptance of the Software, whichever is later. For Software purchases, the total license fee and the support and/or maintenance fee (provided the University subscribes or purchases such services) for the first year shall be invoiced upon delivery of the Software. The Software support and/or maintenance fee for subsequent contract years, if any, will be invoiced annually sixty (60) days prior to the anniversary date beginning each subsequent year.

(b) *Payment to third party.* Upon written request approved by the University and solely as a convenience to the Vendor, the University may: (i) forward the Vendor's payment check directly to any person or entity designated by the Vendor, and (ii) include any person or entity designated by Vendor as a joint payee on the Vendor's payment check. In no event shall such approval and action obligate the University to anyone other than the Vendor and the Vendor shall remain responsible for fulfillment of all contract obligations.

**3. TAXES.** Any applicable taxes shall be invoiced as a separate item. Invoices shall not include North Carolina Sales & Use Tax. The University is exempt from North Carolina Sales & Use Tax for all qualifying purchases. The University's North Carolina Sales & Use Tax exemption number is 400028. The University shall not be responsible for income or property taxes which are responsibility of the Vendor.

**4. Applies only if marked:**

• **SOFTWARE LICENSE GRANT.** This section recites the scope of license granted, if not superseded by a separate licensing agreement, as follows:

(a) *License Grant.* Vendor grants to the University a non-exclusive, worldwide license to use the Software. This license shall be perpetual, unless terminated as provided herein. Such license permits University to: (i) use the Software in object code format; (ii) use the Documentation; (iii) transfer and operate the Software on a different operating system and/or on different hardware; (iv) install and make copies of the Software for testing, disaster recovery, disaster recovery testing, backup, training and education, development and archival purposes; (v) reproduce and/or incorporate all or any portion of the Documentation into University-developed training and education materials; and (vi) upon receipt of Vendor's prior written approval, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld, modify and adapt the Software to interface and/or integrate the Software with third-party software products.

(b) *Third Party Implementation Services.* University without having to pay any special fees has the right to permit third-party services provider to access and use the Software for purposes of assisting with the implementation.

(c) *Upgrades.* The University's license includes the right to upgrades, updates, maintenance releases or other enhancements or modifications made generally available to Vendor's licensees without a separate maintenance or support agreement (i.e., "minor upgrades" typically represented by an increased number to the right of the decimal point in the Software version number). Vendor's right to a new license for new version releases of the Software (typically represented by an increased number to left side of the decimal) shall not be abridged by the foregoing.

5. *Applies only if marked:*

• **MAINTENANCE/SUPPORT SERVICES.** Unless otherwise provided in the University's Solicitation Document or in an attachment hereto, for the first year and all subsequent years during the term of this Agreement, Vendor agrees to provide the following services for the current version and one previous version of the Software, commencing upon delivery of the Software:

(a) *Error Correction.* Upon notice by University of a problem with the Software (which problem can be verified), Vendor shall use reasonable efforts to correct or provide a working solution for the problem. The University shall comply with all reasonable instructions or requests of Vendor in attempts to correct an error or defect in the software program. Vendor and the University shall act promptly and in a reasonably timely manner in communicating error or problem logs, other related information, proposed solutions or workarounds, and any action as may be necessary or proper to obtain or effect maintenance services under this section.

(b) *Notice.* Vendor shall notify the University of any material errors or defects in the Software known or made known to Vendor from any source during the term of this Agreement that could cause the production of inaccurate or materially incorrect results. Vendor shall initiate actions as may be commercially necessary or proper to effect corrections of any such errors or defects.

(c) *Updates.* Vendor shall provide to the University at no additional charge all new releases and bug fixes for the Software developed or published by Vendor and made generally available to its other customers at no additional charge. All such updates shall be a part of the Software and, as such, shall be governed by the provisions of this Agreement.

(d) *Telephone Assistance.* Vendor shall provide the University with telephone access to technical support engineers for assistance in the proper installation and use of the Software, and to report and resolve software problems during normal business hours. Vendor shall promptly respond to University telephone requests for Software program maintenance service.

(e) *Support and Maintenance Fees.* Increases in Vendor's annual support and maintenance fees shall not exceed three percent (3%) over the support and maintenance fees for the previous year. In no event shall the support and maintenance fee rate paid by University exceed Vendor's then-current support and maintenance rate charged to any of its similarly-situated customers. If the University fails to pay or chooses not to pay for support and maintenance services for the Software, the University may continue to use the Software pursuant to the license granted hereunder, but will not be entitled to receive routine support and maintenance services for such Software.

6. *Applies only if marked:*

**ESCROW OF CODE.** Vendor has established an Escrow Agreement ("Escrow Agreement") for the Software with a third party escrow agent acceptable to the University. Within thirty days from the effective date of this Agreement, Vendor will add the University as a beneficiary to such Escrow Agreement. In the event (i) this Agreement is terminated due to insolvency or the filing of involuntary bankruptcy proceedings pursuant to Chapter 7 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (ii) Vendor no longer offers support or maintenance services for the Software (both (i) and (ii) constituting the release condition ("Release Condition") under the Escrow Agreement), the Software code deposited in accordance with the Escrow Agreement (the "Deposit Materials") shall be delivered to the University and the University shall be granted a license to use the Deposit Materials solely to repair, maintain and support the Software licensed to University pursuant to this Agreement. The license to the Deposit Materials under this section shall terminate upon the termination or cure of the Release Condition.

7. *Applies only if marked:*

**ACCEPTANCE OF SOFTWARE.** Acceptance testing is required for the Software. In the event acceptance of the Software is not described in the Solicitation Documents or a Statement of Work, the University may define such processes and procedures as may be necessary or proper, in its opinion and discretion, to ensure the Software's compliance with the University's specifications and the Software's then-current Documentation. The University shall notify Vendor in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days following University's discovery that the Software is non-conforming and is unacceptable. Software discovered to be defective or failing to comply with specifications set forth in the Solicitation Document and in the Software's then-current Documentation may be rejected upon the

initial acceptance testing or at any later time if the defects associated with the Software were not reasonably ascertainable at the time of the initial acceptance testing. The notice shall specify in reasonable detail the ways in which the Software is non-conforming. If Vendor fails to promptly cure the defect or replace the Software, the University may deem the Vendor in default of this Agreement and may pursue any rights and remedies available to University.

#### **8. WARRANTY TERMS.**

(a) If the Vendor is not the manufacturer of the Software, Vendor represents and warrants to the University that it has been designated by the manufacturer as an authorized reseller of the Software and any manufacturer warranties will pass from the manufacturer through the Vendor and inure to the benefit of the University. In the event such manufacturer warranties fail to pass through the Vendor and inure to the benefit of the University, the Vendor shall pay, indemnify and hold the University harmless from all losses, damages and expenses resulting from such failure.

(b) If Vendor is the manufacturer of the Software:

(i) Vendor represents and warrants to University that for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of installation ("Warranty Period") the Software shall perform in good working order in accordance with industry practices and standards and meets the specifications set forth in the Solicitation Document. Following receipt of written notice thereof, Vendor promptly shall respond to any failure to comply with the representations and warranties in this subsection, and Vendor promptly shall repair, replace or correct the Software at Vendor's sole cost and expense. The remedies set forth in this section shall be in addition to any other rights and remedies that may be available to University.

(ii) Vendor represents and warrants to University that, to the best of its knowledge: (1) the licensed Software and associated materials do not infringe any intellectual property rights of any third party; (2) there are no actual or threatened actions arising from, or alleged under, any intellectual property rights of any third party; (3) the Software and associated materials do not contain any surreptitious programming codes, viruses, Trojan Horses, "back doors" or other means to facilitate or allow unauthorized access to the University's information systems; and (4) the Software and associated materials do not contain any timer, counter, lock or similar device (other than security features specifically approved by Customer in the Specifications) that inhibits or in any way limits the Software's ability to operate.

(iii) The Vendor represents and warrants to the University that any Software which performs any date and/or time data recognition functionality, calculation, or sequencing, will provide accurate date/time data and leap year calculations. This warranty shall survive termination or expiration of the Agreement.

(iv) Vendor represents and warrants to University that the Software demonstrated to University, to the extent applicable, during Vendor's on-campus demonstrations: (1) represents a generally available version of the Software; and (2) was configured but not otherwise modified by Vendor or otherwise manipulated in any way to display features or functions that do not exist in a generally available version of the Software as of the date of the Vendor's demonstrations.

(v) Vendor represents and warrants to University that the Software meets the accessibility requirements outlined in Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (<http://section508.gov/>), and the best practices outlined in the W3C Web Accessibility Initiative reference: <http://www.w3.org/WAI/>.

**9.** *Applies only if marked:*

**PROTECTION AGAINST SOFTWARE MIGRATION.** If within five (5) years of the effective date of this Agreement, Vendor ceases providing support and maintenance for the Software and begins marketing a successor software product to the Software, then Vendor shall provide University with an option to purchase the successor software with credits equal to the one hundred percent (100%) of all fees paid by University to Vendor for the Software and Vendor shall provide software implementation services to University at a discounted rate of forty percent (40%) off Vendor's then applicable services rates.

**10.** *Applies only if marked:*

**PROTECTION AGAINST REDUCTIONS IN SOFTWARE FUNCTIONALITY.** If Vendor eliminates any Software functionality in any future releases or versions of the Software, then at no cost or expense to University, Vendor shall either: (a) provide to University through another Vendor product substantially equivalent replacement Software functionality that is reasonably acceptable to University; or (b) modify, adjust or customize the Software for University's use so that the applicable functionality remains available to University.

## 11. INSURANCE COVERAGE.

(a) *Generally.* Vendor's insurance policies shall meet all laws of the State of North Carolina and shall be obtained from companies licensed or approved to do business in the State of North Carolina with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A-VII. The minimum coverage limitations indicated below shall not be interpreted as limiting Vendor's liability and obligations under this Agreement. University shall not be deemed or construed to have assessed the risk that may be applicable to Vendor. Vendor shall assess its own risks and, if it deems appropriate, maintain higher limits and broader coverages. University shall be listed as an additional insured. Vendor will provide thirty (30) days advance notice to University, either directly or through the insurer, of any cancellation or non-renewal of a policy. The insurance policies must be written on a primary basis and any insurance or self-insurance maintained by University shall be non-contributing.

(b) *Commercial General Liability.* Vendor, at its sole cost and expense, shall maintain Commercial General Liability (CGL) insurance (ISO form CG0001 or equivalent) with the following minimum limits of liability: (i) General Aggregate: \$2,000,000; (ii) Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: \$2,000,000; (iii) Personal/Advertising Injury: \$1,000,000; and (iv) Each Occurrence Limit: \$1,000,000. Umbrella or excess liability insurance may be used to meet the CGL coverage limit requirements.

(c) *Workers' Compensation Insurance.* Vendor, at its sole cost and expense, shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with the limits and terms required by the laws of North Carolina, as well as Employers' Liability coverage with minimum limits of \$500,000, covering all of Vendor's employees who are engaged in any work under this Agreement. If any work is sublet, the Vendor shall require the subcontractor to provide the same coverage for any of his employees engaged in any work under this Agreement.

(d) *Automobile Liability Insurance.* Vendor, at its sole cost and expense, shall maintain Automobile Liability Insurance, to include liability coverage, covering all owned, non-owned, employee non-owned, leased, and hired vehicles used in connection with this Agreement. The minimum combined single limit shall be \$1,000,000 bodily injury and property damage per accident. Umbrella or excess liability insurance may be used to meet the Automobile Liability coverage limit requirements.

(e) *Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions Liability), including Cyber Liability.* Vendor, at its sole cost and expense, shall maintain Professional Liability insurance with the following minimum limits of liability: (i) \$1,000,000 per loss and (ii) \$1,000,000 per aggregate. This insurance shall provide coverage for: (A) liability arising from theft, dissemination, and/or use of Sensitive and Confidential Information; (B) network security liability arising from the unauthorized access to, use of, or tampering with computer systems; and (C) liability arising from the introduction of a computer virus into, or otherwise causing damage to a computer system, network or similar related property. If professional liability insurance is written on a claims-made basis, Vendor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Agreement and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Agreement is completed. If such insurance is maintained on an occurrence form basis, Vendor shall maintain such insurance for an additional period of one (1) year following termination of the Agreement. If such insurance is maintained on a claims-made basis, Vendor shall maintain such insurance for an additional period of three (3) years following termination of the Agreement.

**12. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.** Any and all payments to the Vendor are contingent upon and subject to the availability of funds to the University for the purpose set forth in this Agreement.

**13. INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT.** Vendor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the University, its trustees, officers, employees and agents (collectively, "Indemnitees") from and against any and all damages, costs, liabilities, losses and expenses incurred by Indemnitees arising from or related to (i) the Software or Products delivered by Vendor; (ii) a breach of this Agreement by Vendor; or (iii) any misconduct or acts of negligence by Vendor. Vendor shall pay all royalties and license fees for third party Software it provides to the University under this Agreement. Vendor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless University from and against any claim asserted against University alleging that the Software, or any part thereof, or use of the Software by University constitutes a misappropriation of any proprietary or trade secret information or an infringement of any patent, copyright, trademark or other intellectual property right.

**14. LIMITATION ON VENDOR LIABILITY.** Vendor's cumulative liability to the University for damages incurred by the University for causes of action arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be limited to two (2) times the total amount paid or scheduled to be paid (whichever is greater) under this Agreement. The foregoing limitation on liability does not apply to breaches of confidentiality and data protection obligations, intellectual

property infringement claims, or indemnification obligations under this Agreement.

**15. DEFAULT; TERMINATION FOR CAUSE.**

(a) If either Party fails to meet any material requirement of this Agreement, notice of the failure or default is provided to the defaulting Party by the non-defaulting Party, and the failure is not cured within thirty (30) calendar days of the defaulting Party's receipt of the notice of default, then the non-defaulting Party may terminate this Agreement for cause and pursue any rights or remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

(b) Pursuant to the North Carolina Administrative Code, in the event Vendor defaults under a contract with the University, the University may procure replacement goods and services on the open market and charge Vendor for any additional costs occasioned thereby, and the University may initiate proceedings with the State of North Carolina to de-bar Vendor from doing future business with agencies of the State of North Carolina. (*See* NCAC Title I, Chapter 5B.1520).

(c) Vendor shall be in default if it submitted a certification for price-matching preference under Executive Order #50 and G.S. § 143-59 that was false and/or contained materially misleading or inaccurate information, and/or Vendor failed to provide information and documentation requested by the University to substantiate Vendor's certification. The State of North Carolina may take action against Vendor under the False Claims Act, G.S. § 1-605 through 1-617, inclusive, for submitting a false certification for the price-matching preference under Executive Order #50 (including but not limited to treble damages and civil penalties).

**16. TRANSITION SERVICES.** Upon the expiration or termination of the Agreement for any reason, the University shall have the right upon its request to receive from Vendor all services reasonably necessary to effectuate an orderly transition to a successor software solution, including assistance in transferring University data to an industry-standard or other format requested by the University. Any fees charged by Vendor for such services should be at reasonable, fair market rates.

**17. FORCE MAJEURE.** Neither Party shall be deemed to be in default of its obligations hereunder if and so long as it is prevented from performing such obligations as a result of events beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation, fire, power failures, any act of war, riot, strikes, civil insurrection, acts of public officials, earthquake, hurricane, tornado, or other catastrophic natural event or act of God.

**18. CONFIDENTIALITY; CARE OF INFORMATION.**

(a) *Confidentiality.* Any information, data, documents, studies and reports given to or prepared or assembled by the Vendor under this agreement shall be kept as confidential and not divulged or made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the University.

(b) *Response to Third-party Requests for University Data.* If Vendor is served with a subpoena related to University data, then, unless prohibited by law, Vendor will provide prior notice of such subpoena to the University to allow the University an opportunity to seek injunctive relief before disclosure of the information.

(c) *Protection of Vendor Trade Secrets under NC Public Records Act.* The University will maintain the confidentiality of Vendor's "trade secrets", in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §132-1, et. seq. (the "NC Public Records Act"). Trade secrets are defined by North Carolina statute as "business or technical information, including but not limited to a formula, pattern, program, device, compilation of information, method, technique, or process that derives independent actual or potential commercial value from (i) not being generally known or readily ascertainable through independent development or reverse engineering by persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use, and (ii) is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy." (*See* N.C. Gen. Stat. §66-152). Vendor shall designate the portions of the materials it delivers to the University that meet this definition of "trade secrets," or that otherwise are exempt from disclosure under the NC Public Records Act, by printing "CONFIDENTIAL" in boldface at the top and bottom of the applicable pages or sections. Under the North Carolina Administrative Code, price information shall not be deemed confidential (NCAC Title I, Chapter 5B.1501). In spite of what is labeled as confidential, the determination as to whether the information is subject to disclosure shall be determined by North Carolina law.

(d) *Protection of University's Sensitive and Confidential Information.* Vendor shall safeguard and protect Sensitive and Confidential Information of the University in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations and consistent with ISO/IEC 27000 series information security best practices. "Sensitive and Confidential Information" means any, but not limited to, the following: "Personal Information" under the North Carolina Identity Theft Protection Act of 2005, confidential "personnel information" under the North Carolina Human Resources Act, "Protected Health Information" under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), student "education records" under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), "customer record information"

under Gramm Leach Bliley Act (GLBA), “cardholder data” as defined by the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI-DSS), and any information protected from disclosure under the North Carolina Public Records Act. Sensitive and Confidential Information must be restricted by Vendor to those with a legitimate business need for access to such information. For purposes of illustration, Sensitive and Confidential Information may appear in research data, public safety information, financial donor information, information concerning select agents, system access passwords, information security records, and information file encryption keys.

If Vendor becomes aware of a confirmed or suspected exposure of Sensitive and/or Confidential University Information, Vendor shall notify UNC and ask that a “critical Remedy ticket” be created. Vendor shall not provide any information regarding the risk to Sensitive Information or Confidential Information until contacted via telephone by a UNC incident handler. Upon being contacted by the incident handler, the Vendor agrees to provide UNC with access to any information that is pertinent to the investigation of the possible compromise of UNC’s sensitive information or mission critical system, including, but not limited to: log data, metadata and forensic images.

(e) *Grant of Limited Right to Use University Data.* Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, University grants to Vendor a non-exclusive, non-transferable, limited right to use University data received or accessed by Vendor in the course of performing the services under this Agreement. All right, title and interest in the data shall remain with the University or end users, as applicable. Vendor may not access and/or duplicate the data for any reasons other than those stated herein without the prior written consent of University.

(f) *Limitations on Use of University Data.* Vendor shall not collect, mine, save, disclose, or otherwise use any end user personal information or University data for any purpose other than to provision and support the services expressly contemplated under this Agreement.

(a) *FERPA Acknowledgement.* If the Vendor will have access to student education records, Vendor acknowledges and agrees that (i) the University has outsourced to Vendor the performance of institutional services or functions for which the University would otherwise use its own employees, (ii) Vendor is considered to be a “school official” with “legitimate educational interests” in “personally identifiable information” from “education records” of University students, as those terms have been defined under FERPA (34 CFR 99), (iii) Vendor is under the direct control of the University with respect to Vendor’s use and maintenance of data in the education records, and (iv) Vendor will abide by the limitations and requirements imposed by 34 CFR 99.33(a) on school officials. Vendor will use such data only for the purpose of fulfilling its duties under this Agreement, and will not monitor or share such data with or disclose it to any third party except as required by law, or authorized in writing by the University.

**19. IMPLEMENTATION; CONFLICTS/INCONSISTENCIES.** This Agreement shall be implemented by a University Purchase Order. For purposes of construing a transaction as an integrated contract, the following shall be considered a single transaction and a legal and binding contract: (i) the University Purchase Order(s); (ii) any document directly related to this Agreement that has been signed by authorized representatives of both parties; (iii) the Solicitation Document; (iv) this Agreement; and (v) Vendor's technical and cost proposals submitted in response to the Solicitation Document. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between these contract documents, the order of precedence shall be the order listed above, where clause "(i)" receives the highest priority and clause "(v)" receives the lowest priority.

**20. AMENDMENTS/CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION.**

(a) This Agreement may not be amended orally or by performance. Any amendment, in order to be effective, must be made in written form and signed by duly authorized representatives of the University and Vendor in accordance with this section.

(b) This Agreement is made subject to the shipment of quantities, qualities, and prices indicated on the Purchase Order, and all conditions and instructions on the Purchase Order or the Solicitation Document, as applicable. Any changes made to this Agreement or Purchase Order proposed by the Vendor are hereby rejected unless accepted in writing by the University’s Purchasing Services Department or the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. The University shall not be responsible for services or products delivered without a Purchase Order or authorization from the University’s Purchasing Services Department. In order to be effective, contracts for University purchases of goods or services exceeding \$5,000 must be signed by a duly authorized officer of the University’s Purchasing Services Department, or the University’s Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration or his/her delegate.

**21. ADVERTISING.** Vendor shall not use the existence of this Agreement or the name, logo, images or

trademarks of the University of North Carolina or its constituent institutions as a part of any marketing or commercial advertising without prior written approval of the University. Requests to use the University's name, logo, images or trademarks should be directed to the relevant Office of Trademarks and Licensing.

**22. EXPORT CONTROL CLASSIFICATION.** Vendor shall not transfer or disclose to the University any equipment, information, substance or material that is controlled under the federal government's Export Administration Regulations (15 C.F.R. 730-774) or International Traffic in Arms Regulations (22 C.F.R. 120-130) (collectively, any "Export Controlled Material") without first informing the University of the Export Controlled Material's Export Control Classification Number ("ECCN"), or other applicable export control designation.

**23. NONDISCRIMINATION.** Vendor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Vendor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

**24. ACCESS TO PERSONS AND RECORDS.** The North Carolina State Auditor and the University's internal auditor shall have access to persons and records as a result of all contracts or grants entered into by the University in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §147-64.7 and Session Law 2010-194, Section 21 (i.e., the State Auditors and the University's internal auditor may audit the records of the contractor during the term of the Agreement to verify accounts and data affecting fees or performance).

**25. PROHIBITION ON VENDOR GIFTS.** Under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 133-32, it is unlawful for any vendor or contractor to make gifts or to give favors to any officer or employee of the University whose job responsibilities include awarding or administering University contracts.

**26. USE OF E-VERIFICATION.** Vendor attests that it and all of its subcontractors have fully complied with all requirements of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 64 Article 2 in regards to E-Verification as required by Section 2.(c) of Session Law 2013-418, codified as N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-129(j).

**27. NO COLLUSION; ELIGIBLE VENDOR.** Vendor certifies that (i) its pricing was submitted without collusion (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-54); (ii) none of its officers, directors, or owners of an unincorporated business entity has been convicted of any violations of Chapter 78A of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-59.2); and (iii) it is not an ineligible vendor under North Carolina law (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-59.1). False certification is a Class I felony.

**28. NOTICES.** Any notices required under this Agreement should be delivered to the contract administrator for each Party. Unless otherwise specified in the Solicitation Document, any notices shall be delivered in writing by U.S. Mail, commercial courier or by hand.

**29. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.** Each Party shall comply with all laws, ordinances, codes, rules, regulations, and licensing requirements that are applicable to its operations, including those of federal, state, and local agencies having jurisdiction and/or authority.

**30. GOVERNING LAWS, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE.** This Agreement is made under and shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina. The place of this Agreement, its situs and forum, shall be Orange County, North Carolina, where all matters, whether sounding in contract or in tort, relating to its validity, construction, interpretation and enforcement shall be determined. Vendor agrees and submits, solely for matters relating to this Agreement, to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of North Carolina, and stipulates that Orange County shall be the proper venue for all matters.

**31. SEVERABILITY.** In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction holds that a provision or requirement of this Agreement violates any applicable law, each such provision or requirement shall be enforced only to the extent it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable and all other provisions and requirements of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. All promises, requirement, terms, conditions, provisions, representations, guarantees and warranties contained herein shall survive the expiration or termination date unless specifically provided otherwise herein, or unless superseded by applicable federal or State statute, including statutes of repose or limitation.