

# **COUNTY OF BARNSTABLE**

PURCHASING

## **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

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**Jennifer Frates**  
Chief Procurement Officer

## **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Barnstable County is seeking sealed bids for the supply, delivery and assembly of 2,000 linear feet of new HDPE plastic pipeline to be used for discharge of hydraulically dredge material.

Bid specifications may be obtained as of Tuesday, September 3, 2019, on the Purchasing website at: <http://purchasing.barnstablecounty.org>

Bids will be received at the Superior Court House, Office of the County Commissioners, Purchasing Department, 3195 Main Street, P.O. Box 427, Barnstable, MA 02630, on or before **September 17, 2019, at 11:00AM.**

Sealed envelopes containing bids shall be clearly marked **“IFB #7887 Dredge Pipe FY ‘20”**

**NOTE: One original copy of each bid shall be submitted. NO faxed proposals will be accepted.**

The County of Barnstable reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive any informality contained therein, and to award the contract as decided to be in the best interest of the County.

All bids for this project are subject to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30B as amended.

The County of Barnstable fully complies with federal, state, and local laws and directives governing equal opportunity, affirmative action and non-discrimination in all county activities and actively solicits bids/proposals from MBE/WBE businesses in accordance with County policy.

Jennifer Frates  
Chief Procurement Officer

**BARNSTABLE COUNTY**  
**Invitation for Bids #7887 for**  
**2,000 linear feet of new HDPE plastic pipeline.**

The County of Barnstable, through the Department of Dredging, is seeking sealed bids for the purchase, supply and assembly of 2,000 linear feet of new HDPE plastic pipeline to be used for discharge of hydraulically dredge material. The pipeline will include being made up in 300-foot sections with a bolted flange connection on both ends. The pipeline will be sixteen inches outside diameter, SDR 17 High Density PE4710 Polyethylene Pipe(HDPE). Long neck flange adapters, backing rings, nuts, bolts, gaskets and a fusion machine with a technician are to be included in the quotation.

**I. GENERAL INFORMATION AND BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

**Bid Delivery**

All bids must be delivered to:

Barnstable County Purchasing Department  
Superior Courthouse  
3195 Main Street  
PO Box 427  
Barnstable, MA 02630

Bids must be delivered by September 17, 2019, at 11:00AM.

One original copy of the bid should be submitted. Bids must be sealed and marked as follows: ***“IFB #7887 Dredge Pipe FY ‘20”***.

All bids must include a non-collusion form, tax compliance certificate, bid pricing sheet, and reference form as provided in this IFB.

**Bid Signature**

A bid must be signed as follows: 1) if the bidder is an individual, by her/him personally; 2) if the bidder is a partnership, by the name of the partnership, followed by the signature of each general partner; and 3) if the bidder is a corporation, by the authorized officer, whose signature must be attested to by the clerk/secretary of the corporation, and with the corporate seal affixed.

**Time for Bid Acceptance**

The contract will be awarded within 30 days after the bid opening. The time for award may be extended for up to 45 additional days by mutual agreement between Barnstable County and the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder (or, for a contract requiring payment, the apparent highest responsive and responsible bidder.)

**Changes and Addenda**

If any changes are made to this bid, an addendum will be issued. Addenda will be e - mailed to all bidders on record as having picked up the IFB.

**Questions about the IFB**

Questions concerning this invitation for bids must be submitted in writing no later than **September 11, 2019 sent to [Jennifer.Frates@barnstablecounty.org](mailto:Jennifer.Frates@barnstablecounty.org)**

Questions may be emailed and written responses will be e-mailed to all bidders on record as having picked up the IFB.

**Modification or Withdrawal of Bids, Mistakes, and Minor Informalities**

A bidder may correct, modify, or withdraw a bid by written notice received by the County prior to the time and date set for the bid opening. Bid modifications must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly labeled "Modification No. \_\_\_" to the address listed in part one of this section. Each modification must be numbered in sequence, and must reference the original IFB.

After the bid opening, a bidder may not change any provision of the bid in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the County or fair competition. Minor informalities will be waived or the bidder will be allowed to correct them. If a mistake and the intended bid are clearly evident on the face of the bid document, the mistake will be corrected to reflect the intended correct bid, and the bidder will be notified in writing; the bidder may not withdraw the bid. A bidder may withdraw a bid if a mistake is clearly evident on the face of the bid document, but the intended correct bid is not similarly evident.

If this bid is received electronically, bidders are solely responsible for obtaining and completing required attachments that are identified in this bid and for checking for any addenda or modifications that are subsequently made to this bid or attachments. Barnstable County accepts no liability and will provide no accommodation to bidders who fail to check for amended bids and submit inadequate or incorrect responses.

Bidders may not alter (manually or electronically) the bid language or any bid documents. Unauthorized modifications to the body of the bid, specifications, terms or conditions, or which change the intent of this bid are prohibited and may disqualify a response.

**Right to Cancel/Reject Bids**

Barnstable County reserves the right to cancel this bid, or reject in whole or in part any and all bids, if it is determined that cancellation or rejection serves the best interest of Barnstable County.

**Bid Prices to Remain Firm**

All bid prices submitted in response to this bid must remain firm for 30 days following the bid opening.

**Unforeseen Office Closure**

If, at the time of the scheduled bid opening, Superior Courthouse is closed due to uncontrolled events such as fire, snow, ice, wind, or building evacuation, the bid opening will be postponed until 2:00 p.m. on the next normal business day. Bids will be accepted until that date and time.

**General Insurance Requirements**

Prior to the commencement this Contract, the Vendor shall procure and maintain during the life of the Contract and beyond as required, the types and limits of insurance as outlined below:

- a. All insurance required of the Vendor will be maintained with companies assigned a letter rating in the “A- VIII” category from A.M. Best or which are otherwise acceptable to the County of Barnstable, and which are lawfully authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- b. Each policy (except workers’ compensation and personal property) shall include County of Barnstable, and all other political subdivisions/entities as their interests may appear in the awarded scope of work (herein after referred to as “all other political subdivisions”), its officers and employees as Additional Insureds or loss payees as their interests may appear. Each policy shall indicate that the coverage is primary and non-contributory.
- c. Each policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of County of Barnstable, and “all other political subdivisions,” its officers and employees.
- d. No policy must be allowed to expire, be cancelled or materially modified without thirty (30) days’ prior written notice to the Chief Procurement Officer, County of Barnstable.

**Liability Insurance**

The Vendor shall be fully responsible for all claims for damages for bodily injury, including wrongful death, and all claims for property damage, which may result from the performance of this Contract by the Vendor, or any of their respective agents or employees. The Vendor’s liability shall not be limited to the extent of the insurance required herein. The Vendor shall take out and maintain in force during the life of this Contract the following types of insurance to protect the County of Barnstable, and “all other political subdivisions,” its agents, and employees from claims which may arise from operations by himself or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by Vendor or working on their behalf.

- a. **Commercial General Liability Insurance:** to cover all claims for damages for bodily injury including accidental death, as well as claims for property damage which may arise out of operations performed in connection with the Contract. The policy shall provide a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of one million dollars (1,000,000) per occurrence, and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate. Personal and Advertising Injury coverage shall be provided at a limit of (\$1,000,000).

The County of Barnstable and “all other political subdivisions” shall be named as an additional insured on all public liability and property damage insurance policies. The policy shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County of Barnstable, and “all other political subdivisions.” No insurance policy obtained pursuant to this section shall contain a deductible or self insured retention.

- b. **Automobile Liability:** to cover the liability of the Vendor arising from operations on and off the site of all motor vehicles whether they are owned, non-owned or hired. The policy shall be on an occurrence form with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage liability of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000). The policy should include a Broadened Pollution Endorsement (CA 99 48) if Vendor is bringing fuel cans or possible pollutants, mobile equipment or other gas powered tools on-site. If hauling hazardous materials, contaminants or pollutants, the policy shall include coverage form MCS-90 in accordance with Sections 29 and 30 of the Motor Carrier Act of 1980.
- c. **Umbrella Liability:** to protect the Vendor against all claims excess of the commercial general liability and automobile liability mentioned above and employer’s liability

coverage mentioned in the paragraph below. The coverage provided by the umbrella policy shall be at least as broad as the underlying policies. The limit of protection provided by the policy shall be a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or such other amount if required by the County of Barnstable and indicated via addendum to this Contract.

**Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance**

Before commencing performance of this contract, the Vendor shall provide insurance for the payment of compensation and the furnishing of other benefits under the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 152 (the so-called Workers Compensation Law) to all persons to be employed under this contract, the workers' compensation laws of any other state if there are any persons employed outside of Massachusetts, and any requirement for compensation required under any Federal Act for any maritime employee, longshoreman or harbor workers, and shall continue such insurance in full force and effect during the term of this contract. The contract shall, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, conform to the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 149 S34(a), which section is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The Vendor shall provide employer's liability insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 for each accident or disease for each employee.

**Personal Property Insurance**

Any tools, equipment, materials, and other personal property owned by Vendor shall be at the sole responsibility and risk of Vendor. The County of Barnstable, and "all other political subdivisions" shall not be liable for any loss, damage, or theft to such property. Any insurance that Vendor elects to maintain on Vendor's personal property and materials shall be at the sole responsibility and cost of Vendor.

**Pollution Legal Liability:**

If applicable, the Contractor shall provide insurance coverage for bodily injury and property damage resulting from Contractor's liability arising out of pollution related exposures such as asbestos abatement, lead paint abatement, tank removal, mold remediation, removal of contaminated soil, etc. The policy shall also include coverage for on-site and off-site bodily injury and loss of damage to or loss of use of property, directly or indirectly arising out of the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon the land, the atmosphere or any water course or body of water, whether it be gradual, or sudden and accidental. The policy shall also include defense and clean-up costs. The policy shall provide a minimum limit of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for this project. If the policy is claims made, the retroactive date shall be no later than the commencement date of this contract and the policy shall include an extended reporting period of at least one year from substantial completion and acceptance of the work by the County of Barnstable or owner of the project.

**Additional types of Insurance**

The Vendor shall provide such other types of insurance as may be required by the County of Barnstable and indicated via addendum to this insurance requirement.

### **Proof of Insurance**

No work shall be commenced on the site by the Vendor until copies of the policy or certificates of the types of insurance required hereby have been furnished to the Chief Procurement Officer, in a form satisfactory to her. If the Vendor provides a Certificate of Liability Insurance, it must indicate each policy number, insurance company, policy effective and expiration date, and limits of insurance. The certificate must make specific reference to the Contract number. It must also provide proof that the policy(ies) has been properly endorsed to add the County of Barnstable, and "all other political subdivisions" as an additional insured and to add a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County of Barnstable, and "all other political subdivisions," and to provide the County of Barnstable with at least thirty (30) days' notice of any cancellation, termination or material modification. The certificate must be signed by a duly authorized representative of the issuing insurance companies.

In addition, renewal certificates must be received by the County of Barnstable thirty (30) days prior to any policy expiration. Further, policies must not be allowed to expire or be canceled without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Chief Procurement Officer, County of Barnstable.

### **Effect of Failure to Continue Insurance in Force**

Failure to provide and continue in force insurance required by this contract shall be deemed a material breach of this contract and shall operate as an immediate termination thereof.

### **References**

Bidder must submit a complete list of all references from customers who have had the similar work completed, with contact names and telephone numbers.

### **Rule for Award**

Award will be made to the most responsive, responsible vendor offering the lowest overall price.

## **II. PURCHASE DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF SERVICES**

### **Pipe Specifications**

Pipe and flanges will be made of identical density, extra high molecular weight polyethylene pipe material meeting general requirements of ASTM -1248, "Standard Specifications of Polyethylene Plastics, Moldings and Extrusion Materials" and classifications requirements of Type III, Class C, Category 5. Grade P34 and cell Classification 355434C or 345434C Per D-3350.

Molecular weight category shall be extra high (250,000 to 1,500,000) as per the GEL Permeation chromatography determination procedure with a typical value of 330,000. Pipe shall manufacture in accordance with ASTM 714 and/ or D-3035 SDR-DR standards for "PE Plastic Pipe Based on Controlled outside Diameter".

Pipe shall be manufactured and certified to in-house testing at a minimum schedule (daily or per extrusion lot, whichever is less frequent) per the following: burst pressure and/ or ring tensile

strength as per either ASTM DI 599 or D2290 and 80 degree C hydrostatic testing as per ASTM D 1598.

### **Pipe Characteristics**

Pipe will be:

1. 16 inch outside diameter 14 inch inside diameter, SDR 17
2. 2000 lineal feet in 50-foot sections.
3. 30- 16-inch diameter SDR 17 long neck flange adapters, 14 to 16 inches in length and 1 ¾ inch thick flange or greater.
4. 30- flat carbon steel backing rings with 7/8 to 1-inch thickness.
5. 200 each, grade 2 or higher, heavy nuts and bolts to bolt pipe flanges together. Nuts will use 1 5/8" socket.
6. 20- full face gaskets with 1/8-inch thickness.
7. Please specify all physical properties of items in proposal.

### **Delivery and Assembly**

The proposal will include the cost and time required to deliver the pipe, fittings and fusion machine with technician to 45 Lighthouse Road, West Dennis Beach, Dennis, MA no later than September 30, 2019, unless an extension in time is agreed to in writing. The proposal will include a rental rate for a hydraulic, self-powered butt fusion machine with certified technician. The technician will be qualified to operate the fusion machine to obtain high quality butt fusion joints equal to or greater than the strength of the pipe.

The pipe will be assembled in 300-foot lengths with a longneck flange adapter with a flat backing ring fused on both ends.

### **Warranty**

The proposal will certify that samples of the manufacturers' production pipe have been tested by the manufacturer in accordance with ASTM D-2837. and validated in accordance with the latest revisions of the PPI TR-3. The proposal shall provide any warranty that applies. The strength of warranty shall be an evaluation factor.

### **Required Documents**

All bids must include the following documents:

- Attachment A – Certificate of Non-Collusion and Tax Compliance
- Attachment B – Reference Form
- Attachment C – Bid Pricing Sheet

**ATTACHMENT A**

**CERTIFICATE of NON-COLLUSION AND TAX COMPLIANCE**

Pursuant to MGL Chapter 62C, Section 49A, I certify under the penalties of perjury that I, to the best of my knowledge and belief, have complied with all laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relating to taxes, reporting of employees and contractors, and withholding and remitting child support.

I certify under the penalties of perjury that this bid/proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certificate, the word “person” shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club or other legal organization, entity or group of individuals.

**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Individual Signing**

**Bid, or Corporate Officer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Security Number**

**Or Federal Identification Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Any person or corporation which fails to execute this document  
will be considered a non-responsive bidder  
and will be rejected pursuant to MGL Chapter 30B.



**ATTACHMENT B:**

**REFERENCE FORM**

Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bidder must provide references for:**

All current contracts under which the vendor's equipment has been operational for at least two years.

Reference: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Description and date(s) of supplies or services provided: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reference: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Description and date(s) of supplies or services provided: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reference: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Description and date(s) of supplies or services provided: \_\_\_\_\_

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attach additional sheets if necessary

**ATTACHMENT C: Bid Pricing Sheet**

The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals should such action be deemed in the best interest of the County.

The undersigned has read the bid specifications and agrees to perform all services as requested in the bid specifications:

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Price in numbers	Price in words
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Signature of Person Submitting Bid. \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.# \_\_\_\_\_ Fax.# \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

AGREEMENT BETWEEN

Barnstable County  
3195 Main Street  
Barnstable, MA 02630

and

Vendor  
Vendor Address

THIS AGREEMENT is made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2018 by and between (Vendor Name) (hereinafter referred to as Contractor), and Mary Pat Flynn, Ron Beaty and Leo Cakounes as they are the Commissioners of Barnstable County, but without any personal liability.

WITNESSETH, that the Contractor and County for the consideration hereinafter named agree as follows:

WHEREAS: The County Commissioners issued an Invitation for Bids for supply, delivery and assembly of 2000 linear feet of new HDPE plastic pipeline

WHEREAS: The bids were bid in compliance with MA General Law Chapter 30B.

WHEREAS: The contractor is the responsive, responsible bidder offering the lowest overall price.

NOW THEREFORE, the County and the Contractor do mutually agree as follows:

1. Employment of Contractor. The Vendor hereby agrees to perform the services hereinafter set forth in the Scope of Services. Contractor hereby agrees to hold the County harmless from any claims regarding worker's compensation benefits, unemployment compensation benefits, retirement benefits, or any other benefit normally attributable to the status of "employee" and Contractor specifically agrees to pay for all damages incurred by the County, including costs, benefits, and reasonable attorney fees in the event the Contractor files such claim.
2. Scope of Services. The Vendor shall supply, deliver and assemble pipe as per the Scope of Services in the County bid dated XXXXXX and the vendors bid dated XXXXX.
3. Time of Performance. Work is to be completed by
4. Payment. XXXXXXXXX
5. Termination or Suspension of Contract for Cause. If through any sufficient cause, the Customer or the County shall fail to fulfill or perform its duties and obligations under this Contract, or if either party shall violate or breach any of the provisions of this Contract, either party shall thereupon have the right to terminate or suspend this Contract, by giving written notice to the other party of such termination or suspension and specifying the effective date thereof. Such notice shall be given at least fifteen (15) calendar days before such effective date.
6. Termination for Convenience of County. The County shall have the right to discontinue the work of the Contractor and cancel this contract by written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date of such termination. In the event of such termination or suspension of this Contract, the Contractor shall be entitled to just and equitable compensation for satisfactory work completed, for services performed and for reimbursable expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of this Contract up to and including the date of termination or suspension.

7. Changes. The County may, from time to time, require changes in the Scope of Services to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the Customer costs, which are mutually agreed upon by the Town and the Customer, shall be incorporated in written amendments to this Contract.

8. Non-Discrimination in Employment and Affirmative Action. The Customer shall take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants and employees are treated without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or Vietnam Era Veteran status. The Customer agrees to comply with all applicable Federal and State statutes, rules and regulations prohibiting discrimination in employment including but not limited to: Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 1518§(1); the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and all relevant administrative orders and executive orders including Executive Order 246.

9. Subcontracting. None of the services to be provided to the County pursuant to this Contract shall be subcontracted or delegated in whole or in part to any other organization, association, individual, corporation, partnership or other such entity without the prior written approval of the Towns. No subcontract or delegation shall relieve or discharge the Customer from any obligation or liability under this Contract except as specifically set forth in the instrument of approval. If this Contract is funded in whole or in part with federal funds, Contractor further agrees to comply with the provisions of the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-110, as amended, with respect to taking affirmative steps to utilize the services of small and minority firms, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms. All subcontracts shall be in writing and shall contain provisions which are functionally identical to, and consistent with, the provisions of this Contract. The County shall have the right to obtain a copy of the subcontract upon request.

10. Interest of Members of County and Others. No officer, member or employee of the County, and no member of its governing body of the locality or localities in which the Project is situated or being carried out who exercises any functions or responsibility in the review or approval of the undertaking or carrying out of the Project, shall participate in any decision relating to this Contract which affects his personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he is directly or indirectly financially interested or has any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract or the proceeds thereof.

11. Interest of Contractor. The Contractor covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest directly or indirectly which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder.

12. Assignability. The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this Contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation), without the prior written consent of the Towns or County thereto; provided, however that claims for money due or to become due the Contractor from the Towns under this Contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such approval. Notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the County.

13. Recordkeeping, Audit, and Inspection of Records. The Contractor shall maintain books, records, and other compilations of data pertaining to the requirements of the Contract to the extent and in such detail as shall properly substantiate claims for payment under the Contract. All such records shall be kept for a period of seven (7) years or for such longer period as is specified herein. All retention periods start on the first day after final payment under this Contract. If any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit or other action involving the records is commenced prior to the expiration of the applicable retention period, all records shall be retained until completion of the action and resolution of all issues resulting therefrom, or until the end of the applicable retention period, whichever is later. If

this contract is funded in whole or in part with state or federal funds, the state or federal grantor agency, the County or any of its duly authorized representatives or designees, shall have the right at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, to examine and copy, at reasonable expense, the books, records and other compilations of data of the Contractor which pertain to the provisions and requirements of this Contract. Such access shall include on-site audits, review and copying of records.

14. Findings Confidential. Any reports, information, data, etc., given to or prepared or assembled by the Contractor under this Contract which the Towns requests to be kept as confidential shall not be made available to any individual or organization by the Contractor without the prior written approval of the County or Towns.

15. Publication, Reproduction and Use of Material. No material produced in whole or in part under this Contract shall be subject to copyright in the United States or in any other country. The County and Towns shall have the unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute, and otherwise use, in whole or in part, any reports, data or other materials prepared under this Contract.

16. Political Activity Prohibited. None of the services to be provided by the Contractor shall be used for any partisan political activity or to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office.

17. Anti-Boycott Warranty. During the term of this Contract, neither the Contractor nor any "affiliated company" as hereafter defined, shall participate in or cooperate with an international boycott, as defined in Section 999 (b) (3) and (4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended by the Tax Reform Act of 1986, or engage in conduct declared to be unlawful by Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 151E, Massachusetts General Laws. As used herein, an "affiliated company" shall be any business entity of which at least 51% of the ownership interested is directly or indirectly owned by the Contractor or by a person or persons or business entity or entities which directly or indirectly own at least 51% of the ownership interests of the Contractor.

18. Choice of Law. This Contract shall be construed under and governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Contractor and the agents thereof, agree to bring any federal or state legal proceedings arising under this Contract, in which the County or Towns are a party, in a court of competent jurisdiction within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This paragraph shall not be construed to limit any rights a party may have to intervene in any action, wherever pending, in which the other is a party. All parties to this contract and covenant agree that any disputes be litigated in the District or Superior courts in Barnstable County.

19. Force Majeure. Neither party shall be liable to the other nor be deemed to be in breach of this Contract for failure or delay in rendering performance arising out of causes factually beyond its control and without its fault or negligence. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or the public enemy, wars, fires, floods, epidemics, strikes, or unusually severe weather. Dates or times of performance shall be extended to the extent of delays excused by this section, provided that the party whose performance is affected notifies the other promptly of the existence and nature of such delay.

20. Compliance with Laws. The Contractor shall promptly comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, orders and requirements of the Commonwealth and any state or federal governmental authority relating to the delivery of the services described in this Contract subject to section 18 above. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Contractor shall promptly pay all fines, penalties and damages that may arise out of or are imposed because of the Contractor's failure to comply with the provisions of this section and, shall indemnify the County or Towns against any liability incurred as a result of a violation of this section. If the Contractor receives federal funds pursuant to this Contract, Contractor understands and agrees to comply with all federal requirements including but not limited to audit requirements. Not-for-Profit entities that receive federal

funds from the County or Towns must comply with the audit requirements outlined in the Office of Management and Budget OMB Circular A-133.

21. Headings, Interpretation and Severability. The headings used herein are for reference and convenience only and shall not be a factor in the interpretation of the Contract. If any provision of this Contract is declared or found to be illegal, unenforceable, or void, then both parties shall be relieved of all obligations under that provision. The remainder of the Contract shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

22. Waiver of Liability. The Contractor and the County hereby covenant and agree to waive any and all claims against Barnstable County and release Barnstable County from any liability arising out of the Scope of Services described in the attached "Exhibit A".

23. Vendors shall submit invoices within 60 days of completing the work.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and Contractor have executed this Agreement this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year two thousand and Eighteen.

**FOR THE COUNTY:**

BARNSTABLE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Leo Cakounes

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Pat Flynn

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheila Lyons

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**FOR THE CONTRACTOR:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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