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PROCUREMENT OFFICER'S DETERMINATION
Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing
COMAR 21.05.09.04

Contract Title: **Capital Grants Project Management Software (CGL-060122)**

Category: Information Technology

Contract Type: Firm Fixed Price

Contract Term: One year (7/1/2022 – 6/30/2023)

Amount: \$165,356.13

Name and address of selected contractor: Carahsoft Technology Corporation
11493 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 100,
Reston, VA 21019

Scope Description:

The State of Maryland, through the Department of General Services (“DGS” or “the Department”), seeks to execute a participating addendum (“Participating Addendum”) with Carahsoft Technology Corporation (“Carahsoft”) under the National Association of State Procurement Officials ValuePoint Cloud Solutions Contract #AR2472 (“NASPO Contract”). NASPO strives to make the governmental procurement process more efficient by establishing competitively priced contracts. This NASPO Contract is available to State agencies nationwide, institutions of higher education, cities and counties. It has been awarded by a public competitive procurement process that is compliant with Maryland State statutes.

Under the Participating Addendum, Carahsoft would provide the Department with eCivis grants management software. A quote listing the specific software being purchased is attached to this Determination.

Basis for Selection:

Carahsoft was selected as they are the only public sector distributor on the NASPO Contract for this software. The NASPO award to Carahsoft was the result of a competitive process, conducted by the State of Utah, that selected Carahsoft as the provider of cloud based software products to eligible using entities. The use of this procurement method will reduce the time-period between need determination and delivery of the solution; will ensure expeditious transparency to the citizens of Maryland and reduce the administrative burden on DGS. In accordance with COMAR 21.05.09.04, it is determined that this Participating Addendum will provide cost benefits to the State, will promote administrative efficiencies and promote intergovernmental cooperation. Specifically, the use of intergovernmental purchasing allows the Department to access and use expiring fund sources that would otherwise go unused to fill a critical Departmental need. No other procurement method contemplated in regulation would suffice in the alternative, resulting in a significant hardship for the Capital Grants and Loans division of the DGS Office of Business Administration. This Participating Addendum is in the best interest of the State and is not intended to evade the purpose of Division II of the State Finance Procurement Article.



Determination by:

Christopher Hautala

DGS Procurement Officer

Date: June 24, 2022

Approved by:

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Date: 06/24/2022

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