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**Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement Procurement Officer
Determination**
COMAR 21.05.09.04

Per COMAR 21.05.09.02, as a Primary Procurement Unit, the DGS Office of State Procurement (OSP) may initially sponsor or participate in, renew, modify, or administer an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (ICPA) on its own behalf or on behalf of another agency when a determination is made under SFP §13-110 and COMAR 21.05.09.04.

Background: This intergovernmental cooperative purchasing agreement is with KPMG, LLP, awarded via the NASPO Valuepoint Master Agreement #MA 18P 2309 1500000000000034. The Contractor will provide eProcurement Solutions and Services, including full-scale data extracts. The anticipated contract duration is twenty-two weeks.

This scope of work requires the extraction of procurement and financial data from the eMMA system for the purpose of migrating that data into the State's Financial Management Information System (FMIS) for continued use by designated State agencies. KPMG will assess the current configuration in eMMA and extract master data objects and transactional data objects, supported with data mapping and clarifying discussions. Data handling and storage are subject to the State's data protection policies and data-specific provisions of Internal Revenue Service publication 1075.

Analysis: The use of the ICPA method is in the best interest of the State because it will promote administrative efficiencies. NASPO's contract scope of work meets the requirements of the State and was competitively procured. The system requirements in the NASPO's contract are consistent with Maryland Statewide eProcurement Solutions and Services contract requirements, and they include data extraction and support. KPMG is one of the eleven vendors offering eProcurement Solutions and services in the NASPO Value Point Contract, and they are more experienced in implementing data extraction for state government than any other contractor. They have successfully implemented the Ivalua electronic procurement platform in several other states. KPMG is also uniquely qualified for the conversion because they are the developers of the FMIS system.

The proposed contract price is fair and reasonable because it was competitively procured by the lead State of Maine. In accordance with BPW Advisory 2016-1, evidence of sufficient competition establishes the reasonableness of the contract price. Furthermore, the available contract pricing can be further negotiated among States and awarded contractors, as it was in this case, based on the specific needs of the end-using State.

Participation in the Master Agreement for eProcurement Solutions and Services does not evade the purposes set forth in COMAR 21.01.01.03 because it provides increased economy in State procurement activities and maximizes to the fullest extent the purchasing power of the State.

Conclusion: In light of the above analysis and in accordance with COMAR 21.05.09.04, it is determined that participation in Master Agreement for eProcurement Solutions and Services will provide cost benefits to the State, promote administrative efficiencies and intergovernmental cooperation and that such participation is in the best interest of the State and is not intended as a means to evade the purposes set forth under COMAR 21.01.01.03.

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