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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 Department of General Services (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.

A modification to the existing contract allows this statewide contract term to continue into the term of the contract extension approved on May 30, 2024 by OMNIA Partners' under Master Agreement No. 2018011-02, led by the City of Mesa, Arizona. The ICPA that DGS seeks to modify was approved at the Board of Public Works (BPW) on April 19, 2023, item 41-IT Supplemental. Use of this current ICPA and a future ICPA will continually reduce the procurement process cycle time and maximize cost avoidance to the using state agencies.

A comparison of the current contract pricing reveals that the State will receive cost benefits from extending the contract. DGS compared multiple line items of SHI International Corporation's price list for the current ICPA against their pricing available on the General Services Administration's (GSA), multiple award schedule price list. Two line items for the same requested software offered under both contracts were compared and it was determined that OMNIA's prices were lower in both instances. No MBE or VSBE participation was established for this contract because there are no subcontracting opportunities as this contract remains solely for the purchase of software licenses and software license renewals.

By modifying the current ICPA to allow for completion of a successor procurement, the State avoids an interruption in service and potentially a retroactive contract. Therefore, based upon this independent analysis, I have determined that it is in the best interest of the State to modify this intergovernmental cooperative purchasing agreement, and that doing so will provide cost benefits to the State, promote administrative efficiencies, and is not intended as a means to evade the purposes set forth under COMAR 21.01.01.03 and request approval of the primary procurement unit head per COMAR 21.05.09.05.

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