to CMBE's accounts payable department with a copy to the CMBE Project Coordinator.

- **5. Freight on Board.** All shipments of Goods are FOB destination unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents.
- **6. Taxes.** Applicable taxes shall be invoiced as a separate item.
- **7. Payment Terms.** Payment terms are Net 30 days after receipt of correct invoice or acceptance of Goods or Services, whichever is later.
- **8. Condition and Packaging.** Unless otherwise provided by special terms and conditions or specifications, it is understood and agreed that any item offered or shipped has not been sold or used for any purpose and shall be in first class condition. All containers/packaging shall be suitable for handling, storage or shipment.
- **9. Delays in Shipment.** Time and date of delivery are of the essence, except when delay is due to causes beyond Seller's reasonable control and without Seller's fault or negligence.
- **10. Risk of Loss.** Seller shall have the risk of loss of and damage to the Goods subject to the Contract Documents until such Goods are delivered to the destination and accepted by CMBE or its nominee.
- **11. Rejection.** All Goods and Services shall be received subject to CMBE's inspection. Goods or Services that are defective in workmanship or material or otherwise not in conforf hs Ó or

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\$1,000,000 combined single limit each person/each occurrence. Commercial General Liability Seller shall maintain commercial general liability insurance that shall protect Seller from claims of bodily injury or property damage which arise from performance under the Contract. This insurance shall include coverage for contractual liability. The policy limits of such insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence/annual aggregate. Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance If applicable to Seller, Seller shall meet the statutory requirements of the State of North Carolina for worker's compensation coverage and employers' liability insurance. Seller shall also provide

- **20. Accounting Procedures.** Seller shall comply with any accounting and fiscal management procedures prescribed by CMBE to apply to the Contract and shall assure such fiscal control and accounting procedures as may be necessary for proper disbursement of and accounting for all project funds.
- **21. Improper Payments.** Seller shall assume all risks attendant to any improper expenditure of funds under the Contract. Seller shall refund to CMBE any payment made pursuant to the Contract if it is subsequently determined by audit that such payment was improper under any applicable law, regulation or procedure. Seller shall make such refunds within 30 days after CMBE notifies Seller in writing that a payment has been determined to be improper.
- **22. Contract Transfer.** Seller shall not assign, subcontract or otherwise transfer any interest in the Contract without the prior written approval of CMBE.
- **23. Contract Personnel.** Seller agrees that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all personnel required to perform the services set forth in the Contract.
- **24. Key Personnel.** Seller shall not substitute for key personnel (defined as those individuals identified by name or title in the Contract Documents or in written communication from Seller) assigned to the performance of the Contract without prior written approval from CMBE Project Coordinator (the individual at CMBE responsible for administering the Contract).
- 25. Contract Modifications. The Contract may be amended only by written amendment duly executed by both CMBE and Seller. However, minor modifications may be made by CMBE Project Coordinator to take advantage of unforeseen opportunities that: (a) do not change the intent of the Contract or the scope of Seller's performance; (b) do not increase Seller's total compensation or method of payment; and (c) either improve the overall quality of the product or service to CMBE without increasing the cost, or reduce the total cost of the product or service without reducing the quantity or quality. All such minor modifications to the Contract must be recorded in writing and signed by both the Project Coordinator and Seller, and placed on file with the Contract. No price adjustments will be made unless the procedure has been included in the Contract and a maximum allowable amount stipulated.

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- **28. Nondiscrimination.** During the performance of the Contract, Seller shall not discriminate against or deny the Contract's benefits to any person on the basis of sexual orientation, national origin, race, ethnic background, color, religion, gender, age or disability.
- **29. Conflict of Interest.** Seller represents and warrants that no member of CMBE or any of its employees or officers who may obtain a direct benefit, personal gain or advantage for themselves or a relative or associate as a result of the Contract, subcontract or other agreement related to the Contract is in a position to influence or has attempted to influence the making of the Contract, has been involved in making the Contract, or will be involved in administering the Contract. Seller shall cause this paragraph to be included in all Contracts, subcontracts and other agreements related to the Contract.
- **30. Gratuities to CMBE.** The right of Seller to proceed may be terminated by written notice if CMBE determines that Seller, its agent or another representative offered or gave a gratuity to an official or employee of CMBE in violation of policies of CMBE.
- **31. Kickbacks to Seller.** Seller shall not permit any kickbacks or gratuities to be provided, directly or indirectly, to itself, its employees, subcontractors or subcontractor employees for the purpose of improperly obtaining or rewarding favorable treatment in connection with a CMBE Contract or in connection with a subcontract relating to a CMBE Contract. When Seller has grounds to believe that a violation of this clause may have occurred, Seller shall promptly report to CMBE in writing the possible violation.
- **32. Monitoring and Evaluation.** Seller shall cooperate with CMBE, or with any other person or agency as directed by CMBE, in monitoring, inspecting, auditing or investigating activities related to the Contract. Seller shall permit CMBE to evaluate all activities conducted under the Contract. CMBE has the right at its sole discretion to require that Seller remove any employee of Seller from CMBE property and from performing services under the Contract following provision of notice to Seller of the reasons for CMBE's dissatisfaction with the services of Seller's employee.
- **33. Financial Responsibility.** Seller is financially solvent and able to perform under the Contract. If requested by CMBE, Seller agrees to provide a copy of its latest audited annual financial statements or other financial statements as deemed acceptable by CMBE's Finance Officer. In the event of any proceedings, voluntary or involuntary, in bankruptcy or insolvency by or against Seller, the inability of Seller to meet its debts as they become due or in the event of the appointment, with or without Seller's consent, of an assignee for the benefit of creditors or of a receiver, then CMBE shall be entitled, at its sole option, to cancel any unfilled part of the Contract without any liability whatsoever.

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performance of the items offered prior to their delivery, it shall be the responsibility of the Seller to notify, in writing the issuing purchasing office at once, indicating the specific regulation which required such alterations. CMBE reserves the right to accept any such alterations, including any price adjustments occasioned thereby, or to cancel the Contract.

- **35. Inspection at Seller's Site.** CMBE reserves the right to inspect, at a reasonable time, the equipment/item, plant or other facilities of a prospective contractor prior to Contract award, and during the Contract term as necessary for CMBE determination that such equipment/item, plant or other facilities conform with the specifications/requirements and are adequate and suitable for the proper and effective performance of the Contract.
- 36. Confidential Information. Student Information: If, during the course of Seller's performance of the Contract, Seller should obtain any information pertaining to the students' official records, Seller agrees to keep any such information confidential and to not disclose or permit it to be disclosed, directly or indirectly, to any person or entity. The Contract shall not be construed by either party to constituter n F not p A paM L F

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- **37. Intellectual Property.** Seller agrees, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend and save CMBE harmless from all liability, loss or expense, including costs of settlement and attorney's fees, resulting from any claim that CMBE's use, possession or sale of the Goods or Services infringes any copyright, patent or trademark or is a misappropriation of any trade secret.
- **38.** No Pre-Judgment or Post-Judgment Interest. In the event of any action by Seller for breach of contract in connection with the Contract, any amount awarded shall not bear interest either before or after any judgment, and Seller specifically waives any claim for interest.
- **39. Background Checks.** At the request of CMBE's Project Coordinator, Seller (if an individual) or any individual employees of Seller shall submit to CMBE criminal background check and drug testing procedures.
- **40. Mediation.** If a dispute arises out of or relates to the Contract, or the breach of the Contract, and if the dispute cannot be settled through negotiation, the parties agree to try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Commercial Mediation Rules before resorting to litigation.
- **41. No Third Party Benefits.** The Contract shall not be considered by Seller to create any benefits on behalf of any third party. Seller shall include in all contracts, subcontracts or other agreements relating to the Contract an acknowledgment by the contracting parties that the Contract creates no third party benefits.
- **42. Force Majeure.** If CMBE is unable to perform its obligations or to accept the services or goods because of Force Majeure (as hereinafter defined), the time for such performance by CMBE or acceptance of services will be equitably adjusted by allowing additional time for performance or acceptance of services equal to any periods of Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" shall mean any delays caused by acts of God, riot, war, terrorism, inclement weather, labor strikes, material shortages and other causes beyond the reasonable control of CMBE.
- **43. Ownership of Documents.** All documents created pursuant to the Contract shall, unless expressly provided otherwise in writing be owned by CMBE. Upon the termination or expiration of the Contract, any and all finished or unfinished documents and other materials produced by Seller pursuant to the Contract shall, at the request of CMBE, be turned over to CMBE. Any technical knowledge or information of Seller which Seller shall have disclosed or may hereafter disclose to CMBE shall not, unless otherwise specifically agreed upon in writing by CMBE, be deemed to be confidential or proprietary information and shall be acquired by CMBE free from any restrictions as part of the consideration of the Contract.
- **44. Strict Compliance.** CMBE may at any time insist upon strict compliance with these terms and conditions notwithstanding any previous course of dealing or course of performance between the parties to the contrary.

45. General Provisions.