## PART 252—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

## 252.237-7025 Preaward Transparency Requirements for Firms Offering to Support Department of Defense Audits—Representation and Disclosure.

As prescribed in 237.270(e)(3), use the following provision:

PREAWARD TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRMS OFFERING TO SUPPORT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUDITS—REPRESENTATION AND DISCLOSURE (AUG 2022)

- (a) Representation. The Offeror represents that within the 3-year period preceding this offer, the Offeror and/or any of its principals or employees have [ ] have not [ ] been the subject of disciplinary proceedings before an entity with the authority to enforce compliance with rules or laws applying to audit services or audit remediation services offered by the Offeror, that—
  - (1) Are not yet fully adjudicated or settled; or
- (2) Were fully adjudicated or settled against the Offeror and/or its principals or employees.
- (b) *Disclosure.* If the Offeror checked "have" in the representation in paragraph (a) of this provision, the Offeror shall, at a minimum, disclose for each such proceeding—
  - (1) The entity hearing the case;
  - (2) The case or file number; and
- (3) The allegation or conduct at issue and, if fully adjudicated or settled, a brief description of the outcome.
- (c) The Government will safeguard and treat as confidential all statements provided pursuant to this provision where the statement has been marked "confidential" or "proprietary" by the Offeror. Statements so marked will not be released by the Government to the public pursuant to a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, without prior notification to the Offeror and opportunity for the Offeror to claim an exemption from release. The Government will treat any statement provided pursuant to this provision as confidential to the extent required by any other applicable law.

(End of provision)

## 252.237-7026 Postaward Transparency Requirements for Firms that Support Department of Defense Audits.

As prescribed in 237.270(e)(4), use the following clause:

POSTAWARD TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRMS THAT SUPPORT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUDITS (AUG 2022)

(a) Prior to each contract action under this contract (including renewal or modification), the Contractor shall disclose the details of any disciplinary proceedings, with respect to the firm and/or its principals or employees,

before an entity with the authority to enforce compliance with rules or laws applying to audit services or audit remediation services offered by the Contractor, and whether there has been any change with regard to previously reported proceedings since the last contract action.

- (b) The disclosure shall, at a minimum, include—
  - (1) The entity hearing the case;
  - (2) The case or file number; and
- (3) A brief description of the allegation or conduct at issue and, if fully adjudicated or settled, a brief description of the outcome.
- (c) The Government will safeguard and treat as confidential all statements provided pursuant to this clause where the statement has been marked "confidential" or "proprietary" by the Contractor. Statements so marked will not be released by the Government to the public pursuant to a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, without prior notification to the Contractor and opportunity for the Contractor to claim an exemption from release. The Government will treat any statement provided pursuant to this clause as confidential to the extent required by any other applicable law.

(End of clause)