**Consent to Conduct Timber Sale or**

**Integrated Resource Timber Contract Business Electronically**

 **(15 U.S.C 7001)** FS-2400-0017 (REV. XX/XXXX)

 OMB 0596-0225 (EXP. XX/XX/XXXX)

I/We, Purchaser/Contractor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hereby consent to conduct timber contract administration business electronically on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ National Forest.

**Terms and Conditions:**

Purchaser/Contractor agrees, subject to the civil and criminal penalties prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001, that [applying or affixing] your electronic signature to this consent and other timber contract administration documents, you agree to conduct business electronically and are bound to this consent and timber contract administration documents with the same force and effect of law as if you signed with a manual/handwritten signature. You affirm that your electronic signature on this consent, and all future electronic signatures on timber contract administration documents, are signed by authorized representatives of the contract holder with full knowledge and consent and are legally bound to these terms and conditions.

Electronic business includes but is not limited to, receiving notices, executing modifications and agreements and submitting, applications, requests and other documentation via electronic means. Further, even though Purchaser/Contractor has provided this consent, the Forest Service may at its option deliver any documents, notices or other communications to the Purchaser/Contractor in paper and may require that certain communications be delivered to the Forest Service in paper. Purchaser/Contractor is responsible for printing or saving all documents, agreements, notices and communications for your records.

Purchaser/Contractor understands they may withdraw consent to do business electronically by providing the Forest Service with written notice. Withdrawal of consent will become effective upon receipt by the Forest Service. Thereafter, all documents, notices and communications will be provided by the Forest Service on paper. Any further requests, applications and correspondence will need to be submitted via paper.

**Representatives:**

Purchaser/Contractor and their Representatives shall have an email account capable of receiving electronic communications from Forest Service. You agree to provide email addresses for all designated representatives pursuant to contract provision B/BT6.1. Purchaser/Contractor will update Forest Service of any changes to Representative’s contact information, including email address. Purchaser/Contractor is responsible for keeping access to their email address secure. Any documents, agreements, applications, or requests received by Forest Service from designated email addresses shall be binding under the terms of the contract. Forest Service is only required to communicate with you using the most recent contact information provided.

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| (Name Of Purchaser) |  |  |  |  |  |   |
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| Street Address of Purchaser |  |  |  |
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| (City of Purchaser) | (State) | (Zip Code) | Signature of Purchaser | Date |

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