SPO ALERT

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To: State Agencies

From: State Procurement Office

Re: SPO Alert – Updated Uniform Terms & Conditions, Solicitation & Contract Templates

Updated Uniform Terms and Conditions 10.5 and is available on SPO's Standard Forms and Documents

• Adds AI Policy language

The following templates have been updated to reflect Uniform Terms and Conditions 10.5

- Direct Contract Simple
- Direct Contract Complex
- Direct Contract PA Complex
- RFQ Template
- [RFx No.] RFP Requirements

Arizona Department of Homeland Security has also updated their policy and procedures to reflect NIST-5 requirements. A link to their updated Information Security Policies, Standards, and Procedures is found here: https://azdohs.gov/information-security-policies-standards-and-procedures.

The following templates have been updated to reflect these changes:

- [RFx No.] RFP Requirements
 - Scope of Work
 - Special Terms and Conditions
 - Addendum B to Special Terms and Conditions
- [RFx No.] RFP Instructions to Offerors
- [RFx No.] Solicitation Attachment Arizona Baseline Infrastructure Security Controls

Furthermore, based upon Procurement Officer feedback, SPO Compliance has also updated the following RFP Solicitation Attachments:

- Removed Combined Attachment Option from shared drive. Only individual attachments are now available.
- Confidential Information Designation
 - Removes the signature block requirement
- Conformance Statements and Exceptions Request
 - Moves the document to an Excel/Sheets format to streamline the exceptions request process and eliminates the need for procurement officers to copy and paste exception requests to a separate exceptions tracker form. Also removes the signature block requirement.
- Offer and Acceptance
 - Adds date requirement to Offeror's signature block. Removes the requirement for the Offeror to initial and sign Q&A document. Reduces revisions fields from 4 to 2. Moves revision and BAFO initial and date fields below the initial signature block.

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