

**AMENDMENT #1  
TO  
MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT #2021-083  
PUBLIC SECTOR PROCUREMENT CONSULTING SERVICES**

This AMENDMENT (“Amendment”) to the Master Services Agreement #2021-083 (“Original Contract”) is made and entered into effective the date of last signature below by and between the NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation, hereinafter referred to as “NCTCOG”, and

Simplar Sourcing Solutions, LLC  
Attn: John Savicky  
PO Box 27565  
Tempe, AZ 85285  
[John.savicky@simplar.com](mailto:John.savicky@simplar.com)

hereinafter referred to as “Service Provider”, (collectively, “the Parties”).

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into the Original Contract on **March 2, 2022** (the “Original Contract”); and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to amend the Original Contract in accordance with the terms of the Original Contract, as well as the terms provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants expressed herein, NCTCOG and the Service Provider mutually covenant and agree to:

- **Revise pricing per attached Appendix A.1**
- **Extend the agreement through February 24, 2027.**


The Parties agree to the amendment of this agreement as of the date of last signature on this AMENDMENT.

This Amendment binds and benefits both Parties and any successors or assigns. This document, including the Original Contract, is the entire agreement between the Parties.

All other terms of the Original Contract remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment at Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas effective the last date of signature on this amendment (the “Effective Date”).


**SIMPLAR SOURCING SOLUTIONS, LLC**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date 2/27/2024

Jeff T. Sawyer  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Managing Member  
Title

**NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed Date

R. Michael Eastland  
Executive Director

**PENDIX A.1**  
**Pricing for SHARE**

For Public Sector Procurement Consulting Services contractor shall quote participating SHARE Entities the rates and/or discount required for a custom implementation of the services specified by the RFP. Contractor's proposed rate chart (hourly) for the labor categories/ skill sets for Public Sector Procurement Consulting related positions and services are found below.

Rate Chart (Firm/Organization)		Procurement No.:	NCT 2021-083
<b>Respondent Name:</b>	<b>Simplar Sourcing Solutions LLC</b>		
<b>Notes:</b>			
<b>Public Sector Procurement Consulting Services Rate Chart - SHARE Cooperative Purchasing Program</b>			
Item	Description	Hourly Rate	
1.	Executive Leadership	\$160.00	
2.	Purchasing Manager Sr.	\$125.00	
3.	Procurement Educator & Trainer	\$90.00	
4.	Purchasing Assistance	\$80.00	
5.	Procurement Specialist	\$80.00	
6.	Procurement Technician	\$80.00	
7.	Procurement Trainer	\$80.00	
8.	Fairness Monitoring & Advising	\$75.00	
9.	Administration	\$52.00	

**APPENDIX B  
DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION**

I, Jeff T. Sawyer  
(Name of certifying official)

being duly sworn or under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States, certifies that neither

Simplar Sourcing Solutions, LLC  
(Name of lower tier participant)

nor its principals are presently:

- debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment,
- declared ineligible,
- or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency

Where the above identified lower tier participant is unable to certify any of the above statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall indicate below to whom the exception applies, the initiating agency, and dates of action.

Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of award but will be considered in determining contractor responsibility. Providing false information may result in criminal prosecution or administrative sanctions.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

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Signature of Certifying Official  
Managing Member

Title  
2/27/2024

Date of Certification

## **APPENDIX C RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING**

Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 prohibits recipients of federal contracts, grants, and loans exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a federal contract from using appropriated funds for lobbying the Executive or Legislative Branches of the federal government in connection with a specific contract, grant, or loan. Section 319 also requires each person who requests or receives a federal contract or grant in excess of \$100,000 to disclose lobbying.

No appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a federal contract, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal executive department or agency as well as any independent regulatory commission or government corporation, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered federal actions: the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan the entering into of any cooperative agreement and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

As a recipient of a federal grant exceeding \$100,000, NCTCOG requires its subcontractors of that grant to file a certification, set forth in Appendix B.1, that neither the agency nor its employees have made, or will make, any payment prohibited by the preceding paragraph.

Subcontractors are also required to file with NCTCOG a disclosure form, set forth in Appendix B.2, if the subcontractor or its employees have made or have agreed to make any payment using nonappropriated funds (to include profits from any federal action), which would be prohibited if paid for with appropriated funds.

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**Appendix C.1**

**LOBBYING CERTIFICATION  
FOR  
CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

The undersigned certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension continuation, renewal amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, US Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Managing Member  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

Simplar Sourcing Solutions, LLC  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency

2/27/2024  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**APPENDIX D  
ATTESTATION OF CONTRACTS NULLIFYING ACTIVITY**

The following provisions are mandated by Federal and/or State of Texas law. Failure to certify to the following will result in disqualification of consideration for contract. Entities or agencies that are not able to comply with the following will be ineligible for consideration of contract award.

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**Appendix D.1**  
**PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT**  
**CERTIFICATION**

This Contract is subject to the Public Law 115-232, Section 889, and 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, including §200.216 and §200.471, for prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance or equipment.

Public Law 115-232, Section 889, identifies that restricted telecommunications and video surveillance equipment or services (e.g. phones, internet, video surveillance, cloud servers) include the following:

- A) Telecommunications equipment that is produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliates of such entities).
- B) Video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporations, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliates of such entities).
- C) Telecommunications or video surveillance services used by such entities or using such equipment.
- D) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, Director of the National Intelligence, or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by the government of a covered foreign country.

The entity identified below, through its authorized representative, hereby certifies that no funds under this Contract will be obligated or expended to procure or obtain telecommunication or video surveillance services or equipment or systems that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as a critical technology as part of any system prohibited by 2 CFR §200.216 and §200.471, or applicable provisions in Public Law 115-232 Section 889.

The Contractor or Subrecipient hereby certifies that it does comply with the requirements of 2 CFR §200.216 and §200.471, or applicable regulations in Public Law 115-232 Section 889.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:



NAME OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

Jeff T. Sawyer

NAME OF COMPANY:

Simplar Sourcing Solutions, LLC

DATE:

2/27/2024

**-OR-**

The Contractor or Subrecipient hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of 2 CFR §200.216 and §200.471, or applicable regulations in Public Law 115-232 Section 889.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

NAME OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

NAME OF COMPANY:

DATE:

**Appendix D.2**

**DISCRIMINATION AGAINST FIREARMS ENTITIES OR FIREARMS TRADE ASSOCIATIONS**

This contract is subject to the Texas Local Government Code chapter 2274, Subtitle F, Title 10, prohibiting contracts with companies who discriminate against firearm and ammunition industries.

TLGC chapter 2274, Subtitle F, Title 10, identifies that “discrimination against a firearm entity or firearm trade association” includes the following:

- A) means, with respect to the entity or association, to:
  - I. refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and
  - II. refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or
  - III. terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association.
  
- B) An exception to this provision excludes the following:
  - I. contracts with a sole-source provider; or
  - II. the government entity does not receive bids from companies who can provide written verification.

The entity identified below, through its authorized representative, hereby certifies that they have no practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and that they will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association as prohibited by Chapter 2274, Subtitle F, Title 10 of the Texas Local Government Code.

The Contractor or Subrecipient hereby certifies that it does comply with the requirements of Chapter 2274, Subtitle F, Title 10.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:



NAME OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

Jeff T Sawyer

NAME OF COMPANY:

Simplar Sourcing Solutions, LLC

DATE:

2/27/2024

**-OR-**

The Contractor or Subrecipient hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of Chapter 2274, Subtitle F, Title 10.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

NAME OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

NAME OF COMPANY:

DATE:



**Appendix D.3**  
**BOYCOTTING OF CERTAIN ENERGY COMPANIES**

This contract is subject to the Texas Local Government Code chapter 809, Subtitle A, Title 8, prohibiting contracts with companies who boycott certain energy companies.

TLGC chapter Code chapter 809, Subtitle A, Title 8, identifies that “boycott energy company” means, without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company:

- I. engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law; and
- II. does business with a company described by paragraph (I).

The entity identified below, through its authorized representative, hereby certifies that they do not boycott energy companies, and that they will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract as prohibited by Chapter 809, Subtitle A, Title 8 of the Texas Local Government Code.

The Contractor or Subrecipient hereby certifies that it does comply with the requirements of Chapter 809, Subtitle A, Title 8.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:



NAME OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

Jeff T. Sawyer

NAME OF COMPANY:

Simplar Sourcing Solutions, LLC

DATE:

2/27/2024

-OR-

The Contractor or Subrecipient hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of Chapter 809, Subtitle A, Title 8.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

NAME OF AUTHORIZED PERSON:

NAME OF COMPANY:

DATE: