

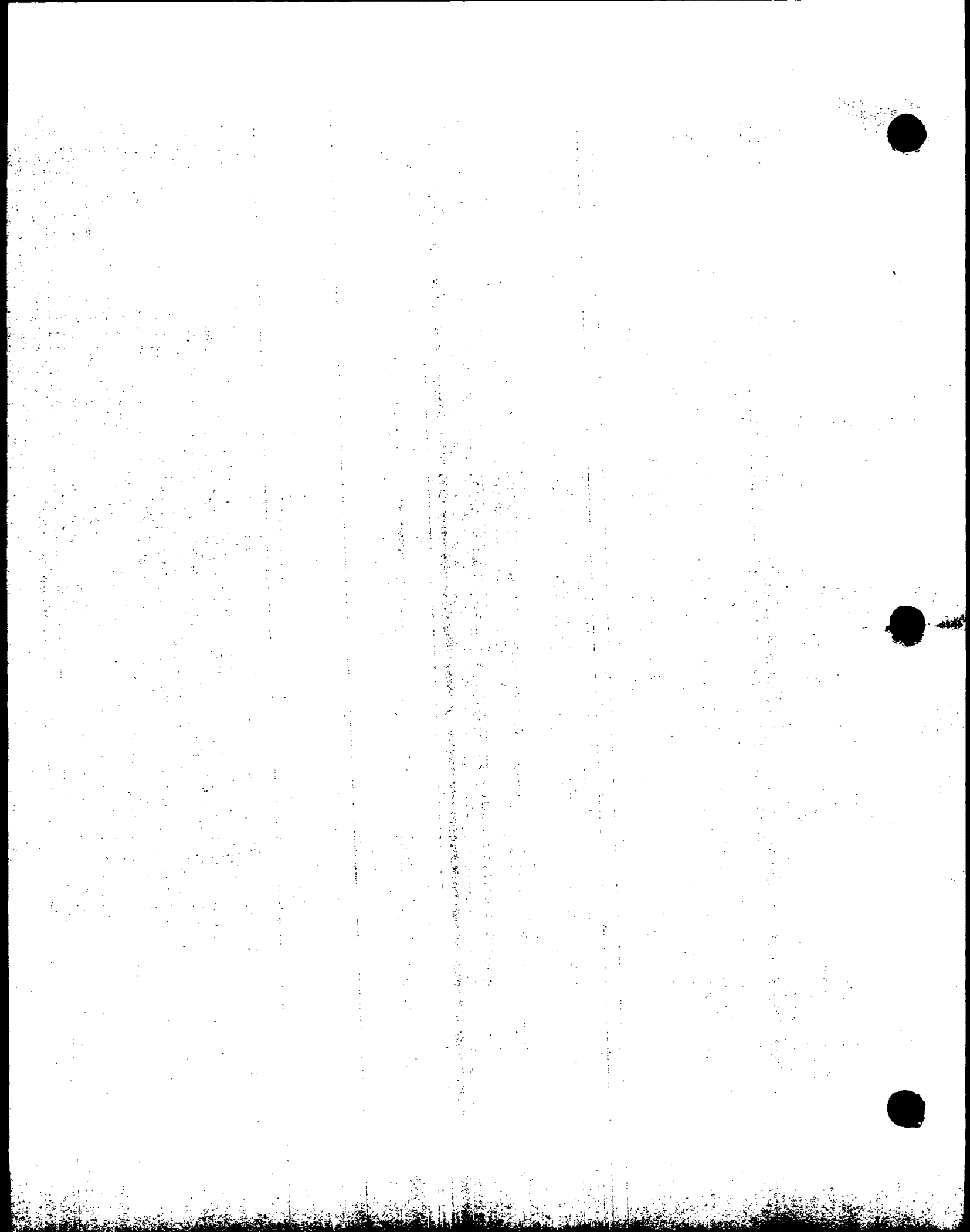


# User's Guide For the TOSS/MOSES Contracts

Technical Operational Support  
Services (TOSS)  
and  
Mission Oriented Systems  
Engineering Support (MOSES)

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# SECTION IV

## MOSES CONTRACT

### User's Guide for the MOSES Contract

Mission Oriented Systems  
Engineering Support (MOSES)

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# NOTES

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## 1. BACKGROUND AND STRUCTURE OF MOSES CONTRACT

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The Mission Oriented Systems Engineering Support (MOSES) contract was awarded to Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC). The SAIC contract team includes six subcontractors.

Prime contractor: SAIC

Subcontractors:

- Computer Sciences Corporation
- Viar & Company
- Ogden/ERC Government Systems
- Marasco Newton Group, Ltd.
- Solutions by Design, Inc.
- VIGYAN, Inc.

The contract was awarded September 30, 1991 with seven year option periods. Although this contract was initiated by the Office of Information Resources Management (OIRM), it is an Agency-wide contract.

The following sections provide specific concepts as they relate to MOSES.

## NOTES

# **MOSES CONTRACT** **(contract #68-W1-0055)**

**Period of Performance:** Sept. 30, 1991 - Dec. 30, 1998.

**Value:** \$140,048,700.00.

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## 2. SERVICES AVAILABLE UNDER THE MOSES CONTRACT

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### PURPOSE:

The purpose of the MOSES contract is to support the Agency's Information Resources Management (IRM) systems engineering mission. Through the MOSES contract, SAIC will provide the Agency with a Systems Development Center (SDC). The SDC shall:

- Introduce methodology and standards relevant to system development
- Research, test, and implement emerging software development and maintenance productivity tools
- Analyze, develop, program, implement, maintain, and retire ADP systems (Life Cycle Systems Support)
- Develop data base administration and user training
- Conduct specialized training
- Ensure system documentation
- Provide quality assurance in all areas
- Provide IRM technical libraries
- Promote data sharing among EPA program offices

Listed below are the key components in this contract.

### SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT CENTER:

While MOSES is the replacement for the current General Programming (GP) contract, it is very different in many areas. Based on the feedback provided to OIRM, the DOPOs requested a higher level of skill mix in systems planning, design, analysis, development, and implementation work. The result of this input is a contract that is based on the concept of a Systems Development Center (SDC) which performs all functions associated with systems life cycles and corollary work.

The SDC is intended to be EPA's Center of Excellence for Systems Engineering. The SDC will be a contractor managed facility, housing the MOSES' prime contractors and subcontractors. A small number of EPA staff will also be located at the SDC. They will provide contract and technical management oversight. The SDC will give EPA

a central location for developing and coordinating the development of EPA information systems. All work performed under MOSES will be at the SDC except when justified within a specific delivery order.

## DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE METHODOLOGY GROUP (DMMG):

Within the SDC is the Development and Maintenance Methodology Group (DMMG) who will provide the technical management and support services. The DMMG will be a core group of contractors within the SDC. The DMMG is intended to be a small group of highly-skilled and experienced managers and technical experts who are knowledgeable in systems and software engineering.

The EPA Technical Manager will be responsible for the oversight of the DMMG.

The DMMG will work within two phases of the life-cycle of a delivery order.

The first phase consists of the DMMG preparing the Project Plan in response to the DOPO's statement of work. The project plan is intended to be a product that has had more in-depth analysis based on the experts knowledge of life-cycle systems.

The second phase of the delivery order will provide project consultation, training, and project coordination.

The DMMG costs will be reflected in both phases of a delivery order. In the first phase, the Technical Manager will give the DOPO an estimate of the cost of funding the project plan and the DOPO will submit a PR.

In the second phase, the DMMG will be charged as a separate cost under a specific delivery order on the contract. For the second PR, the DMMG will be listed as a separate line item with all the charges under the delivery order.

Samples of both PRs are in Appendix B.

The DMMG will provide the following services (under the supervision of the Technical Manager as DOPO of that specific Delivery Order):



- Professional Systems Engineering Environment
  - direction and operating procedures
  - Project estimation, planning and tracking
  - Software quality assurance
  - Configuration management (includes all project products, not just software)
  - System Development Life Cycle Methodology
  - System Development Support tools and techniques
  - Project productivity and Quality Metrics
  - Tracking documentation
- Project Consultation
  - SDC Project Teams
  - EPA (upon request of the Technical Manager)
- Training and Orientation of Work Force
- Application Development Technology Environment - hardware and software configuration of work stations
- Continuous Improvement (TQM); includes Project Information Tracking to Improve Project Estimation Capabilities
- Project Coordination - Similarities taken advantage of where appropriate
- Liaison with National Data Processing Division (NDPD)

## System Life-Cycle Services Section 4.1

The contractor may be required to provide comprehensive system life-cycle services for the life of the system and, when required, shall use EPA approved project management and IRM methodology. Section 4.1 to 4.7 refer to the corresponding sections in the MOSES SOW. The following life-cycle services include, but are not limited to:

### Planning:

- Benefit/Cost Analyses
- Concept Studies
- Needs Assessments
- Requirements Analyses
- Feasibility Studies
- Option Analyses
- Determination of Total Life-Cycle Costs

### Analysis:

- Preparation of Logical Data Models
- Entity-Relationship Diagrams
- Functional Models
- Data Flow Diagrams
- Association Matrices
- Action Diagrams
- System Specifications and Requirements Documents

### Design:

- Preparation of External Design Designs
- Internal Design Descriptions
- Preparation of Structure Charts
- Pseudocode
- Data Structure Diagrams
- Data Navigation Diagrams

### Development:

- Install Hardware and Software
- Write Software
- Construct Databases
- Prepare Suites of Test Data
- Conduct Unit, Integration, and System Tests
- Prepare User and System Administration Manuals

**Implementation:**

- Move system into Full Production Status
- Install and Test Hardware and Software
- Load Databases
- Identify and Resolve System Problems
- Train Users for Use of System
- Conduct User Acceptance Testing

**Systems Maintenance:**

- Analyze and Resolve System problems
- Modify System to Accomodate changes in Environment and/or Statutory Requirements
- Support Users through Training and Consultation
- Control and Document Change to the System

**Systems Retirement:**

- Conduct Orderly Close-Out of System and Components
- Notify Users of Changes to Expect
- Archive All System Life-Cycle Products and Data

## Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Configuration Management, Data Administration, and Data Management Services Section 4.2

Under this Section, the contractor shall be responsible for management and operation of the SDC and for coordination of all work conducted under this contract.

The contractor's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Adherence to Quality Assurance Plans
- Maintaining an Awareness of the Efficiency and Cost Effectiveness of All Services Under this contract
- Maintaining the SDC as the EPA's "Center for Excellence for Systems Engineering"
- Devising and Implementing a Program to Provide Management Information on SDC Productivity and Product Quality
- Developing and Maintaining an "Institutional Memory" of EPA Information Systems and Programs
- Employing and Retaining a Development and Maintenance Methodology Group (DMMG) Managers
- Ensuring that DMMG Methodologies Comply with Guidelines and are Applied to All SDC Projects
- Project Management (Section 4.2.1)
- Configuration Management (Section 4.2.2)
- Information Systems Repository (Section 4.2.3)
- Documentation Services (Section 4.2.4)
- Training Services (Section 4.2.5 - see below)
- Data Management Services (Section 4.2.6)

### **Additional Ancillary Services Available Sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.7**

Additional ancillary services are available for support of other life-cycle activities. These include, but are not limited to:

#### **Training Services (Section 4.2.5; also see Section 4.6.1.1)**

- Hotline and User Support
- Maintenance Training
- CASE Training
- Quality Assurance Training

#### **Access to Sepcialized Technical Skills (Section 4.3.1 and Section 4.5)**

#### **Ad Hoc Information Analysis and Reporting Support (Section 4.3.5)**

- Comparison of Data from Different Data Bases
- Summarization of Raw Data
- Statistical Analysis of Data
- Presentation of Data in a Variety of Formats (i.e., graphs, reports, maps)

#### **Office Automation and Records Management Support (Section 4.3.3)**

- Records Management Consultation
- file Maintenance
- Managing, Maintaining, Cataloging, Retrieving, and Controlling Acquisition/Disposition of Records
- Automation of Office Functions
- Maintenance of Clearinghouses for Information on Special Subject Areas

#### **Statistical Services (Section 4.3.4)**

- Application of Mathematical, Statistical, and IRM-Related Skills

#### **GIS Technical Support (Section 4.3.6)**

- Application of EPA Approved GIS Software in System Development
- Design and Develop Customized GIS Algorithms

- GIS Technical Advise
- Update Products and Data
- Provide GIS Workshop and conference Support

**Meeting and Seminar Coordination (Section 4.7.3.6)**

- Plan, Coordinate, Prepare Materials, and Provide On-Site Management of and Acquire Space for SDC Sponsored Meetings, Workshops, Seminars, JAD Sessions and User Group Meetings

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# SECTION V

## MOSES DELIVERY ORDER LIFECYCLE

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DOPOs have primary responsibilities for eight major phases of delivery order (DO) management under IDIQ/CPAF contracts in EPA as shown in Exhibit V-1:

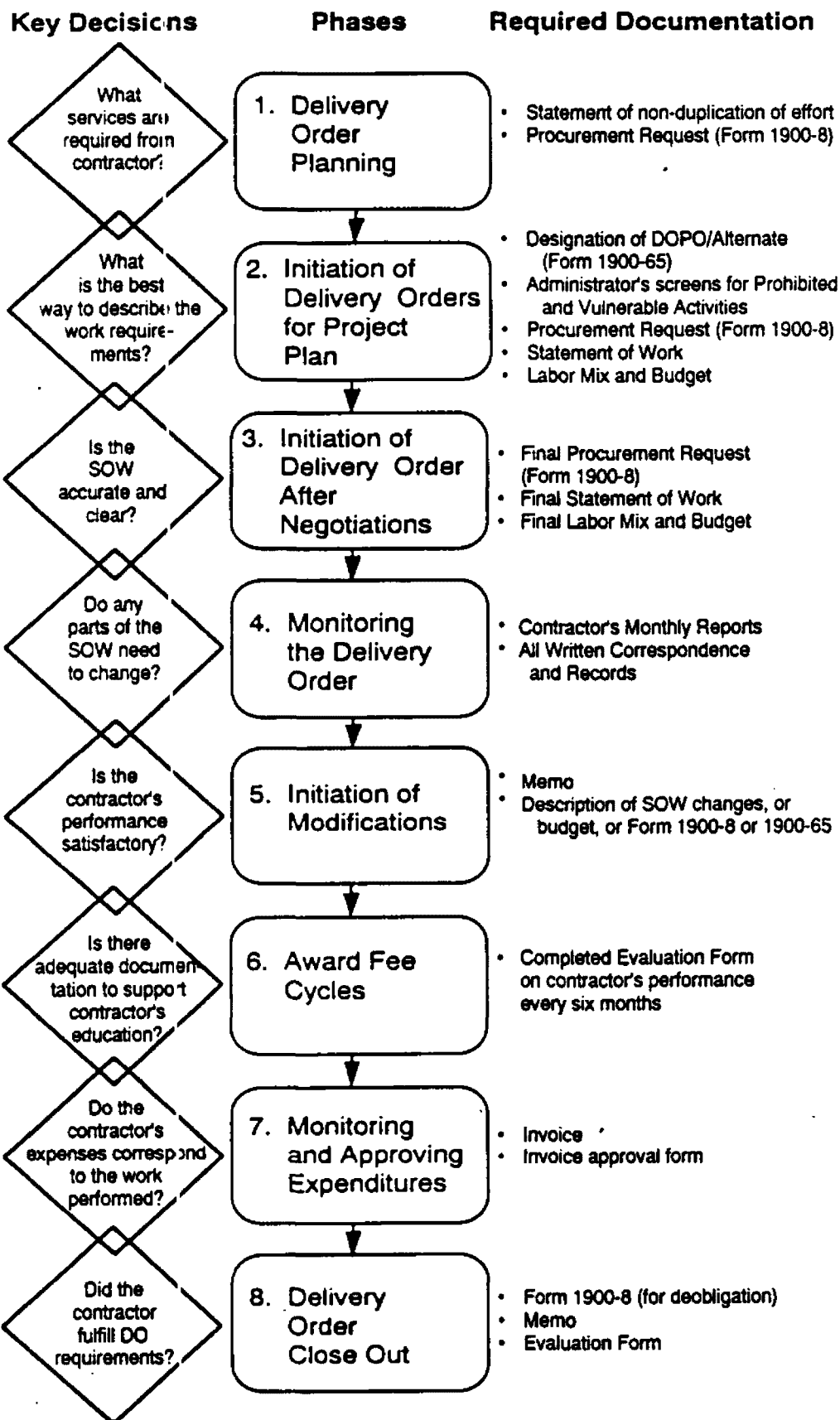
- Delivery Order Planning
- Initiation of Delivery Order for Project Plan
- Initiation of Delivery Order
- Monitoring the Delivery Order
- Initiation of Modifications
- Award Fee Cycles
- Monitoring and Approving Expenditures
- Delivery Order Close-Out.

Exhibit V-1 indicates the key decisions to be made and the primary documentation required during each major phase from the initial planning and definition of work through closeout.

Effective planning is essential to successful performance of contract services and products. Building the quality into the work from the initiation of the DO not only facilitates management and decision making throughout the DO lifecycle but also is in accord with EPA's emphasis on Total Quality Management. The DOPO should clearly specify the work to be performed, define performance and quality standards to be met and communicate these expectations to the contractor.

## EXHIBIT V-1 DELIVERY ORDER LIFECYCLE

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## DELIVERY ORDER LIFE-CYCLE PHASES

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In the MOSES Delivery Order Life-Cycle, the following phases are comparable to the TOSS Delivery Order Life-Cycle:

- Phase 1: Delivery Order Planning
- Phase 4: Monitoring the Delivery Order
- Phase 5: Initiation of Modifications
- Phase 7: Monitoring and Approving Expenditures
- Phase 8: Delivery Order Close Out

Please use the TOSS User's Guide Section on Delivery Orders to follow the appropriate procedures for these phases.

The following tabulated sections in the TOSS contract section also apply to the MOSES contract:

- Contract Authorities - Section 1
- Appendix A - Contract Management Issues and Concerns (pgs A-1 - A-28)

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## PHASE 1: DELIVERY ORDER PLANNING

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See the TOSS User's Guide pages 23-29 under the Delivery Orders tab for the appropriate procedures for this phase.

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## PHASE 2: INITIATION OF DELIVERY ORDER FOR PROJECT PLAN

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The following describes the processes for Statement of Work (SOW) and project plan development, review, and approval for projects to be undertaken in the Systems Development Center.

The contract vehicle establishing the SDC represents a new way of doing business (systems development and project management) within the Agency.

### Statement of Work Acceptance Process

The process begins with the planning and development of a statement of work by the Client Office. The Program Systems Division (PSD) Desk Officers will provide coordination and assistance in developing SOWs to any office which needs assistance. This process will aid in rapid OIRM and PCMD review and approval.

Each SOW from the Client Office should be accompanied by a Procurement Request (PR) form covering the development of a project plan for the proposed project. The cost will be a predetermined charge which will be periodically adjusted as the contract progresses, based on actual project plan development cost experience.

All IRM related SOW's and PR's will be sent to OIRM Management Planning and Evaluation Staff (MPES). MPES will perform an initial review and determine the suitability of all proposed SOWs for the appropriate contract vehicle (i.e., MOSES, TOSS, etc.). This review should be completed within two days.

All MOSES-SDC related SOWs will be scheduled for a facilitated review session which the DOPO will be requested to attend. The primary responsibility for review of SOWs will rest with the EPA Technical Manager (TM). The facilitated review sessions will be established on a set bi-weekly schedule and when a SOW is received it will be scheduled for the next review session. If the next review session does not allow for two full work days from time of receipt, it will be scheduled for the following session.

During this time, OIRM will review the SOW for technical considerations, conformance to the contract SOW and criteria, and preparation of an estimate of project costs. Comments and other essential information will be discussed at the SOW review session. The DOPO will attend this session. These review sessions are intended to improve the SOW and ultimately help assure project quality and success. After review, the SOW will either be forwarded to the contractor for development of a project plan or returned to the DOPO for revisions. Depending on the nature and extent of revisions required, the SOW may need a second round of review.

All reviewers will review the SOW for clarity, and understandability. The TM and Project Officer will review the SOW for scope. The TM will also focus on the technical aspects and potential project risks.

In the past, the SOW review process took approximately three to four weeks for PCMD review and processing of the PR/SOW to the contractor. Under MOSES, it should be possible to begin project plan development for a project within one to two weeks, depending on the review comments and necessity for changes in the SOW. Actual project work could begin within one month.

All project plans will be developed through the Development, methodology, and Management Group (DMMG) under a "blanket" delivery order issued and managed by the TM (OIRM). The Client Office PR for project plan development will be used to assure consistency of project plans.

### **Two Procurement (PR) Forms**

All proposed SDC SOWs will have two PRs prepared and submitted. Both may accompany the original proposed SOW but only one is initially required. This initial PR will cover the development of a project plan for the work indicated in the proposed SOW. Any excess funds will be returned to the Client Office or applied to the project. Any shortage of funds will be obtained from the next PR for the project. This PR will be necessary to begin work on the SOW project.

### **Project Plan Approval Process**

This process begins with the delivery of the SOW to the contractor under the "blanket" delivery order for project plan

development managed by the TM. Typically the contractor will be given two weeks to complete a project plan. A project plan and budget estimate will be delivered at the end of this time.

Once the project plan is developed it will be sent to and reviewed simultaneously by the CO, PO, TM and DOPO (four copies). Typically this review would not take more than five to seven days.

A prenegotiation conference will be generally required between at least the CO and DOPO.

Based on the negotiations, the SOW may need revisions to incorporate essential elements in the project plan. For example, if the contractor's project plan has included some items that the government feels are critical to the project, then the SOW should be revised to reflect this. If the project plan is found to require significant modification by the CO, PO, TM, and/or DOPO review, then a contractor revision of the project plan will be necessary and renegotiations may be needed. If no revisions are required, then the CO will issue a delivery order and work can begin.

Based on the negotiations, a final PR for the project will be needed from the Client Office before a delivery order can be processed.

Since projects may be incrementally funded, a PR based on prior Client Office or OIRM estimates could be used to fund identified, distinct portions of the project so that a delivery order can be processed and work can begin.

Another PR, funding the remaining portion of the project, could be developed without delaying project start-up. However, the base fees and award fees are determined based on negotiations for the total project and must be accounted for in each funding increment to the maximum negotiated for the project. In addition, Project Management (PMO) charges will be assignable to each project funding increment. PMO charges are also based on a percentage of the total project, exclusive of base and award fees.

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## PHASE 3: INITIATION OF DELIVERY ORDER AFTER NEGOTIATIONS

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The MOSES contract provides for advance negotiation of each delivery order before it is issued to the contractor. This permits extensive discussions of technical approach, key personnel, reporting requirements, etc., with the contractor before actually committing to have them perform with work. Cost can be fully estimated, enabling DOPO's to better plan their resource utilization.

Although MOSES is an Indefinite Quantity/Indefinite Delivery contract, each delivery order will be issued on a Cost Plus Award Fee basis. An estimated cost will be negotiated and set forth when the delivery order is issued. If the contractor cannot perform within the limits of the estimated cost, the cost can be increased, but the contractor must perform the remainder of the work without a corresponding increase in fee (profit). This should provide incentive not only to minimize costs, but also to ensure realistic estimates before work begins. This requires thorough, detailed Statements of Work (SOW's) which detail exactly what is needed.

Once a DOPO has drafted a SOW, it will be reviewed by the Technical Manager and others and discussed with the DOPO. In most cases, a Joint Application Development session will be held to allow for group discussion of all comments. After any final revisions, the SOW will be furnished to the contractor for preparation of a project plan, which includes both technical and cost proposals and outlines the contractor's intended approach to the project. The project plan must be thoroughly reviewed by the DOPO, the Project Officer, the Technical Manager, and the Contracting Officer.

The technical proposal should be reviewed for:

- The contractor's understanding of the scope and technical requirements for the project
- The suitability of all personnel assigned
- Approach to each aspect of the task(s)
- Interim milestones or deliverables
- Any particular reports suggested.

The cost proposal should be reviewed for:

- Unexplained differences with the technical proposal (e.g., the anticipated amount of effort does not agree, etc.)
- Appropriateness of all labor categories and amounts of hours proposed
- Use of subcontractors and/or consultants
- Overall labor rates of all personnel
- Amounts proposed for travel, training, and other direct costs
- Any other costs not easily understood

Indirect costs or fees which have been preestablished at the time of contract award are not a concern. Prior to negotiations all project plan reviewers should participate in a prenegotiation conference to discuss recommended changes to the technical approach and suggested increases or decreases in the estimated cost.

Usually the DOPO or the Contracting Officer/Contract Specialist will conduct the negotiations, either by telephone or in person, with participation from others on an as-needed basis. All major issues must be resolved before issuance of a Delivery Order.

It is important to note that in some circumstances it is just as important to negotiate a higher cost than was proposed than a lower one. Discussion with the contractor should occur if the contractor has not provided sufficient personnel, if they do not have the expertise the Government desires, or if the hours appear to be inadequate. The contractor should have a good estimation of the scope of the project if the SOW has been well prepared. Vague language, or uncertainty in requirements, will encourage the contractor to overestimate, in order to protect themselves from the risk that the work is more complicated than it initially appears, or to underestimate. Clarity of requirements is essential. The SOW must reflect what work is needed.

The contractor may require additional funds to complete requirements of the SOW and plan, but cannot collect award fees based on any cost over the originally negotiated amount. This increased the contractor's tendency to overestimate costs and is a factor to be considered during negotiations.

If the technical proposal suggests some good approaches, and it is desirable to require them, the SOW must be changed accordingly. Sometimes negotiations not only resolve costs, but also assist the Government in focussing more closely on the specifics of the work to be accomplished.

Once agreement between the contractor and the Government has been reached, the contractor will be required to submit a final project plan incorporating all items agreed upon as a result of the negotiations. The DOPO is responsible for preparing a PR for the estimated cost negotiated plus the required fee (base fee and award fee) and an additional amount to defray the contractor's facility, management and DMMG costs. The DOPO will submit the PR with the Delivery Order (including SOW, revised as necessary), and the contractor's final project plan to the Project Officer. Both documents will be made a part of the resultant delivery order and the contractor will be held responsible for adhering to the project plan. The delivery order will be issued by the Contracting Officer at the estimated cost negotiated. The contractor can then begin work immediately.

If, after performance has begun, there is a change to the work requirements, the Delivery Order must be modified. Additional negotiations will be required if there is a change in the estimated cost as a result. The procedures above apply to all SOW modifications as well, but may be scaled down as appropriate depending upon the complexity of the proposed changes. If there is doubt as to how the changes should be handled, the Project Officer should be contacted for advice.



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## PHASE 4: MONITORING THE DELIVERY ORDER

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See the TOSS User's Guide pages 53-57 under the Delivery Orders tab for the appropriate procedures for this phase.

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## PHASE 5: INITIATION OF MODIFICATIONS

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See the TOSS User's Guide pages 59-64 under the Delivery Orders tab for the appropriate procedures for this phase.

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## PHASE 6: AWARD FEE CYCLES

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The MCSES contract is an indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity with Cost Plus Award Fee provisions type contract.

The Award Fee mechanism is provided to create incentives for the SDC contractor to perform well and to improve the quality of their work. The Award Fee will be an additional 10% above the cost of a delivery order. Within this 10% will be a 2% allocated for a fixed fee with the remaining 8% used for the actual award. The DOPOs will be required to fill out evaluation forms twice a year, on the January and July time cycle, to rate the contractor on performance.

The Award Fee Evaluation Coordinator will contact the DOPOs before this time and conduct training sessions to guide them through this process.

The following pages are the MOSES Award Fee Plan.

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## PHASE 7: MONITORING AND APPROVING EXPENDITURES

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See the TOSS User's Guide pages 65-66 under the Delivery Orders tab for the appropriate procedures for this phase.

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## PHASE 8: DELIVERY ORDER CLOSE- OUT

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See the TOSS User's Guide pages 67-69 under the Delivery Orders tab for the appropriate procedures for this phase.

# NOTES

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# APPENDIX A

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Appendix A contains a Model Delivery Order Package. The following completed forms are included:

- 2 Procurement Requests - Form 1900-8
  - 1) Payment of the Project Plan
  - 2) Negotiated Payment of the DO
- Administrator's Screens\*
- Split Funding Justification\*
- Superfund Justification\*
- Designation of DOPO - Form 1900-65\*
- Statement of Work\*
- Labor Mix and Budget\*
- Statement of Non-Duplication of Effort\*
- 7-Point Justification for Government Furnished Property\*

\*Samples of these forms are in the TOSS section on Model Delivery Orders.



US Environmental Protection Agency  
Washington, DC 20460**Procurement  
Request/Order**

1. Name of Originator

DOPO

2. Date of Requisition

3. Mail Code

4. Telephone Number

5. Date Item Required

6. Signature of Originator

7. Recommended Procurement Method

☐ Competitive ☐ Other than full and open competition ☐ Sole source small purchase

8. Order To (Project Manager)

9. Address

10. Mail Code

11. Telephone Number

12.  
Financial  
Data

a. Appropriation

b. Servicing Finance Office Number

NOTE: Item 12(d) Document Type — Contract = "C,"  
Purchase Order = "P"FMO Use  
(c) (13 digits)D  
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(d)Document  
Control Number  
(e) (6 digits)Account Number  
(f) (10 digits)Object  
Class  
(g) (4 digits)

Amount (h)

Dollars

Cents

13. Suggested Source (Name, Address, ZIP Code, Phone/Contact)

Science Applications International Corp.  
1710 Goodridge Drive  
McLean, VA 2210214. Amount of money  
committed is:☐ Original  
☐ Increase  
☐ Decrease15. For Small Purchases Only: Contracting Office is autho-  
rized to exceed the amount shown in Block 12(h) by 10% or  
\$100, whichever is less.☐ Yes ☐ No**16. Approvals**

a. Branch/Office

Date

d. Property Management Officer/Designee

Date

b. Division/Office

Date

e. Other (Specify)

Date

c. Funds listed in Block 12 and Block 15 (if any) are  
available and reserved. (Signature of Certifying Official)

Date

f. Other (Specify)

Date

17. Date of Order

18. Order Number

19. Contract Number (if any)

20. Discount Term

21. FOB Point

22. Delivery and FOB Point by On order (Date)

23. Order Quota and Phone No.

24. Contractor Name, address, ZIP Code

25. Type of Order (See Appendix 2)

Please furnish the above on the form specified on both sides of this page and on  
the attached contract form (if any) (Contract Form 100-100-100)If (b) Delivery provisions are not specified in the contract, the delivery provisions  
shall be those of the contract form (if any) (Contract Form 100-100-100)**26. Schedule**

Item Number (a)	Supplies or Services (b)	Quantity Ordered (c)	Unit (d)	Estimated Unit Price (e)	
	Delivery Order Title: Project Plan Charge				

27. United States of America  
(Signature)

28. Procurement Office (Signature)





US Environmental Protection Agency  
Washington, DC 20460**Procurement  
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b. Servicing Finance Office Number

NOTE: Item 12(d) Document Type — Contract = "C,"  
Purchase Order = "P"FMO Use  
(c) (13 digits)D  
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(d)Document  
Control Number  
(e) (6 digits)Account Number  
(f) (10 digits)Object  
Class  
(g) (4 digits)Amount (h)  
Dollars

Cents

13. Suggested Source (Name, Address, ZIP Code, Phone/Contact)

Science Applications International Corp.  
1710 Goodridge Drive  
McLean, VA 2210214. Amount of money  
committed is:☐ Original  
☐ Increase  
☐ Decrease

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Date

f. Other (Specify)

Date

17. Date of Order

18. Order Number

19. Contract Number

21. FOB Point

22. Delivery to FOB Point by

23. Contractor (Name, address, ZIP Code)

24. Type of Order

Please furnish a copy of this order to the contractor and to the contracting office.

1. Delivery to FOB Point by

2. Delivery to FOB Point by

**25. Schedule**

Item Number (a)	Supplies or Services (b)	Quantity Ordered (c)	Unit (d)	Estimated Unit Price (e)	Amount (f)
DO 2	DELIVERY ORDER TITLE: (SDC Charges) 682/30108 E20041 1BUH40E000 25.35	\$10,000.00			
DO 3	(IMMG Charges) 682/30108 WB0026 1BFE23GOWE 25.35	\$ 5,000.00			
DOXXX	(Acutal Delivery Order) 682/30108 PB0002 1BFD23AOPD 25.35	\$100,000.00			
	Award Fee Cost -	10,000.00			
		\$125,000.00			

27. United States of America  
By (Signature)



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# APPENDIX B

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Appendix B contains the MOSES Statement of Work.



## STATEMENT OF WORK

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STATEMENT OF WORK  
FOR  
Mission Oriented Systems Engineering Support  
(MOSES)

## 1.0 Introduction

Section 9.0 contains a glossary of terms and abbreviations contained in this Statement of Work (SOW).

### 1.1 Intent of Contract

This is a mission-oriented contract intended to support the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Information Resources Management (IRM) systems engineering by providing the Agency with a Systems Development Center (SDC). The SDC shall perform functions associated with any or all stages of the systems life cycle in support of the EPA mission. The SDC shall also perform significant corollary work including, but not limited to, methodology and standards development; researching, testing and implementing emerging software development and maintenance productivity tools; system documentation; support for an IRM technical library; data base administration; and user training.

Work performed by the contractor may involve any or all stages of the systems life cycle or the corollary functions listed above.

Contractor management and operation of the SDC shall ensure all SDC work is performed in a consistent and coordinated manner. Facilitation of data sharing among EPA programs and other users of EPA data shall be a major focus of the SDC. Products provided for different EPA program offices shall be as compatible as possible while being responsive to individual program office needs. Coordination shall be accomplished through the development and use of an operational infrastructure that ensures consistently high quality products and services.

The contractor shall continuously improve practices and procedures throughout all aspects of the SDC's operation, including management of all contract-related tasks, to help ensure quality products.

### 1.2 The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

The EPA's mission is to administer specific legislation enacted to control and abate pollution's adverse impact on our environment. The EPA coordinates and supports research and pollution prevention activities by other Federal agencies, State and local governments, special interest groups, educational institutions, and individuals.

The EPA is comprised of eleven headquarters program offices including those directly responsible for air and radiation, hazardous and solid waste, pesticides and toxic substances, and water pollution programs. Additionally, ten regional offices, numerous laboratories, and other remote sites are located nationwide.

#### 1.2.1 The EPA IRM Environment

IRM is an integral part of most Agency programs and a critical success factor to the more visible regulatory and pollution prevention activities. The EPA maintains approximately fifteen large, and hundreds of medium sized, information systems. These systems are both automated and manual and provide support for the EPA's administrative processes, track the EPA's public processes (e.g., grants, permits, and enforcement actions), and collect and store data relating to environmental pollutants. Because of this diversity of systems many are not compatible.

The Agency has embarked on a Systems Modernization Initiative (SMI) and Public Access Initiative (PAI) to improve the quality, consistency, and accessibility of information provided to EPA staff and the public at large. The EPA SDC is the SMI operational component intended to deliver high quality products to the Agency's IRM community.

#### 1.2.2 The EPA IRM Community

The EPA IRM community includes (a) several organizations principally charged with Agency-wide IRM leadership and (b) coordination and organizational components providing direct IRM support to their respective program areas.

The Office of Information Resources Management (OIRM), through its three divisions and two staff offices, establishes EPA IRM policy and guidance; develops, coordinates and/or manages the EPA's administrative, scientific, and some of the Agency program information systems; and provides IRM budget and contract management services to the rest of the Agency. Because of its broadly based and pivotal role in IRM across the Agency, the OIRM will manage, and be a large consumer of, SDC services.

The National Data Processing Division (NDPD), located in North Carolina's Research Triangle Park (RTP), is responsible for providing high quality, cost-effective computing and telecommunications services to EPA system users nationwide. The NDPD acquires, manages, and performs operational oversight for the Agency IRM, voice, and data telecommunications resources. The NDPD evaluates, tests, and introduces new IRM and telecommunications technology to the EPA

in a continuing effort to maintain effective, efficient, value-added service.

The NDPD also manages the National Computer Center (NCC) which is co-located with the NDPD at RTP. This facility is a contractor operated facility housing the EPA's primary mainframe computers and serving as the Agency's telecommunications focal point.

The EPA's program offices, regional offices and laboratories comprise the largest component of the EPA's IRM community. These organizational entities, whose principal function is not IRM, typically have components which provide and perform IRM functions. These organizations, referred to generically as program offices, have an ongoing demand for the high quality, IRM-focused management and analytical and technical support available under this contract.

The EPA IRM community is also served by other vendors (See Section 2.5). The SDC shall work cooperatively and in coordination with these other vendors and with the EPA IRM community, as appropriate.

#### 1.2.3 The EPA Hardware, Software and Telecommunications Environment

The EPA employs a broad range of hardware, software and communications protocols supporting its IRM requirements.

The EPA hardware includes IBM 3090 mainframes, VAX minicomputer clusters, PRIME minicomputers, Tektronics hardware, IBM XT/AT and PS/2 compatible microcomputers, Apple MacIntosh microcomputers, SUN workstations, and multiple Local Area/Wide Area Network (LAN/WAN) platforms.

Agency-supported software consists of third and fourth generation programming languages including FOCUS and Natural; database management systems including ADABAS; the Geographic Information System (GIS) software ARC/INFO; a wide variety of statistical, project management, graphics, word processing and utility packages; and LAN software such as Novell Netware 386.

Further detail on this environment is included in the document, "EPA Information Technology Architecture" (See Section 9.0).

The EPA Information Technology Architecture continues to evolve. The contractor shall be prepared to provide services in any of the EPA's current or future hardware and software environments.

#### 1.3 Disclaimers

Nothing in this SOW is intended to authorize contractor effort. All services and support under this contract will be ordered only

through the issuance of individually written delivery orders signed by the EPA Contracting Officer (CO).

All references in this SOW to SDC staff shall refer solely to contractor personnel unless specifically stated otherwise. Furthermore, nothing in this SOW is meant to imply that the contractor and/or his subcontractors will supervise or manage any Federal employee.

## 2.0 General Guidelines

### 2.1 Scope of the Total Mission

The contractor shall be required to establish, staff, operate, and manage the SDC, supporting the EPA's IRM mission and the individual missions of the EPA's program offices. The SDC staff shall be required to perform functions associated with any or all stages of the system life cycle.

### 2.2 Compliance with Automated Data Processing (ADP)/IRM Policy, Standards, and Guidelines

The contractor shall comply with Federal and EPA ADP/IRM policy and procedural guidelines. The contractor shall also comply with applicable specifications and standards found in the National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS PUBs) and Special Publications (SPEC PUBs), and specifications and standards adopted by the Federal Interagency Coordinating Committee on Digital Cartography (FICCDC) for spatial geographic data in Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

### 2.3 Conflict of Interest (COI)

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has identified a need to avoid, neutralize or mitigate actual, apparent, and potential contractor Conflict of Interest (COI). To accomplish this, contractors shall have a COI plan to identify and report actual, apparent, and potential COI. The plan shall be consistent with the the Minimum Standards For Contractor Conflict Of Interest (COI) Plans (See Clause L.24).

The contractor shall comply with the COI plan proposed, or modified as necessary, and accepted by the EPA.

### 2.4 Systems Engineering Technical Environment

The contractor shall ensure that the SDC's technical environment is highly disciplined and methodical and designed to achieve software quality and user satisfaction in all stages of the system life

cycle. The contractor shall provide, maintain, and use automated means such as Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools, a central encyclopedia of design information, code libraries, metrics, and project management tools to improve the quality and efficiency of work performed under this contract.

The current EPA environment for systems engineering includes, but is not limited to, use of the following methods and tools:

- o Information Engineering Methodology (IEM)<sup>TM</sup> (James Martin Associates)
- o Information Engineering Facility (IEF)<sup>TM</sup> (Texas Instruments)
- o Information Engineering Workbench (IEW)<sup>TM</sup> (KnowledgeWare)

The current EPA environment for the project management aspect of systems engineering includes, but is not limited to:

- o Timeline<sup>TM</sup> (Symantec)
- o Project Workbench<sup>TM</sup> (Applied Business Technologies)
- o MacProject II<sup>TM</sup> (Claris)

The contractor shall comply with the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) proposed for systems engineering, or modified as necessary, and accepted by the EPA.

## 2.5 Contract of Preference

This is the Contract of Preference for any IRM systems engineering work performed by the Agency that is described by activities belonging to the planning, analysis, design, development and implementation stages of the system life cycle. The contract may also be used to provide all services listed herein as required by the EPA's Headquarters program offices, Regional Offices, Laboratories, and other Agency sites. However, the EPA has other IRM-related contracts which may be the preferred vehicle for some of these areas of support. The EPA utilizes these other contracts as preferred sources for support of selective requirements and may expand their utilization in the future.

## 3.0 Designated Government Officials

### 3.1 Contracting Officer (CO)

The CO for this procurement will be assigned by the EPA's Procurement and Contracts Management Division (PCMD) and will be located

at the EPA Headquarters, Washington, DC. The CO is the only individual authorized to enter into and administer contracts. The CO is responsible for ensuring performance of all necessary actions for effective contracting, ensuring compliance with the terms and conditions of this contract, and safeguarding the interests of the United States in its contractual relationship with the contractor. After contract award the CO will provide the contractor with written documentation designating, by name, the EPA personnel having CO delegated responsibility and authority under the contract. The CO, as the Purchasing Agent, shall not delegate any responsibility or authority as defined for Contracting Officers in Chapter 8 of the 1984 Contracts Management Manual, EPA Publication 1900. The CO is responsible for issuing written delivery orders and subsequent modifications to either the contract and/or delivery orders.

### 3.2 Project Officer (PO)

The PO, a member of the OIRM's Contract Management Team located at the EPA Headquarters, receives written authority directly from the CO and is responsible for reviewing, processing, and forwarding to the CO for issuance, delivery orders and subsequent modifications to delivery orders and/or the contract in response to EPA program office requests for support under this contract. The PO may also be responsible for approving various other contract and project-related actions as specifically delegated by the CO. The PO is also responsible for various other contract and project-related duties (See Section 3.2.1 and 3.2.2).

The PO will provide the contractor with written documentation designating, by name, the EPA personnel who have PO delegated responsibility and authority.

#### 3.2.1 General PO Contract-Related Duties and Responsibilities

The PO acts as liaison between the program office, the Technical Manager, and contractor management to review systems development plans, budget submissions, and program office long-term requirements for support under this contract. Delivery order requirements are discussed with the contractor's program management and the Technical Manager to help select technical skill requirements consistent with delivery order tasks.

The PO works with the program office to identify special training needs and to help develop strategies for improving the quality of systems engineering and overall contract support. This is accomplished through review of contract support services for adequacy in supporting the EPA's program missions through utilization of the latest proven IRM technologies. Where change is required, the PO



works closely with the Technical Manager to provide guidance to both OIRM and contractor management.

The PO meets with the contractor's management, program office management and Delivery Order Project Officer (DOPO), Contracting Officer (CO) and the Technical Manager to resolve problems related to contractor responsiveness, quality of performance, cost overruns, schedule slippage, and a need for reallocation of contractor personnel resources. This also includes resolution of common technical problematic issues which cut across individual projects, and resolution of chronic performance problems which cannot be successfully resolved between the DOPO and the contractor.

The PO ensures DOPOs monitor all aspects of their delivery order tasks to ensure compliance with Federal and EPA IRM regulations, standards, and guidelines.

The PO advises OIRM management on the overall effectiveness of contract support mechanisms, providing information and suggestions for use in planning future procurement of support services. Areas of concern include the identification of required technical skills, selection of high technological skill target areas, and projections of future needs for the EPA's systems development.

### 3.2.2 PO Project-Related Duties and Responsibilities

In coordination with other OIRM organizations, the PO, working with the Technical Manager, provides guidance to program office's DOPOs in the definition of technical requirements, and ensuring project objectives are compatible with the EPA's IRM programs and related policies. The PO, working with the Technical Manager, reviews all delivery order SOWs prior to submission to and issuance by the CO. This review will determine that SOWs are clear, accurate, technically sound, complete, and within the scope of this contract.

The PO, with the assistance of the Technical Manager, reviews all project requirements to facilitate receiving the maximum advantage from available EPA technology, exchange of IRM resources, and shared development of application systems. In coordination with other OIRM organizations, the PO provides the following assistance to program office DOPOs:

- o Reviews proposed contractor project and staffing plans to determine realism of milestones, schedules, work-breakdown structure, and adequacy of skill level and qualifications of proposed contractor personnel.

- o Coordinates efforts between the DOPO and the Technical Manager to define project technical and functional inspection and acceptance specifications.

### 3.3 Technical Manager (TM)

The TM is located at the SDC and bridges the technical gap between the EPA user and contractor, with the goal of minimizing cost overruns, schedule slippage, and substandard systems. He/she provides guidance to the PO and the DOPO in definition of technical requirements and ensures that projects are compatible with the EPA's IRM programs, related policies, and the SDC's technical and operational environment. The TM also represents the EPA's interest in a well-managed, disciplined and progressive operational environment at the SDC. He/she assesses and advises the PO on the long-term Agency technical support requirements and discusses them with the contractor's program management to determine ongoing and future technical skill and special training needs, and to develop strategies to improve the overall quality of SDC work.

The TM works with the PO and CO to resolve significant contractor problems related to overall responsiveness, quality of performance, cost overruns, appearance of and/or actual conflict of interest situations, schedule slippage, and any need for the reallocation of personnel resources. He/she also assists the PO in reviewing delivery order SOWs to ensure they are clear, complete, accurate, and adequately reflect work requirements. Upon request of the PO or DOPO, the TM helps review contractor project plans and staffing plans to determine realism of milestones, schedules, work-breakdown structures, and adequacy of proposed staff skills and qualifications. The TM also assists review of level-of-effort projections and cost estimates to determine adequacy in meeting the delivery order user requirements.

The TM will include the PO, DOPO and CO in all decisions which affect contractor efforts under this contract and/or related delivery order(s). The TM will provide both the PO and all DOPOs with an approved contractor-developed SDC SOP.

### 3.4 Delivery Order Project Officer (DOPO)

A DOPO is assigned to each delivery order and is normally appointed by the program office initiating the request for contract support. The DOPO function may, however, be delegated to the OIRM by the program office. The DOPO receives authority directly from the CO in writing and is responsible for performing various administrative and technical matters related to assigned delivery orders as detailed below.

The DOPO may be located at any EPA site location and is responsible for certain technical and administrative matters related to his/her delivery order. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, drafting delivery orders and required delivery order modifications; technically managing delivery orders at the program office level, including coordinating with the Technical Manager; monitoring, reviewing, inspecting and accepting periodic contractor-provided progress reports, delivery order deliverables, and contractor-provided personnel labor hours and reporting any divergence to the PO for investigation and resolution; and identifying and reporting delivery order-related appearance or actual conflicts-of-interest to the PO and CO.

DOPO responsibilities may also include approval of all contractor invoices for payment. The DOPO advises the PO of suspended or disallowed invoice payment(s) and works with the contractor, CO, PO, and/or Technical Manager to resolve questionable charges.

#### 4.0 Functional Requirements

##### 4.1 Life cycle Services

The contractor may be required to provide comprehensive system life cycle services for all, or a designated portion of, system life cycle stages and, when required, shall use EPA-approved project management and IRM methodology. The contractor shall ensure that all system-related products produced under this contract have adequate documentation covering all relevant portions of the systems life cycle.

The EPA has developed System Design and Development Guidance in three volumes (See Section 9.0) including mission needs analysis; preliminary design and options analysis; and system design, development and implementation. In addition, individual program offices have developed system design and development guidance for their specific program areas. The life cycle outline used in this section of the SOW is compatible with Agency guidelines but is more generic in nature.

##### 4.1.1 Planning

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle planning stage, including, but not limited to, benefit/cost analyses, concept studies, needs assessments, requirements analyses, feasibility studies, option analyses, and determination of total system life cycle costs. The contractor, when required, shall ensure there is a high degree of interaction between contractor technical staff and EPA client managers and staff in the performance of these services. As part of the planning process, the contractor may be required to take a broad, high level view of many EPA functional areas and information systems for the purpose of identifying appropriate goals and strategies for

development of EPA information systems. The contractor may be required to develop an Information Strategy Plan as defined by the Information Engineering Methodology (IEM)<sup>TM</sup>.

#### 4.1.2 Analysis

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle analysis stage. In this stage the contractor may be required to perform a detailed analysis of the client's information processing requirements as they relate to the client organization's mission and activities and to evaluate current information systems. Services provided may include, but are not limited to, preparation of logical data models, entity-relationship diagrams, functional models, data flow diagrams, association matrices, action diagrams, and system specifications and requirements documents.

The contractor, when required, shall ensure there is a high degree of interaction between contractor technical staff and EPA client managers and staff as work related to this stage is conducted. The contractor may be required to perform a Business Area Analysis as defined by the Information Engineering Methodology (IEM)<sup>TM</sup>.

#### 4.1.3 Design

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle design stage, including the development of system performance and transaction response goals. Building on the analysis performed in the preceding stage, the contractor, when required, shall design specific systems and further define data and functional specifications.

Services provided may include, but are not limited to, preparation of external design descriptions such as screen and report layouts, system flow diagrams, dialogue flow diagrams, and prototypes; internal design descriptions including detailed design specifications, design of user codes, and physical database design; and preparation of structure charts, pseudocode, data structure diagrams, and data navigation diagrams.

Procedures for system administration, including security and backup and recovery, should be developed by the conclusion of this stage.

The contractor may be required to perform a Business System Design and Technical Design as defined by the Information Engineering Methodology (IEM)<sup>TM</sup>.

#### 4.1.4 Development

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle development stage. In this stage hardware and some software may need to be installed; software is written or generated in an EPA approved procedural or non-procedural language; databases are constructed; suites of test data are prepared; unit, integration, and system tests are conducted; and user and system administration manuals are prepared and readied for release. The contractor may be required to perform Construction as defined by the Information Engineering Methodology (IEM)<sup>TM</sup>.

#### 4.1.5 Implementation

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle implementation stage. In this stage the system is moved into full production status; hardware and software are installed and tested; databases are loaded; system problems are identified and resolved; users are trained in use of the system; and user acceptance testing is conducted. The contractor may be required to perform Transition as defined by the Information Engineering Methodology (IEM)<sup>TM</sup>.

#### 4.1.6 System Maintenance

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle maintenance stage. In this stage system problems are analyzed and resolved; the system is modified to accommodate changes in its environment and/or statutory requirements, or to enhance its performance or ability to meet user needs; users are supported through training and consultation; and change to the system is carefully controlled and documented.

In this stage the contractor may provide reverse or re-engineering services. In reverse engineering the intention is generally to investigate and detail the function of existing system components which may not be documented or which may no longer be fully understood due to changes in management and/or technical staff. In re-engineering the intention is generally to improve the way system functions are carried out and could include such activities as restructuring of code and/or data or software conversion.

#### 4.1.7 System Retirement

The contractor may be required to provide services associated with the systems life cycle system retirement stage. In this stage provisions are made for the orderly close-out of a system and disposition of all system components. This may involve notifying system users of the changes they may expect as the system is retired, archiving of all system life cycle products and data, and the disposition of system hardware and software.

#### 4.2 Management and Operation of the Systems Development Center (SDC)

The contractor shall, through adherence to the contractor-proposed and EPA-approved management and quality assurance plans, maintain an acute awareness of the quality, efficiency, and cost effectiveness of all services provided under this contract.

The contractor, under the direction, oversight, and guidance of the CO, PO, and/or Technical Manager, shall be responsible for management and operation of the SDC and for coordination of all work conducted under this contract.

The contractor shall be required to establish and manage the SDC in a manner that ensures both high quality and consistency in its approach to work conducted and among products produced. The contractor shall maintain the SDC as the EPA's "Center for Excellence" for systems engineering. To accomplish this, the contractor shall be required to employ and retain a core group of highly skilled, experienced managers and staff who understand the EPA organization, programs, and IRM environment. This core group shall ensure the SDC's responsiveness to Agency and individual program office needs and IRM strategies.

The contractor shall continuously place emphasis on improvement of methods and procedures throughout all aspects of the SDC's operation, including all contract-related task management, to enhance the EPA IRM community's ability to meet present and future needs.

In support of the SDC focus to facilitate data sharing among the EPA programs and other users of the EPA data, the contractor shall build compatibility, where appropriate, into systems and products produced under this contract while being responsive to individual program office needs.

The contractor shall be required to devise, and upon Technical Manager review and PO approval, implement a program to provide management information on SDC productivity and on the quality of SDC products. This program will make use of appropriate software metrics such as function points, include an accurate measure of costs, and determine satisfactory means of assessing the quality of products and measuring user satisfaction with both products and services.

The contractor shall emphasize development and maintenance of an "Institutional Memory" of the EPA's information systems and programs within its highly qualified staff. The EPA will assist the contractor, as necessary, in acquiring and maintaining knowledge of Agency programs and missions by providing training,

reference material, and/or program office-provided program/mission summaries.

The contractor shall also be required to employ and retain a group of highly skilled and experienced managers and technical experts who are knowledgeable in the area of systems and software engineering. This staff will be referred to as the Development and Maintenance Methodology Group (DMMG) (See Section 4.6.1). This staff shall work closely with the DOPO, Technical Manager, PO, and other SDC staff to identify, tailor, provide support for, and, upon PO approval, implement appropriate methodologies addressing effective and efficient systems engineering.

The contractor shall ensure that selected DMMG methodologies comply with Federal and EPA IRM/ADP guidelines and that they are applied appropriately and consistently to all SDC projects. These methodologies shall include the comprehensive quality assurance program defined in the contractor-proposed and EPA-approved management plan and systems engineering SOP.

#### 4.2.1 Project Management

The contractor shall apply sound and consistent project management concepts, methods, and tools in the management of SDC delivery orders. Delivery order management shall address such areas as planning and tracking of work and costs, monitoring of quality and productivity, and overall contract/project team building. The methods employed shall include, but are not limited to, work break down structures, and project scheduling and tracking using Gantt or PERT charts, resource allocation, and leveling.

The contractor shall ensure that proposed project plans for individual delivery orders provide for DOPO review and approval of contractor efforts at appropriate stages in the project life cycle.

The contractor shall also ensure overall client satisfaction with the SDC's services and deliverable products in compliance with NIST Standards and Special Publications and/or other EPA acceptable methodology.

The contractor shall coordinate with each of the EPA IRM community components, program offices, and supporting vendors as appropriate for accomplishment of delivery orders issued under this contract.

#### 4.2.2 Configuration Management

The contractor shall, in consultation with the PO, DOPO, and Technical Manager, establish and, upon Technical Manager review and PO approval, implement overall configuration management procedures

for each delivery order task performed under this contract. These procedures shall identify all deliverables for which change must be controlled. The procedures shall also define the process for controlling change and provide a mechanism for monitoring change and ensuring change control procedures are effective.

As an integral part of configuration management, the contractor shall provide and use automated tools for maintaining version control for SDC documentation, data, and software products.

#### 4.2.3 Information Systems Repository

The contractor shall be required to identify requirements for a centralized automated information repository. If a requirement exists, and after PO, Technical Manager, DOPO and NDPD review and PO approval, the contractor shall assist NDPD in the implementation of such an automated information repository.

The repository shall, as directed by the Technical Manager, be used to collect information relating to systems developed and/or maintained by the SDC. The contractor shall be required to develop and, upon Technical Manager review and PO approval, institute procedures to be used by project teams for submitting information to the repository.

#### 4.2.4 Documentation Services

The contractor may be required to provide documentation services including, but not limited to, the following:

- o Document preparation including preparation of camera-ready copy
- o Document processing including receiving, certifying, bar coding, logging, editing, indexing, abstracting, paginating, separating, filing, microfilming, accessing, and coding
- o Document publication including printing, copying, and binding
- o Documentation distribution
- o Graphic and micrographic services including microfilming, and microfilm and microfiche duplicating
- o Consultation on graphical presentations
- o Operation of data plotting equipment



- o Preparation, copying, and distribution of magnetic or optical media including optical disk scanning

The contractor may also be required to provide effective, high quality visual communication aids for use in management presentations (e.g., speeches, meetings, training courses, and public display and special exhibits).

The contractor shall be required to work with the Technical Manager to devise and, upon PO approval, implement standards for SDC documentation and provide automated methods for preparing and maintaining that documentation. These functions shall be in compliance with the Government Printing Office (GPO) and Agency standards and policies, where applicable. The contractor may be required to implement standards for SDC documentation developed by other EPA contracts, as appropriate.

#### 4.2.5 Training Services

The contractor may be required to plan, prepare, and provide training using qualified staff. This may include, but is not limited to, planning courses and seminars; preparing training materials; identifying and making arrangements for temporary training facilities when necessary; preparing and disseminating training schedules; obtaining required training supplies; and obtaining and installing the necessary training-related equipment at the selected training site.

Examples of training the contractor may be required to provide include, but are not limited to, the following:

- o Hotline and user support training
- o System Administrator training
- o Maintenance training
- o Configuration Management training
- o Data Administration training
- o System Development and Maintenance Methodology training
- o CASE training
- o Quality Assurance training
- o Verification and Validation training

Other specific areas of training that may be required are listed in Section 4.6.1.1.

Training services may include, but are not limited to, briefings, seminars, formal classroom instruction, computer-based training, video instruction, or other training delivery vehicles, including acquisition of training materials from third party vendors when the PO has determined such acquisition is in the EPA's best interest.

Training developed through this contract shall be coordinated with existing Agency training vehicles to prevent duplication. A requirement for ongoing training developed under this contract shall be coordinated with and, if appropriate, incorporated into existing EPA training vehicles.

#### 4.2.6 Data Management Services

The contractor shall be required to provide data management services that enhance the EPA's ability to share data across media lines and to distribute data to EPA and non-EPA users.

These services may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- o Development and maintenance of data models
- o Development and maintenance of data dictionaries
- o Consultation on location and availability of Agency data
- o Database administration
- o Design and preparation of data coding schemes
- o Design of data collection and entry procedures
- o Data collection
- o Data entry
- o Data conversion
- o Data quality assurance functions
- o Evaluation of new data management technologies

All data management services provided under this contract shall be coordinated with the EPA's Data Administrator, NDPD and/or appropriate responsible IRM office.

#### 4.3 Specialized and Ad Hoc Services

The contractor shall be required to provide specialized technical services, to include any of the services provided for management and operation of the SDC (See Section 4.2). These services may include, but are not limited to, the services described in sections 4.3.1 through 4.3.7 below.

Specialized services shall be provided as necessary and directed by the EPA in support of an on-site IRM technical library. This library is intended for use by both the contractor and Agency staff and shall be managed and operated either by SDC-staff or, if in the best interest of the Agency, by staff provided through the existing or any future Contract of Preference for library support. The current Contract of Preference is with Labat-Anderson, Inc.

The contractor shall, in consultation with the Technical Manager, be required to develop and, upon PO approval, implement guidelines for the use of these specialized services. These guidelines shall specify prerequisites for their application in a delivery order project, methods and procedures, types of products and milestones, project management considerations, project estimation and measurement techniques, and evaluation criteria.

The contractor shall also, in consultation with the Technical Manager, be required to develop and, upon PO approval, implement operational guidelines for provision of ad hoc services, including request processing guidelines and service evaluation criteria.

Specialized and ad hoc services shall be conducted according to the PO-approved guidelines.

Based on client evaluation, the contractor shall take necessary steps to improve specialized and ad hoc services, revising guidelines as required.

##### 4.3.1 Periodic Experts

The contractor shall periodically be required to provide unique technical expertise to address specific delivery order-related problem areas and/or concerns as identified by the EPA DOPO or Technical Manager. The types of expertise that may be required (intermittently and/or for periods of short duration) include, but are not limited to, the technical skills outlined under Specialized Technical Skills (See Section 4.5).

##### 4.3.2 System Management Support

The contractor may be required to provide system management support. This support may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- o Production control
- o Documentation (system, software, user) maintenance and distribution (See Section 4.3.3)
- o Hotline support
- o User support
- o User training
- o Disaster planning including planning, implementation, and system backup and recovery
- o Post system implementation tuning
- o System closeout and archiving
- o Reporting functions, including preparation of custom reports from many diverse data base sources, executive information support, and preparation/distribution of newsletters
- o Marketing support
- o Communication support
- o Establishment and coordination of user groups, meetings, seminars, presentations, and demonstrations (this may include preparation, coordination, implementation and presentation support)

#### 4.3.3 Office Automation (CA) and Records Management Support

The contractor may be required to provide OA and records management support consistent with Federal and EPA records management guidelines. This support may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- o Records management consultation
- o File maintenance (automated and manual)
- o Maintenance of a software code library to support code-reusability efforts

- o Maintenance of a documentation library
- o Support of an IRM technical library containing collections of IRM-related books, journals, and micrographic media
- o Managing, maintaining, cataloging, retrieving, and controlling acquisition/disposition of records
- o Automation of office functions including requirements definition and analysis, system design, software development and maintenance, and the development of system documentation and operating manuals
- o Maintenance of clearinghouses for information on special subject areas or initiatives of concern to the EPA to support Agency communications and facilitate technology transfer

#### 4.3.4 Statistical Services

The contractor may be required to develop surveys, samples, and questionnaires and related documentation and instructions.

The contractor, when required, shall provide technical services using mathematical, statistical, and IRM-related skills to review requirements for data reduction and analysis, to apply statistical methods and standard software packages in the preparation of statistical reports, and for development and automation of statistical and mathematical models and algorithms.

#### 4.3.5 Ad Hoc Information Analysis and Reporting

The contractor may be required to perform ad hoc data analysis, retrieval, manipulation and reporting on an as required basis. These activities, when required, may include, but are not limited to, comparison of data from different data bases, summarization of raw data, statistical analysis of data, and presentation of data in a variety of formats such as reports, charts, graphs and maps.

#### 4.3.6 Geographic Information System (GIS) Services

The contractor may be required to provide GIS services. These services, when required, shall be in compliance with the Agency's GIS program and may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- o Application of Agency approved GIS software in system development
- o Design and development of customized GIS algorithms

- o GIS technical advise
- o Update, and maintenance of map products and spatial data
- o Technical advise on new GIS technologies
- o Providing Agency GIS Program support including support for workshops and conferences

#### 4.3.7 Miscellaneous Specialized Services

The contractor may be required to provide miscellaneous specialized services including, but not limited to, the following:

- o Independent verification and validation
- o Expert system consultation, development, and implementation
- o Data collection forms consultation and design services

#### 4.4 Technical Support

The contractor shall coordinate technical support activities with the appropriate Agency contacts including, but not limited to, LAN/WAN Administrators, PC Site Coordinators, and Telecommunications Coordinators, and NDPD. Hardware/software required to accomplish delivery order tasks shall be acquired through the EPA Contract of Preference unless a waiver is granted by the Agency.

##### 4.4.1 Local Area/Wide Area Networks (LAN/WAN)

The contractor may be required to provide technical support necessary for the design of LAN/WAN hardware and software configurations and presentation of functional capabilities requirements, installation, implementation, operation, modification, and logistical support during the LAN/WAN life cycle.

##### 4.4.2 Microcomputer/Personal Computer (PC) Technical Support

The contractor may be required to provide PC technical support services in the areas of PC system hardware configuration and software design, installation, implementation, operation, modification, problem diagnosis and resolution, and related training.

##### 4.4.3 Telecommunications Technical Support

The contractor may be required to identify system telecommunications needs, support telecommunications requirements, and problems associated with specific systems. When required, this information shall be documented and submitted to the Technical Manager or DOPO, as appropriate, and to NDPD. The contractor, when required, shall also monitor the quality of telecommunication services for specific systems at individual site locations and shall notify the appropriate Technical Manager and NDPD of any unsatisfactory performance.

The contractor shall submit a Telecommunication Service Request (TSR) to NDPD for all telecommunication services required in the performance of this contract whether provided and/or funded directly by the EPA or not.

#### 4.5 Specialized Technical Skills

The contractor may be required to provide specialized technical skills. These skills may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- o Artificial Intelligence and Expert Systems
- o Cartography
- o Computer-Assisted Software Engineering (CASE)
- o CD ROM Applications
- o Common User Interfaces
- o Communications
- o Computer Assisted Instruction
- o Distributed Databases
- o Electronic Document Interchange
- o Ergonomics
- o Facilitated Group Decision Making Sessions (such as Joint Applications Design (JAD))
- o Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- o Graphical User Interfaces
- o Hypermedia/Multimedia

- o Image Processing Systems
- o Local Area/Wide Area Networks
- o Questionnaire and Forms Design
- o Rapid Application Development (RAD)
- o Re-engineering
- o Relational Databases
- o Remote Sensing
- o Reverse engineering
- o Sampling and Statistical Methods
- o Software Process Assessment
- o Software Process Modeling

#### 4.6 Methodology Management and Planning Support

##### 4.6.1 Development and Maintenance Methodology Group (DMMG) General Guidelines

The contractor shall, under the direction and approval of the Technical Manager, establish a DMMG within the SDC which shall perform, but is not limited to, the functions listed below.

The DMMG shall support all services under this contract by providing methods, techniques, and technologies to assure and improve the quality and efficiency of SDC projects and support their use by SDC staff. Support shall be extended to other service and skill areas as directed by the Technical Manager.

The DMMG shall identify, evaluate, recommend, deploy, and provide support for computerized tools that are appropriate to the selected methods. As a part of this effort the contractor shall work with NDPD to establish and utilize a central repository (See Section 4.2.3) for information relating to systems developed and/or maintained by the SDC.

The primary DMMG clients are delivery order-specific development and maintenance teams comprising, but not limited to, a DOPO, a PO, and SDC contractor staff.



DMMG initiatives will be undertaken to provide a state-of-the-art technical infrastructure in support of team and project needs for the contract as a whole and to individual EPA IRM community components on an as required, delivery order basis.

#### 4.6.1.1 Expertise

The DMMG shall build and maintain expertise in various areas as directed by the Technical Manager. The DMMG shall provide consultation, assistance and training in all such areas on an as required basis.

These areas include, but are not limited to:

- o Project planning, management, and tracking methods and tools
- o Project cost estimation
- o Project team composition and dynamics
- o Configuration management practices, techniques and tools
- o SDC methodology and techniques based on the IEM™, (e.g., data modeling, process modeling, JAD, and RAD)
- o Re-engineering methods, techniques and tools
- o Other methodologies and techniques needed for projects for which the IEM™ is not appropriate
- o CASE tools supporting the IEM™, specifically, but not limited to, the IEF™ (Texas Instruments) and the IEW™ (Knowledgeware)
- o Other "lower end" CASE tools which fit the EPA technical environment and which interface with the IEF™ and the IEW™, providing, but not limited to, technical design, code generation and data base generation
- o CASE tools as needed to support alternative methodologies to the IEM™
- o Reverse engineering methods, techniques and tools
- o Quality assurance
- o Testing methods and tools
- o Prototyping methods and tools

- o Other productivity tools including, but not limited to, debugging tools, code analyzers, data base analyzers, and code library managers
- o Project measurement and estimation methods, techniques and tools
- o Reusability practices
- o Development, operations, and maintenance of a software library
- o Automated information repository

The DMMG shall maintain an awareness of new developments and continually strive to improve SDC staff expertise in all these areas through such means as seminars, conferences, training, user groups, and active participation in SDC projects.

#### 4.6.1.2 Systems Engineering Environment

The DMMG shall identify and propose a complete systems engineering environment incorporating appropriate EPA-compatible hardware, telecommunications, and software to enable the effective use of the above tools. Upon review by the Technical Manager and PO approval, the DMMG shall implement the chosen environment for the SDC, providing training, consultation, and technical support.

#### 4.6.1.3 Feedback and Improvement

Based on project measurement information and team feedback, the DMMG shall monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the above methods, techniques, practices, and tools as used in the SDC and, upon Technical Manager review and PO approval, implement changes as appropriate to improve their effectiveness. The DMMG shall research and recommend new methods, techniques, practices and tools for evaluation. The DMMG shall pilot the usage of new methods, techniques, practices and tools as directed by the Technical Manager and shall, upon PO approval, implement those chosen within the SDC.

#### 4.6.1.4 Guidelines and Standards Support

The DMMG shall identify areas needing guidelines and standardization and prepare, or coordinate the preparation of, proposed guidelines and standards for EPA consideration and action. The DMMG shall adopt and adhere to guidelines and standards as directed by the Technical Manager and approved by the PO.

#### 4.6.1.5 Ad Hoc Consultation and Project Work

The DMMG shall provide technical consultation support in the above areas to SDC projects, potential SDC projects and other projects and systems engineering problems as requested by the Technical Manager and approved by the PO. The DMMG may be required to provide extensive consultation and technical support to SDC projects, which may include responsibility for part or all of a project.

#### 4.6.1.6 Coordination Support

The DMMG shall provide coordination services with the EPA NDPD to ensure that, for planning purposes, the Technical Manager is aware of hardware and software developments. This effort shall include coordination services with NDPD for acquisition, installation, and maintenance of management and development tools and for development and production systems produced by the SDC when those tools and/or systems must reside on NCC computers. The DMMG shall also provide other coordination services with NDPD as requested by the Technical Manager and approved by the PO.

The DMMG shall coordinate with the contractor to ensure training support for DMMG and other SDC personnel is appropriate for DMMG initiatives or specific delivery order requirements.

#### 4.6.2 Program Management Support

In support of the EPA IRM programs, the contractor may be required to identify and, when required, provide required personnel, supplies and support equipment. These resources shall provide efficient and cost effective technical, administrative and managerial support in planning, managing, and implementing program initiatives. Such initiatives may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- o Planning and implementing the expansion of the EPA Geographic Information Systems program
- o Planning and implementing the expansion of the EPA/State Data Management program
- o Planning and implementing the EPA Information Integration program
- o Planning and implementing the EPA IRM program, including the Systems Modernization and Public Access Initiatives

- o Planning and implementing the EPA OIRM Program Systems Division (PSD) Desk Officer program
- o Planning and implementing other IRM program areas as required

In support of such efforts, the contractor may be required to develop detailed technical and strategic plans, develop operational, technical and managerial policies and procedures, and oversee and coordinate management, technical, and operational activities to ensure successful and timely delivery order project completion.

#### 4.7 SDC Facility

The contractor shall provide an office facility for the SDC that will, except when otherwise specified by individual delivery order, house all contractor and subcontractor staff working under this contract.

Also, this facility shall include office space for EPA IRM Staff (See Section 4.7.2); space for an IRM Technical Library and associated staff (See Section 4.7.4); space to conduct occasional training; and space for routine and ad hoc meetings.

The SDC facility shall contain such normal office furnishings and equipment as are necessary for the conduct of business. The SDC physical environment shall be able to support such government-owned equipment as shall be required, with respect to regulated power and climate control. Standard office wiring and telecommunications closet buildout will be the contractor's responsibility and will be coordinated with NDPD.

The SDC shall comply with all applicable EPA, GSA, Federal, State, and/or local laws, ordinances, policy, and regulations.

##### 4.7.1 Location

The contractor shall, after award of this contract, be required to locate and phase-in (See Section 4.8.1) the SDC facility at an EPA-approved site within sixty (60) days after issuance of an authorizing delivery order.

The contractor shall be required to establish remote SDC facilities near the EPA remote sites (i.e., outside the Washington, DC metropolitan area) throughout the United States when the EPA determines that the level of required service at such sites demands such action. This requirement will be transmitted to the contractor in the form of a specific delivery order.

When remote SDC sites are necessary to the contract or to an individual delivery order, the EPA will either provide the remote site or, for a contractor-provided site, negotiate facility cost from the proposed ODC pool. Such remote SDC sites shall be operational within five (5) months after the contractor has received official notification of the EPA CO authorization in the form of a contract or delivery order modification.

The EPA anticipates that its headquarters will be relocated to a new facility and that the SDC will be allocated space in the new EPA facility. If this becomes a reality, the contractor shall be required to relocate to the new EPA facility.

#### 4.7.2 SDC Space for the Technical Manager(s) and Related EPA IRM Staff

EPA desires to ensure its ability to work closely with the contractor in carrying out requests of this contract. In this regard, the contractor shall be required to provide the Technical Manager(s) and related EPA IRM staff with private and semi-private offices within the SDC facility. The floor plan shall provide 135 square feet of office space per person. Space shall be provided for up to forty (40) EPA staff to assist the contractor in project management of tasks under this contract. The EPA occupied space shall be capable of being secured from unauthorized access and shall include a conference room. Additional meeting rooms and facilities shall be available on-site or in close proximity to the SDC for special occasions such as joint application development (JAD) consultations, conferences, and briefings.

The contractor shall also be required to provide accommodations adequate to meet the EPA's ADP equipment needs, including climate control and full access to the EPA data network and telecommunications systems. The EPA SDC requirements also include adequate electrical outlets for all the EPA IRM-staff work areas; building maintenance and cleaning services; phone outlets for each EPA staff member adequate to accommodate phone, modem, and LAN/WAN communications; office furnishings; support services which may include shuttle, daily mail, and courier service between the EPA headquarters and the SDC. A telephone system to connect approximately twenty (20) employees to a user-support hot-line with a central answering and switching device may also be required.

A list of requirements for start-up and operating the SDC include, but are not limited to:

- o Communication and telecommunication links with Headquarters, NDPD, other EPA computers on the EPA Wide Area Network (WAN), and Agency E-mail

- o ADP equipment to support EPA on-site operations, on-going development efforts and the EPA's CASE tools and PC workstations
- o Supplies for ADP and office equipment, reproduction facilities and furnishings for the offices of the EPA staff
- o Mail and courier services to transport documents, tapes and disks between the EPA headquarters and SDC locations
- o Toll-free telephone access for nationwide user assistance
- o Provision of all equipment necessary to connect the SDC to the EPA Data Telecommunications Network. This equipment, defined by NDPD, may include cluster controllers, statistical multiplexors, modems, telephone lines, and remote access equipment (e.g., terminals, printers, and plotters)

#### 4.7.3 Administrative Support

The contractor shall provide SDC facility staff with administrative support as required. This support, when required, shall include personnel, supplies, and equipment necessary to provide the direct services described in sections 4.7.3.1 through 4.7.3.8 and shall be accumulated and charged in accordance with the contractor's normal accounting practices for similar services and functions.

In addition to these direct support administrative functions, the contractor is expected to perform certain internal contractor administrative functions which support the entire contract (e.g., payroll, purchasing, and program management).

##### 4.7.3.1 Courier Service

The contractor may be required to provide bonded courier service between the SDC facility and remote locations within the Washington metropolitan area. In addition, the contractor may be required to prepare packages for delivery by the Agency's express mail service.

When such services cannot meet Agency needs, the contractor shall arrange for alternative methods to accomplish necessary delivery.

##### 4.7.3.2 Word Processing (WP) Services

The contractor shall be required to provide continuing WP and related services for the staff located at the SDC facility. Specific instructions will be provided with each request for WP support (e.g., source of the material, style, desired completion

date). These types of services shall be accomplished in accordance with the U.S. Government Printing Office Style Manual.

This support shall be hardware and software compatible with existing Agency WP equipment without the need for conversion or, if converted, without the loss of imbedded formats, fonts, and codes.

#### 4.7.3.3 Facsimile Services

The contractor shall be required, on a continuing basis, to provide the capability for and operation of facsimile transmission equipment at the SDC facility for staff use on official contract-related business.

#### 4.7.3.4 Decision Support System

The contractor may be required to provide the PO and Technical Manager with same-day access to detailed data, information, statistics or reports concerning the technical, operational, cost, EPA-supplied or purchased hardware and software, and managerial aspects of all on-going contract activities through both manual and automated means. When required, this type of data shall be available for both the contract as a whole and for all individual delivery orders.

#### 4.7.3.5 Publication and Reproduction

The contractor may be required to prepare, type, draft, technically write, design graphics, operate and maintain plotters, and reproduce manuals, reports, or other documentation needed by the SDC staff. The contractor may also be required to produce and disseminate pamphlets, overheads, visual aids, and other presentation support materials required by personnel at the SDC facility.

The contractor shall conform to limits established by the Government Printing and Binding Regulations regarding all printing and duplication. Within those established limits, the contractor shall provide these services without resort to the use of similar Government services (e.g., the EPA copy centers and the Government Printing Office) unless specifically authorized by delivery order or contract modification.

#### 4.7.3.6 Meeting and Seminar Coordination

The contractor may be required to plan, coordinate, prepare materials, and provide on-site management of and acquire space for SDC-sponsored meetings, workshops, seminars, JAD sessions and system's user groups.

#### 4.7.3.7 Contractor Acquired Equipment

In addition to present or future government furnished equipment, the contractor shall be required to supply any hardware required to ensure effective SDC computer and telecommunications service. The EPA will be responsible for procuring all major computing systems and/or subsystems (e.g., mainframe central processors, disk subsystems, tape subsystems, tape drives, disk drives and major telecommunications facilities).

The contractor may be required to procure computing equipment (e.g., computers, modems, plotters, terminals, protocol converters, and data switches). The total cost of this equipment will not equal or exceed \$2,500,000 over the life of the contract.

All equipment purchased as a direct charge under this contract becomes the property of the EPA and shall be returned to the EPA upon contract completion.

When in the best interest of the government, the contractor may be authorized by the CO to lease ADP equipment as a direct cost under the contract.

#### 4.7.3.8 Contractor Acquired Software

The contractor may be required to acquire commercial application and/or system software to support specific delivery orders. CO direction will be in the form of a written delivery order or delivery order modification.

The total cost of this software will not equal or exceed \$1,000,000 over the life of the contract. This contract limit includes contractor proposed and government initiated software. Title, if available, to all software shall vest in the government.

The contractor may also be required to obtain licensing agreements allowing states, other federal agencies, and other EPA-authorized users having access to the EPA's computing facilities to use such software.

#### 4.7.4 IRM Technical Library Space

The contractor-furnished SDC facility shall include a minimum of 200 square feet of office space to house an IRM Technical Library containing technical and professional reference books, monographs, periodicals, project documentation, and other publications on various media as appropriate to support the mission of the SDC and



associated staff. The contractor may be required to provide furnishings and equipment for the technical library.

#### 4.8 Miscellaneous Requirements

##### 4.8.1 Phase-In Planning

The phase-in of this contract shall be accomplished in two parts. In the first part, the contractor shall prepare two detailed proposals for the site of the Systems Development Center facility and, subsequent to a decision by EPA on the preferred location, prepare a complete project plan addressing the phase-in requirements detailed in Attachment E and a project plan for the Development and Maintenance Methodology Group.

The contractor shall prepare a minimum of two site proposals for the Systems Development Center. Any proposal submitted should propose a location within the Washington Metropolitan Area that can be provided at a cost within the ceiling suggested by the government's estimate of Other Direct Costs when the SDC is fully staffed at the levels detailed in the government's estimated man-hour requirements (Section 8.0 of the Statement of Work). Each site must also be able to comply with the requirements stated in the Phase-In Requirements document (Attachment E of the Statement of Work). It is in the government's interest to reduce travel costs and to locate the SDC as close as possible to EPA client offices. As a result, one of the two proposed sites should optimize facility location by proposing a site as close as possible to an existing EPA Headquarters facility or the route of existing transportation services linking these same facilities. The second proposal should consider location secondary to cost and should propose a site that will cost less than the site that attempted to optimize location.

Each proposal shall provide for a SDC facility to house approximately twenty (20) contractor employees and ten (10) EPA employees at the time the SDC facility is established. Each site should allow for growth to fifty (50) contractor employees within the first six (6) months of operation if such space is required. If possible, each site should be able to allow growth to accommodate approximately two hundred (200) contractor employees, should such space be required during contract performance.

In addition, each proposed site shall provide approximately 200 square feet of space for the technical library and approximately 400 square feet for a conference room that can serve for JRP and JAD sessions when required. The conference room should be located in space provided for EPA employees. The technical library should be located in space provided for contractor staff.

The project plans required in part one of the phase-in shall follow project plan guidelines provided to the contractor by the MOSES Project Officer at the time of contract award.

In the second part of phase-in, the contractor shall implement the EPA approved plans for contract and facility phase-in and for the DMMG. The contractor shall attempt to achieve an efficient, coordinated, and orderly phase-in that will have a minimum adverse effect on any on-going projects.

#### 4.8.2 Phase-Out Planning

Upon notification by the CO that the EPA plans NOT to exercise its option to renew this contract, or within six (6) months of the end of the final option period of performance, the contractor shall prepare a Phase-Out Plan for review and acceptance by the EPA and, upon direction from the CO, shall proceed to implement that plan.

#### 4.8.3 Hours of Operation

Unless otherwise directed by the EPA's CO, the contractor shall provide support to cover "normal work hours" as established and set by the EPA sites supported by individual delivery orders. The contractor may be required to establish a staggered SDC work schedule to meet this requirement.

#### 4.8.4 Security

The contractor may be required to develop and conduct risk assessments and implement IRM-related data and physical security procedures. Risk assessments and security procedures shall conform to Agency and Federal regulations, policies, and procedures.

##### 4.8.4.1 Privacy Act

The contractor may be required to review, distribute, and collect information subject to disclosure restrictions based on the Privacy Act of 1974 (FAR 52.224-2 PRIVACY ACT (APR 1984)). EPA and contractor use of this information is controlled by written policy and procedure, including the Privacy Act notice (FAR 52.224-1 PRIVACY ACT NOTIFICATION (APR 1984)) published in the Federal Register and instructions appearing in various EPA publications. The contractor shall enforce policies and procedures for handling and safeguarding sensitive information, and provide sufficient training to ensure employee compliance.

##### 4.8.4.2 Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)/Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)

The contractor shall institute and maintain security measures for staff and activities under this contract in support of TSCA and FIFRA-related delivery orders. In addition, procedures in sections 4.8.4.2.1 through 4.8.4.2.4 may also be required before initiation of contract activities by the contractor and contractor personnel assigned to a TSCA or FIFRA project.

#### 4.8.4.2.1 Preemployment Reference Check

The contractor shall, as required, investigate the background history of its prospective employees and execute the appropriate documents attesting to that background investigation. This requirement includes those employees currently employed by the incumbent and recruited for employment under this contract.

#### 4.8.4.2.2 Nondisclosure Statement

Each contractor employee working on a TSCA or FIFRA-related delivery order shall receive a security briefing by the TSCA or FIFRA Security Office no less than annually, and shall sign a statement concurring with the specifics of the TSCA or FIFRA security procedures regulations. The statement will be furnished by the TSCA or FIFRA Security Officer. Certain contractor employees may also be required to complete a financial disclosure statement due to the nature of material to be handled during execution of a delivery order task. Upon completion of all TSCA or FIFRA-related delivery order tasks, or upon employee termination, employees shall be required to complete the EPA's Confidentiality Agreement for Contractor Employees Upon Relinquishing TSCA CBI Access Authority, Form 7740-18 (1/86) or the FIFRA Confidentiality Agreement For Termination/Transfer as appropriate. The completed form shall be furnished by, and returned to, either the TSCA or FIFRA Security Officer.

#### 4.8.4.2.3 Specified Security Procedures

The contractor shall be required to develop, initiate, and maintain security procedures related to the physical area which the contractor occupies, to include, but not limited to, locked file cabinets or safes; document or file markings and covers; access authorization; logs; transportation and use of documents and other data media within a secure environment; disposition of excess or working material no longer needed; and nondisclosure of information. These procedures shall be developed in close cooperation with, and be approved by, the TSCA and/or FIFRA Security Officer as appropriate.

The contractor shall provide a copy of such approved security procedures to all contractor and EPA staff no less than five (5) working days prior to initial commencement of activity under a TSCA

or FIFRA delivery order.

#### 4.8.4.2.4 Access List

The contractor shall be required to maintain a current list of all individuals authorized access to TSCA/FIFRA Confidential Business Information (CBI). The original access list and all updates shall be provided to the TSCA and/or FIFRA Security Officer as appropriate.

The contractor shall also maintain a current list of all individuals authorized access to SDC and/or to the EPA SDC workspace.

#### 5.0 Ordering

The EPA will order services and products under this contract only through issuance of written, CO-signed delivery orders. These delivery orders will have specifically defined statements-of-work and delivery schedules. The contractor shall be obligated to perform under each delivery order and to deliver all services and products within each delivery order's delivery schedule. Timing and size of delivery orders cannot be predicted, and there is no assurance of a steady work stream. Delivery orders will be issued on an as-needed basis, and will be on an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity Award Fee, Completion basis with a negotiated contract ceiling price.

The contractor shall prepare detailed operational project plans for each delivery order service and/or product. Plans shall include, but are not limited to, milestones, data on resource use, proposed labor mix, and specification of contractor-provided internal management oversight.

The contractor shall, upon PO approval of a project plan, provide a level of management to ensure realization of all objectives. This includes advising the PO, and interested EPA employees and representatives of other EPA contractors of action necessary on their part to achieve these objectives.

The contractor may submit written suggestions for modification(s) to issued delivery orders under this contract. Such written suggestions shall be submitted to the DOPO for review. If the EPA concurs with the suggested change(s), the CO will issue a formal written delivery order modification. Under no circumstances will contractor action related to such submissions be authorized before the issuance of a CO-signed modification.

#### 6.0 General Contractor Responsibilities

## 6.1 General Requirements

The contractor shall perform various tasks and services specified in individual delivery order SOWs. These tasks and services may include, but are not limited to:

- o Attending meetings with OIRM and program office personnel to discuss project requirements
- o Travel to the EPA Regional Offices and Laboratories or other designated remote sites as required by specific projects
- o Providing technical consultation services to OIRM and program office personnel to review and analyze existing systems, to discuss alternative approaches to projects, and to provide other technical guidance and instructions as appropriate
- o Review of technical literature, system documentation, and management reports required to effectively conduct SDC business

## 6.2 Contractor Briefings

### 6.2.1 Quarterly PO Briefing

The contractor shall present a quarterly briefing to the PO. This briefing shall focus on overall contract administrative procedures, management and technical issues; overall contract management and utilization of technical resources, including forecasts of technical resource requirements; and on the same areas for individual contract delivery orders.

### 6.2.2 Additional Briefings

The EPA may require additional briefings for selected EPA management personnel and special interest groups to review contract performance relative to particular technical subject areas and/or delivery orders, and to provide a forum to discuss opportunities for technology transfer and sharing of common resources for development of required IRM systems.

## 6.3 Basic Administrative Support

Basic administrative support includes contract administration, the issuance of standard reports, and overall administrative management. The contractor shall establish control mechanisms and internal policies and procedures which shall prevent duplication of effort, enhance development and operational economies of scale, and

encourage the efficient utilization of resources and expertise in support of all delivery orders. The contractor shall maintain and enforce these policies and procedures, report to the PO on their application to delivery orders, and ensure their continual application and review during each delivery order life cycle.

#### 6.4 Contractor Personnel

##### 6.4.1 Key Personnel

Certain senior professional and managerial contractor personnel considered essential for successful contractor performance are referred to as "Key Personnel" as identified in the section of this contract entitled Definition Of Labor Classifications. These "Key Personnel" shall demonstrate an understanding of the EPA's organization and organizational methodology and must also have a demonstrable ability to manage contractor activities at the EPA Headquarters, Regional Offices, and Laboratories nationwide.

##### 6.4.2 Qualifications

All contractor personnel performing under this contract shall meet the minimum requirements for the applicable contract labor category and must be acceptable to the EPA in the areas of personal and professional expertise and conduct. The contractor shall submit individual resumes attesting that proposed personnel meet the minimum requirements stated in the contractor's EPA-accepted delivery order proposal. The DOPO will review resumes for all contractor-proposed staff related to his/her delivery order. The DOPO will send all acceptable resumes to the PO for concurrence and forwarding to the CO for formal, written approval. The contractor shall not assign any key personnel staff to this contract and/or delivery orders issued under this contract until written CO approval for that staff is issued.

All contractor personnel are required to speak, read, and write in English at a level commensurate with the type of position held.

The contractor is responsible for ensuring the level of support provided is adequate for efficient and effective delivery order administration. Contractor staffing problems are not justification for failure to meet established contract or delivery order schedules and could result in contract termination for default.

Within all labor categories, documented related experience may be substituted for education at the following rates:

- o one year of related experience may be substituted for the successful completion of an accredited technical or trade

school directly related to the applicable labor category (the technical or trade school course must have been no less than a six month course)

- o one year of related experience may be substituted for one year of undergraduate college education directly related to the applicable labor category
- o two years of related experience may be substituted for one year of graduate college education directly related to the applicable labor category. A Master's degree is counted as two years of graduate education. A Ph.D. is counted as a Master's degree plus two years of graduate education, but these two years of additional graduate level education may be substituted for experience only if the education is in a discipline applicable to the appropriate labor category, and from an accredited institution. Furthermore, no more than two years of graduate level education may be substituted for experience under any circumstances. Therefore, the maximum number of years of applicable and relevant graduate level education that could be substituted for experience is four (4).

#### 6.4.3 Assignment

The contractor shall assign one (1) Program Manager (PM) with a designated backup, and as many Assistant Program Managers (APM) and site managers as necessary to support the PM in overall contract management and to manage individual delivery orders. These individuals are considered "Key Personnel" and shall not be subcontractor personnel unless approved by the Contracting Officer in writing.

The contractor's PM shall manage this contract's performance full-time, may not serve in any other capacity under this or any other contract, and shall be located at the SDC.

The contractor shall assign additional key personnel as required by individual delivery orders, listing such persons in the delivery order operational project plan. These additional key personnel may include, but are not limited to, any Level A3 or A2 personnel, any level P4 or P3 personnel, and any Level M3 personnel.

The contractor shall provide resumes for all additional personnel assigned to specific delivery order key positions as a part of the applicable delivery order operational project plan. These key personnel must be available for full-time assignment to the applicable delivery order for not less than six (6) months from the effective date of the delivery order or for the life of the delivery order,

whichever is the shorter period.

#### 6.4.4 Training

The contractors' personnel shall maintain expertise in state-of-the-art IRM-related technology including, but not limited to, work functions and skills required by this contract. The contractor shall ensure this level of expertise through various methods (e.g., formal training and seminars). All training shall be paid for by the contractor unless the EPA specifically grants prior approval to meet special needs peculiar to a particular delivery order.

The contractor shall provide supervisory training to new supervisors to ensure they are qualified to perform their jobs.

The contractor shall make appropriate management and staff available for Agency-sponsored/conducted training. The primary purpose of this training will be to develop and maintain adequate knowledge (institutional memory) of EPA-wide and individual program office structure, function, and operation necessary to provide continuity between and coordination among individual delivery orders.

#### 6.4.5 Restrictions and Standards of Conduct

The contractor and its employees, during periods paid for by the EPA, and/or while on the EPA premises, shall conduct only business covered by this contract. Contractor personnel shall abide by normal rules and regulations applicable to any Government premises on which they work, including safety and security regulations and any measures necessary to verify contractor labor hours. Contractor employees assigned to this contract shall not solicit business that may be within the scope of this contract without prior PO approval. This restriction is not intended to restrict submission of contractor written suggested modifications to issued delivery orders (See Section 5.0).

#### 6.4.6 Other Considerations

Should the continued assignment of any contractor personnel to this contract be deemed by the CO, PO, DOPO, or Technical Manager to conflict with the interests of the Government, such personnel shall be immediately removed from the assignment and appropriate steps taken to replace him/her (See Sections 6.4.1 through 6.4.3). The reason for removal shall be fully documented in writing by the CO or PO with copies to the contractor.

Employment and staffing difficulties shall not justify contractor failure to meet the delivery order delivery schedules.

#### 6.5 Subcontracting



Subcontracts may be issued during the life of this contract. The contractor shall submit proposed subcontracts through the PO to the CO for written approval prior to issuance.

#### 7.0 Contractor/EPA Management Relationships

The EPA recognizes three (3) levels of management responsibility in this contract:

- o Contract Performance Management
- o Delivery Order Performance Management
- o Technical Performance Management

Each of these management levels shall be the responsibility of a single individual representing the contractor, or a single individual representing the EPA. The intent is to promote the greatest interchange of information at each management level, allow problem resolution at the lowest management level, promote maximum utilization and efficiency of contractor resources at all management levels, and to avoid confusion in the interpretation of contract and delivery order conditions.

#### 7.1 Contract Performance Management

The contractor's PM shall be the sole individual (with a designated backup) responsible for all facets of the contract and associated delivery orders. This responsibility shall include, but is not limited to, contract and delivery order reporting, invoicing, and milestone tracking. The PM's primary EPA-contact is the DOPO, although the PM may contact the PO and/or CO directly.

The DOPO will report problems to the PO in any PM/APM(s) responsibility area which is unable to be resolved through the PM. The PO, if unable to resolve a DOPO-reported contractor problem, will report the problem to the CO for final resolution.

#### 7.2 Delivery Order Performance Management

Contractor APM(s) shall be responsible for day-to-day management of individual delivery orders and shall report to the PM. This responsibility shall include, but is not limited to, maintaining a close communication with the PM and EPA DOPO, PO, TM, and CO; and delivery order reporting, invoicing, and milestone tracking. The APM(s) primary EPA-contact is the DOPO, although the APM(s) may contact the PO and/or CO directly. The DOPO will review and submit, through the PO, all project plans for delivery orders within his/her assigned area of responsibility to the CO for

approval. If the plan is determined to be unacceptable, the CO, PO, DOPO and the Contractor will discuss and agree on revisions needed for approval. The contractor shall, upon written CO notification of Project Plan approval, begin performance of delivery order required services in accordance with the approved plan. If approval requires changes requiring formal delivery order modification, such modification(s) shall be clearly identified. Work is not authorized until the DOPO has prepared the modification(s), the PO has forwarded the modification(s) to the CO for review, approval, and issuance, and the CO has formally issued the requested modification(s) in writing.

### 7.3 Technical Performance Management

The contractor shall designate a single individual, with a designated backup, as the expert on the technical labor specialties defined in this contract. This individual shall be the principal point-of-contact identified by the PM or APM(s) whenever the EPA Technical Manager and/or DOPO needs assistance in efforts to define and interpret the labor specialties for individual delivery orders, to resolve interpretation conflicts, or to reach mutual understanding of the technical requirements of this contract and its associated delivery orders.

### 8.0 Estimated Man-Hours Requirements

The Government estimates that the following man-hours of management and technical support will be required to perform the work specified herein in each of the contract periods of performance. This estimate is furnished for the purpose of providing additional information to the Statement of Work. During contract performance the Government may deviate from the estimated hours provided for any labor category including the total estimated hours per contract period. The Contractor may not exceed the contract ceiling amount established in Clause B.2, ESTIMATED COST, BASE FEE AND AWARD FEE for each contract period.

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# APPENDIX C

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Appendix C contains the following under the MOSES contract:

- Labor Categories
- Labor Classifications and Definitions

# NOTES

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# LABOR CATEGORIES

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Level	Base
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	280
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	560
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	-
Operations Supv	-
Admin Assistant	280
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	120
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	560
Systems Analyst	-
Programmer	-
Systems Designer	-
Network Specialist	280
DBM Systems Specialist	140
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	-
Programmer	-
Systems Designer	-
Network Specialist	120
DBM Systems Specialist	-
IRM Training Specialist	-
Technical Writer	-
Meeting Facilitator	-
Tech Information Specialist	-
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	120
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	-
Programmer	-
Systems Designer	-
Network Specialist	-
DBM Systems Specialist	-
IRM Training Specialist	-
Tech Writer	-
Tech Information Specialist	-
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	-

P1-Junior Technician	-
Programmer	-
Network Specialist	-
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	-
S3-Senior Operations Support	-
Computer Operator	-
Document Abstractor	-
Document Indexer	-
Microfilm Specialist	-
S2-Mid Operations Support	-
Computer Operator	-
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	-
Microfilm Equipment Operator	-
WP Operator	200
Data Analyst	-
S1-Junior Operations Support	-
Computer Operator	-
Data Entry Operator	-
Document Control Clerk	-
WP Operator	160
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	-
Sr Statistician	-
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	-
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	-
Statistician	-
Scientific Info Sys Spec	-
Total Labor (Base Period)	2,820



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Level	Option Year I
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	8,085
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	10,672
Operations Supv	3,557
Admin Assistant	3,557
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	8,085
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	16,979
Systems Analyst	16,979
Programmer	6,791
Systems Designer	13,583
Network Specialist	6,791
DBM Systems Specialist	6,791
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	13,098
Programmer	13,098
Systems Designer	13,098
Network Specialist	4,366
DBM Systems Specialist	13,098
IRM Training Specialist	8,732
Technical Writer	8,732
Meeting Facilitator	4,366
Tech Information Specialist	4,366
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	4,366
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	2,426
Programmer	9,702
Systems Designer	2,426
Network Specialist	7,277
DBM Systems Specialist	7,277
IRM Training Specialist	4,851
Tech Writer	4,851
Tech Information Specialist	4,851
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	4,851

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	10,349
Network Specialist	2,587
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	12,936
S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	9,702
Document Abstractor	3,881
Document Indexer	3,881
Microfilm Specialist	1,940
S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	2,587
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	1,940
Microfilm Equipment Operator	1,940
WP Operator	3,881
Data Analyst	2,587
S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	647
Data Entry Operator	1,940
Document Control Clerk	1,940
WP Operator	1,940
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	4,851
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	4,851
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	4,851
Scientific Info Sys Spec	4,851
Total Labor (Option Period I)	323,744

Level	Option Year II
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	9,310
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	12,289
Operations Supv	4,096
Admin Assistant	4,096
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	9,310
P4-Senior Technician	
Systems Engineering Expert	19,551
Systems Analyst	19,551
Programmer	7,820
Systems Designer	15,641
Network Specialist	7,820
DBM Systems Specialist	7,820
P3-Journeyman Technician	
Systems Analyst	15,082
Programmer	15,082
Systems Designer	15,082
Network Specialist	5,027
DBM Systems Specialist	15,082
IRM Training Specialist	10,055
Technical Writer	10,055
Meeting Facilitator	5,027
Tech Information Specialist	5,027
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,027
P2-Mid Technician	
Systems Analyst	2,793
Programmer	11,172
Systems Designer	2,793
Network Specialist	8,379
DBM Systems Specialist	8,379
IRM Training Specialist	5,586
Tech Writer	5,586
Tech Information Specialist	5,586
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,586

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	11,917
Network Specialist	2,979
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	14,896
S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	11,172
Document Abstractor	4,469
Document Indexer	4,469
Microfilm Specialist	2,234
S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	2,979
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	2,234
Microfilm Equipment Operator	2,234
WP Operator	4,469
Data Analyst	2,979
S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	745
Data Entry Operator	2,234
Document Control Clerk	2,234
WP Operator	2,234
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	5,586
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,586
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	5,586
Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,586
Total Labor (Option Period II)	372,492

Level	Option Year III
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	9,800
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	12,936
Operations Supv	4,312
Admin Assistant	4,312
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	9,800
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	20,580
Systems Analyst	20,580
Programmer	8,232
Systems Designer	16,464
Network Specialist	8,232
DBM Systems Specialist	8,232
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	15,876
Programmer	15,876
Systems Designer	15,876
Network Specialist	5,292
DBM Systems Specialist	15,876
IRM Training Specialist	10,584
Technical Writer	10,584
Meeting Facilitator	5,292
Tech Information Specialist	5,292
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,292
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	2,940
Programmer	11,760
Systems Designer	2,940
Network Specialist	8,820
DBM Systems Specialist	8,820
IRM Training Specialist	5,880
Tech Writer	5,880
Tech Information Specialist	5,880
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,880

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	12,544
Network Specialist	3,136
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	15,680
S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	11,760
Document Abstractor	4,704
Document Indexer	4,704
Microfilm Specialist	2,352
S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	3,136
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	2,352
Microfilm Equipment Operator	2,352
WP Operator	4,704
Data Analyst	3,136
S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	784
Data Entry Operator	2,352
Document Control Clerk	2,352
WP Operator	2,352
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	5,880
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	5,880
Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
Total Labor (Option Period III)	392,000

Level	Option Year IV
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	9,800
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	12,936
Operations Supv	4,312
Admin Assistant	4,312
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	9,800
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	20,580
Systems Analyst	20,580
Programmer	8,232
Systems Designer	16,464
Network Specialist	8,232
DBM Systems Specialist	8,232
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	15,876
Programmer	15,876
Systems Designer	15,876
Network Specialist	5,292
DBM Systems Specialist	15,876
IRM Training Specialist	10,584
Technical Writer	10,584
Meeting Facilitator	5,292
Tech Information Specialist	5,292
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,292
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	2,940
Programmer	11,760
Systems Designer	2,940
Network Specialist	8,820
DBM Systems Specialist	8,820
IRM Training Specialist	5,880
Tech Writer	5,880
Tech Information Specialist	5,880
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,880

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	12,544
Network Specialist	3,136
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	15,680
S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	11,760
Document Abstractor	4,704
Document Indexer	4,704
Microfilm Specialist	2,352
S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	3,136
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	2,352
Microfilm Equipment Operator	2,352
WP Operator	4,704
Data Analyst	3,136
S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	784
Data Entry Operator	2,352
Document Control Clerk	2,352
WP Operator	2,352
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	5,880
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	5,880
Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
Total Labor (Option Period IV)	392,000



Level	Option Year V
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	9,800
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	12,936
Operations Supv	4,312
Admin Assistant	4,312
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	9,800
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	20,580
Systems Analyst	20,580
Programmer	8,232
Systems Designer	16,464
Network Specialist	8,232
DBM Systems Specialist	8,232
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	15,876
Programmer	15,876
Systems Designer	15,876
Network Specialist	5,292
DBM Systems Specialist	15,876
IRM Training Specialist	10,584
Technical Writer	10,584
Meeting Facilitator	5,292
Tech Information Specialist	5,292
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,292
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	2,940
Programmer	11,760
Systems Designer	2,940
Network Specialist	8,820
DBM Systems Specialist	8,820
IRM Training Specialist	5,880
Tech Writer	5,880
Tech Information Specialist	5,880
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,880

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	12,544
Network Specialist	3,136
Equip Inst/Logis. Support Tech	15,680
S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	11,760
Document Abstractor	4,704
Document Indexer	4,704
Microfilm Specialist	2,352
S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	3,136
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	2,352
Microfilm Equipment Operator	2,352
WP Operator	4,704
Data Analyst	3,136
S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	784
Data Entry Operator	2,352
Document Control Clerk	2,352
WP Operator	2,352
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	5,880
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	5,880
Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
Total Labor (Option Period V)	392,000

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Level	Option Year VI
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	9,800
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	12,936
Operations Supv	4,312
Admin Assistant	4,312
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	9,800
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	20,580
Systems Analyst	20,580
Programmer	8,232
Systems Designer	16,464
Network Specialist	8,232
DBM Systems Specialist	8,232
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	15,876
Programmer	15,876
Systems Designer	15,876
Network Specialist	5,292
DBM Systems Specialist	15,876
IRM Training Specialist	10,584
Technical Writer	10,584
Meeting Facilitator	5,292
Tech Information Specialist	5,292
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,292
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	2,940
Programmer	11,760
Systems Designer	2,940
Network Specialist	8,820
DBM Systems Specialist	8,820
IRM Training Specialist	5,880
Tech Writer	5,880
Tech Information Specialist	5,880
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,880

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	12,544
Network Specialist	3,136
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	15,680
 S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	11,760
Document Abstractor	4,704
Document Indexer	4,704
Microfilm Specialist	2,352
 S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	3,136
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	2,352
Microfilm Equipment Operator	2,352
WP Operator	4,704
Data Analyst	3,136
 S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	784
Data Entry Operator	2,352
Document Control Clerk	2,352
WP Operator	2,352
 M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	5,880
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
 M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	5,880
Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,880
 Total Labor (Option Period VI)	392,000

Level	Option Year VII
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	1,960
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	8,820
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	11,642
Operations Supv	3,881
Admin Assistant	3,881
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	8,820
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	18,522
Systems Analyst	18,522
Programmer	7,409
Systems Designer	14,818
Network Specialist	7,409
DBM Systems Specialist	7,409
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	14,288
Programmer	14,288
Systems Designer	14,288
Network Specialist	4,763
DBM Systems Specialist	14,288
IRM Training Specialist	9,526
Technical Writer	9,526
Meeting Facilitator	4,763
Tech Information Specialist	4,763
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	4,763
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	2,646
Programmer	10,584
Systems Designer	2,646
Network Specialist	7,938
DBM Systems Specialist	7,938
IRM Training Specialist	5,292
Tech Writer	5,292
Tech Information Specialist	5,292
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	5,292

P1-Junior Technician	
Programmer	11,290
Network Specialist	2,822
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	14,112
S3-Senior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	10,584
Document Abstractor	4,234
Document Indexer	4,234
Microfilm Specialist	2,117
S2-Mid Operations Support	
Computer Operator	2,822
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	2,117
Microfilm Equipment Operator	2,117
WP Operator	4,234
Data Analyst	2,822
S1-Junior Operations Support	
Computer Operator	706
Data Entry Operator	2,117
Document Control Clerk	2,117
WP Operator	2,117
M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized	
Sr Statistician	5,292
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,292
M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized	
Statistician	5,292
Scientific Info Sys Spec	5,292
Total Labor (Option Period VII)	352,999
TOTAL LABOR HOURS (ALL PERIODS)	2,642,715

Level	Phase Out
A4-Senior Administration Program Manager	210
A3-High-Mid Administration Asst Prog Manager	1,400
A2- Middle Administration Tech Proj Leader	1,764
Operations Supv	588
Admin Assistant	308
A1- Administrative Support Admin Assistant	1,350
P4-Senior Technician Systems Engineering Expert	910
Systems Analyst	1,470
Programmer	588
Systems Designer	1,176
Network Specialist	208
DBM Systems Specialist	448
P3-Journeyman Technician Systems Analyst	588
Programmer	588
Systems Designer	588
Network Specialist	76
DBM Systems Specialist	588
IRM Training Specialist	392
Technical Writer	392
Meeting Facilitator	196
Tech Information Specialist	196
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	76
P2-Mid Technician Systems Analyst	98
Programmer	392
Systems Designer	98
Network Specialist	294
DBM Systems Specialist	294
IRM Training Specialist	196
Tech Writer	196
Tech Information Specialist	196
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	196

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<b>P1-Junior Technician</b>	
Programmer	784
Network Specialist	196
Equip Inst/Logis Support Tech	980

<b>S3-Senior Operations Support</b>	
Computer Operator	490
Document Abstractor	196
Document Indexer	196
Microfilm Specialist	98

<b>S2-Mid Operations Support</b>	
Computer Operator	196
Computer Disk/Tape Librarian	147
Microfilm Equipment Operator	147
WP Operator	94
Data Analyst	196

<b>S1-Junior Operations Support</b>	
Computer Operator	98
Data Entry Operator	294
Document Control Clerk	294
WP Operator	134

<b>M3-Sr Scientific/Specialized</b>	
Sr Statistician	490
Sr Scientific Info Sys Spec	490

<b>M2-Mid Scientific/Specialized</b>	
Statistician	490
Scientific Info Sys Spec	490

<b>Total Labor (Phase Out Period)</b>	<b>22,660</b>
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# LABOR CLASSIFICATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

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Attachment C (Rev. 1)

## DEFINITION OF LABOR CLASSIFICATIONS

### 1. Introduction

The labor classifications below are divided into four groups with each group subdivided into several levels. The four groups are Administration, Technical Expertise, Operations Support, and Scientific/Specialized. Within each group, one or all levels are subdivided into labor categories. Labor categories in any given level should all be costed-out the same.

Offerors shall use the following labor classifications in preparing their technical proposals and shall use the levels for preparing their cost proposals. However, labor classifications are not confined to those described below.

#### 1.1 Level A4 - Senior Administration

**Education - A master's degree from an accredited graduate school.**

##### 1.1.1. Program Manager.

**Work Experience - Minimum of fifteen years of progressive software engineering experience. This experience shall include a minimum of five years experience in supervision and management of substantive software engineering projects, preferably including the use of the Information Engineering Methodology™, automated productivity tools, rigorous quality assurance and testing practices, configuration management, and project measurement and estimation techniques. The required experience shall also include a minimum of two years experience managing large, complex software engineering installations or projects with geographically dispersed staffs.**

**Duties - The contractor shall appoint one contract Program Manager who shall be the contractor's single authorized point-of-contact for discussion of EPA requirements and resolution of contractual problems involving the basic contract or individual delivery orders issued under the contract. These contractual problems include, but are not limited to, technical performance, facility problems, quality of products, apparent errors, potential and actual disputes, and invoicing and payment problems.**

**Responsibilities include organization, direction, and coordination of planning and production of all contractor activities. The Program Manager shall supervise contractor personnel assigned to this contract and oversee other managers in their management of individual delivery orders.**

The Program Manager shall be primarily responsible for directing all SDC technical operations. The Program Manager shall manage the implementation of the SDC ensuring that all work is performed in accordance with the methods and procedures described in the Statement of Work and in accordance with methods, procedures, guidelines and standards adopted by the SDC as directed by EPA. The Program Manager will be responsible for all aspects of technical management and administration of the SDC.

The Program Manager shall be responsible for all business, cost containment and accounting activities for the contract and shall be chiefly responsible for operating the SDC facility and any satellite facilities as described in the SOW. The Program Manager shall be responsible for providing costing and cost control and containment advice to other SDC managers.

The Program Manager must be located at the SDC, may not serve in any other capacity under the contract, and shall be available to manage contract performance full-time. The Program Manager shall not be subcontracted personnel, must be available for assignment to this contract on its effective date, and must remain in the position a minimum of six months.

The Program Manager must demonstrate an ability to communicate orally and in writing with all levels of management and be able to interface with EPA management, personnel, and EPA Program Office representatives.

The Program Manager formulates and reviews project plans and costs; ensures contractor personnel conform to established contract work standards; assigns, schedules, and reviews work of subordinates; and also interprets EPA policy, purpose and goals for subordinates.

The Program Manager shall have the authority to negotiate for, and make binding decisions on behalf of, the contractor.

## **1.2 Level A3 - High-Mid Administration**

**Education - Minimum of a Bachelor's degree from an accredited graduate school.**

### **1.2.1 Assistant Program Manager**

**Work Experience - Minimum of twelve years of progressive software engineering experience. This experience shall include a minimum of three years experience in supervision and management of substantive software engineering projects, preferably including the use of the Information Engineering Methodology™, automated productivity tools, rigorous quality assurance and testing practices, configuration**

management, and project measurement and estimation techniques.

**Duties** - The contractor shall appoint one or more Assistant Program Managers to assist the Program Manager in managing specific, broad areas of contractor effort; serve as group leaders where a group consists of two or more project or work teams; plan and direct SDC projects, including all phases and components of systems engineering work; schedule and assign duties to subordinates; interface with EPA management and Program Office personnel; and submit status reports orally and in writing to contractor and EPA management.

In directing and managing SDC projects, Assistant Program Managers will be responsible for the provision of timely and comprehensive project plans to EPA management and for the well-managed implementation of such plans. The Assistant Program Manager shall implement practices and procedures which ensure consistent usage of standards, methods, techniques, QA/QC, configuration management, project estimation and measurement, scheduling, management, documentation, evaluation and improvement. Assistant Program Managers will manage the use of resources across projects such that project skill needs are fully met and staff skills are wisely deployed, ensuring the success of SDC projects while achieving cost containment where possible. Assistant Program Managers are also responsible for promoting environmental information sharing within the systems engineering projects conducted by the SDC.

### 1.3 Level A2 - Middle Administration

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

#### 1.3.1 Technical Project Leader

**Work Experience** - Minimum of ten years experience as a systems engineering technician such as a systems analyst, systems designer, data base management system specialist. Up to the first three years of systems engineering experience can be as a programmer. At least two of the last three years shall demonstrate experience in managing a team composed of systems engineering specialists such as systems analysts, systems designers, data base management system specialists and programmers. Work performed and/or supervised preferably includes the use of the Information Engineering Methodology™, automated productivity tools, rigorous quality assurance and testing practices, configuration management, and project measurement and estimation techniques.

**Duties** - The Technical Project Leader (TPL) manages and directs technical project teams in performing SDC delivery order work. The

TPL provides technical leadership and guidance to subordinate technical and support contractor personnel. The TPL meets with EPA officials to discuss and analyze management, technical and business issues related to proposed or ongoing SDC delivery order projects.

The TPL must develop work plans and related schedules using state-of-the-art project estimating, planning and managing techniques as approved by EPA. The TPL must work with a variety of scientific and business requirements.

#### 1.3.2 Operations Supervisor

**Work Experience** - A minimum of ten years, two years of which shall have been within the last three years, experience in Information Resources Management (IRM) system operations, computer hardware operation and system trouble-shooting, including a minimum of one year of experience in the last two years supervising computer operators and related support staff.

**Duties** - The Operations Supervisor supervises computer operators and other operations staff, and is responsible for controlling computer hardware and other types of equipment such as microfilm equipment and image processing equipment. The Operations Supervisor is responsible for monitoring the operation of computer hardware and other equipment and peripheral devices for the SDC, including all equipment used by on-site EPA staff, and for the preparation and processing of data input/output. The Operations Supervisor establishes schedules for the production environment to obtain maximum usage of IRM equipment. He/she supervises any site preparation and installation of IRM equipment. He/she ensures that hardware malfunctions and error situations are dealt with rapidly and correctly to ensure that data is processed as required.

#### 1.3.3 Administrative Assistant

**Work Experience** - A minimum of ten years of professional accounting or financial activities with a minimum of three years of such experience in a large systems engineering environment or large data processing systems development organization.

**Duties** - The Administrative Assistant shall assist management in all business, cost containment and accounting activities for the contract and shall also assist management in operating the SDC facility and any satellite facilities as described in the SOW. The Administrative Assistant shall be responsible for providing costing and cost control and containment advice to other SDC managers. The Administrative Assistant shall supervise subordinate administrative and office staff.

**1.4 Level A1 - Administrative Support**

Education - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

**1.4.1 Administrative Assistant**

Work Experience - A minimum of four years of office administration experience including accounting or financial activities, with a minimum of one year of such experience in a large systems engineering environment or large data processing systems development organization.

Duties - The Administrative Assistant shall assist management in office administration, contract administration and facility operation activities for the contract. The Administrative Assistant shall be responsible for assisting management in providing costing and cost control and containment advice to other SDC managers.

**1.5 Level P4 - Senior Technician**

Education - A master's degree from an accredited college or university.

Work Experience -- A minimum of twelve years of progressive systems engineering or software development experience. This experience shall include a minimum of five years of substantial, demonstrated, journeyman level experience in at least one of the following areas: system planning, domain analysis, system design, database design, programming, software quality assurance, system testing or technical architecture design and implementation.

Skills required at this level include, but are not limited to, those listed in Section 4.5 of the SOW. Labor categories are discussed below and work experience for each labor category must include a minimum of five years specialized experience performing duties discussed for that category within the last seven years of experience. In addition, three out of the last five years must include specialized experience in two or more technical application skills (Section 4.5 of the SOW). The contractor must recognize that EPA's hardware and software environment is in a state of constant evolution and that technical skills that are not listed in the SOW may be required. In cases where such skills are in a very new area, a waiver for the three year experience requirement may be granted based on EPA's judgment of the reasonability of such a waiver.

The Network Specialist is the only exception in the P.4 level to the above work experience requirements; Network Specialist work

experience requirements are discussed in the Network Specialist description.

#### 1.5.1 Systems Engineering Expert

**Work Experience** - In addition to the general requirements listed for level P4, the Systems Engineering Expert must have a minimum of three years experience in substantive systems engineering projects. This experience must include direct and intensive involvement in the application of a recognized, systematic and disciplined methodology for system or software engineering and extensive use of computer assisted software engineering tools. Other software development experience is not a substitute for the three year requirement in this category.

**Duties** - The Systems Engineering Expert is responsible for advising SDC and EPA management and staff on all aspects of systems engineering, including but not limited to those listed in SOW Section 4.5. He/she provides expert advice, consultation and assistance in one or more of the four specialty areas listed above and applies such expertise to planning, management and evaluation of systems engineering projects. Formulates guidance, standard operating procedures and practices tailored to the SDC and to EPA relative to systems engineering and supporting automated tools, incorporating applicable FIPS standards and/or NIST guidance publications. Monitors the usage of these products and makes revisions as needed. Formulates plans and proposals for informing and training the SDC and the EPA in systems engineering methods, practices, techniques and tools. Serves as an active participant in selected system-engineering projects. Stays abreast of new systems engineering developments and industry and government experiences with major systems engineering efforts for the purpose of evaluating methods, techniques, tools and lessons learned for application at the SDC.

#### 1.5.2 Systems Analyst

**Duties** - Serves as the senior Systems Analyst in the planning and analysis phases of the system life cycle for major projects, providing expert skills in all aspects of these two phases. Prepares and delivers planning and analysis products for colleagues, team members and clients, reviews work products for correctness and provides consultation and advice to team members in planning and analysis matters. Coordinates closely with Systems Engineering Experts in using and evaluating systems engineering guidance, standard operating procedures and practices related to planning and analysis.

#### 1.5.3 Programmer



for level P4, the Programmer must have five years of the last seven specializing in developing detailed programming specifications, and programming, testing and debugging complex applications and/or systems programs. Must have experience in two of the last three years in an appropriate specialty area such as a specific high level language, a specific DBMS, graphics, image processing, or SQL.

**Duties** - The programmer develops complex, detailed program specifications based on program designs produced in the detailed technical design phase of the systems engineering life cycle. He/she verifies program specification and code correctness. He/she analyzes complex program designs, including software integration programs, for such factors as the type and extent of data to be transferred from storage units, data sorting, efficient and effective program modularization, and restart and recovery procedures both automated and manual. Supervises other programmers in a systems engineering project team performing large, complex integration projects, reviewing their work products for correctness and providing advice and assistance as needed. Designs, codes, tests and debugs system integration programs for importing and exporting information between CASE tools as needed. Provides detailed and clear documentation on all products.

#### 1.5.4 Systems Designer

**Duties** - Serves as the Senior Systems Designer during the design and development phases of the system life cycle for large complex projects, providing expert skills in all aspects of these two phases. Prepares and delivers design specifications and other appropriate products to colleagues, team members and clients, reviews work products for correctness and provides consultation and advice to team members in design and development matters. Coordinates closely with systems engineering experts in using and evaluating systems engineering guidance, standard operating procedures and practices related to design and development.

#### 1.5.5 Network Specialist

**Work Experience** - Must have a minimum of ten years in the telecommunications/networking field with two of the last three years in telecommunications management. Work experience must have demonstrated knowledge of federal regulations related to the procurement and administration of telecommunication services and equipment and experience in the management and operational requirements of voice and data telecommunications systems, services, and programs, including analysis techniques, and knowledge of the design, operation, and technical capabilities of major telecommunications

systems (includes private line switching, common control switching arrangements, message processing/switching systems, step switching, crossbar switching, and analog or digital computer-based electronics PBX systems). Work experience must have demonstrated competence to work in the highest levels of all phases of the IBM-based telecommunications and X.25 environments independently. Must have demonstrated work experience in Ethernet LAN and token-ring LAN connectivity.

**Duties** - Serves as the network supervisor for the SDC and is responsible for all telecommunications and LAN operation support activities, including planning, designing, installing and maintaining on-line data communications networks in support of data systems and projects. Interfaces with SDC and EPA management and staff to coordinate telecommunication software, hardware, and systems capabilities. Advises SDC and EPA management of problem areas and makes recommendations for improvements.

#### 1.5.6 Data Base Management Systems Specialist

**Work Experience** - In addition to the general requirements listed for level P4, the DBMS Specialist must have at least five of the last seven years as a DBMS designer, implementer and administrator using at least two of the following six: a relational DBMS such as DB2, Oracle or Ingres; ADABAS; System 2000; FOCUS; ARC/INFO GIS; or IDMS.

**Duties** - Serves as senior DBMS Specialist on complex applications projects in the DBMS design, implementation and administration area. Supervises other DBMS specialists on project teams. Serves as consultant and advisor to system designers to develop DBMS options for system implementation proposals. Evaluates database design tradeoffs, impacts, user expectations, performance levels, and space allocation requirements, balancing ease of use with performance. Responsible for the operation and maintenance of the SDC central encyclopedia which will serve as the repository for all systems information entered through the use of CASE tools. Serves as the liaison between the central encyclopedia vendor and the SDC and as the liaison between the mainframe facility running the encyclopedia and the SDC. Identifies areas where standards are appropriate and proposes standards, guidelines, controls and procedures to ensure efficient, disciplined usage of the encyclopedia. Gains and continually develops a thorough understanding of the encyclopedia and its security and management.

#### 1.6 Level P3 - Journeyman Technician

**Education** - A Bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

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**Work Experience** -- Minimum of eight years of progressive systems engineering experience. This experience shall include a minimum of five years experience in substantive systems engineering or software development projects. Use of a structured systems engineering methodology, automated productivity tools, rigorous quality assurance and testing practices, configuration management, and project measurement and estimation techniques are preferred but not required at this level.

Skills required at this level include, but are not limited to, those listed in Section 4.5 of the SOW. Labor categories are discussed below and work experience for each labor category must include a minimum of three years specialized experience performing duties discussed for that category within the last five years of experience. In addition, three out of the last five years must include specialized experience in two or more technical application skills (Section 4.5 of the SOW). The contractor must recognize that EPA's hardware and software environment is in a state of constant evolution and that technical skills that are not listed in the SOW may be required. In cases where such skills are in a very new area, a waiver for the three year experience requirement may be granted based on EPA's judgment of the reasonability of such a waiver.

The Network Specialist, Training Specialist, Technical Information Specialist, Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician and Technical Writer are exceptions in the P.3 level to the above education and/or work experience requirements; requirements for these labor categories are discussed in their descriptions below.

#### 1.6.1 Systems Analyst

**Duties** - Serves as a Systems Analyst in the planning and analysis phases of the system life cycle for complex major projects, and as the senior Systems Analyst for less complex projects, providing expert skills in all aspects of these two phases. Prepares and delivers planning and analysis products for colleagues, team members and clients, reviews work products for correctness and provides consultation and advice to team members in planning and analysis matters. Coordinates closely with Systems Engineering Experts in using and evaluating systems engineering guidance, standard operating procedures and practices related to planning and analysis.

#### 1.6.2 Programmer

**Work Experience** - In addition to the general requirements listed for level P3, the Programmer must have three years of the last five

specializing in developing detailed programming specifications, and programming, testing and debugging complex applications and/or systems programs. Must have experience in two of the last three years in an appropriate specialty area such as a specific high level language, a specific DBMS, graphics, image processing, or SQL.

**Duties** - The programmer develops complex, detailed program specifications based on program designs produced in the detailed technical design phase of the systems engineering life cycle. He/she verifies program specification and code correctness. He/she analyzes complex program designs for such factors as the type and extent of data to be transferred from storage units, data sorting, efficient and effective program modularization, and restart and recovery procedures both automated and manual. Supervises other programmers in a systems engineering project team, reviewing their work products for correctness and providing advice and assistance as needed. Designs, codes, tests and debugs system integration programs for importing and exporting information between CASE tools as needed. Provides detailed and clear documentation on all products.

#### 1.6.3 Systems Designer

**Duties** - Serves as a Senior Systems Designer during the design and development phases of the system life cycle for large complex projects and as the senior Systems Designer for less complex projects, providing expert skills in all aspects of these two phases. Prepares and delivers design specifications and other appropriate products to colleagues, team members and clients, reviews work products for correctness and provides consultation and advice to team members in design and development matters. Coordinates closely with systems engineering experts in using and evaluating systems engineering guidance, standard operating procedures and practices related to design and development.

#### 1.6.4 Network Specialist

**Work Experience** - Must have a minimum of eight years in the telecommunications/networking field with one of the last two years in telecommunications management. Work experience must have demonstrated knowledge of federal regulations related to the procurement and administration of telecommunication services and equipment and experience in the management and operational requirements of voice and data telecommunications systems, service, and programs, including analysis techniques, and knowledge of the design, operation, and technical capabilities of major telecommunications systems (includes private line switching, common control switching arrangements, message processing/switching

systems, step switching, crossbar switching, and analog or digital computer based electronics PBX systems). Work experience must have demonstrated competence to work in the highest levels of all phases of the IBM-based telecommunications and X.25 environments independently. Must have demonstrated work experience in Ethernet LAN and token-ring LAN connectivity.

**Duties** - The Network Specialist is responsible for telecommunications and LAN operation support activities, including planning, designing, installing and maintaining on-line data communications networks in support of data systems and projects as directed by the Network Supervisor. Supports the network supervisor in coordinating telecommunication software, hardware, and systems capabilities. Advises the network supervisor of problem areas and makes recommendations for improvements. Performs most work independently and serves as network advisor to project teams.

#### 1.6.5 Data Base Management Systems Specialist

**Work Experience** - In addition to the general requirements listed for level P3, the DBMS Specialist must have at least three of the last five years as a DBMS designer, implementer and administrator using at least one of the following six: a relational DBMS such as DB2, Oracle or Ingres; ADABAS; System 2000; FOCUS; ARC/INFO GIS; or IDMS.

**Duties** - Serves as a DBMS Specialist on complex applications projects in the DBMS design, implementation and administration area and as the senior DBMS specialist on projects of medium complexity. Supervises other DBMS specialists on project teams. Serves as consultant and advisor to system designers to develop DBMS options for system implementation proposals. Evaluates database design tradeoffs, impacts, user expectations, performance levels, and space allocation requirements, balancing ease of use with performance. Responsible for supporting the operation and maintenance of the SDC central encyclopedia/repository. Identifies areas where standards are appropriate and proposes standards, guidelines, controls and procedures to ensure efficient, disciplined usage of the encyclopedia. Gains and continually develops a thorough understanding of the encyclopedia and its security and management.

#### 1.6.6 IRM Training Specialist.

**Work Experience** - Requires a minimum of seven years experience as a computer programmer, systems analyst, or systems designer; including a minimum of three years, two years of which shall have been within the last three years, documented experience developing and managing IRM training programs. Work experience must also demonstrate a minimum of two years of supervisory experience.

**Duties** - The IRM Training Specialist at the P3 level serves as the senior training specialist for the SDC, providing technical assistance and training related to the use of a variety of IRM tools, methods and technologies. Training assistance is associated with EPA's Personal Computer (PC), LAN, and mainframe computer community and focuses on application systems and systems engineering methods, techniques and tools. The IRM Training Specialist assists in the selection, development, coordination, and update of training methods and training materials (e.g., hardware and application software, tools and user guides, classroom texts, automated tutorials and referencing systems, and self-help instructional systems).

The Training Specialist is responsible for IRM training planning and/or management, to include system and software demonstrations; organization of, and/or conducting of specialized project team training; in systems development structured methodologies, specific aspects of the systems development life-cycle, and/or CASE tools; IRM and project-related training plans; training logistics and associated record keeping; and training to introduce EPA management to various aspects of systems engineering and related SDC activities and experiences.

#### 1.6.7 Technical Writer.

**Work Experience** - Work experience required includes a minimum of seven years, three years of which shall be within the last three years, of general technical and documentation writing experience. This experience must include development of IRM system, program and user documentation.

**Duties** - The Technical Writer is responsible for planning, managing, coordinating and/or conducting the documentation of all aspects of the systems engineering life cycle for projects, including: preparation and editing of IRM system and user documentation, incorporating information provided by users, specialists, analysts, programmers and operations personnel; and ensuring adequate software documentation in development and maintenance activities. This position requires substantial knowledge of the capabilities and operation of computer systems and various IRM technologies and will require close coordination with the senior IRM Training Specialist and staff. Duties also include writing, editing, graphically representing and presenting technical information for technical and nontechnical personnel. This will require interpretation of technical documentation standards and preparation of documentation according to those standards. He/she must be capable of working independently and may be required to supervise technical writers.

Must work with appropriate SDC staff to plan and implement a system to support electronic preparation, storage and retrieval of all SDC project-related control documents (project plan, configuration management plan, etc.) and client deliverables. Must ensure that the documentation support system provides for configuration management control of all SDC documents, easy access to current versions of all such documents in electronic form from a central, controlled source and provides for printing hard copies from the central source. Responsible for proposing and implementing EPA-approved guidelines for the presentation of SDC documents.

#### 1.6.8 Meeting Facilitator.

**Work Experience** - In addition to the work experience required for level P3, this position requires that three of the last five years demonstrate extensive meeting facilitation experience in direct support of systems engineering projects, with progressively increasing complexity in project and meeting requirements.

**Duties** - The Meeting Facilitator works with SDC project teams as the chief advisor and consultant on facilitated meetings and assists in identifying appropriate uses of facilitated meetings in the various systems engineering projects. He/she assists in planning such meetings and is often required to serve as the lead planner. He/she either conducts or serves as advisor to others conducting such meetings. He/she evaluates or assists in evaluating the meetings, develops or revises facilitation guidelines as appropriate and works with the IRM Training Specialist to train appropriate SDC and EPA staff in the conduct and use of facilitated meetings. Stays abreast of facilitated meeting developments in methods, philosophy and purpose, applying such developments to SDC practices as appropriate.

#### 1.6.9 Technical Information Specialist

**Work Experience** - A minimum of eight years, two years of which shall have been within the last two years, experience in IRM-related project work.

**Duties** - The Technical Information Specialist at this level performs highly complex information processing functions that require independent judgement and knowledge of the subject matter. These functions involve the design and use of specialized database searching, data entry and report generation techniques for routine and ad hoc purposes as well as the acquisition, control, analysis, processing, dissemination and computerization of materials, documents and data capture forms. Application areas include, but are not limited to: automated data libraries, databases, and surveys; technical literature; and other IRM services.

He/she may be responsible for directing the work of several Technical Information Specialists.

#### 1.6.10 Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician

**Work Experience** - A minimum of eight years, two years of which shall have been within the last two years, hands-on experience in the repair/maintenance/installation of various computer systems/equipment, including PC's, telephone instruments and equipment (e.g. instruments comparable to standard single-line, key, speaker phone, and touch-a-matic sets and electronic key or 1A2 key systems), and data modems (e.g. modems equal to standard models 212 and 103), including a minimum of one year supervisory experience.

**Duties** - The Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician's duties at this level shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: installation, deinstallation, and in-house moves of PC's and telecommunications equipment; addition or exchange of externally connected accessories to PC's and telecommunications equipment; hardware problem isolation and diagnosis on PC's, LAN's, and telecommunications equipment; addition or replacement of boards, batteries, disk drives, and similar components internal to PC's and telecommunication equipment; installation of cabling required for LAN's; attachment, detachment, or exchange of LAN cabling to workstations (PC's or terminals), servers, and telecommunications equipment; assist EPA in the use of "Depot" repair contracts (or equivalent) to obtain repairs or replacements for defective PC, LAN or telecommunications components.

#### 1.7 Level P2 -- Middle Technician

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

**Work Experience** -- Minimum of five years of progressive systems engineering or software development experience.

**Skills required** at this level include, but are not limited to, those listed in Section 4.5 of the SOW. Labor categories are discussed below and work experience for each labor category must include a minimum of two years specialized experience performing duties discussed for that category within the last three years of experience. In addition, two out of the last three years must include specialized experience in one or more technical application skills (Section 4.5 of the SOW). The contractor must recognize that EPA's hardware and software environment is in a state of constant evolution and that technical skills that are not listed in the SOW may be required. In cases where such skills are in a very new area, a waiver for the two year experience requirement may be



granted based on EPA's judgment of the reasonability of such a waiver.

The Network Specialist, Training Specialist, Technical Information Specialist, Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician, and Technical Writer are exceptions in the P2 level to the above work experience requirements; requirements for these labor categories are discussed in their descriptions below.

#### 1.7.1 Systems Analyst

**Duties** - Serves as a Systems Analyst in the planning and analysis phases of the system life cycle for projects of medium complexity. Prepares and delivers planning and analysis products for colleagues, team members and clients, reviews work products for correctness and provides consultation and advice to team members in planning and analysis matters. Coordinates closely with Systems Engineering Experts in using and evaluating systems engineering guidance, standard operating procedures and practices related to planning and analysis.

#### 1.7.2 Programmer

**Work Experience** - In addition to the general requirements listed for level P2, the Programmer must have two years of the last three years specializing in programming, testing and debugging applications and/or systems programs of medium complexity. This experience must include one year of working in an appropriate specialty area such as a specific high-level language, a specific DBMS, graphics, image processing, or SQL.

**Duties** - The programmer translates detailed design specifications of medium to high complexity into computer program coded instructions, tests programs, and corrects program errors to produce a product which conforms to the approved project design specifications. This effort includes documenting programs to aid programmers in the performance of program maintenance as required to improve overall program operating time/system efficiency, or ease of use.

#### 1.7.3 Systems Designer

**Duties** - Serves as a Systems Designer during the design and development phases of the system life cycle for projects of medium complexity. Prepares and delivers design specifications and other appropriate products to colleagues, team members and clients, reviews work products for correctness and provides consultation and advice to team members in design and development matters. Coordinates closely with systems engineering experts in using and

evaluating systems engineering guidance, standard operating procedures and practices related to design and development.

#### 1.7.4 Network Specialist

**Work Experience** - Must have a minimum of five years in the telecommunications/networking field. Work experience must have demonstrated knowledge of federal regulations related to the procurement and administration of telecommunication services and equipment and experience in the operational requirements of voice and data telecommunications systems, service, and programs, including knowledge of the design, operation, and technical capabilities of major telecommunications systems (includes private line switching, common control switching arrangements, message processing/switching systems, step switching, crossbar switching, and analog or digital computer based electronics PBX systems). Must have demonstrated work experience in Ethernet LAN and token-ring LAN connectivity.

**Duties** - The Network Specialist is responsible for supporting telecommunications and LAN operations, including installing and maintaining on-line data communications networks in support of data systems and projects as directed by the network supervisor.

Supports the network supervisor in coordinating telecommunication software, hardware, and systems capabilities. Advises the network supervisor of problem areas and makes recommendations for improvements.

#### 1.7.5 Data Base Management Systems Specialist

**Work Experience** - In addition to the general requirements listed for level P2, the DBMS Specialist must have experience in at least two of the last three years as a DBMS designer, implementer and administrator using at least one of the following six: a relational DBMS such as DB2, Oracle or Ingres; ADABAS; System 2000; FOCUS; ARC/INFO GIS; or IDMS.

**Duties** - Serves as a DBMS Specialist on applications projects of medium complexity in the DBMS design, implementation and administration area. Serves as consultant and advisor to system designers to develop DBMS options for system implementation proposals. Evaluates database design tradeoffs, performance levels, and space allocation requirements, balancing ease of use with performance. Serves as data base administrator on data bases of medium to low complexity.

#### 1.7.6 IRM Training Specialist.

**Work Experience** - Requires a minimum of five years experience as a computer programmer, systems analyst or systems designer; including a minimum of three years, two years of which shall have been within the last three years, documented experience participating in conducting IRM training programs.

**Duties** - The IRM Training Specialist at the P2 level supports the senior training specialist for the SDC, providing technical assistance and training related to the use of a variety of IRM tools, methods and technologies. Training assistance is associated with EPA's Personal Computer (PC), LAN, and mainframe computer community and focuses on application systems and systems engineering methods, techniques and tools. The IRM Training Specialist assists the senior IRM Training Specialist in the selection, development, coordination, and update of training methods and training materials (e.g., hardware and application software, tools and user guides, classroom texts, automated tutorials and referencing systems, and self-help instructional systems).

The IRM Training Specialist is responsible for coordinating logistical support for training sessions.

#### 1.7.7 Technical Writer.

**Work Experience** - Work experience required includes a minimum of five years, two years of which shall be within the last three years, of general technical and documentation writing experience. This experience must include development of IRM system, program and user documentation.

**Duties** - The Technical Writer is responsible for planning, managing, coordinating and/or conducting the documentation of all aspects of the systems engineering life cycle for projects, including: preparation and editing of IRM system and user documentation, incorporating information provided by users, specialists, analysts, programmers and operations personnel; and ensuring adequate software documentation in development and maintenance activities. This position requires substantial knowledge of the capabilities and operation of computer systems and various IRM technologies and will require close coordination with the senior IRM Training Specialist and staff. Duties also include writing, editing, graphically representing and presenting technical information for technical and nontechnical personnel. This will require interpretation of technical documentation standards and preparation of documentation according to those standards.

Supports the senior Technical Writer in developing a plan for a system to support electronic preparation, storage and retrieval of all SDC project-related control documents (project plan,

configuration management plan, etc.) and client deliverables.

#### 1.7.8 Technical Information Specialist

**Work Experience** - A minimum of three years, two years of which shall have been within the last two years, experience in IRM-related project work.

**Duties** - The Technical Information Specialist performs complex information processing functions that require independent judgement and knowledge of the subject matter. These functions involve the preliminary design and use of predesigned database searches, data entry and report generation techniques for routine and ad hoc purposes as well as the acquisition, control, analysis, processing, dissemination and computerization of materials, documents and data capture forms.

Application areas include, but are not limited to: automated data libraries, databases, and surveys; technical literature; and other information management services.

#### 1.7.9 Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician

**Work Experience** - A minimum of six years, one year of which shall have been within the last year, hands-on experience in the repair/maintenance/installation of various computer systems/equipment, including PC's, telephone instruments and equipment (e.g. instruments comparable to standard single-line, key, speaker phone, and touch-a-matic sets and electronic key or LA2 key systems), and data modems (e.g. modems equal to standard models 212 and 103).

**Duties** - The Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician's duties shall include, but not be limited to, installation, deinstallation, and in-house moves of PC's and telecommunications equipment; addition or exchange of externally connected accessories to PC's and telecommunications equipment; hardware problem isolation and diagnosis on PC's, LAN's, and telecommunications equipment; the addition or replacement of boards, disk drives, batteries, and similar components internal to PC's and telecommunications equipment; installation of cabling required for LAN's; attachment, detachment, or exchange of LAN workstations (PC's or terminals), servers, and telecommunications equipment cabling; assisting EPA in the use of "Depot" repair contracts (or equivalent) for repair or replacement of defective PC, LAN or telecommunications components. Work is reviewed at completion.

#### 1.8 Level P1 - Junior Technician

**Work Experience** - Skills that may be required at this level include, but are not limited to, those listed in Section 4.5 of the SOW. Labor categories are discussed below and work experience for each labor category must include a minimum of one year specialized experience performing duties discussed for that category within the last two years of experience. In addition, one out of the last two years must include specialized experience in one or more technical application skills (refer to Sections 4.1-4.5 of the SOW). The contractor must recognize that EPA's hardware and software environment is in a state of constant evolution and that technical skills that are not listed in the SOW may be required. In cases where such skills are in a very new area, a waiver for the one year experience requirement may be granted based on EPA's judgment of the reasonability of such a waiver.

#### 1.8.1 Programmer

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

**Work Experience** - Must have a minimum of two years of systems engineering or software development experience. Must have one year of the last two years specializing in programming, testing and debugging applications and/or systems programs of low to moderate complexity.

**Duties** - The programmer translates detailed design specifications of low to moderate complexity into computer program coded instructions, tests programs, and corrects program errors to produce a product which conforms to the approved project design specifications. This effort includes documenting programs to aid programmers in the performance of program maintenance as required to improve overall program operating time/system efficiency, or ease of use.

#### 1.8.2 Network Specialist

**Education** - Bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

**Work Experience** - Must have a minimum of two years in the telecommunications/networking field. Work experience must have demonstrated knowledge of telecommunication services and equipment and experience in the operational requirements of voice and data telecommunications systems, service, and programs. Must have demonstrated work experience in Ethernet LAN or token-ring LAN connectivity.

**Duties** - The Network Specialist at the P1 level is responsible for

supporting telecommunications and LAN operations, including installing and maintaining on-line data communications networks in support of data systems and projects as directed by the network supervisor. Advises the network supervisor of problem areas.

#### 1.8.3 Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician

**Education** - An associate's degree from an accredited two year college in computer electronics or a related field.

**Work Experience** - A minimum four years, one year of which shall have been within the last year, hands-on experience in the repair/maintenance/installation of various computer systems/equipment, including PC's, telephone instruments and equipment (e.g. instruments comparable to standard single-line, key, speaker phone, and touch-a-matic sets and electronic key or LA2 key systems), and data modems (e.g. modems equal to standard models 212 and 103).

**Duties** - Under the direct supervision of Senior Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician, the Equipment Installation and Logistical Support Technician's duties shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: installation, deinstallation, and in-house moves of PC's and telecommunications equipment; addition or exchange of externally connected PC accessories and telecommunications equipment; hardware problem isolation and diagnosis on PC's, LAN's, and telecommunications equipment; addition or replacement of boards, batteries, disk drives, and similar components internal to PC's and telecommunication equipment; installation of cabling required for LAN's; attachment, detachment, or exchange of LAN cabling to workstations (PC's or terminals), servers, and telecommunications equipment; assist EPA in the use of "Depot" repair contracts (or equivalent) to obtain repairs or replacements for defective PC, LAN or telecommunications components. Work is carefully monitored during progress and at completion.

#### 1.9 Level S3 - Senior Operations Support

The education and work experience requirements are described separately for each of the Level S3 labor categories, due to their differences.

##### 1.9.1 Computer Operator

**Education** - A high school diploma

**Work Experience** - A minimum of five years, two years of which shall have been within the last two years, experience in IRM system operations, scheduling, computer hardware operation, and trouble-

shooting; including a minimum of two years experience supervising computer operators.

**Duties** - The Computer Operator at this level controls computer hardware, monitors operation of the system and tends the associated peripheral devices. He/she must possess complete understanding of equipment operation to minimize downtime and be able to generate alternative solutions to achieve desired results. The Computer Operator supervises and trains personnel in the operation of off-line and on-line equipment; controls and directs a shift of fellow Computer Operators; recognizes, diagnoses and independently acts on hardware malfunctions and error situations to ensure that data processing is in accord with run instructions; and prepares output for proper distribution.

The Computer Operator also provides technical guidance for system users on system capabilities, and for optimal processing of the equipment. He/she must be capable of directing operations in a multiple vendor environment, and must be capable of coordination and scheduling of equipment operations within priorities and constraints as defined by government officials.

#### 1.9.2 Document Abstractor

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

**Work Experience** - A minimum of three years abstracting experience requiring development and use of a thesaurus and controlled vocabularies; including experience in working with scientific/professional journals, technical reports, monographs, and other professional writing forums; and a demonstrated working knowledge of modern IRM-based research techniques and user information requests.

**Duties** - The Document Abstractor performs information processing functions involving the abstracting, cataloging, editing, and analysis of documents and document surrogates.

He/she reviews and analyzes articles, reports, and other source documents in area of expertise to prepare an abstract of the document which shall identify the basic content of the study or report quickly and accurately. The abstract should state the purpose, methodology, results, and conclusions presented in the original document in such a way as to enable relevant users to determine if the content of the document is pertinent.

He/she acts as a subject specialist in one or more areas of expertise. In depth familiarity with the subject field of the

input documents is essential to analyze and extract the points of interest for user groups, and to sort new data from established facts.

The Document Abstractor develops or maintains a thesaurus or controlled vocabulary for appropriate representation of concepts in normalized terms and subsequent data capture and use as retrieval terms.

He/she requires limited guidance and may provide technical oversight and quality control to one or more professional technical personnel on an assigned project.

#### 1.9.3 Document Indexer

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university.

**Work Experience** - A minimum of three years experience in abstracting and indexing, preferable in the IRM, or scientific/technical field.

**Duties** - The Document Indexer is responsible for review of documents and texts, the extraction of index terms, and listing of reviewed documents and texts for delivery order specified specialized areas requiring specific expertise.

He/she selects and reviews specific subjects reported by author; paraphrases the text relating to delivery order-specific subject areas; selects key terms from the paraphrases for indexing purposes; translates selected key terms, if necessary, organizing them into standard subject headings, and makes cross-references where necessary.

#### 1.9.4 Microfilm Specialist

**Education** - High School diploma

**Work Experience** - A minimum of two years experience as a microfilm quality control inspector. A demonstrated knowledge of federal regulations/specifications pertaining to microfilm.

**Duties** - The Microfilm Specialist provides quality control over microfilm products generated under this contract. This quality control must adhere to federal regulations governing microfilm products.

#### 1.10 Level 82 - Middle Operations Support



1.10.1 Computer Operator

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of two years experience in IRM system operations, scheduling, computer hardware operation and troubleshooting.**

**Duties - The Computer Operator controls computer hardware, monitors operation of the system and tends the associated peripheral devices. He/she performs computer systems operations functions such as peripheral or console operator. He/she processes computer output generated by jobs and users on all computer systems, reviews output for completeness, and collates, bursts, and binds the printed output as required.**

1.10.2 Computer Disk/Tape Librarian

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of one year experience within the last three years in supporting computer tape and disk library systems.**

**Duties - The Computer Disk/Tape Librarian manages the magnetic tape and disk library. He/she inspects tapes for flaws, damage, or wear. He/she conducts off-site storage of magnetic media, when necessary.**

1.10.3 Microfilm Equipment Operator

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of one year experience performing reproduction of source documents using state-of-the-art microfilm/-micrographic/duplicating equipment.**

**Duties - The Microfilm Equipment Operator performs the filming of source documents assuring proper sequence of pages and targets, and maintaining the camera in good working condition.**

**He/she operates micrographic and duplicating equipment producing such products as duplicate fiche and hardcopy, performing routine maintenance of equipment to ensure quality output.**

**Detailed instructions are provided and work is monitored for accuracy and quality using rigid standards.**

1.10.4 WP Operator

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of three years experience, one year of which shall have been within the last year, as a WP operator, including elementary WP ability in support of desk top publishing packages (e.g., Wordperfect and Ventura), a demonstrated ability to type over 75 words per minute with no more than a 2% error rate; and a demonstrated command of the English language.**

**Duties - The WP Operator at this level operates automated typewriting equipment and utilizes WP computer systems to record and store technical, textual, and statistical data for the production of reports and documents. Using a rough draft or printed copy as a source document, he/she uses independent judgement to key in specific commands to an automated WP system to achieve the required textual material formats. This includes paging, indentation and spacing, selection of character fonts, and insertion of headings. Using draft copies of a manuscript, he/she may assist in proofreading and correction of syntactical, spelling, and grammatical errors. He/she may be required to supervise other word processing operators.**

**1.10.5 Data Analyst**

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of one year within the last two years as a Data Analyst.**

**Duties - The Data Analyst supports data entry operations for systems that support internal SDC activities and for other systems that the SDC may be required to operate. He/she supervises, trains, and directs technical personnel in using prescribed input forms to transcribe data, personally verifies code sheets, and ensures completeness and accuracy of all records transcribed, ensures that error correction is performed as needed. Performs other tasks as required.**

**1.11 Level S1 - Junior Operations Support**

**1.11.1 Computer Operator**

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of six months experience in IRM system operations.**

**Duties - The Computer Operator at this level controls computer hardware, monitors operation of the system and tends the associated**

peripheral devices. With the assistance of more senior operators, he/she performs computer systems operations functions such as peripheral or console operator. He/she processes computer output generated by jobs and users on all computer systems, reviews output for completeness, and collates, bursts, and binds the printed output as required. The Computer Operator is also responsible for supporting the operation of image processing equipment.

#### 1.11.2 Data Entry Operator

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of one year experience within the last year performing on-line data input.**

**Duties - The Data Entry Operator performs data input to computer systems or data logging and storage devices. Detailed instructions are usually provided with respect to data content and format. Work is closely monitored for completeness and accuracy. Frequently the operator shall be required to perform validation of data entered by other data entry operators.**

#### 1.11.3 Document Control Clerk

**Education - A high school diploma.**

**Work Experience - A minimum of two years demonstrated library or information processing experience; including experience in computerized document tracking or reference systems.**

**Duties - The Document Control Clerk is responsible for the organization and accurate maintenance of a collection of documents, books, reports, microfilm, and similar media, for responding to EPA staff requests for use of the document holdings.**

**He/she is also responsible for maintaining timely accurate data entry to automated document control systems and nonautomated document control logs where applicable.**

**Duties may include the preparation of documents for archival processes such as microfilming or storage at Federal Record Center facilities.**

#### 1.11.4 WP Operator.

**~~Education - A high school diploma.~~**

**Work Experience - A minimum of one year, within the last year, of**

experience as WP operator, including elementary WP ability in support of desk top publishing packages (e.g., Wordperfect and Ventura); a demonstrated ability to type over 55 words per minute with no more than a 2% error rate; and a demonstrated command of the English language.

**Duties** - The WP Operator operates automated typewriting equipment, and utilizes WP computer systems to record and store technical, textual, and statistical data for the production of reports and documents. Using a rough draft or printed copy as a source document, he/she uses independent judgement to key in specific commands to an automated WP system to achieve the required textual material formats. This includes paging, indentation and spacing, selection of character fonts, and insertion of headings.

Using draft copies of a manuscript, the WP operator may assist in proofreading and correction of syntactical, spelling, and grammatical errors.

#### 1.12 Level M3 - Senior Scientific/Specialized

##### 1.12.1 Senior Statistician

**Education** - A master's degree from an accredited graduate school in applied mathematics, statistics, or biostatistics.

**Work Experience** - A minimum of six years experience in the proper use of statistical analysis computer packages (e.g., SAS, SPSS, and Minitab).

**Duties** - The Senior Statistician conducts experimental statistical and computerized data analysis activities, coordinating and directing efforts of other Statisticians whenever applicable.

He/she assists in complex experimental design problems and consults with research personnel in these activities.

He/she assists in the written and oral interpretation of results of data analysis and reviews research literature for correctness and completeness from an experimental statistical user perspective.

##### 1.12.2 Senior Scientific Information Systems Specialist

**Education** - A master's degree from an accredited graduate school in engineering, mathematics, or the natural or physical sciences.

**Work Experience** - A minimum of six years experience in planning research programs, analyzing research results, and developing

solutions to technical problems associated with specialized research programs. Work experience shall include a minimum of two years, one year of which shall have been within the last year, experience designing and using efficient IRM scientific systems. Duties - The Senior Scientific Information specialist serves as a skilled specialist in a particular discipline of science like biology, chemistry, statistics, mathematics, physics or engineering, coordinating and directing efforts of other Science Specialists when applicable.

He/she plans research programs, analyzes results, and develops solutions to highly complex technical problems, developing and analyzing appropriate research models.

He/she plans principles and procedures for accomplishing unique customer studies, giving expert professional analysis of documenting and substantiating research findings and provides consultation to customers and software systems specialists to design efficient IRM systems.

He/she utilizes computer technology as a tool to solve problems of an advanced nature.

#### 1.13 Level M2 - Middle Scientific/Specialized

##### 1.13.1 Statistician

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university with a degree in applied mathematics, statistics, or biostatistics.

**Work Experience** - A minimum of three years experience in the proper use of statistical analysis computer packages (e.g., SAS, SPSS, and Minitab).

**Duties** - The Statistician conducts or assists in experimental statistical and computerized data analysis activities.

He/she assists in complex experimental design problems and consults with research personnel in these activities. He/she also assists in the written and oral interpretation of results of data analysis, and reviews research literature for correctness and completeness from an experimental statistical user perspective.

##### 1.13.2 Scientific Information Systems Specialist

**Education** - A bachelor's degree from an accredited four year college or university with a degree in engineering, mathematics, or the natural or physical sciences.

**Work Experience** - A minimum of four years experience in planning research programs, analyzing research results, and developing solutions to technical problems associated with specialized research programs and include a minimum of two years, one year of which shall have been within the last year, experience designing and using efficient IRM scientific systems.

**Duties** - The Scientific Information Specialist serves as a skilled specialist in a particular discipline of science such as biology, chemistry, statistics, mathematics, physics or engineering.

He/she plans research programs, analyzes the results, and develops solutions to highly complex technical problems, developing and analyzing appropriate research models; identifies scientific principles; and prepares procedures for accomplishing unique customer studies, giving expert professional analysis of documentation and substantiating research findings.

He/she also provides consultation to users and software systems specialists to design efficient IRM scientific systems, utilizing computer technology as a tool to solve problems of an advanced nature.

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# APPENDIX D

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Appendix D contains the Award Fee Plan under the MOSES contract.





## FEE PLAN

### 1.0 Award Fee

#### 1.1 Introduction

The contractual approach taken by the Government for the phase-in and implementation phases of the Systems Development Center (SDC) is cost plus a base fee and the potential for earning an additional award fee based upon the Government's evaluation of contractor performance. The award fee process provides a performance incentive for the contractor and provides the Government the flexibility to evaluate and reward the contractor for this performance and the circumstances under which that performance was achieved. It enhances communications, effective management of work, cost control, as well as timeliness, quantity, and quality of performance. During technical implementation, the requirements and evaluation criteria change considerably to incorporate effectiveness and performance on projects and user satisfaction. Here, it is important that the award fee approach be maximized.

#### 1.2 Award Fee Process

The amount of award fee the contractor earns, if any, is based on a subjective evaluation by the government of the quality of the contractor's performance in accordance with the Award Fee Plan (AFP). The Government will determine the amount of award fee beginning with the first three months of contract performance and every six months thereafter.

The Fee Determination Official (FDO) will unilaterally determine the amount of the award fee. The FDO will consider the evaluation of the Contractor's performance provided to him by the Performance Evaluation Board (PEB). Within forty five (45) calendar days after the end of the evaluation period, the FDO determines the amount of fee to be paid and notifies the Contracting Officer. The award fee determination is the responsibility of the FDO. If the final fee determination results in an amount different from that recommended by the PEB, the FDO shall communicate this decision and the rationale to the Chair of the PEB prior to issuance of the award fee modification.

The Contracting Officer (CO) shall notify the contractor of the FDO's decision in writing along with an explanation of the contractor's performance as measured against the evaluation criteria and the amount and percentage of the award fee earned. The letter will contain, in addition, the reasons why the fee was, or was not, earned. The Contracting Officer, assisted by the PEB members, may elect to conduct a debriefing of the

contractor to ensure that the contractor fully understands what aspects of performance were judged to be unsatisfactory, and how performance can be improved during subsequent evaluation periods.

The contractor shall respond to the CO within 30 days following written notification identifying solutions and steps to be taken to rectify any identified problems.

The contract will be changed by unilateral modification, executed by the EPA Contracting Officer, when the award fee, if any, has been determined by the FDO. The modification shall set forth the amount of base fee, and any earned award fee awarded for the performance period evaluated. Upon receipt of the contract modification, the contractor may submit a public voucher for payment of base fee and the award fee earned for the period evaluated, subject to any withholding provisions of the "Allowable Cost and Payment" clause of this contract. Available award fee not earned during one period does not carry over to subsequent periods.

The Government may unilaterally change the AFP at any time and will provide such changes in writing to the contractor prior to the beginning of the applicable evaluation period.

## 2.0 Payment of Base and Award Fee

### 2.1 Base Fee

Funding of the base fee will be provided through the issuance of individual delivery orders. The Government will make payment of the base fee as incurred costs are invoiced. The amount of base fee paid on any delivery order may not exceed the amount of base fee determined at the time of delivery order negotiation, unless subsequently modified by the Contracting Officer. In no event will the cumulative amount of base fee paid on all delivery orders to the contractor exceed the maximum base fee set forth in Clause B.2 of this contract. Payment of the base fee is subject to any withholdings as provided for elsewhere in this contract.

### 2.2 Award Fee

The Government will promptly make payments of the award fee in accordance with the schedule established in the AFP and the Evaluation Periods set forth in the Distribution of Award Fee clause. The amount of award fee the contractor earns, if any, during each evaluation period is based upon the subjective evaluation by the Government of the quality of the contractor's performance in accordance with the award fee plan, as limited by the Government's prior establishment of the ceiling amount of

award fee available during each evaluation period. The Government will subsequently determine the amount of award fee earned at the completion of the each evaluation period.

### 2.3 Award Fee Pool

The amount of award fee available during an evaluation period from the award fee pool will be based upon costs incurred under contract delivery orders active during the performance period. The amount of award fee paid on all delivery orders may not exceed the cumulative amounts of award fee determined at the time of these delivery order negotiations. In no case will the amount of award fee available during each evaluation period exceed the total award fee pool available for the contract period.

### 3.0 Award Fee Plan

An award fee evaluation procedure is established for determination of award fee payable under this contract. The payment of any award fee is contingent upon compliance with contractual requirements and performance. It is the Government's desire that the contractor perform services in such a manner as to warrant the highest possible rating. EPA reserves the right to update, modify or replace these procedures.

### 3.1 Evaluation Coordinator (EC)

The EC is an EPA employee responsible for gathering contractor observation reports for each evaluation period and for coordinating the activities of the Performance Evaluation Board (PEB) in the recommendation of appropriate award fees. The EC may receive reports from the Contracting Officer (CO), Project Officer (PO), Technical Manager (TM), Delivery Order Project Officers (DOPO's), and the contractor, should the contractor chose to submit a report. The EC is responsible for highlighting differences between EPA and contractor reports concerning the same performance observation period. Explanations of such differences must be completed prior to the PEB meeting and award fee decision.

### 3.2 Performance Evaluation Board

The Performance Evaluation Board (PEB), composed of selected technical and administrative EPA personnel, will evaluate the contractor's performance as related to the performance categories in the Fee Allocation Matrix, based on the performance observation reports submitted by the Evaluation Coordinator.

### 3.3 Evaluation Period

The performance will be evaluated on a periodic basis beginning with the first three months of contract performance, and every six months thereafter.

Each evaluation will be scheduled so that the final determination of the fee earned will be accomplished within approximately 45 calendar days after the end of the evaluation period.

### 3.5 Fee Allocation Matrix

The amount of fee available for award during any period will be based upon a fee allocation matrix. The matrix is made a part of this plan, and will be subject to periodic revision by the PEB to reflect any changes in emphasis. The contractor will be provided with complete and current copies of the fee allocation matrix by the Contracting Officer (CO).

### 3.6 Performance Evaluation Reports

The EPA Project Officer, Technical Manager, DOPO's will submit individual performance observation reports to the Evaluation Coordinator concerning the contractor's performance in accordance with a schedule established by the Evaluation Coordinator.

Within ten (10) working days after the end of each evaluation period, the contractor may submit a report to the CO concerning its performance during the evaluation period. The report should contain any information which might reasonably be expected to assist the PEB in evaluating the contractor's performance during the period.

The Evaluation Coordinator (EC) will be responsible for highlighting any differences between an EPA report and any contractor report concerning the same performance observations prior to the PEB meeting. The EPA and contractor provided reports will be considered by the PEB in making its evaluation of performance.

### 3.7 Evaluation Criteria - General

In evaluating the contractor's performance within a category, the evaluation should be based on at least the following elements:

#### 3.7.1 Quality of Delivered Products and Services

Did delivered products and services meet the needs and expectations of EPA and the EPA user community? Were technical

experts highly qualified and effective in performing required services? Did delivered products reflect notable skill, thought, analysis, creativity, or appropriateness to the EPA environment? Was delivered documentation clear, concise, complete, accurate, well-presented, and appropriate to the needs of targeted users? Were delivered software products well-structured, complete, accurate, robust, consistent, well-engineered for human use, efficient, reliable, and maintainable?

### 3.7.2 Effectiveness in Project Planning and Management

Did the contractor prepare reasonable plans and schedules and follow them? Was the contractor routinely able to make accurate and thorough assessments of project status? Were deliverables completed on time and within budget? Was EPA notified in a timely manner when circumstances not within the control of the contractor threatened to delay delivery of a product or increase the projected cost of the product? Did the contractor manage subcontractor and consultant contributions effectively? Were project plans prepared in a timely manner?

### 3.7.3 Efficiency of Staffing and Performance

Did the contractor (and its subcontractors) manage work and use manpower and resources in an economic and effective manner? Was the correct mix of people assembled to perform the task? Were contractor staff assembled in a timely manner? Were an appropriate number of people assigned to tasks? Did contractor staff assigned to tasks have training and experience appropriate and adequate to their assigned tasks? Was work scheduled so that it was completed without serious contentions for critical staff? Did requests for training, travel, and equipment demonstrate a concern for efficient and effective use of resources?

### 3.7.4 Responsiveness

Did the contractor (and its subcontractors or consultants) respond to delivery orders, technical direction and to problems in an effective and timely manner? Was the contractor (and its subcontractors or consultants) able to adjust to changes in direction or requirements? Was this adjustment rapid and smooth? Were problems remedied to the satisfaction of EPA and its clients? Were problems remedied quickly? Were technical comments from responsible EPA staff acted upon or incorporated in drafts and final versions of the deliverables?

### 3.7.5 Systems Development Center Management

Was the contractor effective in managing and providing for the Systems Development Center (SDC) facility? Were contractor

staff adequately equipped to effectively perform their duties? Was there consistency in the contractor's approach to delivery of services across delivery orders? Were EPA and SDC standards and guidelines routinely followed and were exceptions well justified? Was the Development and Maintenance Methodology Group (DMMG) an effective force in influencing software engineering process at the SDC? Were recommendations for process improvement from the DMMG considered and acted upon? Did the SDC contribute to furthering OIRM efforts to facilitate data sharing?

#### 3.7.6 Contract Management

Did the contractor make diligent efforts to comply with all contract clauses, make immediate disclosure of changes in accounting systems (such as indirect rate changes or labor rates), effectively oversee the work of subcontractors and consultants, make appropriate conflict of interest disclosures, submit timely work plans and reports, and comply with Small Business/Small Disadvantaged Business subcontracting plan goals? Was the contractor able to thoroughly account for government furnished equipment, contractor-acquired property, and use of Other Direct Cost funds?

#### 3.7.7 Innovation and Ingenuity

Did the contractor and its subcontractors seek and develop original and well thought out solutions to problems? Were the solutions effective and did they result in savings of time, money, manpower, machine resources, or improvements in service?

#### 3.7.8 Thoroughness

Did the contractor and its subcontractors fully complete delivery orders and appropriate documentation, user notification, and develop and implement final solutions to problems? Were alternatives analyzed to determine their impact on other delivery orders?

### 3.8 Performance Criteria

#### 3.8.1 Performance Rating Definitions

- a. Superior - "5" Performance of contract-related events is extraordinary. Generally, this rating includes the Section 3.9 evaluation range of 91 - 100.
- b. Excellent - "4" Performance of contract-related events is of consistently high quality but is something less than extraordinary. This rating relates to the Section 3.9 evaluation range of 76 - 90.
- c. Satisfactory - "3" Performance of contract-related events is merely acceptable. Generally, this rating relates to the Section 3.9 evaluation range of 51 - 75.
- d. Substandard - "2" Performance of contract-related events is unacceptable and significant change is required to make it acceptable. This rating relates to the Section 3.9 evaluation range of 31 - 50.
- e. Unsatisfactory - "1" Performance of contract-related events is totally deficient and without merit. This rating relates to the Section 3.9 evaluation range of 0 - 30.

#### 3.8.2 Selection of Significant Performance Events

DOPOs may obtain guidance as to what constitutes a 5, 4, 3, 2, or 1 performance event from: (1) the Award Fee Plan; (2) previous PEB reports; and/or (3) the Evaluation Coordinator. The DOPOs will report all factual performance events that they judge to be indicative of either superior, substandard or unsatisfactory performance.

#### 3.8.3 Coordination

The Evaluation Coordinator (EC) will receive, code, validate and evaluate the performance reports submitted by the DOPOs and select all those he considers to be significant, i.e., outstanding, substandard or unsatisfactory performance. The Coordinator will also evaluate any items reported by the contractor and its subcontractors and identify any differences between the DOPO and the contractor's and its subcontractors' versions of the performance. The coordinator will make certain that the DOPO's statements are supported by facts before presentation to the PEB.

The Evaluation Coordinator will be responsible for preparing and presenting all material the PEB requires for its performance assessment. This material will be organized so it can be used (1) as the PEB's agenda and (2) as the complete documentation package which will support the PEB's fee recommendation. It will be organized into separate sections for each performance evaluation category.

The Evaluation Coordinator will transmit the performance evaluations to members of the PEB at least five (5) working days prior to the PEB meeting.

Following the PEB meeting at which the award fee recommendation is reached, the Executive Secretary will prepare a Performance Evaluation Report letter for signature of the FDO informing the contractor's general management of the amount and basis of the fee awarded and forward the letter to the Contracting Officer (CO). The CO shall forward the fee determination letter through the Procurement and Contracts Management Division to the FDO. The FDO will review the performance evaluation and the fee recommendation and make a final determination of fee. The PEB members, and the CO shall each receive a copy. NO award fee shall be paid for unsatisfactory performance (Unsatisfactory performance is defined as performance that is rated by the PEB as "Unsatisfactory" or "Substandard").

### 3.9 Evaluation of Overall Performance

The PEB will observe the following definitions for performance within individual performance evaluation categories, when determining its assessment of performance:

- o 0 - 30 Performance is substandard to the point that the Government has to intervene to resolve problems. Cure notices or stop work orders have been or will soon be issued in an attempt to remedy contractor problems. Inadequate cost or time estimates are made in development of work plans. Schedule slips result in delays which negatively impact project completion. Services are completed at a significantly increased cost to the Government and products are of poor quality or unusable. Poor resource utilization results in overruns or delays. Contractor does not respond to technical direction or priority adjustments. Coordination and communication with the Government are infrequent or ineffective.

Major elements in the technical analyses are missing or require significant reworking. Recommendations are not



accepted due to major deficiencies in the technical analyses and recommendations. Contractor routinely ignores contract clauses, performs inherently Governmental functions, fails to identify conflicts of interest, and fails to pursue SB/SDB subcontracting plan goals.

Performance is indicative of serious mismanagement, negligence and/or incompetence. Continued performance at this level may require the Government to consider contract termination for cause.

- o 31 - 50 Performance is substandard requiring verbal or written notices to contractor to keep projects on track or take corrective action. Areas of adequate or better performance are offset significantly by poorer performance in other areas. Work plans do not consistently address all requirements of the SOW. Cost and/or time estimates are frequently disproportionate to the required level of effort. Contractor does not consistently respond to changes in the SOW, priority adjustments, or problems in a timely manner, or does not involve the Government at an appropriate time. Original schedule slips without warning or justification, or services are completed at an increased cost to the Government without adequate justification.

Technical analyses are often incomplete or inaccurate and require rework. Recommendations are not accepted due to flawed analysis and products are of poor quality or require significant revisions to be made acceptable. Contractor fails to comply with contract provisions. Contractor fails to identify work that may present a conflict of interest or constitute an inherently Governmental function, and does not comply with SB/SDB subcontracting plan goals.

- o 51 - 75 Performance is at an acceptable level. Work plans are adequate to address requirements in the SOW with reasonable cost and time estimates for the required effort. Projects are completed within schedule and budget. In those cases where slippages occur, adequate justification is provided and prior Government approval is obtained. Efforts are taken to ensure that costs are minimized.

Technical analyses are thorough and technically justified. Recommendations are always submitted for routine assignments. Contractor utilizes resources and

an appropriate professional mix to meet project and contract requirements. Products are acceptable and require little modification. Contractor interacts regularly and appropriately with the Government.

Contractor complies with all contract clauses, does not perform work that presents a conflict of interest or constitutes an inherently Governmental function, and uses best efforts to pursue SB/SDB subcontracting plan goals.

Performance is satisfactory. Areas requiring improvement are appropriately offset by better performance in other areas.

- o 76 - 90 Performance is not only within the satisfactory range but actually exceeds expectations of the Government. Original schedule is met in spite of impediments, and services are completed within budget at minimum costs. Government is generally informed in advance of progress in meeting the schedule and budget. Contractor is responsive to all direction given in the statement of work as well as changes and priority adjustments. Responses to problems are made in a timely manner and good interaction takes place with the Government.

Technical analyses are thorough requiring little or no revision and technically justified recommendations are submitted for all routine and complex work. Contractor uses resources in a manner which minimizes costs and time expenditures, while using the appropriate professional mix to ensure that work quality is acceptable to the Government. Products are of high quality and require no significant revisions.

Contractor consistently complies with all contract provisions. Contractor shows insight in identifying work that may present a conflict of interest or is an inherently Governmental function, and diligently pursues SB/SDB subcontracting plan goals.

- o 91 - 100 Performance is consistently beyond expectations and clearly excellent. Contractor develops accurate and well-substantiated cost estimates and consistently uses cost-saving measures whenever possible. Tasks are completed ahead of schedule or on schedule in spite of impediments. The Government is always informed in advance of progress in meeting schedule and budget. Identifies problems early on and

informs EPA.

Technical analyses and approach are thorough, requiring no rework; technical recommendations are acceptable in nearly all instances. Contractor demonstrates unusual insight in dealing with complex technical issues. Solutions demonstrate unusual creativity and result in state of the art approaches that can be applied to similar system development problems. Products are of superior quality and continuous improvement is evident in performance and products produced. Contractor consistently uses resources in a manner which minimizes cost and time expenditures while using the appropriate professional mix to ensure that the overall quality of the work remains exceptional.

Contractor demonstrates exceptional contract management practices including management of subcontractors and consultants, takes aggressive actions to avoid real or apparent conflicts of interest and to avoid engaging in performance of inherently Governmental functions, and aggressively pursues SD/SDB subcontracting plan goals.

Note that the presence of any of the individual factors within the performance definitions will be considered during the evaluation and rating the contractors performance.

### 3.10 Award Fee Limitation

The amount of the award fee that the contractor may receive during any rating period shall not exceed the amount of fee established for that period.

### 3.11 Performance Evaluation Categories

The contractor shall be responsible for achieving the mission of the Systems Development Center and providing the services detailed in the Statement of Work. Performance will be evaluated in the four (4) performance categories described below.

#### 3.11.1 Life Cycle and Other Specialized Support Services

The contractor shall be evaluated on its delivery of life cycle and other related specialized support services through the Systems Development Center (SDC). It shall be expected to provide a high level of technical expertise, support and assistance to the users of the SDC, particularly in the area of systems engineering. This category includes, but is not limited to, the following functions (not necessarily in order of

importance):

- o Systems Engineering, including planning, analysis, design, development, implementation, maintenance, and retirement life-cycle stages
- o Implementation of formal structured methods including Information Engineering Methodology TM (IEM)
- o Re-engineering
- o Reverse engineering
- o Project Estimation, Scheduling, and Management
- o Documentation Development and Maintenance
- o Use of Automated Tools
- o QA/QC (including Quality Measurement)
- o Joint Application Design
- o Implementation of Reusability
- o Configuration Management
- o System Configuration Impact Analysis
- o Hardware, Software and Telecommunications Planning
- o Database Administration and Coordination
- o Periodic Experts
- o Geographic Information System Support
- o Documentation Maintenance and Distribution
- o Office Automation and Records Management Support
- o Statistical Services
- o Verification, Validation and Testing
- o Hotline and User Support and User Training
- o Disaster Planning
- o System Backup and Recovery Planning and Implementation
- o Program Management and Support
- o Marketing Support
- o Communications Support
- o Program Office/User Support
- o Data Entry/Data Management
- o Database User Support
- o Telecommunications Technical Support
- o LAN Technical Support
- o Microcomputer Technical Support
- o Training
- o Equipment Maintenance and Support
- o Graphics Support

### 3.11.2 Methodology Management and Planning Support

The contractor shall be evaluated on its performance in providing consistent and formal methods, techniques, and technologies to assure and improve the quality and cost efficiency of SDC products. This category includes, but is not limited to, the following functions (not necessarily in order of

importance):

- o Identification and Implementation of a Complete Systems Engineering Environment
- o Establishment and Implementation of a Central Repository of EPA System Information
- o Standards and Guidelines Development
- o Training in Methods, Standards, Guidelines, Techniques, Tools and System Engineering Technologies
- o Assistance to SDC Project Teams
- o Consultation
- o Metrics and Supporting Tools
- o Use of Metrics and Feedback for Process Improvement
- o Application of Established Methods and Standards
- o Application of Consistent Systems Engineering Approach to SDC Projects
- o Encouragement of Data Sharing
- o Facilitation of Establishment of Data Standards
- o Cost Effectiveness of Selected Methods and Tools

### 3.11.3 Systems Development Center Management and Operations

The contractor shall be evaluated on its management and operation of the Systems Development Center. It shall be responsible for the hiring, training, and placement of a competent technical, professional and managerial staff for itself and its subcontractors. It shall be responsible for appropriate reporting to EPA and for assisting in the planning activities of the SDC. This category will include, but is not limited to, the following functions (not necessarily in order of importance):

- o Transition/Phase-in Planning and Implementation
- o SDC Facility
- o SDC Telecommunication and LAN Facilities
- o SDC Staffing
- o Management and Coordination of Subcontractor and Consultant Efforts
- o Overall Management of the SDC
- o Overall Operation of the SDC
- o Equipping of SDC Staff
- o Adherence to Established SDC Standards and Guidelines
- o Effective Training Program for SDC Staff
- o Delivery Order Tracking
- o Project Management (Including Cost Effectiveness and Effective Use of Resources)
- o Configuration Management
- o Data Management

- o Maintenance of EPA Institutional Knowledge
- o Availability of Accurate Management Information
- o SDC Administrative Support
- o Documentation Services
- o Effective Reporting
- o Security
- o Development and Implementation of Guidelines for Specialized Services
- o IRM Technical Library Support

#### 3.11.4 Contract Management

The contractor shall be evaluated on its performance in meeting contract management requirements. This category will include, but is not limited to, the following functions (not necessarily in order of importance):

- o Conflict of Interest (COI) Management and Implementation of COI Plan
- o Routine Reporting
- o Time Accounting
- o Other Direct Cost Accounting
- o Property Management
- o Communication with EPA Management
- o Compliance with Occasional CO and PO Requests
- o Cost Control
- o Avoidance of Inherently Government Functions
- o Problem Solving

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## 3.12 Fee Allocation Matrix

## Award Fee - Performance Evaluation Periods (PEP)

Performance Category	Phase-in Award date to 12/31/91	PEP-1 01/01/92 to 06/30/92	PEP-2* 07/01/92 to 12/31/92	PEP-14** 07/01/98 to 12/31/98
Life Cycle & Other Srvcs	10%	40%	60%	60%
Methodology Mgmt. and Planning Support	30%	30%	25%	25%
SDC Mgmt. and Ops.	40%	20%	10%	10%
Contract Management	20%	10%	5%	5%
Total AF Available Dollars	\$X,XXX,XXX	\$X,XXX,XXX	\$X,XXX,XXX	\$X,XXX,XXX

\* PEP 3 - 13 are 1/01/XX through 6/30/XX and 7/01/XX through 12/31/XX (\*\*) and the weighting is identical to PEP 2.

\*\* In the event than an option period is not exercised, the ending date for the last PEP will be 09/30/XX and this PEP will consist of three months, 07/01/XX through 09/30/XX.

## Total Maximum Fee Dollars:

	BASE FEE	AWARD FEE
BASE	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 1	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 2	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 3	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 4	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 5	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 6	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00
OPTION 7	\$X,XXX,XXX.00	\$X,XXX,XXX.00

In the event of contract termination, either in whole or in

part, the amount of award fee available shall represent a pro-rata distribution associated with evaluation period activities or events as determined by the FDO as designated in the contract.

### 3.12.1 Award Allocation Matrix

This matrix shows the base fee and award fee, if any, of each term based on the evaluation of the prior term's evaluation. For example if the contractor were rated satisfactory in term 1 and superior in term 2, then they would receive 90% of award fee available for that period plus the base fee.

Prior Term	Evaluation Term				
	Unsatisfactory	Sub-Standard	Satisfactory	* Excellent	Superior
Unsatisfactory	Base Fee Only	Base Fee Only	15% of AF +Base Fee	70% of AF +Base Fee	80% of AF +Base Fee
Substandard	Base Fee Only	Base Fee Only	20% of AF +Base Fee	70% of AF +Base Fee	80% of AF +Base Fee
Satisfactory	Base Fee Only	Base Fee Only	25% of AF +Base Fee	70% of AF +Base Fee	90% of AF +Base Fee
Excellent *	Base Fee Only	Base Fee Only	25% of AF +Base Fee	75-90% AF +Base Fee	95% of AF +Base Fee
Superior	Base Fee Only	Base Fee Only	25% of AF +Base Fee	75-90% AF +Base Fee	100% of AF +Base Fee

\* See Section 3.12.2 below

#### Ground Rules:

- Adjective ratings determined by performing at the following levels:
  - 0 - 30 --- Unsatisfactory
  - 31 - 50 --- Substandard
  - 51 - 75 --- Satisfactory
  - 76 - 90 --- Excellent
  - 91 - 100 --- Superior
- Ratings of "Sub-standard" or "Unsatisfactory" for any performance category (e.g., Life Cycle and Other Support Services) requires that composite rating can be no greater



than "Satisfactory."

### 3. Major Factors:

- a. Life Cycle and Other Specialized Support Services
- b. Methodology Management and Planning Support
- c. Systems Development Center Management and Operations
- d. Contract Management

#### 3.12.2 Expansion of "Excellent" Evaluation Quadrant

This chart depicts the method of determining the precise award fee percentage identified by the spread of 75-90% under the excellent category in the Award Allocation Matrix above. For example, the contractor is rated excellent in the current rating period and received an excellent rating in the preceding rating period. If the contractor had been rated excellent in the last 4 consecutive rating periods (including the current period), it would receive 90% of the award fee available for that evaluation period.

No. Consecutive Terms Rated Excellent/Superior	2	3	4 or more
Total Percentage	75%	85%	90%

Purpose: Incentive for continuity of performance.

By definition a rating below "Excellent" means that the percentage reverts back to the standard percentage.

### 3.13 Award Fee for the Phase-In Period

#### 3.13.1 Evaluation Procedures

The PEB will evaluate the contractor's performance as related to the Statement of Work for phase-in activities, based upon performance observation reports submitted to the Evaluation Coordinator by the Contracting Officer, Project Officer, Technical Manager, and the Delivery Order Project Officer for the SDC facility and base services.

#### 3.13.2 Evaluation Period

The evaluation period will be the period of performance for

the first three months of contract performance, which will include the phase-in activities.

### 3.13.3 Performance Evaluation Reports

Same as for the award fee plan above.

### 3.13.4 Evaluation Criteria

The PEB will make a subjective assessment of the contractor's performance of phase-in activities as it relates to amount of program continuity, efficiency, cost effectiveness and schedule.

### 3.13.5 Definitions

Same as for the award fee plan above.

### 3.13.6 Evaluation of Performance

Same as for the award fee plan above.

### 3.13.7 Performance Evaluation Categories

The phase-in of the categories for the award fee plan above.