

**Texas State Library and Archives Commission**  
**Terms and Conditions**

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All of the following terms and conditions are hereby made part of this contract with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) by reference. Signing a Purchase Order with a false statement is a material breach of contract and shall void the Purchase Order and the Vendor shall be removed from all contact lists.

Contracts awarded by TSLAC shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. Venue shall be in the courts of competent jurisdiction in Austin, Travis County, Texas. Nothing in this Contract or its Appendices shall be construed to waive the State's sovereign immunity. The federal or state courts of the United State located in Texas shall have jurisdiction to hear any dispute under this contract, and service may be made upon TSLAC by first class mail to its address as set forth herein.

In the events of conflicts or inconsistencies between this Purchase Order and its attachments, such conflicts or inconsistencies shall be resolved by reference to the following order of priority: Signed TSLAC Purchase Order, TSLAC Terms and Conditions, Attachments to the Contract, and the Vendor's Estimate or Quote.

1. **Notices.** Unless specifically noted elsewhere in this Contract, any written notices required under this Contract will be either hand delivered to Vendor's office address specified on the signature page of this Contract or to TSLAC's Purchasing Department, 1201 Brazos Street, Room 309, Austin, Texas 78701, or by U.S. Mail, certified, return receipt requested, addressed to the appropriate foregoing address. Notice will be effective on receipt by the affected party. Either party may change the designated notice address by written notification to the other party.
2. **Debarred Vendors List.** Vendor represents and warrants that it and its principals are eligible to participate in this transaction and have not been subjected to suspension, debarment, or similar ineligibility determined by any federal, state or local government entity and that Vendor is in compliance with the State statues and rules relating to procurement and that Vendor or its subcontractors are not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224. Entities ineligible for federal procurement are listed at <https://www.sam.gov>.
3. **Sales and Use Tax.** The TSLAC, as an agency of the State of Texas, qualifies for exemption from State and Local Sales and Use Taxes pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Limited Sales, Excise, and Use Tax Act. The Vendor may be able to claim exemption from payment of applicable State taxes by complying with such procedures as may be prescribed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Excise Tax Exemption Certificates are available upon request.
4. **Observance of TSLAC Rules and Regulations.** Vendor agrees that at all times its employees will observe and comply with all regulations when accessing the TSLAC facilities, including, but not limited to, parking and security regulations.
5. **Non-Appropriation of Funds.** The State funds are contingent on the availability of lawful appropriates by the Texas Legislature. If the Texas Legislature fails to continue funding for the payments due under an order referencing this contract; the order will terminated as of the date that the funding expires, and the State will have no further obligation to make any payments.
6. **Prohibited Use of Appropriated or Other Funds Under Control of State Agency; Lobbying.** Vendor represents and warrants that TSLAC's payment to Vendor and Vendor's receipt of appropriated or other funds under this or any resulting Contract is prohibited from use to pay or employ a lobbyist. Refer to Texas Government Codes §§ 556.005 or 556.008. *[Updated 01/13/2016]*
7. **Public Information Act.** Information, documentation, and other material in connection with this RFP or contract may be subject to public disclosure pursuant to the Texas Government Code § 552.021 (the "Public Information Act"). Any part of a submitted Response that is of a confidential or proprietary nature must be clearly and prominently marked on each page as such by the Vendor.
8. **Antitrust.** Vendor represents that neither the Vendor nor the company, corporation, partnership, or institution represented by the Vendor, or anyone acting for such firm, corporation, or institution has violated the antitrust laws of this State or the Federal Antitrust Laws, nor communicated directly or indirectly the proposal to any other person engaged in such line of business.
9. **No Conflicts.** Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has no actual or potential conflicts of interest in providing services to TSLAC under this Contract and that Contractor's provision of services under this Contract would not reasonably create an appearance of impropriety. Without limitation on the foregoing, other disclosures required under this Contract, and other prohibited work provisions of this Contract, Contractor shall, throughout the term of this Contract, comply with and provide all of the following to TSLAC, upon request: a copy of Contractor's most recent audit, if any, together with a full disclosure of any and all internal control weaknesses, if any; disclosure and detailed description of Contractor's most recent peer review, if any, stating the date of the review and irregularities, if any, and concluding comments; disclosure and detailed description of any emerging irregularities, if any, that could materially affect TSLAC's interests; and disclosure and detailed description of how Contractor determines whether Contractor's outside auditors provide consulting or other services to Contractor or Contractor's clients or to TSLAC.
10. **Specifications.**

The State will not be bound by any oral statement or representation contrary to the written specifications.

  - Unless otherwise specified, items shall be new and unused and of current production.
  - All electrical items must meet all applicable OSHA standards and regulations, and bear the appropriate listing from UL, FMRC or NEMA.
  - The State will not be bound by any oral statement or representation contrary to the written specifications.
  - Manufacturer's standard warranty shall apply unless otherwise stated.
  - Catalogs, brand names or manufacturer's references are descriptive only, and indicate type and quality desired. Bids on brands of like

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nature and quality will be considered unless advertised under Chapter 2155.067 of the Texas Government Code. If bidding on other than references, bid should show manufacturer, brand, or trade name, and other description of product offered. If other than brand(s) specified is offered, illustrations and complete description of product offered are requested to be made part of the bid. Failure to take exception to specifications or reference data will require Vendor to furnish specified brand names, numbers, etc.

- Samples, when requested, must be furnished free of expense to the State. If not destroyed in examination, they will be returned to the Vendor, on request, at Vendor's expense. Each sample should be marked with Vendor's name and address, and requisition number. Do not enclose in or attach bid to a sample

**11. Delivery.**

- a) Delivery shall be made during normal working hours (7:30am-4:30pm, CT), unless prior approval or specific delivery instructions have been provided by the TSLAC Purchasing Department.
- b) No substitutions are permitted without written approval of the TSLAC's Purchasing Department.
- c) If delay is foreseen, Vendor shall give written notice to the TSLAC. Vendor must keep the TSLAC advised at all times of status of order. Default in promised delivery (without accepted reasons) or failure to meet specifications authorizes the TSLAC to purchase supplies elsewhere and charge full increase, if any, in cost and handling to defaulting vendor.

**15. Inspection and Tests.** All goods will be subject to inspection and test by the State. Authorized TSLAC personnel shall have access to supplier's place of business for the purpose of inspecting merchandise. Tests shall be performed on samples submitted with the Response or on samples taken from regular shipments. All costs shall be borne by the Vendor in the event products tested fail to meet or exceed all conditions and requirements of the specification. Goods delivered and rejected in whole or in part may, at the State's option, be returned to the Vendor or held for disposition at Vendor's expense. Latent defects may result in revocation of award.

**16. Payment.** Payment shall be made in accordance with Texas Prompt Payment Act, as specified in the Texas Government Code § 2251. TSLAC shall not pay any amounts for any purpose to Vendor or any entity, except as expressly provided in the Purchase Order. TSLAC reserves the right to make payments only upon receipt of a correct invoice, including all of the required supporting documentation. TSLAC also reserves the right to refuse payments for invoices that exceed the rates specified in the Purchase Order.

**17. Gifts.** The Vendor has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with the submitted Response or contract.

**18. Eligibility.** Under Texas Government Code § 2155.004, the Vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this Purchase Order is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate. Vendor represents and warrants that it is not delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes owed the State.

**19. Liability for Taxes.** Vendor represents and warrants that it shall pay all taxes or similar amounts resulting from this Contract, including, but not limited to, any federal, state, or local income, sales or excise taxes of Vendor or its employees. TSLAC shall not be liable for any such taxes resulting from this Contract.

**20. Indemnification.** Vendor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of Texas and Customers, ITS OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES, AND VENDORS, FROM ANY AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, DEMANDS, PROCEEDINGS, COSTS, DAMAGES, AND LIABILITIES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COURT COSTS, ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH, OR RESULTING FROM ANY ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF VENDOR OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF VENDOR IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT. VENDOR SHALL COORDINATE ITS DEFENSE WITH THE TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL AS REQUESTED BY TEXAS STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES COMMISSION (TSLAC).

**THIS PARAGRAPH IS NOT INTENDED TO AND SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE VENDOR TO INDEMNIFY OR HOLD HARMLESS THE STATE OR TSLAC FOR ANY CLAIMS OR LIABILITIES RESULTING FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF TSLAC OR ITS EMPLOYEES.** arising out of, or resulting from any acts or omissions of the Vendor or its agents, employees, subcontractors in the execution or performance of the Contract and any Purchase Orders issued under the Contract. THE DEFENSE SHALL BE COORDINATED BY VENDOR WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WHEN TEXAS STATE AGENCIES ARE NAMED DEFENDANTS IN ANY LAWSUIT AND VENDOR MAY NOT AGREE TO ANY SETTLEMENT WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE CONCURRENCE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. VENDOR AND THE CUSTOMER AGREE TO FURNISH TIMELY WRITTEN NOTICE TO EACH OTHER OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.

**21. Debt.** Vendor agrees that any payments due under this contract will be applied towards any debt, including but not limited to delinquent taxes and child support that is owed to the State of Texas. Vendor shall comply with rules adopted by TSLAC under the Texas Government Codes §403.055, § 403.0551, § 2252.903 and other applicable laws and regulations regarding satisfaction of debts or delinquencies to the State.

**22. State Auditor's Clause.** Vendor understands that acceptance of funds under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditors Office, or any successor agency, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Vendor further agrees to cooperate fully with the State Auditors Office or its successor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested. Vendor will ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through Vendor and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards.

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- 23. Patents and Copyrights.** Vendor shall defend and indemnify TSLAC and the State of Texas against claims of patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret or other proprietary rights, violations or infringements arising from TSLAC's or Vendor's use of or acquisition of any services or other items provided to TSLAC by Vendor or otherwise to which TSLAC has access as a result of Vendor's performance under this Contract, provided that TSLAC notify Vendor of any such claim within a five (5) working days time of TSLAC's receiving notice of any such claim. If Vendor is notified of any claim subject to this Section, Vendor shall notify TSLAC of such claim within five (5) working days of such notice. If TSLAC determines that a conflict exists between its interests and those of Vendor or if TSLAC is required by applicable law to select separate counsel, TSLAC shall be permitted to select separate counsel, and the actual costs TSLAC's counsel shall be paid by Vendor. No settlement of any such claim shall be made by Vendor without TSLAC's prior written approval. Vendor shall reimburse TSLAC and the State of Texas for any claims, damages, losses, costs, expenses, judgments or any other amounts, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and court costs arising from any such claim. Vendor represents that it has determined what licenses, patents and permits are required under this Contract and has acquired all such licenses, patents and claims.
- 24. Vendor Assignments.** Vendor hereby assigns an ordering agency any and all claims for overcharges associated with this contract arising under the antitrust laws of the United States 15 U.S.C.A Section 1, et seq (1973), and the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, Texas Business & Commerce Code § 15.01, et seq (1967).
- 25. Default.** If the Vendor fails to provide the goods or services contracted for according to the provisions of the Contract, or fails to comply with any of the terms and conditions of the Contract, the TSLAC may, upon written notice of default to the Vendor, immediately terminate all or any part of the Contract. Termination is not an exclusive remedy, but will be in addition to any other rights and remedies provided in equity, by law or under the Contract.
- The TSLAC may exercise any other right, remedy or privilege which may be available to it under applicable law of the state and any other applicable law or may proceed by appropriate court action to enforce the provisions of the Contract, or to recover damages for the breach of any agreement being derived from the Contract. The exercise of any of the foregoing remedies will not constitute a termination of the Contract unless the TSLAC notifies the Vendor in writing prior to the exercise of such remedy. The Vendor shall remain liable for all covenants and indemnities under the Contract. The Respondent shall be liable for all costs and expenses, including court costs, incurred by the TSLAC with respect to the enforcement of any of the remedies listed herein.
- 26. Agreement Amendments.** No modification or amendment to the agreement shall become valid unless in writing and signed by both parties. All correspondence regarding modifications or amendments to the agreement must be forwarded to the TSLAC Purchasing Department for prior review and approval. Only the contract administrator within the Purchasing Department or his/her designee will be authorized to sign changes or amendments.
- 27. No Waiver.** Nothing in this agreement shall be construed as a waiver of the state's sovereign immunity. This agreement shall not constitute or be construed as a waiver of any of the privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to the State of Texas. The failure to enforce, or any delay in the enforcement, of any privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to the State of Texas under this agreement or under applicable law shall not constitute a waiver of such privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities or be considered as a basis for estoppel. TSLAC does not waive any privileges, rights defenses, or immunities available to TSLAC by entering into this agreement or by its conduct prior to or subsequent to entering into this agreement.
- 28. Acceptance of Products and Services.** All products furnished and all services performed under this agreement shall be to the satisfaction of TSLAC and in accordance with the specifications, terms, and conditions of this contract. TSLAC reserves the right to inspect the products furnished or the services performed, and to determine the quality, acceptability, and fitness of such products or services.
- 29. Deceptive Trade Practices Act (DTPA).** Vendor represents and warrants that it has not been the subject of a Deceptive Trade Practices Act or any unfair business practice administrative hearing or court suit, and that Vendor has not been found to be guilty of such practices in such proceedings. Vendor certifies that it has no officers who have served as officers of other entities who have been the subject of a Deceptive Trade Practices Act or any unfair business administrative hearing or court suit, and that such officers have not been found to be guilty of such practices in such proceedings.
- 30. Immigration.** Vendor represents and warrants that it will comply with the requirements of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 , the Immigration Act of 1990 ("Immigration Act"), and the Illegal Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 ("IRIRA") regarding employment verification and retention of verification forms for any individuals hired who will perform any labor or services under this Contract. Vendor also represents and warrants that it shall comply with the requirements of the Immigration Act regarding creation of the lottery system for granting visas and IRIRA which created three (3) year, ten (10) year and permanent bars to entrance into the United States.
- 31. Criminal Conviction Certification.** The Vendor represents and warrants that Vendor has not and Vendor's employees have not been convicted of a felony criminal offense, or that, if such a conviction has occurred, Vendor has fully advised TSLAC as to the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction. Vendor has a continuing duty to amend, supplement or correct this representation and warranty not later than ten (10) days after discovering additional information relating to felony criminal convictions of Vendor or any of its employees. Vendor shall not allow any employee convicted of a felony criminal offense to perform tasks related to the contract without such disclosure and express permission from TSLAC.
- 32. Assignment.** The Vendor will not assign its rights under this contract or delegate the performance of its duties under this contract without prior written approval from TSLAC.

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- 33. Accessibility.** TSLAC is required to follow Texas Administrative Code, Title 1, Part 10, Chapter 206, Accessibility and Usability of State Web Sites, Texas Administrative Code, Title 1, Part 10, Chapter 213, and the Federal Section 508, Accessibility Standards.
- 34. Ethics.** Any individual who interacts with public purchasers in any capacity is required to adhere to the guidelines established in the Texas Government Code § 2155.003. The Rule outlines the ethical standards required of public purchaser, employees, and vendors who interact with public purchasers in the conduct of state business. Specifically, a TSLAC employee may not have an interest in, or in any matter be connected with a contract or RFP for a purchase of goods or services by an agency of the state; or in any manner, including by rebate or gift, accept or receive from a person to whom a contract may be awarded, directly or indirectly, anything of value or a promise, obligation, or contract for future reward or compensation. Entities who are interested in seeking business opportunities with the state must be mindful of these restrictions when interacting with public purchasers of TSLAC or purchasers of other state agencies.
- 35. Convictions in connection with Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, and subsequent disasters.** Per Senate Bill 608, 80th Legislative Session, TSLAC will not accept Responses, nor award contracts to persons convicted of violating a federal law in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, and subsequent disasters.
- 36. Equal Opportunity.** Vendor represents and warrants that it shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, age and disability in the performance of awards.
- 37. Drug Free Workplace.** The contractor shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C 701 ET SEQ.) and maintain a drug-free work environment; and the final rule, government-wide requirements for drug-free work place (grants), issued by the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Defense (32 CFR Part 280, Subpart F) to implement the provisions of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988 is incorporated by reference and the contractor shall comply with the relevant provisions thereof, including any amendments to the final rule that may hereafter be issued.
- 38. Termination for Convenience.** TSLAC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate the Contract on thirty (30) days written notice to the Vendor. TSLAC also reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate the Contract immediately, with written notice to the Vendor, if it is in the best interests of TSLAC or the State.
- 39. Survival of Terms.** Termination of this Contract for any reason shall not release the Vendor from any liability or obligation set forth in the Contract that is expressly stated to survive any such termination or by its nature would be intended to be applicable following any such termination, including the provisions regarding confidentiality, indemnification, transition, records, audit, property rights, dispute resolution, and invoice and fees verification.
- 40. Records Retention.** Vendor shall maintain and retain supporting fiscal and any other documents relevant to showing that any payments under this Contract funds were expended in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Texas, including, but not limited to, requirements of the Comptroller of the State of Texas and the State Auditor. Vendor shall maintain all such documents and other records relating to this Contract and the State's property seven (7) years after the expiration or cancellation of the Purchase Order. *[Updated 08/10/2016]*
- 41. Vendor Responsibility for Damage to Government Property.** The Vendor shall be liable for all damages to government-owned, leased, or occupied property and equipment caused by the Vendor and its employees, agents, subcontractors, and suppliers, including any delivery or cartage company, in connection with any performance pursuant to the Contract. The Vendor shall notify the TSLAC Project Manager in writing of any such damage within one (1) calendar day.
- 42. Applicable Law & Conforming Amendments.** Vendor must comply with all laws, regulations, requirements and guidelines applicable to a Vendor providing good or services to the State of Texas as these laws, regulations, requirements and guidelines currently exist and as they are amended throughout the term of this Purchase Order. TSLAC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to unilaterally amend this Contract throughout its term to incorporate any modifications necessary for TSLAC or Vendor's compliance with all applicable State and federal laws, and regulations.
- This Purchase Order may be amended only upon written agreement between TSLAC and Vendor; however, this Purchase Order may not be amended so as to make it conflict with the laws of the State. TSLAC may issue Purchase Order Change Notices (POCN) for ordering and tracking purposes consistent with this Purchase Order. *[Included on 08/10/2016]*
- 43. Buy Texas.** Vendor represents and warrants that it will buy Texas products and materials for use in providing the services authorized herein when such products and materials are available at a comparable price and in a comparable period of time when compared to non-Texas products and materials.
- 44. Texas Bidder.** Vendor represents and warrants that if a Texas address is shown as the address of Vendor, then Vendor qualifies as a Resident Bidder as defined by Section 2155.444 of the Texas Government Code.
- 45. Environmental Protection.** The Vendor shall be in compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the mandates of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §7401 *et seq.*) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, (33 U.S.C. §1251 *et seq.*).

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- 46. TSLAC Anti-Fraud Policy.** Vendor represents and warrants that it has read and understood and shall comply with the Comptroller of Public Account's Anti-Fraud Policy located on the Comptroller's website at <http://www.window.texas.gov/ssv/ethics.html>, as such Policy currently reads and as it as amended throughout the term of this Contract.
- 47. Electronic and Information Resources Accessibility Standards.** As Required by 1 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 213 (Applicable to State Agency and Institution of Higher Education Purchases Only) 1) Effective September 1, 2006 state agencies and institutions of higher education shall procure products which comply with the State of Texas Accessibility requirements for Electronic and Information Resources specified in 1 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 213 when such products are available in the commercial marketplace or when such products are developed in response to a procurement solicitation. 2) Vendor shall provide TSLAC with the URL to its Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) for reviewing compliance with the State of Texas Accessibility requirements (based on the federal standards established under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act), or indicate that the product/service accessibility information is available from the General Services Administration "Buy Accessible Wizard" (<http://www.buyaccessible.gov>). Vendors not listed with the "Buy Accessible Wizard" or supplying a URL to their VPAT must provide TSLAC with a report that addresses the same accessibility criteria in substantively the same format. Additional information regarding the "Buy Accessible Wizard" or obtaining a copy of the VPAT is located at <http://www.section508.gov/>.

**Updated August 10, 2016**

**INVOICING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**NON-COMPLIANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS MAY DELAY PAYMENT**

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Please use the following procedure when submitting your invoice:

1. Invoices must be in U.S. dollars
2. Invoices **must** be submitted to the agency at the invoice address shown in Box 2 of the Purchase Order. If you prefer to submit your invoice electronically, **use submit your invoice to the following email address:** [AP@tsl.texas.gov](mailto:AP@tsl.texas.gov)
3. Your invoice must provide vendor name and remit to address.
4. Invoice must be issued to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC).
5. The Purchase Order Number must be on the invoice and packing slips. Invoices submitted without the Purchase Order Number are not in compliance and will result in delays in payment processing.
6. Vendor's Texas Identification Number (if issued) or Federal Tax ID Number must be included on the invoice. Vendors who have not been issued a Texas Identification Number should contact the TSLAC Accounting Office at (512) 463-5473 for assistance.
7. Vendor must provide an itemized invoice that includes the description of each item or service provided. Items or services must correspond with the description listed on the Purchase Order.
8. Quantity delivered, unit and total price of each item or service must be shown, and all prices extended on the invoice.
9. All extensions on the invoice must be totaled, and the grand total shown.
10. Discount, if applicable, must be stated, and deducted to arrive at a Net total for the invoice.
11. Final delivery date of merchandise or period of service must be shown on the invoice.

**DIRECT DEPOSIT**

**The Texas State Library and Archives Commission encourage vendors to receive payment by direct deposit. To receive future payments by direct deposit, vendors should download and fill out the New Setup Direct Deposit/Advance Payment Notification, Form 74-207 available at [www.txdirectdeposit.org](http://www.txdirectdeposit.org). Completed forms should be sent to the Agency invoice address listed in Box 2 of the Purchase Order.**

**SALES AND USE TAX**

The TSLAC, as an agency of the State of Texas, qualifies for exemption from State and Local Sales and Use Taxes pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Limited Sales, Excise, and Use Tax Act. The Vendor may be able to claim exemption from payment of applicable State taxes by complying with such procedures as may be prescribed by the State Comptroller of Public Accounts. Excise Tax Exemption Certificates are available upon request.

**FRANCHISE TAX CERTIFICATION**

Article 2.45, Texas Business Corporation Act, prohibits the awarding of a contract to a corporation that is delinquent in a franchise tax owed to the state under Chapter 171, Tax Code. By delivering merchandise or services on this order, a corporate contractor certifies that is not delinquent in a tax owed to the state under Chapter 171, Tax Code. Delivering merchandise or services on this order while such a tax is delinquent constitutes material breach of the purchase contract. A warrant payable to a corporate contractor will not be processed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts until all corporate indebtedness to the state is retired.

**PAYMENT**

Payment shall be made in accordance with Texas Prompt Payment Act, in Texas Government Code § 2251. TSLAC shall not pay any amounts for any purpose to Vendor or any entity, except as expressly provided in the Contract. TSLAC reserves the right to make payments only upon receipt of a correct invoice, including all of the required supporting documentation. TSLAC also reserves the right to refuse payments for invoices that exceed the rates specified in the Contract. The State will incur no penalty for late payment if payment is made in 30 or fewer days from receipt of goods or services and an uncontested invoice, whichever is later. Any payments later than 30 days from an uncontested invoice will start to accrue interest.

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING NON-PAYMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT**

Pursuant to Texas Family Code § 231.006 (d), re: child support, the Vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid is not ineligible to receive the specified payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

**DELINQUENT TAX/DEBT NOTIFICATION**

Payments owed under this contract may be used towards any debt or delinquent taxes owed to the State of Texas by the vendor until debt or taxes are paid in full.

**DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

Texas Government Code § 2260 requires a contractor, as a condition precedent to seeking permission to sue the State of Texas under a contract, to first negotiate, then mediate, then take the claim to a contested case hearing before the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Vendors may request Advance Payment Notification by fax or email. This feature includes notification one business day before the deposit posts to the vendor's bank account. It also provides the amount of the deposit and which agency it came from. Vendors may also receive remittance information with the notification. <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/securitymp1portal/displayLoginUser.do>