1.2.8 The provisions of this document and the contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Hawaii as those laws are construed and amended from time to time.

1.2.9 The titles of headings of sections, subsections and paragraphs are intended for convenience of reference and shall not be considered as having any bearing on their interpretation.

1.2.10 All words used in the singular shall extend to and include the plural. All words used in the plural shall extend to and include the singular. All words used in any gender shall extend to and include all genders.

1.2.11 Managed Competition Review. All contracts executed on or after July 20, 1998 which will extend beyond June 30, 2001 (including contracts which have initial terms ending before June 30, 2001, with options to extend beyond June 30, 2001) will be subject to the Managed Competition Review, as defined below.

During its term, the contract shall be subject to a single review by the City pursuant to the managed process for public-private competition to be developed under Part III, Section 6 of Act 230, Session Laws of Hawaii 1998. It is the understanding of the parties that, as a result of the managed process review, the Agreement may be terminated by the City, renegotiated by mutual agreement of the parties, or continued in its current form. Any termination pursuant to this Section shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

1.2.12 Cooperation. The contractor shall cooperate and coordinate with other contractors who may be employed by the City on the same or related projects of the City, and to the extent possible, shall avoid interference therewith, and shall cooperate with the other contractors so as to avoid unnecessary delay or hindrance in the performance of their respective contracts. Any difference or conflict which may arise between the contractor and the other contractors of the City shall be resolved by the officer-in-charge, whose decision shall be final and binding.

1.2.13 Confidentiality. When dealing with the news media, the contractor is expected to be circumspect and to treat all matters falling within the scope of the contract with the utmost confidentiality. The contractor shall consult with and/or obtain the consent of the officer-in-charge prior to having conversations with or giving public interviews to the news media or any other members of the public.

SECTION 2 - HAWAII ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (HAR)

The Public Procurement Code (HRS Chapter 103D) and the Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 3, Department of Accounting and General Services, State of Hawaii (HAR), govern the procurement of goods and services and are by reference incorporated herein and made a part of the request for proposals and contract documents.

Wherever "chief procurement officer" appears in the HAR, for the Board of Water Supply (BWS), it shall mean the Manager and Chief Engineer of the BWS, for all others it shall mean the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services.

Wherever "head of the purchasing agency" and "procurement officer" appear in the HAR, both shall mean the officer-in-charge, or their authorized designees. For all agencies except the Board of Water Supply, the officer-in-charge shall have authority to act as specified herein.

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