



State of Washington DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES Attn: Contracts & Procurement P.O. Box 41411 Olympia, WA 98504-1411		CONTRACT USAGE AGREEMENT	
		CUA No.:	K1886
INSERT ELIGIBLE PURCHASER NAME <u>Vera Water and Power</u>	Type of Eligible Purchaser	Effective Date:	<u>1-26</u> , 2023
Tax Identification No.: <u>91-0986904</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Washington state agency		
Business Contact: <u>Jim Fields</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington local governmental agency or entity		
Tel: <u>(509) 227-6815</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal governmental agency or entity		
Email: <u>jfields@verawaterandpower.com</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tribe located in the State of Washington		

CONTRACT USAGE AGREEMENT
FOR
STATEWIDE CONTRACTS & COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS

This Contract Usage Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the State of Washington acting by and through the Department of Enterprise Services, a Washington State governmental agency ("Enterprise Services") and the Vera Water & Power, a local governmental agency ("Eligible Purchaser") and is dated and effective as Jan 26, 2023.

RECITALS

- A. Enterprise Services, pursuant to Legislative authority set forth in RCW 39.26.050(1), RCW 43.19.005(2), and/or the Interlocal Cooperation Act (RCW 39.34), is authorized to enter into agreements with:

- Washington state agencies;
- Washington local governmental agencies or entities;
- Federal governmental agencies or entities; and
- Tribes located in Washington state

to enable such entities (each an "Eligible Purchaser") to utilize certain competitively solicited and awarded contracts developed and/or administered by Enterprise Services to purchase goods and/or services ("Contracts").

- B. The Contracts function as enterprise procurement solutions that are designed to enable Eligible Purchasers to purchase goods and/or services cost-effectively and efficiently. The competitively solicited and awarded Contracts include:

- Statewide contracts developed and implemented by Enterprise Services on behalf of the State of Washington; and
- Cooperative purchasing agreements developed or joined by Enterprise Services on behalf of the State of Washington.

Enterprise Services maintains a list of all such Contracts at its [Contracts Webpage](#).

- C. Eligible Purchasers who execute a Contract Usage Agreement with Enterprise Services may utilize the Contracts. Eligible Purchasers must comply with the contractual terms and conditions set forth in the Contracts.
- D. Eligible Purchaser desires to contract with Enterprise Services to access and use the Contracts, subject to their terms and conditions.
- E. The purpose of the Agreement is to establish the terms and conditions to authorize Eligible Purchaser to use the Contracts.

A G R E E M E N T


NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. **DURATION.** This Agreement is effective as of the effective date stated herein and shall continue in force unless terminated by either party upon thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.
2. **ELIGIBLE PURCHASER'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.** Eligible Purchaser makes each of the following representations and warranties as of the effective date of this Agreement and at the time any order is placed pursuant to any Contract that it uses. If, at the time of any such order, Eligible Purchaser cannot make such representations and warranties, Eligible Purchaser shall not place any such order and shall, within three (3) business days notify Enterprise Services, in writing, and terminate this Agreement.
 - a. **ELIGIBLE PURCHASER STATUS.** Eligible Purchaser represents and warrants that, as set forth in RCW 39.26.050(1), RCW 43.19.005(2), and/or the Interlocal Cooperation Act (RCW chap. 39.34), it is an entity that is eligible to utilize Enterprise Services' Contracts. Eligible Purchaser further represents and warrants that, upon request from Enterprise Services, Eligible Purchaser shall provide documentation to confirm its eligibility to use the Contracts.
 - b. **CONTRACT AUDITS.** Eligible Purchaser represents and warrants that it shall cooperate with Enterprise Services, the Office of the State Auditor, federal officials, and/or any third party authorized by law or contract, in any audit conducted by such party pertaining to any Contracts that Eligible Purchaser has made purchases from pursuant to this Agreement, including providing records related to any purchases from such Contracts.
3. **AUTHORIZED USE; FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.** Eligible Purchaser understands and agrees that it shall: (a) deal directly with the Contract's awarded contractor (i.e., the vendor, supplier, service supplier, etc.) for any purchases it makes under the Contract, as authorized by this Agreement; and (b) assume full and complete responsibility, financial and otherwise, for any purchases made pursuant to any Contract.
4. **SEPARATE RESPONSIBILITY.** Each party to this Agreement shall be responsible for the acts, errors, and omissions of itself and its own officers, employees, and agents acting within the scope of the performance of this Agreement and within the scope of their authority.
5. **RESOLVING CONTRACT PURCHASE DISPUTES.** The parties agree that, if there are any disputes between Eligible Purchaser and a Contract contractor, Eligible Purchaser shall: (a) provide Enterprise Services written notice of the nature of the dispute including the efforts undertaken to resolve the dispute; and (b) unless otherwise provided in the Contract, work in good faith with the contractor to resolve the dispute without the involvement of Enterprise Services. Enterprise Services may, upon request, review and assist in the resolution of a dispute, and, if Enterprise Services chooses to do so, Eligible Purchaser will cooperate with Enterprise Services in that resolution process. Enterprise Services, in its sole discretion, may elect to resolve disputes with a contractor on behalf of Eligible Purchaser and all other users of the applicable Contract. In such event, Enterprise Services' resolution shall be binding.
6. **GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

- a. AGREEMENT AVAILABILITY. Prior to its entry into force, this Agreement shall be posted on the Enterprise Services' website or other electronically retrievable public source as required by RCW 39.34.040.
- b. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, and understandings between them. There are no representations or understandings of any kind not set forth herein.
- c. AMENDMENT OR MODIFICATION. Except as set forth herein, this Agreement may not be amended or modified except in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of each party hereto.
- d. AUTHORITY. Each party to this Agreement, and each individual signing on behalf of each party, hereby represents and warrants to the other that it has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and that its execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement has been fully authorized and approved, and that no further approvals or consents are required to bind such party.
- e. No AGENCY. The parties agree that no agency, partnership, or joint venture of any kind shall be or is intended to be created by or under this Agreement. Neither party is an agent of the other party nor authorized to obligate it.
- f. ASSIGNMENT. Eligible Purchaser may not assign its rights under this Agreement without Enterprise Services' prior written consent and Enterprise Services may consider any attempted assignment without such consent to be void.
- g. GOVERNING LAW. The validity, construction, performance, and enforcement of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, without regard to its choice of law principles that would provide for the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.
- h. JURISDICTION & VENUE. In the event that any action is brought to enforce any provision of this Agreement, the parties agree to exclusive jurisdiction in Thurston County Superior Court for the State of Washington and agree that in any such action venue shall lie exclusively at Olympia, Washington.
- i. CAPTIONS & HEADINGS. The captions and headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and are not intended to, and shall not be construed to, limit, enlarge, or affect the scope or intent of this Agreement nor the meaning of any provisions hereof.
- j. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES. An electronic signature or electronic record of this Agreement or any other ancillary agreement shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original executed copy of this Agreement or such other ancillary agreement for all purposes.
- k. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which counterparts together shall constitute the same instrument which may be sufficiently evidenced by one counterpart. Execution of this Agreement at different times and places by the parties shall not affect the validity thereof so long as all the parties hereto execute a counterpart of this Agreement.

EXECUTED AND EFFECTIVE as of the day and date first above written.

Vera Water and Power
A local GOVERNMENT AGENCY

By: 
Name: James A. Fields
Title: General Manager

STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES
A GOVERNMENT AGENCY

By: 
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Assistant Director, Contracts & Procurement