

Cooperative Procurement

Participation in this cooperative procurement is strictly voluntary. If authorized by the Contractor(s), the resultant contract(s) may be extended to the entities indicated above to purchase at contract prices in accordance with contract terms. No modification of this contract or execution of a separate contract is required to participate. The Contractor shall provide usage reports for all entities accessing the Contract upon request. Participating entities shall place their own orders directly with the Contractor(s) and shall fully and independently administer their use of the contract(s) to include contractual disputes, invoicing and payments without direct administration from the lead-issuing *institution*. The lead-issuing *institution* shall not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by any other participating entity as a result of any authorization by the Contractor to extend the contract. It is understood and agreed that the *lead-issuing institution* is not responsible for the acts or omissions of any entity, and will not be considered in default of the Agreement no matter the circumstances.

Use of this contract(s) does not preclude any participating entity from using other contracts or competitive processes.