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exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.

552.270-2 Historic Preference.

As prescribed in 570.602, insert the following provision:

HISTORIC PREFERENCE (SEP 1999)

(a) The Government will give preference to offers of space in buildings on, or formally listed as eligible for inclusion in, the National Register of Historic Places and to historically significant buildings in historic districts listed in the National Register. This preference extends to historic buildings and will result in award if both of the following are met:

(1) The offer for space meets the terms and conditions of this solicitation as well as any other offer received. The Contracting Officer has discretion to accept alternatives to certain architectural characteristics and safety features defined elsewhere in this solicitation to maintain the historical integrity of the building such as high ceilings, wooden floors, etc.

(2) The rental is no more than 10 percent higher on a total annual usable square foot cost to the Government than the lowest otherwise acceptable offer.

(b) If the Government receives more than one offer of an historic building and they meet the above criteria, the Government will award to the lowest priced historic property offered.

(End of provision)

552.270-3 Parties to Execute Lease.

As prescribed in 570.602, insert the following provision:

PARTIES TO EXECUTE LEASE (SEP 1999)

(a) If the lease is executed by an attorney, agent, or trustee on behalf of the Lessor, an authenticated copy of his power of attorney, or other evidence to act on behalf of the Lessor, shall accompany the lease.

(b) If the Lessor is a partnership, the lease shall be signed with the partnership name, followed by the name of the legally authorized partner signing the same, and, if requested by the Government, a copy of either the partnership agreement or current Certificate of Limited Partnership shall accompany the lease.

(c) If the Lessor is a corporation, the lease shall be signed with the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the officer or other person signing the lease on its

behalf, duly attested, and, if requested by the Government, evidence of this authority to so act shall be furnished.

(End of provision)

552.270-4 Definitions.

As prescribed in 570.603, insert the following clause:

DEFINITIONS (SEP 1999)

The following terms and phrases (except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires) for all purposes of this lease shall have the respective meanings hereinafter specified:

(a) "Commencement Date" means the first day of the term.

(b) "Contract" and "Contractor" means "Lease" and "Lessor," respectively.

(c) "Contracting Officer" means a person with the authority to enter into, administer, and/or terminate contracts and make related determinations and findings. The term includes certain authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer acting within the limits of their authority as delegated by the Contracting Officer.

(d) "Delivery Date" means the date specified in or determined pursuant to the provisions of this lease for delivery of the premises to the Government, improved in accordance with the provisions of this lease and substantially complete, as such date may be modified in accordance with the provisions of this lease.

(e) "Delivery Time" means the number of days provided by this lease for delivery of the premises to the Government, as such number may be modified in accordance with the provision so this lease."

(f) "Excusable Delays" means delays arising without the fault or negligence of Lessor and Lessor's subcontractors and suppliers at any tier, and shall include, without limitation:

- (1) acts of God or of the public enemy,
- (2) acts of the United States of America in either its sovereign or contractual capacity,
- (3) acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the Government,
- (4) fires,
- (5) floods,
- (6) epidemics,
- (7) quarantine restrictions,
- (8) strikes,
- (9) freight embargoes,
- (10) unusually severe weather, or

(11) delays of subcontractors or suppliers at any tier arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both the Lessor and any such subcontractor or supplier.

(g) "Lessor" means the sub-lessor if this lease is a sublease.

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(h) "Lessor shall provide" means the Lessor shall furnish and install at Lessor's expense.

(i) "Notice" means written notice sent by certified or registered mail, Express Mail or Comparable service, or delivered by hand. Notice shall be effective on the date delivery is accepted or refused.

(j) "Premises" means the space described in this lease.

(k) "Substantially complete" and "substantial completion" means that the work, the common and other areas of the building, and all other things necessary for the Government's access to the premises and occupancy, possession, use and enjoyment thereof, as provided in this lease, have been completed or obtained, excepting only such minor matters as do not interfere with or materially diminish such access, occupancy, possession, use of enjoyment.

(l) "Usable square feet" means the ANSI/BOMA Z65.1-1996 definition for BOMA usable office area, which means "The area where a tenant normally houses personnel and/or furniture, for which a measurement is to be computed."

(m) "Work" means all alterations, improvements, modifications, and other things required for the preparation or continued occupancy of the premises by the Government as specified in this lease.

(End of clause)

5512.270-5 Subletting and Assignment.

As prescribed in 570.603, insert the following clause:

SUBLETTING AND ASSIGNMENT (SEP 1999)

The Government may sublet any part of the premises but shall not be relieved from any obligations under this lease by reason of any such subletting. The Government may at any time assign this lease, and be relieved from all obligations to Lessor under this lease excepting only unpaid rent and other liabilities, if any that have accrued to the date of said assignment. Any assignment shall be subject to prior written consent of Lessor, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(End of clause)

552.270-6 Maintenance of Building and Premises—Right of Entry.

As prescribed in 570.603, insert the following clause:

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING AND PREMISES—RIGHT OF ENTRY (SEP 1999)

Except in case of damage arising out of the willful act or negligence of a Government employee, Lessor shall maintain the prem-

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ises, including the building and all equipment, fixtures, and appurtenances furnished by the lessor under this lease, in good repair and condition so that they are suitable in appearance and capable of supplying such heat, air conditioning, light, ventilation, access and other things to the premises, without reasonably preventable or recurring disruption, as is required for the Government's access to, occupancy, possession, use and enjoyment of the premises as provided in this lease. For the purpose of so maintaining the premises, the Lessor may at reasonable times enter the premises with the approval of the authorized Government representative in charge.

(End of clause)

552.270-7 Fire and Casualty Damage.

As prescribed in 570.603, insert the following clause:

FIRE AND CASUALTY DAMAGE (SEP 1999)

If the entire premises are destroyed by fire or other casualty, this lease will immediately terminate. In case of partial destruction or damage, so as to render the premises untenable, as determined by the Government, the Government may terminate the lease by giving written notice to the Lessor within 15 calendar days of the fire or other casualty; if so terminated, no rent will accrue to the Lessor after such partial destruction or damage; and if not so terminated, the rent will be reduced proportionately by supplemental agreement hereto effective from the date of such partial destruction or damage. Nothing in this lease shall be construed as relieving Lessor from liability for damage to or destruction of property of the United States of America caused by the willful or negligent act or omission of Lessor.

(End of clause)

552.270-8 Compliance with Applicable Law.

As prescribed in 570.603, insert the following clause:

COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW (SEP 1999)

Lessor shall comply with all Federal, state and local laws applicable to the Lessor as owner or lessor, or both, of the building or premises, including, without limitation, laws applicable to the construction, ownership, alteration or operation of both or either thereof, and will obtain all necessary permits, licenses and similar items at Lessor's expense. The Government will comply with all Federal, state and local laws applicable to and enforceable against it as a tenant under this lease; provided that nothing in