

## CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, in the Territory of the Virgin Islands, by and between the Government of the Virgin Islands, Department of Property and Procurement, on behalf of the Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "Government") and Analysis Group, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor")

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Government is in need of the services of a Contractor to provide an analysis of the primary factors affecting food costs in the United States Virgin Islands ("USVI") which duties and responsibilities are more particularly described in Addendum I (Scope of Work) attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor represents that it is willing and capable of providing such services;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and intending to be legally bound by this written instrument, the parties hereto do covenant and agree as follows:

### 1. SERVICES

The Contractor will provide the services described in Addendum I (Scope of Work) attached hereto and made a part of this contract.

### 2. TERM

This Contract shall commence upon the execution of this Contract by the Governor of the Virgin Islands and shall terminate 365 days thereafter.

### 3. COMPENSATION

The Government, in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the services described in Addendum I (Scope of Work), agrees to pay Contractor the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$ 60,000.00) in accordance with the provisions set forth in Addendum II (Compensation) attached hereto and made a part of this contract.

### 4. TRAVEL EXPENSES

In addition to the compensation for services as specified in Paragraph 3 (Compensation) above, the Government agrees to pay documented transportation, subsistence, lodging and other travel expenses, while in travel status, for trips which have been authorized in writing, in advance, by the Government. These costs shall be advanced or reimbursed on the same basis as is applicable to non-contract employees of the Government, or as agreed to by an addendum to this Contract, however, said costs and expenses shall not exceed Six Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$ 6,000.00).

### 5. RECORDS

The Contractor, when applicable, will present documented, precise records of time and/or money expended under this Contract.

**6. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

The Contractor agrees to maintain the professional standards applicable to its profession and to consultants doing business in the United States Virgin Islands.

**7. DOCUMENTS, PRINTOUTS, ETC.**

All documents, books, records, instructional materials, programs, printouts and memoranda of every description derived from and pertaining to this Contract shall become the property of the Government and shall be turned over to it at the termination of this Contract. The above described materials shall not be used by Contractor or by any other person or entity except upon the written permission of the Government.

**8. LIABILITY OF OTHERS**

Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to impose any liability upon the Government to persons, firms, associations, or corporations engaged by Contractor as servants, agents, or independent contractors, or in any other capacity whatsoever, or make Government liable to any such persons, firms associations, or corporations for the acts, omissions, liabilities, obligations and taxes of Contractor of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to unemployment insurance and social security taxes for Contractor, its servants, agents or independent contractors.

**9. ASSIGNMENT**

The Contractor shall not subcontract or assign any part of the services under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Government.

**10. INDEMNIFICATION**

Contractor agrees to investigate, defend and hold harmless Government from and against any and all loss, damage, liability, claims, demands, detriments, cost, charges and expense (including attorney's fees) and causes of action of whatsoever character which Government may incur, sustain or be subjected to, arising out of or in any way connected to third party claims resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Contractor to the extent related to the services to be performed by Contractor under this Contract, except to the extent arising out of the sole negligence of Government.

**11. LIABILITY LIMIT**

Each party's aggregate liability under this agreement, whether in tort, contract, or otherwise, will be limited to the amount of fees paid by Government to Contractor under this Agreement.

**12. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

The Contractor shall perform this Contract as an independent contractor and nothing herein contained shall be construed to be inconsistent with this relationship or status.

**13. GOVERNING LAW**

This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the United States Virgin Islands and jurisdiction shall remain in the United States Virgin Islands.

#### **14. WAIVERS AND AMENDMENTS**

No waiver, modification or amendment of any term, condition or provision of this Contract shall be valid or of any force or effect unless made in writing, signed by the parties hereto or their duly authorized representatives, and specifying with particularity the nature and extent of such waiver, modification or amendment. Any such waiver, modification or amendment in any instance or instances shall in no event be construed to be a general waiver, modification or amendment of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of this Contract, but the same shall be strictly limited and restricted to the extent and occasion specified in such signed writing or writings.

#### **15. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Contract constitutes the entire agreement of the parties relating to the subject matter addressed herein. This Contract supersedes all prior communications, contracts, or agreements between the parties with respect to the subject matter addressed in this Contract, whether written or oral.

#### **16. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD**

If work under this Contract is not performed in accordance with the terms hereof, Government will have the right to withhold out of any payment due to Contractor, such sums as Government may deem ample to protect it against loss or to assure payment of claims arising therefrom, and, at its option, Government may apply such sums in such manner as Government may deem proper to secure itself or to satisfy such claims. Government will immediately notify the Contractor in writing in the event that it elects to exercise its right to withhold.

No such withholding or application shall be made by Government if and while Contractor gives satisfactory assurance to Government that such claims will be paid by Contractor or its insurance carrier, if applicable in the event that such contest is not successful.

#### **17. CONDITION PRECEDENT**

This Contract shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds and to the approval of the Governor.

#### **18. TERMINATION**

Either party will have the right to terminate this Contract with or without cause on 15 days' written notice to the other party specifying the date of termination.

#### **19. PARTIAL TERMINATION**

The performance of work under this Contract may be terminated by the Government, in part, whenever the Government shall deem such termination advisable. This partial termination shall be effected by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Partial Termination specifying the extent to which the term and/or duties under this Contract are terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payment for services provided to the date of termination, including payment for the period of the [#] day notice.

#### **20. NON-DISCRIMINATION**

No person shall be excluded from participating in, be denied the proceeds of, or be subject to discrimination in the performance of this Contract on account of race, creed, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

**21. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

(a) Contractor covenants that it has no interest and will not acquire any interest direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Contract.

(b) Contractor further covenants that it is:

(1) not a territorial officer or employee (i.e., the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, member of the Legislature, or any other elected territorial official; or an officer or employee of the legislative, executive or judicial branch of the Government or any agency, board, commission or independent instrumentality of the Government, whether compensated on a salary, fee or contractual basis); or

(2) a territorial officer or employee and, as such, has:

- (i) familiarized itself with the provisions of Title 3, Chapter 37 of the Virgin Islands Code, pertaining to conflicts of interest, including the penalties provision set forth in section 1108 thereof;
- (ii) not made, negotiated or influenced this Contract, in its official capacity;
- (iii) no financial interest in the Contract as that term is defined in section 1101(1) of said Code chapter.

**22. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date of this Contract shall be the day of execution of the Contract by the Governor.

**23. NOTICE**

Any notice required to be given by the Terms of this Contract shall be deemed to have been given when the same is sent by certified mail, postage prepaid or personally delivered, addressed to the parties as follows:

**GOVERNMENT**

Randolph N. Bennett  
Commissioner Designee  
Department of Property and Procurement  
Sub Base, Building No. 1, Third Floor  
St. Thomas, VI 00802

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**CONTRACTOR**

George Kosicki, Ph.D.,  
Principal  
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111 Huntington Avenue,  
Fourteenth Floor,  
Boston, MA 02199

**24. LICENSURE**

The Contractor covenants that it has:

- (a) obtained all of the applicable licenses or permits, permanent, temporary or otherwise as required by Title 27 of the Virgin Islands Code; and
- (b) familiarized itself with the applicable provisions of Title 27 of the Virgin Islands Code pertaining to professions and occupations.

**25. FALSE CLAIMS**

Contractor warrants that it shall not, with respect to this Contract, make or present any claim upon or against the Government of the Virgin Islands, or any officer department, board, commission, or other agency thereof, knowing such claims to be false, fictitious or fraudulent. Contractor acknowledges that making such a false, fictitious or fraudulent claim is an offence under Virgin Islands law.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands on the day and year first above written.

**WITNESSES:**

**GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS**

[Handwritten Signature]

Claude Earl Walker

01/27/16

Claude Earl Walker, Esq.  
Attorney General Designee  
Department of Justice

Date

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3/4/16

Randolph N. Bennett,  
Commissioner Designee  
Department of Property and Procurement

Date

[Handwritten Signature]

**CONTRACTOR**

George Kosicki

1-14-2016

George Kosicki, Ph.D., Principal  
Analysis Group, Inc.  
(Corporate seal, if Contractor is a corporation)

Date

**APPROVED:**

[Handwritten Signature]

Date: 4-11-16.

Kenneth E. Mapp  
GOVERNOR OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

**APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BY: [Handwritten Signature] Date 3-3-2016

PURCHASE ORDER NO.

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