**Vertex aerospace, LLC   
U.S. Government Contract Provisions from the Department of Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS)  
TC002, Supplement 2, REV. 1 DATED 06/08/2023**

**NOTE: These clauses are applicable to Purchase Orders or Subcontracts issued by Vertex Aerospace, LLC or its subsidiaries, Aerospace Defense Services, Vertex Global Aerospace, Vertex Aerospace Logistics and Aircraft Integration & Sustainment (“Vertex”) in support of a U.S. Government Prime Contract.**

**1.** When the materials or products furnished are for use in connection with a U. S. Government Department of Defense contract or subcontract, in addition to the General Provisions and the FAR provisions, the following provisions shall apply, as required by the terms of the prime contractor or by operation of law or regulation. In the event of a conflict between these DFARS provisions and the General Provisions or the FAR provisions, the DFARS provisions shall control**.** Clauses in this document may not be applicable to specific orders due to the type of subcontract/purchase order to be issued, dollar thresholds under requirements of the FAR, DFARS or Public Law or Mandatory Flow Down requirements of a particular prime contract. Clauses not applicable for these reasons shall not be removed from this document and will be considered by all parties to be without force and effect.

**2.** The following clauses set forth in the DFARS, in effect as of the date of the prime contract, are incorporated herein by reference with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. In all clauses listed herein, the terms “Government,” “Contracting Officer,” and “Contractor” shall be revised to suitably identify the contracting parties under this purchase order and affect the proper intent of the provision, except where further clarified or modified below. “Subcontractor;” however, shall mean “Seller’s Subcontractor” under this purchase order. The Seller, by signing its offer, hereby certifies compliance with the following clauses and is, therefore, eligible for award.

**A. Title of Clause DFARS**

1. Requirement to Inform Employees of Whistleblower Rights
2. The Contractor shall inform its employees in writing, in the predominant native language of the workforce, of contractor employee whistleblower rights and protections under 10 U.S.C. 2409, as described in subpart 203.9 of the Defense federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement. (b) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph

(b), in all subcontracts. (End of Clause)……………………. …………………………………………………….…………………252.203.7002, DEC 2022

1. Disclosure of Information ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… 252.204-7000, OCT 2016
2. Alternate A, Annual Representations and Certifications…………………………………………………………………………….252.204-7007, MAY 2017
3. Limitations on the Use and Disclosure of Third-Party Contractor Reported Cyber Incident Information…….252.204-7009, JAN 2023
4. Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting and CDI will be flowed down

to or processed by Seller……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………252.204-7012, JAN 2023

1. Limitations on the Use or Disclosure of Information by Litigation Support Contractors…………………………..… 252.204-7014, JAN 2023
2. Notice of Authorized Disclosure of Information for Litigation Support Contractors……………………………………. 252.204-7015, JAN 2023
3. Prohibition On The Acquisition Of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment Or Services……………..252.204-7018, JAN 2021
4. Disclosure of Ownership of Control by a Foreign Government 252.209-7002, DEC 2022
5. Item Unique Identification and Valuation 252.211-7003, JAN 2023
6. Reporting of Government-Furnished Property 252.211-7007, MAR 2022
7. Cost Estimating System Requirements 252.215-7002, DEC 2012
8. Proposal Adequacy Checklist…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….252.215-7009, MAR 2023
9. Award Fee Reduction or Denial for Jeopardizing the Health or Safety of Government Personnel……………..252.216-7004, SEP 2011
10. Restrictions on Employment of Personnel 252.222-7000, MAR 2000
11. Compliance With Local Labor Laws (Overseas)…………………………………………………………………………………………252.222-7002, JUN 1997
12. Hazard Warning Labels (applies if delivery of hazardous materials is required)……………………………………….252.223-7001, DEC 1991
13. Safety Precautions for Ammunition and Explosives 252.223-7002, MAY 1994
14. Change in Place of Performance - Ammunition and Explosives 252.223-7003, DEC 1991
15. Drug-Free Work Force 252.223-7004, SEP 1988
16. Prohibition on Storage, Treatment, and Disposal of Toxic or Hazardous Materials 252.223-7006, SEP 2014
17. Safeguarding Sensitive Conventional Arms, Ammunition and Explosives 252.223-7007, SEP 1999
18. Prohibition of Hexavalent Chromium………………………………………………..……………………………………………………… 252.223-7008, JAN 2023
19. Buy American – Balance of Payments Program Certificate 252.225-7000, NOV 2014
20. Buy American and Balance of Payments Program 252.225-7001, JAN 2023
21. Qualifying Country Sources as Subcontractors 252.225-7002, MAR 2022
22. Prohibition on Acquisition of Certain Items from Communist Chinese Military Companies 252.225-7007, DEC 2018
23. Restriction on Acquisition of Specialty Metals 252.225-7008, MAR 2013
24. Restriction on Acquisition of Certain Articles Containing Specialty Metals (excludes and reserves

para (d) and (e)(1) 252.225-7009, JAN 2023

1. Commercial Derivative Military Article – Specialty Metals Compliance Certificate 252.225-7010, JUL 2009
2. Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities 252.225-7012, APR 2022
3. Duty Free Entry 252.225-7013, DEC 2022
4. Restriction on Acquisition of Hand or Measuring Tools 252.225-7015, JUN 2005
5. Restriction on Acquisition of Ball and Roller Bearings 252.225-7016, JAN 2023
6. Restriction on Acquisition of Anchor and Mooring Chain 252.225-7019, DEC 2009
7. Trade Agreements Certificate 252.225-7020, NOV 2014
8. Trade Agreements 252.225-7021, JAN 2023
9. Restriction on the Acquisition of Forgings 252.225-7025, DEC 2009
10. Restriction on Contingent Fees for Foreign Military Sales (blank is filled in “zero”) 252.225-7027, APR 2003
11. Exclusionary Policies and Procedures of Foreign Governments 252.225-7028, APR 2003
12. Restriction on Acquisition of Carbon, Alloy, and Armor Steel Plate 252.225-7030, DEC 2006
13. Secondary Arab Boycott of Israel 252.225-7031, JUN 2005
14. Buy American – Free Trade Agreements – Balance of Payments Program Certificate 252.225-7035, DEC 2022
15. Buy American – Free Trade Agreements – Balance of Payments Program 252.225-7036, JAN 2023
16. Defense Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States…………………………… 252.225-7039, JAN 2023
17. Contractor Personnel Supporting U.S. Armed Forces Deployed Outside the United States 252.225-7040, OCT 2015
18. Antiterrorism / Force Protection for Defense Contractors Outside the United States 252.225-7043, JUN 2015
19. Balance of Payments Program – Construction Material 252.225-7044, JAN 2023
20. Balance of Payments Program – Construction Material Under Trade Agreements 252-225-7045, JAN 2023
21. Exports By Approved Community Members in Response to the Solicitation………………………………………....… .252.225-7046, JUN 2013
22. Export by Approved Community Members in Performance of the Contract………………………………………………252.225-7047, JUN 2013
23. Export-Controlled Items………………………………………………………………………………………….…………………………………252.225-7048, JUN 2013
24. Rights in Technical Data – Other Than Commercial Products and Commercial Services 252.227-7013, MAR 2023
25. Rights in Other Than Commercial Computer Software and Other Than Commercial Computer Software

Documentation 252.227-7014, MAR 2023

1. Technical Data - Commercial Products and Commercial Services 252.227-7015, MAR 2023
2. Rights in Bid or Proposal Information 252.227-7016, JAN 2023
3. Identification and Assertion of Use, Release, or Disclosure Restrictions 252.227-7017, JAN 2023
4. Rights in Other Than Commercial Technical Data and Computer Software – Small Business Innovation

Research (SBIR) Program 252.227-7018, MAR 2023

1. Validation of Asserted Restrictions - Computer Software 252.227-7019, MAR 2023
2. Limitations on the Use or Disclosure of Government-Furnished Information Marked with Restrictive

Legends 252.227-7025, JAN 2023

1. Deferred Delivery of Technical Data or Computer Software 252.227-7026, APR 1988
2. Deferred Ordering of Technical Data or Computer Software 252.227-7027, APR 1988
3. Technical Data or Computer Software Previously Delivered to the Government 252.227-7028, JUN 1995
4. Technical Data--Withholding of Payment 252.227-7030, MAR 2000
5. Rights in Shop Drawings 252.227-7033, APR 1966
6. Validation of Restrictive Markings on Technical Data 252.227-7037, JAN 2023
7. Patent Rights-Ownership by the Contractor (Large Business)……………………….………………………………………….. 252.227-7038, JUN 2012
8. Patents – Reporting of Subject Inventions 252.227-7039, APR 1990
9. Ground and Flight Risk 252.228-7001, MAR 2023
10. Accident Reporting and Investigation Involving Aircraft, Missiles, and Space Launch Vehicles 252.228-7005, NOV 2019
11. Reporting of Foreign Taxes – U.S. Assistance Programs 252.229-7011, SEP 2005
12. Supplemental Cost Principles 252.231-7000, DEC 1991
13. Frequency Authorization 252.235-7003, MAR 2014
14. Protection of Human Subjects………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….252.235-7004, JUL 2009
15. Requirement for Competition Opportunity for American Steel Producers, Fabricators, and Manufacturers  
    (for Construction Subcontracts) 252.236-7013, JAN 2023
16. Prohibition on Interrogation of Detainees by Contractor Personnel……………………………………………………….….252.237-7010, JAN 2023
17. Training for Contractor Personnel Interacting with Detainees 252.237-7019, JAN 2023
18. Continuation of Essential Contractor Services 252.237-7023, OCT 2010
19. Notice of Continuation of Essential Contractor Services 252.237-7024, OCT 2010
20. Protection Against Compromising Emanations 252.239-7000, OCT 2019
21. Information Assurance Contractor Training and Certification 252.239-7001, JAN 2008
22. Cloud Computing Services…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………. 252.239-7010, JAN 2023
23. Telecommunications Security Equipment, Devices, Techniques, and Services 252.239-7016, DEC 1991
24. Notice of Supply Chain Risk…………………………………………………..…………………………………………………………………… 252.239-7017, DEC 2022
25. Supply Chain Risk 252.239-7018, DEC 2022
26. Pricing of Contract Modifications 252.243-7001, DEC 1991
27. Requests for Equitable Adjustment………………………………………………………………………………………….………………..252.243-7002, DEC 2022
28. Subcontracts for Commercial Products and Commercial Services 252.244-7000, JAN 2023
29. Tagging, Labeling, and Marking Government-Furnished Property……………..……………………………………………… .252.245-7001, APR 2012
30. Reporting Loss of Government Property…………………………………………………………………………………………………… .252.245-7002, JAN 2021
31. Contractor Property Management System Administration………………………………………………………………………… 252.245-7003, APR 2012
32. Reporting, Reutilization, and Disposal……………………………………………………………………………………………………. .252.245-7004, DEC 2017
33. Warranty of Data…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….…………………252.246-7001, MAR 2014
34. Notification of Potential Safety Issues 252.246-7003, JAN 2023
35. Safety of Facilities, Infrastructure, and Equipment for Military Operations 252-246-7004, OCT 2010
36. Contractor Counterfeit Electronic Part Detection and Avoidance System………………………………………………….. 252.246-7007, JAN 2023
37. Sources of Electronic Parts………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… 252.246-7008, JAN 2023
38. Pass-Through of Motor Carrier Fuel Surcharge Adjustment to the Cost Bearer 252.247-7003, JAN 2023
39. Representation of Extent of Transportation by Sea (with an anticipated value at or below the Simplified

Acquisition Threshold)………………………………………….…………………………………………………………………………………..252.247-7022, JUN 2019

1. Transportation of Supplies by Sea……………………………………………………………………………………………………………..252.247-7023, JAN 2023

**B. ORDERS EXPECTED TO EXCEED $150,000 ALSO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Subcontracting with Firms that are Owned or Controlled by the Government of a Terrorist Country

That is a State Sponsor of Terrorism…………………………………………………………………………………………………………252.209-7004, MAY 2019

1. Notification of Anticipated Contract Termination or Reduction (for subcontracts valued greater

than $150,000………………………………………………………. .252.249-7002, DEC 2022

**C. ORDERS EXPECTED TO EXCEED THE SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD ALSO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Prohibition on Persons Convicted of Fraud or Other Defense–Contract-Related Felonies 252.203-7001, JAN 2023
2. Utilization of Indian Organizations, Indian-Owned Economic Enterprises, and Native Hawaiian Small Business  
   Concerns ( 252.226-7001, JAN 2023

**D. ORDERS EXPECTED TO EXCEED $750,000 ALSO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Small Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts) - over $750K 252.219-7003, DEC 2019
2. Report of Intended Performance Outside the United States & Canada– Submission with

Offer ($750,000) 252-225-7003, OCT 2020

1. Report of Intended Performance Outside the United States & Canada – Submission After

Award ($750,000) 252.225-7004, OCT 2020

**E. ORDERS OVER $1,000,000 ALSO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Display of Fraud Hotline Poster(s) (applies to Orders expected to exceed $6M…………………..……………………… 252.203-7004, JAN 2023
2. Restrictions on the Use of Mandatory Arbitration Agreements 252.222-7006, JAN 2023

Waiver of United Kingdom Levies – Evaluation of Offers……………………………………… ……………252.225-7032, APR 2003

1. Waiver of United Kingdom Levies 252.225-7033, APR 2003

F. **ORDERS FOR MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Notice of Prohibition Relating to Organizational Conflict of Interest – Major Defense Acquisition

Program 252.209-7008, DEC 2010

1. Organizational Conflict of Interest – Major Defense Acquisition Program 252.209-7009, MAY 2019
2. Earned Value Management System (For Cost or incentive contracts valued at $20M or more and for

other contracts for which EMS will be applied) …………………………………..……………………………………… .252.234-7002, MAY 2011

1. Notice of Cost and Software Data reporting System (Orders over $50M) 252.234.7003, NOV 2014
2. Cost and Software Date Reporting System (Orders over $50M) 252.234-7004, NOV 2014

**CERTIFICATIONS *the Offeror, by signing its offer, hereby certifies compliance with the following clauses and is, therefore eligible for Award.***

1. Representation of Use of Cloud Computing 252.239-7009, SEP 2015

**The following clauses are incorporated in full text and will be flowed to Suppliers at all tiers:**

252.239-7018 Supply Chain Risk.

As prescribed in 239.7306(b), use the following clause: SUPPLY CHAIN RISK (DEC 2022)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause–

“Information technology” (see 40 U.S.C 11101(6)) means, in lieu of the definition at FAR 2.1, any equipment, or interconnected system(s) or subsystem(s) of equipment, that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, analysis, evaluation, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information by the agency.

(1) For purposes of this definition, equipment is used by an agency if the equipment is used by the agency directly or is used by a contractor under a contract with the agency that requires—

(i) Its use; or

(ii) To a significant extent, its use in the performance of a service or the furnishing of a product.

(2) The term “information technology” includes computers, ancillary equipment (including imaging peripherals, input, output, and storage devices necessary for security and surveillance), peripheral equipment designed to be controlled by the central processing unit of a computer, software, firmware and similar procedures, services (including support services), and related resources.

(3) The term “information technology” does not include any equipment acquired by a contractor incidental to a contract.

“Supply chain risk,” means the risk that an adversary may sabotage, maliciously introduce unwanted function, or otherwise subvert the design, integrity, manufacturing, production, distribution, installation, operation, or maintenance of a national security system (as that term is defined at 44 U.S.C. 3542(b)) so as to surveil, deny, disrupt, or otherwise degrade the function, use, or operation of such system.

(b) The Contractor shall mitigate supply chain risk in the provision of supplies and services to the Government.

(c) In order to manage supply chain risk, the Government may use the authorities provided by section 806 of Public Law. 111-383. In exercising these authorities, the Government may consider information, public and non-public, including all-source intelligence, relating to a Contractor’s supply chain.

(d) If the Government exercises the authority provided in section 806 of Pub. L. 111-383 to limit disclosure of information, no action undertaken by the Government under such authority shall be subject to review in a bid protest before the Government Accountability Office or in any Federal court.

(e) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts involving the development or delivery of any information technology, whether acquired as a service or as a supply.

(End of clause)

252.204-7012 Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting. (JAN 2023)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

“Adequate security” means protective measures that are commensurate with the consequences and probability of loss, misuse, or unauthorized access to, or modification of information.

“Compromise” means disclosure of information to unauthorized persons, or a violation of the security policy of a system, in which unauthorized intentional or unintentional disclosure, modification, destruction, or loss of an object, or the copying of information to unauthorized media may have occurred.

“Contractor attributional/proprietary information” means information that identifies the contractor(s), whether directly or indirectly, by the grouping of information that can be traced back to the contractor(s) (e.g., program description, facility locations), personally identifiable information, as well as trade secrets, commercial or financial information, or other commercially sensitive information that is not customarily shared outside of the company.

“Controlled technical information” means technical information with military or space application that is subject to controls on the access, use, reproduction, modification, performance, display, release, disclosure, or dissemination. Controlled technical information would meet the criteria, if disseminated, for distribution statements B through F using the criteria set forth in DoD Instruction 5230.24, Distribution Statements on Technical Documents. The term does not include information that is lawfully publicly available without restrictions.

“Covered contractor information system” means an unclassified information system that is owned, or operated by or for, a contractor and that processes, stores, or transmits covered defense information.

“Covered defense information” means unclassified controlled technical information or other information, as described in the Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) Registry at http://www.archives.gov/cui/registry/category-list.html, that requires safeguarding or dissemination controls pursuant to and consistent with law, regulations, and Governmentwide policies, and is—

(1) Marked or otherwise identified in the contract, task order, or delivery order and provided to the contractor by or on behalf of DoD in support of the performance of the contract; or

(2) Collected, developed, received, transmitted, used, or stored by or on behalf of the contractor in support of the performance of the contract.

“Cyber incident” means actions taken through the use of computer networks that result in a compromise or an actual or potentially adverse effect on an information system and/or the information residing therein.

“Forensic analysis” means the practice of gathering, retaining, and analyzing computer-related data for investigative purposes in a manner that maintains the integrity of the data.

“Information system” means a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information.

“Malicious software” means computer software or firmware intended to perform an unauthorized process that will have adverse impact on the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of an information system. This definition includes a virus, worm, Trojan horse, or other code-based entity that infects a host, as well as spyware and some forms of adware.

“Media” means physical devices or writing surfaces including, but is not limited to, magnetic tapes, optical disks, magnetic disks, large-scale integration memory chips, and printouts onto which covered defense information is recorded, stored, or printed within a covered contractor information system.

‘‘Operationally critical support’’ means supplies or services designated by the Government as critical for airlift, sealift, intermodal transportation services, or logistical support that is essential to the mobilization, deployment, or sustainment of the Armed Forces in a contingency operation.

“Rapidly report” means within 72 hours of discovery of any cyber incident.

“Technical information” means technical data or computer software, as those terms are defined in the clause at DFARS [252.227-7013](https://www.acquisition.gov/dfars/252.227-7013-rights-technical-data%E2%80%94other-commercial-products-and-commercial-services.#DFARS_252.227-7013) , Rights in Technical Data—Other Than Commercial Products and Commercial Services, regardless of whether or not the clause is incorporated in this solicitation or contract. Examples of technical information include research and engineering data, engineering drawings, and associated lists, specifications, standards, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, technical orders, catalog-item identifications, data sets, studies and analyses and related information, and computer software executable code and source code.

(b) Adequate security. The Contractor shall provide adequate security on all covered contractor information systems. To provide adequate security, the Contractor shall implement, at a minimum, the following information security protections:

(1) For covered contractor information systems that are part of an Information Technology (IT) service or system operated on behalf of the Government, the following security requirements apply:

(i) Cloud computing services shall be subject to the security requirements specified in the clause [252.239-7010](https://www.acquisition.gov/dfars/252.239-7010-cloud-computing-services.#DFARS_252.239-7010) , Cloud Computing Services, of this contract.

(ii) Any other such IT service or system (i.e., other than cloud computing) shall be subject to the security requirements specified elsewhere in this contract.

(2) For covered contractor information systems that are not part of an IT service or system operated on behalf of the Government and therefore are not subject to the security requirement specified at paragraph (b)(1) of this clause, the following security requirements apply:

(i) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2)(ii) of this clause, the covered contractor information system shall be subject to the security requirements in National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) 800-171, “Protecting Controlled Unclassified Information in Nonfederal Information Systems and Organizations” (available via the internet at http://dx.doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-171) in effect at the time the solicitation is issued or as authorized by the Contracting Officer.

(ii)(A) The Contractor shall implement NIST SP 800-171, as soon as practical, but not later than December 31, 2017. For all contracts awarded prior to October 1, 2017, the Contractor shall notify the DoD Chief Information Officer (CIO), via email at osd.dibcsia@mail.mil, within 30 days of contract award, of any security requirements specified by NIST SP 800-171 not implemented at the time of contract award.

(B) The Contractor shall submit requests to vary from NIST SP 800-171 in writing to the Contracting Officer, for consideration by the DoD CIO. The Contractor need not implement any security requirement adjudicated by an authorized representative of the DoD CIO to be nonapplicable or to have an alternative, but equally effective, security measure that may be implemented in its place.

(C) If the DoD CIO has previously adjudicated the contractor’s requests indicating that a requirement is not applicable or that an alternative security measure is equally effective, a copy of that approval shall be provided to the Contracting Officer when requesting its recognition under this contract.

(D) If the Contractor intends to use an external cloud service provider to store, process, or transmit any covered defense information in performance of this contract, the Contractor shall require and ensure that the cloud service provider meets security requirements equivalent to those established by the Government for the Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) Moderate baseline (https://www.fedramp.gov/resources/documents/) and that the cloud service provider complies with requirements in paragraphs (c) through (g) of this clause for cyber incident reporting, malicious software, media preservation and protection, access to additional information and equipment necessary for forensic analysis, and cyber incident damage assessment.

(3) Apply other information systems security measures when the Contractor reasonably determines that information systems security measures, in addition to those identified in paragraphs (b)(1) and (2) of this clause, may be required to provide adequate security in a dynamic environment or to accommodate special circumstances (e.g., medical devices) and any individual, isolated, or temporary deficiencies based on an assessed risk or vulnerability. These measures may be addressed in a system security plan.

(c) Cyber incident reporting requirement.

(1) When the Contractor discovers a cyber incident that affects a covered contractor information system or the covered defense information residing therein, or that affects the contractor’s ability to perform the requirements of the contract that are designated as operationally critical support and identified in the contract, the Contractor shall—

(i) Conduct a review for evidence of compromise of covered defense information, including, but not limited to, identifying compromised computers, servers, specific data, and user accounts. This review shall also include analyzing covered contractor information system(s) that were part of the cyber incident, as well as other information systems on the Contractor’s network(s), that may have been accessed as a result of the incident in order to identify compromised covered defense information, or that affect the Contractor’s ability to provide operationally critical support; and

(ii) Rapidly report cyber incidents to DoD at https://dibnet.dod.mil.

(2) Cyber incident report. The cyber incident report shall be treated as information created by or for DoD and shall include, at a minimum, the required elements at https://dibnet.dod.mil.

(3) Medium assurance certificate requirement. In order to report cyber incidents in accordance with this clause, the Contractor or subcontractor shall have or acquire a DoD-approved medium assurance certificate to report cyber incidents. For information on obtaining a DoD-approved medium assurance certificate, see https://public.cyber.mil/eca/.

(d) Malicious software. When the Contractor or subcontractors discover and isolate malicious software in connection with a reported cyber incident, submit the malicious software to DoD Cyber Crime Center (DC3) in accordance with instructions provided by DC3 or the Contracting Officer. Do not send the malicious software to the Contracting Officer.

(e) Media preservation and protection. When a Contractor discovers a cyber incident has occurred, the Contractor shall preserve and protect images of all known affected information systems identified in paragraph (c)(1)(i) of this clause and all relevant monitoring/packet capture data for at least 90 days from the submission of the cyber incident report to allow DoD to request the media or decline interest.

(f) Access to additional information or equipment necessary for forensic analysis. Upon request by DoD, the Contractor shall provide DoD with access to additional information or equipment that is necessary to conduct a forensic analysis.

(g) Cyber incident damage assessment activities. If DoD elects to conduct a damage assessment, the Contracting Officer will request that the Contractor provide all of the damage assessment information gathered in accordance with paragraph (e) of this clause.

(h) DoD safeguarding and use of contractor attributional/proprietary information. The Government shall protect against the unauthorized use or release of information obtained from the contractor (or derived from information obtained from the contractor) under this clause that includes contractor attributional/proprietary information, including such information submitted in accordance with paragraph (c). To the maximum extent practicable, the Contractor shall identify and mark attributional/proprietary information. In making an authorized release of such information, the Government will implement appropriate procedures to minimize the contractor attributional/proprietary information that is included in such authorized release, seeking to include only that information that is necessary for the authorized purpose(s) for which the information is being released.

(i) Use and release of contractor attributional/proprietary information not created by or for DoD. Information that is obtained from the contractor (or derived from information obtained from the contractor) under this clause that is not created by or for DoD is authorized to be released outside of DoD—

(1) To entities with missions that may be affected by such information;

(2) To entities that may be called upon to assist in the diagnosis, detection, or mitigation of cyber incidents;

(3) To Government entities that conduct counterintelligence or law enforcement investigations;

(4) For national security purposes, including cyber situational awareness and defense purposes (including with Defense Industrial Base (DIB) participants in the program at 32 CFR part 236); or

(5) To a support services contractor (“recipient”) that is directly supporting Government activities under a contract that includes the clause at [252.204-7009](https://www.acquisition.gov/dfars/252.204-7009-limitations-use-or-disclosure-third-party-contractor-reported-cyber-incident-information.#DFARS_252.204-7009) , Limitations on the Use or Disclosure of Third-Party Contractor Reported Cyber Incident Information.

(j) Use and release of contractor attributional/proprietary information created by or for DoD. Information that is obtained from the contractor (or derived from information obtained from the contractor) under this clause that is created by or for DoD (including the information submitted pursuant to paragraph (c) of this clause) is authorized to be used and released outside of DoD for purposes and activities authorized by paragraph (i) of this clause, and for any other lawful Government purpose or activity, subject to all applicable statutory, regulatory, and policy based restrictions on the Government’s use and release of such information.

(k) The Contractor shall conduct activities under this clause in accordance with applicable laws and regulations on the interception, monitoring, access, use, and disclosure of electronic communications and data.

(l) Other safeguarding or reporting requirements. The safeguarding and cyber incident reporting required by this clause in no way abrogates the Contractor’s responsibility for other safeguarding or cyber incident reporting pertaining to its unclassified information systems as required by other applicable clauses of this contract, or as a result of other applicable U.S. Government statutory or regulatory requirements.

(m) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall—

(1) Include this clause, including this paragraph (m), in subcontracts, or similar contractual instruments, for operationally critical support, or for which subcontract performance will involve covered defense information, including subcontracts for commercial products or commercial services, without alteration, except to identify the parties. The Contractor shall determine if the information required for subcontractor performance retains its identity as covered defense information and will require protection under this clause, and, if necessary, consult with the Contracting Officer; and

(2) Require subcontractors to—

(i) Notify the prime Contractor (or next higher-tier subcontractor) when submitting a request to vary from a NIST SP 800-171 security requirement to the Contracting Officer, in accordance with paragraph (b)(2)(ii)(B) of this clause; and

(ii) Provide the incident report number, automatically assigned by DoD, to the prime Contractor (or next higher-tier subcontractor) as soon as practicable, when reporting a cyber incident to DoD as required in paragraph (c) of this clause.

(End of clause)

The Parties have executed this Agreement as of the last date signed below.

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| Vertex Aerospace, LLC |  |  |
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