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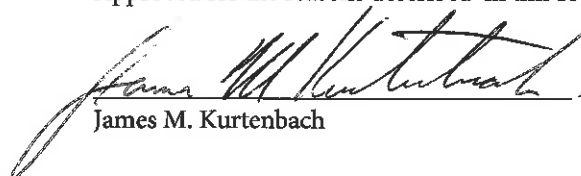
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July 11, 2019

Jim Kurtenbach, Director
Iowa Department of Administrative Services
Hoover Building, 3rd Floor
Des Moines, IA 50319

Approved for the reasons described in this request.


James M. Kurtenbach Aug 29, 2019

Dear Director Kurtenbach,

The Iowa Department of Education (DE) requests a waiver under DAS Administrative Rule 11-117.21(8A) of the application of DAS Administrative Rule 11-118.11(3) concerning duration of service contracts. The latter rule states "A service contract, including all optional renewals, shall not exceed a term of six years. Services contracts shall not exceed the term lengths set forth herein unless the state agency obtains a waiver of this provision pursuant to rule 11-118.16(8A)." The DE is requesting a waiver with respect to the following agreement:

Contractual agreement #18M-15 between the DE and MS/EdD with the last issue date of July 2017 to supply a software system that will provide for the storage, retrieval, transmittal, reporting and other components for the purpose of managing migrant student information, entered into pursuant to the DE Informal Bid number ED-GM142-01 issued 07/01/17.

The Iowa Department of Education (DE) has engaged in a contract with MS/EdD for several years for services to lease and servicing of a software system that will provide for the storage, retrieval, transmittal, reporting and other components for the purpose of managing migrant student information for three (3) workstations and nine (9) tablets. The Department must be able to provide automated data transfer from the system to the US Department of Education's MSIX System. The current contract with MS/EdD expires 8/30/2019.

Over the past year the DE is working through the RFP process to procure similar services to commence 9/1/2019 at the expiration of the current contract with MS/EdD. The DE is in the process of writing the RFP document with DAS. At the conclusion of the RFP process DE staff will meet with the DAS purchasing officer to review the proposals and select a vendor. The DE is asking for an extension of up to one year of the current contract to complete the RFP process.



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