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FROM: Bonnie Kahakui, Administrator

SUBJECT: NEW ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LIST

SPO Accounting Services List No. 25-02
ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

PN-24007

Expires: June 30, 2025

This is a new State Procurement Office (SPO) Accounting Professional Services List to provide financial reporting and schedule preparation related to the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and other related accounting activities. The list is effective July 1, 2024, replacing SPO Professional Services List No. 24-01, which expired on June 30, 2024.

The current accounting professional list is available on the SPO website: <a href="http://spo.hawaii.gov">http://spo.hawaii.gov</a>. Click on *Price & Vendor List Contracts* on the home page.

If you have any questions, please contact Jittima Laurita at (808) 586-0766 or jittima.laurita@hawaii.gov.

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## STATE OF HAWAII STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

SPO Accounting Professional Services List No. 25-02

Replaces SPO Accounting Professional Services List No. 24-01

Effective: 07/01/2024

#### THIS SPO VENDOR LIST CONTRACT IS FOR AUTHORIZED BUSINESS ONLY

ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – STATEWIDE (PN 24007)
July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

**SCOPE.** This list was created pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) § 103D-304 (procurement of professional services). The general scope of this professional services list is to provide a list of qualified firms to provide professional accounting services statewide. The State Procurement Office (SPO) published a public notice for Accounting Professional Services Statewide, via PN 24007, for the 2025 fiscal year, and four (4) firms were qualified and listed by the Review Committee (in alphabetical order):

#### <u>Category #1 – Financial Reporting:</u>

- Akamine, Oyadomari & Kosaki CPA's, Inc.
- 2. KMH LLP
- 3. N&K CPAs, Inc.
- 4. Spire Hawaii LLP

#### Category #2 - Schedule Preparation:

- 1. Akamine, Oyadomari & Kosaki CPA's, Inc.
- 2. KMH LLP
- 3. N&K CPAs, Inc.
- 4. Spire Hawaii LLP

The Review Committee for PN 24007 consisted of:

- (1) Ladea Nash
- (2) Bobet-Uriel S. Obedoza
- (3) Alan L. Visitacion

**PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS** listed below have signed a cooperative agreement with the SPO and are authorized to utilize this vendor list contract.

Executive Departments/Agencies City and County of Honolulu

Department of Education Honolulu City Council

School Facilities Authority Honolulu Board of Water Supply

Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation

Office of Hawaiian Affairs

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Judiciary County of Maui – Department of Water Supply

County of Kauai
Kauai County Council

County of Kauai - Department of Water

The participating jurisdictions are not required but may purchase from this vendor list contract, and requests for exception from the contract are not required. Participating jurisdictions are allowed to purchase from other contractors; however, HRS chapter 103D, and the procurement rules apply to purchases by using the applicable method of procurement and its procedures, such as small purchases or competitive sealed bidding. The decision to use this contract or to solicit pricing from other sources is at the discretion of the participating jurisdiction.

**POINT OF CONTACT**. Agencies may contract for services listed herein by complying with the selection procedures set forth in HRS §103D-304 and Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 3-122-63. Refer to page 7 instructions. Agencies shall contact Ladea Nash at (808) 586-0606 or ladea.m.nash@hawaii.gov to obtain the following vendor qualification documents:

- 1. Each qualified firm's statement of qualifications including the firm's general background.
- 2. Education, training, and qualifications of the firm's key individuals (i.e., resumes) performing the applicable service.
- 3. References.

Note: All contents are to be kept confidential until the contract(s) is/are awarded.

Procurement questions or concerns may be directed as follows:

| Jurisdiction                | Name              | Telephone | FAX      | E-mail                          |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Executive                   | Jittima Laurita   | 586-0766  | 586-0570 | Jittima.laurita@hawaii.gov      |
| Department of Education     |                   |           |          |                                 |
| (DOE)                       | Procurement Staff | 675-0130  | 675-0133 | G-OFS-DOE-Procurement@k12.hi.us |
|                             | Gaudencia         |           |          |                                 |
| School Facilities Authority | "Cindy" Watarida  | 430-5531  | n/a      | cindy.watarida@k12.hi.us        |
| Hawaii Health Systems       |                   |           |          |                                 |
| Corporation (HHSC)          | Nancy Delima      | 359-0994  | n/a      | ndelima@hhsc.org                |
| Office of Hawaiian Affairs  | Christopher       |           |          |                                 |
| (OHA)                       | Stanley           | 594-1833  | 594-1865 | chriss@oha.org                  |
| University of Hawaii (UH)   | Karlee Hisashima  | 956-8687  | 956-2093 | karlee@hawaii.edu               |
|                             |                   |           |          |                                 |

| Jurisdiction                 | Name              | Telephone | FAX      | E-mail                              |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Public Charter School        | Danny             |           |          |                                     |
| Commission and Schools       | Vasconcellos      | 586-3775  | 586-3776 | danny.vasconcellos@spcsc.hawaii.gov |
| House of Representatives     |                   |           |          |                                     |
| (House)                      | Brian Takeshita   | 586-6423  | 586-6401 | takeshita@capitol.hawaii.gov        |
| Senate                       | Carol Taniguchi   | 586-6720  | 586-6719 | c.taniguchi@capitol.hawaii.gov      |
| Judiciary                    | Tritia Cruz       | 538-5805  | 538-5802 | tritia.l.cruz@courts.hawaii.gov     |
| Honolulu City and County     | Procurement       |           |          |                                     |
| (C&C)                        | Specialist        | 768-5535  | 768-3299 | bfspurchasing@honolulu.gov          |
| Honolulu City Council        | Kendall Amazaki,  |           |          |                                     |
|                              | Jr.               | 768-5084  | n/a      | kamazaki@honolulu.gov               |
| Honolulu City Council        | Nanette Saito     | 768-5085  | 768-5011 | nsaito@honolulu.gov                 |
| Honolulu Board of Water      | Procurement       |           |          |                                     |
| Supply                       | Office            | 748-5071  | n/a      | fn_procurement@hbws.org             |
| Honolulu Authority for Rapid |                   |           |          |                                     |
| Transportation (HART)        | Dean Matro        | 768-6246  | n/a      | dean.matro@honolulu.gov             |
| County of Hawaii             | Diane Nakagawa    | 961-8440  | n/a      | Diane.Nakagawa@hawaiicounty.gov     |
| Hawaii County Council        | Diane Nakagawa    | 961-8440  | n/a      | Diane.Nakagawa@hawaiicounty.gov     |
| County of Hawaii -           | Ka'iulani L.      | 961-8050  |          |                                     |
| Department of Water Supply   | Matsumoto         | ext. 224  | 961-8657 | kmatsumoto@hawaiidws.org            |
| County of Maui               | Jared Masuda      | 463-3816  | n/a      | jared.masuda@co.maui.hi.us          |
| Maui County Council          | Marlene Rebugio   | 270-7838  | n/a      | marlene.rebugio@mauicounty.us       |
| County of Maui -             | Kenneth L.        | 270-7684  | 270-7136 | ken.bissen@co.maui.hi.us            |
| Department of Water Supply   | Bissen            | 270-7004  | 270-7130 | Kerr.bisserr@co.maur.m.us           |
|                              |                   |           |          |                                     |
| County of Kauai              | Ernest Barreira   | 241-4295  | 241-6297 | ebarreira@kauai.gov                 |
| Kauai County Council         | Codie Tabalba     | 241-4193  | 241-6349 | ctabalba@kauai.gov                  |
| County of Kauai -            |                   |           |          |                                     |
| Department of Water          | Christine Erorita | 245-5409  | 245-5813 | cerorita@kauaiwater.org             |

**VENDOR CODES** for annotation on purchase orders are obtainable from the *Alphabetical Vendor Edit Table* available at your department's fiscal office. Agencies are cautioned that the remittance address on an invoice may be different from the address of the vendor code annotated on the purchase order.

**PURCHASING CARD (pCard).** The State of Hawaii Purchasing Card (pCard) is required to be used by the Executive department/agencies, excluding the DOE, HHSC, OHA, and UH, for orders totaling less than \$2,500. For purchases of \$2,500 or more, agencies may use the pCard, subject to its credit limit, or issue a purchase order.

Note: Vendors may impose a transaction fee, not to exceed 4%, for pCard transactions.

**PURCHASE ORDERS** may be issued for purchases of \$2,500 or more and for vendors who either do not accept the pCard, or set minimum order requirements before accepting the pCard.

**SPO ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LIST NO. 25-02** shall be typed on purchase orders issued against this vendor list contract. For pCard purchases, the SPO Accounting Professional Services List No. 25-02 shall be notated on the appropriate transaction document.

**STATE GENERAL EXCISE TAX (GET) AND COUNTY SURCHARGE** shall not exceed the following rates if seller elects to pass on the charges to its customers.

| COUNTY                                       | COUNTY<br>SURCHARGE<br>TAX RATE | STATE GET | MAX PASS-<br>ON TAX RATE | EXPIRATION DATE OF<br>SURCHARGE TAX<br>RATE |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|---|
| C&C OF HONOLULU                              | 0.50%                           | 4.0%      | 4.7120%                  | 12/31/2030                                  |
| HAWAII                                       | 0.50%                           | 4.0%      | 4.7120%                  | 12/31/2030                                  |
| COUNTY OF MAUI (including Molokai and Lanai) | 0.0%                            | 4.0%      | 4.1666%                  | No county surcharge                         |
| KAUAI  | 0.50%                           | 4.0%      | 4.7120%                  | 12/31/2030                                  |

The GET or use tax and county surcharge may be added to the invoice as a separate line item and shall not exceed the current max pass-on tax rate(s) for each island.

County surcharges on state general excise (GE) tax or Use tax may be visibly passed on but is not required. For more information on county surcharges and the max pass-on tax rate, please visit the Department of Taxation's website at <a href="http://tax.hawaii.gov/geninfo/countysurcharge">http://tax.hawaii.gov/geninfo/countysurcharge</a>.

**PAYMENTS** are to be made to the Contractor(s) remittance address. HRS §103-10 provides that the State shall have thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of invoice or satisfactory completion of contract to make payment. Payments may also be made via pCard.

**COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO HRS §103-53**. All state and county contracting officers or agents shall withhold final payment of a contract until the receipt of tax clearances from the director of taxation and the Internal Revenue Service. This section does not apply to contracts of less than \$25,000.

**VENDOR AND PRODUCT EVALUATION** form, SPO-012, for the purpose of addressing concerns on this vendor list contract, is available to agencies at the SPO website: <a href="http://spo.hawaii.gov">http://spo.hawaii.gov</a>. Click on *Forms* on the home page.

**PRICE OR VENDOR LIST CONTRACT AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET** at the SPO website: <a href="http://spo.hawaii.gov">http://spo.hawaii.gov</a>. Click on *Price & Vendor List Contracts* on the home page.

ACCOUNTING SERVICES provided require the selected firm to furnish select schedules for the State's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and departmental financial statements for the State of Hawaii to improve the timeliness and accuracy of the ACFR deliverables. Schedules may include, but not be limited to modified accrual fund binders; adjusting/reclassifying journal entries and supporting schedules; and work papers such as Fixed Assets, Construction-In-Progress, and Vouchers Payable. Consultants are required to have active certifications and licenses, knowledge and ability to assist agencies in the following service categories as a minimum but not limited to:

#### Category #1 - Financial Reporting

- Provide assistance in preparing high level financial reports in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) which may include:
  - Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) financial statements
  - Departmental financial statements
  - Notes to the financial statements

#### Category #2 - Schedule Preparation

- > Provide assistance in preparing accounting schedules used to prepare the ACFR and/or departmental financial statements.
- Services may include providing assistance in preparing the following:
  - Departmental information which may include cash held outside the State Treasury, investments held outside the State Treasury, office supplies, prepaid expenses, vouchers payable, accrued payroll, other accrued liabilities, revenue bonds payable, lease commitment footnote disclosure, accrued vacation and sick leave.
  - Fixed Asset and Accumulated Depreciation which may include Fixed Asset and Roll Forward summary and details including beginning balances, additions, disposals, change increases/decreases, transfers in/out, Construction-In-Progress (CIP) analyses.
  - Post-closing entries and supporting schedules which may include adjusting/reclassifying entries required for fair presentation of the budgetary control financial statements, entries that need to be booked in order to convert budgetary control financial statements to modified accrual and full accrual.
  - Other schedules required for preparation of the ACFR.

#### **HOW TO USE THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LIST:**

- In accordance with HRS § 103D-304 and HAR Chapter 3-122-63, whenever the need for accounting professional services arises during the 2025 fiscal year, the Head of the Purchasing Agency (HOPA) shall designate a selection committee to evaluate the statements of qualification and performance data of those persons on the list of qualified professionals, along with any other pertinent information.
  - (a) The selection committee shall consist of a minimum of three (3) persons with sufficient education, training, and licenses or credentials in the area of accounting services required. Documentation of selection committee members must be placed in the procurement file via form SPO-024, Attestation Serving on an Evaluation, Review or Selection Committee, or equivalent.
  - (b) Pursuant to HAR §3-122-69(b), deputy directors or equivalent appointed positions shall <u>not</u> serve on the selection committee.
  - (c) Non-government employees may serve as advisors and may also serve as a committee member, but shall have sufficient knowledge, serve without compensation (unless HOPA justifies and approves (in writing)), and shall sign an affidavit (SPO-024 form or similar attestation).
- 2. The selection committee shall prepare criteria to evaluate the submissions. The criteria to evaluate and select the firms, in descending order of importance, are:
  - (a) Experience and professional qualifications:
  - (b) Past performance on projects of similar scope;
  - (c) Capacity to accomplish the work in the required time; and
  - (d) Any additional criteria(s) determined in writing by the selection committee to be relevant to the purchasing agency's needs or necessary and appropriate to ensure full, open, and fair competition for professional services contracts.
- 3. The selection committee shall evaluate the submissions of firms on the list and may conduct confidential discussions with any firm on the qualified list regarding the services which are required and the services they are qualified to provide. The selection committee may request additional information from qualified professional service provider as needed.
- 4. The selection committee shall rank a minimum of three (3) firms and submit the ranking to the HOPA with a summary of their qualifications. If multiple firms have the same qualifications, the selection committee shall rank firms in a manner that ensures equal distribution of contracts.
- 5. The HOPA or designee shall negotiate a contract with the first (1st) ranked firm, including a fair and reasonable rate of compensation, and is based on written terms of estimated value, scope, complexity, and nature of the services.
  - Should negotiations fail with the first (1st) ranked firm, negotiations must be formally terminated and negotiations with the second (2nd) ranked firm shall commence. If contract negotiations fail, then negotiations continue with the next ranked firm if necessary.
  - Should negotiations with the top three (3) ranked firms fail, then the selection committee may be requested to submit a minimum of three (3) additional firms based on the same criteria.
- 6. Pursuant to HRS §103D-310(c) The selection committee shall verify selected firm(s) compliance on Hawaii Compliance Express at: <a href="https://vendors.ehawaii.gov/hce/">https://vendors.ehawaii.gov/hce/</a>

- 7. A Notice of Award (NOA) shall be posted within seven (7) calendar days of the contract award date on the SPO's award website at: <a href="https://hands.ehawaii.gov/hands/awards">https://hands.ehawaii.gov/hands/awards</a>. Be sure to notify any non-selected firms in writing. If the selection committee is unable to provide a list of a minimum of three (3) firms, please refer to Procurement Circular No. 2014-16(A) for allowable options.
- 8. Non-selected firms may submit a written request for debriefing within three (3) working days after the posting of the contract award to be informed on the basis for non-selection.

Debriefing shall be held by the procurement officer or designee, to the maximum extent practicable, within seven (7) working days. Debriefings may be conducted individually or combined. A summary of any debriefing conducted should be included in the contract file.

Following the debriefing, non-selected firms may choose to file a protest, in writing, within five (5) working days after the date the debriefing is completed. Protest received shall be submitted to the SPO by completing form SPO-043, Report on Procurement Protest.

### LIST OF QUALIFIED FIRMS (alphabetical order):

| Akamine, Oyadomari & Kosaki CPA's, Inc. |                                  |  |  |
|---|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Wesley Kawachi                          | Business and Remittance Address: |  |  |
| Phone: (808) 694-3809                   | 1601 Kapiolani Blvd, Suite 1140  |  |  |
| Fax: (808) 941-0004                     | Honolulu, HI 96814               |  |  |
| Email: wkawachi@aokcpas.com             | ·                                |  |  |
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| KMH LLP                                 |                                  |  |  |
| Ross Murakami                           | Business and Remittance Address: |  |  |
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|   |                                  |  |  |
| N&K CPAs, Inc                           |                                  |  |  |
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| Spire Hawaii LLP                        |                                  |  |  |
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