**Section 1.5350 No-cost Contracts**

a) A no-costcontract is a contract that is paid for by those who use the supplies or services provided in the contract, not the State agency that procured the no-cost contract. An example of a no-cost contract would be a State agency's contract for fingerprint background checks that potential professional licensees must use, at their cost, to obtain a background check as part of their professional license application.

b) All no-cost contracts shall be awarded in accordance with the requirements of Article 20 of the Code.

c) Multiple awards are allowed. Persons may use any no-cost contract or no-cost joint purchase contract without further methodology for determining which vendor from among the multiple awardees will receive an order.

d) Value for a no-cost contract means the estimated expected vendor's gross receipts resulting from the contract.

e) All no-cost contract awards shall be published, along with the value of the contract to the vendor.

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