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**13. Nondiscrimination:** Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations in regard to nondiscrimination in employment because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, sex, marital status, age, medical condition, pregnancy, disability or other prohibited basis. All nondiscrimination rules or regulations required by law to be included in this contract are incorporated by this reference.

**14. Patent Indemnity:** The Vendor agrees to hold the County, its officers, agents, servants and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind because of use of any copyrighted, or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, articles or appliances furnished or used under this contract, and agrees to defend, at Vendor's sole expense, any and all actions brought against the County or the Vendor because of the unauthorized use of such articles.

**15. Applicable Law and Forum:** This contract shall be construed and interpreted according to the substantive law of the State of California excluding the law of conflicts. Any action to enforce the terms of this contract or for the breach thereof shall be brought and tried in the County of El Dorado.

**16. Funding:** Funds for this Purchase Order are available on a fiscal year basis. Should funds not be available, this Purchase Order shall be cancelled in its entirety.

**17. Business License:** It is unlawful for any person to furnish supplies or services or transact any kind of business in the unincorporated territory of El Dorado County without possessing a County business license unless exempt under County Code Section 5.08.070. Contact Tax Collector's Office, 360 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667, telephone (530) 621-5800, for further information.

**18. Returns:** The County reserves the right to return product within thirty (30) days of receipt by the County for credit or refund without a shipping or restocking fee. Product returned shall be in good condition and in the original package (if applicable). Defective product or product under warranty may not always be returned in the original package.

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