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RESOLUTION 2021-14

APPROVING THE PROJECT FOR NICUSA, INC. TO PROVIDE SELF-FUNDED LICENSING AND PERMITTING SOFTWARE SERVICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-24(c)(2), the Commission is authorized to contract for the services of professional, technical, and operational personnel and consultants as may be necessary to the performance of its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-24(c)(3), the Commission is authorized to incur additional expenses within the limits of funds available to it in order to carry out its duties, functions and powers under P.L.2009, c.307 (C.24:6I-1 et al.) and P.L.2021, c.16 (C.24:6I-31 et al.); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has a need to acquire professional software services for creation and implementation of an online licensing and permitting system to be utilized by cannabis business licensees and permittees in the adult-use and medicinal sectors; and

WHEREAS, Commission staff have explored multiple options for acquiring professional software services offered by various companies; and

WHEREAS, Commission staff have verified New Jersey State Contract Number 88947 (T-2560) for provision of self-funded eGovernment and Application services awarded to NIC Licensing Solutions, LLC; and

WHEREAS, as a current contractor to the State of New Jersey for eGovernment applications, NIC Licensing Solutions, LLC has undergone rigorous reviews for security and compliance from both the Department of the Treasury and the Office of Information Technology that have confirmed the system is HIPAA compliant and securely hosted; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that NICUSA, Inc., doing business as NIC New Jersey (herein referred to as "NIC"), following its acquisition of Complia LLC in 2019, offers a cannabis-specific licensing and registration platform that addresses a wide array of regulatory challenges including patient/caregiver registration, business licensing, employee credentialing, and physician registration; and

WHEREAS, NIC is currently utilized by the States of Montana, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Missouri, and West Virginia to meet the regulatory demands of those jurisdictions, and has successfully facilitated the submission of over 25,000 applications for businesses and over

35,000 applications for employees in those states; and

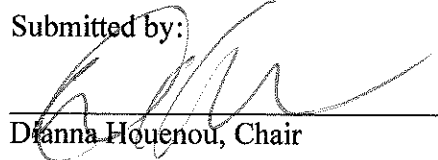
WHEREAS, pursuant to New Jersey State Contract No. 88947 (T-2560), NIC offers self-funded eGovernment applications, with the following fee structures:

- Businesses and individuals applying for a license or credentialing will have a convenience fee of \$5.00 per transaction deducted from their total fees established by the Commission under N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17.
- Other transactions that carry a monetary fee as may be identified by the CRC that flow through the system will carry a convenience fee of \$5.00 per transaction, deducted from the fees as established by N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17.
- These fees will not be collected in addition to Commission fees, but rather deducted from them and paid to NIC. There will not be any additional cost on cannabis business or employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission, that:

1. The project for acquiring a licensing and permitting system from NIC is hereby approved.
2. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute a statement of work between the Commission and NIC for the purpose of software and professional services in the form of self-funded eGovernment and Application Services pursuant to NJ State Contract No. 88947 (T-2560), said contract meeting the Commission's requirements to create and implement an online licensing and permitting system for the medicinal and personal-use sectors of the cannabis industry in the State of New Jersey.
3. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute any related agreements with NIC that fall within the scope of the approved project. Any enhancements or modifications to the project that fall outside the scope of the approved statement of work shall be presented to the Commission for consideration.

Submitted by:



Dianna Houenou, Chair

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission at its meeting held on the 14 day of September, 2021.


Erin Hogan, Executive Assistant

Vote on the Approval of This Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Barker	X		X			
Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso			X			
Commissioner Delgado		X	X			
Chairwoman Houenou			X			
Commissioner Nash			X			