Questions & Answers Summary PBITS Mini-Bid #23-003 OP Modernization Implementation Phase II IV&V

1. **Question:** Does Bidding or contracting The OP Modernization Implementation Phase II IV&V PBITS preclude the vendor from bidding or participating any other bids related to the overall OP Modernization project efforts.

Answer: Yes. The selected IV&V vendor will be precluded from bidding or participating in any bids related to work that will be validated/verified by the IV&V vendor.

- 2. **Question:** What is the expected onsite requirement for each of the resources? **Answer:** We can be flexible with remote work; however, there will be some on-site expectation. There is no defined percentage or number of days—this will be discussed with the selected vendor.
- 3. **Question:** Is our submission limited to three resources or can we provide an IV&V team as long as the required resource support is met and the three FTE equivalent is satisfied? **Answer:** A vendor can define the team according to their best practices, but there is a minimum of three resources requested as part of this Mini-Bid.
- 4. **Question:** Are there testing applications, tools, and/or technologies available to the team? If not, are there technologies we should/should not use based on your protocols? **Answer:** The Department currently uses Selenium automated testing tools. There are no technologies restricted, but they must align with Department security policies/protocol. We are open to vendor suggestions.
- 5. **Question:** The note added for various deliverables implies that work will be minimal to meet this deliverable. Is this minimal statement associated to the development team or the QA/IV&V team? **Answer:** The statement is for the IV&V vendor.
- 6. **Question:** Would NYSED please clarify the period of performance for this contract? The RFP indicates contract dates are December 1, 2023 January 31, 2026, which is a total of 26 months (page 12). However, the RFP specifies a 25-month engagement (pages 10 and 12).

Answer: We appreciate this being highlighted and apologize for the discrepancy! The number of months totals 26 for the engagement.