TO: To whom it may concern

FROM: Michael E. Durkin, Director of Strategic Procurements

DATE: June 2024

RE: Request for UMass to complete a standard application for credit

As an entity of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the five campuses and the President's Office of the University of Massachusetts (UMass) are prohibited from signing applications for credit by the State's Constitution.

Article LXXXIV of the State's Constitution prohibits UMass from pledging the credit of the Commonwealth (https://malegislature.gov/laws/constitution#amendmentArticleLXXXIV)

In these situations, we provide the following information to suppliers who require credit worthiness. In lieu of a credit application, we provide the following information to suppliers:

UMass Credit Rating

Credit ratings identify an entity's ability to pay investors both principal and interest on their investment. The current credit ratings for the University of Massachusetts are "AA", "Aa2" and "AA-" as rated by Fitch, Moody's and Standard & Poor's rating agencies respectively. You can find more information on these agencies and the credit rating process in general at the Fitch Web Site, the Moody's Web Site and Standard and Poor's Web Site.

The current credit ratings for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts are "AA+", "Aa1" and "AA+" for Fitch, Moody's and Standard and Poor's respectively. AAA is the highest achievable rating according to the Fitch rating scale, Aaa is the highest achievable rating according to the Moody's rating scale and AAA is the highest achievable rating according to Standard and Poor's rating scale. See the Fitch definitions of ratings, the Moody's definition of ratings and the S&P definitions of ratings.

UMass Credit Information:

<u>Fitch Report</u> <u>Moody's Report</u> <u>Standard and Poor's Report</u> _____

Commonly Requested Information

In lieu of completing a company information form, UMass has compiled the following data for your use:

Doing Business with UMass: https://www.umassp.edu/upst/suppliers-doing-business-umass

Supplier FAQ: https://help.umassp.edu/s/upst-for-suppliers

Business Information

Legal Name of Business: University of Massachusetts

DBA of Business: UMass Amherst, UMass Boston, UMass Chan Medical School, UMass

Dartmouth, UMass Lowell, UMass Presidents Office

Business Address: 50 Washington Street

Westborough, MA 01581 Federal Tax I.D. #04-3167352

Tax Status The University is tax-exempt under the doctrine of intergovernmental

tax immunity. Inaccurately including tax in an invoice will likely slow

down payment processing.

Bank Information

Bank of America

100 Federal Street- MA5-100-09-12

Boston, MA 02110

Elizabeth J. Moroney, SVP

Market Leader, Public Sector Banking, New England

Bank of America, N.A. Tel: 617.434.9321

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Bank of America will require you to provide the University's Federal Tax I.D. Number, which is 04-3167352. A University bank account number is not required.

Accounting Information

Accounts Payable contact information: UPST Accounts Payable Phone: 774-545-UPST (8778) Email: invoices@umassp.edu

Accounts Payable Information https://help.umassp.edu/s/upst-accounts-payable

Corporate References

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