



Service Agreement/ Order Form

Date: 9/14/2021

Customer Information

Customer Status: Existing Customer

Customer Name: Texas A&M Health Science

Billing Address: 3950 N A.W. GRIMES BLVD ROUND ROCK TX 78665
Street Address *Suite* *City* *State* *Zip Code*

Billing Contact: Robin Fuller *Phone* 979-436-0398 *Email* fuller@tamu.edu

Order Contact: Marissa Rubio *Phone* 361-582-0861 *Email* marubio@tamu.edu

Suddenlink Contact: Holly Thedford *Phone* 903-939-7310 *Email* holly.thedford@alticeusa.com

Suddenlink Services

The above Customer agrees to the ordering of the following Services:

Order Type: <u>Renewal</u> Service Location Type: <u>LIT</u> 'A' Location: <u>506 E SAN ANTONIO ST, VICTORIA, TX 77901</u> Demarc:	Account #: <u>7203551011</u> Service Location Type: <u>LIT</u> 'Z' Location: <u>8447 STATE HWY 47, BRYAN, TX 77807</u> Demarc: Type II: <input type="checkbox"/>
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		<i>Individual Monthly Recurring Charge</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Total Monthly Recurring Charge</i>	<i>Non Recurring Charge</i>
1	Optical Ethernet 100M Intra 100Mb	\$995.00	1	\$995.00	\$0.00

Service Term:	<u>3 years</u>
Total Monthly Recurring Charge:	<u>\$995.00</u>
Total Installation Charge:	<u>\$0.00</u>

For Internal Use Only

Remarks

Services under this Agreement are governed by the previously agreed to T&C's attached and made part of this Agreement. 09.13.21 ggk

Terms and Conditions

Cequel Communications, LLC dba Suddenlink Communications ("Suddenlink" or "Altice Business") and Customer acknowledge and agree to be bound by the Terms and Conditions attached hereto. Customer will be responsible for the rates listed on the Service Agreement form and all applicable local, state and federal taxes, charges and assessments along with any other applicable charges. Customers purchasing Suddenlink Business Hosted Voice Service (on Fiber) are also subject to Business Hosted Additional T&C's for Fiber <https://www.suddenlink.com/terms-and-policies> and Exhibits attached herebo and made part of this Agreement

Notice Regarding E911 Services. While your Suddenlink Phone Service may be supported by a battery backup, it is electrically powered. In the event of a power outage or Suddenlink network failure, 911 services will not be available. You are prohibited from moving the phone modem from the address where it was installed. If you move the phone modem, the 911 service may not function properly and emergency operators will not be able to identify the caller's location.

By signing this Agreement; (i) you represent that you are the Customer or Customer's authorized agent; (ii) you agree that you have received a copy of and have been given an opportunity to review this Commercial Service Order and Agreement, (iii) you agree to the terms and conditions of the Commercial Service Agreement; (iv) you acknowledge that you have read and understood the Notice Regarding 911 Services above;. This Agreement shall not be deemed effective until it has been executed by both parties.

Agreed by:	DocuSigned by:	Cequel Communications, LLC dba Suddenlink Communications
Customer	<u>Jeffery T. Burton</u>	Authorized Signature: <u>Jason Coke</u>
Authorized Signature:	<u>A40954436043409...</u>	Print Name: <u>Jason Coke</u>
Print Name:	<u>Jeffery T. Burton</u>	Title: <u>Director Enterprise Sales</u>
Title:	<u>Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO</u>	Date: <u>09/23/2021</u>
Date:	<u>9/22/2021 19:40:59 CDT</u>	
Email:	<u>burton@tamu.edu</u>	
Phone:	<u>979-458-9200</u>	

Commercial Service Agreement

Customer ("You" or "Customer") agrees to be bound by this Commercial Service Agreement (the "Agreement") with respect to all services ("Service(s)") provided by Suddenlink Communications and its affiliates and subsidiaries authorized to provide the services set forth herein (collectively, "Suddenlink"). The Agreement includes the general terms of service set forth below, as well as the additional commercial terms of service and terms of service applicable to the specific Services and features to which you subscribe or have access, including cable television service ("Video Service"), high speed data service ("High Speed Internet Service"), voice service ("Phone Service" or "Business Hosted Voice Service on FIBER"), support services and mobile apps, as are set forth below or at <https://www.suddenlink.com/terms-and-policies> and may be updated from time to time (collectively, the "Additional Terms of Service"), which are incorporated in this Agreement by reference. You further understand and agree that the Suddenlink Communications Privacy Policy ("Privacy Policy"), which governs the collection, use and disclosure of Customer personal information, is likewise incorporated herein by reference.

GENERAL TERMS OF SERVICE APPLICABLE TO SERVICE(S):

1. **Services.** Suddenlink shall use reasonable efforts to make the Services available by any requested service date. Suddenlink shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever resulting from delays in meeting any service dates due to delays resulting from construction or for reasons beyond its control. Suddenlink shall provide Customer with the Services and Equipment identified on the commercial service order presented to Customer' at time of installation ("Service Order"); provided, however, if Suddenlink determines that Customer's location is not serviceable under Suddenlink's normal installation guidelines, Suddenlink may terminate this Agreement. Suddenlink shall have no responsibility for the maintenance or repair of networks, facilities and equipment not furnished by Suddenlink.
 2. **Payment of Charges.** The charges for one month of Services, including any deposits, activation, set-up, installation, construction and/or Equipment charges, are due upon installation of the Services or as otherwise set forth on the Service Order. Thereafter, Customer agrees to pay monthly recurring Service charges and Equipment charges (if any) in advance, including all applicable fees (such as restoration or experience fees), taxes, regulatory fees, franchise fees, surcharges (including sports and broadcast tv surcharges), or other government assessments no later than the date indicated on Customer's bill. Charges for non-recurring Services or Equipment charges will be reflected on Customer's subsequent bill at the then current applicable rates. All rates for Services, Equipment charges and other fees and surcharges are subject to change in accordance with applicable law. If Customer elects to pay by automatic recurring credit card, debit card or automatic clearing house payments, Customer authorizes Suddenlink to charge such accounts. If Customer elects to send a check as payment, Customer authorizes Suddenlink either to use information from Customer's check to make a one-time electronic funds transfer from Customer's bank account or to process the payment as a check transaction. Failure to receive a bill does not release Customer from Customer's obligation to pay. Failure to pay the total balance when due (including checks returned for insufficient funds) shall constitute a breach of this Agreement and may be grounds for termination of Service, removal of Equipment from Customer's premises and/or imposition of a late fee ("Late Fee") in accordance with applicable law. Late fees will be applied in accordance with the Texas Prompt Payment Act, Chapter 2251. You can avoid incurring Late Fees by paying your monthly bill promptly. Any Late Fee imposed on Customer is intended to be a reasonable advance estimate of costs of managing past due accounts. The Late Fee is not interest, a credit service charge or a finance charge. If the Customer has more than one account (Business and/or Residential) served by Suddenlink, all Suddenlink-provided Services at all locations may be subject to discontinuance of Service in the event any one account remains unpaid. In the event collection activities are required, an additional collection charge may be imposed.
 3. **Additional Fees.** In addition to Customer's monthly recurring charges and any Late Fee, additional fees may be imposed, including fees for returned checks, Payment Assistance Fees for paying by phone, receiving a paper bill, charge card chargeback, early termination, reconnection and service calls. Additional charges may also be imposed if collection activities are required to recover past due balances, including attorney fees. A list of applicable fees "Schedule of Fees" is available at www.suddenlink.com/pricing-packages. Suddenlink reserves the right to amend or change the Schedule of Fees from time to time.
 4. **Third Party Provider Charges.** In connection with Customer's use of the Services and Equipment, Customer may be able to access, subscribe to, use and/or purchase products, services, software or applications that are provided to Customer by third parties ("Third Party Providers"). Customer acknowledges that Customer may incur charges in connection with the subscription to, purchase or use of these Third Party Provider products, services, software or applications. All such charges, including any additional fees and applicable taxes, shall be paid by Customer to the Third Party Provider and are not the responsibility of Suddenlink. Credits or billing adjustments for products, services, software or applications billed by a Third Party Provider shall be subject to the stated billing practices of that Third Party Provider. Termination of a service or subscription offered for a separate charge billed directly by a Third Party Provider shall be effected in accordance with the Terms of Service or similar agreement between the Customer and the Third Party Provider.
 5. **Taxes.** Customer agrees to pay any local, state or federal taxes imposed or levied on or with respect to the Services, the Equipment or installation or service charges incurred with respect to the same.
 6. **Term; Early Termination.** Your Service Term subscription begins either on or the first day following your installation date and continues for the initial term set forth on your Service Order ("Initial Term"). If a Service Order does not specify an Initial Term, You have an automatically renewing monthly Term subscription ("Monthly Subscription"). Either Party may terminate this agreement provided sixty (60) days written notice to the other party
 - a. **Monthly Term.** If you have a Monthly Subscription, your subscription begins either on or the first day following your installation date and automatically renews thereafter on a monthly basis beginning on the first day of the next billing period assigned to you until cancelled by you. The monthly service charge(s) will be billed at the beginning of your assigned billing period and each month thereafter unless and until you cancel your Service(s). PAYMENTS ARE NONREFUNDABLE AND THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OR CREDITS FOR PARTIALLY USED SUBSCRIPTION PERIOD(S). You may cancel Service(s) for a period up to the last day of the billing period prior to the service period that you wish to cancel, and the cancellation will be effective at the end of the then-current billing period. Any request for cancellation after the commencement of a service period will be effective at the end of the then-current service period. Access to the Services will, if possible, continue to be provided at the location ordered or, if you move, to your new location if in an Suddenlink-served area (subject to any installation charges).
 - b. **Initial Term Subscription.** If You have an Initial Term, your subscription begins either on or the first day following your installation date and continues for the duration of the applicable Initial Term. Upon the expiration of the Initial Term, Your subscription automatically renews thereafter on a monthly basis (each, a "Renewal Month") beginning on the first day of the next billing period
- assigned to you until cancelled by you. The monthly service charge(s) for each month during the Initial Term and any Renewal Months will be billed at the beginning of your assigned billing period and each month thereafter unless and until you cancel your Service(s). PAYMENTS ARE NONREFUNDABLE AND THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OR CREDITS FOR PARTIALLY USED SUBSCRIPTION PERIOD(S). The maximum term of this Agreement shall not exceed three (3) years.
- i. If you cancel, terminate or downgrade the Service(s) before the completion of the Initial Term", you agree to pay Suddenlink early cancellation fees in an amount that includes: (i) all non-recurring charges reasonably expended by Suddenlink to establish service to Customer and not remunerated, (ii) any disconnection, early cancellation or termination charges reasonably incurred and paid by Suddenlink to third parties on behalf of Customer, and (iii) all monthly recurring charges for Services and Equipment for the remaining balance of the Initial Term. You agree that early cancellation fees or any other fees may automatically be charged to your account and your credit or debit card provided to Suddenlink and you agree to pay such fees.
 - ii. Following the Initial Term, You may cancel Service(s) for a period up to the last day of the billing period prior to the service period that you wish to cancel, and the cancellation will be effective at the end of the then-current billing period. Any request for cancellation after the commencement of a service period will be effective at the end of the then-current service period. Access to the Services will, if possible, continue to be provided at the location ordered or, if you move, to your new location if in a Suddenlink-served area (subject to any installation charges).
7. **Right to Make Credit Inquiries.** Customer acknowledges and agrees that Suddenlink may (a) verify Customer's credit standing, make inquiries and receive information about your credit experiences, including your credit report, from credit reporting agencies; (b) enter this information in your file, and disclose this information concerning you to appropriate third parties for reasonable business purposes; and (c) furnish information about you, your account(s) and your payment history to those credit reporting agencies.
 8. **Security Deposit.** Suddenlink may require a deposit or activation fee based on Customer's credit standing or past payment history with Suddenlink. A deposit or activation fee does not relieve the Customer of the responsibility for the prompt payment of bills on presentation. Any security deposit given by Customer for the Equipment or Suddenlink's Service will be due and payable upon the first monthly billing. Such security deposits will be returned to Customer within sixty (60) days of termination of Suddenlink's Service so long as payment has been made for all amounts due on Customer's account and Customer has returned the Suddenlink Equipment undamaged. Security deposits paid by Customer for Equipment or Services may be used, to the extent permitted by law, to offset any unpaid balance or charges after termination of Service. Customer shall remain liable for any outstanding balances after the security deposit has been applied. Further terms and conditions of the security deposit may be contained in the deposit receipt given to Customer at the time the security deposit is collected.
 9. **Disputed Charges.** Customer agrees to pay all undisputed monthly charges and all applicable fees and taxes as itemized on the Suddenlink monthly bill and notify Suddenlink in writing of disputed items or requests for credit within thirty (30) days of Customer's receipt of the bill for which correction of an error or credit is sought, or longer as provided by applicable law. The date of the dispute shall be the date Suddenlink receives sufficient documentation to enable Suddenlink to investigate the dispute. The date of the resolution is the date Suddenlink completes its investigation and notifies the Customer of the disposition of the dispute.
 10. **Adjustments or Refunds.** Any adjustment or refund, given in each case in Suddenlink's sole discretion, will be accomplished by a credit on a subsequent bill for Service, unless otherwise required by applicable law. No credit allowance will be made for interruptions of Service that are: (a) due to the negligence of or noncompliance with the provisions of the Agreement by Customer or any person authorized by customer to use the Service; (b) due to the negligence of any person other than Suddenlink including, but not limited to, the other common carriers connected to the Suddenlink's facilities; (c) due to the failure or malfunction of Customer owned equipment or third party equipment; (d) during any period in which Suddenlink is not given full and free access to its facilities and Equipment for the purpose of investigating and correcting interruptions; (e) during a period in which Customer continues to use the Service on an impaired basis; (f) less than thirty (30) minutes' duration; (g) during any period when the interruption is due to implementation of a Customer order for a change in Service arrangements; or (h) due to circumstances or causes beyond the control of Suddenlink. Unless otherwise provided by applicable law, in the event any amounts owed by Suddenlink to Customer are not claimed by Customer within one year of the date on which the amount became payable to Customer, Customer shall forfeit all rights to the refund and all such amounts shall become the property of Suddenlink.
 11. **Equipment and Software.** "Distribution System" shall mean (1) all distribution plant, network facilities and associated electronics and all Equipment installed or provided by Suddenlink or its predecessors which is necessary to distribute Services throughout the premises, but specifically excluding Inside Wiring, and (2) all Equipment furnished by Suddenlink at the premises. Ownership of the Distribution System shall at all times be and remain in Suddenlink and shall be used exclusively by and in connection with Suddenlink operations. Upon termination of this Agreement and if Suddenlink is no longer providing Services to the premises, Suddenlink has the option to remove all or any portion of the Distribution System, provided that any damage to the premises caused by removal of the Distribution System will be repaired by Suddenlink to Customer's reasonable satisfaction. "Equipment" means all equipment, including but not limited to, any cables, wires, amplifiers, cable boxes, access cards, remotes, cable cards, battery backup units, modems, routers, gateways, Altice One and Altice One Mini units distributed to and/or installed for use in the Customer's service location but does not include Inside Wiring. "Inside Wiring" shall mean all wiring on the Customer's side of the demarcation point at Customer's service location, whether installed by Suddenlink or by Customer. The demarcation point shall mean a point at (or about) twelve (12) inches outside of where the cable wire enters the Customer's service location. Inside Wiring shall be Customer property and not Suddenlink Equipment, and repair and maintenance for such Inside Wiring is the responsibility of Customer unless otherwise agreed by Customer and Suddenlink. None of the Equipment shall become a fixture nor shall distribution, installation, and/or use of Equipment, including but not limited to cable boxes and/or set top boxes be deemed a lease of such Equipment. Unless otherwise stated in the Service Order, Customer will acquire no ownership or other interest in the Distribution System, Equipment, network facilities, and software by virtue of payments made pursuant to this Agreement or by the attachment of any portion of the Distribution System, Equipment or network facilities to Customer's premises.
 - a. **Misuse of Equipment.** Suddenlink Equipment is intended to service and reside at the specific service location and is not to be removed from the service location where it was installed or used off premises without Suddenlink authorization. Customer agrees that neither Customer nor any other person (except Suddenlink's authorized personnel) will open, alter, misuse, tamper with, service, or make any alterations to any Equipment. Customer will not remove any markings or labels from the Equipment. Customer agrees to safeguard the Equipment from loss or damage of any kind, and (except for any self installation procedures approved by Suddenlink) will not permit

- anyone other than a Suddenlink authorized representative to perform any work on the Equipment. Any misuse, alteration, tampering, or removal, or the use of Equipment which permits the receipt of Services without authorization or the receipt of Services to an unauthorized number of outlets, or to unauthorized locations constitutes theft of service and is prohibited.
- b. **Return of Equipment.** If Customer's Service is terminated or cancelled (for whatever reason), unless Suddenlink expresses otherwise in writing, Customer agrees that Customer no longer has the right to keep or use the Equipment and Customer must promptly return the Equipment. The Equipment must be returned to Suddenlink in the same condition as when received, ordinary wear and tear excepted. Absent other instructions, if Customer fails to return the Equipment, Customer will pay any expenses Suddenlink incurs in retrieving the Equipment. Failure of Suddenlink to remove the Equipment does not mean that Suddenlink has abandoned the Equipment. Suddenlink may impose a charge for unreturned Equipment to be determined in accordance with Suddenlink's then current schedule of charges for non-returned Equipment and/or continue to charge Customer a monthly Service fee every month until any remaining Equipment is returned, collected by Suddenlink or fully paid for by Customer. Any charge for unreturned Equipment shall be due immediately. Suddenlink retains ownership of all Equipment.
- c. **Damaged or Lost Equipment.** If the Equipment is damaged by Customer, destroyed, lost or stolen while in Customer's possession, Customer is responsible for the cost of repair or replacement of the Equipment.
- d. **Operation of Equipment.** Customer agrees to operate any Equipment in accordance with instructions of Suddenlink or Suddenlink's agent. Failure to do so will relieve the Suddenlink Parties of liability for interruption of Service and may make the Customer responsible for damage to Equipment.
- e. **Tests and Inspections.** Upon reasonable notification to the Customer, and at a reasonable time, Suddenlink may make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the Customer is complying with the requirements set forth herein.
- f. **Software.** Customer agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of any software license agreement applicable to the software provided or installed by Suddenlink ("Software"). The Software shall be used solely in connection with the Services and Customer will not modify, disassemble, translate or reverse engineer, the Software. All rights title and interest to the Software, including associated intellectual property rights, are and will remain with Suddenlink and Suddenlink's licensors. If Customer's Service is terminated, Customer will promptly return or destroy all Software provided by Suddenlink and any related written materials. Suddenlink will have the right to upgrade, modify and enhance the Equipment and Software from time to time. Customer acknowledges that the Software, and any related written materials, may be subject to applicable export control laws and regulations of the USA. Customer agrees not to export or re-export the Software, directly or indirectly, to any countries that are subject to USA export restrictions.
- g. **Repair.** Suddenlink will repair and/or replace defective Software or Equipment provided such damage was not caused by misuse, neglect or other fault of Customer. Suddenlink assumes no responsibility and shall have no responsibility for the operation, maintenance, condition or repair of any Customer-provided equipment and/or software, including, but not limited to, televisions, computer devices, remote controls or other consumer electronics, including any hardware or third party software, which may be connected to the Services ("Customer Equipment"), except that Suddenlink may automatically push required software or firmware updates directly to Customer Equipment when necessary for the provision of Suddenlink Service(s). Customer is responsible for the repair and maintenance of Customer Equipment. Suddenlink is not responsible or liable for any loss or impairment of Suddenlink's Service due in whole or in part to a malfunction, defect or otherwise caused by Customer Equipment. Suddenlink makes no warranties, with respect to Equipment or Service provided by Suddenlink or with respect to the Equipment's compatibility with any Customer Equipment.
- 12. Prohibitions/Theft of Service.** Customer shall not intercept, receive or assist in the interception or receipt of, resell, distribute or duplicate any Services. In no event shall Customer use the Services and/or Equipment to engage in any illegal or prohibited activity.
- 13. Customer Liability for Users.** Customer is responsible for any access, use or misuse of the Services and/or Equipment that may result from access or use by any other person who has access to Customer's premises, equipment or account. Customer is responsible for ensuring that all persons who use Customer's subscribed to Services ("Users") understand and comply with all terms and conditions applicable to the Services.
- 14. SecureNet and SecureNet Services: Altice Business SecureNet Service / Altice Business SecureNet Plus Service:** Altice Business SecureNet Service/AlticeBusiness SecureNet Plus Service purchased pursuant to this Agreement is a turnkey managed Service solution that bundles Altice Business Internet Service (over fiber), Managed DDoS Protection Service, Managed Security Gateway Service, and for Altice Business SecureNet Plus Service, also includes Managed Security Gateway Service with Unified Thread Management, and is subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including those for Managed DDoS Protection Service and Managed Security Gateway Service as set forth below.
- 15. Managed DDoS Protection Service:** Managed DDoS (Distributed Denial of Service) Protection Service purchased pursuant to this Agreement and offered in conjunction with Altice Business Internet Service (over fiber) only, will monitor, detect and mitigate Altice Business Internet Service inbound traffic against DDoS attacks and provide cleansing up to thirty (30) times the contracted bandwidth. Managed DDoS Protection Service is provisioned over Altice Business Internet Service/traffic only.
- 16. Service Level Agreement:** The Service Level Agreement ("SLA") attached hereto as Exhibit A sets forth Customer's sole remedy for any claim relating to the Service including any failure to meet any guarantee as set forth in the SLA.
- 17. Access to Customer Premises.** Customer grants Suddenlink and its employees, agents, contractors, and representatives all necessary rights of access to enter and within Customer's premises, including access to space for cables, conduits and equipment, the wiring within Customer's premises and Customer's computer(s) and other devices, to install, deliver, connect, inspect, maintain, repair, replace, disconnect, remove or alter any and all facilities, check for signal leakage or install or deliver Equipment and Software provided by Suddenlink. Customer shall cooperate in providing such access upon request of Suddenlink. If Customer is not the owner of the premises, Customer warrants that Customer has obtained the legal authority of the owner to authorize Suddenlink personnel and/or its agents to enter the premises for the purposes described herein. Suddenlink's failure to remove its Equipment shall not be deemed an abandonment thereof. Customer shall provide a secured space with electrical power, climate control and protection against fire, vandalism, and other casualty for Suddenlink's equipment. Customer is responsible for ensuring that Customer's equipment is compatible for the Services selected and with the Suddenlink network.
- 18. Violations of this Agreement.** It shall be a violation of this Agreement for Customer or any User (1) to engage in any conduct prohibited by this Agreement (or by any terms and conditions incorporated herein by reference); or (2) not to engage in conduct required by this Agreement, each case determined in Suddenlink's sole good faith discretion. In addition, whether or not the conduct set forth below is elsewhere prohibited by this Agreement, it shall be a violation of this Agreement if: (a) Customer or any User fails to abide by Suddenlink's rules and regulations or to pay the charges billed; (b) Customer or any User fails to provide and maintain accurate registration information or the information required in the registration process is or becomes incorrect, absent or incomplete; (c) Customer or any User engages in any illegal or prohibited activity in connection with their use of any Service; (d) Customer or any User harasses, threatens or otherwise abuses any Suddenlink employee or agent; (e) Customer or any User refuses to provide Suddenlink with reasonable access to the service location or refuses to allow Suddenlink to diagnose and/or troubleshoot a service issue when such access or customer interaction is necessary in order to provide the appropriate customer support; or (f) The amount of customer and/or technical support required to be provided to Customer or any User is excessive in the sole good faith discretion of Suddenlink.
- 19. Termination.** Suddenlink may terminate this Agreement, disconnect or suspend any or all Services, and remove Equipment at any time, with thirty (30) calendar days written notice, for any reason whatsoever or for no reason, including but not limited to if Customer or any User fails to fully comply with the terms of this Agreement and/or any Suddenlink or authorized Third Party Provider terms of service, agreements or policies incorporated herein by reference. If Suddenlink terminates Service due to a violation of this Agreement or Suddenlink's policies, Customer may be subject to additional fees and charges, including disconnect and termination fees and Suddenlink may also exercise other rights and remedies available under law or in equity.
- 20. Effect of Termination by Suddenlink.** Customer agrees that in the event of termination by Suddenlink: (i) Suddenlink and any Third Party Providers of co-branded services offered as part of or through the high speed internet service shall have no liability to Customer or any User; and (ii) unless expressly prohibited by law, Suddenlink, in its sole good faith discretion, may decline or reject a new application for service or block access to or use of any component of the Services by Customer or any former User. Customer further agrees that upon termination of any Service, Customer will immediately cease use of the Equipment and any Software, and; Customer will pay in full the charges for Customer's use of the Service and the Equipment through the later of: (i) Customer's applicable Service month, or (ii) if applicable, the expiration of any promotional term, or, if applicable, (iii) the date when the associated Equipment or Software has been returned to Suddenlink. Failure of Suddenlink to remove Equipment shall not be deemed an abandonment thereof. Customer shall pay reasonable collection and/or attorney's fees to Suddenlink in the event that Customer shall find it necessary to enforce collection or to preserve and protect its rights under this Agreement.
- 21. Content and Services.** All content, program services, program packages, number of channels, channel allocations, broadcast channels, interactive services, email, data offerings and other services are subject to change in accordance with applicable law.
- 22. Disclaimer.** Suddenlink assumes no liability for any program, services, content or information distributed on or through the Services, Equipment or the cable system, unless locally provided by Suddenlink, and Suddenlink expressly disclaims any responsibility or liability for your use thereof. Further, Suddenlink shall not be responsible for any products, merchandise or prizes promoted or purchased through the use of the Services.
- 23. Telephone Communications With You Regarding Your Account or Service.** You agree that Suddenlink and its agents may call or text you at any phone number (landline or wireless) that you provide to us, using an automated dialing system and/or a prerecorded message, for non-promotional service and/or account-related purposes, such as appointment confirmations, service alerts, billing and collection issues or account recovery concerns. You agree to notify us: (1) if any such phone number changes; (2) is no longer active; or (3) is ported from a landline to a wireless phone number. You can manage your contact preferences by logging into your account at <http://www.suddenlink.com>.
- 24. No Waiver.** The failure of Suddenlink to enforce this Agreement and any of its **components**, for whatever reason, shall not constitute a waiver of any right of either Party or the ability to assert or enforce such right at any time in the future.
- 25. No Assignment.** This Agreement and the Services and/or Equipment supplied by Suddenlink are not assignable or otherwise transferable by either Party, without specific written authorization. Either party may assign this Agreement to an affiliate or subsidiary or a successor to all or substantially all of its interest without prior written consent of the other party.
- 26. No Warranty; Limitation of Liability.** Customer accepts this provision to the extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of the state of Texas. Customer expressly agrees that: (a) the Services provided are best efforts services and the Services, Software and Equipment are provided by Suddenlink on an "AS IS" and "AS AVAILABLE" basis without warranties of any kind, either express or implied; (b) Suddenlink, its officers, shareholders, directors, employees, affiliates, vendors, carrier partners, content providers and other persons or entities involved in providing the Services or Equipment (collectively, the "Suddenlink Parties") are not responsible or liable for any loss or impairment of service due in whole or in part to Customer owned- or provided-Equipment; and (c) all use of the Services, Software and Equipment, including that provided by Third Party Providers, as well as the purchase, download or use of any third party service, product, or application provided by or accessed through the Services or Equipment, are provided at Customer's sole risk and Customer assumes total responsibility for Customer's or any User's use of the Services. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Suddenlink Parties make no warranty: (i) that the Services will be uninterrupted or error free or that the Equipment will work as intended; (ii) as to transmission or upstream or downstream speeds of the network; (iii) that the Services, Equipment or Software are compatible with any Customer owned- or provided-Equipment; or (iv) as to the security of Customer's communications via Suddenlink's facilities or Services, or that third parties will not gain unauthorized access to or monitor Customer's communications. Customer has the sole responsibility to secure Customer's communications and the Suddenlink Parties will not be liable for any loss associated with such unauthorized access. In addition,

neither the Suddenlink Parties nor any Third Party Provider of services or products makes any representations or warranties with respect to any product or services offered through the Services or Equipment, and Suddenlink shall not be party to nor responsible for monitoring any transaction between Customer and any Third Party Provider of products or services.

Except for a refund or credit as expressly provided in this Agreement, in no event (including negligence) will the Suddenlink Parties be held responsible or liable for any loss, damage, cost or expense including direct, indirect, incidental, special, treble, punitive, exemplary or consequential losses or damages including, but not limited to, loss of profits, earnings, business opportunities, loss of data, personal injury (including death), property damage or legal fees and expenses, sought by Customer or anyone else using Customer's Service account: (x) resulting directly or indirectly out of the use or inability to use the Services (including the inability to access emergency 911 or e911 services) and/or use of the Software, Equipment or provided third party services or otherwise arising in connection with the installation, maintenance, failure, removal or use of Services, Software and/or Equipment or Customer's reliance on the Services, Software and/or Equipment, including without limitation any mistakes, omissions, interruptions, failure or malfunction, deletion or corruption of files, work stoppage, errors, defects, delays in operation, delays in installation, failure to maintain proper standards or operation, failure to exercise reasonable supervision, delays in transmission, breach of warranty or failure of performance of the Services, Software and/or Equipment; or (y) resulting directly or indirectly out of, or otherwise arising in connection with, any allegation, claim, suit or other proceeding relating to Services, Software and/or Equipment, or the infringement of the copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret, confidentiality, privacy, or other intellectual property or contractual rights of any third party. Suddenlink's Maximum Liability to Customer arising under this Agreement shall be the lesser of \$5,000.00 or the amount actually paid by Customer for Services hereunder for the respective regular billing period.

27. Indemnification. Customer agrees, to the extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of the state of Texas, to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Suddenlink Parties from and against any and all claims and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or related in any way to the use of the Service and Equipment by Customer or otherwise arising out of or related in any way to the use of Customer's account or any equipment or facilities in connection therewith, or the use of any other products or services provided by Suddenlink to Customer.

28. Regulatory Authority. This Agreement and the obligations of the parties shall be subject to modification to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, court rulings, and administrative orders, as amended.

29. DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260, Texas Government Code, and the related rules adopted by the Texas Attorney General pursuant to Chapter 2260, shall be used by Customer and Suddenlink to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of agreement made by Suddenlink that cannot be resolved in the ordinary course of business. Suddenlink shall submit written notice of a claim of breach of contract under this Chapter to Customer's Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, who shall examine Suddenlink's claim and any counterclaim and negotiate with Suddenlink in an effort to resolve the claim. **Governing Law.** The validity of this Agreement and all matters pertaining to this Agreement, including but not limited to, matters of performance, non-performance, breach, remedies, procedures, rights, duties, and interpretation or construction, shall be governed and determined by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas. Pursuant to Section 85.18(b), Texas Education Code, mandatory venue for all legal proceedings against Customer is to be in the county in which the principal office of Customer's governing officer is located

30. Severability. If any term or condition of this Agreement shall be adjudicated or determined as invalid or unenforceable by a court, tribunal or arbitrator with appropriate jurisdiction over the subject matter, the remainder of the Agreement with respect to such claim shall not be affected and shall remain valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

31. No Relationship. Nothing in this Agreement will create any joint venture, joint employer, franchisee-franchisor, employer-employee or principal-agent relationship between Suddenlink and any content, backbone, network, circuit and other technology or communications providers, software and other licensors, hardware and equipment suppliers or other third party providers of elements of the High Speed Internet Service, nor impose upon any such companies any obligations for any losses, debts or other obligations incurred by the other.

- 32. Survival.** All representations, warranties, indemnifications, dispute resolution provisions and limitations of liability contained in this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement, as well as any other obligations of the parties hereunder which, by their terms, would be expected to survive such termination or which relate to the period prior to termination (including legal conditions, payment, and Suddenlink rights and the rights of others).
- 33. Force Majeure.** Neither Party will be in breach of its obligations under this Agreement (other than payment obligations) or incur any liability to the other Party for any losses or damages of any nature whatsoever incurred or suffered by that other Party if and to the extent that it is prevented from carrying out those obligations by, or such losses or damages are caused by, a Force Majeure, except to the extent that the relevant breach of its obligations would have occurred, or the relevant losses or damages would have arisen, even if the Force Majeure had not occurred. Force Majeure is defined as: 1) acts of God; 2) war; 3) act(s) of terrorism; 4) fires; 5) explosions; 6) natural disasters, to include without limitation, hurricanes, floods, and tornadoes; 7) failure of transportation; 8) strike(s); 9) loss or shortage of transportation facilities; 10) lockout, or commandeering of materials, products, plants or facilities by the government or other order (both federal and state); 11) interruptions by government or court orders (both federal and state); 12) present and future orders of any regulatory body having proper jurisdiction; 13) civil disturbances, to include without limitation, riots, rebellions, and insurrections; 14) epidemic(s), pandemic(s), or other national, state, or regional emergency(ies); and 15) any other cause not enumerated in this provision, but which is beyond the reasonable control of the Party whose performance is affected and which by the exercise of all reasonable due diligence, such Party is unable to overcome. Such excuse from performance will be effective only to the extent and duration of the Force Majeure event(s) causing the failure or delay in performance and provided that the affected Party has not caused such Force Majeure event(s) to occur and continues to use diligent, good faith efforts to avoid the effects of such Force Majeure event(s) and to perform the obligation(s). Written notice of a Party's failure or delay in performance due to Force Majeure must be given within a reasonable time after its occurrence and which notice must describe the Force Majeure event(s) and the actions taken to minimize the impact of such Force Majeure event(s). Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party's financial inability to perform its obligations shall in no event constitute a Force Majeure.
- 34. Entire Agreement.** This Agreement, including the applicable Additional Terms of Service, Privacy Policy and Acceptable Use Policy ("AUP"), the Service Order and the Schedule of Fees constitute the entire agreement between Suddenlink and Customer with respect to the Services. No undertaking, representation or warranty made by an agent or representative of Suddenlink in connection with the sale, installation, maintenance or removal of Suddenlink's Services or Equipment shall be binding on Suddenlink except as expressly included herein.
- 35. Amendment; Notice.** Suddenlink may, in its sole discretion, change, modify, add or remove portions of this Agreement at any time. Suddenlink may notify Customer of any such changes to this Agreement, or any other required or desired notice hereunder, by posting notice of such changes on Suddenlink's website (www.suddenlink.com), or by sending notice via email or postal mail to Customer's billing address, and/or by contacting the telephone number(s) on Customer's account (including mobile phones) by means such as but not limited to browser bulletins, walled garden (browser interruption), voice, SMS, MMS, and text messages, including by the use of by automatic telephone dialing systems. Customer agrees that any one of the foregoing will constitute sufficient notice. Because Suddenlink may from time to time notify Customer about important information regarding the Services, the Privacy Policy and this Agreement by such methods, Customer agrees to regularly check postal mail, e-mail and all postings on the Suddenlink web site (www.suddenlink.com) and Customer bears the risk of failing to do so. The Customer's continued use of the applicable Service(s) following notice of such change, modification or amendment shall be deemed to be the Customer's acceptance of any such revision. If Customer does not agree to any revision of this Agreement, Customer must immediately cease use of the all Service(s) and notify Suddenlink that Customer is cancelling this Agreement in accordance with the then-current policy.
- 36. Miscellaneous:**
- a. **Delinquent Child Support Obligations.** Under Section 231.006, Texas Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
 - b. **Payment of Debt or Delinquency to the State.** Pursuant to Sections 2107.008 and 2252.903, Texas Government Code, Suddenlink agrees that any payments owing to Suddenlink under this Agreement may be applied directly toward certain debts or delinquencies that Suddenlink owes the state of Texas or any agency of the state of Texas regardless of when they arise, until such debts or delinquencies are paid in full.
 - c. **Prompt Pay.** Payment from Customer will be due thirty (30) days from the date Customer receives the invoice. All past due amounts will be subject to a finance charge in accordance with the Texas Prompt Payment Act, Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code.
 - d. **Prohibited Bids and Agreements.** Under Section 2155.004, Texas Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
 - e. **Public Information.** Suddenlink acknowledges that Customer is obligated to strictly comply with the Public Information Act, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, in responding to any request for public information pertaining to this Agreement, as well as any other disclosure of information required by applicable Texas law. Upon Customer's written request, Suddenlink will promptly provide specified contracting information exchanged or created under any resultant agreement for or on behalf of Customer. Suddenlink acknowledges that Customer may be required to post a copy of the fully executed Agreement on its Internet website in compliance with Section 2261.253(a)(1), Texas Government Code. The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, may apply to this Agreement and Suddenlink agrees that this Agreement can be terminated if Suddenlink knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.
 - f. **Conflict of Interest.** By executing and/or accepting this Agreement, Suddenlink and each person signing on behalf of Suddenlink certifies, and in the case of a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation, each Party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of their knowledge and belief, no member of the A&M System or the A&M System Board of Regents, nor any employee, or person, whose salary is payable in whole or in part by Customer or the A&M System, has direct or indirect financial interest in the award of this Agreement, or in the services to which this Agreement relates, or in any of the profits, real or potential, thereof.
 - g. **Certification Regarding Boycotting Israel.** To the extent that Texas Government Code, Chapter 2271 applies to this Agreement, Suddenlink certifies that (a) it does not currently boycott Israel; and (b) it will not boycott Israel during the Term of this Agreement. Suddenlink acknowledges this Agreement may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
 - h. **Certification Regarding Business with Certain Countries and Organizations.** Pursuant to Subchapter F, Chapter 2252, Texas Government Code, Suddenlink certifies Suddenlink is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization. Suddenlink acknowledges this Agreement may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
 - i. **Prohibition on Contracts Related to Persons Involved in Human Trafficking.** Under Section 2155.0061, Texas Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
 - j. **Not Eligible for Rehire.** Suddenlink is responsible to ensure that employees participating in work for any A&M System member have not been designated by the A&M System as Not Eligible for Rehire as defined in A&M System Policy 32.02, Section 4. Non-conformance to this requirement may be grounds for termination of this Agreement.
 - k. **Franchise Tax Certification.** If Suddenlink is a taxable entity subject to the Texas Franchise Tax (Chapter 171, Texas Tax Code), then Suddenlink certifies that it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise (margin) taxes or that Suddenlink is exempt from the payment of franchise (margin) taxes.
 - l. **Prohibited Bids and Agreements.** Under Section 2155.004, Texas Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
 - m. **Loss of Funding.** Performance by Customer under this Agreement may be dependent upon the appropriation and allotment of funds by the Texas State Legislature (the "Legislature"). If the Legislature fails to appropriate or allot the necessary funds, Customer will issue written notice to Suddenlink and Customer may terminate this Agreement without further duty or obligation hereunder. Suddenlink acknowledges that appropriation of funds is beyond the control of Customer.
 - n. **State Auditor's Office.** Suddenlink understands that acceptance of funds under this Agreement constitutes acceptance of the authority of the Texas State Auditor's Office, or any successor agency (collectively, "Auditor"), to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds pursuant to Section 51.9335(c), Texas Education Code. Suddenlink agrees to cooperate with the Auditor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including without limitation, providing all records requested. Suddenlink will include this provision in all contracts with permitted subcontractors.
 - o. **Independent Contractor.** For the purposes of this Agreement and all services to be provided hereunder, the Parties shall be, and shall be deemed to be, independent contractors and not agents or employees of the other Party. Neither Party shall have authority to make any statement, representations or commitments of any kind, or to take any action which shall be binding on the other Party, except as may be explicitly provided for herein or authorized in writing.
 - p. **Representations & Warranties.** If Suddenlink is a business entity, Suddenlink warrants, represents, covenants, and agrees that it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of its incorporation or organization and is duly authorized and in good standing to conduct business in the State of Texas, that it has all necessary power and has received all necessary approvals to execute and deliver this Agreement, and the individual executing this Agreement on behalf of Suddenlink has been duly authorized to act for and bind Suddenlink.