[This voluntary agreement shall be signed by the winning vendor who will be recommended for the contract award. It is not required for submission with the Quotation/Bid/Proposal. Vendors are requested to read and understand the contents of the agreement.]

# **VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT**

## Voluntary Agreement to Promote Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment Between

### (Name of the Contractor)

#### And

#### The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, a composite entity of the United Nations established by the United Nations General Assembly by its resolution 64/289 of 2 July 2010 (hereinafter referred to as "UN Women") strongly encourages (Name of the Contractor) (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor") to partake in achieving the following objectives:

□ Acknowledge values & principles of <u>gender equality</u> and <u>women's empowerment</u>;

□ Provide information and statistical data (that relates to policies and initiatives that promote gender equality and women empowerment), upon request;

□ Participate in dialogue with UN Women to promote gender equality and women's empowerment in their location, industry and organization;

□ Establish high-level corporate leadership for gender equality;

□ Treat women and men fairly at work and respect and support human rights and nondiscrimination;

□ Ensure health, safety and wellbeing of all women and men workers;

□ Promote education, training and professional development for women;

□ Implement enterprise development, supply chain and marketing practices that empower women;

□ Promote equality through community initiatives and advocacy;

□ Measure and publicly report on progress to achieve gender equality;

□ Adhere to values of respect for fundamental human rights, social justice and human dignity, and respect for the equal rights of men and women, enshrined in the United Nations (UN) Charter and the UN Supplier Code of Conduct.

On behalf of the contractor:

Name :	 	 
Title :	 	 
Address :	 	 
Signature :	 	 
Date:	 	 