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September 27, 2012

His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

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REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Joint Board of Licensure and Certification to enter into a SOLE SOURCE contract in the amount of \$10,840 with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA), vendor number 164214, Nashville, Tennessee, for membership in NASBA and the administration of the National Certified Public Accountant (CPA) examinations, through July 1, 2014. Further, authorize unencumbered payments under this contract with internal accounting control within the Joint Board. The Joint Board is a 125% agency funded entirely by examination and licensing fees. 100% general funds.

Funding is available for FY 013 and 014 in account, Joint Board Administration, contingent on continued budget authorization in FY 2014 as follows:

01-31-31-310010-2250 JOINT BOARD OF LICENSURE & CERT

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>
026 – 500251 ORGANIZATIONAL DUES	4,240.00	6,600.00

EXPLANATION

The Joint Board hereby submits an agreement between the State of New Hampshire, Joint Board and the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) though July 1, 2014 for membership in NASBA and administration of the national CPA examinations. This contract is required as a component of the July 1, 2011, consolidation of Board of Accountancy into the Joint Board. The Joint Board has assumed sole responsibility for administration of the national CPA examination through NASBA. This is a sole-source contract because NASBA is the only provider of examinations for CPAs in the country. NASBA is a non-profit agency therefore no registration certificate from the Secretary of State is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Lavertu
Executive Director

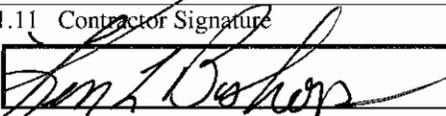
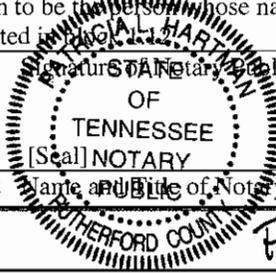
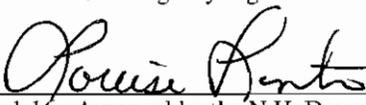
Subject: NASBA membership, prepare, administer & score exams for CPAs **FORM NUMBER P-37 (version 1/09)**

AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Contractor hereby mutually agree as follows:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. IDENTIFICATION.

1.1 State Agency Name <u>NH Joint Board of Licensure and Certification</u>		1.2 State Agency Address <u>57 Regional Drive, Concord NH 03301</u>	
1.3 Contractor Name <u>National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)</u>		1.4 Contractor Address <u>150 4TH Ave., North, Suite 700, Nashville TN 37219</u>	
1.5 Contractor Phone Number <u>615-880-4200</u>	1.6 Account Number <u>01-31-31-3100-2250</u>	1.7 Completion Date <u>7/1/14</u>	1.8 Price Limitation <u>10,840.00</u>
1.9 Contracting Officer for State Agency <u>Louise Lavertu, Executive Director</u>		1.10 State Agency Telephone Number <u>603-271-2219</u>	
1.11 Contractor Signature 		1.12 Name and Title of Contractor Signatory <u>Ken L. Bishop, President and CEO</u>	
1.13 Acknowledgement: State of <u>TN</u> , County of <u>RUTHERFORD</u> On <u>9/20/12</u> , before the undersigned officer, personally appeared the person identified in block 1.12, or satisfactorily proven to be the person whose name is signed in block 1.11, and acknowledged that s/he executed this document in the capacity indicated in block 1.12.			
1.13.1 Signature of Notary Public or Justice of the Peace  <u>Patricia L. Hartman</u>		My Commission Expires April 21, 2014	
1.13.2 Name and Title of Notary or Justice of the Peace <u>Patricia L. Hartman, Notary</u>			
1.14 State Agency Signature 		1.15 Name and Title of State Agency Signatory <u>Louise Lavertu, Executive Director</u>	
1.16 Approval by the N.H. Department of Administration, Division of Personnel (if applicable) By: _____ Director, On: _____			
1.17 Approval by the Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) By: <u>Elyn Aleley</u> On: <u>9/27/12</u>			
1.18 Approval by the Governor and Executive Council By: _____ On: _____			

2. EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACTOR/SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. The State of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 ("State"), engages contractor identified in block 1.3 ("Contractor") to perform, and the Contractor shall perform, the work or sale of goods, or both, identified and more particularly described in the attached EXHIBIT A which is incorporated herein by reference ("Services").

3. EFFECTIVE DATE/COMPLETION OF SERVICES.
3.1 Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall not become effective until the date the Governor and Executive Council approve this Agreement ("Effective Date").
3.2 If the Contractor commences the Services prior to the Effective Date, all Services performed by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date shall be performed at the sole risk of the Contractor, and in the event that this Agreement does not become effective, the State shall have no liability to the Contractor, including without limitation, any obligation to pay the Contractor for any costs incurred or Services performed. Contractor must complete all Services by the Completion Date specified in block 1.7.

4. CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of appropriated funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Contractor notice of such termination. The State shall not be required to transfer funds from any other account to the Account identified in block 1.6 in the event funds in that Account are reduced or unavailable.

5. CONTRACT PRICE/PRICE LIMITATION/ PAYMENT.
5.1 The contract price, method of payment, and terms of payment are identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT B which is incorporated herein by reference.
5.2 The payment by the State of the contract price shall be the only and the complete reimbursement to the Contractor for all expenses, of whatever nature incurred by the Contractor in the performance hereof, and shall be the only and the complete compensation to the Contractor for the Services. The State shall have no liability to the Contractor other than the contract price.
5.3 The State reserves the right to offset from any amounts otherwise payable to the Contractor under this Agreement those liquidated amounts required or permitted by N.H. RSA 80:7 through RSA 80:7-c or any other provision of law.

5.4 Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made hereunder, exceed the Price Limitation set forth in block 1.8.

6. COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS/ EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.
6.1 In connection with the performance of the Services, the Contractor shall comply with all statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county or municipal authorities which impose any obligation or duty upon the Contractor, including, but not limited to, civil rights and equal opportunity laws. In addition, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable copyright laws.
6.2 During the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, or national origin and will take affirmative action to prevent such discrimination.
6.3 If this Agreement is funded in any part by monies of the United States, the Contractor shall comply with all the provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 ("Equal Employment Opportunity"), as supplemented by the regulations of the United States Department of Labor (41 C.F.R. Part 60), and with any rules, regulations and guidelines as the State of New Hampshire or the United States issue to implement these regulations. The Contractor further agrees to permit the State or United States access to any of the Contractor's books, records and accounts for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with all rules, regulations and orders, and the covenants, terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7. PERSONNEL.
7.1 The Contractor shall at its own expense provide all personnel necessary to perform the Services. The Contractor warrants that all personnel engaged in the Services shall be qualified to perform the Services, and shall be properly licensed and otherwise authorized to do so under all applicable laws.
7.2 Unless otherwise authorized in writing, during the term of this Agreement, and for a period of six (6) months after the Completion Date in block 1.7, the Contractor shall not hire, and shall not permit any subcontractor or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Services to hire, any person who is a State employee or official, who is materially involved in the procurement, administration or performance of this Agreement. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement.
7.3 The Contracting Officer specified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, shall be the State's representative. In the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer's decision shall be final for the State.

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8. EVENT OF DEFAULT/REMEDIES.

8.1 Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Contractor shall constitute an event of default hereunder ("Event of Default"):

- 8.1.1 failure to perform the Services satisfactorily or on schedule;
- 8.1.2 failure to submit any report required hereunder; and/or
- 8.1.3 failure to perform any other covenant, term or condition of this Agreement.

8.2 Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:

- 8.2.1 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Contractor notice of termination;
- 8.2.2 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the contract price which would otherwise accrue to the Contractor during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Contractor has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Contractor;
- 8.2.3 set off against any other obligations the State may owe to the Contractor any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and/or
- 8.2.4 treat the Agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

9. DATA/ACCESS/CONFIDENTIALITY/PRESERVATION.

9.1 As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.

9.2 All data and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason.

9.3 Confidentiality of data shall be governed by N.H. RSA chapter 91-A or other existing law. Disclosure of data requires prior written approval of the State.

10. TERMINATION. In the event of an early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Services, the Contractor shall deliver to the Contracting Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report ("Termination Report") describing in detail all Services performed, and the contract price earned, to and including the date of termination. The form, subject matter, content, and number of copies of the Termination

Report shall be identical to those of any Final Report described in the attached EXHIBIT A.

11. CONTRACTOR'S RELATION TO THE STATE. In the performance of this Agreement the Contractor is in all respects an independent contractor, and is neither an agent nor an employee of the State. Neither the Contractor nor any of its officers, employees, agents or members shall have authority to bind the State or receive any benefits, workers' compensation or other emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

12. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACTS. The Contractor shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the N.H. Department of Administrative Services. None of the Services shall be subcontracted by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the State.

13. INDEMNIFICATION. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, on account of, based or resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant in paragraph 13 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

14. INSURANCE.

14.1 The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, obtain and maintain in force, and shall require any subcontractor or assignee to obtain and maintain in force, the following insurance:

14.1.1 comprehensive general liability insurance against all claims of bodily injury, death or property damage, in amounts of not less than \$250,000 per claim and \$2,000,000 per occurrence; and

14.1.2 fire and extended coverage insurance covering all property subject to subparagraph 9.2 herein, in an amount not less than 80% of the whole replacement value of the property.

14.2 The policies described in subparagraph 14.1 herein shall be on policy forms and endorsements approved for use in the State of New Hampshire by the N.H. Department of Insurance, and issued by insurers licensed in the State of New Hampshire.

14.3 The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, a certificate(s) of insurance for all insurance required under this Agreement. Contractor shall also furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, certificate(s) of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration date of each of the insurance policies. The certificate(s) of insurance and any renewals thereof shall be

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attached and are incorporated herein by reference. Each certificate(s) of insurance shall contain a clause requiring the insurer to endeavor to provide the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, no less than ten (10) days prior written notice of cancellation or modification of the policy.

15. WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

15.1 By signing this agreement, the Contractor agrees, certifies and warrants that the Contractor is in compliance with or exempt from, the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A ("*Workers' Compensation*").

15.2 To the extent the Contractor is subject to the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A, Contractor shall maintain, and require any subcontractor or assignee to secure and maintain, payment of Workers' Compensation in connection with activities which the person proposes to undertake pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, proof of Workers' Compensation in the manner described in N.H. RSA chapter 281-A and any applicable renewal(s) thereof, which shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference. The State shall not be responsible for payment of any Workers' Compensation premiums or for any other claim or benefit for Contractor, or any subcontractor or employee of Contractor, which might arise under applicable State of New Hampshire Workers' Compensation laws in connection with the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

16. WAIVER OF BREACH. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event of Default, or any subsequent Event of Default. No express failure to enforce any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other Event of Default on the part of the Contractor.

17. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses given in blocks 1.2 and 1.4, herein.

18. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire.

19. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS.

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. The wording used in this Agreement is the wording chosen by the parties to express their mutual

intent, and no rule of construction shall be applied against or in favor of any party.

20. THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.

21. HEADINGS. The headings throughout the Agreement are for reference purposes only, and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction or meaning of the provisions of this Agreement.

22. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. Additional provisions set forth in the attached EXHIBIT C are incorporated herein by reference.

23. SEVERABILITY. In the event any of the provisions of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to any state or federal law, the remaining provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire Agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior Agreements and understandings relating hereto.

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. The National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) is a non-profit corporation whose sole members are the accountancy boards of all states and certain territories of the United States.
2. Dues of members in NASBA are payable to NASBA every year and are based on the volume of examination candidates taking the Uniform CPA Examination during the year.
3. Any member, including the New Hampshire Board of Accountancy, can resign from NASBA at any time.

EXHIBIT B

1. The State agrees to compensate NASBA as follows:
 - a. Membership dues for NASBA:
 - FY13 - \$4,240.00 (four thousand two hundred and forty dollars)
 - FY14 - \$6,600.00 (six thousand and six hundred dollars)

 - TOTAL - \$10,840.00 (ten thousand eight hundred and forty dollars)

EXHIBIT C

NASBA requests an exception to *Provision 14.3*. We are not able to meet the ten (10) day notification requirement as our certificate of insurance states that the insurer will provide no less than thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation of the policy. The insurer will also not provide notice of modification.

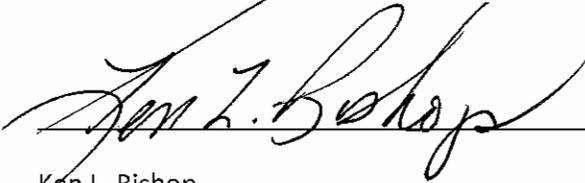
NASBA

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

I, Ken L. Bishop, certify as follows:

1. I am the duly elected and presently serving President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA).
2. The President and CEO is authorized to execute and deliver contractual agreements on behalf of NASBA.
3. The authority of the President and CEO includes contractual agreements between NASBA and the State of New Hampshire.
4. Such authority of the President and CEO has not been revoked and is in full force and effect on the date hereof.

Executed this 18th day of September, 2012.



Ken L. Bishop
President and CEO



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

NASBA-1

OP ID: 1D

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

03/26/12

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION IS WAIVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Scott Insurance (Nashville) 6640 Carothers Parkway Ste 100 Franklin, TN 37067 David Sciortino-Nashville	615-771-9600	CONTACT NAME: PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): E-MAIL ADDRESS:	FAX (A/C, No):
	615-435-1999		
INSURED National Association of Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) 150 Fourth Avenue N, 7th Fl. Nashville, TN 37219-2417	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE		NAIC #
	INSURER A:	Federal Insurance Co (A++)	20281
	INSURER B:	Great Northern Ins Co (A++)	20303
	INSURER C:	Chubb Indemnity Ins Co (A++)	12777
	INSURER D:		
	INSURER E:		

COVERAGES**CERTIFICATE NUMBER:****REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSR	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS	
A	GENERAL LIABILITY			35379561	03/01/12	03/01/13	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 1,000,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$ 1,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR						MED EXP (Any one person)	\$ 10,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY
	<input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PROJ-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC						GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$ 2,000,000
							PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$ included
B	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY			73241525	03/01/12	03/01/13	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$ 1,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO						BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS					BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS					PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
								\$
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB			79763261	03/01/12	03/01/13	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 5,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR					AGGREGATE	\$ 5,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> DED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE						\$
								\$
C	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY			71642621	03/01/12	03/01/13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WC STATU-TORY LIMITS	OTH-ER
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH)	Y/N	N/A				E L EACH ACCIDENT	\$ 500,000
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						E L DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	\$ 500,000
							E L DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$ 500,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

NEWHAMB New Hampshire Board of Board of Accountancy 78 Regional Dr. Bldg. 2 Concord, NH 03301	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE <i>David A. Sciortino, Jr.</i>
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Listed below are answers to questions which may be of assistance for The Governor and Council in considering the approval of organization dues and membership submissions:

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?
NASBA has been in existence since 1908. The Board has been a long term member of NASBA. The NH Accountancy' Board was transferred to the Joint Board on July 1, 2011, we have no record of when the Board became a member of NASBA.
2. Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to? No.
3. How many other state's belonging to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?
Fifty States and five additional jurisdictions are members of NASBA. The Joint Board is the only NH State agency that is a member of NASBA.
4. How is the dues structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc)
NASBA charges States a standard membership fee.
5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?
Membership in NASBA is required in order to obtain access to the National CPA examinations. NASBA processes applications, qualifies candidates and administers the exam. The State also receives updated information on the major areas of accountancy practice.
6. Are training or educational/ research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.
No training materials are included, only examinations regarding professional standards are included in the membership.
7. Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain.
Membership in NASBA is required in order to obtain access to the National Certified Public Accountants' examinations. Passage of these exams is required for licensure in NH.
8. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.
There is one trip per year for a Board member to attend a national meeting.
9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.
The members of the Board of Accountancy are voting members of NASBA. The staff of the Joint Board interfaces with NASBA regarding examinations and candidates for licensure.
10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.
If the State does not belong to NASBA the State will be unable to administer examinations for licensure of Accountants. If the Board does not have access to the national exams, the Board will be unable to carry out the legislatively mandated examinations for Accountants required pursuant to RSA 309-B:5, IV, and 309-B:7.