

ON-CALL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

This On-Call Equipment Maintenance Agreement (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the ____1st____ day of ____November____ 2025 by and between DMT Solutions Global Corporation d/b/a BlueCrest, having a place of business at 37 Executive Drive, Danbury, Connecticut 06810-4148 (“BlueCrest”), and Monterey County Elections, having a place of business at North Building, 1441 Schilling Pl, Salinas CA 93901 (“Client”).

1. SCOPE AND TERM OF AGREEMENT

1.1 This Agreement is for on-call maintenance of the products identified on Schedule A (the “Products”).

1.2 This Agreement shall be effective and on-call maintenance shall commence as of the date set forth on Schedule A (“Service Date”), if, and only if, BlueCrest has received a correct purchase order (and/or any other document required by Client for the issuance and payment of a BlueCrest invoice) from Client with respect to such annual on-call maintenance at least forty-five (45) business days prior to the Service Date, and shall continue for an initial term of one (1) year. Thereafter, the on-call maintenance services shall continue uninterrupted for another one (1) year term provided that BlueCrest has received a correct purchase order (and/or any other document required by Client for the issuance and payment of a BlueCrest invoice) from Client with respect to such renewed on-call maintenance services at least forty-five (45) business days prior to the applicable anniversary of the Service Date. Any such renewals shall be reflected by a written amendment to this Agreement approved by the Board of Supervisors, and only two (2) one-year renewals are authorized.

1.3 Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, BlueCrest may terminate this Agreement upon one (1) business day’s written notice to Client if Client breaches any payment provision of this Agreement and such payment breach is not cured within ten (10) business days after receipt of written notice of such breach from BlueCrest.

2. BASIC SERVICE SUPPORT

2.1 BlueCrest shall perform such maintenance services with respect to Products, including providing adequately trained and qualified Client Service Representatives (“CSRs”), as described herein.

2.2 Maintenance activities will include reasonable remedial maintenance and preventative maintenance necessitated by normal usage. Remedial maintenance will include replacement of parts, excluding consumable parts, and machine enhancements. Parts provided hereunder shall be new or equivalent to new including refurbished parts.

2.3 Preventative maintenance will consist of inspecting, cleaning and periodically lubricating various components as well as replacing any worn parts. BlueCrest shall inform Client of the timing and nature of preventative maintenance required and BlueCrest and Client shall mutually agree on the scheduled time for CSRs to perform the preventative maintenance. BlueCrest shall use commercially reasonable efforts to conduct preventative maintenance as scheduled. Client shall make the

Products reasonably available to BlueCrest for preventative maintenance.

2.4 Software and firmware maintenance shall be provided by BlueCrest under this Agreement as set forth in Schedule B.

2.5 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, BlueCrest will not be responsible: (i) for maintaining any Products that Client has failed to operate under suitable temperature, humidity, line voltage, or any specified environmental conditions; (ii) if reasonable care is not used in handling, operating, and maintaining the Product; (iii) if the Product is not used in accordance with the agreed applications and for the ordinary purpose for which it is designed; (iv) if the inability of any Product to perform is due to any act or failure to act on the part of Client, including without limitation, any alteration of or adding components to any Product; (v) unqualified operators’ use of the Product; (vi) use of the Product in a manner not intended; (vii) use of the Product to process applications not previously approved in writing by BlueCrest; or (viii) use of damaged materials, such as paper or envelopes. If BlueCrest performs any repairs or maintenance as a result of any of the foregoing, the Client shall pay BlueCrest at BlueCrest’s normal rates in effect at such time. Client shall promptly notify BlueCrest of any unauthorized alteration of or addition to the Product that occurred after Client accepted the Product. BlueCrest will not be required to maintain Products that have become obsolete, either due to age, discontinuance of Product’s manufacture or irreparability. BlueCrest shall make recommendations to Client regarding the replacement or refurbishment of such obsolete Products.

2.6 Service outside of the contracted hours will be provided at BlueCrest’s rates in effect at such time.

2.7 Obsolescence

From time to time, BlueCrest may provide notice to Client of its choice, in its sole discretion, to terminate support for certain hardware, software, servers and/or databases due to obsolescence, end of life or a third-party manufacturer’s election to discontinue certain servers, platforms and/or software (collectively “Obsolescence”). In the event Client’s support is terminated due to Obsolescence, Client will be provided a pro-rata refund for any amounts prepaid for maintenance for the obsolete hardware or software. In the event of a termination due to Obsolescence, Client will be provided an option to replace the obsolete software, servers and/or databases with replacements that meet or exceed Client’s original system requirements, provided; however, additional costs, including but not limited to installation and support fees associated with the new solution may apply.

Parts and/or assemblies for the obsolete products described above or for products not sold as new will be provided only if available.

2.8 Nonsolicitation

Client agrees that during the term of this Agreement and for a period of six (6) months after the termination of this Agreement, it will not hire or solicit for employment any BlueCrest employee with whom it has had contact in connection with the performance of this Agreement, provided, however, that the foregoing provision shall not prevent Client from (a) employing any such employee where the first contact between it and the employee with regard to employment is made by the employee on his or her own initiative without any direct or indirect solicitation by or encouragement from Client, (b) placing any public advertisement or general solicitation that is not targeted at any such employee specifically or employees of BlueCrest generally (a "General Solicitation") or (c) hiring any such employee where the first contact between Client and the employee with regard to employment is made by the employee on his or her own initiative in response to a General Solicitation and without any other direct or indirect solicitation or encouragement from Client. The provisions of this Section 2.8 shall survive termination of this Agreement as necessary to affect its purpose.

3. MAINTENANCE CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

3.1 Commencing on the Service Date, Client shall pay to BlueCrest the annual on-call maintenance fees set forth in Schedule A. Notwithstanding the on-call maintenance fees set forth on Schedule A, all prices are fixed for the two (2) year term of the agreement. In the event Client notifies BlueCrest that it desires to have additional Products covered under this Agreement, modifications to this Agreement will be made by written amendment.

3.2 BlueCrest will invoice Client for maintenance charges in advance (or for any *pro rata* portion thereof) as of the Service Date and annually thereafter. Such invoices are due thirty (30) days after the date of receipt of a certified invoice in the office of the Auditor-Controller. In the event that charges due and owing have not been paid by Client, BlueCrest can bring an action to collect such charges.

3.3 For Products added after the Service Date, BlueCrest will invoice Client for monthly maintenance charges on a *pro rata* basis.

3.4 If Client requests any on-call maintenance services outside of defined service personnel hours (Monday through Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm excluding BlueCrest observed holidays), BlueCrest will invoice Client for additional fees that result from such services according to BlueCrest standard rates then in effect and Client acknowledges and agrees that it shall pay all such additional fees within thirty (30) days after the date of the applicable invoice therefore regardless of whether or not a purchase order has been issued for or is required in connection with such additional services.

3.5 Reserved.

3.6 Each of BlueCrest and Client acknowledge and agree (a) that Client shall issue to BlueCrest a purchase order (and/or any other document required by Client for the issuance and payment of a BlueCrest invoice) for the annual on-call maintenance fees at least five (5) business days prior to the Service Date and each anniversary thereof unless this Agreement has expired or has otherwise been terminated, (b) that any terms and/or conditions set forth on Client's purchase order (and/or other document) shall be void and of no force and effect, and (c) that this Agreement sets forth all of the terms and conditions with respect to the provision of on-call maintenance services.

4. OUTAGES

4.1 Once at the Client site, the CSR has sixty (60) minutes to diagnose the problem. Once the problem is diagnosed, a time estimate for resolution shall be provided to the Client.

4.2 If the problem is not diagnosed within sixty (60) minutes, the CSR will escalate to a Senior CSR ("Senior CSR") and the service manager. The Senior CSR shall try to diagnose the problem over the phone based on the symptoms described by the CSR. A decision will be made by the Senior CSR to go to the site if unresolved. The Client and service manager shall be notified of the status as well as the estimated time of arrival of the Senior CSR.

4.3 Once at the Client site, the Senior CSR has sixty (60) minutes to diagnose the problem. If the senior CSR does not diagnose the problem, the Front Line Specialist ("FLS") shall be notified for the purpose of determining whether additional support is required.

4.4 If parts are required for diagnoses, confirmation on parts availability must be made and the Client, as well as service management, must be informed.

5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 Taxes. Client shall pay all federal, state and local sales, use, property and excise taxes imposed on or with respect to this Agreement or the services provided hereunder.

5.2 Indemnification

(a) BlueCrest shall indemnify and defend Client and its officers, directors, and employees (collectively referred to in this Section as "Client"), against any and all liabilities, claims, damages, costs, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) of third parties resulting from bodily injury or death to any person or tangible personal property damage, to the extent that such injury or damage is caused by BlueCrest's gross negligence or willful misconduct in its performance of services while on Clients' business premises.

(b) In the event that Client becomes aware of any claim alleging bodily injury or death or tangible personal property damage as described above, Client shall immediately

notify BlueCrest. BlueCrest shall have the right and option in the first instance, through counsel of its own choosing and its own expense, to deal with, defend, settle or compromise any such claim. If BlueCrest does not appoint counsel to deal with, defend, settle or compromise any such claim after receiving notice thereof, Client may then deal with, defend, settle or compromise such claim through counsel of its own choosing at the expense of BlueCrest. In such event, (1) Client shall be permitted to control the defense of such claim and shall keep BlueCrest advised with respect to the conduct of such defense, settlement or compromise; (2) any settlement or compromise shall be for the account of BlueCrest; and (3) no settlement or compromise shall be made without the prior written consent of BlueCrest, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

5.3 Default

If a material breach by either party of any of its obligations or responsibilities under this Agreement is not cured within sixty (60) days after the other party notifies the breaching party thereof, the non-breaching party may by notice to the breaching party terminate this Agreement.

5.4 No Implied Warranties

BLUECREST DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

5.5 Limitation of Liability

a. BLUECREST'S TOTAL LIABILITY FOR ANY COST, LOSS DAMAGE OR OTHER POTENTIAL OR ACTUAL EXPENSES ARISING DIRECTLY OUT OF THE EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE OR SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS MADE BY CLIENT TO BLUECREST HEREUNDER IN THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS PRIOR TO THE EVENTS GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM. REGARDLESS OF THE FORM OF ACTION, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE, BLUECREST SHALL IN NO EVENT BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF BUSINESS PROFITS, BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, OR FOR INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE OR OTHER DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF BLUECREST HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

b. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY HEREIN, BLUECREST SHALL NOT IN ANY EVENT BE LIABLE FOR ANY CLAIMS OF ANY KIND, ASSERTED BY CLIENT OR ANY THIRD PARTY, CAUSED BY THE REMOVAL, MODIFICATION, FAILURE TO MAINTAIN OR BY-PASSING OF BUILT-IN SAFETY FEATURES BY CLIENT.

5.6 Force Majeure

Neither party will be held responsible or incur any liability for any delay or failure to perform under this Agreement if such delay or failure results from causes beyond its reasonable control, including, but not limited to, fire, flood, explosion, acts of terrorism, war, labor disputes, delays in transportation or delivery, inability of suppliers to deliver, embargo, action of civil or military authority, natural disaster, infectious disease, epidemic, pandemic, quarantine, judicial or governmental action or requirement, or acts of God.

5.7 Independent Contractor Relationship

Services by BlueCrest's employees, or persons under contract to BlueCrest, shall be performed hereunder as independent contractors of Client, and no such employees or persons doing such work or subcontractors shall be considered employees of Client.

5.8 Complete Agreement

This Agreement, along with the Schedules attached hereto, shall be the total and complete understanding of the parties, as to the subject matter of the Agreement, superseding all prior negotiations and discussions between the parties and cannot be modified, waived or amended except as agreed to in writing by both parties.

5.9 Confidentiality

Each party shall, during the term of this Agreement and thereafter, keep confidential all, and shall not use for its own purposes nor without the prior written consent of the other party, disclose to any third party (except its professional advisors or as may be required by any law or any legal or regulatory authority) any information of a confidential nature (including trade secrets and information of commercial value) which may become known to such party from the other party and which relates to the other party or any of its affiliates, unless that information is public knowledge or already known to such party at the time of disclosure, or subsequently becomes public knowledge other than by breach of this Agreement, or subsequently comes lawfully into the possession of such party from a third party. Each party shall use its reasonable endeavours to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of any such information. The agreement itself and any amendments are considered public documents subject to the Public Records Act approved on a agenda by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

5.10 Miscellaneous

(a) This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereof. Client may not assign any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of BlueCrest, which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed; any purported assignment without such consent shall be null and void. BlueCrest may not assign this Agreement without Client's written consent to any entity or person that acquires all or substantially all of the assets or equity of BlueCrest, through sale, merger, consolidation, or otherwise; in the event of any

such assignment, a written assignment and assumption agreement shall be entered into by all parties.

(b) This Agreement shall be governed by, construed and interpreted in accordance with, the laws of the State of California without regard to its conflicts of laws principles. Venue for disputes shall be the Superior Court, Monterey County, California.

(c) Failure to enforce any rights hereunder or under law, irrespective of the length of time for which said failure continues, shall not constitute a waiver of those or any other rights.

(d) Captions used herein are for the convenience of the parties and shall not be used in construing the meaning of this Agreement.

(e) If any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable, such provision(s) shall not render the entire Agreement unenforceable or invalid but rather this Agreement shall be read and construed as if the invalid or unenforceable provision(s) are not contained therein, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced accordingly.

(f) The terms and conditions of Sections 3, 5 and 6 of this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

(g) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be considered an

original, and together they shall constitute one and the same instrument.

6. EXTENDED HOURS OF COVERAGE

Client may, upon not less than fourteen (14) days' prior written notice, request BlueCrest to extend the hours during which maintenance services are available for equipment beyond the agreed maintenance hours ("Extended Hours of Coverage"). If BlueCrest agrees to provide Extended Hours of Coverage, Client will pay additional fees at the rates in effect at the time of the request, and Client acknowledges and agrees that it shall pay all such additional fees within thirty (30) days after the date of the applicable invoice therefore regardless of whether or not a purchase order has been issued for or is required in connection with such additional services.

7. NOTIFICATIONS

Any notices or other communications pursuant to this Agreement by either party shall be communicated in writing, shall be effective upon receipt and shall be personally delivered, sent via email, or sent via U.S. registered or certified mail, first class postage prepaid. Any notices or communications shall be sent to the parties at their addresses set forth in this Agreement unless a party otherwise notifies the other party. Notices or communications to Client shall be sent to the attention of _____. Notices or communications to BlueCrest shall be sent to the attention of President, BlueCrest.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned hereby execute this On-Call Equipment Maintenance Agreement on behalf of the parties as of the date first above written.

COUNTY OF MONTEREY

By: _____
Contracts/Purchasing Officer

Date: _____

By: _____
Department Head (if applicable)

Date: _____

Approved as to Form
Office of the County Counsel¹
Susan K. Blich, County Counsel

By: _____
County Counsel

Date: _____

Approved as to Fiscal Provisions

By: _____
Auditor/Controller

Date: _____

Reviewed as to Liability Provisions
Office of the County Counsel-Risk Management

By: _____
David Bolton, Risk Manager

Date: _____

DMT SOLUTIONS GLOBAL CORPORATION

DMT Solutions Global Corporation

Signed by: Contractor/Business Name *

By: Tim Rodriguez
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(Signature of Chair, President, or Vice-President)
SVP, Global Services
Name and Title

Date: 10/2/2025 | 9:38 AM PDT

By: _____
(Signature of Secretary, Asst. Secretary, CFO, Treasurer, or Asst. Treasurer)

Name and Title

Date: _____

SCHEDULE A

EQUIPMENT & SOFTWARE COVERED UNDER MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT:

Model/Serial Number: ELV-HR - Elevate Sorter, SN: E01029

Timeframe: November 1, 2025, through October 31, 2026

Annual Fee: \$40,517.00 (\$20,166 for service and \$20,351 for software)
Includes: Coverage for up to 2 elections per year
2 Pre and Post Preventative Maintenance Inspections during Regular Business Hours of 8:00am – 5:00pm, Monday – Friday (excluding BlueCrest Holidays)
BlueCrest will provide on call coverage during Election Period
All Parts (excluding supplies/consumables)
Vote By Mail Software

Optional Additional Election is \$9,428.00

Optional Operator Training - \$4,200.00

- Customer can purchase operator training refresher course for a duration of four (4) hours.

Optional One Day Election Support - \$2,765.00

- Customer can purchase one (1) day (8 Hours) of on-site election coverage

Timeframe: November 1, 2026, through October 31, 2027

Annual Fee: \$41,934.00 (\$20,973 for service and \$20,961 for software)
Includes: Coverage for up to 2 elections per year
2 Pre and Post Preventative Maintenance Inspections during Regular Business Hours of 8:00am – 5:00pm, Monday – Friday (excluding BlueCrest Holidays)
BlueCrest will provide on call coverage during Election Period
All Parts (excluding supplies/consumables)
Vote By Mail Software

Optional Additional Election is \$9,899.00

Optional Operator Training - \$4,200.00

- Customer can purchase operator training refresher course for a duration of four (4) hours.

Optional One Day Election Support - \$2,903.00

- Customer can purchase one (1) day (8 Hours) of on-site election coverage

SCHEDULE B

SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

1. SCOPE AND TERM OF SCHEDULE

1.1 This schedule relates to maintenance for BlueCrest software and/or databases, as well as for software and databases developed by third parties and distributed under license by BlueCrest (collectively the “Licensed Programs”), all as further described in Schedule A to this Agreement to which this Schedule B is attached and made a part thereof. This schedule does not cover operating system (i.e. Windows) security patch implementations (to be contracted separately). BlueCrest agrees to provide to Client and Client hereby subscribes to Software Maintenance Services (“SMS”) and Database Services (“DBS”) for the Licensed Programs subject to the following additional terms and conditions:

1.2 The term of this schedule for SMS and DBS will be the same as described in Schedule A. Termination of the Agreement will automatically terminate this Schedule B without further action by either party. The services provided herein will be included in the fees detailed in Schedule A. Similarly, termination of the agreement pursuant to which the Licensed Products were licensed shall result in termination of this Schedule B.

1.3 Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, BlueCrest may terminate this Schedule B upon one (1) business day’s written notice to Client if Client breaches the payment provision of this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within ten (10) business days after receipt of written notice from BlueCrest.

2. SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT

2.1 Software Maintenance. Software maintenance will consist of fixes made from time to time to the Licensed Programs (“Fixes”).

2.2 Fixes. Fixes to the Licensed Programs may include all or part of the following:

- Fixes to previously reported “bugs” to the Licensed Programs
- Technical improvements to the Licensed Programs

2.3 Client shall be advised of required Fixes made to the Licensed Programs during the term of maintenance support. Fixes shall be made available to Client, for implementation by Client or BlueCrest using the method deemed most appropriate; however, installation of a Fix to Licensed Programs which have been modified by Client or BlueCrest may require additional modifications, for which there will be an additional charge.

2.4 Upgrades and Version Releases. Upgrades and version releases to the Licensed Programs may be issued periodically by BlueCrest, shall consist of additional and enhanced functions, may be available at an additional charge to the Client, and may be installed at Client’s option. Upgrades incorporate functional and technical capability not provided in the last Version Release but deemed required prior to the next Version Release (“Upgrade(s)”). Version releases incorporate all of the Upgrades; including functionality changes, and Fixes which have been issued since the previous release (“Version Release”). Installation of an Upgrade or Version Release to a Licensed Program that has been modified by BlueCrest at Client’s request (“Modified Licensed Programs”) may require additional modification, for which there will be an additional charge. All Version Releases, Upgrades, and Fixes provided under this Schedule shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable agreement pursuant to which the original Licensed Program was licensed.

2.5 DBS will consist of distribution at no additional charge to Client of updates to the databases identified in the relevant purchase and/or license agreement; as such updates are made available by BlueCrest from time to time. DBS updates include postal or carrier rate changes, all zip or zone changes, and changes in service provided by carriers, provided that BlueCrest does not warrant the availability, accuracy or timely dissemination of non-BlueCrest originated source data incorporated in the databases.

2.6 Notwithstanding anything in this Schedule to the contrary, BlueCrest will not be responsible under this Schedule: (i) for maintaining any Licensed Programs that Client has failed to operate properly on the approved platform; (ii) if the Licensed Programs are not used in accordance with the agreed applications and for the ordinary purpose for which they are designed; (iii) if the inability of any Licensed Program to perform is due to any act or failure to act on the part of Client, including without limitation, any alteration of or adding components to any Licensed Program or failure to install updates, Version Releases, Upgrades or Version releases; (iv) unqualified operators’ use of the Licensed Programs; (v) use of the Licensed Programs in a manner not intended; (vi) use of the Licensed Programs to process applications not previously approved in writing by BlueCrest; (vii) if the Licensed Programs have been operated with other media, not meeting or not maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s specifications; or (viii) where Client’s service issue results from a problem

other than from the Licensed Programs. If BlueCrest performs any SMS or DBS as a result of any of the foregoing, the Client shall pay BlueCrest at BlueCrest's normal rates in effect at such time. BlueCrest is not responsible for maintaining software and/or hardware that communicates or operates with the Licensed Programs, and Client hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless BlueCrest in the event that any such communicating or operating software or hardware causes loss or damage to the Licensed Programs or related equipment. Client shall promptly notify BlueCrest of any unauthorized alteration of or addition to the Licensed Programs that occurred after Client accepted the Licensed Programs.

2.7 If Client upgrades to a new release, i.e., major enhancements and/or new functionality of the programs licensed by BlueCrest, the SMS provided hereunder may be transferred to the new release at the then current subscription fee for the new release less credit for fees previously paid hereunder.