#### **Terms and Conditions**

The Subscriber and The Office of Secretary of State (SOS) agree to contract for the Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List provided by the SOS as per the Terms and Conditions stated below.

- 1. This agreement sets forth the terms and conditions under which SOS will provide services to the subscriber.
- 2. Term: SOS reserves the right to withdraw any service without consulting Subscriber prior to withdrawing such service and shall have no liability whatsoever to Subscriber in connection with deletion of any service. Subscriber may terminate this agreement at any time by written notice to the SOS.
- 3. Subscriber acknowledges that he/she has read the Agreement and agrees that it is the complete and exclusive statement between the parties, superseding all other communications, oral or written. This agreement and other notices provided to the Subscriber by SOS constitute the entire agreement between the parties. This agreement may be modified only by written amendment signed by the parties except as otherwise provided in this paragraph. In the event subscriber issues a purchase order or other instrument covering the services herein specified, it is understood and agreed that it is for Subscriber's internal purposes only and shall in no way modify, add to, or delete the terms and conditions in this Agreement.
- 4. Copyright and Ownership of Information: Subscriber agrees to comply with any copyright notices or other services, databases, or other information provided through SOS's services.
- 5. Payment by Subscriber: Subscriber will establish a Prepaid Account Deposit (PAD) account. The Subscriber need not establish a new PAD account if one is on file with SOS. Account balances must be maintained to guarantee delivery of the database files.

#### 6. Limitation of Liability

- A. The remedies set forth in this agreement are exclusive and in no event shall SOS, its administrators or its employees be liable for special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages, including, but not limited to lost income or lost revenues, whether such damages arise out of breach of contract, negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability. Such damages shall in any event be limited to the charges paid for the previous year by Subscriber for the service in connection with which a claim of liability is asserted or imposed. Subscriber specifically understands and recognizes that the system by which these services are offered may experience problems of various kinds resulting in an inability to provide services.
- B. Subscriber agrees that SOS will not be liable for any claim or demand of any nature or kind whether asserted against SOS or against Subscriber by any third party, arising out of the services or materials provided for their use. Subscriber agrees to hold SOS harmless for claims of third parties arising out of the Subscriber's use of the services or materials provided pursuant to this Agreement.
- C. SOS shall not be liable for or deemed to be in default for any delays or failure in performance or interruption of service resulting directly or indirectly from any cause or circumstance, including problems with or delays caused by its database or other providers.
- D. No action or suit, regardless of form, other than an action for payments due SOS, arising out of the transactions pursuant to this Agreement may be brought more than one year after the cause of the action accrues.



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E. The Office of Secretary of State shall at no time be liable for any errors or omissions for information available on any electronic program operated by SOS.

#### 7. Warranty

- A. SOS makes no warranties express or implied, including, but not limited to the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for any particular purpose. While SOS and its providers strive for accuracy and completeness of data and services furnished pursuant to this Agreement, no warranty or representation as to accuracy is made or implied.
- B. Subscribers warrant that it is aware of and will comply with all applicable federal, state, or other laws with regard to access to or use of any and all information, databases, programs, or other products to which access is provided by or through SOS.
- 8. Limitations: Under no circumstances may Subscriber, or any other party acting by or through Subscriber or using Subscriber's user ID or password, use data received from or through SOS in any way except in full and complete compliance with all applicable laws.

#### 9. General

- A. Waiver: The waiver, modification, or failure to insist by SOS on any of these terms or conditions, shall not void, waive, or modify any of the other terms or conditions nor be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of SOS's right to performance of any such term or terms.
- B. Severability: If any provision or part of the Agreement shall be declared illegal, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.
- C. Governing Law: This agreement shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of South Dakota, and all actions hereunder shall be brought in a federal or state court of competent jurisdiction located in Hughes County, South Dakota and in no other jurisdiction.
- D. Assignment: This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Subscriber and any attempted assignment or transfer shall be null and void and of no force or effect.

### Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List Subscription Form

The South Dakota Secretary of State Office now offers the Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification



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Master List to be downloaded in a Zip format and is posted to a File Transfer Protocol (FTP) website on a weekly basis. The EFS download is available for both Crops and Livestock.

The following form must be filled out. The information provided must be approved by the South Dakota Secretary of State's Office (SOS) before the subscriber will be given access to the Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List database download account.

A Pre-Paid Account Deposit (PAD) will be established once you have been approved. SOS will provide you with a guide on how to download the list and your payment will be deducted directly from your PAD account. The fees for accessing the Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List are not prorated and are non-refundable

Please enter your institution's name, address and contact information for the Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List. In order to access the EFS Master List you will need to complete the form and remit the proper amount to our office to become a subscriber.

Select if you need a New PAD Account created:

Name of the Company			PAD Acct Number
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
Mailing Address, if Different from Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
First Name	MI	Last Name	
Phone Number	Email Address		

<u>Registered Buyer</u>: Federal regulation (Packers & Stockyards, Food Security Act of 1985, Section 1324) requires the Secretary of State's Office to maintain a list of South Dakota Registered Buyers. These are all buyers of farm products, commission merchants and selling agents who register with the Secretary of State.

Registered Buyer of crop and livestock; you are required to check the box below:

I am a Registered Buyer of (please choose one)

Livestock

Crops

Both

**Farm Product Master List Registration**; select which farm product you would like to access. Check both boxes if you would like both crop and livestock. Also, Please indicate if you would like to receive the download Weekly (sent every business Monday) or Monthly (sent the first Monday of every month).

Crops \$20.00 per download Livestock \$20.00 per download

Weekly Download Monthly Download Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List Agreement (read and sign)

Once the information provided is approved, the subscriber will be given a PAD account. The annual fee(s) for each option checked must be included with the subscription and be deposited into subscriber's PAD account.

By signing this form the subscriber agrees to the Effective Financing Statement (EFS) Central Notification Master List terms and agreements and the information describing the limitation for use of information accessed through this system. Subscriber is responsible for managing user information and authorizing user access privileges for each individual that will access this account.

Authorized Signature	Title	Date
Email Address	Phone Number	

Or Submit to:

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