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It is the policy of the Ohio Department of Transportation that ODOT and the Contractor recognize that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are usually borne by ODOT. As consideration for the Award of the Contract and intent to be legally bound, the Contractor acting herein by and through the person signing this contract on behalf of the Contractor as a duly authorized agent, hereby assigns, sells, conveys, and transfers to ODOT any and all right, title and interest to any and all claims and causes of action the Contractor now has or hereafter requires under state or federal antitrust laws provided that the claims or causes of action related to the goods or services that are the subject to the contract. In addition, the Contractor warrants and represents that it will require any and all of its subcontractors and first tier suppliers to assign any and all federal and state antitrust claims and causes of action to ODOT. The provisions of this article shall become effective at the time ODOT executes this contract without further acknowledgment by any of the parties.

All contracting entities shall assign their rights and responsibilities to ODOT for all antitrust claims and causes of action regarding subcontractors.