



## District of Columbia Housing Authority

1133 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, DC 20002-7599

202-535-1000

Adrianne Todman, Executive Director

### Addendum

Addendum No. 2

Issued: February 14, 2017

### HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS (HQS) INSPECTIONS 0017-2017

All respondents shall acknowledge receipt of this addendum, sign below and return it with your proposal. **Failure to acknowledge receipt of this addendum may be cause for rejection of your proposal.** Respondents are informed that the above named solicitation is modified as follows:

The District of Columbia Housing Authority submits its responses to all questions received related to the subject solicitation. Please reference Attachment A.

**All Other Terms and Conditions Remain Unchanged**  
**End of Addendum No. 2**

Cheryl Moore  
Contracting Officer

Acknowledgement of Receipt:

Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 1:** A significant portion of the solicitation documents consist of largely unreadable or unusable forms that cannot, as a consequence, be properly completed.

**Response 1:** The District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA ) has attached to this Addendum No. 2 new legible forms to be included with proposal submissions.

**Question 2:** The 5 business days separating the issue date of the solicitation and the closing date (not including the issue date or closing date) is insufficient time for companies to prepare, produce, and place for delivery a responsive proposal conforming to the requirements set forth in the Solicitation.

**Response 2:** The District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA) issued Addendum No. 1 on February 10, 2017 which extends the proposal submittal date until Tuesday, February 28, 2017 by 11:00 a.m.

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR NON-CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS**

# General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

## Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Office of Public and Indian Housing  
Office of Labor Relations  
OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 1/31/2017)

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**Applicability.** This form HUD-5370C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

in the classification under this Contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

- 1) Non-construction contracts (*without* maintenance) greater than \$100,000 - use Section I.
- 2) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 968.105) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$100,000 - use Section II, and
- 3) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance) greater than \$100,000 - use Sections I and II.

### Section II – Labor Standard Provisions for all Maintenance Contracts greater than \$2,000

#### 1. Minimum Wages

- (a) All maintenance laborers and mechanics employed under this Contract in the operation of the project(s) shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than semi-monthly, and without subsequent deduction (except as otherwise provided by law or regulations), the full amount of wages due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein; provided, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination, including any additional classifications and wage rates approved by HUD under subparagraph 1(b), shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.
- (b) (i) Any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the Contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate only when the following criteria have been met:
  - (1) The work to be performed by the classification required is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;
  - (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the industry; and
  - (3) The proposed wage rate bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination
- (i) The wage rate determined pursuant to this paragraph shall be paid to all workers performing work

#### 2. Withholding of funds

The Contracting Officer, upon his/her own action or upon request of HUD, shall withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this Contract or any other contract subject to HUD-determined wage rates, with the same prime Contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by this clause. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic employed under this Contract all or part of the wages required under this Contract, the Contracting Officer or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment or advance until such violations have ceased. The Public Housing Agency or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for and on account of the Contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due.

#### 3. Records

- (a) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make and maintain for three (3) years from the completion of the work records containing the following for each laborer and mechanic:
  - (i) Name, address and Social Security Number;
  - (ii) Correct work classification or classifications;
  - (iii) Hourly rate or rates of monetary wages paid;
  - (iv) Rate or rates of any fringe benefits provided;
  - (v) Number of daily and weekly hours worked;
  - (vi) Gross wages earned;
  - (vii) Any deductions made; and
  - (viii) Actual wages paid.
- (b) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3(a) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or the HA and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or any subcontractor fails to make the required records available, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance or guarantee of funds.

#### 4. Apprentices and Trainees

- (a) Apprentices and trainees will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in:
  - (i) A bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of

Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services (OATELS), or with a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS, or if a person is employed in his/her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by OATELS or a state apprenticeship agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice; A

(i) trainee program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, ETA; or

(ii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD

- (b) Each apprentice or trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered or approved program for the apprentice's/trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices and trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the registered or approved program. If the program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices/trainees must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification.
- (c) The allowable ratio of apprentices or trainees to journeyman on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the employer as to the entire work force under the approved program.
- (d) Any worker employed at an apprentice or trainee wage rate who is not registered in an approved program, and any apprentice or trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the approved program, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed.
- (e) In the event OATELS, a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS or ETA, or HUD, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship or trainee program, the employer will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices/trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

## 5. Disputes concerning labor standards

- (a) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions contained in Section II of this form HUD-5370-C, other than those in Paragraph 6, shall be subject to the following procedures. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, or HUD, or the employees or their representatives, concerning payment of prevailing wage rates or proper classification. The procedures in this section may be initiated upon HUD's own motion, upon referral of the HA, or upon request of the Contractor or subcontractor(s).
- (i) A Contractor and/or subcontractor or other interested party desiring reconsideration of findings of violation by the HA or HUD relating to the payment of straight-time prevailing wages or classification of work shall request such reconsideration by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days of the date of notice of findings issued by the HA or HUD. The request shall set

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD). The HA or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings of violation. The written decision on reconsideration shall contain instructions that any appeal of the decision shall be addressed to the Regional Labor Relations Officer by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days after the date of the decision. In the event that the Regional Labor Relations Officer was the deciding official on reconsideration, the appeal shall be directed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations (HUD). Any appeal must set forth the aspects of the decision that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The Regional Labor Relations Officer shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the decision on reconsideration) after receipt of a timely appeal, issue a written decision on the findings. A decision of the Regional Labor Relations Officer may be appealed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations, by letter postmarked within 30 days of the Regional Labor Relations Officer's decision. Any appeal to the Director must set forth the aspects of the prior decision(s) that are in dispute and the reasons. The decision of the Director, Office of Labor Relations, shall be final.

- (b) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of paragraph 6 shall not be subject to paragraph 5(a) of this form HUD-5370C. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the U.S. Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6 and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph 5(b) include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, HUD, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

## 6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

The provisions of this paragraph 6 are applicable only where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" includes watchmen and guards

- (a) **Overtime requirements.** No Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the Contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of 40 hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in such workweek.
- (b) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph 6(a), the Contractor and any

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subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to the District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of 40 hours without payment of the overtime wages required by provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause.

- (c) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the U.S. Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such Contract or any federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime Contractor such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the provisions set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause.

## **7. Subcontracts**

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts all the provisions contained in this Section II and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these provisions in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the provisions contained in these clauses.

## **8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates**

Any prevailing wage rate (including basic hourly rate and any fringe benefits), determined under state law to be prevailing with respect to any employee in any trade or position employed under the Contract, is inapplicable to the contract and shall not be enforced against the Contractor or any subcontractor, with respect to employees engaged under the contract whenever such non-Federal prevailing wage rate, exclusive of any fringe benefits, exceeds the applicable wage rate determined by the Secretary of HUD to be prevailing in the locality with respect to such trade or position.

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**TAX CERTIFICATION AFFIDAVIT**



**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND REVENUE  
TAX CERTIFICATION AFFIDAVIT**

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Officers: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Finance & Revenue Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Identification # \_\_\_\_\_

DUNS # \_\_\_\_\_ Contract # \_\_\_\_\_

Un-employment Insurance Account # \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that:

1. I have complied with the applicable tax filing and licensing requirements of the District of Columbia.
2. The following information is true and correct concerning tax compliance for the following taxed for the past five (5) years.

		Current	Not Current
District:	Sales and Use	( )	( )
	Employer Withholding	( )	( )
	Hotel Occupancy	( )	( )
	Corporation Franchise	( )	( )
	Unincorporated Franchise	( )	( )
	Personal Property	( )	( )
	Professional License	( )	( )
	Arena/Public Safety Fee	( )	( )
	Vendor Fee	( )	( )

3. If not current as checked, in item 2, I am in compliance with a payment agreement with the Department of Finance and Revenue ☐ YES ☐ NO

Attach copy of Agreement

If an outstanding liability exists, and no agreement has been made, please attach a listing of all such liabilities.

The Department of Finance and Revenue also requires:

- (a) Copies of Form FR-532 (Notice of Registration) or a copy of an FR-500 (Combined Registration Form)
- (b) Copies of Canceled checks for the tax period(s) filed for each tax liability; i.e., sales and use, employer withholding, etc.



The District of Columbia Housing Authority is hereby authorized to verify the above information with appropriate Government authorities. Penalty for making false statements is a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, as prescribed in D.C. Code Sec. 22-2514. Penalty for false searing is a fine of not more than \$2,500.00, imprisonment for not more than three years, or both, as prescribed in D.C. Code sec. 22-2513.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Person Authorized

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Notary: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, as:

Subscribe and sworn before me this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_  
Month and Year

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires

**ATTACHMENT C**  
**NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT**



## NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That bidder is \_\_\_\_\_  
The party making the foregoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or; that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the bid price of affiant or of any other bidder, to fix overhead, profit or cost element of said bid price, or that of any other or to secure any advantage against the Housing Authority or any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statement in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Bidder, if the bidder is an Individual)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Partner, if the bidder is a Partnership)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Officer, if the bidder is a Corporation)

Subscribe and sworn to before me

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Public)

**ATTACHMENT D**  
**CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY**



## CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

INVITATION NO:

PROJECT:

\_\_\_\_\_ being  
(President of Authorized Official of Bidder)

duly sworn (or under penalty of perjury under laws of the United States), certifies that, except as noted below: (the company) or any person associated therewith in the capacity of (owner, partner, director, officer, principal investigator, project director, manager, auditor, or any position involving the administration of federal funds:

is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or determination of ineligibility under any Federal, District or State statutes;

has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any federal, District or State agency within the past 3 years;

does not have a proposed debarment pending; and

has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgment rendered against (it) by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past 3 years.

Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of award, but will be considered in determining bidder responsibility. For any exception noted, indicate below to whom it applies, initiating agency, and dates of action. Providing false information may result in criminal prosecution or administrative sanctions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

The penalty for making false statements are prescribed in the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-509.31 U.S.C. 3801.3812)

Subscribed and sworn before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City and State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

**ATTACHMENT E**

**SECTION 3 CONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

ABC COMPANY, INC.  
123 Anytown Road, In a City, XY 90210  
office 202. 555.0000/ fax 202.555.9999  
\*\*\*\*\*TEMPLATE\*\*\*\*\*

<<Today's Date>>

Hanna Koerner  
Data Management and Section 3 Compliance Specialist  
Office of Resident Services  
District of Columbia Housing Authority  
1133 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 147  
Washington DC 20002-7599

Re: ABC Company, Inc. – Action Plan for Section 3 Commitment

Dear Ms. Koerner:

Set forth below is ABC Company, Inc.'s proposed Action Plan to meet our Section 3 requirements, as required by our contract.

Contract Description

The contract that ABC Company, Inc. has been awarded by the DCHA is for the repair of faucets at Horizon House located at 5201 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington DC. We estimate a total of <<state number of labor hours here>> labor hours will be utilized under this contract.

Contract Value

This contract is valued at <<state dollar amount here>>.

Period of Performance

The work under this contract will begin on <<state start date here>> and end on or about <<state proposed end date here>>.

ABC Company, Inc.'s Section 3 Commitment

ABC proposes to DCHA to hire <<state number of hires & position titles here>> in addition to the Resident Construction Liaison (*Resident Construction Liaison is only mandated for Construction contracts that are being performed within DCHA properties*) that is required. It is anticipated that the Section 3 hire will be utilized for the life of the contract however, should the individual be deemed an asset to our company, they may be retained as a full time employee. (NOTE: On a separate page, please describe (a) your past performance with the fulfillment of Section 3 commitments and (b) the methods that will be utilized to achieve this Section 3 Commitment. This narrative must include your (1) plan for hiring Section 3 Residents, (2) plan for enrolling apprentices, or (3) plan for contracting with Section 3 Business Concerns and the date to start your plan.)

Your review and approval of the above action plan is respectfully requested. Should you have any questions, or require additional information, I may be contacted at 202.555.0000 ext. 1 or via email at [jdoe@abc.com](mailto:jdoe@abc.com)

Regards,

John Doe  
President

ABC Company, Inc.

**SECTION 3 COMMITMENT  
ESTIMATED PROJECT WORKFORCE BREAKDOWN**

**SOLICITATION # \_\_\_\_\_**

Job Category	Total Estimated Number of Positions Needed For This Project	Number of Positions Occupied by Permanent Employees	Number of Positions Not Occupied	Number of Positions To Be Filled With Employees From Section 3 Program	Time Table For Filling Section 3 Positions
Machine Operators & Inspectors					
Professional					
Technicians					
Office/ Clerical					
Skilled Craft					
Journey person					
Laborers					
Service Workers					
Sales					
Officials and Managers					
Resident Construction Liaison					
Apprentices					
Other:					

Please check the Option(s) that describe your contracting efforts:

- ☐ Option 1: Proposes to have DCHA program participants as interns. # of interns \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Option 2: Agrees to hire DCHA program participants. # of hires \_\_\_\_\_, % of existing workforce \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Option 3: Proposes to provide funding for training for DCHA program participants. Amount of funding \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Option 4: Proposes to subcontract supportive services to Section 3 businesses. Percentage of Contract that will be subcontracted \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Option 5: Will provide pro bono services. # of hours allotted to service \_\_\_\_\_; % in relation to total hours projected for contract services \_\_\_\_\_.

**The failure of the contractor to comply with the above-approved plan shall be a material breach of the contract.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature





The District of Columbia Housing Authority  
1133 North Capitol Street NE, Washington DC 20002-7599

## Section 3 Contractor Compliance Agreement

This Section 3 Contractor Compliance Agreement is entered into between the District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA), located at 1133 North Capitol Street NE, Washington DC

20002-7599; and (name of contractor) \_\_\_\_\_ located at

(address of contractor) \_\_\_\_\_.

- 24 C.F.R. Section 135.1 provides that the purpose of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3) is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by certain HUD financial assistance shall, to the greatest extent feasible, and consistent with existing Federal, State and local laws and regulations, be directed to low and very low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and to business concerns which provide economic opportunities to low and very low-income persons; and
- "Section 3 covered activities" are training, employment, contracting, and other economic opportunities arising from development, operating and modernization assistance funded by HUD notwithstanding the amount of the contract or subcontract, and regardless of whether the activity is fully or partially funded by HUD funds; and
- "Section 3 Resident" means:
  - a. A public housing resident;
  - b. Other DCHA Voucher Program participant; or
  - c. An individual who resides in the District of Columbia and who is a low or very low-income person; and,
- "Section 3 Business" means a business concern that:
  - a. Is a business concern that is 51% or more owned by Section 3 residents; or
  - b. A business whose permanent, full-time employees include at least 30% current Section 3 residents (or are within three years of the date of first employment as a Section 3 resident); or
  - c. A business which provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract in excess of 25% of the dollar award of all subcontracts to businesses that meet the tests in (3)(a) or (3)(b) above; and



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- The purpose of the Section 3 program is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by certain types of activities undertaken by DCHA with HUD funding are, to “the greatest extent feasible,” directed to:
  - a. Low and very-low income persons, particularly public housing residents and other DCHA Voucher Program participants; and
  - b. Business concerns which provide economic opportunities to such persons; and,
- It is the policy of DCHA to continue to expand the mechanisms through which public housing residents, residents of surrounding communities, and Housing Choice Voucher Program participants can develop careers and generate income that can permanently sustain economic independence; and
- DCHA’s implementation of the Section 3 Program provides a mechanism that will enable DCHA to require and help its contractors, subcontractors, vendors and suppliers to provide employment, training, and business opportunities for public housing residents, residents or surrounding communities, and Housing Choice Voucher Program participants; and
- The Section 3 Program promotes economic development through entrepreneurial, self-sufficiency and community reinvestment opportunities; and
- 24 C.F.R. § 135.30 (a) creates a “safe harbor” whereby recipients and covered contractors may demonstrate compliance with the “greatest extent feasible” requirement of Section 3 by meeting the listed numerical requirements.

The undersigned parties agree to comply with the following provisions:

1. **Section 3 Hiring Requirements.** Contractor agrees at least 30% of its aggregate new hires over a one year period shall be “Section 3 residents.” The 30% minimum represents a safe harbor for hiring that meets the “greatest extent feasible” statutory requirement.
  - a. In the event that Contractor fails to reach the 30% requirement, Contractor must provide a written justification of the impediments encountered and what actions or other economic opportunities, such as joint venturing, Contractor attempted in efforts to reach the requirement.
  - b. Contractor must complete and record exit evaluations of “Section 3 Resident” employees for each job assignment completed.
  - c. New hires are subject to contractor’s standard employment policies. Moreover, Contractor can hire an applicant to work on the job site or within Contractor’s office/plant, etc. The work does not have to be directly related to the contract in question.



2. **Section 3 Contracting Requirements.** Contractor agrees to meet the minimum Section 3 contracting requirements as a safe harbor that meets the “greatest extent feasible” statutory requirement as follows:
  - a. For contracts for building trades work for maintenance, repair, modernization or development, Contractor agrees to award contracts of at least 10% of the total dollar amount of contracts or subcontracts to “Section 3 Businesses”.
  - b. For all other covered contracts, Contractor agrees to award contracts of at least 3% of the total dollar amount of contracts or subcontracts to “Section 3 Businesses”.
  - c. In the event that the Contractor fails to meet these minimum numerical requirements, Contractor must demonstrate in writing why it was not feasible to meet the numerical requirements, including actions taken and any impediments encountered as well as other economic opportunities that were provided in the absence of meeting the requirement.
  - d. Contractors must differentiate between labor and non-labor (materials and supplies) dollars so that the amount of Section 3 dollars to be expended can be determined. This must be completed within five (5) days after the execution of the contract. Service contractors’ total contract amount will be used as their labor dollars in determining the Section 3 dollar amount to be expended unless supplies/materials must also be purchased for this contract; in such case that amount is deducted.
  - e. Contractors must complete the forms included in the bid packets and are further required to submit monthly reports of all payments made to Section 3 subcontractors. If no payment is made in a given month, it must be noted and discussed with the Section 3 Coordinator.
3. **Eligible Section 3 Subcontractors.** A database of eligible “Section 3 Businesses” and suppliers will be developed and maintained by the DCHA Office of Administrative Services. This database will be continually updated and made available upon request to Contractor. The database contains the names, addresses and telephone numbers of “Section 3 Businesses” and suppliers, basic firm descriptions, lists of projects completed, references, bonding capacity, union affiliation and certification.
4. **Joint Ventures.** DCHA encourages joint ventures with “Section 3 Businesses” as a means of complying with the requirements of Section 3. In addition to performing the work, joint ventures will help Section 3 businesses strengthen their internal



management structures, enhance them to learn from the technical expertise and experience of established contractors.

- a. Section 3 joint venture is an association of business concerns, one of which is a "Section 3 Business". The joint venture must be formed by a written joint venture agreement that must be submitted to the Office of Administrative Services and the Section 3 Coordinator for confirmation that it meets Section 3 requirements.
  - b. Under the terms of the joint venture agreement, the "Section 3 Business" must be responsible for a clearly defined portion of the work and hold management responsibilities. The "Section 3 Business" must perform at least 25% of the work and be contractually entitled to a proportionate share of the compensation.
5. **Section 3 Compliance Procedures.** If Contractor fails to meet the Section 3 hiring and/or contracting requirements, DCHA may determine it to be non-compliant. If DCHA determines that Contractor is non-compliant, DCHA shall serve written notice of its determination of non-compliance on Contractor or its representatives. Contractor shall be responsible for notifying any subcontractor or supplier who is not in compliance.
  - a. **Corrective Plans** – Upon request of DCHA, Contractor agrees to meet with the Section 3 Compliance Coordinator and any other appropriate representative from DCHA within three (3) working days of the written notice in order to determine a Plan for correcting the deficiencies and determining the time period within which such remedy shall be effected.
  - b. If a remedy is not agreed upon within three (3) days of the required notice, the Section 3 Compliance Coordinator shall prescribe the remedy by which deficiencies shall be corrected and notify Contractor in writing of such determination.
6. **Sanctions.** If Contractor does not correct the deficiencies in the manner prescribed within thirty (30) calendar days, the Contracting Officer may impose the following sanctions:
  - a. Withholding payments on contracts; and/or
  - b. Canceling and suspending contracts; and/or
  - c. Placing Contractor on list of contractors who fail to comply with the DCHA's Section 3 requirements.
7. **Section 3 Reporting Procedures.** Contractor agrees to submit monthly Section 3 Status Reports to the Office of Administrative Services.



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8. **Section 3 Clauses.** Attachment D to this Contract contains the "Section 3 Clauses". Contractor agrees to include these clauses in all subcontracts related to its contract with DCHA.
9. The parties further certify that the persons executing this Agreement have the authority to so bind the parties to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the undersigned parties execute this Agreement, intending to be bound, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ in Washington, D.C.

**CONTRACTOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(name)  
(title)

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOUSING AUTHORITY**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Moore  
Interim Contracting Officer



## Certification of Adherence to Section 3 Clause

As a recipient of a Section 3 covered contract you, the Contractor understand the obligations of a Section 3 covered contract and certify to the following:

*(Please read each clause carefully, and initial on the line next to each clause, then complete and sign at the bottom)*

\_\_\_\_\_ A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.

\_\_\_\_\_ B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.

\_\_\_\_\_ C. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative or workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this Section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the Section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.

\_\_\_\_\_ D. The contractor agrees to include this Section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this Section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any



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subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.

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E. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.

\_\_\_\_\_  
F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

\_\_\_\_\_  
G. With respect to work performed in connection with Section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

I/We (name of Contracting Business) \_\_\_\_\_ located at

(address of Contracting Business) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

agree to adhere to the aforementioned Section 3 clause.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Signatory

# BENCHMARK STANDARDS & MENU OF EXPANDED OPTIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH

## DCHA'S SECTION 3 PROGRAM November 10, 2015

Construction Contracts	Non-Construction Contracts			
	Legal	Professional Services	Consultant/Other	Other
Benchmark: 10% of the total number of labor hours	Benchmark: 3% of the total dollar amount of all non-construction contracts***			
<b>Original Options:</b> New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contribution  <b>Original Options:</b> New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contributions  <b>Original Options:</b> New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contributions  <b>Original Options:</b> New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contributions	Original Options: New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contribution	Original Options: New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contributions	Original Options: New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Pre-Apprenticeships Cash Contributions	
	<b>Proposed Additional Options:</b> Sponsor delivery of a Security Certification Course	<b>Proposed Additional Options:</b> Sponsor delivery of a Landscaping Certification Course	<b>Proposed Additional Options:</b> Sponsor delivery of two 3-day Survey Training Workshops and purchase 25 tablets	<b>Proposed Additional Options:</b> Sponsor an On-the-Job Training Program
	Sponsor onsite GED classes at the Southwest Center	Sponsor onsite GED classes at the Southwest Center	Sponsor onsite GED classes at the Southwest Center	Sponsor onsite GED classes at the Southwest Center
	Sponsor Legal Clinics, including free simple Wills, refreshments for	Sponsor 2 Student Scholarship Packages – \$5,000 and \$1,000	Sponsor 2 Student Scholarship Packages – \$5,000 and \$1,000	Sponsor 2 Student Scholarship Packages – \$5,000 and \$1,000



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	at least 3 DCHA properties/\$2,500 per property	Sponsor 2 Summer Youth (Employment)/\$10.50 per hour plus FICA/8 weeks. Includes Career Day Attire.	Sponsor 2 Summer Youth (Employment)/\$10.50 per hour plus FICA/8 weeks. Includes Career Day Attire.	Sponsor 2 Summer Youth (Employment)/\$10.50 per hour plus FICA/8 weeks. Includes Career Day Attire.
	Provide Organizational Development/Nonprofit Management TA for Resident Councils	Sponsor Personal Money Management Workshops/\$12,000, includes series of 4 classes plus free Tri-Merged Credit Report and 2 individualized counseling sessions	Sponsor Personal Money Management Workshops/\$12,000, includes series of 4 classes plus free Tri-Merged Credit Report and 2 individualized counseling sessions	Propose an Alternative Program or Strategy
<b>Proposed Additional Options:</b>	Sponsor delivery of an Apartment Maintenance Certification Course by UDC Sponsor delivery of the Construction Suite of Certification Courses Provide \$30 per day stipends for residents participating in a 6-weeks pre-apprenticeship program Sponsor 2 Student Scholarship Packages ~ \$5,000 and \$1,000			
	Sponsor at least 2 Summer Youth (Employment)/\$10.50 per hour plus FICA/8 weeks. Includes Career Day Attire.			
	Sponsor Personal Money Management Workshops/\$25,000, includes series of 5 classes plus free Tri-Merged Credit Report and 2 individualized counseling sessions			

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### Additional Required Thresholds:

- When a contractor or vendor is providing direct technical assistance to a resident or residents, a minimum of fifteen (15) hours should be provided in the subject area.
- When a contractor or vendor is directly delivering training for residents, a minimum range of 4-10 hours should be provided.
- When a contractor or vendor is providing on-the-job training opportunities for residents, the minimum number of hours provided should reflect industry standards for the respective job. Any subsidy provided must meet the required labor standard for hourly wages per participant.

### \*\*Footnote:

HUD has proposed a new rule that will change the current benchmark for non-construction contractors or vendors. Currently, three percent (3%) of the total dollar amount of all non-construction contracts shall be awarded to Section 3 businesses.

**ATTACHMENT F**  
**CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION**

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION**

Pursuant to 24 CFR 85.36, no officer, employee, contractor or agent of the District of Columbia Housing Authority ("DCHA"), or its subsidiaries, shall participate in the selection, or in the award or administration of a contract supported by Federal funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved. Such a conflict would arise when:

- (i) The employee, officer, contractor or agent,
- (ii) Any member of his or her immediate family,
- (iii) His or her partner or,
- (iv) An organization which employs, or is about to employ, any of the above, has a financial interest in the firm or organization selected for award.

No officer, employee, contractor or agent of DCHA, or its subsidiaries, shall engage in private financial transactions using inside information not available to the public generally, or allow the improper use of such information to further any private interest or personal gain. Every officer, employee, contractor or agent shall conduct themselves with the highest degree of ethical standards at all times, while under the employ, contract, award or designation of DCHA or its subsidiaries.

No officer, employee, contractor or agent of DCHA, or its subsidiaries, may have a financial or ownership interest, direct or indirect, in any real property included, or proposed to be included, in any real estate development or redevelopment project of DCHA, or its subsidiaries, or in any real property whereby the owner receives a federal or local housing subsidy administered by DCHA.

In the event a conflict, real or apparent, exists prior to, or arises while under, the employ, contract, award or designation of DCHA, or its subsidiaries, the officer, employee, contractor or agent shall fully and immediately disclose all information, matters, contracts, financial interests, and personal or business relationships to DCHA, or its subsidiaries. All information pertaining to a conflict of interest, real or apparent, shall be evaluated and a determination shall issue as to the required course of action to be taken prior to the execution or continuation of any agreement with DCHA or its subsidiaries.

Violations of this Conflict of Interest Certification, Federal law or regulations, as well as any violations of District of Columbia law, may result in immediate termination of any relationship, employment, contract, award or appointment with DCHA or its subsidiaries.

*Remainder of Page Intentionally Left Blank*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, an individual or authorized representative of the undersigned, hereby acknowledge and certify the following:

\_\_\_ No conflict of interest, real or apparent, exists

\_\_\_ A conflict of interest, real or apparent, exists and attached hereto, is a narrative describing the nature, length, term and relationship of the conflict. If a conflict of interest previously existed, please explain the conflict and include any supporting documentation that demonstrates resolution of the conflict.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT G**  
**REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS**  
**OF BIDDERS**



## THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

### REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENT OF BIDDERS

#### 1. CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION

(a) The bidder certifies that-

- (1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, and consultation, communication, or agreement with any bidder or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
- (2) The prices in this bid have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a competitive proposal solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the bid is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory-

- (1) Is the person in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
  - (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

[insert full name of person(s) in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder's organization];

- (ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and
  - (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
- (c) If the bidder deletes or modifies subparagraph (a) 2 above, the bidder must furnish with its bid a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.
- (d) Non-collusive affidavit

Each bidder shall execute, in the forms provided by DCHA, an affidavit to the effect that he/she has not colluded with any other person, firm or corporation in regard to any bid submitted in response to this solicitation. If the successful bidder did not submit the affidavit with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the affidavit by the date may render the bid non-responsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed affidavit.

## 2. CONTINGENT FEE REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENT

- (a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Bona fide employee" means a person, employed by a bidder and subject to the bidder's supervision and control as to time, place, and manner of performance, which neither exerts, nor proposes to exert improper influence to solicit or obtain contracts nor holds out as being able to obtain any contract(s) through improper influence.

"Improper influence" means any influence that induces or tends to induce a DCHA employee, the Executive Director or officer, to give consideration or to act regarding a DCHA contract on any basis other than the merits of the matter.



(b) The bidder represents and certifies as part of its bid that, except for full time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder, the bidder:

(1) [ ] has, [ ] has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and

(2) [ ] has, [ ] has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.

(c) If the answer to either (b)(1) or (b)(2) above is affirmative, the bidder shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the DCHA Contracting Officer.

(d) Any misrepresentation by the bidder shall give the DCHA the right to (1) terminate the contract; (2) at its discretion, deduct from contract payment the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

3. CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

(a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in Section 1352 of title 31, (Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain federal contracting and financial transactions) United States Code, are incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.

(b) The bidder, by signing its bid, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer, the Executive Director, or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of a contract resulting from this solicitation;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriate funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) have been paid, or will be paid, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the bidder shall complete and submit, with its bid, OMB standard form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" attached hereto; and
3. He or she will include the language of this certification in all subcontracts at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of \$100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.

- (c) Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by Section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who makes expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure forms to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$100,000, for each such failure.

#### 4. ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION

The bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, he or she does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work to be performed under this proposed contract and the bidder's organizational, financial, contractual, or other interests may, without some restriction on future activities:

- (a) result in an unfair competitive advantage to the bidder, or
  - (b) Impair the bidder's objectivity in performing the contract work.
- [ ] In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement.

#### 5. BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

- (a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, neither it, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the bidder's firm is ineligible to:
  - 1. Be awarded contracts by any agency of the United States Government, HUD, or the State in which this contract is to be performed; or,
  - 2. Participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.
- (b) The certification in paragraph (a) above is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making the award. If it is later determined that the bidder knowingly or want only rendered an erroneous certification, the contract may be terminated for default, and the bidder may be debarred or suspended from participation in HUD programs and other Federal contract programs.

#### 6. MINIMUM BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD

- (a) "Acceptance period," as used in this provision, means the number of calendar days available to the DCHA for awarding a contract from the date specified in this solicitation for receipt of bids.
  - (b) This provision supersedes any language pertaining to the acceptance period that may appear elsewhere in this solicitation.
  - (c) The DCHA requires a minimum acceptance period of 60 calendar days from date of bid opening. If the award is delayed by a required approval of another governing agency, then the acceptance period shall be 120 days.
  - (d) In the space provided immediately below, bidders may specify a longer acceptance period than the DCHA minimum requirement. The bidder allows the following acceptance periods: \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days.
  - (e) A bid allowing less than the DCHA minimum acceptance period will be rejected.
  - (f) The bidder agrees to execute all that is has undertaken to do, in compliance with its bid, if that bid is accepted in writing within (1) the acceptance period stated in paragraph (c) above or (2) any longer acceptance period stated in paragraph (d) above.
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7. SMALL, MINORITY, WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS CONCERN REPRESENTATION

The bidder represents and certifies as part of its bid/offer that it –

(a) [ ] is [ ] is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR Section 121.

(b) [ ] is [ ] is not a women-owned business enterprise. "Women-owned business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.

(c) [ ] is [ ] is not a minority business enterprise. "Minority business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business which is at least 51 percent owned or controlled by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals. For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are; (Check the block applicable to you)

[ ] Black Americans

[ ] Asian Pacific Americans

[ ] Hispanic Americans

[ ] Asian Indian Americans

[ ] Native Americans

[ ] Hasidic Jewish Americans

8. CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES (applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000)

(a) "Segregated facilities," as used in this provision, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other waiting areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees, that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or otherwise.

(b) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The bidder agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause in the contract.

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- (c) The bidder further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) prior to entering into subcontracts which exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause, it will
- (1) Obtain identical certifications from the proposed subcontractors;
  - (2) Retain the certifications in its files; and
  - (3) Forward the following notice to the proposed subcontractors (except if the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods);

**NOTICE OF PROSPECTIVE SUBCONTRACTORS OF REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATIONS OF NON-SEGREGATED FACILITIES.**

A Certification of Non-segregated Facilities must be submitted before the award of a subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause of the prime contract. The certification may be submitted either for each subcontract or for all subcontracts during a period (i.e., quarterly, semiannually, or annually).

NOTE: The penalty for making false statements in bids is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**9. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- (a) The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or disability.
  - (b) The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or disability. Such action shall include, but not limited to, (1) employment, (2) upgrading, (3) demotion, (4) transfer, (5) recruitment or recruitment advertising, (6) layoff or termination, (7) rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and (8) selection for training, including apprenticeship.
  - (c) The Contractor shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment the notices to be provided by the Contracting Officer that explain this clause.
  - (d) The Contract shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or disability.
  - (e) The Contractor shall send, to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, the notice to be provided by the Contracting Officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this clause, and post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
  - (f) The Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11246, as amended, as the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of labor.
  - (g) The Contractor shall furnish all information and reports required by Executive order 11245, as amended, Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of labor, or pursuant thereto. The Contractor shall permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
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- (h) In the event of a determination that the Contractor is not in compliance with this clause or any rule, regulations, or order of the Secretary of Labor, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts, or Federally assisted construction contracts under procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246, as amended. In addition, sanction may be imposed and remedies invoked against the Contractor as provided in Executive Order 11246, as amended, the rules, regulations, and order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (i) The Contractor shall include the terms and conditions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of labor issued under Executive Order 11246, as amended, so that these terms and conditions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or the Secretary of Labor may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; providing that if the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interest of the United States.

10. CLEAN AIR AND WATER CERTIFICATION (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

- (a) Any facility to be used in the performance of this contract [ ] is [ ] is not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities:
- (b) The bidder will immediately notify the DCHA Contracting Officer, before award, of the receipt of any communication from the Administrator, or a designee, of the Environmental Protection Agency, indicating that any facility that the bidder proposes to use for the performance of the contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA list of Violating Facilities; and,
- (c) The bidder will include a certification substantially the same as this certification, including this paragraph ©, in every nonexempt subcontract.

11. BIDDER'S SIGNATURE

The bidder hereby certifies that the information contained in these certifications and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT H**  
**INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS**

# Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development  
Office of Public and Indian Housing



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## 1. Preparation of Offers

(a) Offerors are expected to examine the statement of work, the proposed contract terms and conditions, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk.

(b) Each offeror shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the cover sheet and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the HA.

(c) Offers for services other than those specified will not be considered.

## 2. Submission of Offers

(a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (1) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (2) showing the time specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror.

(b) Telegraphic offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, offers may be modified by written or telegraphic notice.

(c) Facsimile offers, modifications or withdrawals will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

## 3. Amendments to Solicitations

(a) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

(b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments to this solicitation by

- (1) signing and returning the amendment;
- (2) identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer,
- (3) letter or telegram, or
- (4) facsimile, if facsimile offers are authorized in the solicitation. The HA/HUD must receive the acknowledgment by the time specified for receipt of offers.

## 4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, statement of work, etc., must request it in writing soon enough to allow a reply to reach all prospective offerors before the submission of their offers. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract will not be binding. Any information given to a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an amendment of the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective offerors.

## 5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

(a) The HA shall award a contract only to a responsible prospective contractor who is able to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must -

- (1) Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them;

- (2) Have a satisfactory performance record;
- (3) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of compliance with public policy (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity); and
- (5) Not have been suspended, debarred, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for award of contracts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other agency of the U.S. Government. Current lists of ineligible contractors are available for inspection at the HA/HUD.

(b) Before an offer is considered for award, the offeror may be requested by the HA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the foregoing requirements. Failure by the offeror to provide such additional information may render the offeror ineligible for award.

## 6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

(a) Any offer received at the place designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and it -

- (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);
- (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/ HUD after receipt at the HA;
- (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
- (4) Is the only offer received.

(b) Any modification of an offer, except a modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer (if this solicitation is a request for proposals), is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this provision.

(c) A modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer received after the time and date specified in the request will not be considered unless received before award and the late receipt is due solely to mishandling by the HA after receipt at the HA.

(d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the offer, modification, or withdrawal shall be processed as if mailed late. "Postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the HA is the time/date stamp of HA on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the HA.

(f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by a offeror or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

#### 7. Contract Award

(a) The HA will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the HA, cost or price and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation, considered.

(b) The HA may

- (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
- (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
- (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.

(c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

(d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals, before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the HA.

(e) Neither financial data submitted with an offer, nor representations concerning facilities or financing, will form a part of the resulting contract.

#### 8. Service of Protest

Any protest against the award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation shall be served on the HA by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the HA at the address shown on the cover of this solicitation. The determination of the HA with regard to such protest or to proceed to award notwithstanding such protest shall be final unless appealed by the protestor.

#### 9. Offer Submission

Offers shall be submitted as follows and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the office specified in the solicitation. The proposal shall show the hour and date specified in the solicitation for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror, on the face of the envelope.

It is very important that the offer be properly identified on the face of the envelope as set forth above in order to insure that the date and time of receipt is stamped on the face of the offer envelope. Receiving procedures are: date and time stamp those envelopes identified as proposals and deliver them immediately to the appropriate contracting official, and only date stamp those envelopes which do not contain identification of the contents and deliver them to the appropriate procuring activity only through the routine mail delivery procedure.

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]