
**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOUSING AUTHORITY
CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT**



LETTER SOLICITATION NO.

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CAPTION: Applicant Background Screening Services

Dear Prospective Contractor:

The District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA) issues this written Letter Solicitation on behalf of its Office of Human Resources (HR) to solicit Applicant Background Screening Services in accordance with the Simplified Acquisition Methods for less than \$100,000 detailed in the DCHA Procurement Policy, applicable Federal standards, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations, and local laws. For any contract that involves District funds, DCHA shall comply with the Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code §§ 2-351.01 et seq.) (2011 Repl.) as detailed within this solicitation.

INTRODUCTION

The District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA) is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in the District of Columbia by providing and effectively managing affordable housing, which is diverse, well maintained, and aesthetically pleasing for those whose circumstances prevent them from competing in the general marketplace. Besides subsidizing over 8,300 units with public housing operating subsidy, DCHA also contracts approximately 14,000 private units through its Housing Choice Voucher Program. DCHA has embarked on an ambitious program of development and redevelopment to create economically diverse communities and neighborhoods. DCHA is one of the most innovative housing authorities in the nation and is actively pursuing non-governmental sources of financing to promote HCVP homeownership assistance programs, project-based public housing subsidies, and implement more creative uses of its authority through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Moving to Work (MTW) Demonstration Program.

OVERVIEW

DCHA requires a qualified pre-employment screening firm to support its Office of Human Resources (HR) in providing comprehensive pre-employment background screening services for DCHA applicants.

BACKGROUND

The DCHA is an independent authority of the District of Columbia. DCHA as a landlord, administrator, developer and partner actions significantly impact the lives of tens of thousands of District families. The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") provides the funding for this work and therefore all work performed must be in compliance with all rules and regulations of this program, as well as all other applicable Federal regulations.

Employees must therefore; successfully complete a pre-employment background screening before a formal employment offer is made. HR manages this effort on behalf of DCHA. To accomplish its mission, DCHA currently employs in excess of 800 employees. On average, DCHA hires approximately 150-200 new employees per calendar year. During 2016, a total of 1,000 background screenings and 400 identity verifications were conducted on behalf of DCHA. To learn more about DCHA, interested Offerors are invited to visit our website www.dchousing.org.

QUALIFICATIONS

Respondents must have a minimum of five (5) years prior business experience providing similar services; have authorization, the necessary systems, software and support to provide all services specified; be fully bonded, licensed and certified including appropriate employees and subcontractors.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Offerors shall provide Employment Applicant Screening services to include comprehensive professional services related to pre-employment screens for persons who apply for employment, seek personal contracts with, or who may be placed in positions of trust as volunteers.

Offerors shall provide Comprehensive Employment Applicant Screening including but is not limited to the following primary tasks:

Social Security Number Trace, Federal Criminal Background Search, National Sex Offender, District of Columbia and Local County Criminal Search, Education Verification, I-9 Verification, and Prior Employment Verification.

Offerors shall provide on an "as-needed" basis Professional Reference Checks and Educational Degree Verifications; other "Optional Service Categories" for approximately 20 percent (20%) of newly hired employees that will also be required to successfully complete certain "Optional Service Categories".

DCHA Responsibilities:

Upon contract award, HR will designate in writing the Contracting Officers Technical Representative (COTR), the names of approved Authorized Users and certain Authorized Users as restricted to obtaining Motor Vehicle Driving Record and Department of Transportation (DOT) Employment Verification only.

DCHA will provide Contractor with first and last name, current address, date of birth, and social security number per individual applicant.

Contractor Responsibilities:

Contractor shall provide Employment Applicant Screening services on the following Service Categories:

Primary Service Categories that include:

1. Social Security Number Validation

The SSN Validation determines if the applicant has provided a social security number validly issued by the US Government, the year and state in which the social security number was issued, and if any death benefits have been filed.

2. Name and Address Trace

Reveals all names associated with a social security number, past and present addresses, and suspected fraudulent use of a social security number. Results can be cross referenced to addresses supplied by the applicant to ensure the integrity of the information on the job application. Information is acquired through credit bureaus, phone records, historical credit records and property records.

3. Criminal History Check

a) Local and District of Columbia Criminal Record Checks Searches

Court record checks are the most comprehensive source of information for criminal activity and typically yield the most accurate and current data available.

Search results provide criminal charges, dates, sentencing and disposition, for felonies and/or misdemeanors in the county seat court. Detailed dockets and supporting information are typically available. Service Provider accesses District of Columbia and Maryland and Virginia local counties.

b) Federal Court Record Checks

Federal search results provide information on criminal activity that occurred outside the District of Columbia and Maryland and Virginia jurisdiction and was prosecuted at the federal district court level. Examples of criminal activity include kidnapping, drug trafficking, interstate transportation of stolen goods, bank robbery, and embezzlement. Federal court record checks typically yield low percentage hit rates and only involve the most serious crimes.

4. National Criminal Offender Scan

A National Criminal Offender Scan is used to identify criminal activity in jurisdictions outside of current and previous residence and employment geographical locations. Although national criminal record checks provide the broadest coverage available, the data is compiled from court and non-court records including information from the Department of Correction's incarceration, parole, and release files, Administrative Office of Court records, and state and county criminal records and often contains information that may not be usable in the hiring process. To mitigate the potential liability inherent with other screening services national scans, Service Provider automatically researches any potential hit/record directly with the court.

5. Motor Vehicle Driving Record

Service Provider will obtain the candidate's Motor Vehicle Driving Record to cover at least the previous three years (including any available Commercial Driver License ("CDL") information when applicable) from each state for which the candidate provides a license number and state of issue

- Driving Record
 - Lifetime for criminal history and DUI / DWAI charges and convictions, including out of state
- Up to seven (7) years history for moving violations
- Motor Vehicle License(s), validity of currently-held

6. Standard Employment and Department of Transportation (DOT) Employment Verification

Information is solicited for such items as dates of employment, position or title, wages and salary, attendance record, reasons for leaving, eligibility for re-hire, job duties, evaluation of work performance, interaction with others, and disciplinary actions. The DOT Employment Verification is conducted as a supplement to the standard employment verification. Service Provider's staff will promptly and professionally solicit answers to six questions required by the Federal DOT in the Code of Federal Regulations. This verification provides deeper insight into the applicant's previous testing levels, refusals to test, violations to the DOT prohibitions, rehabilitation program participation and reportable accidents.

7. Sex Offender Registry Check

The Sex Offender Registry check provides information regarding felony and misdemeanor convictions of any sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual contact, and/or kidnapping. Reports offer the offense date, charge and offense classification, and additional identifiers if available. Individuals on these registries are required to register in the state in which they reside. Service Provider can search a single state or conduct a National Sex Offender Registry search. State policies vary and may only provide information on high risk/repeat offenders.

8. Quick Check for “Flagging” Issues

Applies a pass, review, or fail grade to each applicant according to customer specific hiring criteria. To simplify the hiring process, improve compliance and hiring uniformity, maintain candidate privacy and reduce critical time to hire. Avoid unlawful employment practices associated with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), by applying consistent customer criteria to every applicant.

9. I-9 Verification

Quickly and easily verifies the work authorization of newly hired employees through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or eVerify. Falling under the jurisdiction of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service's (USCIS) Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program, Service Provider is able to conduct employment verification of potential candidates.

Optional Service Categories that include:

1. Education Confirmation

Service Provider will verify all relevant education obtained based on the information provided by the candidate or by City. Service Provider will attempt to verify International Education “a la carte” as requested.

2. Credit Report

This report allows the employer insight to the applicant's level of fiduciary responsibility. This nationwide check is conducted in compliance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) and all applicable county, state, and federal laws.

3. Military Service Verification

In addition to verifying information an applicant provides on his or her job application or resume, this product offers detailed reports regarding military service. The report provides such details as dates of service, rank, pay, character of service, job description and/or specialties, decorations and medals, performance, and reason for discharge.

4. Workers' Compensation Claim History

Provides a history of the applicant's work related injuries filed by the employer. Searches assist employers in placing new hires in positions suited to their physical abilities.

Reports usually include claim information, injury type, date, and case number. These reports adhere to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). An applicant must have been given a "conditional offer of employment" prior to executing a Workers' Compensation search.

5. Patriot Act Scan (Terrorist Watch List)

This service identifies individuals designated as terrorists by the Office of Foreign Asset Control ("OFAC") through a comprehensive search of US agencies as well as international sources.

6. Credential and Professional License Verification

Checking an applicant's professional license or credentials verifies the qualifications and the integrity of the applicant by confirming that credentials and licenses stated on a job application or resume are correct.

7. Personal Reference Check

Contacts to colleagues and co-workers listed on the applicant's resume or job application are done to obtain a full assessment of the individual. The applicant's capabilities, integrity, ethics and work record are questioned. The reference will have an opportunity to offer additional comments regarding the applicant. Tailored questions can offer additional insight.

Contractor shall provide results, reporting on an individual basis per applicant/order.

Contractor shall provide driving related reporting separately from any other information.

Contractor shall provide services in the Primary Service Category, as normal requests on an as needed basis within five (5) business days.

Contractor shall upon request provide services in the Primary Service Category on an exigent basis within three (3) business days.

Contractor shall provide Criminal Background Record Searches and inform DCHA of the existence of any criminal record and for any individual to include if the individual is listed as a registered sex offender, and/or having any Felony Convictions in last 5 years, and/or any illegal drug-related criminal activity in last 5 years, and/or any person

convicted of manufacturing or producing meth-amphetamine, or any other narcotic violation, and/or on parole or probation status for drug or violent behavior.

Contractor include in reporting per applicant database(s) that it has searched, and if a criminal background exists, and specific information concerning the criminal background if it does exist.

Contractor shall provide additional follow-up or periodic screening services requested on a case by case basis for any area included within the Scope of Services.

Contractor shall upon request provide consultation to designated OHR personnel for screening results on an as needed basis.

SECTION 3 REQUIREMENTS

All Contractors shall comply with the Section 3 Program, as defined in the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) (Section 3), amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (1992 Act) (commonly known as and herein after as the Section 3 Program). Section 3 compliance requires all Contractors performing work on behalf of the DCHA or any of its subsidiaries to ensure that training, employment, contracting and other economic opportunities generated by the Federal financial assistance shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed toward low-income and very-low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing. The minimum numerical goal for employment shall be equal to 10% of the total number of labor hours on this contract. A 2nd option for compliance under this act is to annually enroll Section 3 individuals totaling at minimum 30% to an Apprenticeship program. Another option is to subcontract to a Section 3 business concern.

In accordance with the HUD regulations, 10% of the subcontract may be awarded to section 3 business concerns for construction and 3% of the subcontract may be awarded to section 3 business concerns for non-construction contracts. Cash donations to DCHA's Section 3 Fund are presented as a "last resort option" to all Contractors. This option is made available to Contractors who have exhausted all priority preferences and are unable to hire or train Section 3 individuals as the contract is immediate and the period is minimal or, the skill sets required by the staff is too technical or too advanced for the Section 3 individuals seeking employment. The funds received will be used to provide training, uniforms, or transportation for Section 3 individuals.

Contractors and subcontractors will:

1. Incur all costs required for compliance with the applicable regulations;
2. Be subject to DCHA monitoring for compliance, and
3. Accept any applicable penalties for noncompliance.

The Contractor must provide an “Action Plan for Section 3 Commitment” and an “Estimated Project Workforce Breakdown” along with their bid proposal to be considered for contract award.

These documents should include a brief narrative description of the contract, and training and/or job opportunities for Section 3 participants as a part of this contract. The details of this plan should include the number of Section 3 participants to be hired, a list of tasks, description of skills associated to those tasks, the estimated total hours of those tasks under this contract, and a description of the methods to be used to achieve the respective Section 3 Commitment. A template of the Action Plan for Section 3 Commitment and a copy of the Estimated Project Workforce Breakdown have been enclosed with this letter solicitation (**Attachments**).

DCHA recognizes that the Contractor seeks trainees and/or employees that meet certain requirements. In order to better facilitate this goal, all efforts to hire to meet the Contractor's Section 3 goals must be coordinated through the DCHA Section 3 Compliance Coordinator. Each Section 3 Plan will be rated on the quantity of job opportunities and on the quality of the training and/or the development of skills that lead to economic self-sufficiency and careers.

Examples of Opportunities

Administrative/ Management	accounting, payroll, research, bookkeeping, purchasing, word processing
Services	appliance repair, florists, marketing, carpet installation, janitorial, courier, photography, catering, landscaping, printing, computer/information, manufacturing, transportation.
Construction	architecture (intern), bricklaying, carpentry, cement/masonry, demolition, drywall, electrical, elevator construction (apprentice), fencing, heating, iron works, machine operation, painting, plastering, plumbing, tile setting.

See Attachment L- Benchmark Standards & Menu of Expanded Options for Compliance with DCHA's Section 3 Program

Non-Compliance Procedures

Any Contractor who fails to make a positive effort to meet the hiring and contracting goals described in the Section 3 Plan may be determined to be non-compliant. After a determination by DCHA that the Contractor has failed to comply with the Section 3 terms of their contract, DCHA shall serve notice of such non-compliance to the Contractor or its representative. The Contractor shall be responsible for notifying any subcontractor(s) who is not in compliance.

Upon request, the Contractor determined to be non-compliant shall meet with DCHA within three (3) working days of written notice in order to determine a method of correcting the deficiencies and determining the time period within such remedy shall be effective. If remedy is not agreed upon within three (3) days of the required notice, DCHA shall prescribe the remedy by which deficiencies shall be corrected and notify the Contractor in writing of such a determination.

If the Contractor does not correct the deficiencies in the manner as directed by DCHA within thirty (30) calendar days DCHA may impose any or all of the following sanctions:

- (a) Withholding payments;
- (b) Termination for default or suspension of contract; or
- (c) Placing the Contractor on a list of Contractors who fail to comply with DCHA Section 3 requirements.

Monitoring

DCHA will conduct unscheduled site visits to interview all Section 3 hires. DCHA will also review weekly payrolls and other supportive documentation.

Reporting

Contractor must submit quarterly reports regarding their Section 3 activities as requested by the Section 3 Compliance Coordinator. If Contractors chose to contract with Section 3 business concerns they must also submit proof of payment to those businesses.

Within five business days of project completion, Contractors are required to provide a narrative of their efforts and outcomes as it relates to Section 3 activity to the DCHA Section 3 Compliance Coordinator.

Contact

Please consult with Hanna Koerner, Data Management and Section 3 Compliance Specialist, Office of Resident Services, via phone at 202.535.1517 and via email at hkoerner@dchousing.org for additional information or assistance with the completion of your Section 3 Action Plan.

TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of this contract shall be for a period of five (5) years from the date of contract execution, as deemed appropriate in the representation of DCHA; based upon the availability of funds.

TYPE OF CONTRACT

The consultant will provide services under a Firm Fixed Price contract for the aforementioned Scope of Work.

INSURANCE

The successful Offeror, upon contract, at its own expense, shall obtain the minimum insurance coverage set forth below and keep such insurance in force throughout the contract period. All insurance provided by Contractor in this section shall set forth DCHA as an additional insured.

Contractor shall carry and pay for:

MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS
BASIC COVERAGE
<i>Commercial General Liability (GL):</i> Per Occurrence: \$2,000,000 Aggregate: \$4,000,000 Products and Completed Operations: \$2,000,000 Personal/Advertising Injury: \$1,000,000
<i>Workers' Compensation:</i> The contractor should contact their insurer for the appropriate liability limit.
<i>Employer's Liability:</i> This coverage is not available to employees if Worker's Compensation applies (see 32 DC Official Code § 1504). If and when Employer's Liability insurance applies, however, the minimum requirements are as follows: Each Accident: \$500,000 Employee Disease: \$500,000 Disease-Policy Limit: \$500,000
ADDITIONAL COVERAGE (Requirements to be determined depending on the contract)
<i>Umbrella or Excess Liability:</i> \$2,000,000 to 5,000,000+ (depending on contract)
<i>Professional Liability (E&O):</i> Per Occurrence: \$2,000,000 Aggregate: \$4,000,000

With respect to GL above; these policies shall be endorsed to name DCHA as an additional insured and as a loss payee.

With respect to policies described above, these policies must:

- (a) Be in place before the execution of the contract, as in-force insurance is a condition precedent;
- (b) Contractor shall provide DCHA annually with a Certificate of Insurance as evidence of the limits of coverage described above;
- (c) In the event Contractor's insurance expires during the term of the contract, Contractor shall provide DCHA with copies of renewal certificates 30 days prior to the expiration date of the expiring coverage;
- (d) Insurance contracts shall require the insurance company to notify DCHA in the event of a substantial change in coverage during the policy term;
- (e) Have an A.M. Best Company rating of A-VIII or higher by companies authorized to do business and in good standing in the District of Columbia, on such conditions, and with such beneficial interest appearing thereon as shall be acceptable to DCHA.

In the event a claim arises under the contract, the Contractor will promptly notify the DCHA Contracting Officer's Technical Assistance Representative (COTR) and Karl Jones, Manager of the DCHA Office of Risk Management (ORM) at 202-535-1883. In addition, the Contractor will investigate and furnish the DCHA COTR and ORM with reports of all accidents, claims and potential claims for damage or injury and will cooperate with its insurers and those of DCHA.

PAYMENT/INVOICES

Monthly Payment of Services:

DCHA shall pay for services on a monthly basis (Net 30).

Submission of Payment Requests:

- a. All payment requests must be addressed as follows and forwarded to:

District of Columbia Authority
Attn: Office of Financial Management
1133 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 329
Washington, D.C. 20002-7599
Email: DCHApayments@dchousing.org.

- b. Proper invoices shall contain the following information:

- Contract Number
- Purchase Order Number
- Identification of matters/services performed consistent with the contract requirement and supporting documentation

- c. Failure to provide all documentation as outlined in item "b" above may delay payment of invoices.

- d. DCHA's Accounts Payable Division processes checks for payment every Thursday except for when that date falls on a legal holiday. In the event the processing day falls on a legal holiday, checks will be processed on the next business day.

PROPOSAL FORMAT

All proposals shall be submitted in two parts: Technical and Cost. **Please note the proposal format shall not exceed twenty (20) pages excluding the Cost Proposal, supporting material, and exhibits.** Offerors shall submit one (1) original and four (4) copies of both the technical and price proposals, prepared in such format and in such detail as to enable DCHA to make a thorough evaluation thereof and to arrive at a sound determination as to whether or not the offer Offeror can meet the requirements set forth in this solicitation.

All proposals submitted for consideration will be reviewed by the DCHA, with the Offeror receiving the highest rating based on the criteria outlined in this section to be selected as the most capable of providing the services in a manner that is most advantageous to DCHA, cost and other factors considered.

DCHA may reject any or all proposals that are determined not to be in DCHA's best interest. In addition, DCHA reserves the right to waive any formalities or minor irregularities, if it serves DCHA's best interests in doing so.

The technical proposal shall not contain any cost information.

At a minimum, Proposals shall be organized as follows with the content below:

- Letter of Interest
- Documentation to Substantiate Experience
- Capability/Methodology Plan
- Documentation to Substantiate Service Approach
- Reporting Format and Technology
- Experience with HUD Section 3 & Section 3 Plan
- List & Documentation of Trade Affiliations, Licenses and Certifications References
- Minority/ Women Certified Business Enterprise (M/ WBE/ CBE) Equity Plan
- Certifications & Affidavits

At a minimum, these sections should contain the following:

PART I: Technical

➤ **A Letter of Interest**

Respondents shall provide an executive summary/introduction to include: profile regarding the history and attributes of the individual/firm, name of entity, address, website and telephone number; name of contact individual, telephone number, email address, and a brief description of the understanding of the "Scope of Work" and entities ability to perform work.

➤ **Documentation to Substantiate Experience**

Demonstrated successful experience in providing services described in the "Scope of Work".

➤ **Capability/Methodology Plan**

Provide Demonstrated capability to provide the required service. Detail the Services Offered and indicate your methodologies. Include the use of any subcontractors, quality control procedures, the use; nature and limitations of any databases for any searches, any legal compliance issues, such as Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) Section 613, dispute rate from consumers, your dispute process, and how that information is used for quality control. Provide a copy of company's Privacy and Data Security policy.

➤ **Documentation to Substantiate Service Approach**

Provide details of your turnaround time for each of the services included in the Scope of Services. Include your approach and practices to ensure turnaround time of reports, your ability to generate reports and the turnaround time for each order that is placed per search conducted, and if there is a performance guarantee.

➤ **Reporting Format and Technology**

Describe the software or online system utilized by your firm.

1. Do you utilize third party software?
2. How does an employer send an order to your firm?
3. How is an employer informed of results?
4. How an employer is kept advised of status?
5. What protection do you provide to keep customers limited to their candidate's data only?

Please describe your ability to integrate with Kronos, Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS) or HR Information Systems (HRIS).

Please describe your ability to accept online candidate consents and management reporting tools.

Please provide a sample report.

➤ **Experience with HUD Section 3 & Section 3 Plan**

Describe the Respondent's experience with compliance with HUD Section 3 requirements and the results achieved in hiring and training Section 3 residents and/or subcontracting to Section 3 business concerns. Review Section 3 requirements outlined in this solicitation and complete the "Action Plan for Section 3 Commitment" and an "Estimated Project Workforce Breakdown" as outlined in that section. Minimally address the following: (1) Indicate whether the Company has a valid Section 3 Certificate (issued by the Department of Housing and Community Development); (2) Provide a detailed description of the hiring plan for DCHA program participants. Include the number, the type of jobs to be provided and the number and type of training opportunities to be provided; (3) Provide a detailed description of the training plan for DCHA program participants, whether interns will be contracted or, if funding will be provided for training; (4) Outline the Company's proposal, if any, to subcontract to Section 3 businesses. Describe in detail, the type of service to be provided.

➤ **List & Documentation of Licenses and Certifications**

List entity Trade Affiliations and Licenses and provide overview/resume of Management and Key Project Staff to include Education, Experience, Licenses, Certifications and Industry Affiliations as evidence of entity and key individuals' ability to provide services required to complete the Scope of Services.

➤ **References**

Not less than three (3) recent professional references from clients demonstrating that your Company has performed similar work as described in the "Scope of Services". Include name, address, and telephone number, description of work performed and the date completed.

➤ **Minority/Woman/Certified Business Enterprise (M/WBE/CBE) Equity Plan**

Respondents should submit narrative information about its policies, plans, activities and accomplishments in creating a diverse workforce, both in its legal and administrative support staffs. The narrative should also indicate any experience utilizing Minority and Women-owned business enterprises and to what extent minorities and women are included in the team that will advise DCHA.

Describe the diversity profile of the Company's shareholders or partners, of counsel and associates. Please include a description of how women and minorities hold positions of leadership in the Respondent's Company, including any history of such participation.

➤ **Certifications & Affidavits**

Complete and Return the following certification forms:

Attachment A, General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts
Attachment B, Tax Certification Affidavit
Attachment C, Non-Collusive Affidavit
Attachment D, Certificate of Eligibility
Attachment E, Contract Compliance Requirements
Attachment F, Payment to Subcontractors
Attachment G, Representation, Certification, and Other Statements of Bidders
Attachment H, Statements of Bidders Qualifications
Attachment I, Section 3 Contractor Compliance Agreements
Attachment J, Conflict of Interest Certification
Attachment K, Wage Determination
Attachment L, Benchmark Standards & Menu of Expanded Options for Compliance with DCHA's Section 3 Program

Proposals submitted with incomplete or missing certifications may be determined unresponsive and removed from consideration.

PART II: Cost Proposal

➤ **Cost Proposal**

Offerors shall submit a Cost Proposal to complete the Scope of Services. The Cost Proposal shall include a breakdown showing a fully burdened hourly rate for each personnel classification by nature of the work required to complete the Scope of Services included within this Letter of Solicitation.

Offerors shall ensure that the Cost Proposal and proposed hourly rates offered are the lowest discounted (government) rate offered to similar clients.

ALL PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION WILL BE REVIEWED BY DCHA, AND THE OFFEROR RECEIVING THE HIGHEST RATING, BASED ON THE CRITERIA PRESENTED BELOW, WILL BE SELECTED AS BEING THE MOST CAPABLE OF PROVIDING SERVICES IN A MANNER THAT IS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS TO DCHA, TECHNICAL AND COST FACTORS CONSIDERED. DCHA MAY REJECT ANY OR ALL PROPOSALS THAT ARE DETERMINED NOT TO BE IN DCHA BEST INTEREST. IN ADDITION, DCHA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE ANY INFORMALITIES OR MINOR IRREGULARITIES IF IT SERVES THE DCHA'S BEST INTEREST IN DOING SO.

EVALUATION & SELECTION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated with points assigned to each section as detailed in this section. Proposals will be evaluated to determine the extent to which the Offerors capabilities and approach meet the needs of the DCHA. Offerors shall respond thoroughly to each of the following evaluation factors, with focus on providing answers that are both clear and concise. If any requirement listed cannot be met, full disclosure must be given, along with an explanation and proposed alternative, if appropriate.

The evaluation factors will be used in determining the competitive range, with a total possible score of 112.5 points.

DCHA will add additional points for Business Enterprise Designations after the technical evaluations have been completed and the competitive range has been established by the Contracting Officer.

The following point value will be used for evaluation purposes with the points shown being the maximum number that can be awarded for each criterion:

TECHNICAL AND COST**MAXIMUM 100 POINTS**

CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS
TECHNICAL	
Documentation to Substantiate Experience Demonstrated successful experience in providing services described in the "Scope of Work".	10
Capability/Methodology Plan Provide Demonstrated capability to provide the required service. Detail the Services Offered and indicate your methodologies. Include the use of any subcontractors, quality control procedures, the use; nature and limitations of any databases for any searches, Any legal compliance issues, such as Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) Section 613, dispute rate from consumers, your dispute process, and how that information is used for quality control. Provide a copy of company's Privacy and Data Security policy.	15
Documentation to Substantiate Service Approach Provide details of your turnaround time for each of the services included in the Scope of Services. Include your approach and practices to ensure turnaround time of reports, your ability to generate reports and the turnaround time for each order that is placed per search conducted, and if there is a performance guarantee.	15
Reporting Format and Technology 1. Do you utilize third party software? 2. How does an employer send an order to your firm? 3. How is an employer informed of results? 4. How an employer is kept advised of status? 5. What protection do you provide to keep customers limited to their candidate's data only? Please describe your ability to integrate with Kronos, Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS) or HR Information Systems (HRIS). Please describe your ability to accept online candidate consents and management reporting tools. Please provide a sample report.	15
COST	
Proposed cost and breakdown Fully-burdened Hourly Rate(s) or Lowest Discounted (Government Rate)	25
SECTION 3 Experience & Plan 1. <i>*For non-construction contracts:</i> Proposes to have DCHA residents or program participants as interns. <i>For construction contracts:</i> Proposes to have DCHA residents or program participants as apprentices (2 pts.) 2. Demonstrated evidence of successful past performance with the fulfillment of Section 3 Commitments. (3 pts.) 3. Will hire DCHA residents or program participants for appropriate employment opportunities within the Company or any of its affiliated subcontractors. (4 pts.) 4. Proposes to provide funding for training for a DCHA resident or program participant. (3 pts.) 5. Will provide pro bono services to resident-controlled companies or residents desiring to start a company either as a for-profit or non-profit entity. (2 pts.) 6. <i>**</i> Proposes to subcontract supportive services to Section 3 businesses. (2 pts.) 7. <i>***</i> Vendor submits a unique proposal that supports the requirement of Section 3 "to provide DCHA residents and program participants with training and/employment opportunities." Includes sponsoring program participants. (4pts.)	20
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS TECHNICAL & COST	
	100

SECTION 3 Section 3 Experience & Plan

*Approved apprenticeship and trainee programs include: an apprenticeship program approved by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training of the Department of Labor, or a State Apprenticeship Agency, or an on-the-job training program approved by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, in accordance with the regulation at 29 CFR part 5; or a training program approved by HUD in accordance with HUD policies and guidelines, as applicable. Participation in an approved apprenticeship program does not, in and of itself, demonstrate compliance with the regulations of this part.

**A Section 3 Business is defined as a business that is 51% or more owned by low-income individuals OR, a business whose full time workforce includes, at minimum, 30% low income individuals OR, a business who subcontracts in excess of 25% of the total amount of its contract to section 3 businesses.

***Sponsoring DCHA program participant(s) involves:

- providing the financial means necessary for the program participant(s) to receive training in a specific trade or other method of higher learning;
- provide mentoring to the program participant(s) sponsored; and
- committing to hire the respective program participant(s) after successful completion of their specialized training.

BONUS POINTS

MAXIMUM 12.5 POINTS

Breakdown of Bonus Points

BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DESIGNATION POINTS FOR SMALL MINORITY/WOMAN OWNED BUSINESS (Bonus Maximum 10 Points)

DCHA will add additional points for Business Enterprise Designations after the technical evaluations have been completed and the competitive range has been established by the Contracting Officer.

Upon determination of the competitive range, each Offeror who has been deemed technically qualified and is within the competitive range can receive additional points if the Respondent is determined to be a Local Small Minority or Woman-Owned Business Enterprise (LSM/WBE).

The following definitions apply for the DCHA Business Enterprise Designation

- “Local” means within the Metropolitan Business Area;
- “Small” means a Company with 500 employees or less;
- “Minority” means 51% ownership; and
- “Woman-Owned” means 51% ownership.

The points shall be awarded to the Offeror based on a review of the respondent, either party of a joint venture, or an Offerors subcontractors.

The points will be awarded in the following manner:

Local	= 2.5 points
Small	= 2.5 points
Minority	= 2.5 points
Woman-Owned	= 2.5 points

CBE PARTICIPATION (Bonus Maximum 2.5 points)

DCHA will recognize the District of Columbia's CBE certification. In recognition of the District's CBE certification, the Authority will use the following CBE point system below to determine the number of points awarded to contractors with CBE certification. Please be advised that if one or more team members are a CBE, DCHA will only award points for one CBE team member. The point award will be based on the CBE with the highest number of preference points awarded by the District.

District of Columbia	D.C. Housing Authority
10-12 Preference Points	2.5 Preference Points
6-9 Preference Points	2.0 Preference Points
2-5 Preference Points	1.0 Preference Points

TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (to include Bonus)

POINTS 112.5

Each response will be ranked using the above criteria based upon the information presented in the statements, the references provided by the Contractor, DCHA's knowledge from prior engagements, if applicable, independent background checks and other factual information available to the DCHA. Contractors are advised to provide sufficient information and references to demonstrate their approach, experience and capabilities.

RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF TECHNICAL VERSUS COST/PRICE FACTORS

- (1) DCHA will make an award to the responsible Offeror, whose offer conforms to the solicitation and is most advantageous to the DCHA (i.e., that which represents the best value to the DCHA), cost or price and other factors considered. The proposed cost must be considered reasonable and must reflect the proposed technical approach.
- (2) DCHA may award a contract to other than the lowest priced offer. In the event that two or more offers are considered technically equivalent, the evaluated cost or price will be of primary importance in determining the proposal most advantageous to DCHA.

- (3) The DCHA may make multiple awards to ensure availability of a wide range of products or services.
- (4) The combined relative merit of the technical evaluation factors listed below will be more significant than cost or price in the selection of the Contractor.

PROTEST

Any party involved in a dispute with DCHA related to any procurement decision that has unfavorably affected the aggrieved party is entitled to a resolution of the dispute in a timely manner and in accordance with applicable local or Federal law. The Protester, defined below, in all instances, must pursue a remedy through the established administrative procedures of DCHA prior to pursuing any protest with the Federal agency or the District of Columbia Contract Appeals Board. Guidelines and procedures that must be followed are presented herein.

DEFINITIONS

Contracting Officer. The person within DCHA duly authorized by the governing body thereof to administer contracts for, and in the name of, the DCHA.

Executive Director. The Executive Director of DCHA.

Federal Agency. Unless otherwise defined, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

General Counsel. The General Counsel of DCHA.

Protester. Any respondent to a solicitation made by DCHA who has submitted a bid, quotation, or proposal meeting all the material requirements of the solicitation, who has received an unfavorable decision concerning the results thereof, and feels that said decision was reached in an unfair and/or biased manner.

PROCEDURES

1. Any protest against a solicitation must be received before the due date for receipt of bids or proposals, and any protest against the award of a contract must be received within ten (10) calendar days of contract award by the Contracting Officer of DCHA, or the protest will not be considered, unless a different time period has been established in the solicitation or contract, if applicable. The formal complaint must be in writing, must identify the aggrieved party by name and address, and contain clear and concise factual and legal grounds of the protest, including copies of relevant evidence or supporting documents, statutes, rules, regulations and/or policies violated, and the relief requested by Protester.

2. The Contracting Officer, upon receipt of the formal complaint, shall review the merits of the protest and render a decision, in writing, to the Protester. The response shall include a finding of facts based on information provided by the Protester, DCHA's knowledge of the circumstances, and shall include instructions for filing an appeal, if necessary. The Contracting Officer must respond to the formal complaint within fifteen (15) days of its receipt, except where the response time is otherwise stipulated in an agreement with the Protester directly related to the disputed issues.
3. If the Contracting Officer fails to respond to the formal complaint within the specified time period, or if the Protester disagrees with the decision rendered, then the Protester may submit an appeal to have the dispute resolved by the DCHA Executive Director. Such appeal must be in writing and made within fifteen (15) days of the date of the initial decision rendered by the Contracting Officer, or within fifteen (15) days after the expiration of the response time allotted. The Executive Director, or any designee, shall respond to any appeal submitted in a timely manner within fifteen (15) days of receipt of said appeal, except where the response time is otherwise stipulated in an agreement with the Protester and directly related to the disputed issues.
4. If the Executive Director or designee, fails to respond to a properly submitted protest within the allotted time, or the if Protester wishes to appeal the decision rendered, then the Protester may submit a formal request to have the dispute settled by the appropriate field office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Such request must be in writing and made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the decision rendered by the Executive Director or designee, or within fifteen (15) days after the expiration of the response time allotted to the Executive Director whichever is earlier. The field office of HUD will only review protests that meet one of the following criteria:
 - I. Violation of Federal law or regulations and the standards of section 85.36, Code of Federal Regulations, title 24 (24 CFR, Part 85.36). Violations of local law will be under the jurisdiction of local authorities.
 - II. Violation of DCHA's protest procedures delineated herein based on the failure of DCHA to review a complaint or protest.
5. Violations of local law will be subject to review of the District of Columbia Contract Appeals Board and must be filed in accordance with Title 27 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations Chapter 3.

6. All protests, except those directed to HUD, or local authorities, shall be addressed to the administrative offices of DCHA. The address of the administrative offices of DCHA is as follows:

Attn: Cheryl Moore, Contracting Officer
Office of Administrative Services-Contracts and Procurement
District of Columbia Housing Authority
1133 North Capitol Street, N.E. Room 300
Washington, D.C. 20002

7. All protests directed to the field office of HUD shall be addressed to the following location:

Public Housing Division
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Washington, D.C. Field Office, Region III
Union Center Plaza
820 First Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20002-4205

8. DCHA shall, in all instances, promptly disclose information to the HUD Field office related to any protests or complaints. However, failure to promptly notify HUD of such matters does not relieve the Protester of compliance with the administrative procedures presented herein.

9. In the event the Protester disagrees with the decision rendered by the HUD Field Office and exhausted all administrative remedies, Protester may pursue any and all legal remedies available pursuant to Title 27 Chapter 3 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations in the District of Columbia Contracts Appeals Board.

INQUIRIES/QUESTIONS

Inquiries or questions concerning this document should be submitted in writing to the Issuing Office no later than Friday, August 4, 2017 by 11:00 a.m. by mail to LaShawn Mizzell-McLeod, Contract Specialist at lmcleod@dchousing.org with copy to business@dchousing.org.

OFFERORS ARE INSTRUCTED SPECIFICALLY TO CONTACT ONLY THE SOLICITATION ISSUING OFFICE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY ASPECT OF THIS SOLICITATION PRIOR TO CONTRACT AWARD. PROPOSALS AND ALL CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE SOLICITATION DOCUMENT MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE ISSUING OFFICE.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Respond as outlined and submit ONE (1) original and four (4) copies of the Proposal, typed and prepared on standard 8.5 x 11 letter size paper with material printed on one side only. **All Proposals in response to this Letter of Solicitation must be RECEIVED no later than Friday, August 11, 2017 by 11:00 a.m.** at the address listed below.

District of Columbia Housing Authority
Office of Administrative Services- Contracts and Procurement
1133 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 300
Washington, D.C. 20002-7599
Attn: Cheryl Moore, Contracting Officer
Letter Solicitation Number: 0034-2017
"Applicant Background Screening Services"

DCHA will accept electronic submissions in appropriate PDF format. Electronic submissions shall be sent to the following email address: LaShawn Mizzell-McLeod, Contract Specialist at lmcleod@dchousing.org with a copy to business@dchousing.org.

PROPOSALS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cheryl Moore".

Cheryl Moore
Contracting Officer



ATTACHMENT "A"
GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR
NON-CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
SECTION I and SECTION II
(With or Without Maintenance Work)

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section I – (With or without 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-5370-C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

- 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 I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$100,000

1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract

- (a) "Authority or Housing Authority (HA)" means the Housing Authority.
- (b) "Contract" means the contract entered into between the Authority and the Contractor. It includes the contract form, the Certifications and Representations, these contract clauses, and the scope of work. It includes all formal changes to any of those documents by addendum, Change Order, or other modification.
- (c) "Contractor" means the person or other entity entering into the contract with the Authority to perform all of the work required under the contract.
- (d) "Day" means calendar days, unless otherwise stated.
- (e) "HUD" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban development, his delegates, successors, and assigns, and the officers and employees of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development acting for and on behalf of the Secretary.

2. Changes

- (a) The HA may at any time, by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of this contract in the services to be performed or supplies to be delivered.
- (b) If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the hourly rate, the not-to-exceed amount of the contract, or the time required for performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, or otherwise affects the conditions of this contract, the HA shall make an equitable adjustment in the not-to-exceed amount, the hourly rate, the delivery schedule, or other affected terms, and shall modify the contract accordingly.
- (c) The Contractor must assert its right to an equitable adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the HA decides that the facts justify it, the HA may receive and act upon a

- proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.
- (d) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under clause Disputes, herein. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.
- (e) No services for which an additional cost or fee will be charged by the Contractor shall be furnished without the prior written consent of the HA.

3. Termination for Convenience and Default

- (a) The HA may terminate this contract in whole, or from time to time in part, for the HA's convenience or the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations (default). The HA shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a written Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall: (i) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise); and (ii) deliver to the HA all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.
- (b) If the termination is for the convenience of the HA, the HA shall be liable only for payment for services rendered before the effective date of the termination.
- (c) If the termination is due to the failure of the Contractor to fulfill its obligations under the contract (default), the HA may (i) require the Contractor to deliver to it, in the manner and to the extent directed by the HA, any work as described in subparagraph (a)(ii) above, and compensation be determined in accordance with the Changes clause, paragraph 2, above, (ii) take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise, and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the HA; (iii) withhold any payments to the Contractor, for the purpose of off-set or partial payment, as the case may be, of amounts owed to the HA by the Contractor.
- (d) If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations (default), it is determined that the Contractor had not failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of the HA, and the Contractor shall be entitled to payment as described in paragraph (b) above.
- (e) Any disputes with regard to this clause are expressly made subject to the terms of clause titled Disputes herein.

4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

- (a) The HA, HUD, or Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until 3 years after final payment under this contract, have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent books, documents, papers, or other records involving transactions related to this contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.

(c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:

- (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
- (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, or,
- (iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

The HA shall have exclusive ownership of, all proprietary interest in, and the right to full and exclusive possession of all information, materials and documents discovered or produced by Contractor pursuant to the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to reports, memoranda or letters concerning the research and reporting tasks of this Contract

6. Energy Efficiency

The contractor shall comply with all mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163) for the State in which the work under this contract is performed

7. Disputes

(a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, except for disputes arising under clauses contained in Section III, Labor Standards Provisions, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach thereof which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause

(b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.

(c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.

(d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA

8. Contract Termination; Debarment

A breach of these Contract clauses may be grounds for termination of the Contract and for debarment or denial of participation in HUD programs as a Contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 24 CFR Part 24.

9. Assignment of Contract

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this contract, except that claims for monies due or to become due from the HA under the contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution. If the Contractor is a partnership, this contract shall inure to the benefit of the surviving or remaining member(s) of such partnership approved by the HA.

10. Certificate and Release

Prior to final payment under this contract, or prior to settlement upon termination of this contract, and as a condition precedent thereto, the Contractor shall execute and deliver to the HA a certificate and release, in a form acceptable to the HA, of all claims against the HA by the Contractor under and by virtue of this contract, other than such claims, if any, as may be specifically excepted by the Contractor in stated amounts set forth therein.

11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

(a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and a contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that

(i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage, or

(ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.

(b) The Contractor agrees that if after award it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract or any task/delivery order under the contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the contract or task/delivery order for the convenience of the HA if it would be in the best interest of the HA.

(c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the HA may terminate the contract for default.

(d) The terms of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime Contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

12. Inspection and Acceptance

(a) The HA has the right to review, require correction, if necessary, and accept the work products produced by the Contractor. Such review(s) shall be carried out within 30 days so as to not impede the work of the Contractor. Any

product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.

- (b) The Contractor shall make any required corrections promptly at no additional charge and return a revised copy of the product to the HA within 7 days of notification or a later date if extended by the HA.
- (c) Failure by the Contractor to proceed with reasonable promptness to make necessary corrections shall be a default. If the Contractor's submission of corrected work remains unacceptable, the HA may terminate this contract (or the task order involved) or reduce the contract price or cost to reflect the reduced value of services received.

13. Interest of Members of Congress

No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit to arise there from, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

14. Interest of Members, Officers, or Employees and Former Members, Officers, or Employees

No member, officer, or employee of the HA, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, no member of the governing body in which the HA was activated, and no other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project, shall, during his or her tenure, or for one year thereafter, have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

"Agency", as defined in 5 U.S.C. 552(f), includes Federal executive departments and agencies as well as independent regulatory commissions and Government corporations, as defined in 31 U.S.C. 9101(1).

"Covered Federal Action" means any of the following Federal actions:

- (i) The awarding of any Federal contract;
- (ii) The making of any Federal grant;
- (iii) The making of any Federal loan;
- (iv) The entering into of any cooperative agreement; and
- (v) The extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

Covered Federal action does not include receiving from an agency a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan.

"Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" have the meaning provided in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B). Alaskan Natives are included under the definitions of Indian tribes in that Act.

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before 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 in connection with any covered Federal action.

"Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government.

"Officer or employee of an agency" includes the following individuals who are employed by an agency:

- (i) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under title 5, U.S.C., including a position under a temporary appointment;
- (ii) A member of the uniformed services as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.;
- (iii) A special Government employee as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.; and
- (iv) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, title 5, appendix 2.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, State, and local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit or not for profit. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Recipient" includes all contractors, subcontractors at any tier, and subgrantees at any tier of the recipient of funds received in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. The term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Regularly employed means, with respect to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, an officer or employee who is employed by such person for at least 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for receipt of such contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. An officer or employee who is employed by such person for less than 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of submission that initiates agency consideration of such person shall be considered to be regularly employed as soon as he or she is employed by such person for 130 working days.

"State" means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a territory or possession of the United States, an agency or instrumentality of a State, and a multi-State, regional, or interstate entity having governmental duties and powers.

(b) Prohibition.

- (i) Section 1352 of title 31, U.S.C. provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay 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 in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(ii) The prohibition does not apply as follows:

(1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.

(a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in paragraph (i) of this section, does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, if the payment is for agency and legislative activities not directly related to a covered Federal action.

(b) For purposes of paragraph (b)(i)(1)(a) of this clause, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.

(c) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted at any time only where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:

(1) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstrations) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and,

(2) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(d) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:

(1) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;

(2) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission; and

(3) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507 and other subsequent amendments.

(e) Only those activities expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(ii)(1)(a) of this clause are permitted under this clause.

(2) Professional and technical services.

(a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-

(i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.

(ii) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a

person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.

(b) For purposes of subdivision (b)(ii)(2)(a) of clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline.

(c) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation, or reasonably expected to be required by law or regulation, and any other requirements in the actual award documents.

(d) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(ii)(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section are permitted under this clause.

(iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.

(c) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply to the following selling activities before an agency by independent sales representatives, provided such activities are prior to formal solicitation by an agency and are specifically limited to the merits of the matter:

(i) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstration) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and

(ii) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(d) Agreement. In accepting any contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or loan resulting from this solicitation, the person submitting the offer agrees not to make any payment prohibited by this clause.

(e) Penalties. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (b) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.

(f) Cost Allowability. Nothing in this clause is to be interpreted to make allowable or reasonable any costs which would be unallowable or unreasonable in accordance with Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), or OMB Circulars dealing with cost allowability for recipients of assistance agreements. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any of the provisions of FAR Part 31 or the relevant OMB Circulars.

16. 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, or national origin.
- (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, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be 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 Contractor 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, or national origin.
- (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, and the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (g) The Contractor shall furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246, 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.
- (h) In the event of a determination that the Contractor is not in compliance with this clause or any rule, regulation, 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 the procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246, as amended. In addition, sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked against the Contractor as provided in Executive Order 11246, as amended, the rules, regulations, and orders 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 subcontractor or purchase order 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; provided 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 interests of the United States.

17. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

No information or material shall be disseminated or disclosed to the general public, the news media, or any person or organization without prior express written approval by the HA.

18. Contractor's Status

It is understood that the Contractor is an independent contractor and is not to be considered an employee of the HA, or assume any right, privilege or duties of an employee, and shall save harmless the HA and its employees from claims suits, actions and costs of every description resulting from the Contractor's activities on behalf of the HA in connection with this Agreement.

19. Other Contractors

HA may undertake or award other contracts for additional work at or near the site(s) of the work under this contract. The contractor shall fully cooperate with the other contractors and with HA and HUD employees and shall carefully adapt scheduling and performing the work under this contract to accommodate the additional work, heeding any direction that may be provided by the Contracting Officer. The contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or HA employee.

20. Liens

The Contractor is prohibited from placing a lien on HA's property. This prohibition shall apply to all subcontractors.

21. Training and Employment Opportunities for Residents in the Project Area (Section 3, HUD Act of 1968, 24 CFR 135)

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

22. Procurement of Recovered Materials

- (a) In accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Contractor shall procure items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition. The Contractor shall procure items designated in the EPA guidelines that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable unless the Contractor determines that such items: (1) are not reasonably available in a reasonable period of time; (2) fail to meet reasonable performance standards, which shall be determined on the basis of the guidelines of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, if applicable to the item; or (3) are only available at an unreasonable price.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this clause shall apply to items purchased under this contract where: (1) the Contractor purchases in excess of \$10,000 of the item under this contract; or (2) during the preceding Federal fiscal year, the Contractor: (i) purchased any amount of the items for use under a contract that was funded with Federal appropriations and was with a Federal agency or a State agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State; and (ii) purchased a total of in excess of \$10,000 of the item both under and outside that contract.

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.
- (ii) 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

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 swearing 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 ELEGIBILITY



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” CONTRACT COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS



CONTRACT COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Following is a list of documents that shall be completed and submitted with your bid and each of your proposed subcontractor's whose portion of the work is valued at \$10,000.00 or more.

1. Affirmative Action Program Policy Statement (sample attached) submitted on company letterhead.
2. Complete, Equal Employment Opportunity, Employer Information Report.

In the event that your minority utilization in each job category is less than 25 percent of your projected total workforce and/or you have less than 6.9 percent female utilization in your workforce, you must complete and submit the form titled One Year Projected Goals and Timetable for Equal Employment Opportunity.

The selected contractor/subcontractors are encouraged to utilize minority or female controlled banking institutions for financial transactions required during the performance of the resulting contract. Exhibit A_ contains a listing of area financial institutions which qualify as minority or female-controlled banks.

In the event that you or any of your subcontractors decide not to utilize a minority or female controlled bank, please indicate on the Minority Financial Institution Data Form the reason(s) for not doing so (Exhibit B).

If you have any questions pertaining to these requirements, contact the Compliance Division on (202) 535-1212.

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(SAMPLE STATEMENT)

(Bidder/Respondent must use this format to submit the EEO Policy Statement required by the contract. The statement must be submitted on company letterhead.)

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO) POLICY STATEMENT

(Company Name) WILL NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANY EMPLOYEE OR APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, OR MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY.

(Company Name) WILL TAKE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE THAT APPLICANTS ARE EMPLOYED, AND THAT EMPLOYEES ARE TREATED DURING EMPLOYMENT, WITHOUT REGARD TO THEIR RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, OR MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY. THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING: (A) EMPLOYMENT, UPGRADING, OR TRANSFER, (B) RECRUITMENT OR RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING, (C) DEMOTION, LAYOFF, OR TERMINATION; (D) RATES OF PAY, OR OTHER FORMS OF COMPENSATION; AND (E) SELECTION FOR TRAINING AND APPRENTICESHIP.

(Company Name) AGREES TO POST IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS STATEMENT CONCERNING NON-DISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION.

(Company Name) AGREES THAT ALL QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS.

(Company Name) AGREES TO PERMIT ACCESS TO ALL BOOKS AND RECORDS PERTAINING TO ITS EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES AND TO REQUIRE EACH SUBCONTRACTOR TO PERMIT ACCESS TO ITS BOOKS AND RECORDS.

(Company Name) AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL GUIDELINES FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY APPLICABLE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

(Company Name) SHALL INCLUDE IN EVERY SUBCONTRACT THAT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSES, SO THAT SUCH PROVISIONS SHALL BE BINDING UPON EACH SUBCONTRACTOR OR VENDOR.

AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL AND TITLE

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

FIRM/ORGANIZATION NAME

CONTRACT NO.

DATE

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COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENTS

**MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85, dated JUNE 10, 1985, AND THE RULES IPLEMENTING
MAYROR'S ORDER 85-85, 33 DCR 4952, (published August 15, 1986).
"COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENTS IN DISTRICT
GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS," ARE HEREBY INCLUDED AS A PART OF THIS
BID/PROPOSAL THEREFORE, EACH BIDDER/OFFEROR SHALL INDICATE
BELOW IT'S WRITTEN COMMITMENT TO COMPLY WITH MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85
AND THE IMPLEMENTING RULES. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE SUBJECT
MAYOR'S ORDER AND THE IMPLEMENTING RULES SHALL RESULT IN
REJECTION OF THE RESPECTIVE BID/PROPOSAL.**

Certification

I, _____, the authorized representative
of, _____, hereinafter referred to as "contractor" certify that the contractor is
fully aware of all of the provisions of Mayor's Order 85-85, dated June 10, 1985, and of
the rules implementing Mayor's Order 85-85, 33 DCR 4952. I further certify and assure
that the contractor will fully comply with all applicable provisions of the Mayor's Order
and implementing rules if awarded the DC government contract referenced by the
contract number entered below. Further, the contractor acknowledges and understands
that the award of said contract and its continuation are specifically conditioned upon the
contractor's compliance with the above cited Order and rules.

CONTRACTOR NAME

SIGNATURE OF COMPANY OFFICIAL

TITLE

CONTRACT NO.

DATE



EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER INFORMATION REPORT

Instructions:

Two (2) copies of DAS-84-404 or Federal EEO-1 shall be submitted to Contract Compliance

One (1) copy shall be retained by the contractor

SECTION A - TYPE OF REPORT

- I. Indicate by marking the appropriate box type of reporting unit for which this copy of the form is submitted (MARK ONLY ONE BOX)

Single Establishment Employer:

1. () Single Establishment Employer Report

one of each

Multi-establishment Employer:

2. () Consolidate Report

3. () Headquarters Unit Report

4. () Individual Establishment Report (submit

with 25 or more employees)

5. () Special Report

2. Total number of reports being filed by this company. _____

SECTION B- COMPANY IDENTIFICATION (To be answered by all employers)

OFFICIAL USE

1. Name of Company which owns or controls the establishment for which this report is being filed.

a.

Address (Number and Street)

City or Town

County

State

Zip Code

b.

b. Employer Identification No.

2. Establishment for which this report is filed

OFFICIAL USE

a. Name of establishment

c.

Address (Number and Street)

City or town

County

State

Zip Code

d.

b. Employer Identification No.

3. Parent or affiliated company

a. Name of Parent or affiliated company

Address (Number and Street)

City or town

County

State

Zip Code

b. Employer Identification No.

SECTION C-ESTABLISHMENT INFORMATION

Is the location of the establishment the same as that reported last year? ☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ Did not report last year ☐ Reported on combined basis

Is the major business activity at this establishment the same as that reported last year? ☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ Did not report last year ☐ Reported on combined basis

What is the major activity of this establishment?

Be specific, i.e., manufacturing steel castings, retail grocer, wholesale, plumbing supplies, title insurance, etc. Include the specific type of product or services provided as well as the principal business or industry.

MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS: Indicate if you are a minority business enterprise (50% owned or 51% controlled by minority members).

☐ YES ☐ NO

DAS-44-404

(Replaces D.C. Form 2640-9 Sept. 74 which is obsolete)

CONTRACT NO. _____ CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$ _____

MBOC CERTIFICATION NO. _____ SET ASIDE: ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ LOCAL ☐ SMALL ☐ DISADVANTAGED
☐ ENTERPRIZE ZONE

CONTRACTING AGENCY: _____ CONTRACT COMPLIANCE PERSON _____

CAPTION: _____

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Solicitation No. _____

Name of Contractor _____

ONE YEAR PROJECTED GOALS AND TIMETABLES FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

MINORITY GROUP EMPLOYEES GOALS									
JOB CATEGORIES	Male				Female				Projected Timetable Date
	Black American	Asian American	American Indian	Hispanic American	Black American	Asian American	American Indian	Hispanic American	
Officials/Managers									
Technicians									
Sales Workers									
Office and Clerical									
Craftsperson (Skilled)									
Operatives (Semi-Skilled)									
Laborers (Unskilled)									
Service Workers									
Others									
TOTALS									
Comments									

I, _____ hereby affirm that I have read the foregoing, know the entire contents, thereof, certify them to be true, accurate, complete and the best projection of the firm's human resource needs by race and sex at this time.

Signature of Company Official

Title



LIST OF CERTIFIED MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BANKS

1. INDUSTRIAL BANK OF WASHINGTON
4812 GEORGIA AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20011
B. DOYLE MITCHELL, PRESIDENT
(202) 722-2000

2. INDEPENDENCE FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
1301-9TH STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001
WILLIAM B. FITZGERALD, PRESIDENT
(202) 628-5500

3. WASHINGTON FIRST BANK
1146-19TH STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20036
SHAZA ANDERSEN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
(202) 331-7031

4. PREMIER BANK
1501 "K" STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005
BORRIS ORCEV, PRESIDENT
(202) 466-4090

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MINORITY FINANCIAL INSTITUTION DATA FORM

SOLICITATION NO: _____

CONTRACTOR NAME: _____

Indicate below if you bank with a Minority Financial Institution:

_____ YES

Bank Name: _____

Address: _____

Type of Account(s): _____

_____ NO (please explain)

Explanation:

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STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE AND EXCEPTIONS

The undersigned, by affixing his/her signature to this document, acknowledges that he had read and understands the terms, conditions, and other covenants as provided for in the Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The undersigned future agrees and understands that the proposal submitted herein is made under said terms, conditions, and other covenants, and shall abide by them, notwithstanding the exceptions listed herein. S/he states that s/he is an officer of the business entity named below, or has power of attorney to bind said business to the terms, conditions, and other covenants provided in the aforementioned documents, and agrees to perform in accordance therewith the agreed upon services.

Name of Firm

Address

Signature

Title

Printed Name

Telephone #

Date

If you wish to state any exceptions to the terms, conditions, and other covenants stated in this proposal document, then please specify herein, include additional pages as necessary.

IMPORTANT: SOME EXCEPTIONS MAY BE CLASSIFIED AS NONRESPONSIVE BY THE AUTHORITY AND THE PROPOSAL MAY BE REJECTED.



ATTACHEMENT “F” PAYMENT TO SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS CERTIFICATE



INVITATION NO:
PROJECT:

PAYMENT TO SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS CERTIFICATE

The Contractor, prior to receiving a progress payment, shall submit to the Contracting Officer certification that the Contractor has made and will make timely payments to his subcontractors and suppliers per his contractual arrangements with them.

The certification must be accompanied by a list of all subcontractors and suppliers who will receive payment from the invoice and the dollar amount. Payment will not be made until the Prime Contractor submits this information.

Certifications shall be made on the following standard form:

TO: Contracting Officer
District of Columbia Housing Authority
1133 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

I hereby certify:

I have made and/or will make timely payments to all my subcontractors and suppliers per my contractual arrangement with them.

Date

Company

Signature of Official

Title



ATTACHMENT “G” REPRESENTATION, CERTIFICATION, 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.
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- (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.

- (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” STATEMENT OF BIDDERS QUALIFICATIONS



STATEMENT OF BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS

All questions must be answered and the data given must be clear and comprehensive. This statement must be notarized. Attach additional pages if needed.

1. Name of bidder _____
2. Name of principals _____
3. Names of authorized signatories _____
4. Permanent main office address _____
5. When organized _____
6. Where incorporated _____
7. How many years have you been engaged in the contracting business under your present name? _____

8. Previous names of companies in which the principals listed above (#2) have engaged in the contracting business _____

9. List all contracts on hand by name of contract and gross amount _____

10. Have you ever defaulted on a contract? _____

11. If so, where and why? _____

12. Have you ever refused to sign a contract at your original bid? _____

- If yes, explain _____

13. Names, background, experience and current workload of the principal members of your personnel, including the officer.
- | <u>Name</u> | <u>Background</u> | <u>Years in Contracting</u> | <u>Current Workload</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
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14. Furnish written evidence of amount and type of credit available.
15. Attach a Financial Statement no more than six months old.
16. Will you, upon request, fill out a detailed Financial Statement and furnish any other information that may be required by the Housing Authority? _____

17. The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests any person, firm or corporation to furnish any information requested by the Housing Authority, in verification of the recitals comprising this Statement of Bidder's Qualification.

Dated this _____ of _____, 20____ at _____

(Name of Bidder)

BY: _____
(Signature of Bidder's Representative)

Title

State of _____)

County of _____)

_____, being duly sworn,
(Individual signing above)

deposes and says he is _____ of
(Title)

(Name of Organization)

and that the answers to the foregoing questions and all statements therein
contained are true and correct.

Sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____
(Date)



ATTACHMENT “I” SECTION 3 CONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE AGREEMENTS

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

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% or the dollar award of all subcontracts to businesses that meet the tests in (3)(a) or (3)(b) above; and



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

- 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.



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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



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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 A 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
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.

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



ATTACHMENT “J” 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.

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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 “K” WAGE DETERMINATION

WD 15-4281 (Rev.-6) was first posted on www.wdol.gov on 05/16/2017

REGISTER OF WAGE DETERMINATIONS UNDER	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
THE SERVICE CONTRACT ACT	EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION
By direction of the Secretary of Labor	WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
	WASHINGTON D.C. 20210

Daniel W. Simms	Division of	Wage Determination No.: 2015-4281
Director	Wage Determinations	Revision No.: 6
		Date Of Revision: 05/08/2017

Note: Under Executive Order (EO) 13658, an hourly minimum wage of \$10.20 for calendar year 2017 applies to all contracts subject to the Service Contract Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least \$10.20 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in calendar year 2017. The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

States: District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia

Area: District of Columbia Statewide
 Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, Prince George's
 Virginia Counties of Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fauquier,
 Loudoun, Manassas, Manassas Park, Prince William, Stafford

****Fringe Benefits Required Follow the Occupational Listing****

OCCUPATION CODE - TITLE	FOOTNOTE	RATE
01000 - Administrative Support And Clerical Occupations		
01011 - Accounting Clerk I		18.06
01012 - Accounting Clerk II		20.28
01013 - Accounting Clerk III		22.68
01020 - Administrative Assistant		31.98
01035 - Court Reporter		21.84
01041 - Customer Service Representative I		14.94
01042 - Customer Service Representative II		16.81
01043 - Customer Service Representative III		18.33
01051 - Data Entry Operator I		14.88
01052 - Data Entry Operator II		16.23
01060 - Dispatcher, Motor Vehicle		19.28
01070 - Document Preparation Clerk		16.17
01090 - Duplicating Machine Operator		16.17
01111 - General Clerk I		14.88
01112 - General Clerk II		16.24
01113 - General Clerk III		18.74
01120 - Housing Referral Assistant		25.29
01141 - Messenger Courier		16.18
01191 - Order Clerk I		15.12
01192 - Order Clerk II		16.50
01261 - Personnel Assistant (Employment) I		18.15
01262 - Personnel Assistant (Employment) II		20.32
01263 - Personnel Assistant (Employment) III		22.65
01270 - Production Control Clerk		25.24
01290 - Rental Clerk		16.55
01300 - Scheduler, Maintenance		18.07

01311 - Secretary I	18.07
01312 - Secretary II	20.18
01313 - Secretary III	25.29
01320 - Service Order Dispatcher	17.24
01410 - Supply Technician	31.98
01420 - Survey Worker	20.03
01460 - Switchboard Operator/Receptionist	15.07
01531 - Travel Clerk I	14.80
01532 - Travel Clerk II	15.91
01533 - Travel Clerk III	17.08
01611 - Word Processor I	16.56
01612 - Word Processor II	18.59
01613 - Word Processor III	20.79
05000 - Automotive Service Occupations	
05005 - Automobile Body Repairer, Fiberglass	28.60
05010 - Automotive Electrician	23.51
05040 - Automotive Glass Installer	22.15
05070 - Automotive Worker	22.15
05110 - Mobile Equipment Servicer	19.04
05130 - Motor Equipment Metal Mechanic	24.78
05160 - Motor Equipment Metal Worker	22.15
05190 - Motor Vehicle Mechanic	24.78
05220 - Motor Vehicle Mechanic Helper	18.49
05250 - Motor Vehicle Upholstery Worker	21.63
05280 - Motor Vehicle Wrecker	22.15
05310 - Painter, Automotive	23.51
05340 - Radiator Repair Specialist	22.15
05370 - Tire Repairer	14.44
05400 - Transmission Repair Specialist	24.78
07000 - Food Preparation And Service Occupations	
07010 - Baker	14.14
07041 - Cook I	15.15
07042 - Cook II	17.61
07070 - Dishwasher	10.72
07130 - Food Service Worker	11.01
07210 - Meat Cutter	20.10
07260 - Waiter/Waitress	10.67
09000 - Furniture Maintenance And Repair Occupations	
09010 - Electrostatic Spray Painter	19.86
09040 - Furniture Handler	14.06
09080 - Furniture Refinisher	20.23
09090 - Furniture Refinisher Helper	15.52
09110 - Furniture Repairer, Minor	17.94
09130 - Upholsterer	19.86
11000 - General Services And Support Occupations	
11030 - Cleaner, Vehicles	10.54
11060 - Elevator Operator	12.66
11090 - Gardener	18.52
11122 - Housekeeping Aide	12.66
11150 - Janitor	12.66
11210 - Laborer, Grounds Maintenance	13.82
11240 - Maid or Houseman	12.22
11260 - Pruner	12.25
11270 - Tractor Operator	16.94
11330 - Trail Maintenance Worker	13.82
11360 - Window Cleaner	14.28
12000 - Health Occupations	
12010 - Ambulance Driver	22.31
12011 - Breath Alcohol Technician	21.35
12012 - Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant	27.96
12015 - Certified Physical Therapist Assistant	25.93

12020 - Dental Assistant	19.78
12025 - Dental Hygienist	45.00
12030 - EKG Technician	33.48
12035 - Electroneurodiagnostic Technologist	33.48
12040 - Emergency Medical Technician	22.31
12071 - Licensed Practical Nurse I	19.07
12072 - Licensed Practical Nurse II	21.35
12073 - Licensed Practical Nurse III	24.13
12100 - Medical Assistant	17.17
12130 - Medical Laboratory Technician	18.98
12160 - Medical Record Clerk	18.80
12190 - Medical Record Technician	21.04
12195 - Medical Transcriptionist	20.50
12210 - Nuclear Medicine Technologist	39.16
12221 - Nursing Assistant I	11.74
12222 - Nursing Assistant II	13.19
12223 - Nursing Assistant III	14.40
12224 - Nursing Assistant IV	16.16
12235 - Optical Dispenser	20.67
12236 - Optical Technician	17.38
12250 - Pharmacy Technician	18.12
12280 - Phlebotomist	17.93
12305 - Radiologic Technologist	33.85
12311 - Registered Nurse I	27.64
12312 - Registered Nurse II	33.44
12313 - Registered Nurse II, Specialist	33.44
12314 - Registered Nurse III	40.13
12315 - Registered Nurse III, Anesthetist	40.13
12316 - Registered Nurse IV	48.10
12317 - Scheduler (Drug and Alcohol Testing)	25.90
12320 - Substance Abuse Treatment Counselor	27.04
13000 - Information And Arts Occupations	
13011 - Exhibits Specialist I	21.37
13012 - Exhibits Specialist II	26.46
13013 - Exhibits Specialist III	32.37
13041 - Illustrator I	20.48
13042 - Illustrator II	25.38
13043 - Illustrator III	31.03
13047 - Librarian	37.95
13050 - Library Aide/Clerk	16.35
13054 - Library Information Technology Systems Administrator	34.26
13058 - Library Technician	20.89
13061 - Media Specialist I	22.66
13062 - Media Specialist II	25.36
13063 - Media Specialist III	28.27
13071 - Photographer I	16.65
13072 - Photographer II	18.90
13073 - Photographer III	23.67
13074 - Photographer IV	28.65
13075 - Photographer V	33.76
13090 - Technical Order Library Clerk	20.54
13110 - Video Teleconference Technician	23.38
14000 - Information Technology Occupations	
14041 - Computer Operator I	18.92
14042 - Computer Operator II	21.18
14043 - Computer Operator III	23.60
14044 - Computer Operator IV	26.22
14045 - Computer Operator V	29.05
14071 - Computer Programmer I	(see 1) 26.36
14072 - Computer Programmer II	(see 1)

14073 - Computer Programmer III	(see 1)	
14074 - Computer Programmer IV	(see 1)	
14101 - Computer Systems Analyst I	(see 1)	
14102 - Computer Systems Analyst II	(see 1)	
14103 - Computer Systems Analyst III	(see 1)	
14150 - Peripheral Equipment Operator		18.92
14160 - Personal Computer Support Technician		26.22
14170 - System Support Specialist		37.87
15000 - Instructional Occupations		
15010 - Aircrew Training Devices Instructor (Non-Rated)		36.47
15020 - Aircrew Training Devices Instructor (Rated)		44.06
15030 - Air Crew Training Devices Instructor (Pilot)		52.81
15050 - Computer Based Training Specialist / Instructor		36.47
15060 - Educational Technologist		36.80
15070 - Flight Instructor (Pilot)		52.81
15080 - Graphic Artist		30.47
15085 - Maintenance Test Pilot, Fixed, Jet/Prop		48.72
15086 - Maintenance Test Pilot, Rotary Wing		48.72
15088 - Non-Maintenance Test/Co-Pilot		48.72
15090 - Technical Instructor		28.79
15095 - Technical Instructor/Course Developer		35.22
15110 - Test Proctor		23.24
15120 - Tutor		23.24
16000 - Laundry, Dry-Cleaning, Pressing And Related Occupations		
16010 - Assembler		11.41
16030 - Counter Attendant		11.41
16040 - Dry Cleaner		14.66
16070 - Finisher, Flatwork, Machine		11.41
16090 - Presser, Hand		11.41
16110 - Presser, Machine, Drycleaning		11.41
16130 - Presser, Machine, Shirts		11.41
16160 - Presser, Machine, Wearing Apparel, Laundry		11.41
16190 - Sewing Machine Operator		15.71
16220 - Tailor		16.64
16250 - Washer, Machine		12.51
19000 - Machine Tool Operation And Repair Occupations		
19010 - Machine-Tool Operator (Tool Room)		24.71
19040 - Tool And Die Maker		28.29
21000 - Materials Handling And Packing Occupations		
21020 - Forklift Operator		18.11
21030 - Material Coordinator		25.24
21040 - Material Expediter		25.24
21050 - Material Handling Laborer		13.83
21071 - Order Filler		15.09
21080 - Production Line Worker (Food Processing)		18.11
21110 - Shipping Packer		17.65
21130 - Shipping/Receiving Clerk		17.65
21140 - Store Worker I		12.49
21150 - Stock Clerk		17.98
21210 - Tools And Parts Attendant		18.11
21410 - Warehouse Specialist		18.11
23000 - Mechanics And Maintenance And Repair Occupations		
23010 - Aerospace Structural Welder		32.92
23019 - Aircraft Logs and Records Technician		23.91
23021 - Aircraft Mechanic I		31.25
23022 - Aircraft Mechanic II		32.92
23023 - Aircraft Mechanic III		34.52
23040 - Aircraft Mechanic Helper		21.22
23050 - Aircraft, Painter		29.92
23060 - Aircraft Servicer		23.91
23070 - Aircraft Survival Flight Equipment Technician		29.92

23080 - Aircraft Worker	25.42
23091 - Aircrew Life Support Equipment (ALSE) Mechanic I	25.42
23092 - Aircrew Life Support Equipment (ALSE) Mechanic II	31.25
23110 - Appliance Mechanic	21.75
23120 - Bicycle Repairer	14.43
23125 - Cable Splicer	31.48
23130 - Carpenter, Maintenance	22.45
23140 - Carpet Layer	20.49
23160 - Electrician, Maintenance	27.98
23181 - Electronics Technician Maintenance I	30.17
23182 - Electronics Technician Maintenance II	32.03
23183 - Electronics Technician Maintenance III	33.75
23260 - Fabric Worker	22.55
23290 - Fire Alarm System Mechanic	22.91
23310 - Fire Extinguisher Repairer	20.77
23311 - Fuel Distribution System Mechanic	27.60
23312 - Fuel Distribution System Operator	23.45
23370 - General Maintenance Worker	21.43
23380 - Ground Support Equipment Mechanic	31.25
23381 - Ground Support Equipment Servicer	23.91
23382 - Ground Support Equipment Worker	25.42
23391 - Gunsmith I	20.77
23392 - Gunsmith II	24.15
23393 - Gunsmith III	27.00
23410 - Heating, Ventilation And Air-Conditioning Mechanic	28.33
23411 - Heating, Ventilation And Air Contditioning Mechanic (Research Facility)	29.84
23430 - Heavy Equipment Mechanic	26.13
23440 - Heavy Equipment Operator	22.91
23460 - Instrument Mechanic	27.34
23465 - Laboratory/Shelter Mechanic	25.64
23470 - Laborer	14.98
23510 - Locksmith	23.54
23530 - Machinery Maintenance Mechanic	27.44
23550 - Machinist, Maintenance	26.10
23580 - Maintenance Trades Helper	18.27
23591 - Metrology Technician I	27.34
23592 - Metrology Technician II	28.79
23593 - Metrology Technician III	30.19
23640 - Millwright	28.19
23710 - Office Appliance Repairer	22.96
23760 - Painter, Maintenance	21.75
23790 - Pipefitter, Maintenance	26.55
23810 - Plumber, Maintenance	25.21
23820 - Pneudraulic Systems Mechanic	27.00
23850 - Rigger	27.72
23870 - Scale Mechanic	24.15
23890 - Sheet-Metal Worker, Maintenance	24.81
23910 - Small Engine Mechanic	20.49
23931 - Telecommunications Mechanic I	29.95
23932 - Telecommunications Mechanic II	31.55
23950 - Telephone Lineman	32.28
23960 - Welder, Combination, Maintenance	24.34
23965 - Well Driller	22.91
23970 - Woodcraft Worker	27.00
23980 - Woodworker	20.77
24000 - Personal Needs Occupations	
24550 - Case Manager	19.40

24570 - Child Care Attendant	12.79
24580 - Child Care Center Clerk	17.77
24610 - Chore Aide	11.57
24620 - Family Readiness And Support Services Coordinator	19.40
24630 - Homemaker	19.40
25000 - Plant And System Operations Occupations	
25010 - Boiler Tender	33.03
25040 - Sewage Plant Operator	24.67
25070 - Stationary Engineer	33.03
25190 - Ventilation Equipment Tender	23.58
25210 - Water Treatment Plant Operator	24.67
27000 - Protective Service Occupations	
27004 - Alarm Monitor	23.09
27007 - Baggage Inspector	15.38
27008 - Corrections Officer	25.08
27010 - Court Security Officer	26.37
27030 - Detection Dog Handler	20.57
27040 - Detention Officer	25.08
27070 - Firefighter	28.10
27101 - Guard I	15.38
27102 - Guard II	20.57
27131 - Police Officer I	29.70
27132 - Police Officer II	33.00
28000 - Recreation Occupations	
28041 - Carnival Equipment Operator	13.59
28042 - Carnival Equipment Repairer	14.63
28043 - Carnival Worker	9.24
28210 - Gate Attendant/Gate Tender	15.74
28310 - Lifeguard	11.59
28350 - Park Attendant (Aide)	17.62
28510 - Recreation Aide/Health Facility Attendant	12.85
28515 - Recreation Specialist	21.82
28630 - Sports Official	14.03
28690 - Swimming Pool Operator	18.21
29000 - Stevedoring/Longshoremen Occupational Services	
29010 - Blocker And Bracer	27.98
29020 - Hatch Tender	27.98
29030 - Line Handler	27.98
29041 - Stevedore I	25.78
29042 - Stevedore II	29.33
30000 - Technical Occupations	
30010 - Air Traffic Control Specialist, Center (HFO) (see 2)	41.44
30011 - Air Traffic Control Specialist, Station (HFO) (see 2)	28.58
30012 - Air Traffic Control Specialist, Terminal (HFO) (see 2)	31.47
30021 - Archeological Technician I	20.19
30022 - Archeological Technician II	22.60
30023 - Archeological Technician III	27.98
30030 - Cartographic Technician	27.98
30040 - Civil Engineering Technician	26.41
30051 - Cryogenic Technician I	24.89
30052 - Cryogenic Technician II	27.49
30061 - Drafter/CAD Operator I	20.19
30062 - Drafter/CAD Operator II	22.60
30063 - Drafter/CAD Operator III	25.19
30064 - Drafter/CAD Operator IV	31.00
30081 - Engineering Technician I	22.92
30082 - Engineering Technician II	25.72
30083 - Engineering Technician III	28.79
30084 - Engineering Technician IV	35.64
30085 - Engineering Technician V	43.61

30086	- Engineering Technician VI	52.76
30090	- Environmental Technician	27.41
30095	- Evidence Control Specialist	22.47
30210	- Laboratory Technician	24.41
30221	- Latent Fingerprint Technician I	33.09
30222	- Latent Fingerprint Technician II	36.55
30240	- Mathematical Technician	28.94
30361	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant I	21.36
30362	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant II	26.47
30363	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant III	32.36
30364	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant IV	39.16
30375	- Petroleum Supply Specialist	27.49
30390	- Photo-Optics Technician	27.98
30395	- Radiation Control Technician	27.49
30461	- Technical Writer I	25.75
30462	- Technical Writer II	31.51
30463	- Technical Writer III	38.12
30491	- Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Technician I	26.34
30492	- Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Technician II	31.87
30493	- Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Technician III	38.20
30494	- Unexploded (UXO) Safety Escort	26.34
30495	- Unexploded (UXO) Sweep Personnel	26.34
30501	- Weather Forecaster I	26.93
30502	- Weather Forecaster II	32.75
30620	- Weather Observer, Combined Upper Air Or	(see 2) 25.19
Surface Programs		
30621	- Weather Observer, Senior	(see 2) 27.98
31000	- Transportation/Mobile Equipment Operation Occupations	
31010	- Airplane Pilot	31.87
31020	- Bus Aide	14.32
31030	- Bus Driver	20.85
31043	- Driver Courier	15.38
31260	- Parking and Lot Attendant	11.06
31290	- Shuttle Bus Driver	16.83
31310	- Taxi Driver	13.98
31361	- Truckdriver, Light	16.83
31362	- Truckdriver, Medium	18.28
31363	- Truckdriver, Heavy	20.54
31364	- Truckdriver, Tractor-Trailer	20.54
99000	- Miscellaneous Occupations	
99020	- Cabin Safety Specialist	15.54
99030	- Cashier	10.51
99050	- Desk Clerk	12.92
99095	- Embalmer	27.90
99130	- Flight Follower	26.34
99251	- Laboratory Animal Caretaker I	13.24
99252	- Laboratory Animal Caretaker II	14.47
99260	- Marketing Analyst	33.51
99310	- Mortician	34.10
99410	- Pest Controller	18.70
99510	- Photofinishing Worker	13.20
99710	- Recycling Laborer	19.20
99711	- Recycling Specialist	23.54
99730	- Refuse Collector	17.01
99810	- Sales Clerk	12.09
99820	- School Crossing Guard	16.25
99830	- Survey Party Chief	25.06
99831	- Surveying Aide	15.57
99832	- Surveying Technician	23.81
99840	- Vending Machine Attendant	15.48
99841	- Vending Machine Repairer	19.67

99842 - Vending Machine Repairer Helper

15.48

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors, applies to all contracts subject to the Service Contract Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is the victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

ALL OCCUPATIONS LISTED ABOVE RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:

HEALTH & WELFARE: \$4.27 per hour or \$170.80 per week or \$740.13 per month

VACATION: 2 weeks paid vacation after 1 year of service with a contractor or successor, 3 weeks after 5 years, and 4 weeks after 15 years. Length of service includes the whole span of continuous service with the present contractor or successor, wherever employed, and with the predecessor contractors in the performance of similar work at the same Federal facility. (Reg. 29 CFR 4.173)

HOLIDAYS: A minimum of ten paid holidays per year: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. (A contractor may substitute for any of the named holidays another day off with pay in accordance with a plan communicated to the employees involved.) (See 29 CFR 4.174)

THE OCCUPATIONS WHICH HAVE NUMBERED FOOTNOTES IN PARENTHESES RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING:

1) COMPUTER EMPLOYEES: Under the SCA at section 8(b), this wage determination does not apply to any employee who individually qualifies as a bona fide executive, administrative, or professional employee as defined in 29 C.F.R. Part 541. Because most Computer System Analysts and Computer Programmers who are compensated at a rate not less than \$27.63 (or on a salary or fee basis at a rate not less than \$455 per week) an hour would likely qualify as exempt computer professionals, (29 C.F.R. 541.400) wage rates may not be listed on this wage determination for all occupations within those job families. In addition, because this wage determination may not list a wage rate for some or all occupations within those job families if the survey data indicates that the prevailing wage rate for the occupation equals or exceeds \$27.63 per hour conformances may be necessary for certain nonexempt employees. For example, if an individual employee is nonexempt but nevertheless performs duties within the scope of one of the Computer Systems Analyst or Computer Programmer occupations for which this wage determination does not specify an SCA wage rate, then the wage rate for that employee must be conformed in accordance with the conformance procedures described in the conformance note included on this wage determination.

Additionally, because job titles vary widely and change quickly in the computer industry, job titles are not determinative of the application of the computer professional exemption. Therefore, the exemption applies only to computer employees

who satisfy the compensation requirements and whose primary duty consists of:

(1) The application of systems analysis techniques and procedures, including consulting with users, to determine hardware, software or system functional specifications;

(2) The design, development, documentation, analysis, creation, testing or modification of computer systems or programs, including prototypes, based on and related to user or system design specifications;

(3) The design, documentation, testing, creation or modification of computer programs related to machine operating systems; or

(4) A combination of the aforementioned duties, the performance of which requires the same level of skills. (29 C.F.R. 541.400).

2) AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS AND WEATHER OBSERVERS - NIGHT PAY & SUNDAY PAY: If you work at night as part of a regular tour of duty, you will earn a night differential and receive an additional 10% of basic pay for any hours worked between 6pm and 6am.

If you are a full-time employed (40 hours a week) and Sunday is part of your regularly scheduled workweek, you are paid at your rate of basic pay plus a Sunday premium of 25% of your basic rate for each hour of Sunday work which is not overtime (i.e. occasional work on Sunday outside the normal tour of duty is considered overtime work).

** HAZARDOUS PAY DIFFERENTIAL **

An 8 percent differential is applicable to employees employed in a position that represents a high degree of hazard when working with or in close proximity to ordnance, explosives, and incendiary materials. This includes work such as screening, blending, dying, mixing, and pressing of sensitive ordnance, explosives, and pyrotechnic compositions such as lead azide, black powder and photoflash powder.

All dry-house activities involving propellants or explosives. Demilitarization, modification, renovation, demolition, and maintenance operations on sensitive ordnance, explosives and incendiary materials. All operations involving re-grading and cleaning of artillery ranges.

A 4 percent differential is applicable to employees employed in a position that represents a low degree of hazard when working with, or in close proximity to ordnance, (or employees possibly adjacent to) explosives and incendiary materials which involves potential injury such as laceration of hands, face, or arms of the employee engaged in the operation, irritation of the skin, minor burns and the like; minimal damage to immediate or adjacent work area or equipment being used. All operations involving, unloading, storage, and hauling of ordnance, explosive, and incendiary ordnance material other than small arms ammunition. These differentials are only applicable to work that has been specifically designated by the agency for ordnance, explosives, and incendiary material differential pay.

** UNIFORM ALLOWANCE **

If employees are required to wear uniforms in the performance of this contract (either by the terms of the Government contract, by the employer, by the state or local law, etc.), the cost of furnishing such uniforms and maintaining (by laundering or dry cleaning) such uniforms is an expense that may not be borne by an employee where such cost reduces the hourly rate below that required by the wage determination. The Department of Labor will accept payment in accordance with the following standards as compliance:

The contractor or subcontractor is required to furnish all employees with an adequate number of uniforms without cost or to reimburse employees for the actual cost of the uniforms. In addition, where uniform cleaning and maintenance is made the responsibility of the employee, all contractors and subcontractors subject to this wage determination shall (in the absence of a bona fide collective bargaining agreement providing for a different amount, or the furnishing of contrary

affirmative proof as to the actual cost), reimburse all employees for such cleaning and maintenance at a rate of \$3.35 per week (or \$.67 cents per day). However, in those instances where the uniforms furnished are made of "wash and wear" materials, may be routinely washed and dried with other personal garments, and do not require any special treatment such as dry cleaning, daily washing, or commercial laundering in order to meet the cleanliness or appearance standards set by the terms of the Government contract, by the contractor, by law, or by the nature of the work, there is no requirement that employees be reimbursed for uniform maintenance costs.

**** SERVICE CONTRACT ACT DIRECTORY OF OCCUPATIONS ****

The duties of employees under job titles listed are those described in the "Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations", Fifth Edition (Revision 1), dated September 2015, unless otherwise indicated.

**** REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION AND WAGE RATE, Standard Form 1444 (SF-1444) ****

Conformance Process:

The contracting officer shall require that any class of service employee which is not listed herein and which is to be employed under the contract (i.e., the work to be performed is not performed by any classification listed in the wage determination), be classified by the contractor so as to provide a reasonable relationship (i.e., appropriate level of skill comparison) between such unlisted classifications and the classifications listed in the wage determination (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(i)). Such conforming procedures shall be initiated by the contractor prior to the performance of contract work by such unlisted class(es) of employees (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(ii)). The Wage and Hour Division shall make a final determination of conformed classification, wage rate, and/or fringe benefits which shall be paid to all employees performing in the classification from the first day of work on which contract work is performed by them in the classification. Failure to pay such unlisted employees the compensation agreed upon by the interested parties and/or fully determined by the Wage and Hour Division retroactive to the date such class of employees commenced contract work shall be a violation of the Act and this contract. (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(v)). When multiple wage determinations are included in a contract, a separate SF-1444 should be prepared for each wage determination to which a class(es) is to be conformed.

The process for preparing a conformance request is as follows:

- 1) When preparing the bid, the contractor identifies the need for a conformed occupation(s) and computes a proposed rate(s).
- 2) After contract award, the contractor prepares a written report listing in order the proposed classification title(s), a Federal grade equivalency (FGE) for each proposed classification(s), job description(s), and rationale for proposed wage rate(s), including information regarding the agreement or disagreement of the authorized representative of the employees involved, or where there is no authorized representative, the employees themselves. This report should be submitted to the contracting officer no later than 30 days after such unlisted class(es) of employees performs any contract work.
- 3) The contracting officer reviews the proposed action and promptly submits a report of the action, together with the agency's recommendations and pertinent information including the position of the contractor and the employees, to the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, for review (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(ii)).
- 4) Within 30 days of receipt, the Wage and Hour Division approves, modifies, or disapproves the action via transmittal to the agency contracting officer, or notifies the contracting officer that additional time will be required to process

the request.

5) The contracting officer transmits the Wage and Hour Division's decision to the contractor.

6) Each affected employee shall be furnished by the contractor with a written copy of such determination or it shall be posted as a part of the wage determination (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(iii)).

Information required by the Regulations must be submitted on SF-1444 or bond paper.

When preparing a conformance request, the "Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations" should be used to compare job definitions to ensure that duties requested are not performed by a classification already listed in the wage determination. Remember, it is not the job title, but the required tasks that determine whether a class is included in an established wage determination. Conformances may not be used to artificially split, combine, or subdivide classifications listed in the wage determination (See 29 CFR 4.152(c)(1)).



**ATTACHMENT “L”
BENCHMARK STANDARDS & MENU OF
EXPANDED OPTIONS FOR
COMPLIANCE WITH DCHA’S SECTION 3
PROGRAM**

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**			
Original Options: New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contribution Original Options: New Hires – Temporary and Permanent Apprenticeships/General Training Subcontract with Section 3 Business Concerns Cash Contributions (As A Last Resort When Feasible Options Have Been Exhausted)	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 Cash Contributions	Original Options: New Hires – Temporary and/or Permanent Subcontract w/Section 3 Business Concerns Pre-Apprenticeships Cash Contributions	
	Proposed Additional Options: Sponsor delivery of a Security Certification Course	Proposed Additional Options: Sponsor delivery of a Landscaping Certification Course	Proposed Additional Options: Sponsor delivery of two 3-day Survey Training Workshops and purchase 25 tablets	Proposed Additional Options: 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 hours plus FICA/8 weeks. Includes Career Day Attire.	Sponsor 2 Summer Youth (Employment)/\$10.50 per hours 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
Proposed Additional Options:				
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 “M” INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS NON-CONSTRUCTION

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

**Instructions to Bidders for Contracts
Public and Indian Housing Programs**

Instructions to Bidders for Contracts

Public and Indian Housing Programs

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1. Bid Preparation and Submission

(a) Bidders are expected to examine the specifications, drawings, all instructions, and, if applicable, the construction site (see also the contract clause entitled **Site Investigation and Conditions Affecting the Work of the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction**). Failure to do so will be at the bidders' risk.

(b) All bids must be submitted on the forms provided by the Public Housing Agency/Indian Housing Authority (PHA/IHA). Bidders shall furnish all the information required by the solicitation. Bids must be signed and the bidder's name typed or printed on the bid sheet and each continuation sheet which requires the entry of information by the bidder. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the bid. Bids signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority. (Bidders should retain a copy of their bid for their records.)

(c) Bidders must submit as part of their bid a completed form HUD-5369-A, "Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders."

(d) All bid documents shall be sealed in an envelope which shall be clearly marked with the words "Bid Documents," the Invitation for Bids (IFB) number, any project or other identifying number, the bidder's name, and the date and time for receipt of bids.

(e) If this solicitation requires bidding on all items, failure to do so will disqualify the bid. If bidding on all items is not required, bidders should insert the words "No Bid" in the space provided for any item on which no price is submitted.

(f) Unless expressly authorized elsewhere in this solicitation, alternate bids will not be considered.

(g) Unless expressly authorized elsewhere in this solicitation, bids submitted by telegraph or facsimile (fax) machines will not be considered.

(h) If the proposed contract is for a Mutual Help project (as described in 24 CFR Part 905, Subpart E) that involves Mutual Help contributions of work, material, or equipment, supplemental information regarding the bid advertisement is provided as an attachment to this solicitation.

2. Explanations and Interpretations to Prospective Bidders

(a) Any prospective bidder desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, specifications, drawings, etc., must request it at least 7 days before the scheduled time for bid opening. Requests may be oral or written. Oral requests must be confirmed in writing. The only oral clarifications that will be provided will be those clearly related to solicitation procedures, i.e., not substantive technical information. No other oral explanation or interpretation will be provided. Any information given a prospective bidder concerning this solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective bidders as a written amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting bids, or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective bidders.

(b) Any information obtained by, or provided to, a bidder other than by formal amendment to the solicitation shall not constitute a change to the solicitation.

3. Amendments to Invitations for Bids

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

(b) Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date on the bid form, or (3) by letter, telegram, or facsimile, if those methods are authorized in the solicitation. The PHA/IHA must receive acknowledgement by the time and at the place specified for receipt of bids. Bids which fail to acknowledge the bidder's receipt of any amendment will result in the rejection of the bid if the amendment(s) contained information which substantively changed the PHA's/IHA's requirements.

(c) Amendments will be on file in the offices of the PHA/IHA and the Architect at least 7 days before bid opening.

4. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

(a) The PHA/IHA will award contracts only to responsible prospective contractors who have the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. In determining the responsibility of a bidder, the PHA/IHA will consider such matters as the bidder's:

- (1) Integrity;
- (2) Compliance with public policy;
- (3) Record of past performance; and
- (4) Financial and technical resources (including construction and technical equipment).

(b) Before a bid is considered for award, the bidder may be requested by the PHA/IHA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the items in paragraph (a) above. Failure by the bidder to provide such additional information shall render the bidder nonresponsible and ineligible for award.

5. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Bids

(a) Any bid 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 PHA/IHA that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the PHA/IHA after receipt at the PHA/IHA; or

(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 observed holidays.

(b) Any modification or withdrawal of a bid is subject to the same conditions as in paragraph (a) of this provision.

(c) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late bid, 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 bid, 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, bidders should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the PHA/IHA is the time/date stamp of PHA/IHA on the proposal wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the PHA/IHA.

(e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late bid, 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, bidders should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and Failure by a bidder to acknowledge receipt of the envelope or wrapper.

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

(g) Bids 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 the exact time set for opening of bids; provided that written confirmation of telegraphic or facsimile withdrawals over the signature of the bidder is mailed and postmarked prior to the specified bid opening time. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening of bids, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid.

6. Bid Opening

All bids received by the date and time of receipt specified in the solicitation will be publicly opened and read. The time and place of opening will be as specified in the solicitation. Bidders and other interested persons may be present.

7. Service of Protest

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Interested party" means an actual or prospective bidder whose direct economic interest would be affected by the award of the contract.

"Protest" means a written objection by an interested party to this solicitation or to a proposed or actual award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation.

(b) Protests shall be served on the Contracting Officer by obtaining written and dated acknowledgement from —

[Contracting Officer designate the official or location where a protest may be served on the Contracting Officer]

(c) All protests shall be resolved in accordance with the PHA's/IHA's protest policy and procedures, copies of which are maintained at the PHA/IHA.

8. Contract Award

(a) The PHA/IHA will evaluate bids in response to this solicitation without discussions and will award a contract to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the solicitation, will be most advantageous to the PHA/IHA considering only price and any price-related factors specified in the solicitation.

(b) If the apparent low bid received in response to this solicitation exceeds the PHA's/IHA's available funding for the proposed contract work, the PHA/IHA may either accept separately priced items (see 8(e) below) or use the following procedure to determine contract award. The PHA/IHA shall apply in turn to each bid (proceeding in order from the apparent low bid to the high bid) each of the separately priced bid deductible items, if any, in their priority order set forth in this solicitation. If upon the application of the first deductible item to all initial bids, a new low bid is within the PHA's/IHA's available funding, then award shall be made to that bidder. If no bid is within the available funding amount, then the PHA/IHA shall apply the second deductible item. The PHA/IHA shall continue this process until an evaluated low bid, if any, is within the PHA's/IHA's available funding. If upon the application of all deductibles, no bid is within the PHA's/IHA's available funding, or if the solicitation does not request separately priced deductibles, the PHA/IHA shall follow its written policy and procedures in making any award under this solicitation.

(c) In the case of tie low bids, award shall be made in accordance with the PHA's/IHA's written policy and procedures.

(d) The PHA/IHA may reject any and all bids, accept other than the lowest bid (e.g., the apparent low bid is unreasonably low), and waive informalities or minor irregularities in bids received, in accordance with the PHA's/IHA's written policy and procedures.

(e) Unless precluded elsewhere in the solicitation, the PHA/IHA may accept any item or combination of items bid.

(f) The PHA/IHA may reject any bid as nonresponsive if it is materially unbalanced as to the prices for the various items of work to be performed. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated for other work.

(g) A written award shall be furnished to the successful bidder within the period for acceptance specified in the bid and shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

9. Bid Guarantee (applicable to construction and equipment contracts exceeding \$25,000)

All bids must be accompanied by a negotiable bid guarantee which shall not be less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. The bid guarantee may be a certified check, bank draft, U.S. Government Bonds at par value, or a bid bond secured by a surety company acceptable to the U.S. Government and authorized to do business in the state where the work is to be performed. In the case where the work under the contract will be performed on an Indian reservation area, the bid guarantee may also be an irrevocable Letter of Credit (see provision 10, Assurance of Completion, below). Certified checks and bank drafts must be made payable to the order of the PHA/IHA. The bid guarantee shall insure the execution of the contract and the furnishing of a method of assurance of completion by the successful bidder as required by the solicitation. Failure to submit a bid guarantee with the bid shall result in the rejection of the bid. Bid guarantees submitted by unsuccessful bidders will be returned as soon as practicable after bid opening.

10. Assurance of Completion

(a) Unless otherwise provided in State law, the successful bidder shall furnish an assurance of completion prior to the execution of any contract under this solicitation. This assurance may be [Contracting Officer check applicable items] —

[] (1) a performance and payment bond in a penal sum of 100 percent of the contract price; or, as may be required or permitted by State law;

[] (2) separate performance and payment bonds, each for 50 percent or more of the contract price;

[] (3) a 20 percent cash escrow;

[] (4) a 25 percent irrevocable letter of credit; or,

[] (5) an irrevocable letter of credit for 10 percent of the total contract price with a monitoring and disbursements agreement with the IHA (applicable only to contracts awarded by an IHA under the Indian Housing Program).

(b) Bonds must be obtained from guarantee or surety companies acceptable to the U.S. Government and authorized to do business in the state where the work is to be performed. Individual sureties will not be considered. U.S. Treasury Circular Number 570, published annually in the Federal Register, lists companies approved to act as sureties on bonds securing Government contracts, the maximum underwriting limits on each contract bonded, and the States in which the company is licensed to do business. Use of companies listed in this circular is mandatory. Copies of the circular may be downloaded on the U.S. Department of Treasury website <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html>, or ordered for a minimum fee by contacting the Government Printing Office at (202) 512-2168.

(c) Each bond shall clearly state the rate of premium and the total amount of premium charged. The current power of attorney for the person who signs for the surety company must be attached to the bond. The effective date of the power of attorney shall not precede the date of the bond. The effective date of the bond shall be on or after the execution date of the contract.

(d) Failure by the successful bidder to obtain the required assurance of completion within the time specified, or within such extended period as the PHA/IHA may grant based upon reasons determined adequate by the PHA/IHA, shall render the bidder ineligible for award. The PHA/IHA may then either award the contract to the next lowest responsible bidder or solicit new bids. The PHA/IHA may retain the ineligible bidder's bid guarantee.

11. Preconstruction Conference (applicable to construction contracts)

After award of a contract under this solicitation and prior to the start of work, the successful bidder will be required to attend a preconstruction conference with representatives of the PHA/IHA and its architect/engineer, and other interested parties convened by the PHA/IHA. The conference will serve to acquaint the participants with the general plan of the construction operation and all other requirements of the contract (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity, Labor Standards). The PHA/IHA will provide the successful bidder with the date, time, and place of the conference.

12. Indian Preference Requirements (applicable only if this solicitation is for a contract to be performed on a project for an Indian Housing Authority)

(a) HUD has determined that the contract awarded under this solicitation is subject to the requirements of section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b)). Section 7(b) requires that any contract or subcontract entered into for the benefit of Indians shall require that, to the greatest extent feasible

(1) Preferences and opportunities for training and employment (other than core crew positions; see paragraph (h) below) in connection with the administration of such contracts or subcontracts be given to qualified "Indians." The Act defines "Indians" to mean persons who are members of an Indian tribe and defines "Indian tribe" to mean any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including any Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians; and,

(2) Preference in the award of contracts or subcontracts in connection with the administration of contracts be given to Indian organizations and to Indian-owned economic enterprises, as defined in section 3 of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 1452). That Act defines "economic enterprise" to mean any Indian-owned commercial, industrial, or business activity established or organized for the purpose of profit, except that the Indian ownership must constitute not less than 51 percent of the enterprise; "Indian organization" to mean the governing body of any Indian tribe or entity established or recognized by such governing body; "Indian" to mean any person who is a member of any tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and any "Native" as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; and Indian "tribe" to mean any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community including Native villages and Native groups (including

corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

(b) (1) The successful Contractor under this solicitation shall comply with the requirements of this provision in awarding all subcontracts under the contract and in providing training and employment opportunities.

(2) A finding by the IHA that the contractor, either (i) awarded a subcontract without using the procedure required by the IHA, (ii) falsely represented that subcontracts would be awarded to Indian enterprises or organizations; or, (iii) failed to comply with the contractor's employment and training preference bid statement shall be grounds for termination of the contract or for the assessment of penalties or other remedies.

(c) If specified elsewhere in this solicitation, the IHA may restrict the solicitation to qualified Indian-owned enterprises and Indian organizations. If two or more (or a greater number as specified elsewhere in the solicitation) qualified Indian-owned enterprises or organizations submit responsive bids, award shall be made to the qualified enterprise or organization with the lowest responsive bid. If fewer than the minimum required number of qualified Indian-owned enterprises or organizations submit responsive bids, the IHA shall reject all bids and readvertise the solicitation in accordance with paragraph (d) below.

(d) If the IHA prefers not to restrict the solicitation as described in paragraph (c) above, or if after having restricted a solicitation an insufficient number of qualified Indian enterprises or organizations submit bids, the IHA may advertise for bids from non-Indian as well as Indian-owned enterprises and Indian organizations. Award shall be made to the qualified Indian enterprise or organization with the lowest responsive bid if that bid is -

(1) Within the maximum HUD-approved budget amount established for the specific project or activity for which bids are being solicited; and

(2) No more than the percentage specified in 24 CFR 905.175(c) higher than the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any qualified bidder. If no responsive bid by a qualified Indian-owned economic enterprise or organization is within the stated range of the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any qualified enterprise, award shall be made to the bidder with the lowest bid.

(e) Bidders seeking to qualify for preference in contracting or subcontracting shall submit proof of Indian ownership with their bids. Proof of Indian ownership shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Certification by a tribe or other evidence that the bidder is an Indian. The IHA shall accept the certification of a tribe that an individual is a member.

(2) Evidence such as stock ownership, structure, management, control, financing and salary or profit sharing arrangements of the enterprise.

(f) (1) All bidders must submit with their bids a statement describing how they will provide Indian preference in the award of subcontracts. The specific requirements of that statement and the factors to be used by the IHA in determining the statement's adequacy are included as an attachment to this solicitation. Any bid that fails to include the required statement shall be rejected as nonresponsive. The IHA may require that comparable statements be provided by subcontractors to the successful Contractor, and may require the Contractor to reject any bid or proposal by a subcontractor that fails to include the statement.

(2) Bidders and prospective subcontractors shall submit a certification (supported by credible evidence) to the IHA in any instance where the bidder or subcontractor believes it is infeasible to provide Indian preference in subcontracting. The acceptance or rejection by the IHA of the certification shall be final. Rejection shall disqualify the bid from further consideration.

(g) All bidders must submit with their bids a statement detailing their employment and training opportunities and their plans to provide preference to Indians in implementing the contract; and the number or percentage of Indians anticipated to be employed and trained. Comparable statements from all proposed subcontractors must be submitted. The criteria to be used by the IHA in determining the statement(s)'s adequacy are included as an attachment to this solicitation. Any bid that fails to include the required statement(s), or that includes a statement that does not meet minimum standards required by the IHA shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

(h) Core crew employees. A core crew employee is an individual who is a bona fide employee of the contractor at the time the bid is submitted; or an individual who was not employed by the bidder at the time the bid was submitted, but who is regularly employed by the bidder in a supervisory or other key skilled position when work is available. Bidders shall submit with their bids a list of all core crew employees.

(i) Preference in contracting, subcontracting, employment, and training shall apply not only on-site, on the reservation, or within the IHA's jurisdiction, but also to contracts with firms that operate outside these areas (e.g., employment in modular or manufactured housing construction facilities).

(j) Bidders should contact the IHA to determine if any additional local preference requirements are applicable to this solicitation.

(k) The IHA [] does [] does not [Contracting Officer check applicable box] maintain lists of Indian-owned economic enterprises and Indian organizations by specialty (e.g., plumbing, electrical, foundations), which are available to bidders to assist them in meeting their responsibility to provide preference in connection with the administration of contracts and subcontracts.

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

U.S. Department of 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:]