

# Project Rebuild, Inc.

Build-it-Back Acquisition, Relocation, and Buyout Program

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION SERVICES

ISSUE DATE: February 1, 2016  
RFP RESPONSE DEADLINE: February 22, 2016 @ 12PM

PRE-SUBMISSION CONFERENCE DATE (Not Mandatory, but Recommended): February 5, 2016 @ 9:30AM

**PRE-SUBMISSION CONFERENCE LOCATION:**

Neighborhood Restore  
150 Broadway, Suite 2101,  
New York, NY 10038

RSVP TO: [info@neighborhoodrestore.com](mailto:info@neighborhoodrestore.com)

RSVP BY: February 4, 2016 @ 4PM

QUESTIONS DUE BY: February 8, 2016  
QUESTIONS SENT TO: [info@neighborhoodrestore.com](mailto:info@neighborhoodrestore.com)  
RESPONSE DATE: February 10, 2016

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

This Request for Proposals ("RFP") is being issued by Project Rebuild, Inc. ("Project Rebuild") a not-for-profit entity affiliated with Neighborhood Restore HDFC and formed for the purpose of administering the Build-it-Back Acquisition, Relocation, and Buyout Program ("Program"), to determine the eligibility of Legal Counsel ("Applicants") and approved subcontractors experienced in performing real estate transaction services to participate in the acquisition and disposition of properties purchased directly from the homeowners affected by Superstorm Sandy.

In order to facilitate these transfers of ownership, Project Rebuild is seeking Applicants to represent Project Rebuild and subcontract with title agencies, closing agents, and licensed surveyors to provide complete real estate transaction services for the Program as described in more detail in Section II. Scope of Work.

Additionally, for several homeowners who have signed preliminary offers to sell their home through the Program, the Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations ("HRO") has already procured title reports from Skyline TRG Title Agency and surveys from Gerald T. O'Buckley, Christopher M. Buckley, and Christopher Henn. Where title reports and survey documentation has already been obtained, Applicants will be required to use said reports and documentation in the provision of services for those particular properties. Applicants may include as many subcontractors in their submission as they deem necessary to complete the Scope of Work.

The selected vendor(s) will be chosen from among the list of Applicants who qualify through this RFP. It is important to note that not all Applicants deemed qualified will be selected to participate in the Program. The contract will be awarded to the Applicant(s) that is determined to be the best value, by optimizing quality, cost, and efficiency and therefore is determined to be most advantageous to Project Rebuild and the Program.

### I. INTRODUCTION

This RFP specifically addresses acquiring properties affected by Superstorm Sandy from homeowners or other eligible transferors and subsequently determining appropriate disposition strategies with oversight from HRO and NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development ("HPD").

The Program permits homeowners of eligible properties (typically homes that were completely destroyed or substantially damaged by Superstorm Sandy) to sell their properties to Project Rebuild, who will then use Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Relief ("CDBG-DR") funds to rehabilitate or demolish them for redevelopment or for another subsequent property use. Rehabilitated homes will be sold with certain restrictions upon resale to ensure ongoing compliance with Federal Regulations. This may include selling the property to qualifying homebuyers at an affordable cost or for vacant properties, selling to developers as sites of future affordable housing. Disposing of sites through an auction-like process may also be required. Non-developable land will be cleared and transferred to an appropriate City agency or qualified land steward. Based on initial estimates, Project Rebuild expects to acquire approximately 100 properties for subsequent disposition. This number is subject to change.

Most acquisition transactions are expected to take place through mail-away closings, while some may be in-person. Project Rebuild is aware that most if not all homeowners of eligible properties who become sellers in the Program may not be represented by independent counsel and subsequently clearance of title will largely be the selected Legal Counsel(s) and approved subcontractor's responsibility.

### II. SCOPE OF WORK

As described above, Project Rebuild is seeking qualified Applicants to provide all necessary services to complete acquisition and disposition real estate transactions as follows:

1. ACQUISITION TRANSACTIONS:
  - a. Legal Counsel
    - Order full title report and survey;
    - Review and clear title and property issues;

- Review the Final Lien Disclosure in order to prepare a Purchase Agreement and Purchase Agreement update, if necessary
- Prepare Relocation Grant Agreement, if necessary
- Prepare deed, and transfer documents;
- Prepare program agreements/affidavits/forms;
- Coordinate to ensure relevant title insurance coverage is in place;
- Coordinate flow of funds;
- Hold escrow, if necessary;
- Prepare HUD I Settlement Statement;
- Prepare for execution, attendance, and completion of closing; and
- Prepare closing memo.

b. Title Agency & Closing Agent

- Prepare full title reports including, but not limited to:
  - Schedule A
  - Schedule B
  - Tax Search
    - Tax Map
  - Mortgages
  - HOA search
  - Municipal Search
    - Certificate of Occupancy
    - Housing & Building
    - Fire Department Search
    - Street Report
    - Emergency Repairs
    - Department of Highways
    - Air Resources
    - Fuel Oil Burner
    - Vault Search
    - Landmark Search
    - Flood Search
    - Bankruptcy Search
    - Health Search
    - Patriot Search
- Review survey and incorporate reading into title report;
- Prepare title updates prior to closings
- Deliver clear title
- Provide title insurance;
- Prepare title bill;
- Act as Closing Agent;
- Provide copies of all materials from closing to all required parties; and
- Record necessary documents with county clerk post-closing.

c. Surveyor

- Complete new surveys and survey updates prior to closing as needed.
- Certify surveys to Project Rebuild Inc.

2. DISPOSITION TRANSACTIONS:

a. Legal Counsel

- Prepare deed, transfer documents and affidavits;
- Clear title;
- Attend project calls;

- Coordinate flow of funds;
- Hold escrow, if necessary;
- Prepare HUD I Settlement Statement;
- Prepare for closing;
- Attend, execute, and complete closing; and
- Prepare closing memo.

### III. PROGRAM GUIDELINES

#### Execution of Contract for Services

If selected for the Program, Applicants will be required to execute a contract with Project Rebuild. Given that Project Rebuild does not at this time know the identity of all the property owners who will participate in the Program, the contract will need to be amended to include any additional properties once such additional properties are qualified for the Program and assigned to a selected vendor.

#### Obligations of the Vendors

Upon entering into contract with Project Rebuild, vendors accept responsibility for meeting all deadlines and for complying with enforcement provisions. The vendors are required to provide the scope of service in accordance with the following:

- Ensure compliance with Project Rebuild deadlines for delivery of services. Some assignments will involve priority work, which will require immediate attention in which an acquisition closing is expected within 30 days of contract award, within reason. Under the normal course of business, Project Rebuild expects a complete title report within 30 days and acquisition closing within 60 days of contract award. Given the time-sensitive nature of the Program, Project Rebuild requires that the work completion deadlines be adhered to strictly. Failure to meet these deadlines may be grounds for termination by Project Rebuild.
- Maintain adequate staff to undertake the services required. Project Rebuild reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to request additional staff or to require the replacement of nonproductive staff members when deemed necessary.
- Establish with Project Rebuild staff an operations plan including, but not limited to, expected timelines and reporting procedures.

#### Term of the Contract/Pricing

Fees for services will be established through the pricing provided in response to this RFP. Project Rebuild will select the most reasonable and responsive vendor(s). Project Rebuild will enter into contracts with selected vendors, renewable with the original terms, at the sole discretion of Project Rebuild. Project Rebuild cannot and does not guarantee a particular number or a particular type of transaction to be serviced by the selected vendor.

Project Rebuild will make payments of invoices within thirty (30) days of the successful completion of transactions. Payment for additional services must be submitted, in writing, to Project Rebuild for approval prior to commencing work.

The proposed project shall conform to, and be subject to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations and ordinances of all Federal, State, and City authorities having jurisdiction, as the same may be amended from time to time. Additionally, to participate in the Program, the selected vendor must adhere to all applicable sections of New York City and federal contracting provisions in the Appendix A and Federal Requirements Rider attached to this RFP at Attachment 1 ("Appendix A") and Attachment 2 ("Federal Requirements Rider").

Pursuant to the foregoing, vendors may be required to, without limitation:

- Complete background questionnaires;
- Comply with laws, rules and regulations governing lobbying activity;
- Demonstrate ability to comply with the requirements of Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, as amended, and as implemented by the regulations set forth in Attachment 2;

- Comply with New York City's equal employment opportunity ("EEO") requirements, including participating in an EEO class;
- Comply with whistleblower protection laws, as applicable;
- Promptly furnish Project Rebuild with any reasonably requested information and reports and otherwise cooperate with Project Rebuild, in each case, in furtherance of ensuring compliance with federal, state, and local requirements.

#### IV. THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

To be considered eligible, Applicants must be legally licensed in New York State and must meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must have over five (5) years of experience.
- Applicants must have experience working with non-profits and government entities, CDBG experience preferred.
- Legal firms' offices must be within reasonable distance of:

Project Rebuild, Inc.  
150 Broadway, Suite 2101  
New York, NY 10038

NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development  
100 Gold Street  
New York, NY 10038

Applicants will be disqualified for adverse findings with respect to:

- Arson, fraud, bribery, or grand larceny conviction or pending case;
- Compliance/history with governmental agencies as described in Applicant Questionnaire or in references;
- Formal debarment or suspension from entering into contracts with any governmental agency or other notification or ineligibility for or prohibition against bidding or proposing on government contracts;
- Denial of a contract based on any obligation to, or unsatisfied judgment or lien held by, a governmental agency;
- Subject of any voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy proceeding.

#### V. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For consideration, Applicants must submit one fastened original binder or pdf file, if submitting electronically, of the Applicant's qualifications, including all documentation requested, as described below:

Each copy of the qualifications must be clearly labeled with tabs as indicated below or labelled sections, if submitting electronically. The tabs should run down the right hand side of the submission. The original applications must be signed by an authorized representative of the Applicant.

Submissions should be sent to:

All submissions become the property of Project Rebuild. Submissions shall be delivered by hand to the address below or received by email to [info@neighborhoodrestore.com](mailto:info@neighborhoodrestore.com) no later than **February 22, 2016 by 12PM.**

Project Rebuild, Inc.  
150 Broadway, Suite 2101  
New York, NY 10038  
(212) 584-8981x 26  
Attn: Erin Longbothum

PLEASE NOTE THAT EACH COPY OF THE APPLICANT'S QUALIFICATIONS MUST CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING FORMS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AS STATED BELOW.

1. Contents of Submission & Scoring

**TAB A - Cover Letter (10%)**

Applicants should provide a cover letter on company letterhead that: references the RFP, summarizes the ability to perform such services as described; and provides contact information for the Applicant's main contact person.

**TAB B - Applicant Questionnaire, Certification of Information, & Credit Authorization Form (see attached) (40%)**

Complete the forms contained in Tab B. Applicant should provide a separate Questionnaire, Certification, & Authorization for itself and each intended subcontractor.

**TAB C - Fee and Pricing Form (see attached) (25%)**

Completed and signed. Tab should include pricing information for Applicant and all intended subcontractors.

**TAB D – Personnel (15%)**

Provide a list of key personnel and their credentials. Applicants will be evaluated based on the relevant experience of its key team members including the Contact Person. Please include name, title, and years with the firm. Please include resumes for all key personnel, key personnel cannot be changed without Project Rebuild approval.

**TAB E – References (10%)**

Provide at least three (3) client references, written statements of reference or the names, addresses and telephone numbers of clients, who can explain the Applicant's involvement and the scope of services should be included. Information concerning personnel assignment and contract duration should be described.

**Additional Information**

**VENDEX**

All selected vendors will be subject to completion of a VENDEX Questionnaire and review of that information by the Department of Investigation prior to contract award. Project Rebuild asks that all Applicants complete and return the VENDEX Questionnaire (ATTACHMENT 3) with its submission to expedite the approval process should the vendor be selected for the Program. If the Applicant has already submitted the VENDEX Questionnaire for other business within the last three (3) years, a Certificate of No Change may be submitted instead.

**Disclosure & Conflict of Interest Statement**

Project Rebuild will require disclosure by an Applicant, its employees or anyone acting on its behalf. Such disclosure review will include, but not be limited to: (i) whether an Applicant, its employees or anyone acting on its behalf has ever been convicted of a crime or offense arising directly or indirectly from the conduct of the Applicant's business and (ii) whether any of an Applicant's officers, directors, or persons exercising substantial policy discretion have ever been convicted of any crime or offense involving misconduct or fraud. Project Rebuild will also require disclosure of (iii) any material financial relationships that an Applicant, any Applicant employee or affiliate has with firms or entities that may create a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest in acting as a vendor for any site with which they enter into contract pursuant to this RFP and; (iv) any family relationship that any employee of an Applicant has with an officer or board member of any site with which they enter into contract pursuant to this RFP, that may create a conflict of interest, or any other matter that the Applicant believe may create a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest in acting as a vendor for any site with which they enter into contract pursuant to this RFP. Failure to adequately disclose may result in a conflict-of-interest determination.

Submissions will be promptly reviewed by Project Rebuild. Interviews, site visits, and/or additional information may be requested.

## **VI. TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

This RFP is subject to the specific conditions, terms and limitations stated below:

1. Project Rebuild is not obligated to pay nor shall it in fact pay any costs or losses incurred by any Applicant at any time including the cost of responding to the RFP.
2. Project Rebuild reserves the right to reject at any time any or all proposals and/or to withdraw this RFP in whole or in part, to negotiate with one or more Applicants, and/or dispose of the sites on terms other than those set forth herein. Project Rebuild likewise reserves the right, at any time, to waive compliance with, or change any of the terms and conditions of this RFP, and to entertain modifications and additions to the selected proposals.
3. Designation of an Applicant as a qualified vendor for this Program will not create any rights on the Applicant's part, including without limitation, rights of enforcement, equity, or reimbursement, until the contract is executed.

## **VII. NOTICES**

### **Requirement to Acknowledge Amendments**

Applicants are required to acknowledge amendments to this document.

### **Applicant Rights**

Applicants should clearly indicate which portions of their proposals that they deem to be confidential, proprietary information or trade secrets and provide any justification why such information, upon request, should not be disclosed by the City. Applicants have the right to appeal certain decisions.

The New York City Comptroller is charged with the audit of contracts in New York City. Any vendor who believes that there has been unfairness, favoritism, or impropriety in the proposal process should inform the Comptroller, Office of Contract Administration, 1 Centre Street, Room 1005, New York, NY 10007, (212) 669- 2323.



**TAB B: APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE**

**APPLICANT IS WILLING TO SUBCONTRACT WITH EXISTING TITLE AGENCIES AND SURVEYORS WHO HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED TITLE SERVICES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM:**

- YES
- NO
- N/A

A separate Questionnaire and Attachment shall be provided for the Applicant and each intended subcontractor, as identified in Section 2 below. If the Applicant is a newly formed business, information on the entity with their experience must be provided.

If additional space is needed, please submit separate sheet(s), identifying the question(s) being answered on each sheet.

See Section V, of the RFP for detailed submission requirements.

**1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. IS THE APPLICANT A TRANSACTION TEAM? YES [ ] NO [ ]**

If yes, list below the name, address, and phone number of each entity which comprises the Applicant stated above.

| <u>Name of Entity</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>% of Ownership</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|

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**APPLICANT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**NAME OF ENTITY COMPLETING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(If other than Applicant, i.e. Transaction Team)

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1. **PRINCIPALS**

- (a) Provide the following information about all principals of this entity. For corporations: provide the names of the officers and controlling shareholders (those owning 10% or more). For partnerships, provide the names of all general partners.

Also state the role that each would play in the acquiring and disposition of Project Rebuild homes and properties.

| Name/<br>Position/Title | Home Address | Role | SS# | % Owned |
|-------------------------|--------------|------|-----|---------|
|                         |              |      |     |         |

2. **ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY**

- (a) Provide organization resumes or any brochures describing your organization and the projects undertaken.
- (b) State number of years the business has been in operation.
- (c) State number and type of employees and describe their general duties and experience. Provide in detail in Personnel section.
- (d) Does your organization generally or most efficiently operate as a member of a Transaction Team that includes other entities? If yes, identify the other individuals and/or organizations and their respective roles.

- (e) If the Applicant is a Transaction Team, has any member or principal of the entities carried out another project? If so, state the name(s) and location(s) of each project. Indicate which members of the Transaction Team participated in each project.
  
- (f) Identify for-profit and not-for-profit developers and/or clients that you have worked with in the past? Describe the extent of the work you have performed for these entities.
  
- (g) Describe any experience or other factors that would demonstrate your knowledge and experience in the acquisition and disposition of housing in New York City. Describe your process in ensuring that the work is completed in a timely and workmanship like manner.
  
- (h) Identify any Minority or Women Owned Businesses (MWBE) certified with New York State that you have worked with and plan to work with should you be awarded this project, including your organization. Please provide business names and trades.

3. **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

- (a) Type of Organization: Sole proprietorship [ ] Partnership [ ] Corporation [ ] Not-For Profit [ ]
- (b) For corporations or partnerships: provide the following information about all partners, officers, and shareholders. For not-for-profits list your board members and officers.

| Name<br>Position/Title | Percentage<br>of Ownership | Date of<br>Ownership |
|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
|                        |                            |                      |

- (c) Do any principals and/or officers maintain a business relationship with or have an ownership interest in another company?  
 Yes [ ] No [ ]

If yes, provide the following information:

| Name<br>Position/Title | Percentage<br>of Ownership | Date of<br>Ownership |
|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
|                        |                            |                      |

- (e) Is company owned in full or in part by another firm or investor(s)? Yes [ ] No [ ]  
 If yes, provide the following information:

| Name of Firm/Investor | Address and Phone | % of Ownership |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|
|                       |                   |                |

4. **EXPERIENCE**

- (a) Complete the following forms for your organization. If any key member has had other experience that you consider relevant to your organization's qualifications, provide a separate form for each such individual in the Personnel section.

5. **OTHER:**

Has any principal identified on page 1, or any organization in which the principal is or was a general partner, or corporate officer, or owned more than 10% of the shares of the corporation been the subject of any of the following:

|   | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| A. Arson conviction, or pending case;   |     |    |
| B. Harassment complaint filed by the New York State Division of Rent Control or the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal;                                   |     |    |
| C. HPD's Housing Litigation Division pending or active case or negative history;  |     |    |
| D. Had an ownership or management interest in a home that was tax foreclosed by the City or assigned by a Judge of Landlord and Tenant Court to a 7A Administrator or Receiver; |     |    |
| E. City and/or HUD Mortgage foreclosure or currently more than 90 days in arrears on any City or HUD loan;  |     |    |
| F. Defaulted on any contract obligation or agreement of any kind or nature whatsoever entered into with the HUD, State or City of New York or of its agencies;                  |     |    |
| G. In the last 5 years, failed to qualify as a responsible vendor, or refused to enter into a contract after an award has been made, privately or with any government agency?   |     |    |
| H. In the last 7 years, filed a bankruptcy petition or been the subject of involuntary bankruptcy proceedings?  |     |    |
| I. In the last 5 years, failed to file any required tax returns, or failed to pay any applicable Federal, State or New York City taxes or other charges?                        |     |    |
| J. Been convicted of fraud, bribery, or grand larceny?  |     |    |

If yes, please state the following information:

(1) Name of principals: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Name of organization/corporation and if an officer, state title:

\_\_\_\_\_

(3) Date of action: \_\_\_\_\_

(4) Current status of action: \_\_\_\_\_

(5) Explanation of Circumstances: \_\_\_\_\_

**TAB B: CERTIFICATION OF INFORMATION**

This certification must be signed by one of the Individuals listed above; if the Respondent Entity is a Transaction Team, an individual representing each Principal must sign it.

I certify that the information set forth in this application and all attachments and supporting documentation is true and correct. I understand that Project Rebuild and HPD will rely on the information in or attached to this document and that this document is submitted to induce the Project Rebuild to select you as a qualified vendor.

I understand that this statement is part of a continuing application and I will report any changes in or additions to the information herein, and will furnish such further documentation or information as may be requested by Project Rebuild and HPD or any agency thereof.

I understand that if I am selected as a qualified vendor, I must submit all additional disclosure forms required.

Name of Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name and Title of Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name and Title of Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

**TAB B: CREDIT AUTHORIZATION FORM**

I authorize Project Rebuild or the NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development to obtain a credit report on:

**ORGANIZATION NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Section A for the Applicant and sign where indicated below:

**Section A**

**Applicant's Employer Identification Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Incorporation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Partnership Formation** \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Section B for Each Principal of the Applicant and sign where indicated below:

**Section B**

**PRINCIPAL'S NAME\*:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Social Security Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please indicate if you are a Jr., Sr. or III.

If you have been married less than two years, or if you have been known by another name, please indicate former name:  
\_\_\_\_\_

If at the above address less than two years, indicate prior address:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TAB C: FEE AND PRICING FORM**

**Legal Counsel Pricing:**

Project Rebuild will make payments within 30 days of receipt of invoice(s) following the successful completion of a transaction. Hourly payment for additional services must be submitted, in writing, to Project Rebuild for approval prior to commencing work.

Provide pricing based on the following scope of work:

**1. ACQUISITION TRANSACTIONS:**

- Order full title report and survey;
- Review and clear title and property issues;
- Review the Final Lien Disclosure in order to prepare a Purchase Agreement and Purchase Agreement update, if necessary
- Prepare Relocation Grant Agreement, if necessary
- Prepare deed, and transfer documents;
- Prepare program agreements/affidavits/forms;
- Coordinate to ensure relevant title insurance coverage is in place;
- Coordinate flow of funds;
- Hold escrow, if necessary;
- Prepare HUD I Settlement Statement;
- Prepare for execution, attendance, and completion of closing; and
- Prepare closing memo.

Transaction fee (per Paper Mail Transaction) \_\_\_\_\_

Transaction fee (per In-person Transaction) \_\_\_\_\_

Additional services hourly fee \_\_\_\_\_

**2. DISPOSITION TRANSACTIONS:**

- Prepare deed, transfer documents and affidavits;
- Clear title;
- Attend project calls;
- Coordinate flow of funds;
- Hold escrow, if necessary;
- Prepare HUD I Settlement Statement;
- Prepare for closing;
- Attend, execute, and complete closing; and
- Prepare closing memo.

Transaction fee (per Paper Mail Transaction) \_\_\_\_\_

Transaction fee (per In-person Transaction) \_\_\_\_\_

Additional services hourly fee \_\_\_\_\_



**TAB C: FEE AND PRICING FORM**

**Title Agency & Closing Agent Pricing:**

Provide pricing based on the following scope of work:

1. ACQUISITION TRANSACTIONS:

- Prepare full title reports including, but not limited to:
  - Schedule A
  - Schedule B
  - Tax Search
    - Tax Map
  - Mortgages
  - HOA search
  - Municipal Search
    - Certificate of Occupancy
    - Housing & Building
    - Fire Department Search
    - Street Report
    - Emergency Repairs
    - Department of Highways
    - Air Resources
    - Fuel Oil Burner
    - Vault Search
    - Landmark Search
    - Flood Search
    - Bankruptcy Search
    - Health Search
    - Patriot Search
- Review survey and incorporate reading into title report;
- Prepare title updates prior to closings
- Deliver clear title
- Provide title insurance;
- Prepare title bill;
- Act as Closing Agent;
- Provide copies of all materials from closing to all required parties; and record necessary documents with county clerk post-closing.

Title Preparation fee \_\_\_\_\_

Recording fee (per page) \_\_\_\_\_

Closing Agent fee \_\_\_\_\_

Title Insurance As dictated by the State of New York

TAB C: FEE AND PRICING FORM

APPLICANTS WHO INDICATE THEY ARE NOT INTERESTED IN SUBCONTRACTING WITH EXISTING TITLE AGENCIES TO PROVIDE INSURANCE AND CLOSING AGENTS TO COMPLETE TRANSACTIONS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM.

Title Agency & Closing Agent (for existing Skyline TRG Title Agency title reports) Pricing:

Provide pricing based on the following scope of work:

1. ACQUISITION TRANSACTIONS:

- Deliver clear title;
- Provide title insurance;
- Prepare title bill;
- Act as Closing Agent;
- Provide digital and hard copies of all materials from closing to all required parties; and
- Record necessary documents with county clerk post-closing.

Title Preparation fee \_\_\_\_\_

Recording fee (per page) \_\_\_\_\_

Closing Agent fee \_\_\_\_\_

Title Insurance As dictated by the State of New York

TAB C: FEE AND PRICING FORM

**Surveyor Pricing:**

Provide pricing based on the following scope of work:

1. ACQUISITION TRANSACTIONS:
  - Complete new surveys and survey updates prior to closing as needed.
  - Certify surveys to Project Rebuild Inc.

Survey fee \_\_\_\_\_

Survey Update fee \_\_\_\_\_

ATTACHMENT 1

APPENDIX A

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**GENERAL PROVISIONS GOVERNING CONTRACTS FOR  
CONSULTANTS, PROFESSIONAL, TECHNICAL, HUMAN AND CLIENT SERVICES**

**ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS**

**Section 1.01 Definitions**

The following words and expressions, or pronouns used in their stead, shall, wherever they appear in this Agreement, be construed as follows, unless a different meaning is clear from the context:

A. “Agency Chief Contracting Officer” or “ACCO” shall mean the position delegated authority by the Agency Head to organize and supervise the procurement activity of subordinate Agency staff in conjunction with the City Chief Procurement Officer.

B. “Agreement” shall mean the various documents, including this Appendix A, that constitute the contract between the Contractor and the City.

C. “City” shall mean The City of New York.

D. “City Chief Procurement Officer” or “CCPO” shall mean the position delegated authority by the Mayor to coordinate and oversee the procurement activity of Mayoral agency staff, including the ACCOs.

E. “Commissioner” or “Agency Head” shall mean the head of the Department or his or her duly authorized representative. The term “duly authorized representative” shall include any person or persons acting within the limits of his or her authority.

F. “Comptroller” shall mean the Comptroller of the City of New York.

G. “Contractor” shall mean the entity entering into this Agreement with the Department.

H. “Days” shall mean calendar days unless otherwise specifically noted to mean business days.

I. “Department” or “Agency” shall mean the City agency that has entered into this Agreement.

J. “Law” or “Laws” shall mean the New York City Charter (“Charter”), the New York City Administrative Code (“Admin. Code”), a local rule of the City of New York, the Constitutions of the United States and the State of New York, a statute of the United States or of the State of New York and any ordinance, rule or regulation having the force of law and adopted pursuant thereto, as amended, and common law.

K. “Procurement Policy Board” or “PPB” shall mean the board established pursuant to Charter § 311 whose function is to establish comprehensive and consistent procurement policies and rules which have broad application throughout the City.

L. “PPB Rules” shall mean the rules of the Procurement Policy Board as set forth in Title 9 of the Rules of the City of New York (“RCNY”), § 1-01 et seq.

M. “State” shall mean the State of New York.

## **ARTICLE 2 - REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

### **Section 2.01 Procurement of Agreement**

A. The Contractor represents and warrants that no person or entity (other than an officer, partner, or employee working solely for the Contractor) has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon any agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage fee, contingent fee or any other direct or indirect compensation. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the Contractor may retain consultants to draft proposals, negotiate contracts, and perform other similar services. The Contractor further represents and warrants that no payment, gift, or thing of value has been made, given, or promised to obtain this or any other agreement between the parties. The Contractor makes such representations and warranties to induce the City to enter into this Agreement and the City relies upon such representations and warranties in the execution of this Agreement.

B. For any breach or violation of the representations and warranties set forth in Paragraph A above, the Commissioner shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability, entitling the City to recover all monies paid to the Contractor; and the Contractor shall not make claim for, or be entitled to recover, any sum or sums due under this Agreement. The rights and remedies of the City provided in this Section are not exclusive and are in addition to all other rights and remedies allowed by Law or under this Agreement.

### **Section 2.02 Conflicts of Interest**

A. The Contractor represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its directors, officers, members, partners or employees, has any interest nor shall they acquire any interest, directly or indirectly, which conflicts in any manner or degree with the performance of this Agreement. The Contractor further represents and warrants that no person having such interest or possible interest shall be employed by or connected with the Contractor in the performance of this Agreement.

B. Consistent with Charter § 2604 and other related provisions of the Charter, the Admin. Code and the New York State Penal Law, no elected official or other officer or employee of the City, nor any person whose salary is payable, in whole or in part, from the City Treasury, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal

interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership or other entity in which he or she is, directly or indirectly, interested; nor shall any such official, officer, employee, or person have any interest in, or in the proceeds of, this Agreement. This Paragraph B shall not prevent directors, officers, members, partners, or employees of the Contractor from participating in decisions relating to this Agreement where their sole personal interest is in the Contractor.

C. The Contractor shall not employ a person or permit a person to serve as a member of the Board of Directors or as an officer of the Contractor if such employment or service would violate Chapter 68 of the Charter.

**[PARAGRAPHS D-H ARE APPLICABLE ONLY TO HUMAN OR CLIENT SERVICE CONTRACTS.]**

D. Except as provided in Paragraph E below, the Contractor's employees and members of their immediate families, as defined in Paragraph F below, may not serve on the Board of Directors of the Contractor ("Board"), or any committee with authority to order personnel actions affecting his or her job, or which, either by rule or by practice, regularly nominates, recommends or screens candidates for employment in the program to be operated pursuant to this Agreement.

E. If the Board has more than five (5) members, then Contractor's employees and members of their immediate families may serve on the Board, or any committee with authority to order personnel actions affecting his or her job, or which, either by rule or by practice, regularly nominates, recommends or screens candidates for employment in the program to be operated pursuant to this Agreement, provided that (i) Contractor's employees and members of their immediate families are prohibited from voting on any such personnel matters, including but not limited to any matters directly affecting their own salary or other compensation, and shall fully disclose all conflicts and potential conflicts to the Board, and (ii) Contractor's employees and members of their immediate families may not serve in the capacity either of Chairperson or Treasurer of the Board (or equivalent titles), nor constitute more than one-third of either the Board or any such committee.

F. Without the prior written consent of the Commissioner, no person may hold a job or position with the Contractor over which a member of his or her immediate family exercises any supervisory, managerial or other authority whatsoever whether such authority is reflected in a job title or otherwise, unless such job or position is wholly voluntary and unpaid. A member of an immediate family includes: husband, wife, domestic partner, father, father-in-law, mother, mother-in-law, brother, brother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, son, son-in-law, daughter, daughter-in-law, niece, nephew, aunt, uncle, first cousin, and separated spouse. Where a member of an immediate family has that status because of that person's relationship to a spouse (e.g., father-in-law), that status shall also apply to a relative of a domestic partner. For purposes of this Section, a member of the Board is deemed to exercise authority over all employees of the Contractor.

G. If the Contractor has contracts with the City that in the aggregate during any twelve-month period have a value of more than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) and such amount constitutes more than fifty percent (50%) of the Contractor's total revenues, then the Contractor must have a minimum of five (5) persons on its Board.

H. Paragraphs D-H of this Section 2.02 apply only if Contractor is a not-for-profit corporation.

**Section 2.03 Fair Practices**

A. The Contractor and each person signing on its behalf certifies, under penalties of perjury, that to the best of its, his or her knowledge and belief:

1. The prices and other material terms set forth in this Agreement have been arrived at independently, without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or proposer or with any competitor as to any matter relating to such prices or terms for the purpose of restricting competition;

2. Unless otherwise required by Law or where a schedule of rates or prices is uniformly established by a government agency through regulation, policy or directive, the prices and other material terms set forth in this Agreement which have been quoted in this Agreement and on the bid or proposal submitted by the Contractor have not been knowingly disclosed by the Contractor, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or proposer or to any competitor prior to the bid or proposal opening; and

3. No attempt has been made or will be made by the Contractor to induce any other person or entity to submit or not to submit a bid or proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.

B. The fact that the Contractor (i) has published price lists, rates, or tariffs covering items being procured, (ii) has informed prospective customers of proposed or pending publication of new or revised price lists for such items, or (iii) has sold the same items to other customers at the same prices and/or terms being bid or proposed, does not constitute, without more, a disclosure within the meaning of this Section.

**Section 2.04 VENDEX**

The Contractor represents and warrants that it and its principals have duly executed and filed all required VENDEX Questionnaires and, if applicable, Certificates of No Change, pursuant to PPB Rule § 2-08 and in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Mayor's Office of Contract Services. The Contractor understands that the Department's reliance upon the completeness and veracity of the information stated therein is a material condition to the execution of this Agreement, and represents and warrants that the information it and its principals have provided is accurate and complete.

**Section 2.05 Political Activity**

The Contractor's provision of services under this Agreement shall not include any partisan political activity or any activity to further the election or defeat of any candidate for



public, political, or party office, nor shall any of the funds provided under this Agreement be used for such purposes.

**Section 2.06 Religious Activity**

There shall be no religious worship, instruction or proselytizing as part of or in connection with the Contractor's provision of services under this Agreement, nor shall any of the funds provided under this Agreement be used for such purposes.

**Section 2.07 Unlawful Discriminatory Practices: Admin. Code § 6-123**

As required by Admin. Code § 6-123, the Contractor will not engage in any unlawful discriminatory practice as defined in and pursuant to the terms of Title 8 of the City Administrative Code. The Contractor shall include a provision in any agreement with a first-level subcontractor performing services under this Agreement for an amount in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) that such subcontractor shall not engage in any such unlawful discriminatory practice.

**Section 2.08 Bankruptcy and Reorganization**

In the event that the Contractor files for bankruptcy or reorganization under Chapter Seven or Chapter Eleven of the United States Bankruptcy Code, the Contractor shall disclose such action to the Department within seven (7) days of filing.

**ARTICLE 3 - ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING**

**Section 3.01 Assignment**

A. The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Agreement, or the right to execute it, or the right, title or interest in or to it or any part of it, or assign, by power of attorney or otherwise, any of the monies due or to become due under this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the Commissioner. The giving of any such consent to a particular assignment shall not dispense with the necessity of such consent to any further or other assignments. Any such assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition without such written consent shall be void.

B. Before entering into any such assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposal of this Agreement, the Contractor shall submit a written request for approval to the Department giving the name and address of the proposed assignee. The proposed assignee's VENDEX questionnaire must be submitted within thirty (30) Days after the ACCO has granted preliminary written approval of the proposed assignee, if required. Upon the request of the Department, the Contractor shall provide any other information demonstrating that the proposed assignee has the necessary facilities, skill, integrity, past experience and financial resources to perform the specified services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Agency

shall make a final determination in writing approving or disapproving the assignee after receiving all requested information.

C. Failure to obtain the prior written consent to such an assignment, transfer, conveyance, or other disposition may result in the revocation and annulment of this Agreement, at the option of the Commissioner. The City shall thereupon be relieved and discharged from any further liability and obligation to the Contractor, its assignees, or transferees, who shall forfeit all monies earned under this Agreement, except so much as may be necessary to pay the Contractor's employees.

D. The provisions of this Section shall not hinder, prevent, or affect an assignment by the Contractor for the benefit of its creditors made pursuant to the Laws of the State.

E. This Agreement may be assigned, in whole or in part, by the City to any corporation, agency, or instrumentality having authority to accept such assignment. The City shall provide the Contractor with written notice of any such assignment.

### **Section 3.02 Subcontracting**

A. The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract for an amount greater than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the performance of its obligations, in whole or in part, under this Agreement without the prior approval by the Department of the subcontractor. The Department hereby grants approval for all subcontracts for an amount that does not exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000). The Contractor must submit monthly reports to the Department indicating all such subcontractors. All subcontracts must be in writing.

B. Prior to entering into any subcontract for an amount greater than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), the Contractor shall submit a written request for the approval of the proposed subcontractor to the Department giving the name and address of the proposed subcontractor and the portion of the services that it is to perform and furnish. At the request of the Department, a copy of the proposed subcontract shall be submitted to the Department. The proposed subcontractor's VENDEX Questionnaire must be submitted, if required, within thirty (30) Days after the ACCO has granted preliminary approval of the proposed subcontractor. Upon the request of the Department, the Contractor shall provide any other information demonstrating that the proposed subcontractor has the necessary facilities, skill, integrity, past experience and financial resources to perform the specified services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Agency shall make a final determination in writing approving or disapproving the subcontractor after receiving all requested information. For proposed subcontracts that do not exceed Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), the Department's approval shall be deemed granted if the Department does not issue a written approval or disapproval within forty-five (45) Days of the Department's receipt of the written request for approval or, if applicable, within forty-five (45) Days of the Department's acknowledged receipt of fully completed VENDEX Questionnaires for the subcontractor.

C. All subcontracts shall contain provisions specifying that:

1. The work performed by the subcontractor must be in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the City and the Contractor;

2. Nothing contained in the agreement between the Contractor and the subcontractor shall impair the rights of the City;

3. Nothing contained in the agreement between the Contractor and the subcontractor, or under the agreement between the City and the Contractor, shall create any contractual relation between the subcontractor and the City; and

4. The subcontractor specifically agrees to be bound by Section 4.07 and Article 5 of this Appendix A and specifically agrees that the City may enforce such provisions directly against the subcontractor as if the City were a party to the subcontract.

D. The Contractor agrees that it is as fully responsible to the Department for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by such subcontractors as it is for the acts and omissions of any person directly employed by it.

E. For determining the value of a subcontract, all subcontracts with the same subcontractor shall be aggregated.

F. The Department may revoke the approval of a subcontractor granted or deemed granted pursuant to Paragraphs (A) and (B) of this section if revocation is deemed to be in the interest of the City in writing on no less than ten (10) Days notice unless a shorter period is warranted by considerations of health, safety, integrity issues or other similar factors. Upon the effective date of such revocation, the Contractor shall cause the subcontractor to cease all work under the Agreement. The City shall not incur any further obligation for services performed by such subcontractor pursuant to this Agreement beyond the effective date of the revocation. The City shall pay for services provided by the subcontractor in accordance with this Agreement prior to the effective date of revocation.

G. The Department's approval of a subcontractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any of its responsibilities, duties and liabilities under this Agreement. At the request of the Department, the Contractor shall provide the Department a copy of any subcontract.

H. Individual employer-employee contracts are not subcontracts subject to the requirements of this Section.

## **ARTICLE 4 - LABOR PROVISIONS**

### **Section 4.01 Independent Contractor Status**

The Contractor and the Department agree that the Contractor is an independent contractor and not an employee of the Department or the City. Accordingly, neither the Contractor nor its employees or agents will hold themselves out as, or claim to be, officers or employees of the

City, or of any department, agency or unit of the City, by reason of this Agreement, and they will not, by reason of this Agreement, make any claim, demand or application to or for any right or benefit applicable to an officer or employee of the City, including, but not limited to, Workers' Compensation coverage, Disability Benefits coverage, Unemployment Insurance benefits, Social Security coverage or employee retirement membership or credit.

**Section 4.02 Employees**

All persons who are employed by the Contractor and all consultants or independent contractors who are retained by the Contractor to perform services under this Agreement are neither employees of the City nor under contract with the City. The Contractor, and not the City, is responsible for their work, direction, compensation, and personal conduct while engaged under this Agreement. Nothing in the Agreement shall impose any liability or duty on the City for the acts, omissions, liabilities or obligations of the Contractor, or any officer, employee, or agent of the Contractor, or for taxes of any nature, or for any right or benefit applicable to an officer or employee of the City, including, but not limited to, Workers' Compensation coverage, Disability Benefits coverage, Unemployment Insurance benefits, Social Security coverage or employee retirement membership or credit. Except as specifically stated in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement shall impose any liability or duty on the City to any person or entity.

**Section 4.03 Removal of Individuals Performing Work**

The Contractor shall not have anyone perform work under this Agreement who is not competent, faithful and skilled in the work for which he or she shall be employed. Whenever the Commissioner shall inform the Contractor, in writing, that any individual is, in his or her opinion, incompetent, unfaithful, or unskilled, such individual shall no longer perform work under this Agreement. Prior to making a determination to direct a Contractor that an individual shall no longer perform work under this Agreement, the Commissioner shall provide the Contractor an opportunity to be heard on no less than five (5) Days' written notice. The Commissioner may direct the Contractor not to allow the individual from performing work under the Agreement pending the opportunity to be heard and the Commissioner's determination.

**Section 4.04 Minimum Wage**

Except for those employees whose minimum wage is required to be fixed pursuant to Sections 220 or 230 of the New York State Labor Law or by City Administrative Code § 6-109, all persons employed by the Contractor in the performance of this Agreement shall be paid, without subsequent deduction or rebate, unless expressly authorized by Law, not less than the minimum wage as prescribed by Law. Any breach of this Section shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement.

**Section 4.05 Non-Discrimination: New York State Labor Law § 220-e**

A. If this Agreement is for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale, or distribution of materials, equipment, or supplies, the Contractor agrees, as required by New York State Labor Law § 220-e, that:

1. In the hiring of employees for the performance of work under this Agreement or any subcontract hereunder, neither the Contractor, subcontractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such Contractor or subcontractor, shall by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex or national origin discriminate against any citizen of the State of New York who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;

2. Neither the Contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his or her behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Agreement on account of race, creed, color, disability, sex or national origin;

3. There may be deducted from the amount payable to the Contractor by the City under this Agreement a penalty of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for each person for each calendar day during which such person was discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of this Agreement; and

4. This Agreement may be terminated by the City, and all monies due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for a second or any subsequent violation of the terms or conditions of this Section.

B. The provisions of this Section shall be limited to operations performed within the territorial limits of the State of New York.

**Section 4.06 Non-Discrimination: Admin. Code § 6-108**

If this Agreement is for the construction, alteration or repair of buildings or the construction or repair of streets or highways, or for the manufacture, sale, or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, the Contractor agrees, as required by New York City Administrative Code § 6-108, that:

A. It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the construction, alteration or repair of buildings or engaged in the construction or repair of streets or highways pursuant to a contract with the City or engaged in the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies pursuant to a contract with the City to refuse to employ or to refuse to continue in any employment any person on account of the race, color or creed of such person.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person or any servant, agent or employee of any person, described in Paragraph A above, to ask, indicate or transmit, orally or in writing, directly

or indirectly, the race, color, creed or religious affiliation of any person employed or seeking employment from such person, firm or corporation.

C. Breach of the foregoing provisions shall be deemed a breach of a material provision of this Agreement.

D. Any person, or the employee, manager or owner of or officer of such firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Section shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100) or by imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) Days, or both.

**Section 4.07 Non-Discrimination: E.O. 50 -- Equal Employment Opportunity**

A. This Agreement is subject to the requirements of City Executive Order No. 50 (1980) ("E.O. 50"), as revised, and the rules set forth at 66 RCNY § 10-01 et seq. No agreement will be awarded unless and until these requirements have been complied with in their entirety. The Contractor agrees that it:

1. Will not discriminate unlawfully against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation or citizenship status with respect to all employment decisions including, but not limited to, recruitment, hiring, upgrading, demotion, downgrading, transfer, training, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, layoff, termination, and all other terms and conditions of employment;

2. Will not discriminate unlawfully in the selection of subcontractors on the basis of the owners', partners' or shareholders' race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or citizenship status;

3. Will state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without unlawful discrimination based on race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation or citizenship status, and that it is an equal employment opportunity employer;

4. Will send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or memorandum of understanding, written notification of its equal employment opportunity commitments under E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder;

5. Will furnish before this Agreement is awarded all information and reports including an Employment Report which are required by E.O. 50, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and orders of the City Department of Small Business Services, Division of Labor Services ("DLS"); and

6. Will permit DLS to have access to all relevant books, records, and accounts for the purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

B. The Contractor understands that in the event of its noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Agreement or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, such noncompliance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and noncompliance with E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. After a hearing held pursuant to the rules of DLS, the Director of DLS may direct the Commissioner to impose any or all of the following sanctions:

1. Disapproval of the Contractor; and/or
2. Suspension or termination of the Agreement; and/or
3. Declaring the Contractor in default; and/or
4. In lieu of any of the foregoing sanctions, imposition of an employment program.

C. Failure to comply with E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder in one or more instances may result in the Department declaring the Contractor to be non-responsible.

D. The Contractor agrees to include the provisions of the foregoing Paragraphs in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to which it becomes a party unless exempted by E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Director of DLS as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. A supplier of unfinished products to the Contractor needed to produce the item contracted for shall not be considered a subcontractor or vendor for purposes of this Paragraph.

E. The Contractor further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any subcontract or modification thereof subject to E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder with a subcontractor who is not in compliance with the requirements of E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. A supplier of unfinished products to the Contractor needed to produce the item contracted for shall not be considered a subcontractor for purposes of this Paragraph.

F. Nothing contained in this Section shall be construed to bar any religious or denominational institution or organization, or any organization operated for charitable or educational purposes, that is operated, supervised or controlled by or in connection with a religious organization, from lawfully limiting employment or lawfully giving preference to persons of the same religion or denomination or from lawfully making such selection as is calculated by such organization to promote the religious principles for which it is established or maintained.

**ARTICLE 5 - RECORDS,  
AUDITS, REPORTS, AND INVESTIGATIONS**

**Section 5.01 Books and Records**

The Contractor agrees to maintain separate and accurate books, records, documents and other evidence, and to utilize appropriate accounting procedures and practices, which sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Agreement.

**Section 5.02 Retention of Records**

The Contractor agrees to retain all books, records, and other documents relevant to this Agreement, including those required pursuant to Section 5.01, for six years after the final payment or expiration or termination of this Agreement, or for a period otherwise prescribed by Law, whichever is later. In addition, if any litigation, claim, or audit concerning this Agreement has commenced before the expiration of the six-year period, the records must be retained until the completion of such litigation, claim, or audit. Any books, records and other documents that are created in an electronic format in the regular course of business may be retained in an electronic format. Any books, records, and other documents that are created in the regular course of business as a paper copy may be retained in an electronic format provided that the records satisfy the requirements of New York Civil Practice Law and Rules (“CPLR”) 4539(b), including the requirement that the reproduction is created in a manner “which does not permit additions, deletions, or changes without leaving a record of such additions, deletions, or changes.” Furthermore, the Contractor agrees to waive any objection to the admissibility of any such books, records or other documents on the grounds that such documents do not satisfy CPLR 4539(b).

**Section 5.03 Inspection**

A. At any time during the Agreement or during the record retention period set forth in section 5.02, the City, including the Department and the Department’s Office of the Inspector General, as well as City, State and federal auditors and any other persons duly authorized by the City shall, upon reasonable notice, have full access to and the right to examine and copy all books, records, and other documents maintained or retained by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Article. Notwithstanding any provision herein regarding notice of inspection, all books, records and other documents of the Contractor kept pursuant to this Agreement shall be subject to immediate inspection, review, and copying by the Department’s Office of the Inspector General and/or the Comptroller without prior notice and at no additional cost to the City. The Contractor shall make such books, records and other documents available for inspection in the City of New York or shall reimburse the City for expenses associated with the out-of-City inspection.

B. The Department shall have the right to have representatives of the Department or of the City, State or federal government present to observe the services being performed.



C. The Contractor shall not be entitled to final payment until the Contractor has complied with any request for inspection or access given under this Section.

**Section 5.04 Audit**

A. This Agreement and all books, records, documents, and other evidence required to be maintained or retained pursuant to this Agreement, including all vouchers or invoices presented for payment and the books, records, and other documents upon which such vouchers or invoices are based (e.g., reports, cancelled checks, accounts, and all other similar material), are subject to audit by (i) the City, including the Comptroller, the Department, and the Department's Office of the Inspector General, (ii) the State, (iii) the federal government, and (iv) other persons duly authorized by the City. Such audits may include examination and review of the source and application of all funds whether from the City, the State, the federal government, private sources or otherwise.

B. Audits by the City, including the Comptroller, the Department, and the Department's Office of the Inspector General, are performed pursuant to the powers and responsibilities conferred by the Charter and the Admin. Code, as well as all orders, rules, and regulations promulgated pursuant to the Charter and Admin. Code.

C. The Contractor shall submit any and all documentation and justification in support of expenditures or fees under this Agreement as may be required by the Department and by the Comptroller in the exercise of his/her powers under Law.

D. The Contractor shall not be entitled to final payment until the Contractor has complied with the requirements of this Section.

**Section 5.05 No Removal of Records from Premises**

Where performance of this Agreement involves use by the Contractor of any City books, records, documents, or data (in hard copy, or electronic or other format now known or developed in the future) at City facilities or offices, the Contractor shall not remove any such data (in the format in which it originally existed, or in any other converted or derived format) from such facility or office without the prior written approval of the Department's designated official. Upon the request by the Department at any time during the Agreement or after the Agreement has expired or terminated, the Contractor shall return to the Department any City books, records, documents, or data that has been removed from City premises.

**Section 5.06 Electronic Records**

As used in this Appendix A, the terms books, records, documents, and other data refer to electronic versions as well as hard copy versions.

**Section 5.07 Investigations Clause**

A. The Contractor agrees to cooperate fully and faithfully with any investigation, audit or inquiry conducted by a State or City agency or authority that is empowered directly or by designation to compel the attendance of witnesses and to examine witnesses under oath, or conducted by the Inspector General of a governmental agency that is a party in interest to the transaction, submitted bid, submitted proposal, contract, lease, permit, or license that is the subject of the investigation, audit or inquiry.

B. 1. If any person who has been advised that his or her statement, and any information from such statement, will not be used against him or her in any subsequent criminal proceeding refuses to testify before a grand jury or other governmental agency or authority empowered directly or by designation to compel the attendance of witnesses and to examine witnesses under oath concerning the award of or performance under any transaction, agreement, lease, permit, contract, or license entered into with the City, or State, or any political subdivision or public authority thereof, or the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, or any local development corporation within the City, or any public benefit corporation organized under the Laws of the State, or;

2. If any person refuses to testify for a reason other than the assertion of his or her privilege against self-incrimination in an investigation, audit or inquiry conducted by a City or State governmental agency or authority empowered directly or by designation to compel the attendance of witnesses and to take testimony under oath, or by the Inspector General of the governmental agency that is a party in interest in, and is seeking testimony concerning the award of, or performance under, any transaction, agreement, lease, permit, contract, or license entered into with the City, the State, or any political subdivision thereof or any local development corporation within the City, then;

C. 1. The Commissioner or Agency Head whose agency is a party in interest to the transaction, submitted bid, submitted proposal, contract, lease, permit, or license shall convene a hearing, upon not less than five (5) Days written notice to the parties involved to determine if any penalties should attach for the failure of a person to testify.

2. If any non-governmental party to the hearing requests an adjournment, the Commissioner or Agency Head who convened the hearing may, upon granting the adjournment, suspend any contract, lease, permit, or license pending the final determination pursuant to Paragraph E below without the City incurring any penalty or damages for delay or otherwise.

D. The penalties that may attach after a final determination by the Commissioner or Agency Head may include but shall not exceed:

1. The disqualification for a period not to exceed five (5) years from the date of an adverse determination for any person, or any entity of which such person was a member at the time the testimony was sought, from submitting bids for, or transacting business with, or entering into or obtaining any contract, lease, permit or license with or from the City; and/or

2. The cancellation or termination of any and all such existing City contracts, leases, permits or licenses that the refusal to testify concerns and that have not been assigned as permitted under this Agreement, nor the proceeds of which pledged, to an unaffiliated and unrelated institutional lender for fair value prior to the issuance of the notice scheduling the hearing, without the City incurring any penalty or damages on account of such cancellation or termination; monies lawfully due for goods delivered, work done, rentals, or fees accrued prior to the cancellation or termination shall be paid by the City.

E. The Commissioner or Agency Head shall consider and address in reaching his or her determination and in assessing an appropriate penalty the factors in Paragraphs (1) and (2) below. He or she may also consider, if relevant and appropriate, the criteria established in Paragraphs (3) and (4) below, in addition to any other information that may be relevant and appropriate:

1. The party's good faith endeavors or lack thereof to cooperate fully and faithfully with any governmental investigation or audit, including but not limited to the discipline, discharge, or disassociation of any person failing to testify, the production of accurate and complete books and records, and the forthcoming testimony of all other members, agents, assignees or fiduciaries whose testimony is sought.

2. The relationship of the person who refused to testify to any entity that is a party to the hearing, including, but not limited to, whether the person whose testimony is sought has an ownership interest in the entity and/or the degree of authority and responsibility the person has within the entity.

3. The nexus of the testimony sought to the subject entity and its contracts, leases, permits or licenses with the City.

4. The effect a penalty may have on an unaffiliated and unrelated party or entity that has a significant interest in an entity subject to penalties under Paragraph D above, provided that the party or entity has given actual notice to the Commissioner or Agency Head upon the acquisition of the interest, or at the hearing called for in Paragraph (C)(1) above gives notice and proves that such interest was previously acquired. Under either circumstance, the party or entity must present evidence at the hearing demonstrating the potential adverse impact a penalty will have on such person or entity.

F. Definitions

1. The term "license" or "permit" as used in this Section shall be defined as a license, permit, franchise, or concession not granted as a matter of right.

2. The term "person" as used in this Section shall be defined as any natural person doing business alone or associated with another person or entity as a partner, director, officer, principal or employee.

3. The term “entity” as used in this Section shall be defined as any firm, partnership, corporation, association, or person that receives monies, benefits, licenses, leases, or permits from or through the City, or otherwise transacts business with the City.

4. The term “member” as used in this Section shall be defined as any person associated with another person or entity as a partner, director, officer, principal, or employee.

G. In addition to and notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Commissioner or Agency Head may in his or her sole discretion terminate this Agreement upon not less than three (3) Days written notice in the event the Contractor fails to promptly report in writing to the City Commissioner of Investigation any solicitation of money, goods, requests for future employment or other benefits or thing of value, by or on behalf of any employee of the City or other person or entity for any purpose that may be related to the procurement or obtaining of this Agreement by the Contractor, or affecting the performance of this Agreement.

### **Section 5.08 Confidentiality**

A. The Contractor agrees to hold confidential, both during and after the completion or termination of this Agreement, all of the reports, information, or data, furnished to, or prepared, assembled or used by, the Contractor under this Agreement. The Contractor agrees that such reports, information, or data shall not be made available to any person or entity without the prior written approval of the Department. The Contractor agrees to maintain the confidentiality of such reports, information, or data by using a reasonable degree of care, and using at least the same degree of care that the Contractor uses to preserve the confidentiality of its own confidential information. In the event that the data contains social security numbers or other Personal Identifying Information, as such term is defined in Paragraph B of this Section, the Contractor shall utilize best practice methods (e.g., encryption of electronic records) to protect the confidentiality of such data. The obligation under this Section to hold reports, information or data confidential shall not apply where the City would be required to disclose such reports, information or data pursuant to the State Freedom of Information Law (“FOIL”), provided that the Contractor provides advance notice to the City, in writing or by e-mail, that it intends to disclose such reports, information or data and the City does not inform the contractor, in writing or by e-mail, that such reports, information, or data are not subject to disclosure under FOIL.

B. The Contractor shall provide notice to the Department within three (3) days of the discovery by the Contractor of any breach of security, as defined in Admin. Code § 10-501(b), of any data, encrypted or otherwise, in use by the Contractor that contains social security numbers or other personal identifying information as defined in Admin. Code § 10-501 (“Personal Identifying Information”), where such breach of security arises out of the acts or omissions of the Contractor or its employees, subcontractors, or agents. Upon the discovery of such security breach, the Contractor shall take reasonable steps to remediate the cause or causes of such breach, and shall provide notice to the Department of such steps. In the event of such breach of security, without limiting any other right of the City, the City shall have the right to withhold further payments under this Agreement for the purpose of set-off in sufficient sums to cover the

costs of notifications and/or other actions mandated by any Law, or administrative or judicial order, to address the breach, and including any fines or disallowances imposed by the State or federal government as a result of the disclosure. The City shall also have the right to withhold further payments hereunder for the purpose of set-off in sufficient sums to cover the costs of credit monitoring services for the victims of such a breach of security by a national credit reporting agency, and/or any other commercially reasonable preventive measure. The Department shall provide the Contractor with written notice and an opportunity to comment on such measures prior to implementation. Alternatively, at the City's discretion, or if monies remaining to be earned or paid under this Agreement are insufficient to cover the costs detailed above, the Contractor shall pay directly for the costs, detailed above, if any.

C. The Contractor shall restrict access to confidential information to persons who have a legitimate work related purpose to access such information. The Contractor agrees that it will instruct its officers, employees, and agents to maintain the confidentiality of any and all information required to be kept confidential by this Agreement.

D. The Contractor, and its officers, employees, and agents shall notify the Department, at any time either during or after completion or termination of this Agreement, of any intended statement to the press or any intended issuing of any material for publication in any media of communication (print, news, television, radio, Internet, etc.) regarding the services provided or the data collected pursuant to this Agreement at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to any statement to the press or at least five (5) business Days prior to the submission of the material for publication, or such shorter periods as are reasonable under the circumstances. The Contractor may not issue any statement or submit any material for publication that includes confidential information as prohibited by this Section 5.08.

E. At the request of the Department, the Contractor shall return to the Department any and all confidential information in the possession of the Contractor or its subcontractors. If the Contractor or its subcontractors are legally required to retain any confidential information, the Contractor shall notify the Department in writing and set forth the confidential information that it intends to retain and the reasons why it is legally required to retain such information. The Contractor shall confer with the Department, in good faith, regarding any issues that arise from the Contractor retaining such confidential information. If the Department does not request such information, or the Law does not require otherwise, such information shall be maintained in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 5.02.

F. A breach of this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement for which the Department may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 10. The Department reserves any and all other rights and remedies in the event of unauthorized disclosure.

**ARTICLE 6 - COPYRIGHTS,  
PATENTS, INVENTIONS, AND ANTITRUST**

**Section 6.01 Copyrights**

A. Any reports, documents, data, photographs, deliverables, and/or other materials produced pursuant to this Agreement, and any and all drafts and/or other preliminary materials in any format related to such items produced pursuant to this Agreement, shall upon their creation become the exclusive property of the City.

B. Any reports, documents, data, photographs, deliverables, and/or other materials provided pursuant to this Agreement (“Copyrightable Materials”) shall be considered “work-made-for-hire” within the meaning and purview of Section 101 of the United States Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101, and the City shall be the copyright owner thereof and of all aspects, elements and components thereof in which copyright protection might exist. To the extent that the Copyrightable Materials do not qualify as “work-made-for-hire,” the Contractor hereby irrevocably transfers, assigns and conveys exclusive copyright ownership in and to the Copyrightable Materials to the City, free and clear of any liens, claims, or other encumbrances. The Contractor shall retain no copyright or intellectual property interest in the Copyrightable Materials. The Copyrightable Materials shall be used by the Contractor for no purpose other than in the performance of this Agreement without the prior written permission of the City. The Department may grant the Contractor a license to use the Copyrightable Materials on such terms as determined by the Department and set forth in the license.

C. The Contractor acknowledges that the City may, in its sole discretion, register copyright in the Copyrightable Materials with the United States Copyright Office or any other government agency authorized to grant copyright registrations. The Contractor shall fully cooperate in this effort, and agrees to provide any and all documentation necessary to accomplish this.

D. The Contractor represents and warrants that the Copyrightable Materials: (i) are wholly original material not published elsewhere (except for material that is in the public domain); (ii) do not violate any copyright Law; (iii) do not constitute defamation or invasion of the right of privacy or publicity; and (iv) are not an infringement, of any kind, of the rights of any third party. To the extent that the Copyrightable Materials incorporate any non-original material, the Contractor has obtained all necessary permissions and clearances, in writing, for the use of such non-original material under this Agreement, copies of which shall be provided to the City upon execution of this Agreement.

E. If the services under this Agreement are supported by a federal grant of funds, the federal and State government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use and to authorize others to use, for federal or State government purposes, the copyright in any Copyrightable Materials developed under this Agreement.

F. If the Contractor publishes a work dealing with any aspect of performance under this Agreement, or with the results of such performance, the City shall have a royalty-free, non-

exclusive irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use such work for City governmental purposes.

**Section 6.02 Patents and Inventions**

The Contractor shall promptly and fully report to the Department any discovery or invention arising out of or developed in the course of performance of this Agreement. If the services under this Agreement are supported by a federal grant of funds, the Contractor shall promptly and fully report to the federal government for the federal government to make a determination as to whether patent protection on such invention shall be sought and how the rights in the invention or discovery, including rights under any patent issued thereon, shall be disposed of and administered in order to protect the public interest.

**Section 6.03 Pre-existing Rights**

In no case shall Sections 6.01 and 6.02 apply to, or prevent the Contractor from asserting or protecting its rights in any discovery, invention, report, document, data, photograph, deliverable, or other material in connection with or produced pursuant to this Agreement that existed prior to or was developed or discovered independently from the activities directly related to this Agreement.

**Section 6.04 Antitrust**

The Contractor hereby assigns, sells, and transfers to the City all right, title and interest in and to any claims and causes of action arising under the antitrust laws of the State or of the United States relating to the particular goods or services procured by the City under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 7 - INSURANCE**

**Section 7.01 Agreement to Insure**

The Contractor shall not commence performing services under this Agreement unless and until all insurance required by this Article is in effect, and shall ensure continuous insurance coverage in the manner, form, and limits required by this Article throughout the term of the Agreement.

**Section 7.02 Commercial General Liability Insurance**

A. The Contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability Insurance covering the Contractor as Named Insured and the City as an Additional Insured in the amount of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence. Such insurance shall protect the City and the Contractor from claims for property damage and/or bodily injury, including death that may arise

from any of the operations under this Agreement. Coverage under this insurance shall be at least as broad as that provided by the most recently issued Insurance Services Office (“ISO”) Form CG 0001, and shall be "occurrence" based rather than “claims-made.”

B. Such Commercial General Liability Insurance shall name the City, together with its officials and employees, as an Additional Insured with coverage at least as broad as the most recently issued ISO Form CG 20 10.

### **Section 7.03 Professional Liability Insurance**

A. At the Department’s direction, if professional services are provided pursuant to this Agreement, the Contractor shall maintain and submit evidence of Professional Liability Insurance appropriate to the type(s) of such services to be provided under this Agreement in the amount of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per claim. The policy or policies shall include an endorsement to cover the liability assumed by the Contractor under this Agreement arising out of the negligent performance of professional services or caused by an error, omission or negligent act of the Contractor or anyone employed by the Contractor.

B. All subcontractors of the Contractor providing professional services under this Agreement for which Professional Liability Insurance is reasonably commercially available shall also maintain such insurance in the amount of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per claim, and the Contractor shall provide to the Department, at the time of the request for subcontractor approval, evidence of such Professional Liability Insurance on forms acceptable to the Department.

C. Claims-made policies will be accepted for Professional Liability Insurance. All such policies shall have an extended reporting period option or automatic coverage of not less than two (2) years. If available as an option, the Contractor shall purchase extended reporting period coverage effective on cancellation or termination of such insurance unless a new policy is secured with a retroactive date, including at least the last policy year.

### **Section 7.04 Workers’ Compensation, Disability Benefits, and Employer’s Liability Insurance**

The Contractor shall maintain, and ensure that each subcontractor maintains, Workers’ Compensation Insurance, Disability Benefits Insurance, and Employer’s Liability Insurance in accordance with the Laws of the State on behalf of, or with regard to, all employees providing services under this Agreement.

### **Section 7.05 Unemployment Insurance**

To the extent required by Law, the Contractor shall provide Unemployment Insurance for its employees.



**Section 7.06 Business Automobile Liability Insurance**

A. If vehicles are used in the provision of services under this Agreement, then the Contractor shall maintain Business Automobile Liability insurance in the amount of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) each accident combined single limit for liability arising out of ownership, maintenance or use of any owned, non-owned, or hired vehicles to be used in connection with this Agreement. Coverage shall be at least as broad as the most recently issued ISO Form CA0001.

B. If vehicles are used for transporting hazardous materials, the Business Automobile Liability Insurance shall be endorsed to provide pollution liability broadened coverage for covered vehicles (endorsement CA 99 48) as well as proof of MCS-90.

**Section 7.07 General Requirements for Insurance Coverage and Policies**

A. All required insurance policies shall be maintained with companies that may lawfully issue the required policy and have an A.M. Best rating of at least A- / "VII" or a Standard and Poor's rating of at least A, unless prior written approval is obtained from the City Law Department.

B. All insurance policies shall be primary (and non-contributing) to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City.

C. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the payment of all premiums for all required insurance policies and all deductibles or self-insured retentions to which such policies are subject, whether or not the City is an insured under the policy.

D. There shall be no self-insurance program with regard to any insurance required under this Article unless approved in writing by the Commissioner. Any such self-insurance program shall provide the City with all rights that would be provided by traditional insurance required under this Article, including but not limited to the defense obligations that insurers are required to undertake in liability policies.

E. The City's limits of coverage for all types of insurance required under this Article shall be the greater of (i) the minimum limits set forth in this Article or (ii) the limits provided to the Contractor as Named Insured under all primary, excess, and umbrella policies of that type of coverage.

**Section 7.08 Proof of Insurance**

A. For Workers' Compensation Insurance, Disability Benefits Insurance, and Employer's Liability Insurance, the Contractor shall file one of the following within ten (10) Days of award of this Agreement. ACORD forms are not acceptable proof of workers' compensation coverage.

1. C-105.2 Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance;

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2. U-26.3 -- State Insurance Fund Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance;
3. Request for WC/DB Exemption (Form CE-200);
4. Equivalent or successor forms used by the New York State Workers' Compensation Board; or
5. Other proof of insurance in a form acceptable to the City.

B. For each policy required under this Agreement, except for Workers' Compensation Insurance, Disability Benefits Insurance, Employer's Liability Insurance, and Unemployment Insurance, the Contractor shall file a Certificate of Insurance with the Department within ten (10) Days of award of this Agreement. All Certificates of Insurance shall be (a) in a form acceptable to the City and certify the issuance and effectiveness of such policies of insurance, each with the specified minimum limits; and (b) accompanied by the endorsement in the Contractor's general liability policy by which the City has been made an additional insured pursuant to Section 7.02(B). All Certificate(s) of Insurance shall be accompanied by either a duly executed "Certification by Broker" in the form attached to this Appendix A or copies of all policies referenced in the Certificate of Insurance. If complete policies have not yet been issued, binders are acceptable, until such time as the complete policies have been issued, at which time such policies shall be submitted.

C. Certificates of Insurance confirming renewals of insurance shall be submitted to the Commissioner prior to the expiration date of coverage of policies required under this Article. Such Certificates of Insurance shall comply with the requirements of Section 7.08 (A) and Section 7.08(B), as applicable.

D. The Contractor shall provide the City with a copy of any policy required under this Article upon the demand for such policy by the Commissioner or the New York City Law Department.

E. Acceptance by the Commissioner of a certificate or a policy does not excuse the Contractor from maintaining policies consistent with all provisions of this Article (and ensuring that subcontractors maintain such policies) or from any liability arising from its failure to do so.

F. In the event the Contractor receives notice, from an insurance company or other person, that any insurance policy required under this Article shall expire or be cancelled or terminated for any reason, the Contractor shall immediately forward a copy of such notice to both the Commissioner [insert Agency name and appropriate address], and the New York City Comptroller, Attn: Office of Contract Administration, Municipal Building, One Centre Street, Room 1005, New York, New York 10007.

### **Section 7.09 Miscellaneous**

A. Whenever notice of loss, damage, occurrence, accident, claim or suit is required under a general liability policy maintained in accordance with this Article, the Contractor shall

provide the insurer with timely notice thereof on behalf of the City. Such notice shall be given even where the Contractor may not have coverage under such policy (for example, where one of Contractor's employees was injured). Such notice shall expressly specify that "this notice is being given on behalf of the City of New York as Additional Insured" and contain the following information: the number of the insurance policy; the name of the named insured; the date and location of the damage, occurrence, or accident; the identity of the persons or things injured, damaged, or lost; and the title of the claim or suit, if applicable. The Contractor shall simultaneously send a copy of such notice to the City of New York c/o Insurance Claims Specialist, Affirmative Litigation Division, New York City Law Department, 100 Church Street, New York, New York 10007. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of this paragraph, the Contractor shall indemnify the City for all losses, judgments, settlements and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising from an insurer's disclaimer of coverage citing late notice by or on behalf of the City.

B. The Contractor's failure to maintain any of the insurance required by this Article shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement. Such breach shall not be waived or otherwise excused by any action or inaction by the City at any time.

C. Insurance coverage in the minimum amounts required in this Article shall not relieve the Contractor or its subcontractors of any liability under this Agreement, nor shall it preclude the City from exercising any rights or taking such other actions as are available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or Law.

D. The Contractor waives all rights against the City, including its officials and employees for any damages or losses that are covered under any insurance required under this Article (whether or not such insurance is actually procured or claims are paid thereunder) or any other insurance applicable to the operations of the Contractor and/or its subcontractors in the performance of this Agreement.

E. In the event the Contractor requires any subcontractor to procure insurance with regard to any operations under this Agreement and requires such subcontractor to name the Contractor as an additional insured under such insurance, the Contractor shall ensure that such entity also name the City, including its officials and employees, as an additional insured with coverage at least as broad as the most recently issued ISO form CG 20 26.

## **ARTICLE 8 - PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY AND INDEMNIFICATION**

### **Section 8.01 Reasonable Precautions**

The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions to protect all persons and the property of the City and of others from damage, loss or injury resulting from the Contractor's and/or its subcontractors' operations under this Agreement.

**Section 8.02 Protection of City Property**

The Contractor assumes the risk of, and shall be responsible for, any loss or damage to City property, including property and equipment leased by the City, used in the performance of this Agreement, where such loss or damage is caused by any tortious act, or failure to comply with the provisions of this Agreement or of Law by the Contractor, its officers, employees, agents or subcontractors.

**Section 8.03 Indemnification**

The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold the City, its officers and employees harmless from any and all claims (even if the allegations of the lawsuit are without merit) or judgments for damages on account of any injuries or death to any person or damage to any property and from costs and expenses to which the City, its officers and employees may be subjected or which it may suffer or incur allegedly arising out of or in connection with any operations of the Contractor and/or its subcontractors to the extent resulting from any negligent act of commission or omission, any intentional tortious act, or failure to comply with the provisions of this Agreement or of the Laws. Insofar as the facts or Law relating to any claim would preclude the City from being completely indemnified by the Contractor, the City shall be partially indemnified by the Contractor to the fullest extent permitted by Law.

**Section 8.04 Infringement Indemnification**

The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless from any and all claims (even if the allegations of the lawsuit are without merit) or judgments for damages and from costs and expenses to which the City may be subject to or which it may suffer or incur allegedly arising out of or in connection with any infringement by the Contractor of any copyright, trade secrets, trademark or patent rights or any other property or personal right of any third party by the Contractor and/or its subcontractors in the performance of this Agreement. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless regardless of whether or not the alleged infringement arises out of compliance with the Agreement's scope of services/scope of work. Insofar as the facts or Law relating to any claim would preclude the City from being completely indemnified by the Contractor, the City shall be partially indemnified by the Contractor to the fullest extent permitted by Law.

**Section 8.05 Indemnification Obligations Not Limited By Insurance Obligation**

The indemnification provisions set forth in this Article shall not be limited in any way by the Contractor's obligations to obtain and maintain insurance as provided in this Agreement.

**Section 8.06 Actions By or Against Third Parties**

A. In the event any claim is made or any action brought in any way relating to Agreement, other than an action between the City and the Contractor, the Contractor shall

diligently render to the City without additional compensation all assistance which the City may reasonably require of the Contractor.

B. The Contractor shall report to the Department in writing within five (5) business Days of the initiation by or against the Contractor of any legal action or proceeding in connection with or relating to this Agreement.

#### **Section 8.07 Withholding of Payments**

A. In the event that any claim is made or any action is brought against the City for which the Contractor may be required to indemnify the City pursuant to this Agreement, the City shall have the right to withhold further payments under this Agreement for the purpose of set-off in sufficient sums to cover the said claim or action.

B. In the event that any City property is lost or damaged as set forth in Section 8.02, except for normal wear and tear, the City shall have the right to withhold further payments under this Agreement for the purpose of set-off in sufficient sums to cover such loss or damage.

C. The City shall not, however, impose a setoff in the event that an insurance company that provided liability insurance pursuant to Article 7 above has accepted the City's tender of the claim or action without a reservation of rights.

D. The Department may, at its option, withhold for purposes of set-off any monies due to the Contractor under this Agreement up to the amount of any disallowances or questioned costs resulting from any audits of the Contractor or to the amount of any overpayment to the Contractor with regard to this Agreement.

E. The rights and remedies of the City provided for in this Section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by Law or this Agreement.

#### **Section 8.08 No Third Party Rights**

The provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed to create any right of action in favor of third parties against the Contractor or the City or their respective officers and employees.

### **ARTICLE 9 - CONTRACT CHANGES**

#### **Section 9.01 Contract Changes**

Changes to this Agreement may be made only as duly authorized by the ACCO or his or her designee and in accordance with the PPB Rules. Any amendment or change to this Agreement shall not be valid unless made in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties. Contractors deviating from the requirements of this Agreement without a duly

approved and executed change order document, or written contract modification or amendment, do so at their own risk.

**Section 9.02 Changes Through Fault of Contractor**

In the event that any change is required in the data, documents, deliverables, or other services to be provided under this Agreement because of negligence or error of the Contractor, no additional compensation shall be paid to the Contractor for making such change, and the Contractor is obligated to make such change without additional compensation.

**ARTICLE 10 - TERMINATION, DEFAULT, AND REDUCTIONS IN FUNDING**

**Section 10.01 Termination by the City Without Cause**

A. The City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, without cause, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.05.

B. If the City terminates this Agreement pursuant to this Section, the following provisions apply. The City shall not incur or pay any further obligation pursuant to this Agreement beyond the termination date set by the City pursuant to Section 10.05. The City shall pay for services provided in accordance with this Agreement prior to the termination date. In addition, any obligation necessarily incurred by the Contractor on account of this Agreement prior to receipt of notice of termination and falling due after the termination date shall be paid by the City in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In no event shall such obligation be construed as including any lease or other occupancy agreement, oral or written, entered into between the Contractor and its landlord.

**Section 10.02 Reductions in Federal, State and/or City Funding**

A. This Agreement is funded in whole or in part by funds secured from the federal, State and/or City governments. Should there be a reduction or discontinuance of such funds by action of the federal, State and/or City governments, the City shall have, in its sole discretion, the right to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, or to reduce the funding and/or level of services of this Agreement caused by such action by the federal, State and/or City governments, including, in the case of the reduction option, but not limited to, the reduction or elimination of programs, services or service components; the reduction or elimination of contract-reimbursable staff or staff-hours, and corresponding reductions in the budget of this Agreement and in the total amount payable under this Agreement. Any reduction in funds pursuant to this Section shall be accompanied by an appropriate reduction in the services performed under this Agreement.

B. In the case of the reduction option referred to in Paragraph A, above, any such reduction shall be effective as of the date set forth in a written notice thereof to the Contractor, which shall be not less than thirty (30) Days from the date of such notice. Prior to sending such notice of reduction, the Department shall advise the Contractor that such option is being exercised and afford the Contractor an opportunity to make within seven (7) Days any

suggestion(s) it may have as to which program(s), service(s), service component(s), staff or staff-hours might be reduced or eliminated, provided, however, that the Department shall not be bound to utilize any of the Contractor's suggestions and that the Department shall have sole discretion as to how to effectuate the reductions.

C. If the City reduces funding pursuant to this Section, the following provisions apply. The City shall pay for services provided in accordance with this Agreement prior to the reduction date. In addition, any obligation necessarily incurred by the Contractor on account of this Agreement prior to receipt of notice of reduction and falling due after the reduction date shall be paid by the City in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In no event shall such obligation be construed as including any lease or other occupancy agreement, oral or written, entered into between the Contractor and its landlord.

D. To the extent that the reduction in public funds is a result of the State determining that the Contractor may receive medical assistance funds pursuant to title eleven of article five of the Social Services Law to fund the services contained within the scope of a program under this Agreement, then the notice and effective date provisions of this section shall not apply, and the Department may reduce such public funds authorized under this Agreement by informing the Contractor of the amount of the reduction and revising attachments to this agreement as appropriate.

### **Section 10.03 Contractor Default**

A. The City shall have the right to declare the Contractor in default:

1. Upon a breach by the Contractor of a material term or condition of this Agreement, including unsatisfactory performance of the services;

2. Upon insolvency or the commencement of any proceeding by or against the Contractor, either voluntarily or involuntarily, under the Bankruptcy Code or relating to the insolvency, receivership, liquidation, or composition of the Contractor for the benefit of creditors;

3. If the Contractor refuses or fails to proceed with the services under the Agreement when and as directed by the Commissioner;

4. If the Contractor or any of its officers, directors, partners, five percent (5%) or greater shareholders, principals, or other employee or person substantially involved in its activities are indicted or convicted after execution of the Agreement under any state or federal law of any of the following:

a. a criminal offense incident to obtaining or attempting to obtain or performing a public or private contract;

b. fraud, embezzlement, theft, bribery, forgery, falsification, or destruction of records, or receiving stolen property;

c. a criminal violation of any state or federal antitrust law;

d. violation of the Racketeer Influence and Corrupt Organization Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1961 et seq., or the Mail Fraud Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1341 et seq., for acts in connection with the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract;

e. conspiracy to commit any act or omission that would constitute grounds for conviction or liability under any statute described in subparagraph (d) above; or

f. an offense indicating a lack of business integrity that seriously and directly affects responsibility as a City vendor.

5. If the Contractor or any of its officers, directors, partners, five percent (5%) or greater shareholders, principals, or other employee or person substantially involved in its activities are subject to a judgment of civil liability under any state or federal antitrust law for acts or omissions in connection with the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract; or

6. If the Contractor or any of its officers, directors, partners, five percent (5%) or greater shareholders, principals, or other employee or person substantially involved in its activities makes or causes to be made any false, deceptive, or fraudulent material statement, or fail to make a required material statement in any bid, proposal, or application for City or other government work.

B. The right to declare the Contractor in default shall be exercised by sending the Contractor a written notice of the conditions of default, signed by the Commissioner, setting forth the ground or grounds upon which such default is declared (“Notice to Cure”). The Contractor shall have ten (10) Days from receipt of the Notice to Cure or any longer period that is set forth in the Notice to Cure to cure the default. The Commissioner may temporarily suspend services under the Agreement pending the outcome of the default proceedings pursuant to this Section.

C. If the conditions set forth in the Notice to Cure are not cured within the period set forth in the Notice to Cure, the Commissioner may declare the Contractor in default pursuant to this Section. Before the Commissioner may exercise his or her right to declare the Contractor in default, the Commissioner shall give the Contractor an opportunity to be heard upon not less than five (5) business days notice. The Commissioner may, in his or her discretion, provide for such opportunity to be in writing or in person. Such opportunity to be heard shall not occur prior to the end of the cure period but notice of such opportunity to be heard may be given prior to the end of the cure period and may be given contemporaneously with the Notice to Cure.

D. After the opportunity to be heard, the Commissioner may terminate the Agreement, in whole or in part, upon finding the Contractor in default pursuant to this Section, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.05.



E. The Commissioner, after declaring the Contractor in default, may have the services under the Agreement completed by such means and in such manner, by contract with or without public letting, or otherwise, as he or she may deem advisable in accordance with applicable PPB Rules. After such completion, the Commissioner shall certify the expense incurred in such completion, which shall include the cost of re-letting. Should the expense of such completion, as certified by the Commissioner, exceed the total sum which would have been payable under the Agreement if it had been completed by the Contractor, any excess shall be promptly paid by the Contractor upon demand by the City. The excess expense of such completion, including any and all related and incidental costs, as so certified by the Commissioner, and any liquidated damages assessed against the Contractor, may be charged against and deducted out of monies earned by the Contractor.

#### **Section 10.04 Force Majeure**

A. For purposes of this Agreement, a force majeure event is an act or event beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of the Contractor (“Force Majeure Event”). Such events may include, but are not limited to, fire, flood, earthquake, storm or other natural disaster, civil commotion, war, terrorism, riot, and labor disputes not brought about by any act or omission of the Contractor.

B. In the event the Contractor cannot comply with the terms of the Agreement (including any failure by the Contractor to make progress in the performance of the services) because of a Force Majeure Event, then the Contractor may ask the Commissioner to excuse the nonperformance and/or terminate the Agreement. If the Commissioner, in his or her reasonable discretion, determines that the Contractor cannot comply with the terms of the Agreement because of a Force Majeure Event, then the Commissioner shall excuse the nonperformance and may terminate the Agreement. Such a termination shall be deemed to be without cause.

C. If the City terminates the Agreement pursuant to this Section, the following provisions apply. The City shall not incur or pay any further obligation pursuant to this Agreement beyond the termination date. The City shall pay for services provided in accordance with this Agreement prior to the termination date. Any obligation necessarily incurred by the Contractor on account of this Agreement prior to receipt of notice of termination and falling due after the termination date shall be paid by the City in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In no event shall such obligation be construed as including any lease or other occupancy agreement, oral or written, entered into between the Contractor and its landlord.

#### **Section 10.05 Procedures for Termination**

A. The Department and/or the City shall give the Contractor written notice of any termination of this Agreement. Such notice shall specify the applicable provision(s) under which the Agreement is terminated and the effective date of the termination. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the notice shall comply with the provisions of this Section. For termination without cause, the effective date of the termination shall not be less than ten (10) Days from the date the notice is personally delivered, or fifteen (15) Days from the date the notice is either sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by fax and deposited in a

post office box regularly maintained by the United States Postal Service in a postage pre-paid envelope. In the case of termination for default, the effective date of the termination shall be as set forth above for a termination without cause or such earlier date as the Commissioner may determine. If the City terminates the Agreement in part, the Contractor shall continue the performance of the Agreement to the extent not terminated.

B. Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, the Contractor shall comply with the City close-out procedures, including but not limited to:

1. Accounting for and refunding to the Department, within forty-five (45) Days, any unexpended funds which have been advanced to the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement;
2. Furnishing within forty-five (45) Days an inventory to the Department of all equipment, appurtenances and property purchased through or provided under this Agreement and carrying out any Department or City directive concerning the disposition of such equipment, appurtenances and property;
3. Turning over to the Department or its designees all books, records, documents and material specifically relating to this Agreement that the Department has requested be turned over;
4. Submitting to the Department, within ninety (90) Days, a final statement and report relating to the Agreement. The report shall be made by a certified public accountant or a licensed public accountant; and
5. Providing reasonable assistance to the Department in the transition, if any, to a new contractor.

#### **Section 10.06 Miscellaneous Provisions**

A. The Commissioner, in addition to any other powers set forth in this Agreement or by operation of Law, may suspend, in whole or in part, any part of the services to be provided under this Agreement whenever in his or her judgment such suspension is required in the best interest of the City. If the Commissioner suspends this Agreement pursuant to this Section, the City shall not incur or pay any further obligation pursuant to this Agreement beyond the suspension date until such suspension is lifted. The City shall pay for services provided in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension date. In addition, any obligation necessarily incurred by the Contractor on account of this Agreement prior to receipt of notice of suspension and falling due during the suspension period shall be paid by the City in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by virtue of the Contractor's breach of the Agreement, and the City may withhold payments to the Contractor for the purpose of set-off in the amount of damages due to the City from the Contractor.

C. The rights and remedies of the City provided in this Article shall not be exclusive and are in addition to all other rights and remedies provided by Law or under this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 11 - PROMPT PAYMENT AND ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER**

### **Section 11.01 Prompt Payment**

A. The prompt payment provisions of PPB Rule § 4-06 are applicable to payments made under this Agreement. The provisions generally require the payment to the Contractor of interest on payments made after the required payment date, as set forth in the PPB Rules.

B. The Contractor shall submit a proper invoice to receive payment, except where the Agreement provides that the Contractor will be paid at predetermined intervals without having to submit an invoice for each scheduled payment.

C. Determination of interest due will be made in accordance with the PPB Rules and the applicable rate of interest shall be the rate in effect at the time of payment.

### **Section 11.02 Electronic Funds Transfer**

A. In accordance with Admin. Code § 6-107.1, the Contractor agrees to accept payments under this Agreement from the City by electronic funds transfer. An electronic funds transfer is any transfer of funds, other than a transaction originated by check, draft, or similar paper instrument, which is initiated through an electronic terminal, telephonic instrument or computer or magnetic tape so as to order, instruct, or authorize a financial institution to debit or credit an account. Prior to the first payment made under this Agreement, the Contractor shall designate one financial institution or other authorized payment agent and shall complete the "EFT Vendor Payment Enrollment Form" available from the Agency or at <http://www.nyc.gov/dof> in order to provide the commissioner of the Department of Finance with information necessary for the Contractor to receive electronic funds transfer payments through the designated financial institution or authorized payment agent. The crediting of the amount of a payment to the appropriate account on the books of a financial institution or other authorized payment agent designated by the Contractor shall constitute full satisfaction by the City for the amount of the payment under this Agreement. The account information supplied by the Contractor to facilitate the electronic funds transfer shall remain confidential to the fullest extent provided by Law.

B. The Agency Head may waive the application of the requirements of this Section to payments on contracts entered into pursuant to Charter § 315. In addition, the commissioner of the Department of Finance and the Comptroller may jointly issue standards pursuant to which the Agency may waive the requirements of this Section for payments in the following circumstances: (i) for individuals or classes of individuals for whom compliance imposes a hardship; (ii) for classifications or types of checks; or (iii) in other circumstances as may be necessary in the best interest of the City.

C. This Section is applicable to contracts valued at Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) and above.

## **ARTICLE 12 - CLAIMS**

### **Section 12.01 Choice of Law**

This Agreement shall be deemed to be executed in the City and State of New York, regardless of the domicile of the Contractor, and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York (notwithstanding New York choice of law or conflict of law principles) and the Laws of the United States, where applicable.

### **Section 12.02 Jurisdiction and Venue**

The parties agree that any and all claims asserted by or against the City arising under or related to this Agreement shall solely be heard and determined either in the courts of the United States located in the City or in the courts of the State located in the City and County of New York. The parties shall consent to the dismissal and/or transfer of any claims asserted in any other venue or forum to the proper venue or forum. If the Contractor initiates any action in breach of this Section, the Contractor shall be responsible for and shall promptly reimburse the City for any attorneys' fees incurred by the City in removing the action to a proper court consistent with this Section.

### **Section 12.03 Resolution of Disputes**

A. Except as provided in Subparagraphs (A)(1) and (A)(2) below, all disputes between the City and the Contractor that arise under, or by virtue of, this Agreement shall be finally resolved in accordance with the provisions of this Section and PPB Rule § 4-09. This procedure shall be the exclusive means of resolving any such disputes.

1. This Section shall not apply to disputes concerning matters dealt with in other sections of the PPB Rules or to disputes involving patents, copyrights, trademarks, or trade secrets (as interpreted by the courts of New York State) relating to proprietary rights in computer software, or to termination other than for cause.

2. For construction and construction-related services this Section shall apply only to disputes about the scope of work delineated by the Agreement, the interpretation of Agreement documents, the amount to be paid for extra work or disputed work performed in connection with the Agreement, the conformity of the Contractor's work to the Agreement, and the acceptability and quality of the Contractor's work; such disputes arise when the City Engineer, City Resident Engineer, City Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Agency Head makes a determination with which the Contractor disagrees. For construction, this Section shall not apply to termination of the Agreement for cause or other than for cause.

B. All determinations required by this Section shall be clearly stated, with a reasoned explanation for the determination based on the information and evidence presented to the party making the determination. Failure to make such determination within the time required by this Section shall be deemed a non-determination without prejudice that will allow application to the next level.

C. During such time as any dispute is being presented, heard, and considered pursuant to this Section, the Agreement terms shall remain in full force and effect and, unless otherwise directed by the ACCO or Engineer, the Contractor shall continue to perform work in accordance with the Agreement and as directed by the ACCO or City Engineer, City Resident Engineer, City Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Agency Head. Failure of the Contractor to continue the work as directed shall constitute a waiver by the Contractor of any and all claims being presented pursuant to this Section and a material breach of contract.

D. Presentation of Dispute to Agency Head.

1. Notice of Dispute and Agency Response. The Contractor shall present its dispute in writing (“Notice of Dispute”) to the Agency Head within the time specified herein, or, if no time is specified, within thirty (30) Days of receiving written notice of the determination or action that is the subject of the dispute. This notice requirement shall not be read to replace any other notice requirements contained in the Agreement. The Notice of Dispute shall include all the facts, evidence, documents, or other basis upon which the Contractor relies in support of its position, as well as a detailed computation demonstrating how any amount of money claimed by the Contractor in the dispute was arrived at. Within thirty (30) Days after receipt of the complete Notice of Dispute, the ACCO or, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the City Engineer, City Resident Engineer, City Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Agency Head, shall submit to the Agency Head all materials he or she deems pertinent to the dispute. Following initial submissions to the Agency Head, either party may demand of the other the production of any document or other material the demanding party believes may be relevant to the dispute. The requested party shall produce all relevant materials that are not otherwise protected by a legal privilege recognized by the courts of New York State. Any question of relevancy shall be determined by the Agency Head whose decision shall be final. Willful failure of the Contractor to produce any requested material whose relevancy the Contractor has not disputed, or whose relevancy has been affirmatively determined, shall constitute a waiver by the Contractor of its claim.

2. Agency Head Inquiry. The Agency Head shall examine the material and may, in his or her discretion, convene an informal conference with the Contractor and the ACCO and, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the City Engineer, City Resident Engineer, City Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Agency Head, to resolve the issue by mutual consent prior to reaching a determination. The Agency Head may seek such technical or other expertise as he or she shall deem appropriate, including the use of neutral mediators, and require any such additional material from either or both parties as he or she deems fit. The Agency Head’s ability to render, and the effect of, a decision hereunder shall not be impaired by any

negotiations in connection with the dispute presented, whether or not the Agency Head participated therein. The Agency Head may or, at the request of any party to the dispute, shall compel the participation of any other contractor with a contract related to the work of this Agreement and that contractor shall be bound by the decision of the Agency Head. Any contractor thus brought into the dispute resolution proceeding shall have the same rights and obligations under this Section as the Contractor initiating the dispute.

3. **Agency Head Determination.** Within thirty (30) Days after the receipt of all materials and information, or such longer time as may be agreed to by the parties, the Agency Head shall make his or her determination and shall deliver or send a copy of such determination to the Contractor and ACCO and, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the City Engineer, City Resident Engineer, City Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Agency Head, together with a statement concerning how the decision may be appealed.

4. **Finality of Agency Head Decision.** The Agency Head's decision shall be final and binding on all parties, unless presented to the Contract Dispute Resolution Board ("CDRB") pursuant to this Section. The City may not take a petition to the CDRB. However, should the Contractor take such a petition, the City may seek, and the CDRB may render, a determination less favorable to the Contractor and more favorable to the City than the decision of the Agency Head.

E. **Presentation of Dispute to the Comptroller.** Before any dispute may be brought by the Contractor to the CDRB, the Contractor must first present its claim to the Comptroller for his or her review, investigation, and possible adjustment.

1. **Time, Form, and Content of Notice.** Within thirty (30) Days of receipt of a decision by the Agency Head, the Contractor shall submit to the Comptroller and to the Agency Head a Notice of Claim regarding its dispute with the Agency. The Notice of Claim shall consist of (i) a brief statement of the substance of the dispute, the amount of money, if any, claimed and the reason(s) the Contractor contends the dispute was wrongly decided by the Agency Head; (ii) a copy of the decision of the Agency Head; and (iii) a copy of all materials submitted by the Contractor to the Agency, including the Notice of Dispute. The Contractor may not present to the Comptroller any material not presented to the Agency Head, except at the request of the Comptroller.

2. **Agency Response.** Within thirty (30) Days of receipt of the Notice of Claim, the Agency shall make available to the Comptroller a copy of all material submitted by the Agency to the Agency Head in connection with the dispute. The Agency may not present to the Comptroller any material not presented to the Agency Head, except at the request of the Comptroller.

3. **Comptroller Investigation.** The Comptroller may investigate the claim in dispute and, in the course of such investigation, may exercise all powers provided in Admin. Code §§ 7-201 and 7-203. In addition, the Comptroller may demand of either party, and such party shall provide, whatever additional material the Comptroller deems pertinent to the claim, including original business records of the Contractor. Willful

failure of the Contractor to produce within fifteen (15) Days any material requested by the Comptroller shall constitute a waiver by the Contractor of its claim. The Comptroller may also schedule an informal conference to be attended by the Contractor, Agency representatives, and any other personnel desired by the Comptroller.

4. Opportunity of Comptroller to Compromise or Adjust Claim. The Comptroller shall have forty-five (45) Days from his or her receipt of all materials referred to in Paragraph (E)(3) above to investigate the disputed claim. The period for investigation and compromise may be further extended by agreement between the Contractor and the Comptroller, to a maximum of ninety (90) Days from the Comptroller's receipt of all the materials. The Contractor may not present its petition to the CDRB until the period for investigation and compromise delineated in this Paragraph has expired. In compromising or adjusting any claim hereunder, the Comptroller may not revise or disregard the terms of the Agreement.

F. Contract Dispute Resolution Board. There shall be a Contract Dispute Resolution Board composed of:

1. the chief administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings ("OATH") or his or her designated OATH administrative law judge, who shall act as chairperson, and may adopt operational procedures and issue such orders consistent with this Section as may be necessary in the execution of the CDRB's functions, including, but not limited to, granting extensions of time to present or respond to submissions;

2. the City Chief Procurement Officer ("CCPO") or his or her designee; any designee shall have the requisite background to consider and resolve the merits of the dispute and shall not have participated personally and substantially in the particular matter that is the subject of the dispute or report to anyone who so participated; and

3. a person with appropriate expertise who is not an employee of the City. This person shall be selected by the presiding administrative law judge from a prequalified panel of individuals, established, and administered by OATH, with appropriate background to act as decision-makers in a dispute. Such individuals may not have a contract or dispute with the City or be an officer or employee of any company or organization that does, or regularly represent persons, companies, or organizations having disputes with the City.

G. Petition to CDRB. In the event the claim has not been settled or adjusted by the Comptroller within the period provided in this Section, the Contractor, within thirty (30) Days thereafter, may petition the CDRB to review the Agency Head determination.

1. Form and Content of Petition by the Contractor. The Contractor shall present its dispute to the CDRB in the form of a petition, which shall include (i) a brief statement of the substance of the dispute, the amount of money, if any, claimed, and the reason(s) the Contractor contends that the dispute was wrongly decided by the Agency Head; (ii) a copy of the decision of the Agency Head; (iii) copies of all materials

submitted by the Contractor to the Agency; (iv) a copy of the decision of the Comptroller, if any, and (v) copies of all correspondence with, and material submitted by the Contractor to, the Comptroller's Office. The Contractor shall concurrently submit four complete sets of the petition: one to the Corporation Counsel (Attn: Commercial and Real Estate Litigation Division), and three to the CDRB at OATH's offices, with proof of service on the Corporation Counsel. In addition, the Contractor shall submit a copy of the statement of the substance of the dispute, cited in (i) above, to both the Agency Head and the Comptroller.

2. **Agency Response.** Within thirty (30) Days of receipt of the petition by the Corporation Counsel, the Agency shall respond to the statement of the Contractor and make available to the CDRB all material it submitted to the Agency Head and Comptroller. Three complete copies of the Agency response shall be submitted to the CDRB at OATH's offices and one to the Contractor. Extensions of time for submittal of the Agency response shall be given as necessary upon a showing of good cause or, upon the consent of the parties, for an initial period of up to thirty (30) Days.

3. **Further Proceedings.** The CDRB shall permit the Contractor to present its case by submission of memoranda, briefs, and oral argument. The CDRB shall also permit the Agency to present its case in response to the Contractor by submission of memoranda, briefs, and oral argument. If requested by the Corporation Counsel, the Comptroller shall provide reasonable assistance in the preparation of the Agency's case. Neither the Contractor nor the Agency may support its case with any documentation or other material that was not considered by the Comptroller, unless requested by the CDRB. The CDRB, in its discretion, may seek such technical or other expert advice as it shall deem appropriate and may seek, on its own or upon application of a party, any such additional material from any party as it deems fit. The CDRB, in its discretion, may combine more than one dispute between the parties for concurrent resolution.

4. **CDRB Determination.** Within forty-five (45) Days of the conclusion of all submissions and oral arguments, the CDRB shall render a decision resolving the dispute. In an unusually complex case, the CDRB may render its decision in a longer period of time, not to exceed ninety (90) Days, and shall so advise the parties at the commencement of this period. The CDRB's decision must be consistent with the terms of this Agreement. Decisions of the CDRB shall only resolve matters before the CDRB and shall not have precedential effect with respect to matters not before the CDRB.

5. **Notification of CDRB Decision.** The CDRB shall send a copy of its decision to the Contractor, the ACCO, the Corporation Counsel, the Comptroller, the CCPO, and, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the City Engineer, City Resident Engineer, City Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Agency Head. A decision in favor of the Contractor shall be subject to the prompt payment provisions of the PPB Rules. The required payment date shall be thirty (30) Days after the date the parties are formally notified of the CDRB's decision.

6. **Finality of CDRB Decision.** The CDRB's decision shall be final and binding on all parties. Any party may seek review of the CDRB's decision solely in the



form of a challenge, filed within four months of the date of the CDRB's decision, in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York, County of New York pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules. Such review by the court shall be limited to the question of whether or not the CDRB's decision was made in violation of lawful procedure, was affected by an error of Law, or was arbitrary and capricious or an abuse of discretion. No evidence or information shall be introduced or relied upon in such proceeding that was not presented to the CDRB in accordance with PPB Rules § 4-09.

H. Any termination, cancellation, or alleged breach of the Agreement prior to or during the pendency of any proceedings pursuant to this Section shall not affect or impair the ability of the Agency Head or CDRB to make a binding and final decision pursuant to this Section.

#### **Section 12.04 Claims and Actions**

A. Any claim against the City or Department based on this Agreement or arising out of this Agreement that is not subject to dispute resolution under the PPB Rules or this Agreement shall not be made or asserted in any legal proceeding, unless the Contractor shall have strictly complied with all requirements relating to the giving of notice and of information with respect to such claims as provided in this Agreement.

B. No action shall be instituted or maintained on any such claims unless such action shall be commenced within six (6) months after the date of filing with the Comptroller of the certificate for the final payment under this Agreement, or within six (6) months of the termination or expiration of this Agreement, or within six (6) months after the accrual of the cause of action, whichever first occurs.

#### **Section 12.05 No Claim Against Officers, Agents or Employees**

No claim shall be made by the Contractor against any officer, agent, or employee of the City in their personal capacity for, or on account of, anything done or omitted in connection with this Agreement.

#### **Section 12.06 General Release**

The acceptance by the Contractor or its assignees of the final payment under this Agreement, whether by check, wire transfer, or other means, and whether pursuant to invoice, voucher, judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction or any other administrative means, shall constitute and operate as a release of the City from any and all claims of and liability to the Contractor, of which the Contractor was aware or should reasonably have been aware, arising out of the performance of this Agreement based on actions of the City prior to such acceptance of final payment, excepting any disputes that are the subject of pending dispute resolution procedures.

**Section 12.07 No Waiver**

Waiver by either the Department or the Contractor of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of the Agreement unless and until the same shall be agreed to in writing by the parties as set forth in Section 9.01.

**ARTICLE 13 - APPLICABLE LAWS**

**Section 13.01 PPB Rules**

This Agreement is subject to the PPB Rules. In the event of a conflict between the PPB Rules and a provision of this Agreement, the PPB Rules shall take precedence.

**Section 13.02 All Legal Provisions Deemed Included**

Each and every provision required by Law to be inserted in this Agreement is hereby deemed to be a part of this Agreement, whether actually inserted or not.

**Section 13.03 Severability / Unlawful Provisions Deemed Stricken**

If this Agreement contains any unlawful provision not an essential part of the Agreement and which shall not appear to have been a controlling or material inducement to the making of this Agreement, the unlawful provision shall be deemed of no effect and shall, upon notice by either party, be deemed stricken from the Agreement without affecting the binding force of the remainder.

**Section 13.04 Compliance With Laws**

The Contractor shall perform all services under this Agreement in accordance with all applicable Laws as are in effect at the time such services are performed.

**Section 13.05 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)**

A. This Agreement is subject to the provisions of Subtitle A of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12131 et seq. (“ADA”) and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, see 28 CFR Part 35. The Contractor shall not discriminate against an individual with a disability, as defined in the ADA, in providing services, programs, or activities pursuant to this Agreement. If directed to do so by the Department to ensure the Contractor’s compliance with the ADA during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall prepare a plan (“Compliance Plan”) which lists its program site(s) and describes in detail, how it intends to make the services, programs and activities set forth in the scope of services herein readily accessible and usable by individuals with disabilities at such site(s). In the event that the

program site is not readily accessible and usable by individuals with disabilities, contractor shall also include in the Compliance Plan, a description of reasonable alternative means and methods that result in making the services, programs or activities provided under this Agreement, readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities, including but not limited to people with visual, auditory or mobility disabilities. The Contractor shall submit the Compliance Plan to the ACCO for review within ten (10) Days after being directed to do so and shall abide by the Compliance Plan and implement any action detailed in the Compliance Plan to make the services, programs, or activities accessible and usable by the disabled.

B. The Contractor's failure to either submit a Compliance Plan as required herein or implement an approved Compliance Plan may be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and result in the City terminating this Agreement.

### **Section 13.06 Voter Registration**

A. Participating Agencies. Pursuant to Charter § 1057-a, if this Agreement is with a participating City agency and the Contractor has regular contact with the public in the daily administration of its business, the Contractor must comply with the requirements of this Section. The participating City agencies are: the Administration for Children's Services; the City Clerk; the Civilian Complaint Review Board; the Commission on Human Rights; Community Boards; the Department of Small Business Services; the Department of Citywide Administrative Services; the Department of Consumer Affairs; the Department of Correction; the Department of Environmental Protection; the Department of Finance; the Department of Health and Mental Health; the Department of Homeless Services; the Department of Housing Preservation and Development; the Department of Parks and Recreation; the Department of Probation; the Taxi and Limousine Commission; the Department of Transportation; and the Department of Youth and Community Development.

B. Distribution of Voter Registration Forms. In accordance with Charter § 1057-a, the Contractor, if it has regular contact with the public in the daily administration of its business under this Agreement, hereby agrees as follows:

1. The Contractor shall provide and distribute voter registration forms to all persons together with written applications for services, renewal, or recertification for services and change of address relating to such services. Such voter registration forms shall be provided to the Contractor by the City. The Contractor should be prepared to provide forms written in Spanish or Chinese, and shall obtain a sufficient supply of such forms from the City.

2. The Contractor shall also include a voter registration form with any Contractor communication sent through the United States mail for the purpose of supplying clients with materials for application, renewal, or recertification for services and change of address relating to such services. If forms written in Spanish or Chinese are not provided in such mailing, the Contractor shall provide such forms upon the Department's request.

3. The Contractor shall, subject to approval by the Department, incorporate an opportunity to request a voter registration application into any application for services, renewal, or recertification for services and change of address relating to such services provided on computer terminals, the World Wide Web or the Internet. Any person indicating that they wish to be sent a voter registration form via computer terminals, the World Wide Web or the Internet shall be sent such a form by the Contractor or be directed, in a manner subject to approval by the Department, to a link on that system where such a form may be downloaded.

4. The Contractor shall, at the earliest practicable or next regularly scheduled printing of its own forms, subject to approval by the Department, physically incorporate the voter registration forms with its own application forms in a manner that permits the voter registration portion to be detached therefrom. Until such time when the Contractor amends its form, the Contractor should affix or include a postage-paid City Board of Elections voter registration form to or with its application, renewal, recertification, and change of address forms.

5. The Contractor shall prominently display in its public office, subject to approval by the Department, promotional materials designed and approved by the City or State Board of Elections.

6. For the purposes of Paragraph A of this Section, the word "Contractor" shall be deemed to include subcontractors having regular contact with the public in the daily administration of their business.

7. The provisions of Paragraph A of this Section shall not apply to services that must be provided to prevent actual or potential danger to life, health, or safety of any individual or of the public.

C. Assistance in Completing Voter Registration Forms. In accordance with Charter § 1057-a, the Contractor hereby agrees as follows:

1. In the event the Department provides assistance in completing distributed voter registration forms, the Contractor shall also provide such assistance, in the manner and to the extent specified by the Department.

2. In the event the Department receives and transmits completed registration forms from applicants who wish to have the forms transmitted to the City Board of Elections, the Contractor shall similarly provide such service, in the manner and to the extent specified by the Department.

3. If, in connection with the provision of services under this Agreement, the Contractor intends to provide assistance in completing distributed voter registration forms or to receive and transmit completed registration forms from applicants who wish to have the forms transmitted to the City Board of Elections, the Contractor shall do so only by prior arrangement with the Department.

4. The provision of Paragraph B services by the Contractor may be subject to Department protocols, including protocols regarding confidentiality.

D. Required Statements. In accordance with Charter § 1057-a, the Contractor hereby agrees as follows:

1. The Contractor shall advise all persons seeking voter registration forms and information, in writing together with other written materials provided by the Contractor or by appropriate publicity, that the Contractor's or government services are not conditioned on being registered to vote.

2. No statement shall be made and no action shall be taken by the Contractor or an employee of the Contractor to discourage an applicant from registering to vote or to encourage or discourage an applicant from enrolling in any particular political party.

3. The Contractor shall communicate to applicants that the completion of voter registration forms is voluntary.

4. The Contractor and the Contractor's employees shall not:

a. seek to influence an applicant's political preference or party designation;

b. display any political preference or party allegiance;

c. make any statement to an applicant or take any action the purpose or effect of which is to discourage the applicant from registering to vote; or

d. make any statement to an applicant or take any action the purpose or effect of which is to lead the applicant to believe that a decision to register or not to register has any bearing on the availability of services or benefits.

E. The Contractor, as defined above and in this Agreement, agrees that the covenants and representations in this Section are material conditions of this Agreement.

F. The provisions of this Section do not apply where the services under this Agreement are supported by a federal or State grant of funds and the source of funds prohibits the use of federal or State funds for the purposes of this Section.

### **Section 13.07 Participation in an International Boycott**

A. The Contractor agrees that neither the Contractor nor any substantially-owned affiliated company is participating or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the provisions of the federal Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, 50 U.S.C. Appendix. §§ 2401 et seq., or the regulations of the United States Department of Commerce promulgated thereunder.

B. Upon the final determination by the Commerce Department or any other agency of the United States as to, or conviction of, the Contractor or a substantially-owned affiliated company thereof, of participation in an international boycott in violation of the provisions of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, or the regulations promulgated thereunder, the Comptroller may, at his or her option, render forfeit and void this Agreement.

C. The Contractor shall comply in all respects, with the provisions of Admin. Code § 6-114 and the rules issued by the Comptroller thereunder.

### **Section 13.08 MacBride Principles**

A. In accordance with and to the extent required by Admin. Code § 6-115.1, the Contractor stipulates that the Contractor and any individual or legal entity in which the Contractor holds a ten percent (10%) or greater ownership interest and any individual or legal entity that holds a ten percent (10%) or greater ownership interest in the Contractor either (a) have no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations they have in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Principles, and shall permit independent monitoring of their compliance with such principles.

B. The Contractor agrees that the covenants and representations in Paragraph A above are material conditions to this Agreement.

C. This Section does not apply if the Contractor is a not-for-profit corporation.

### **Section 13.09 Access to Public Health Insurance Coverage Information**

A. Participating Agencies. Pursuant to Charter § 1069, if this Agreement is with a participating City agency and the Contractor is one to whom this Section applies as provided in Paragraph B of this Section, the Contractor hereby agrees to fulfill the obligations in Paragraph C of this Section. The participating City agencies are: the Administration for Children's Services; the City Clerk; the Commission on Human Rights; the Department for the Aging; the Department of Corrections; the Department of Homeless Services; the Department of Housing Preservation and Development; the Department of Juvenile Justice; the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; the Department of Probation; the Department of Social Services/Human Resources Administration; the Taxi and Limousine Commission; the Department of Youth and Community Development; the Office to Combat Domestic Violence; and the Office of Immigrant Affairs.

B. Applicability to Certain Contractors. This Section shall be applicable to a Contractor operating pursuant to an Agreement which (i) is in excess of \$250,000 and (ii) requires such Contractor to supply individuals with a written application for, or written renewal or recertification of services, or request for change of address form in the daily administration of its contractual obligation to such participating City agency. "Contractors" to whom this Section applies shall be deemed to include subcontractors if the subcontract requires the subcontractor to supply individuals with a written application for, or written renewal or recertification of services,

or request for change of address form in the daily administration of the subcontractor's contractual obligation.

C. Distribution of Public Health Insurance Pamphlet. In accordance with Charter § 1069, when the participating City agency supplies the Contractor with the public health insurance program options pamphlet published by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene pursuant to Section 17-183 of the Admin. Code (hereinafter "pamphlet"), the Contractor hereby agrees as follows:

1. The Contractor will distribute the pamphlet to all persons requesting a written application for services, renewal or recertification of services or request for a change of address relating to the provision of services.

2. The Contractor will include a pamphlet with any Contractor communication sent through the United States mail for the purpose of supplying an individual with a written application for services, renewal or recertification of services or with a request for a change of address form relating to the provision of services.

3. The Contractor will provide an opportunity for an individual requesting a written application for services, renewal or recertification for services or change of address form relating to the provision of services via the Internet to request a pamphlet, and will provide such pamphlet by United States mail or an Internet address where such pamphlet may be viewed or downloaded, to any person who indicates via the Internet that they wish to be sent a pamphlet.

4. The Contractor will ensure that its employees do not make any statement to an applicant for services or client or take any action the purpose or effect of which is to lead the applicant or client to believe that a decision to request public health insurance or a pamphlet has any bearing on their eligibility to receive or the availability of services or benefits.

5. The Contractor will comply with: (i) any procedures established by the participating City agency to implement Charter §1069; (ii) any determination of the commissioner or head of the participating City agency (which is concurred in by the commissioner of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene) to exclude a program, in whole or in part, from the requirements of Charter § 1069; and (iii) any determination of the commissioner or head of the participating City agency (which is concurred in by the commissioner of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene) as to which Workforce Investment Act of 1998 offices providing workforce development services shall be required to fulfill the obligations under Charter § 1069.

D. Non-applicability to Certain Services. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to services that must be provided to prevent actual or potential danger to the life, health or safety of any individual or to the public.

### **Section 13.10 Distribution of Personal Identification Materials**

A. Participating Agencies. Pursuant to City Executive Order No. 150 of 2011 ("E.O. 150"), if this Agreement is with a participating City agency and the Contractor has regular

contact with the public in the daily administration of its business, the Contractor must comply with the requirements of this Section. The participating City agencies are: Administration for Children's Services, Department of Consumer Affairs, Department of Correction, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of Homeless Services, Department of Housing Preservation and Development, Human Resources Administration, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Probation, and Department of Youth and Community Development.

B. Policy. As expressed in E.O. 150, it is the policy of the City to provide information to individuals about how they can obtain the various forms of City, State, and Federal government-issued identification and, where appropriate, to assist them with the process for applying for such identification.

C. Distribution of Materials. If the Contractor has regular contact with the public in the daily administration of its business, the Contractor hereby agrees to provide and distribute materials and information related to whether and how to obtain various forms of City, State, and Federal government-issued identification as the Agency directs in accordance with the Agency's plans developed pursuant to E.O. 150.

## **ARTICLE 14 - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

### **Section 14.01 Conditions Precedent**

A. This Agreement shall be neither binding nor effective unless and until it is registered pursuant to Charter § 328.

B. The requirements of this Section shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any approval or authorization otherwise required for this Agreement to be effective and for the expenditure of City funds.

### **Section 14.02 Merger**

This written Agreement contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties, and no other agreement, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind either of the parties, or to vary any of the terms contained in this Agreement, other than a written change, amendment or modification duly executed by both parties pursuant to Article 9 of this Appendix A.

### **Section 14.03 Headings**

Headings are inserted only as a matter of convenience and therefore are not a part of and do not affect the substance of this Agreement.



**Section 14.04 Notice**

A. The Contractor and the Department hereby designate the business addresses specified at the beginning of this Agreement as the places where all notices, directions, or communications from one such party to the other party shall be delivered, or to which they shall be mailed. Either party may change its notice address at any time by an instrument in writing executed and acknowledged by the party making such change and delivered to the other party in the manner as specified below.

B. Any notice, direction, or communication from either party to the other shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given when (i) delivered personally; (ii) sent by certified mail, return receipt requested; (iii) delivered by overnight or same day courier service in a properly addressed envelope with confirmation; or (iv) sent by fax or email and, unless receipt of the fax or e-mail is acknowledged by the recipient by fax or e-mail, deposited in a post office box regularly maintained by the United States Postal Service in a properly addressed, postage pre-paid envelope.

C. Nothing in this Section shall be deemed to serve as a waiver of any requirements for the service of notice or process in the institution of an action or proceeding as provided by Law, including the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules.

ATTACHMENT 2  
FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS RIDER

# **CDBG-DR Rider**

(Version 09.04.2015)

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO NYC AGENCIES AND OFFICES**

This CDBG Rider contains supplementary general conditions for use with procurement contracts and subrecipient agreements that are funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-383) as amended. For all procurement contracts and subrecipient agreements funded by the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (“CDBG-DR”) Program, *except those funded by the regular CDBG (“CDBG”) Program*, this CDBG-DR Rider must be included as an attachment, expressly made a part of, and incorporated by reference. A different rider with terms specific to the regular CDBG Program should be attached to CDBG funded procurement contracts and subrecipient agreements.

## **FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICES**

### **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

Federal Register Notices applicable to the use of CDBG-DR Funds for Hurricane Sandy disaster recovery are available on the HUD Web site at <https://www.hudexchange.info/cdbg-dr/cdbg-dr-laws-regulations-and-federal-register-notices>.

## **SECTION 3 NOTICE**

HUD recently issued proposed amendments to the Section 3 regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. If HUD finalizes and promulgates the amendments to 24 CFR Part 135 during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor or Subrecipient will be required to adhere to the amended 24 CFR Part 135.

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## **ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

As used in this CDBG-DR Rider:

(a) "Act" means Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-383) as amended.

(b) "Agency" means the entity, or entities, executing this Agreement on behalf of the City of New York.

(c) "Agreement" means either the "contract" (as defined by 2 CFR § 200.22) between the City and the Contractor or the agreement between the City and "Subrecipient" as defined by 2 CFR § 200.93 as the context requires.

(d) "City" means the City of New York.

(e) "Construction" means the building, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition, painting or repair of any improvement to real property.

(f) "Contractor" and/or "Subrecipient" means the entity or entities executing this Agreement, other than the Agency.

(g) "Equipment" means tangible personal property (including information technology systems) having a useful life of more than one year and a per-unit acquisition cost which equals or exceeds \$5,000.

(h) "Grant" means Community Development Block Grant Program funds provided to the City of New York by the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development or a pass-through entity.

(i) "Hometown Plan" means a voluntary areawide plan that was developed by representatives of affected groups (usually labor unions, minority organizations, and contractors), and subsequently approved by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance (OFCC), for purposes of implementing the equal employment opportunity requirements pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended.

(j) "HUD" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or a person authorized to act on his or her behalf.

(k) "Program" means the New York City Community Development Block Grant Program approved by HUD as the same may from time to time be amended.

(l) "Real property" means land, including land improvements, structures and appurtenances thereto, but excludes moveable machinery and moveable equipment.

(m) "Subcontractor" means any person, firm or corporation, other than employees of the Contractor or the Subrecipient, or another Subcontractor who is engaged by the Contractor or the Subrecipient to furnish (i) services, (ii) labor or (iii) services and/or labor and materials at the site of the work performed under this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 2. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT AND NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT**

*[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]*

This Agreement is subject to Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) as amended (The Act) and all rules, regulations and requirements now issued or hereafter issued pursuant to the Act; the Agreement may be suspended and/or terminated without liability to the City if the Grant to the City pursuant to the Act is suspended or terminated, and unless and until the City or Agency receives Community Development funds in an amount that is deemed sufficient to enable it to fund this Agreement, the City or Agency is under no obligation to make any payments to the Contractor or Subrecipient. In this regard, the Agency is under no obligation to make any payments to the Contractor or Subrecipient, and shall not make any such payment, and the Contractor or Subrecipient shall not commence performance, until:

- (a) the Agency has received from the City's Office of Management and Budget instructions to proceed, evidencing compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended, and with regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, related thereto, found at 24 CFR Part 58, and
- (b) the Contractor or Subrecipient has been notified of such instructions by the Agency. Furthermore, the Contractor or Subrecipient and the City mutually agree that the Contractor or Subrecipient shall not advance any funds, from any source without limitation, to pay for costs intended to be paid for under this Agreement prior to the receipt and notification described in this paragraph (a), and the City shall not reimburse the Contractor or Subrecipient for any costs incurred in violation of this provision.

## **ARTICLE 3. LABOR REQUIREMENTS**

*[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients; must be included in all subcontracts]*

- (a) **Section 3.** This Agreement is subject to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-448) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135, as may be amended during the term of this Agreement. Pursuant to 24 CFR § 135.38, the Contractor or Subrecipient agrees to the following:
  1. The work to be performed under this Agreement is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. § 1701 u (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.
  2. The parties to this Agreement agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this Agreement, the parties to this Agreement certify that they are under no contractual or other impediments that would prevent them from complying with the Part 135 regulations.

3. The Contractor or Subrecipient agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the Contractor or Subrecipient has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the Contractor's or Subrecipient'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.
  4. The Contractor or Subrecipient 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 or Subrecipient will not subcontract with any Subcontractor where the Contractor or Subrecipient has notice or knowledge that the Subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135.
  5. The Contractor or Subrecipient will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the Contractor or Subrecipient is selected but before the Agreement 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 or Subrecipient's obligations under 24 CFR Part 135.
  6. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this Agreement for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
  7. 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 Agreement. 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 Agreement that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 and Section 7(b) agree to comply with Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with Section 7(b).
  8. The Contractor or Subrecipient agrees to submit, and shall cause its subcontractors to submit, quarterly reports to the Agency detailing the number of new employees hired, the number of new Section 3 employees hired, and any affirmative efforts made to direct hiring efforts to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing during the previous quarter.
- (b) ***The Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 3141 et seq.)***. In Construction contracts involving an excess of \$2000, unless exclusively in connection with the rehabilitation of residential property containing fewer than 8 units, the Contractor shall pay and the Subrecipient shall cause its contractors to pay all laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than those determined by the Secretary of Labor to be prevailing for the City, which rates are to be provided by the Agency.

These wage rates are a federally mandated minimum only, and will be superseded by any State or City requirement mandating higher wage rates. The Contractor also agrees to comply with Department of Labor Regulations pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act found in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, 5 and 7, which enforce statutory labor standards provisions. **This provision supersedes section D(1)(a) of the Uniform Federal Contract Provisions Rider for Federally Funded Procurement Contracts.**

- (c) ***Overtime.*** In Construction contracts involving an excess of \$2000, and subject to the exception in 24 CFR section 570.603 (regarding the rehabilitation of residential property containing less than 8 units), Contractor shall comply and the Subrecipient shall cause its contractor to comply with sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safe Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 3701 *et seq.*), which provides that no laborer or mechanic shall be required or permitted to work more than eight hours in a calendar day or in excess of forty hours in any workweek, unless such laborer or mechanic is paid at an overtime rate of 1½ times his/her basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of these limits. In the event of a violation of this provision, the Contractor shall not only be liable to any affected employee for his/her unpaid wages, but shall be additionally liable to the United States for liquidated damages. **This provision supersedes section D(1)(b) of the Uniform Federal Contract Provisions Rider for Federally Funded Procurement Contracts.**

#### **ARTICLE 4. ADDITIONAL FEDERAL CONDITIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR SUBRECIPIENTS**

*[Applicable to Subrecipients. A similar provision for Contractors is included in the Uniform Federal Contract Provisions Rider for Federally Funded Procurement Contracts at section D(1)(c)-(d) and (2).]*

If this Agreement involves Construction work, design for Construction, or Construction services, all such work or services performed by the Subrecipient and its Subcontractors shall be subject to the following requirements:

- (a) ***Impermissible Salary Deductions.*** In Construction contracts of any amount, the Subrecipient shall cause its Subcontractor to comply with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 U.S.C. § 874), as supplemented by the regulations contained in 29 CFR Part 3, requiring that all laborers and mechanics shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and prohibiting all but “permissible” salary deductions.
- (b) ***Federal Labor Standards.*** In Construction contracts of any amount, the Subrecipient shall cause its Subcontractors to comply with the more detailed statement of Federal Labor Standards annexed hereto as FEDERAL EXHIBIT 2.
- (c) ***Equal Employment Opportunity.*** In Construction contracts or subcontracts in excess of \$10,000, the Subrecipient shall cause its Subcontractors to comply with Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR chapter 60). Subrecipient shall include the following Specifications, which are required pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4/3 in all federally assisted contracts and subcontracts.

**Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications for Contracts and Subcontracts in Excess of \$10,000. (Federal Notice Required by 41 CFR 60-4.3)**



1. As used in these specifications:
  - a. "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
  - b. "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
  - c. "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
  - d. "Minority" includes:
    - (i) Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
    - (ii) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
    - (iii) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
    - (iv) American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).
2. Whenever the contractor or any subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any Construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this Agreement resulted.
3. If the contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each contractor or subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other contractors or subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered contractor's or subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.
4. The contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7 a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this Agreement resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each Construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered Construction contractors performing Construction work in geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted Construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical areas where the work is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or from Federal procurement contracting officers.

The contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

6. In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the contractor during the training period, and the contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.

7. The contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:

a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the contractor's employees are assigned to work. The contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each Construction project. The contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.

b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organization's responses.

c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the contractor may have taken.

d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the contractor a minority person or woman sent by the contractor, or when the contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.

e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.

f. Disseminate the contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by

publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where Construction work is performed.

g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with on-site supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.

h. Disseminate the contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the contractor's EEO policy with other contractors and subcontractors with whom the contractor does or anticipates doing business.

i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.

j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a contractor's work force.

k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3.

l. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.

m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.

n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.

o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female Construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.

p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisor's adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.

8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through p of these specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the Program are reflected in the contractor's minority and female work force participation, makes a

good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the contractor's noncompliance.

9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).

10. The contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

11. The contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246 or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs.

12. The contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.

13. The contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.

14. The contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, Construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.

15. Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for hiring of local or other areas residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).

## **ARTICLE 5. FEDERAL NON-DISCRIMINATION LAWS**

### ***[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]***

This Agreement is subject to:

- (a) Section 109 of the Act, which requires that no person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance made available pursuant to the Act. Section 109 also directs that the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act and the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of disability under Section 504 shall apply to programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance under Title I programs. The Contractor or Subrecipient agrees to comply with provisions of 24 CFR Part 6, 8, and 146.
- (b) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-284; 42 U.S.C. §§ 3602-3620), as amended, which prohibits discrimination in the sale or rental of housing and in the provision of brokerage services based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or familial status, and which requires affirmative action in the furtherance of Fair Housing objectives.
- (c) Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259, pursuant to regulations issued at 24 CFR Part 107, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin and requires equal opportunity in housing constructed, operated or provided with federal funds.
- (d) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352; 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d *et seq.*) and implementing regulations in 24 CFR Part 1, which states that no person shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any Program or activity made possible by, or resulting from, this Agreement.
- (e) Consistent with 24 CFR § 570.614, the Contractor or Subrecipient warrants that all services, programs, and/or Construction (including design and alteration) under this Agreement shall be performed in accordance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations regarding accessibility standards for persons with disabilities including, but not limited to, the following: Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 4151-4157), the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (Appendix A to 24 CFR Part 40 and Appendix A to 41 CFR Part 101-19, subpart 101-19.6), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12131; 47 U.S.C. §§ 155, 201, 218, and 225).
- (f) If the Contractor or Subrecipient is, or may be deemed to be, a religious or denominational institution or organization operated for religious purposes which is supervised or controlled by or in connection with a religious or denominational institution or organization, the Contractor or Subrecipient agrees that in connection with services to be provided under this Agreement:
  - i. it shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis of religion and shall not limit employment or give preference in employment to persons on the basis of religion.

- ii. it shall not discriminate against any person applying for such public services on the basis of religion or religious belief and shall not limit such services or give preference to persons on the basis of religion or religious belief.
- iii. it shall provide no religious instruction or counseling, conduct no religious worship or services, engage in no religious proselytizing, and exert no other religious influence in the provision of such public services.
- iv. it shall not use CDBG funds for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of structures to the extent that those structures are used for inherently religious activities. CDBG funds may be used for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of structures only to the extent that those structures are used for conducting eligible activities under 24 CFR Part 570. Where a structure is used for both eligible and inherently religious activities, CDBG funds may not exceed the cost of those portions of the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation that are attributable to eligible activities in accordance with the cost accounting requirements applicable to CDBG funds in 24 CFR Part 570. Sanctuaries, chapels, or other rooms that a CDBG-funded religious congregation uses as its principal place of worship, however, are ineligible for CDBG-funded improvements. Disposition of real property is subject to 24 CFR § 570.200(j)(5). In addition, payment may be authorized for a portion of eligible rehabilitation or construction costs attributable to the non-religious use of a facility that is not used exclusively for religious purposes, pursuant to Section VI(A)(4)(c) of HUD Docket No. FR-56960-N-01.

The non-discrimination provisions in this Article shall be incorporated in and made a part of all subcontracts executed in connection with this Agreement.

- (g) Subrecipients shall comply with all civil-rights related requirements, pursuant to 24 CFR § 570.503(b)(5).

**ARTICLE 6. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; ENERGY EFFICIENCY; HISTORIC PRESERVATION; FLOOD PROTECTION; LEAD-BASED PAINT**

*[Paragraphs (a) – (e) applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients; paragraph (f) applicable to Subrecipients]*

- (a) For agreements, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000, the Contractor or Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401, Federal Water Pollution control Act (33 U.S.C. §§ 1251, et seq.) Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (provisions of 40 CFR Part 50 and 2 CFR Part 1532 related to the Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act). Violations must be reported to the Federal Agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- (b) The Subrecipient and Contractor shall comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency that are contained in the New York State energy conservation plan issued in

compliance with the Energy Policy Conservation Act (Pub. L 94-163). Further, the Contractor or Subrecipient shall comply with the construction standards concerning energy efficiency set forth in section VI(A)(1)(a)(5) of HUD Docket No. FR-5696-N-01.

- (c) This Agreement is subject to laws and authorities listed in 24 CFR § 58.5, including the Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-665; 16 U.S.C. §§ 470 *et seq.*), the Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-291; 16 U.S.C. §§ 469-469c), Executive Order 11593 and regulations at 36 CFR Part 800. In general, this requires concurrence from the State Historic Preservation Officer for all rehabilitation and demolition of historic properties that are fifty years old or older or that are included on a Federal, state, or local historic property list.
- (d) This Agreement is subject to the Lead-Based Paint Poison Prevention provisions found in 24 CFR § 570.608, the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 4821-4846), the Residential Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (U.S.C. §§ 4851-4856, and 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R. This provision is to be included in all subcontracts, for work in connection with this Agreement, which relate to residential structures.
- (e) Pursuant to the provisions in 24 CFR § 570.605, Section 202(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. § 4106), and the regulations in 44 CFR Parts 59-79 apply to this Agreement.
- (f) Subrecipients shall implement procedures and mechanisms to ensure that assisted property owners comply with all flood insurance requirements set forth in Section VI(B)(31) of HUD Docket No. FR-56960-N-01.

## **ARTICLE 7. UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE**

*[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]*

This Agreement is subject to the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655) and regulations at 49 CFR Part 24 and 24 CFR section 570.606.

## **ARTICLE 8. UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS (INCLUDING PROCUREMENT STANDARDS), COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

*[Subdivision (a) is applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients; subdivision (b) is applicable to Subrecipients only; subdivision (c) is applicable to Contractors only]*

- (a) Pursuant to 2 CFR § 2400.101 and 24 CFR § 85.1, Subrecipients and Contractors are subject to the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards at 2 CFR Part 200 (commonly referred to the “Super Circular”), as applicable.
- (b) For the procurement of all subcontracts and goods contracts, Subrecipients are required to follow the procurement standards in 2 CFR §§ 200.318-200.326, except as allowed by 2 CFR § 200.110.
- (c) Contractors are subject to the Uniform Federal Contract Provisions Rider, attached to this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 9. UNEARNED PAYMENTS; INCOME; DOCUMENTATION OF COSTS; ACCOUNTING SYSTEM; FIDELITY BONDS; DISBURSEMENT RESTRICTIONS**

*[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]*

- (a) Unearned payments under this Agreement may be suspended or terminated upon refusal to accept any additional conditions that may be imposed by HUD at any time, or if the Grant to the City under the Act is suspended or terminated. Unearned payments received by the Contractor or Subrecipient will be returned to the City.

The Contractor or Subrecipient agrees that if any income is generated from the Community Development Block Grant Program funded activities, Contractor or Subrecipient shall return such income to the City's Community Development Block Grant Program unless expressly authorized by the City. Such funds are subject to all applicable requirements governing the use of Community Development Block Grant funds, including 24 CFR § 570.503(b)(3), which provides that, at the end of the program year, the City may require remittance of all or part of any program income balances (including investments thereof) held by the Subrecipient (except those needed for immediate cash needs, cash balances of a revolving loan fund, cash balances from a lump sum drawdown, or cash or investments held for section 108 security needs). Alternative program requirements concerning the definition of "program income" are set forth in Section VI(A)(17)(a)-(b) of Docket No. FR-56960-N-01, as amended by Section II(5) of Docket No. FR-5710-N-01.

- (b) All costs shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, or vouchers, or other official documentation evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of the charges. All checks, payrolls, invoices, contracts, vouchers, orders or other accounting documents, pertaining in whole or in part to the Agreement, shall be clearly identified and readily accessible.
- (c) The Contractor or Subrecipient shall submit to the Agency a detailed description of its accounting, reporting and internal control systems, including but not limited to the procedures for cash receipts, cash disbursements, payrolls, personnel policies, fixed petty cash controls and other systems which are necessary under the circumstances. The Agency shall evaluate and document all systems and only upon acceptance and approval of the accounting, reporting and internal control systems by the Agency, shall funds be disbursed to the Contractor or Subrecipient, other provisions of the Agreement notwithstanding.
- (d) If required by the Federal awarding agency or elsewhere in this Agreement, the Agency must receive a statement from the Contractor's or Subrecipient's chief fiscal officer or its insurer assuring that all persons handling funds received or disbursed under this Agreement are covered by fidelity insurance in an amount equal to cash advances from the City. If the bond is cancelled or coverage is substantially reduced, the Contractor or Subrecipient shall promptly notify the Agency of this fact in every case not later than 48 hours. In such event, the Agency shall not disburse any more funds to the Contractor or Subrecipient until it has received assurance that adequate coverage has subsequently been obtained.
- (e) No money under this Agreement shall be disbursed by the Agency to any Contractor or Subrecipient except pursuant to a written contract which incorporates the applicable Supplementary General Conditions and unless the Contractor or Subrecipient is in compliance with HUD requirements with regard to accounting and fiscal matters, to the extent they are



applicable, and provided that the Agency has completed HUD requirements, including but not limited to environmental certifications pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58.

## **ARTICLE 10. RECORDS AND AUDITS**

### ***[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]***

- (a) Records shall be maintained in accordance with requirements prescribed by or in 2 CFR § 200.333, HUD and/or the City with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement and retained for at least three years after the City makes final payments and all other pending matters concerning this Agreement are closed, subject to the exceptions in 2 CFR § 200.333.
- (b) At such times on such forms as HUD and/or the City may require, there shall be furnished to HUD and/or the City such statements, records, reports, data and information, as HUD and/or the City may request pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. At a minimum, such forms will include the following:
  - (i) Quarterly Data Collection Report forms for the purpose of including specific Program description, accomplishment, expenditure and beneficiary information in the City's Quarterly Performance Reports.
  - (ii) Annual Property Register forms for the purpose of tracking the use of CDBG purchased equipment.
- (c) At any time during normal business hours and as often as the City, the Agency, HUD, Inspector General, U.S. General Accounting Office, and/or the Comptroller General of the United States may deem necessary, the Contractor or Subrecipient shall make available for examination to the City, HUD, Inspector General, U.S. General Accounting Office and/or representatives of the Comptroller General all of its books, accounts, records, reports, files, and other papers or property with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement and shall permit the City, HUD and/or representatives of the Comptroller General and the U.S. General Accounting Office to audit, examine, make excerpts of, and make transcriptions from such books, accounts, records, reports, files, and other papers or property and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records or personnel, conditions of employment and other data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 11. SUBCONTRACTORS**

### ***[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]***

- (a) The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to Subcontractors and their officers, agents and employees in all respects as if they were employees of the Contractor or Subrecipient. The Contractor or Subrecipient shall not be discharged from its obligations and liabilities, but shall be liable for all acts and negligence of Subcontractors, and their officers, agents and employees, as if they were employees of the Contractor or Subrecipient.
- (b) Employees of the Subcontractor shall be subject to the same provisions as employees of the Contractor or Subrecipient.

- (c) The services furnished by Subcontractors shall be subject to the provisions hereof as if furnished directly by the Contractor or Subrecipient, and the Contractor or Subrecipient shall remain responsible therefor.
- (d) Any subcontracts entered into pursuant to this Agreement shall include Exhibit 3 (Investigations Clause, Conflicts of Interest Clause; and Executive Order No. 50 provisions, which shall be binding on every Subcontractor.

## **ARTICLE 12. CONFLICTS; EXHIBITS**

### ***[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]***

- (a) If any provision in this CDBG Rider directly conflicts with any other provision in the Agreement, the provision in CDBG Rider shall be controlling.
- (b) Federal Exhibits 1 and 2 are attached to, and made a part of this CDBG Rider.

## **ARTICLE 13. REVERSION OF ASSETS**

### ***[Applicable to Subrecipients]***

- (a) At the Agreement's expiration, the Subrecipient shall transfer to the City all CDBG funds on hand at the time of expiration and any accounts receivable attributable to the use of CDBG funds.
- (b) Any real property under the Subrecipient's control that was acquired or improved in whole or in part with Community Development funds in excess of \$25,000 must be used to either (i) meet the national objectives in Section 570.208 for a period of five years after acquisition if the property or completion of the improvements, as applicable, or (ii) disposed in a manner which results in the Program being reimbursed in the amount of the current fair market value of the property less any portion thereof attributable to expenditures of non-CDBG funds for acquisition of, or improvements to, the property.
- (c) Title to all Equipment in excess of \$5,000 purchased pursuant to this Agreement with CDBG funds or furnished by the City shall vest in the City and the same shall be conspicuously labeled as such.

## **ARTICLE 14. SMALL FIRMS, M/WBE FIRMS, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS**

### ***[Applicable to Subrecipients. Contractors must follow section C(11) of the Uniform Federal Contract Provisions Rider for Federally Funded Procurement Contracts.]***

Subrecipient shall take the following affirmative steps in the letting of subcontracts, if subcontracts are to be let, in order to ensure that minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible:

- (a) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;

- (b) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (c) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (d) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and
- (e) Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

#### **ARTICLE 15. INTANGIBLE PROPERTY**

***[Applicable to Subrecipients. A similar provision for Contractors is included in the Uniform Federal Contract Provisions Rider for Federally Funded Procurement Contracts at section C(12).]***

- (a) Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.315(d), the federal Government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable right to obtain, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for Government purposes: (a) the copyright in any work developed under the Agreement or subcontract; and (b) any rights of copyright to which a Subrecipient purchases ownership with grant support.
- (b) Any reports, documents, data, photographs, deliverables, and/or other materials produced pursuant to the Agreement ("Copyrightable Materials"), and any and all drafts and/or other preliminary materials in any format related to such items produced pursuant to the contract, shall upon their creation become the exclusive property of the City. The Copyrightable Materials shall be considered "work-made-for-hire" within the meaning and purview of Section 101 of the United States Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101, and the City shall be the copyright owner thereof and of all aspects, elements and components thereof in which copyright protection might exist. To the extent that the Copyrightable Materials do not qualify as "work-made-for-hire," the Subrecipient hereby irrevocably transfers, assigns and conveys exclusive copyright ownership in and to the Copyrightable Materials to the City, free and clear of any liens, claims, or other encumbrances. The Subrecipient shall retain no copyright or intellectual property interest in the Copyrightable Materials. The Copyrightable Materials shall be used by the Subrecipient for no purpose other than in the performance of this Agreement without the prior written permission of the City. The City may grant the Subrecipient a license to use the Copyrightable Materials on such terms as determined by the City and set forth in the license.
- (c) The Subrecipient acknowledges that the City may, in its sole discretion, register copyright in the Copyrightable Materials with the United States Copyright Office or any other government agency authorized to grant copyright registrations. The Subrecipient shall fully cooperate in this effort, and agrees to provide any and all documentation necessary to accomplish this.
- (d) The Subrecipient represents and warrants that the Copyrightable Materials: (i) are wholly original material not published elsewhere (except for material that is in the public domain); (ii) do not violate any copyright law; (iii) do not constitute defamation or invasion of the right of privacy or publicity; and (iv) are not an infringement, of any kind, of the rights of any third party. To the

extent that the Copyrightable Materials incorporate any non-original material, the Subrecipient has obtained all necessary permissions and clearances, in writing, for the use of such non-original material under this Contract, copies of which shall be provided to the City upon execution of this Contract.

- (e) The Subrecipient shall promptly and fully report to the City any discovery or invention arising out of or developed in the course of performance of this Agreement and the Contractor shall promptly and fully report to the Government to make a determination as to whether patent protection on such invention shall be sought and how the rights in the invention or discovery, including rights under any patent issued thereon, shall be disposed of and administered in order to protect the public interest.
- (f) If the Subrecipient publishes a work dealing with any aspect of performance under this Agreement, or with the results of such performance, the City shall have a royalty-free, non-exclusive irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use such work for City governmental purposes.

#### **ARTICLE 16. HATCH ACT; LOBBYING; CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

*[Applicable to Subrecipients.]*

- (a) Hatch Act: The Subrecipient agrees that no funds provided, nor personnel employed under this Agreement, shall be in any way or to any extent engaged in the conduct of political activities in violation of Chapter 15 of Title V of the U.S.C.
- (b) Lobbying: The Subrecipient agrees that no funds provided will be used by it or its Subcontractors in violation of 24 CFR § 87.100.
- (c) Conflict of Interest: The Subrecipient agrees to abide by the provisions of 2 CFR §§ 200.112 and 200.318(c) and 24 CFR § 570.611.

#### **ARTICLE 17. SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION**

*[Applicable to Subrecipients.]*

- (a) The City may take enforcement action against a Subrecipient for non-compliance, as described in 2 CFR §§ 200.338 and 200.339(a)(1) & (2), including suspension or termination.
- (b) The City may terminate for convenience pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.339(a)(3).

#### **ARTICLE 18. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

*[Applicable to Contractors and Subrecipients]*

The Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public L. 113-2) of January 29, 2013, requires contracts to contain “performance requirements and penalties.” Accordingly, Contractor and/or Subrecipient shall be subject to any performance requirements and/or liquidated damages and/or any other remedial provisions

set forth in this Agreement. Contractor or Subrecipient acknowledges that it is subject to performance evaluations at least once annually, pursuant to NYC Procurement Policy Board (PPB) Rules section 4-01. Such performance evaluations will be entered into the City's VENDEX system. Pursuant to PPB Rule section 2-08(g)(1)(ii), such performance evaluations shall be considered by the City in making a determination of the Contractor's or Subrecipient's responsibility or non-responsibility in future City procurements. And pursuant to PPB Rule section 4-04(c)(10), the Contractor's performance evaluations shall be considered in any decision to renew or not to renew the Agreement.

**FED. EXHIBIT 1**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246, as amended) FOR ALL HUD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDED CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AND SUB-CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF \$10,000.

1. The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" set forth above.
2. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all Construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

Goals and Timetables for Minorities

| <u>Trade</u>                        | <u>Goal (Percent)</u> |    |      |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|----|------|
| Electricians . . . . .              | 9.0                   | to | 10.2 |
| Carpenters . . . . .                | 27.6                  | to | 32.0 |
| Steamfitters . . . . .              | 12.2                  | to | 13.5 |
| Metal Lathers . . . . .             | 24.6                  | to | 25.6 |
| Painters . . . . .                  | 28.6                  | to | 26.0 |
| Operating Engineers . . . . .       | 25.6                  | to | 26.0 |
| Plumbers . . . . .                  | 12.0                  | to | 14.5 |
| Iron Workers (structural) . . . . . | 25.9                  | to | 32.0 |
| Elevator Constructors . . . . .     | 5.5                   | to | 6.5  |
| Bricklayers . . . . .               | 13.4                  | to | 15.5 |
| Asbestos Workers . . . . .          | 22.8                  | to | 28.0 |
| Roofers . . . . .                   | 6.3                   | to | 7.5  |
| Iron Workers (ornamental) . . . . . | 22.4                  | to | 23.0 |
| Cement Masons . . . . .             | 23.0                  | to | 27.0 |
| Glazers . . . . .                   | 16.0                  | to | 20.0 |
| Plasterers . . . . .                | 15.8                  | to | 18.0 |
| Teamsters . . . . .                 | 22.0                  | to | 22.5 |
| Boilermakers . . . . .              | 13.0                  | to | 15.5 |
| All Other . . . . .                 | 16.4                  | to | 17.5 |

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These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's Construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs Construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such

geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the Contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved Construction.

The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3(a), and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

3. The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs within 10 working days of award of any Construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for Construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number of the subcontractor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the contract is to be performed.

4. As used in this Agreement, the "covered area" is the City of New York.

## Federal Labor Standards Provisions

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development  
Office of Labor Relations**Applicability**

The Project or Program to which the construction work covered by this contract pertains is being assisted by the United States of America and the following Federal Labor Standards Provisions are included in this Contract pursuant to the provisions applicable to such Federal assistance.

**A. 1. (i) Minimum Wages.** All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR Part 3), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under Section I(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv); also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs, which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period.

Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). 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 classification and wage rates conformed under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) 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.

**(ii) (a)** 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 and fringe benefits therefor only when the following criteria have been met:

**(1)** The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

**(2)** The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

**(3)** The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

**(b)** If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and HUD or its designee agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by HUD or its designee to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB control number 1215-0140.)

**(c)** In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and HUD or its designee do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), HUD or its designee shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of HUD or its designee, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0140.)

**(d)** The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to subparagraphs (1)(ii)(b) or (c) of this paragraph, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

**(iii)** Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

**(iv)** If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part



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of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0140.)

**2. Withholding.** HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased. HUD or its designee 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. The Comptroller General shall make such disbursements in the case of direct Davis-Bacon Act contracts.

**3. (i) Payrolls and basic records.** Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in Section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in Section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been

communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Numbers 1215-0140 and 1215-0017.)

**(ii) (a)** The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to HUD or its designee if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to HUD or its designee. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i) except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm> or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to HUD or its designee if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to HUD or its designee, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this subparagraph for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to HUD or its designee. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1215-0149.)

**(b)** Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

**(1)** That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(3)(ii), the appropriate information is being maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), and that such information is correct and complete;

(2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in 29 CFR Part 3;

(3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(c) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by subparagraph A.3.(ii)(b).

(d) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 231 of Title 31 of the United States Code.

(iii) The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under subparagraph A.3.(i) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or its designee or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

#### 4. Apprentices and Trainees.

(i) **Apprentices.** Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or 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 the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who

is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(ii) **Trainees.** Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by

the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

**(iii) Equal employment opportunity.** The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under 29 CFR Part 5 shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 30.

**5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3 which are incorporated by reference in this contract

**6. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor will insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in subparagraphs 1 through 11 in this paragraph A and such other clauses as HUD or its designee may by appropriate instructions require, and a copy of the applicable prevailing wage decision, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in this paragraph.

**7. Contract termination; debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

**8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements.** All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract

**9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and HUD or its designee, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

**10. (i) Certification of Eligibility.** By entering into this contract the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1) or to be

awarded HUD contracts or participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.

**(ii)** No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1) or to be awarded HUD contracts or participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.

**(iii)** The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001. Additionally, U.S. Criminal Code, Section 1 01 0, Title 18, U.S.C., "Federal Housing Administration transactions", provides in part: "Whoever, for the purpose of . . . influencing in any way the action of such Administration..... makes, utters or publishes any statement knowing the same to be false..... shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both."

**11. Complaints, Proceedings, or Testimony by Employees.** No laborer or mechanic to whom the wage, salary, or other labor standards provisions of this Contract are applicable shall be discharged or in any other manner discriminated against by the Contractor or any subcontractor because such employee has filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding or has testified or is about to testify in any proceeding under or relating to the labor standards applicable under this Contract to his employer.

**B. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.** The provisions of this paragraph B are applicable where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" include watchmen and guards.

**(1) 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 the individual 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.

**(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, 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 such 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 clause set forth in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, 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 the clause set forth in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph.

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**(3) 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 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 other Federal contract with the same prime contract, 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 clause set forth in subparagraph (2) of this paragraph.

**(4) Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in subparagraph (1) through (4) of this paragraph and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in subparagraphs (1) through (4) of this paragraph.

**C. Health and Safety.** The provisions of this paragraph C are applicable where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000.

**(1)** No laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to his health and safety as determined under construction safety and health standards promulgated by the Secretary of Labor by regulation.

**(2)** The Contractor shall comply with all regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Title 29 Part 1926 and failure to comply may result in imposition of sanctions pursuant to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, (Public Law 91-54, 83 Stat 96). 40 USC 3701 et seq.

**(3)** The contractor shall include the provisions of this paragraph in every subcontract so that such provisions will be binding on each subcontractor. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or the Secretary of Labor shall direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.

ATTACHMENT 3

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ATTACHMENT 4

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