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Program: Be Ready Project
Request for Proposals (RFP)

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RFP RELEASE DATE: June 19, 2013

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: 2:00 PM, Friday, July 19, 2013

RETURN TO: New York City Department of Probation

33 Beaver Street, 21st Floor New York, New York 10004

ATTENTION: Eileen Parfrey-Smith

Agency Chief Contracting Officer

PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: Tuesday, July 9, 2013

2:00 PM

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(between Broadway and Broad Street)

New York, New York 10004

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SECTION I - TIMETABLE

A. Release Date of the Request for Proposals: June 19, 2013

B. Pre-Proposal Conference:

Date/Time: Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 2:00 PM

Location: New York City Department of Probation

33 Beaver Street, 23rd Floor Auditorium

New York, New York 10004

Attendance by proposers is optional but recommended by DOP/CEO. If you will attend the Pre-Proposal Conference, DOP/CEO requests that you RSVP in advance. Please send an e-mail to (acco@probation.nyc.gov) with the name of your organization and the number of people in attendance.

Due to limited seating, DOP/CEO requests that each organization send no more than two representatives to the Pre-Proposal Conference.

C. Proposal Due Date and Time and Location:

Date: July 19, 2013 Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Hand deliver proposals to:

Attention: Eileen Parfrey-Smith Agency Chief Contracting Officer

New York City Department of Probation

33 Beaver Street, 21st Floor New York, New York 10004

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Proposals received at this location after the proposal due date and time are late and shall not be accepted, except as provided under New York City's Procurement Policy Board Rules, Section 3-03(f)(5).

In accordance with Section 3-03(f)(5), DOP/CEO will consider requests made to the Agency Chief Contracting Officer to extend the Proposal Due Date and Time prescribed above. However, unless DOP/CEO issues a written addendum to this RFP to extend the proposal due date and time for all proposers, the proposal due date and time prescribed above shall remain in effect.

D. Anticipated Contract Start Date:

September 1, 2013

SECTION II - SUMMARY OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

A. Purpose of the RFP

The New York City Department of Probation (DOP), in collaboration with the Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO), is seeking up to two qualified vendors to provide the afterschool Life Readiness component (Be Ready Project) of ECHOES (Every Child Has an Opportunity to Excel and Succeed).

ECHOES is an alternative-to-placement program that represents DOP's most intensive level of probation supervision. There are two parts to ECHOES: (1) an intensive case management component provided directly by DOP Probation Officers (POs); and (2) the Be Ready component provided under contract by up to two not-for-profit organizations (Contractors) awarded through this RFP. The Be Ready Contractor(s) are required to work in partnership with DOP on this program.

ECHOES uses a behavioral change model to engage participants in transformational relationships that enable them to remain in their schools and communities while they improve the educational, employment, and social/emotional competencies needed to lead law-abiding lives. The program serves adolescents ages 14 through 18 who have been adjudicated delinquent, sentenced to probation and would otherwise be placed. ECHOES will serve approximately 40 youth annually. ECHOES will serve youth who reside throughout New York City.

B. Background

Many juvenile justice-involved youth face exposure to an array of unhealthy and unsafe conditions that they are unable to escape without assistance. These conditions can make daily survival take precedence over motivation to attend school or use free time productively. Often, juvenile justice-involved youth have not had the opportunity to have a supportive adult help them challenge/examine their life choices in a safe space, so when challenged, they may feel threatened and react in anger, fear and/or withdrawal. When given a safe space and a trusting relationship, youth may have higher inclinations to examine their path and become receptive to opportunities that foster personal growth. The literature reveals that young people need motivation and feelings of personal agency to make positive life changes¹. Adults, especially those who are consistent and encouraging, can support positive decision-making that ultimately leads to more successful outcomes for at-risk youth. Appropriate conflict resolution skills and positive peer relations are areas with which juvenile justice-involved youth tend to have difficulty. It is essential to provide youth with positive adult relationships in addition to a continuum of services and opportunities to help steer them towards positive life trajectories, while at the same time advancing public safety.

In addition to the development of transformational relationships, ECHOES is also informed by evidence in the field of work-readiness for disconnected and disaffected youth.² In order to develop long-lasting life readiness and employment competencies, the participant group needs intensive coaching and program completion standards that reward effort and persistence. In addition, ECHOES participants need to develop better conflict management skills. Accordingly, the program employs evidence-based practices including Positive Youth Development, Motivational Interviewing, Stages of Change, and Restorative Justice (described

¹ Sherwood, K. "Transformational Relationships in Youth Work: The Case of Roca." Manuscript obtained from M. Baldwin, Executive Director of ROCA. <u>Intervention Work with High-Risk Young People: Foundation Elements, Guiding Principles, Ideas and Questions for Discussion, A Report by Police Officers, Youth Workers, and DYS Officials</u>. Roca, Inc., 2009.

² Butts, Jeffrey, et al. (2010). "Positive Youth Justice: Framing Justice Interventions Using the Concepts of Positive Youth Development." Washington, D.C.: Coalition for Juvenile Justice.

in greater detail later in this RFP), to build community and foster motivation for success, as well as to overcome resistance to program engagement and teach conflict management skills.

ECHOES serves high-risk youth across the five boroughs, specifically those who are: 1) sentenced to probation through Family Court with an explicit court order to participate in ECHOES as an alternative-to-placement; 2) facing a violation of probation's most intensive service level (Enhanced Supervision Program "ESP") or a violation of probation in another alternative-to-placement program; or 3) facing a violation of general probation due to a re-arrest.

DOP Neighborhood Opportunity Networks (NeONs)

As part of the DOP Strategic Plan 2012 to address crime and incarceration, DOP is implementing evidence-based, cost-effective policies and practices and putting resources in the communities most heavily involved with criminal/juvenile justice systems. To this end, DOP is developing Neighborhood Opportunity Networks (NeONs)³ in neighborhoods where large numbers of people on probation live⁴.

DOP staff are co-located with neighborhood-based organizations in each NeON community and join or work to develop effective networks of community organizations, government agencies, local businesses and residents in order to expand clients' access to the kinds of quality opportunities, resources, and services that build their strengths and reduce their involvement with the criminal justice system.⁵ NeONs represent a fundamental shift in how DOP engages with probation clients and the community. As Mayor Bloomberg said when he announced NeONs as a component of the Young Men's Initiative (YMI)⁶, "Probation will transform itself into an agency designed to hold people accountable while connecting them to employment and educational opportunities."

In conjunction with the NeONs and the YMI, DOP is partnering with City agencies, community-based organizations and foundations on a number of innovative projects, including ECHOES. While each program takes a different approach, the overarching public safety goal is to help probation clients end any further involvement with the criminal or juvenile justice systems by strengthening their attachment to education, work and community. All of these programs share certain fundamental principles that also align with DOP's strategic plan:

- **Enhancement of public safety.** Research has proven that connecting young people in the criminal/juvenile justice system to programs that help them continue their education, get a job and engage with their communities are a more effective and less expensive option to incarceration.
- **Education** is key to helping young people overcome the root issues that led to their involvement in the criminal/juvenile justice system.
- When young people are engaged in the **workforce**, they are far less likely to become involved in delinquent activity.
- When young people in the criminal/juvenile justice system feel **connected to their home community and family systems**, they are less likely to harm their neighbors.
- Programs must build on clients' **strengths**, not merely try to minimize their weaknesses. Adolescent clients must be given the opportunity to develop the **competencies needed to become successful adults**.

³ For more information on the NeONs, please visit http://www.nyc.gov/html/prob/html/neon/neon.shtml

⁴ The first five NeONs have been launched in Brownsville, Harlem, Jamaica, Staten Island and the South Bronx. Two more, in East New York and Bedford Stuyvesant, will open early in 2013.

⁵ NeONs can be conceived as a spider web of resources within one neighborhood, or a bicycle wheel with spokes, rather than a single building with services.

⁶ On August 4, 2011, Mayor Bloomberg announced the launch of the Young Men's Initiative, designed to help young men of color achieve their professional, educational and personal goals. Of the 27,000 people on probation citywide, approximately 1,982 are juveniles ages 13-18. Of these 1,982, 76% are male; 60% are Black and 31% are Latino.

- New York City is home to a **network of community-based organizations of unmatched quality** and breadth. DOP will engage these organizations as partners in our effort to help these young people realize their potential.

Probation clients in NeON communities are being offered mentoring, afterschool activities, education, literacy and job skills enhancement and opportunities to join local neighborhood improvement initiatives. DOP is working closely with community leaders to ensure that NeONs achieve local support, build on existing assets, and reflect client and neighborhood needs.

With this in mind, DOP and CEO developed ECHOES as one of DOP's most intensive levels of probation supervision for juveniles, in order to assist young people who risk further involvement in the criminal/juvenile justice system in laying the groundwork for a positive future.

C. Service Options

Proposers may propose to provide services under more than one service option, but must submit a separate and complete proposal for each competition proposed.

Service Option I: Manhattan Service Option II- Brooklyn or Queens

ECHOES will serve youth citywide. It is anticipated that eligible youth who reside in Manhattan and the Bronx would be referred to the Manhattan site and eligible youth who reside in Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island would be referred to the Brooklyn/Queens site.

D. Anticipated Available Annual Funding

The total anticipated available annual funding for contracts awarded under this RFP will be \$300,000 to be divided between the two service options.

E. Anticipated Contract Term and Number of Contracts

It is anticipated that up to two contracts will be awarded from this RFP. The anticipated term of the contracts will be for two years from September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2015, with an option to renew for up to three additional one-year periods.

F. Anticipated Payment Structure

It is anticipated that the payment structure of contracts awarded under this RFP will be based on line-item budget reimbursement, however full payment is subject to the availability of eligible clients for referral. Up to 25% of the annual contract amount may be withheld based on the actual number of clients referred by DOP and enrolled in the program. Proposers should indicate the cost of a baseline 20 slot program (annually). Proposers may include an optional per participant rate for any capacity exceeding 20 at any one time. Proposers including a funding request for additional participants should also indicate the number of participants that could be served at that price. Award of additional optional participants would be subject to availability of funds. The proposed budget should also segregate funding for participant stipends, the management of which may fall to the Contractor or to DOP, as negotiated once a contract is awarded.

G. Service Levels/Geographic Areas to be Served

Contractors would each serve approximately 20 participants annually, ages 14 through 18, on juvenile probation or who are facing institutional placement as a result of a Family Court disposition (sentence) that reside in any of the five boroughs.

H. Subcontracting/Consultants

Subcontracting is permissible under the following conditions:

- The proposer is encouraged to identify any proposed subcontractor in the proposal.
- Agency assumptions regarding provider approach as set out in the Scope of Services and other sections of this RFP apply equally to any proposed subcontractor.
- All contractors and subcontracts shall be subject to DOP/CEO approval before expenses are incurred and payments made.
- No more than 40 percent of the total value of the contract may be subcontracted.

H. Regulatory Requirements

Nondiscrimination: The contractor shall provide services to all persons regardless of actual or perceived race, color, creed, national origin, alien or citizenship status, gender (including gender identity), sexual orientation, disability, marital status, arrest or conviction record, status as a victim of domestic violence, lawful occupation, and family status.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): Program Facilities should be easily accessible to people with disabilities and should meet all requirements of the ADA. If not, DOP/CEO-approved alternative measures, such as access to other suitable space, should be used to make activities accessible to persons with disabilities.

Personnel Investigation/Arrest Notification: The contractor must undertake appropriate background checks of all staff assigned to the ECHOES Program, including volunteers and staff of sub-contractors. Such checks will include verification of prior employment and references through direct contact by the contractor with former employers. The contractor will be required to provide rosters of all staff in the ECHOES program to DOP upon request. The contractor will be asked to verify the actual existence of claimed staff through an inspection by senior agency staff. Upon receipt of award, the contractor shall comply with all federal, State, and City requirements with respect to investigation for criminal conviction history of program staff members (proposed or currently employed), including volunteers, as well as in keeping with Article 23-A compliance as outlined above. These regulations may include the requirement that all program staff (paid and volunteer) in programs serving youth under the age of 21 be fingerprinted. Contractors shall comply with applicable State and federal regulations, including 42 U.S.C §5119. Youth staff (paid and volunteer) who are under the age of 17 and who are still attending school are not required to be fingerprinted.

Such regulations, policies and procedures shall also determine whether individuals with criminal convictions may continue their employment with the ECHOES program. The contractor shall report any conviction or subsequent arrest of any staff member (paid or volunteer) of which it becomes aware to DOP.

SECTION III: SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. Goals and Objectives

The goal of ECHOES Be Ready is to employ a behavioral change model to engage participants in transformational relationships that enable them to remain in their schools and communities while they improve the educational, employment, and social/emotional competencies needed to lead law-abiding lives.

B. Agency Assumptions Regarding Experience and Organizational Capability

1. Experience

- The contractor and key staff, or at least one of the subcontractors, would have at least three years of successful relevant experience in the last five years providing services to high risk and/or highly disengaged youth, as detailed in Attachment 2- Relevant Experience Form. Relevant experience would include but is not limited to the following types of services:
 - Employment or work-readiness programs
 - > Court-involved youth programs
 - Mentoring
 - Civic Engagement
 - > Educational interventions
 - > Services to families
 - Youth development services

Successful relevant experience would include:

- Achievement of enrollment numbers that met or exceeded the funder/program expectation
- Achievement of outcomes that met or exceeded funder/program expectations
- ➤ Other factors demonstrating that a program was effective such as: positive findings from an evaluation, securing multi-year funding for relevant program(s) from diverse public and private sources, successful joint efforts with other organizations/agencies, and successful experience working in a leadership role to establish and lead effective partnerships.
- The contractor and/or subcontractor would have relevant experience utilizing any of the following principles or approaches to working with high risk youth within the past five including:
 - Motivational Interviewing
 - > Stages of Change
 - > Positive Youth Development
 - > Restorative Justice
 - ➤ Collaborative Problem Solving
- The contractor would have a history of successful linkages with community-based organizations and agencies in the neighborhood that provide enriched services to youth and families and would have effective referral networks
- The contractor would hire a full-time Program Manager, with at least 3 years of relevant experience who would be responsible for the overall management of the ECHOES Be Ready Program. The Program Manager would have supervisory experience, be knowledgeable in successful evidence based practices and would have experience administering similar programming for youth, as well as experience facilitating small group activities.

• The contractor would hire Team Leaders, each of whom will be responsible for running one team on Saturday and one Intermediate afterschool workshop during the school year and the four-day a week summer program. Team Leaders would have experience serving high-risk youth and demonstrate the ability to facilitate group activities.

2. Organizational Capability

- The contractor's Board of Directors would remain free of conflicts and exercise active oversight of organizational management, including regular reviews of executive compensation, audits, and financial controls, and program operations and outcomes.
- The contractor would engage in successful joint efforts with other organizations providing services to the target population.
- The contractor would have the capacity to integrate the proposed program into its overall operations.
- The contractor's internal monitoring system would be effectively used to identify program, personnel, and fiscal issues and provide corrective action procedures.
- The contractor would have a continuous quality improvement process that includes quality assurance measures for all aspects of the program.
- The contractor would be fiscally sound and capable of managing the proposed program.
- The contractor would have an effective computerized system for data collection and management.
- The contractor would ensure that program staff has access to computers and the Internet.
- The contractor would ensure that program operations will begin by September 1, 2013.

C. Agency Assumptions Regarding Contractor Approach

DOP/CEO's assumptions regarding the approach that will most likely achieve the objectives set out above are:

1. Program Design

ECHOES is informed by evidence in the field of work-readiness for disconnected and disaffected youth. In order to develop long-lasting life readiness and employment competencies, the participant group needs intensive coaching and program completion standards that reward effort and persistence. In addition, ECHOES participants need to develop better conflict management skills. Accordingly, the Contractor will be responsible for training its staff to utilize the following evidence-based practices to build community and foster motivation for success, as well as to overcome resistance to program engagement and teach conflict management skills. §

⁷ Butts, Jeffrey, et al. (2010). "Positive Youth Justice: Framing Justice Interventions Using the Concepts of Positive Youth Development." Washington, D.C.: Coalition for Juvenile Justice.

⁸ While the Contractor will be responsible for training its ECHOES Be Ready staff in the use of the evidence-based practices described below, DOP will also train DOP ECHOES staff in the use of the same evidence-based practices, so that both DOP ECHOES staff and Contractor's Be Ready staff will be using the same practices while working with ECHOES participants.

The evidence-based methods utilized in ECHOES, are Positive Youth Development, Motivational Interviewing, Stages of Change, and Restorative Justice. When used together, these practices will facilitate a young person's growth and community reintegration.⁹

- <u>Positive Youth Development</u> is a comprehensive developmentally-appropriate framework that emphasizes the importance of building on young people's positive attributes to promote success. It assists young adults in obtaining a sense of self-worth and social contribution; a sense of independence and control over one's life; and a sense of closeness in interpersonal relationships. Youth and adults establish positive, pro-social relationships with each other and then cooperate to provide opportunities and support for others. By actively participating in these efforts, young people learn that while they may have made mistakes in the past, they are also capable of learning new skills that they can use to better themselves, their families, and their communities.¹⁰
- Motivational Interviewing (MI) is a counseling/coaching style, the core components of which are expressing empathy, developing discrepancy between present status and desired goals, avoiding argument/confrontation, rolling with resistance, and supporting self-efficacy. The principle behind MI is that by listening to people and following up on the positive aspects of their speech and thinking, probation and other professionals can help increase client's motivation to make positive changes in their lives that will reduce their likelihood of reoffending. MI suggests questions and statements that make it more likely that young people in the justice-system will think, talk, and act in a positive direction. It teaches staff to support a client's internal motivation to change by highlighting autonomy, competence, and relatedness. 11
- Stages of Change is a companion framework to Motivational Interviewing which proposes that most, if not all, individuals go through very specific stages in effecting changes in their lives. These stages include pre-contemplation, contemplation, action, maintenance and relapse. Each stage of change has its own coaching strategies to foster movement into subsequent stages. Once a youth's stage of change in a life domain is ascertained (say, improving school performance), coaches utilize the appropriate goals to promote a youth's growth and movement into the next stage of change.¹²
- Restorative Justice Principles will guide program staff in their group work and in handling conflict. The aim of Restorative Justice is to develop community and manage conflict by repairing harm and restoring relationships. Basic restorative practices involve check-in and check-out circles as well as problem-solving circles that require participants to acknowledge their role in a conflict situation and come up with ways to repair the harm done. During the problem-solving meetings, questions are posed to the young person and to the aggrieved person/persons when appropriate: What happened? What was going through your mind during the incident? What have you thought about since? Who has been affected by what happened? How have they been affected? What needs to happen to make things right? And what are you going to do to make sure this does not happen again? Restorative Justice promotes a balance of control (including limit-setting and high expectations) and support in ensuring that youth take responsibility for their actions and decisions.

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⁹ Costello, Bob, et al. (2009). "The Restorative Practice Handbook for Teachers, Disciplinarians, and Administrators." International Institute for Restorative Practices. Wachtel, Ted. (2009). "Real Justice." Piper's Press.

¹⁰ Butts, Jeffrey A., Gordon Bazemore, & Aundra Saa Meroe (2010). "Positive Youth Justice- Framing Justice Interventions Using the Concepts of Positive Youth Development." Washington, D.C.: Coalition for Juvenile Justice.

¹¹ Walters, et al. (2007). "Motivating Offenders to Change: A Guide for Probation and Parole." US Department of Justice National Institute of Corrections.

¹² Naar-King, Sylvie, Suarez, Mariann (2011). "Motivational Interviewing with Adolescents and Young Adults." Guilford-Press. Walter, Scott, et al (2007). "A Guide for Probation and Parole: Motivating Offenders to Change." US Department of Justice, National Institute for Correction.

• Working in partnership with the Department of Probation: For ECHOES to be successful, the ECHOES POs and the Be Ready staff must be in constant communication and must problem-solve together to provide a unified front with the participating youth. The Be Ready component of ECHOES will provide the much needed catalysts for personal change, and the ECHOES POs will need to use those catalysts in their life coaching process with their clients. Accordingly, ECHOES POs will co-facilitate the Saturday Work Teams, and the Contractor is expected to include the POs in its training opportunities. DOP trainings as they relate to ECHOES will also be available to the Contractor staff.

Referral/Intake

All participants will be sentenced to ECHOES by the Family Court. Upon sentencing, DOP and Contractor staff will conduct joint intake meetings with participants and their families, ensuring that all staff, the youth, and family work together to develop goals for the young person that are consistent with the conditions of their probation and future life goals. An orientation session conducted jointly by the Contractor and DOP will explain the ECHOES program, its expectations of participants, and its underlying principles and theory of change. After a young person has completed both the intake and the orientation, they will be given a start date of the following Saturday when they will begin the Basic Stage of Be Ready.¹³

Project Stages

ECHOES Be Ready is comprised of three stages of life readiness development: Basic, Intermediate and Advanced. Each stage, described below, builds upon the competencies and strengths developed in the previous cycle. Participants can remain active in the program for one year, and will work through as many of the three stages as they are able during this time period.¹⁴

(a) The Basic Stage (Saturdays Only): The first stage is group-based, as severely disconnected youth often lack the skills necessary to work in teams and with peers. Each participant will be assigned to a Team that meets once a week on Saturdays. Teams consist of ten youth with one Work Team Leader and one ECHOES Probation Officer co-leading. Work teams will participate in projects that incorporate elements of service learning, such as community asset mapping 15 and community benefit projects.

It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to develop these Saturday service-learning projects, including identifying appropriate sites for projects. Ideally, projects would be designed with participants to ensure that young people feel ownership of the project while also learning basic soft skills associated with getting and keeping a job, such as working well with others, managing conflict, and completing projects on time. Participants should also obtain a tangible marketable skill related to the designated project. Proposers would specify the method for measuring attainment of these skills. These skills would be reviewed with each youth daily on a score card that includes Attendance/Punctuality, Preparedness, Performance, Attitude, and Participation. When a participant is able to demonstrate these basic competencies, he/she will be able to move into the more advanced stages of the program. Youth would receive stipends for participating in these Saturday sessions.

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¹³ Each ECHOES participant will have a Probation Officer (PO) with a smaller caseload who will work intensively with participants over the course of a year. POs will meet individually with each participant in the community at least two times weekly to provide individual coaching. In addition, POs will facilitate a weekly Engagement Group, the purposes of which are to build the participants' social and emotional competencies. PO's will use flexible scheduling to achieve relational goals, and PO's outreach efforts will convey the message that he/she will "show up" for the relationship with the young person even if the young person is not yet ready to do so. POs will also assume responsibility for ensuring that participants are engaged in school.

¹⁴ It is anticipated that one-third to one-half of program participants will be able to complete all three stages within a 12 month period regardless of any setbacks they may experience. The other one-half to two-thirds will experience significant enough setbacks in their tenure that they may not complete all three stages during the program year.

Community asset mapping is a strength-based approach to community development. The process of asset mapping includes identifying the institutions, individuals, and citizen associations existing within neighborhoods that serve as positive resources.

The Basic Stage of the program takes place on Saturdays so that participants can experience a full day of hands-on work during the school year. During the Basic Stage of the program, youth continue to meet with their PO during the week, both individually and in group. Participants must attend four consecutive Saturdays without an infraction to complete the stage. Infractions include absences, lateness (beyond 15 minutes), fighting, and any other failure to follow rules and regulations, and will result in a step-down to Pre-Team. Also, each work day begins with a check-in meeting or circle, and ends with a check-out meeting or circle.

Pre-Team is designed for participants who fail to meet the expectations of the Basic Stage. In Preteam, participants go through a facilitated group process of self-reflection to understand the reason(s) for the demotion, identify and make all necessary amends of the behavior, and make a plan to avoid further demotions. Youth then work half a day on a Pre-Team and must follow all rules and regulations to start over at the Basic Stage.

(b) <u>Intermediate Stage</u> (<u>Saturdays and one afterschool weekday workshop</u>): Once youth complete the Basic Stage, they will be promoted to the Intermediate Stage. At this point, they will continue working with their Saturday once-per-week Team. They will also choose a skill-based track one additional afternoon per week that includes workshops to learn new skills in a chosen field with hands-on experience. The contractor is responsible for developing these after-school sessions, ideally with youth's participation and input. Youth would receive stipends for participating in both the Saturday and afterschool sessions.

Participants must work for six weeks in a row, on Saturdays and one other day of the week, for a total of 12 sessions, to complete the stage. The first two weekday sessions would be Life Skills workshops in which participants choose a skill track such as clerical, building maintenance, or hospitality. The afternoon skills-based workshop would consist of 30 to 45 minutes of instruction with time to practice what they have learned. Participants would be assessed on their scorecard in the same manner as the Basic Stage. Participants in this phase are allowed two infractions before being demoted to repeat the Basic Stage.

(c) Advanced Stage (Weekdays only, afterschool): Upon completing the Intermediate Stage, youth would be promoted to the Advanced Stage. The Advanced Stage is the highest level of training. Participants will engage in 20 weeks of subsidized employment in a combination of internships and externships. The Contractor is responsible for developing these intern/externship opportunities that are aligned with related labor laws for internships performed without wages. Youth work three days a week after school (nine hours per week) at an internship for ten weeks, ideally within the Contractor's organizations, and then at an externship site for ten weeks. For youth needing more support, the internship may be extended. Youth would receive stipends for participating in these intern/externships.

Once in the Advanced Stage, participants also attend weekly "Career Club" meetings facilitated by the Career Coach. Career Club meetings cover work-related topics such as career planning, goal setting, resume building, interviewing, and conflict resolution. In addition to running the weekly Career Club, the Career Coach would also manage the internship and externship programs, interacting with employers, ensuring that participants are paid, etc. Participants who receive three infractions will return to and repeat the Intermediate Stage.

(d) <u>Summer Program</u>: The Summer Program will serve all ECHOES participants in the Basic and Intermediate stages of the program. ¹⁶ All participants would meet in one location from 9AM to 4PM

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 $^{^{16}}$ Participants in the Advanced stage during the summer months can remain at their intern/externships.

four days a week during the summer months. Each morning would begin with a restorative circle, including all youth and staff, where expectations for the day will be addressed. After this circle concludes, each Team Leader and ECHOES PO will take their Team to an assigned project site¹⁷. These sites would be located throughout the City and would accommodate service-learning oriented projects such as assisting in the restoration of community centers, removing debris/invasive plants and planting in parks, beautifying and rebuilding a community garden, or preparing care packages for service men and women overseas. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to develop these service-oriented projects, ideally with participation and input from youth. Youth would receive stipends for participating in the Summer program.

As the teams arrive at the program site, the Team Leader and ECHOES PO will lead another restorative circle aimed at preparing for the day's activities prior to starting work. Throughout the day, the Team Leader will work with youth, address any problem behaviors, and meet individually with each youth to discuss the youth's performance with the support of the ECHOES PO. The youth's score card, as described above, will be the basis for these daily performance conversations. This score card will help youth assess their own performance and address any areas in need of improvement.

For those youth who have difficulty abiding by the rules, there will be a Pre-Team during the summer as well. All participants will be allotted three infractions, meaning that a young person may be late or have a behavioral issue twice without repercussions and still be allowed to remain with their Team. By the third infraction, the participant loses his/her slot on the Team and is put in a Pre-Team group. This Pre-Team group will continue to meet every day and engage in another restorative circle in the morning to discuss the issues and behaviors that caused them to lose their slot on the Team. They will identify and make all necessary amends of behavior by working out a plan for how these issues will not happen again. After completion of this circle, the Pre-Team will do short-term minor neighborhood cleanup as their service project (as opposed to the more engaging projects designed by and for participants in the regular summer program). Good behavior and attendance in the Pre-Team will earn the youth a place on another Team, thus giving every young person the opportunity to make mistakes, learn from them, and continue working. The Pre-Team will be facilitated by the Program Manager and an ECHOES PO.

In every stage of ECHOES Be Ready, participants will be assessed in terms of their preparedness, attitude, work performance, and participation in restorative rituals. The ECHOES Be Ready provider will also need to document progress toward the attainment of tangible marketable and vocational skills of participating youth. Proposers would describe the proposed assessments as they relate to the principles outlined above (Positive Youth Development, Motivational Interviewing, Stages of Change, and Restorative Justice Principles).

Project Sites:

Contractor would be responsible for identifying appropriate project sites, as well as appropriate internship and externship opportunities. Proposers should include a plan for identifying these sites and opportunities and/or indicate sites that may have already been identified.

In addition to this graduated program model, another key component of the program is the "No reject, No eject" policy. There are no exclusion criteria for the Be Ready component of the program; no matter what

¹⁷ Contractors would be responsible for identifying appropriate project sites

behaviors a youth exhibits they will not be removed from life readiness programming, as there is always a way for the young person to work his/her way back in. 18

2. Population to be Served:

The contractor would deliver ECHOES Be Ready to adolescents, ages 14 through 18, who have been:

• Sentenced through Family Court with an explicit court order to participate in ECHOES as an alternative-toplacement; which can be via a violation of probation (VOP) from ESP; an original disposition; or a VOP due to re-arrest or those otherwise determined eligible by the Commissioner of Probation

Admissions into the program will occur on a rolling basis. Contractors will not be responsible for directly recruiting participants.

3. Program Hours/Schedule:

The contractor would run the program outside of normal 9 AM to 5 PM business hours. In particular, the contractor would run projects for ECHOES Be Ready participants from 9AM to 4PM on Saturdays and four days a week during the summer months; and on select weekdays after-school from 3PM to 6PM.

4. Staffing

• Program Manager:

The contractor would hire a full-time Program Manager who would be responsible for the overall management of the ECHOES Be Ready Program. The Program Manager would:

- Ensure supervision/monitor work of the Team Leaders and Career Coach
- ➤ Locate and secure project sites for the Saturday, Weekday Afternoon and Summer sessions
- > Oversee payment of stipends to youth
- Ensure coordination of program with ECHOES Probation Officers
- ➤ Oversee the implementation of the Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Summer, and Pre-Team Stages of the program
- Facilitate the Summer Pre-Team in collaboration with an ECHOES Probation Officer

• Team Leaders:

The contractor would hire Team Leaders, each of whom will be responsible for running one team on Saturday and one Intermediate afterschool workshop during the school year and the four-day a week summer program.

• Career Coach:

The contractor would hire a part-time Career Coach to oversee the internship and externship component of the Advanced Stage, as well as conduct the weekly Career Club.

- Staff to Participant Ratios
 - Contractor staff to participant ratio would be 1:10 with a maximum team size of 10 participants
- Expectations of all Staff

¹⁸ DOP will provide protocol in the event that a participant poses a threat to public safety or causes serious physical injury. Contractor may not reject any participant from the program without conferencing the case with DOP.

- All program staff would be culturally competent. They would be familiar with the neighborhoods where the highest-risk youth reside, demonstrate an appreciation for and sensitivity to diverse language, cultures, traditions, and family structures, and integrate this knowledge into service delivery. The contractor would ensure that services are provided in a manner that is sensitive to the backgrounds and cultures of program participants.
- All staff would provide services with the goal of developing youth's positive attitudes towards self, family and community.
- The contractor would include outreach to recently laid-off DOP Probation Officer Trainees who meet the minimum qualifications of staff positions as part of their recruitment plan, if awarded.

5. Training

The Contractor would be responsible for training their staff in the following evidence-based practices: Positive Youth Development; Motivational Interviewing; Stages of Change; and Restorative Practice (See descriptions of these practices on page 11, above). Proposers would include a detailed training plan, including Linkage Agreements or letters of support for any outside training resources proposed.

6. Partnerships, Collaborations, and Linkages

The Contractor would establish and maintain effective on-going relationships with DOP staff, program participants, their families and communities. ECHOES Probation Officers remain an integral part of the team, and it is expected that the Contractor will work in close collaboration with DOP ECHOES staff during the course of this program.

Proposers also need to demonstrate effective linkages that would contribute to the creation of a program responsive to the youth and families within their local community. In particular, each contractor would establish linkages with local schools, healthcare providers, law enforcement and other community-based service providers to enrich program services and maintain a referral network for participants. Proposed linkages with other organizations would be documented with a Linkage Agreement (Attachment #4). However, a Linkage Agreement would not be required to demonstrate a relationship between the proposer and a City Agency, including other neighborhood schools and police precincts/law enforcement. A letter of support would be used to demonstrate these relationships. A Linkage Agreement may be used to demonstrate a programmatic service to be delivered with another City Agency, however, the City reserves the right to approve or disapprove any request based on business integrity and past history.

7. Sites/Facility

All Service Options:

Contractors would be responsible for maintaining three types of sites within their service area: a Program Site, "Meet-up" Sites and Project Sites. The Program Site would be used for administrative and any participant functions as necessary. "Meet-up" sites would be used for team meetings and activities prior to dispersing to individual Project Sites.

- Contractors would be responsible for identifying the "Meet-Up" and Project sites
- The meet-up sites would be accessible by public transportation and appropriate in size and design to accommodate the functions mentioned above.
- The contractor would ensure that any buildings and all facilities and equipment therein meet the local fire, health, and safety standards and comply with the American Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. If facilities

do not meet ADA standards, the contractor must provide alternative measures, such as access to other suitable space to make activities accessible to persons with disabilities and is subject to DOP approval.

Service Option I- Manhattan:

• DOP would provide desk space for contractor staff at the Harlem NeON location (127 West 127th Street, New York, NY 10027) which would serve as the program site location. At least one contractor staff member must be assigned to this location

Service Option II- Brooklyn or Queens

- The contractor would be responsible for securing a program site location in Brooklyn or Queens with desk space made available for up to three DOP staff members
- The Program Site would be accessible by public transportation and appropriate in size and design to accommodate the functions mentioned above.
- The contractor would ensure that the building and all facilities and equipment therein meet the local fire, health, and safety standards and comply with the American Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. If facilities do not meet ADA standards, the contractor must provide alternative measures, such as access to other suitable space to make activities accessible to persons with disabilities and is subject to DOP approval.

8. Transportation

Contractor must ensure passage for ECHOES participants to the program afterschool and during the summer months/school breaks and back home at the end of each day. If public transportation is easily accessible, participants must be provided Metro Cards to travel to and from the program. If public transportation is not easily accessible, applicants should describe a transportation plan¹⁹ to overcome any geographic/transportation disparities with the proposed site as well as a transportation plan for any off-site group-based activities proposed.

9. Reporting, Data Collection and Target Outcomes

Contractors will be required to report regularly on program performance metrics and program expenses in a format determined by DOP/CEO. Programs also will need to provide researchers from DOP/CEO or its external evaluators with access to program staff and participants, and provide information on program activities and participant level data. Participant information would be kept confidential.

DOP/CEO or its external evaluator will periodically visit the provider to observe program activities and obtain detailed data on participant activities within the program. Other monitoring and evaluation activities may include surveys, focus groups and administrative record reviews. This is in addition to regular telephone contact to document the program's status and to follow up with participants after program completion. DOP/CEO or its external evaluators will also conduct staff and enrollee interviews as well as obtain and analyze baseline and program data for the research. In the event of an evaluation using an experimental design, contractors may be required to alter their recruitment practices to ensure random assignment of potential participants to a group that is enrolled in the program intervention or a control group that is not. Periodically, DOP/CEO will share analyses of program implementation.

Reporting

In addition to weekly baseline communication with the Probation Officer, contractors will submit monthly and quarterly reports to the Department of Probation on enrollment, contact hours with BE Ready staff, including

¹⁹ Any alternate transportation plans would be subject to final approval by DOP. The contractor would submit proof of applicable insurance policies and other documentation as requested.

the nature of the contacts, educational engagement (DOP will monitor actual school attendance), general progress in the development of youth development competencies correlated to delinquency behavior (such as conflict management and peer group development), community service/service learning, hours and pay for those who are working, and aggregate outcomes.

At a minimum, the contractor would be required to maintain and submit participant-level data (reflecting participant and household characteristics, services provided, and outcomes achieved). Such data would be submitted on a monthly basis or other frequency determined by DOP/CEO, in an electronic format that can be read by a commonly available commercial spreadsheet program, such as Microsoft Excel. DOP/CEO reserves the right to require the use of a unified electronic enrollment and attendance tracking system for this purpose.

Data Collection Procedures

Reports would be submitted using prescribed forms at times designated by DOP/CEO. For each participant enrolled, the contractor would collect and maintain at minimum the following data:

- Hours Be Ready staff spends with each youth and family, including detailed documentation of meetings and group activities
- Demographic data
- Impact data (outcomes, separation from program, performance targets)

Quality Improvement Measures

Programs would utilize outcome achievement data to assess and analyze program quality and would apply measures to continually improve program effectiveness.

Target Outcomes²⁰

The overarching goal that DOP seeks to accomplish with ECHOES and ECHOES Be Ready is to help juveniles on probation end further involvement with the justice system. Outcomes for ECHOES Be Ready are as follows:

- 80% of participants will have begun the Intermediate Stage by the time they complete 12 months in the program;
- 90% of the above-referenced participants will develop a tangible marketable skill during the Intermediate stage of the program;
- 57% of participants will have begun the Advanced Stage by the time they complete 12 months in the program;
- The participants who do not progress to the Advanced Stage will continue to acquire tangible vocational skills and continue to work on the barriers to successful advancement in the project phases.
- 80% of participants will not be arrested for a felony while in the ECHOES program
- 60% of program completers will remain felony arrest-free for a period of 12 months after program completion

D. Compliance with Local Law 34 of 2007

Pursuant to Local Law 34 of 2007, amending the City's Campaign Finance Law, the City is required to establish a computerized database containing the name of any "person" who has "business dealings with the City" as such terms are defined in the Local Law. In order for the City to obtain necessary information to

²⁰ DOP reserves the right to modify target outcomes.

establish the required database, vendors responding to this solicitation are required to complete the attached Doing Business Data Form (Attachment 9) and return it with the proposal, and should do so in a separate envelope. If the City determines that a vendor has failed to submit a Data Form or has submitted a Data Form that is not complete, the vendor will be notified by DOP/CEO and will be given four calendar days from receipt of notification to cure the specified deficiencies and return a complete Data Form to DOP/CEO. Failure to do so will result in a determination that the proposal is nonresponsive. Receipt of notification is defined as the day notice is e-mailed or faxed (if the vendor has provided an e-mail address or fax number), or not later than five days from the date of mailing or upon delivery, if delivered.

E. Recruitment and Hiring of Staff

On August 4, 2011, as part of the Young Men's Initiative, Mayor Bloomberg issued Executive Order 151 (EO 151) stating with respect to any employment governed by Article 23-A of the NYS Correction Law, with few exceptions, City agencies are prohibited from asking questions regarding an applicant's prior criminal convictions on any preliminary employment applications, or asking any questions about an applicant's prior criminal convictions before or during the first interview. In keeping with the objectives of EO 151, Contractors selected as a result of this RFP will likewise generally be prohibited from asking questions regarding an applicant's prior criminal convictions on any preliminary employment applications, and from asking any questions about an applicant's prior criminal convictions before or during the first interview. In addition, Contractors will be required to comply with Article 23-A, including the requirement that determinations of hiring based on prior criminal convictions must be limited to a conviction that bears a direct relationship to the duties and responsibilities of the position sought, or where their hiring would pose an unreasonable risk to property or to the safety of individuals or the general public.

F. Whistleblower Protection Expansion Act Rider

Local Law Nos. 30 and 33 of 2012, codified at sections 6-132 and 12-113 of the New York City Administrative Code, the Whistleblower Protection Expansion Act, protect employees of certain City contractors from adverse personnel action based on whistleblower activity relating to a City contract and require contractors to post a notice informing employees of their rights. Please read Attachment 6, the Whistleblower Protection Expansion Act Rider, carefully.

G. Compliance with the Iran Divestment Act

Pursuant to State Finance Law Section 165-a and General Municipal Law Section 103-g, the City is prohibited from entering into contracts with persons engaged in investment activities in the energy sector of Iran. Each proposer is required to complete the attached Bidders Certification of Compliance with the Iran Divestment Act, certifying that it is not on a list of entities engaged in investments activities in Iran created by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of General Services. If a proposer appears on that list, the Agency/Department will be able to award a contract to such proposer only in situations where the proposer is takings steps to cease its investments in Iran or where the proposer is a necessary sole source. Please refer to Attachment 7 for information on the Iran Divestment Act required for this solicitation and instructions on how to complete the required form and to http://www.ogs.ny.gov/About/regs/ida.asp for additional information concerning the list of entities.

L. Subcontractor Compliance Notice

The selected vendor will be required to utilize the City's web based system to identify all subcontractors in order to obtain subcontractor approval pursuant to PPB Rule section 4-13, and will also be required to enter all subcontractor payment information and other related information in such system during the contract term. Please read Attachment 8, the subcontractor compliance notice as it relates to competitive solicitations.

SECTION IV: FORMAT AND CONTENT OF THE PROPOSAL

Instructions: Proposers should provide all information required in the format below.

- The proposal should be typed on 8 1/2" x 11" paper.
- Lines should be double-spaced with 1" margins, using 12-point font size.
- Pages should be numbered and include a header or footer identifying the proposer.
- Proposals should not exceed 30 pages double sided (excluding requested attachments).
- The proposal should include a **Table of Contents**, immediately following the Proposal Summary Form.
- The City of New York requests that all proposals be submitted on paper with no less than 30 percent post-consumer material content, *i.e.*, the minimum recovered fiber content level for reprographic papers recommended by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. (For any change to that standard please consult: http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products/printing.html.)
- Proposers should use the structure and order provided below as well as include the questions as the section headers in their responses. Requested attachments should be provided in the order presented in the Proposal Checklist.

A. Proposal Format

1. Proposal Summary Form

The Proposal Summary Form (Attachment 1) transmits the proposal package. It should be completed in full, signed, and dated by the Board Chair or Executive Director of the proposing organization. Completing this form fully and accurately assists DOP/CEO in the evaluation of the proposal.

2. Table of Contents

3. Program Proposal

The Program Proposal is a clear, concise narrative which addresses the following:

- **a. Experience** (page limit: 6 pages, excluding requested attachments)

 Describe in detail the successful relevant experience of the proposer and its key staff:
 - Describe the successful relevant experience within the past five years of the proposer in providing the program services described in Section III: Scope of Services of the RFP. Prior to contract negotiation, DOP/CEO reserves the right to request documentation to verify stated experience and results.
 - Specifically, identify the programs that demonstrate the successful and relevant experience of the proposing organization and/or sub-contractors providing similar services to high risk youth in the past five years, relating to the following types of programs and/or services:

- ➤ Motivational Interviewing
- > Stages of Change
- ➤ Positive Youth Development
- > Restorative Justice
- ➤ Collaborative Problem Solving

For each program cited above, provide a brief description of the services offered, dates of operation, and program goals and impact, if available.

- Complete the Relevant Experience Form (Attachment 2), reproducing extra copies as needed. Using the most recent quantitative data, demonstrate that each program cited above was effective in each of the following areas:
 - Achievement of enrollment numbers that met or exceeded the funder/program expectations (target levels vs. actual enrollments)
 - Achievement of outcomes that met or exceeded funder/program expectations (projections vs. actual outcomes)
- In addition, in narrative form, describe any other factors that demonstrate that each program cited above was effective such as:
 - ➤ Positive findings from an evaluation
 - > Securing multi-year funding for relevant program(s) from diverse public and private sources
 - > Successful joint efforts with other organizations and agencies to provide similar services
 - > Successful experience working in a leadership role to establish and lead effective partnerships
- Demonstrate the proposer's history of linkages with community-based organizations and other community entities that enriched services provided to youth and families and created effective referral networks.
- Describe the successful relevant experience of the key staff in the last five years providing services to at-risk youth and demonstrate that the Program Manager and other key staff will be appropriately qualified, meeting the requirements set forth in Section III-Scope of Services.
- Attach resumes for key staff already identified; for other key staff positions, attach job descriptions showing the required qualifications.

b. Organizational Capability (page limit: 6 pages, excluding requested attachments) *Demonstrate the proposer's organizational (programmatic, managerial, and financial) capability to perform the services described in the Scope of Services. Specifically include the following:*

- Describe how the proposing organization's Board of Directors will be involved in the proposed program. Complete the Corporate Governance Certification (Attachment 3).
- Describe the steps that will be taken to ensure that program operations will begin by September 1, 2013. Include a timeline outlining the activities for program startup.
- Demonstrate successful joint efforts with other organizations and agencies providing services to court involved young adults.
- Demonstrate the proposing organization's capacity to incorporate the proposed program into overall operations. Attach an organizational chart showing the proposer's organization and how the proposed program fits. Describe how the proposed program and program staff will relate to the overall organization.
- Describe the proposing organization's internal monitoring system and demonstrate how it is effectively used to identify personnel and fiscal issues. Describe the organization's corrective action procedures.
- Describe the evaluation and quality improvement protocol that the proposer would implement to ensure continuous improvement of program delivery and participant outcome achievement.
- Describe how the organization manages its data collection and reporting requirements for multiple funding sources.
- Demonstrate that program staff members have access to computers and the Internet.
- Attach a copy of the most recent financial audit of the organization conducted by a
 certified public accountant, indicating the period covered, OR, if no audit has been
 performed, the most recent financial statement, indicating the period covered and an
 explanation of why no audited financial statement is available. Financial audits covering
 time completely prior to fiscal year 2011 will not be accepted as fulfilling this
 requirement.
- List at least three relevant funding references, including the name of the funding organization and the name, title, and telephone number of a contact person at the funding organization. If there are no funding sources other than DOP or CEO, other relevant references may be listed. For each person, include: his or her name and organizational affiliation, contact information (mailing address, email address and telephone), and the basis for the person's knowledge of your organization's work.
- **c. Proposed Program Approach** (page limit: 15 pages, excluding requested attachments)

 Describe in detail how the proposer will provide the services described in the Scope of Services and demonstrate how the proposed approach will fulfill DOP/CEO goals and objectives. Specifically address the following:

1. Program Design

Referral/Intake and Orientation

- Describe the intake and assessment process
- Describe the process for conducting joint meeting with the ECHOES PO and how appropriate goals will be developed for the participant, in conjunction with the family
- Describe the Orientation Session to be provided prior to commencing the Basic Stage of the program

Project Stages

Describe and demonstrate how Positive Youth Development, Motivational Interviewing, Stages of Change and Restorative Justice will be utilized in each stage of the proposed program, as well as the effectiveness of the proposer's approach to each of the key elements:

- Basic Stage
- Intermediate Stage
- Advanced Stage
- Summer Program

Project Sites

 Describe the plan for identifying appropriate project sites as well as internship/externship opportunities and/or indicate any sites that may have already been identified

No Eject/No Reject Policy

• Explain how the No Eject/No Reject policy will be implemented

Population to be Served

- Identify the target population to be served.
- Identify and demonstrate the strengths and needs of the target population to be served.

Program Hours/Schedule

• Describe how the proposed program would be run outside of normal business hours.

Staffing

- Describe the specific staff, salaried and non-salaried, that will be utilized to provide the services. Demonstrate that such staffing covers the key functions outlined in Section III: Scope of Services and is sufficient to help participants achieve program milestones and outcomes.
- Describe the role of the Program Manager, specifically addressing how he/she would:
 - Ensure supervision/monitor work of the Team Leaders and Career Coach
 - ➤ Locate and secure project sites for the Saturday, afterschool workshops, and Summer Teams

- ➤ Oversee the payment of stipends to youth involved in all stages of the program, including internships/externships
- ➤ Ensure coordination of program with ECHOES Probation Officers
- ➤ Oversee the implementation of the Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Summer and Pre-Team Stages of the program
- Facilitate the Summer Pre-Team in collaboration with an ECHOES PO
- Describe the role of the Team Leaders as it relates to the criteria set forth in Section III- Scope of Services.
- Describe the role of the Career Coach as it relates to the criteria set forth in Section III-Scope of Services.
- Describe the plan for recruiting, hiring, and training staff, including outreach to qualified neighborhood residents.
- Demonstrate that all program staff would be culturally competent, familiar with the targeted neighborhood and have an appreciation for and sensitivity to diverse language, cultures, traditions, and family structures. Describe how this knowledge will be integrated into service delivery.
- Describe how program staff would review participant progress, exchange information and share instructional/service strategies.

Training

- Describe the training curriculum to be used, specifically how it would address the theories of practice used by the program
- Describe the training plan, in detail, including letters of support or Linkage Agreements for any proposed outside training resources that will be utilized.

Partnerships, Collaborations and Linkages

- Describe the proposed plan for maintaining adequate communication with the assigned Probation Officer, as well as how effective on-going relationships would be maintained with DOP staff, juveniles participating in the program, their families, and communities.
- Describe all proposed linkages to organizations that are relevant to the proposed program and whose contribution to the proposed program design benefits all or most participants.
- Demonstrate how the proposed linkages will be effective in helping participants achieve program milestones and outcomes.
- Complete and attach a Linkage Agreement Form (Attachment 4) for each linkage that has been established at the time of proposal submission.

2. Facility

All Service Options:

• Describe the proposed "Meet-Up" and Project sites, if identified, or the plan for identifying "Meet-Up" and Project Sites, indicating how they will be accessible by public transportation and appropriate in size and design

Service Option II- Brooklyn or Queens

- Identify and describe the proposed program facility and/or where services will be provided. Demonstrate that it will be located in one of the targeted boroughs, accessible by public transportation, as well as appropriate in size and design to accommodate all program activities. Demonstrate how desk space will be made available to DOP staff as outlined in the Scope of Services.
- Demonstrate that the building and space and equipment therein meet the local fire, health, and safety standards. Demonstrate the facility will meet ADA standards or that alternative measures will make program activities accessible to persons with disabilities.

3. Reporting, Data Collection and Target Outcomes Reporting

- Describe record keeping, data collection, and procedures for documenting and reporting outcomes.
- Summarize previous experience collecting data and meeting reporting requirements.
- Indicate what quality control measures will be in place to assure timely, accurate and reliable data.
- Describe how outcome achievement data will be used to improve program effectiveness.

d. Price Proposal and Budget

The Price Proposal is the funding request for providing the services described in Section III: Scope of Services. The budget will be reviewed and scored as it relates to the proposed program approach. It includes the following:

- 1. Proposal Budget Summary Form
 - Complete Attachment 5, Proposal Budget Summary Form for a 12-month contract period
- 2. Budget Justification (page limit: 3 pages)

²¹ At the time of contract award, selected proposers would be required to provide proof of site control, for example through a lease or certificate of occupancy.

• Justify how the requested funds would be used to deliver program services and achieve outcomes. Proposers should ensure that the budget and budget justification are consistent with the proposed program, specifically justify the expenses under each major budget category by addressing the points below:

➤ Personnel Services:

- -List each position, indicating whether it is full-time or part-time, and salary as included in the funding request. Explain how the costs for each position were determined (such as percentage of full-time salary). Indicate which resume or job description is intended to fill that position.
- ➤ Non-Staff services (as applicable):
 - -List each consultant and associated cost included in the funding request, and explain how the cost of assigned work for the program as described in the proposal narrative was calculated.
 - -For each type of non-program service purchased from a vendor, such as accounting or cleaning, describe the nature of that service, why it is needed, and how the costs related to purchasing that service were determined.
- ➤ Other than Personnel Services (as applicable)
 - -For consumable supplies, describe the type and quantity of supplies to be purchased and explain how the costs of these items were determined.
 - -Explain why each piece of equipment and equipment related expenses are necessary for the proposed program.
 - -Describe the space costs, including those involving a rental expense; their importance in the proposed program; and how costs were determined.
 - -For travel expenses, describe the purpose of travel and justify the cost.
 - -For utilities, telephones, and other operational expenses, list each item and how the cost for each item was determined.
 - -For participant stipends, specify amount in budget
- If proposed, indicate and explain the additional optional cost per participant requested above the 20 slot baseline amount

e. Doing Business Data Form

The proposer should complete the Doing Business Data Form (Attachment 9) and return it with the proposal. The submission of a Doing Business Data Form that is not accurate and complete may result in appropriate sanctions.

f. Acknowledgment of Addenda

The Acknowledgment of Addenda form (Attachment 10) serves as the proposer's acknowledgment of the receipt of addenda to this RFP which may have been issued by DOP/CEO prior to the proposal due date and time. The proposer should complete as instructed on the form.

B. Proposal Package Checklist

The Proposal Package should contain the following materials. <u>Proposers should utilize this section as a "checklist" to assure completeness prior to submitting their proposals to DOP/CEO.</u>

- 1. The Proposal package should include **one original set and <u>four</u> duplicate sets** of the documents listed below in the following order:
- Proposal Summary Form (Attachment 1)
- Program Proposal
- -- Table of Contents
- -- Narrative
- -- Resumes or Descriptions of Qualifications for Key Staff Positions
- -- Organizational Chart
- -- Relevant Experience Form (Attachment 2)
- -- Corporate Governance Certification (Attachment 3)
- -- Audit Report or Certified Financial Statement or a statement as to why no report or statement is available
- -- References for the Proposer
- -- Linkage Agreement Form(s) (Attachment 4)
- Price Proposal
- -- Proposal Budget Summary Form (Attachment 5)
- -- Budget Justification
- Acknowledgment of Addenda Form (Attachment 10)
- 2. In a sealed inner envelope, **one** original of the Doing Business Data Form (Attachment 9) should be included in the proposal package.
- 3. One original Bidder's Certification (Attachment 7) regarding the Iran Divestment Act

For each proposal submitted, enclose the documents listed above in a sealed envelope and hand deliver to **Department of Probation**, 33 Beaver Street, 21st Floor, New York NY 10004. Attention: Eileen Parfrey-Smith, Agency Chief Contracting Officer.

Label the envelope with the following:

- The title and PIN of this RFP
- The proposer's name and address
- The name, title, address, and phone number of the authorized agency contact person

SECTION V: PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND CONTRACT AWARD PROCEDURES

A. Evaluation Procedures

All proposals accepted by DOP/CEO will be reviewed to determine whether they are responsive or nonresponsive to the requirements of this RFP. Proposals which DOP/CEO determines to be nonresponsive will be rejected. DOP/CEO Evaluation Committees will evaluate and rate all remaining proposals based on the Evaluation Criteria prescribed below. DOP/CEO reserves the right to conduct site visits, to conduct interviews, or to request that proposers make presentations, as deemed applicable and appropriate. Although DOP/CEO may conduct discussions with proposers submitting acceptable proposals, it reserves the right to award contracts on the basis of initial proposals received, without discussions; therefore, the proposer's initial proposal should contain its best programmatic terms.

B. Evaluation Criteria

• Demonstrated quantity and quality of successful relevant experience 30 percent

• Demonstrated level of organizational capability 20 percent

• Quality of proposed program approach 50 percent

C. Basis for Contract Award

Contracts will be awarded to the responsible proposers whose proposals are determined to be the most advantageous to the City, taking into consideration the factors or criteria which are set forth in this RFP. Within each competition, proposals will be ranked in descending order of their overall average technical scores. Awards will be made to the highest rated vendors whose proposals are technically viable and whose prices do not exceed the conditions set forth in the RFP. However:

- DOP/CEO reserves the right to make awards to ensure program diversity (that is, programs that vary by factors such as instructional methodologies, target population, target sub-groups, and types of partnerships and collaborations to provide support and follow-up services).
- DOP/CEO reserves the right to award less than the full amount of funding requested and to modify the allocation of funds among competitions in the best interests of the City.
- In the case that a proposer is eligible for more than one contract award from this RFP, DOP/CEO reserves the right to determine, based on the proposer's demonstrated organizational capability and the best interests of the City, respectively, how many and for which program(s) the proposer will be awarded contracts and at what level of services and dollar value.
- Demonstration that the proposer has, or will have by the conclusion of negotiations, site control of an appropriate program facility.
- Timely completion of contract negotiations between DOP/CEO and the selected proposer.

SECTION VI - GENERAL INFORMATION TO PROPOSERS

- **A.** <u>Complaints.</u> The New York City Comptroller is charged with the audit of contracts in New York City. Any proposer 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 835, New York, NY 10007; the telephone number is (212) 669-3000. In addition, the New York City Department of Investigation should be informed of such complaints at its Investigations Division, 80 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038; the telephone number is (212) 825-5959.
- **B.** Applicable Laws. This Request for Proposals and the resulting contract award(s), if any, unless otherwise stated, are subject to all applicable provisions of New York State Law, the New York City Administrative Code, New York City Charter and New York City Procurement Policy Board (PPB) Rules. A copy of the PPB Rules may be obtained by contacting the PPB at (212) 788-7820.
- **C.** <u>General Contract Provisions.</u> Contracts shall be subject to New York City's general contract provisions, in substantially the form that they appear in "Appendix A—General Provisions Governing Contracts for Consultants, Professional and Technical Services" or, if the Agency utilizes other than the formal Appendix A, in substantially the form that they appear in the Agency's general contract provisions. A copy of the applicable document is available through the Authorized Agency Contact Person.
- **D.** <u>Contract Award.</u> Contract award is subject to each of the following applicable conditions and any others that may apply: New York City Fair Share Criteria; New York City MacBride Principles Law; submission by the proposer of the requisite New York City Department of Business Services/Division of Labor Services Employment Report and certification by that office; submission by the proposer of the requisite VENDEX Questionnaires/Affidavits of No Change and review of the information contained therein by the New York City Department of Investigation; all other required oversight approvals; applicable provisions of federal, state and local laws and executive orders requiring affirmative action and equal employment opportunity; and Section 6-108.1 of the New York City Administrative Code relating to the Local Based Enterprises program and its implementation rules.
- **E.** <u>Proposer Appeal Rights.</u> Pursuant to New York City's Procurement Policy Board Rules, proposers have the right to appeal Agency non-responsiveness determinations and Agency non-responsibility determinations and to protest an Agency's determination regarding the solicitation or award of a contract.
- **F.** Multi-Year Contracts. Multi-year contracts are subject to modification or cancellation if adequate funds are not appropriated to the Agency to support continuation of performance in any City fiscal year succeeding the first fiscal year and/or if the contractor's performance is not satisfactory. The Agency will notify the contractor as soon as is practicable that the funds are, or are not, available for the continuation of the multi-year contract for each succeeding City fiscal year. In the event of cancellation, the contractor will be reimbursed for those costs, if any, which are so provided for in the contract.
- **G.** <u>Prompt Payment Policy</u>. Pursuant to the New York City's Procurement Policy Board Rules, it is the policy of the City to process contract payments efficiently and expeditiously.
- **H.** <u>Prices Irrevocable.</u> Prices proposed by the proposer shall be irrevocable until contract award, unless the proposal is withdrawn. Proposals may only be withdrawn by submitting a written request to the Agency prior to contract award but after the expiration of 90 days after the opening of proposals. This shall not limit the discretion of the Agency to request proposers to revise proposed prices through the submission of best and final offers and/or the conduct of negotiations.

- **I.** <u>Confidential, Proprietary Information or Trade Secrets.</u> Proposers should give specific attention to the identification of those portions of their proposals that they deem to be confidential, proprietary information or trade secrets and provide any justification of why such materials, upon request, should not be disclosed by the City. Such information must be easily separable from the non-confidential sections of the proposal. All information not so identified may be disclosed by the City.
- **J.** <u>RFP Postponement/Cancellation.</u> The Agency reserves the right to postpone or cancel this RFP, in whole or in part, and to reject all proposals.
- **K.** Proposer Costs. Proposers will not be reimbursed for any costs incurred to prepare proposals.
- **L. Vendex Fees.** Pursuant to PPB Rule 2-08(f)(2), the contractor will be charged a fee for the administration of the Vendex system, including the Vendor Name Check Process, if a Vendor Name Check review is required to be conducted by the Department of Investigation. The contractor shall also be required to pay the applicable fees for any of its subcontractors for which Vendor Name Check reviews are required. The fee(s) will be deducted from payments made to the contractor under the contract. For contracts with an estimated value of less than or equal to \$1,000,000, the fee will be \$175. For contracts with an estimated value of greater than \$1,000,000, the fee will be \$350. The estimated value for each contract resulting from this RFP is estimated to be (less than or equal to \$1million) (above \$1million).

M. Charter Section 312(a) Certification.

(Agency Chief Contracting Officer)

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Message from the New York City Vendor Enrollment Center Get on mailing lists for New York City contract opportunities! Submit an NYC-FMS Vendor Application – Call (212) 857-1680

Message from New York City's Department of Small Business Services

The Department of Small Business Services (SBS) offers One-on-One Technical Assistance to businesses that are interested in bidding on City contracts for the following goods and services: construction, construction related, standardized and architectural and engineering. If you plan on bidding on this or any other City contract, contact SBS to schedule an appointment. The Department of Small Business Services will meet with you to review your particular proposal or submission, and provide feedback and guidance to help you submit the best proposal possible.

To schedule One-on-One Technical Assistance, email techassist@sbs.nyc.gov and an SBS representative will contact you.

APPENDIX A

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.

- 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. 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.

- В. 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. 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;
 - 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

- 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 Form" available "EFT Vendor Payment Enrollment from the Agency 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.

- 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 it 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)

- 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 prepaid 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.

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* Under the Federal Privacy Act, the furnishing of Social Security numbers by bidders or proposers on City contracts is voluntary. Failure to provide a Social Security number will not result in a bidder's/proposer's disqualification. Social Security numbers will be used to identify bidders, proposers or vendors to ensure their compliance with laws, to assist the City in enforcement of laws, as well as to provide the City a means of identifying businesses seeking City contracts.

CERTIFICATION BY BROKER

[Pursuant to Article Seven of Appendix A, every Certificate of Insurance must be accompanied by either the following certification by the broker setting forth the following text and required information and signatures or complete copies of all policies referenced in the Certificate of Insurance. In the absence of completed policies, binders are acceptable.]

CERTIFICATION BY BROKER

The undersigned insurance broker represents to the City of New York that the attached Certificate of Insurance is accurate in all material respects, and that the described insurance is effective as of the date of this Certification.

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APPENDIX B: STANDARD HUMAN SERVICES CONTRACT

AGREEMENT dated between the CITY OF NEW YORK ("CITY") acting by and through
its Department of Probation ("Department'), having an office located at 33 Beaver Street, New
York, NY 10004, and ("Contractor") a not-for-profit corporation having
its principal office located at
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WHEREAS, Contractor provides services to ; and
WHEREAS, the Department procured those services through and
WHEREAS, Contractor, having been awarded the Contract, is ready, willing and able to
perform;
NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I — DEFINITIONS

Section 14.05 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.** "Board of Directors" or "Board" means the board of directors, board of trustees or a similar body vested with the duty and responsibility for management and oversight of Contractor's affairs as they relate to its performance under this Agreement.
- **B.** "Budget" shall mean the line-item costs and/or the performance based measures or fee-for-service rate schedule attached hereto as Appendix C.
 - **C.** "City" shall mean The City of New York.
- **D.** "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.
 - **E.** "Comptroller" shall mean the Comptroller of the City of New York.
- **F.** "Contractor" shall mean the entity entering into this Agreement with the Department.
 - **G.** "Department" shall mean the City agency that has entered into this Agreement.

- **H.** "Fiscal Agent" shall mean an entity (if any) retained by the Department, or retained by the Contractor at the direction of the Department, to issue payments to third parties on behalf of the Contractor or otherwise to assist the Contractor in the administration of its financial affairs.
- I. "Fiscal Manual" shall mean a set of instructions provided by the Department to the Contractor documenting the applicable policies and procedures of the Department for Contractor to use in such matters as record-keeping, bookkeeping, reporting, invoicing and claiming, budgeting, cost allocating, procurement and payroll, as may be amended by the Department. The Fiscal Manual is incorporated by reference and may be found online at [Department's website]. The Fiscal Manual is not intended to amend the material terms of this agreement with respect to either the Scope of Work, or the terms and conditions of this document or Appendix A.
- 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.** "State" shall mean the State of New York.

ARTICLE II — TERM OF AGREEMENT

Section 2.01 Term. The term of this Agreement begins on for a period of

Section 2.03 Future funding. Since the period of performance contemplated by this Agreement involves performance by the Contractor in a subsequent City fiscal year(s), funding for this Agreement is subject to the appropriation of funds for such subsequent City fiscal year(s). Contractor also understands that the Department is under no obligation to continue its funding after the expiration of the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE III — SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET

Section 3.01 Scope of work.

- A. **Services and Activities.** Contractor shall provide the services and activities in program areas or programs listed and described in the Scope of Work attached hereto as Appendix B.
- B. **Healthy food environment.** The City aims to reduce the prevalence of chronic disease, such as obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular disease, by improving dietary intake of its citizens. Accordingly, in addition to the services set forth in Appendix B, the Contractor shall make best efforts to distribute to any staff members providing services to program participants under the Agreement and to program participants funded in whole or in part by this Contract, any healthy food promotional materials provided to the Contractor by the Department.
- C. New York City Food Standards. This paragraph applies only if this Agreement includes a requirement that the Contractor supply food to program participants as a material part of the client services funded by the Department. The City aims to reduce the prevalence of chronic disease, such as obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular disease, by improving dietary intake of its citizens. Accordingly, the Contractor shall provide a healthy food environment in connection with the client services provided under this Agreement by complying with the attached New York City Agency Food Standards with regard to the provision of food to program participants under this Agreement, including compliance with the New York City Food Standards beverage vending food vending machines for and (http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/html/cardio/cardio-vend-nutrition-standard.shtml) for anv vending machines to which program participants are granted access.
- **Section 3.02 Budget.** Contractor shall provide such services and activities in accordance with the Budget. Contractor may request modifications to the Budget in the manner prescribed in the Fiscal Manual.

Section 3.04 Cost allocating and duplication.

A. **Duplication**. Contractor represents and warrants that the work to be performed under this Agreement shall in no way duplicate any work performed under other agreements between the City and Contractor, nor under any agreement with any other governmental funding source, except upon the express written permission of the Department. Costs attributable to the program and not paid for by the City are not duplication (e.g. program enhancements,

unreimbursed portions of staff salaries) but are subject to the cost allocation provisions set forth below. Noncompliance with this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

- B. Cost allocation plan. Contractor shall accurately and equitably allocate costs which are attributable to the operation of two or more programs among such programs, or which are costs attributable to two or more governmental funding sources, by a method which represents the benefit of such costs to each program or funding source. The Contractor shall upon commencement of services or as soon thereafter as practicable develop and deliver to the Department a cost allocation plan for the Department's approval.
 - C. No cost allocation plan shall be approved by the Department unless such a plan:
 - 1. Relates to allowable costs as defined in applicable laws, regulations and policies of the federal, State and City governments;
 - 2. Relates to costs necessary for the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Agreement;
 - 3. Fairly and accurately reflects the actual allocable share of such cost with respect to this Agreement;
 - 4. Is developed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
 - 5. Is accompanied by such supporting documentation as the Department deems necessary to evaluate the plan.
- D. A cost allocation plan approved by the Department may be modified with the written approval of the Department.
- E. Notwithstanding any provision in this Section to the contrary, the Department further reserves the right to withhold any payments to the Contractor for allocated costs in the event that the Department determines that the cost allocation plan is unsatisfactory in whole or in part, or determines that such allocated costs have been incorrectly determined, are not allowable, or are not properly allocable pursuant to this Agreement and or approved cost allocation plan.
- **Section 3.05 Cost Of living increases.** Where the Contractor's industry has experienced an increase in costs (*e.g.*, salary, wage or fringe benefit cost of living increases, a change in the prevailing or living wage, a renegotiated collective bargaining agreement, an industry-wide increase in the Producer Price Index (PPI) for fuel or energy) that exceeds the Budget, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) or another independent agency has determined in writing that additional funds will be made available to a City agency for the class of contracts pursuant to which the Contractor provides the same or substantially similar services, then the Department shall reimburse the Contractor for such increases in costs to the extent that such increases have been authorized by the City for contracts within such class of contracts and to the extent that funds are appropriated for such purposes. Any cost of living increase will not

be effective unless and until an amendment to the contract is registered pursuant to New York City Charter §328.

<u>ARTICLE IV — FISCAL PROCEDURES</u>

Section 4.01 Cooperation and compliance. Contractor hereby agrees to fully cooperate and comply with the Fiscal Manual on all fiscal matters related to this Agreement.

Section 4.02 Accounts

- A. Contractor shall establish and maintain one or more separate accounts for the funds obtained from or through the City of New York related to this and all other agreements with the City, and shall maintain records for such account to track and clearly identify the funds obligated through this Agreement.
- B. Contractor shall notify the Department of the name, locations and account numbers of all bank accounts in which any funds pursuant to this Agreement are maintained, and of any change in the name, location, or account numbers of such accounts within five (5) days of such establishment or change. Such bank shall have a branch located in New York City unless otherwise approved by the Department.
- C. Contractor shall notify the Department of the names, titles, and business addresses of such persons authorized by the Contractor to receive, handle or disburse monies under this Agreement, including the company name and company address where such persons are not employees of the Contractor. Such notification must be in writing and furnished to the Department within five (5) days from the execution of this Agreement, and within five (5) days from any subsequent change or substitution of authorized signatories.
- **Section 4.03** Advance. The amount of any advance to be paid to Contractor under this Agreement shall be determined solely by the Department in accordance with its Fiscal Manual and any applicable Comptroller directives. The funds shall be used exclusively for the payment of expenditures and obligations authorized by and properly incurred pursuant to the Budget.
- **Section 4.04 Financial records, reporting and invoicing.** Contractor shall submit financial reports and invoices to the Department in accordance with the terms of the Fiscal Manual. Any supporting documents required to be maintained by this Agreement or the Fiscal Manual shall be made available for inspection and reproduction by the Department, the City Comptroller, and such other persons as authorized by the Department, including the Inspector General for the Department and the Department of Investigation. Contractor acknowledges that repeated failure to submit required financial reports within the time limits prescribed may result in termination of this Agreement.

Section 4.05 Procurement requirements.

- **A. Procurement records.** Contractor shall retain proper and sufficient bills, vouchers, duplicate receipts and documentation for any payments, expenditures or refunds made to or received by Contractor in connection with this Agreement. Contractor may maintain a petty cash fund in accordance with the Fiscal Manual, however, no expenditures may be made from such fund for procurements valued in excess of \$1,000. Contractor shall make all procurement expenditures in excess of \$1,000 by check or credit card.
- **B.** Extent of competition required. Contractor shall retain records which detail the method of procurement, the basis for selection or rejection of a contractor, consultant or supplier and the basis for the contract price. If federal or State Laws require procurement methods other than those set forth herein, then Contractor shall also comply with such procurement methods.
 - 1. Contractor must solicit and document at least three (3) written estimates for any payment made or obligation undertaken in connection with this Agreement for any purchase of goods, supplies, or services (including but not limited to consulting services) for amounts in excess of \$25,000. The monetary threshold applies to payments made or obligations undertaken in the course of a one (1) year period with respect to any one (1) person or entity. Payments made or obligations undertaken will not be artificially divided in order to avoid the requirements of this paragraph.
 - 2. For any payment made or obligation undertaken in connection with this Agreement for any purchase of goods, supplies, or services (including but not limited to consulting services) for amounts between \$5,000 and \$25,000, Contractor shall conduct sufficient market research and/or competition to support its determination that the price of such purchased goods, supplies, services or equipment is reasonable. The monetary thresholds apply to payments made or obligations undertaken in the course of a one (1) year period with respect to any one (1) person or entity. Payments made or obligations undertaken will not be artificially divided in order to avoid the requirements of this paragraph.
 - 3. The City may retain the services of a Group Purchasing Organization (GPO) to facilitate the purchase of supplies or other items. If the City retains such a GPO, the Department may direct Contractor to utilize the services of such GPO. If the Contractor is directed by the Department to use the GPO or if the Contractor becomes a member of and makes purchases through the GPO retained by the City with or without the City's direction, Paragraph B shall not apply to those purchases and the procurement requirements will be satisfied through the use of the GPO.
- **C. Equipment.** If so directed by the Department, title to all equipment or other property purchased at a price in excess of \$5,000 with funds obtained through this Agreement shall be in the name of the City of New York. Contractor shall properly maintain and keep in good repair all equipment acquired with funds obtained through this Agreement. Contractor shall

dispose of such equipment in the manner provided in the Fiscal Manual or as otherwise directed by the Department, and shall maintain detailed records concerning such dispositions. At the Department's request, Contractor must execute a UCC-1 to evidence the Department's interest in equipment purchased at a price in excess of \$25,000 and to enable the Department to perfect that interest by filing or otherwise.

- **D. M/WBE suppliers.** Contractor is encouraged to utilize businesses and individual proprietors listed on the NYC Online Directory of Certified MWBE Businesses, available at www.nyc.gov/sbs, as sources for its purchases of goods, supplies, services and equipment using funds obtained through this Agreement. Contractor is also encouraged to utilize businesses and individual proprietors owned/operated by people with disabilities as sources for its purchases of goods, supplies, services and equipment using funds obtained through this Agreement.
- **E. Disputes with suppliers.** Contractor, without recourse to the City or the Department, shall be responsible for the settlement and satisfaction of all contractual obligations and administrative issues arising out of any procurement or leasing contracts paid with funds obtained through this Agreement.

Section 4.06 Limitation on use of funds.

- **A. Proper purposes.** No funds obtained through this Agreement shall be spent for any expense not incurred in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. All such funds shall be administered in accordance with the Fiscal Manual.
- **B.** Real property. No funds obtained through this Agreement shall be spent for the purchase of any interest in or improvement of real property, unless included in the Budget or otherwise authorized in writing by the Department.
- **C. Disallowed costs.** Any cost found by the Department, the City or any auditing authority that examines the financial records of the Contractor to be improperly incurred shall be subject to reimbursement to the City. Failure to make said reimbursement shall be grounds for termination of this Agreement.
- **Section 4.07 Recoupment of disallowances, improperly incurred costs and overpayments.** The Department may, at its option, either require the Contractor to reimburse the Department or withhold for the purposes of set-off any monies due to Contractor under this Agreement up to the amount of any disallowance or improperly incurred costs resulting from any audits of Contractor, and/or the amount of any overpayment to Contractor with regard to this Agreement or to any other agreement between the parties hereto, including any agreement(s) that commenced prior to the commencement date of this Agreement. Prior to the imposition of withholding for the purposes of set-off, the Department will provide the Contractor with an opportunity to be heard upon at least ten (10) days prior written notice.

Section 4.08 Failure to spend funds. In the event that Contractor fails to spend funds for any part of the Budget within the time indicated therein (i.e., the fiscal year unless otherwise indicated) or at the level of expenditures indicated therein, the Department reserves the right, in its discretion, to recoup any funds advanced and not spent. If Contractor fails to spend funds in the budget, the Department reserves the discretion to reduce the budget going forward to account for the expected future level of expenditures.

Section 4.09 Provisions Applicable When Fiscal Agent Disburses Funds To Contractors

- A. Payment by Fiscal Agent. Where the Department has retained a Fiscal Agent to make payments to third parties on behalf of Contractor, then the Contractor is obligated to use the Fiscal Agent to make payment to third parties at the Department's direction, including for the purchase of such goods, supplies, services and/or equipment made by Contractor under this Agreement. Where the Department directs that Contractor utilize a Fiscal Agent, Contractor shall not pay any obligations on its own behalf except to the extent specifically allowed by this Agreement and the Department's Fiscal Manual.
- **B.** Payroll processing by Fiscal Agent. In the event that a Fiscal Agent is processing the Contractor's payroll, Contractor shall deliver to the Fiscal Agent signed and dated time and attendance records for each staff member and consultant to be paid under this Agreement, in the form required and delivered at the time required by the Fiscal Agent and the Department's Fiscal Manual. Subject to the Department's approval, the Fiscal Agent shall prepare the payroll checks and supporting materials based on the documents submitted.
- C. Fiscal Agent documentation. Upon reasonable request and approval by the Department, Contractor shall have the right to inspect any fiscal documents relating to this Agreement as may be maintained by a Fiscal Agent, if applicable. Contractor may request from the Department copies of any or all the following documents relating to the funds to be provided hereunder, with said documents to be furnished by the Fiscal Agent, subject to the Department's approval, within a reasonable time of the request: monthly budget and expenditure reports; budgets and budget modifications; and audit reports, where available.

<u>ARTICLE V — RECORDS, DELIVERABLES, AUDITS AND REPORTS</u>

Section 5.01 Records to be maintained. In addition to any other records required to be maintained and/or provided for inspection pursuant to this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available to the Department for inspection, upon reasonable request, the following documents: tax returns; audit reports; all programmatic records and accounts maintained in connection with this Agreement, including program, research and other reports and publications prepared in connection with this Agreement; all financial books, records and accounts reflecting payments made by Contractor for petty cash expenditures in connection with this Agreement; all applicable licenses and permits; Board member lists and all minutes and attendance sheets (dated and signed) for meetings of the Board of Directors and any of its committees responsible for the oversight of the program(s) funded under this Agreement;

certificate of incorporation and by-laws; all other contracts related to providing services under this Agreement, to which Contractor is a party and the contract terms coincide, in whole or in part, with the term of this Agreement; and any other records or materials reasonably requested at such reasonable times and places and as often as may be reasonably requested. Contractor shall permit the Department and its authorized representatives including the Department's Inspector General, the Comptroller of the City of New York, the New York City Department of Investigation, or their designees, or other interested federal, State or City agency representatives, to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and to be present at the program site(s) to observe the work and activities being performed in connection with this Agreement.

- **Section 5.02 Deliverables and reports.** Contractor shall submit the deliverables and periodic reports required by this Agreement, in accordance with the Scope of Work attached hereto. Contractor shall administer such assessment tools, collect and report such data, maintain records, make reports and take such other actions as may be directed by the Department.
- **Section 5.03 Audit disclaimers.** If any audit of Contractor's records shall include a Disclaimer of Opinion relating to any contract with the Department or other funding sources, said Disclaimer shall be ground for termination of this Agreement.
- **Section 5.04 Federal audit requirements.** If applicable, the Contractor shall fulfill the audit requirements of the Federal Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, "Audits of Institutions of Higher Education and Other Non-Profit Organizations," and shall provide such audit to the Department within thirty (30) days after its receipt of the final audit by the Contractor from the preparing accountant.
- Section 5.05 State charities registration and audit requirements. If the Contractor is required by New York State law to register with and make annual filings to the Charities Bureau of the New York State Department of Law, timely compliance with such requirements shall be deemed a material term of this Agreement. Contractor shall make available to the Department all such filings, including any audit and/or financial report required to be submitted with such filings, within thirty (30) days of receiving such final audit or financial report from its preparer, and in no event later than ten (10) days following the filing of such audit or financial report with the Charities Bureau.

Section 5.06 Additional audit and financial reporting requirements.

- A. If any Contractor is exempt from making annual filings to the Charities Bureau of the New York State Department of Law, the Contractor will, at direction of City, provide the City with annual disclosure reports equivalent to those filings that Contractor would have filed with the State had they been required to file. As of the effective date of this Agreement, the requirements are as follows:
- 1. Contractors with gross revenues between \$100,000 and \$250,000 in any fiscal year shall file an annual financial statement with the Department, which includes an independent certified public accountant's review report in accordance with the "statement on standards for accounting and review services" issued by the American Institute of Certified

Public Accountants. The financial statement shall be prepared in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), including compliance with all pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants that establish accounting principles relevant to not-for-profit organizations.

- 2. Contractors with gross revenues in excess of \$250,000 shall file with the Department an annual audit report by an independent certified public accountant. Said audit report shall contain an opinion, signed by such certified public accountant that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects and in conformity with GAAP, including compliance with all pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants that establish accounting principles relevant to not-for-profit organizations, and that the financial sheet and balance sheet present fairly the financial operations and position of the organization. The financial report must be signed by the president or other authorized officer and the chief fiscal officer under penalties of perjury that the statements are true and correct to the best of their knowledge.
- B. Contractors receiving funds pursuant to this Agreement in excess of \$1,000,000 will, at direction of City, provide to the Department an audit report from an independent certified public accountant containing an opinion that the Contractor has appropriately allocated costs in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, including that the costs have not been improperly double-charged between multiple City and/or State contracts or between multiple governmental funding sources. The Contractor may satisfy this requirement by including the appropriate analysis in any audits required pursuant to Section 5.04 or 5.05.
- C. The Contractor must submit all required audit and financial reports under this Section to the Department within thirty (30) days after receipt of the final audit from its accountant, but in any event no later than twelve (12) months after close of the audit period, or such longer period as determined by the Department. The audit and financial reports shall comply with the applicable provisions in the Fiscal Manual throughout the term of this Agreement, including terms mandating the audit period and frequency of such audits and reports.
- D. The Department may in its sole discretion conduct its own programmatic or financial audits of the Contractor.

ARTICLE VI — PERSONNEL PRACTICES AND RECORDS

Section 6.01 Definition of employee. The term "employee" as used in this Article shall be limited to salaried personnel and shall include neither consultants under contract to the Contractor to provide specified services nor participants in the program who are being paid as trainees.

Section 6.02 Compensation of key employees and Board of Directors.

- A. Key employee list. Contractor shall submit to the Department within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Agreement and at the beginning of each new fiscal year a list of its key employees, which shall include the Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, or the functional equivalent of such positions, and the senior financial and programmatic supervisory personnel involved directly or indirectly in the performance of this Agreement. For each listed employee, Contractor shall provide the current total compensation (including all benefits), all sources of the employee's total compensation, whether from this contract or another City, State, Federal or private source, and the dollar amount of compensation from each such source.
- **B.** Vacancies. Contractor shall notify the Department in writing within ten (10) days of their occurrence any appointments to or resignations from the positions of Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer and/or Chief Operating Officer, and/or the senior programmatic supervisory personnel or the functional equivalent of such positions.
- **C. Board compensation.** Contractor shall submit to the Department within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Agreement and at the beginning of each new fiscal year a listing of all members of its Board of Directors and identify any of its members who receive compensation in any form, including but not limited to salary, stipend, per diem payments and/or payments for services rendered, from the Contractor or its affiliates, together with the amount of any such compensation, regardless of the source of its payment, and a description of its purpose.
- **Section 6.03 Collective bargaining.** Contractor acknowledges that neither the City nor the Department is responsible or shall be liable for any obligations contained in any agreement into which Contractor or a representatives of Contractor has entered concerning the collective bargaining rights or benefits of its employees paid in full or in part by funds provided through this Agreement. Furthermore, Contractor agrees to abide by all applicable Laws governing the use of funds in connection with union activities.

Section 6.04 Recruitment and hiring of staff.

A. Maintenance of skilled staff. Contractor shall maintain sufficient personnel and resources, including computer technology, to deliver the services described in the Scope of Work and perform necessary administrative functions throughout the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to: program evaluation; program monitoring; program research and development, including the preparation of reports required by this Agreement; fiscal reporting, review, audit,

and close-out of the Program; and implementation of any corrective actions required by the Department.

B. Background checks.

- 1. The Contractor shall be responsible for the recruitment and screening of employees and volunteers performing work under the Agreement, including the verification of credentials, references, and suitability for working with clients and participants. Where consistent with State and federal law, if directed by the Department, the Contractor will undertake the fingerprinting of employees and volunteers, including applicants, in accordance with instructions from the Department.
- 2. The Contractor shall comply with Article 23-A of the New York State Correction Law and Section 296(15) and (16) of the New York State Executive Law when considering an applicant's prior criminal convictions in determining their suitability for employment. In accordance with Article 23-A, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit a Contractor's authority to withdraw conditional offers of employment for any lawful reason, including the determination that the candidate has a conviction that bears a direct relationship to the duties and responsibilities of the position sought, or their hiring would pose an unreasonable risk to property or to the safety of individuals or the general public.
- 3. With respect to any employment governed by Article 23-A of the Correction Law or Section 296 of the New York State Executive Law, except where the Contractor obtains prior written approval from the Department, the Contractor shall not ask questions regarding an applicant's prior criminal convictions, juvenile delinquency adjudications, or youthful offender adjudications on any preliminary employment application documents or ask questions about an applicant's prior criminal convictions, juvenile delinquency adjudications, or youthful offender adjudications before or during the first interview with the applicant.
- 4. Consistent with the requirements of Executive Law §296(15) and (16), following the first interview, the Contractor may ask applicants to disclose their prior criminal convictions and any arrests or criminal accusations that are pending and have not been terminated in favor of the applicant. Agencies shall limit their review and consideration of an applicant's criminal convictions to (i) an individual's felony convictions in the state of New York or in any other jurisdiction; (ii) an individual's unsealed misdemeanor convictions in the state of New York or in any other jurisdiction; and (iii) any pending charges against the applicant. Consistent with State law, past arrests not leading to a criminal conviction shall not be considered. (Please note that, pursuant to Section 380.1 of the Family Court Act, juvenile delinquency adjudications are not criminal convictions. Also, pursuant to Section 720.35(1) of the Criminal Procedure Law, a youthful offender adjudication is not a criminal conviction.) In addition, the Contractor may request a waiver from the Department of any provision of this Section and be permitted to ask relevant questions pertaining to the qualifications to hold a specific position, upon demonstrating the need for such waiver.

- 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, if the Contractor is hiring for positions requiring licensure, including positions such as interns and apprentices for such licensed positions (e.g. prospective attorneys), the Contractor may ask applicants the same questions asked by the licensing body, in accordance with New York State law. In addition, if the Contractor is hiring for positions where certain convictions or violations are a bar to employment in that position under Law, the Contractor may ask questions about those convictions or violations.
- 6. Where practicable, the Contractor shall provide for the review by a supervisor of a decision not to hire based on prior criminal convictions.

C. Drug-free workplace.

- 1. Contractor shall conspicuously post at any facility at which activities funded in whole or in part through this Agreement occur, a statement notifying all staff that the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, unauthorized possession, and unauthorized use of controlled substances are prohibited and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition (the "Drug-Free Workplace Policy"). Contractor shall provide a copy of the Drug-Free Workplace Policy to each staff member as part of his or her initial employment orientation with Contractor, and shall inform such staff member that compliance with the terms of the Drug-Free Workplace Policy is a mandatory condition of employment or retention of employment. Contractor shall provide the Department with a written certification that its Facility complies with the Drug-Free Workplace Policy prior to commencement of services funded through this Agreement.
- 2. Contractor shall provide an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform all staff about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace; the Contractor's enforcement of its Drug-Free Workplace Policy; the availability of drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and the penalties that may be imposed upon staff and clients or participants for violating the Drug-Free Workplace Policy.
- 3. Contractor shall require staff members to notify Contractor in writing of his/her arrest or conviction for violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) calendar days after such arrest or conviction. Contractor shall thereafter notify the Department within ten (10) calendar days of Contractor's receipt of the above-described notice of conviction from a staff member or of the date Contractor otherwise received actual notice of such conviction.
- 4. Contractor shall take one of the following actions within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving notice of such a conviction with respect to any staff member so convicted: (a) appropriate personnel action, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or (b) requiring such convicted staff member both to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency, and to make a good faith effort to continue to abide by the Drug-Free Workplace Policy.

ARTICLE VII — PROGRAM FACILITY

Section 7.01 Suitability. Contractor shall maintain all facilities used for the provision of services funded in whole or in part through this Agreement, whether owned, leased, or used pursuant to an in-kind agreement or arrangement, whether permanent or temporary, in a condition suitable to provide services pursuant to this Agreement.

Section 7.02 Signage. Upon request by the Department, and consistent with applicable Laws and applicable lease and license requirements, Contractor will prominently display signs inside and outside the facility(ies) used for the program indicating such information as the program name, its sponsorship by the Department, the program activity and the days and hours of operation. In addition, Contractor shall prominently display inside the facility(ies) all signs, provided by the Department, if any, advising of any of the Contractor's obligations with regard to Equal Employment Opportunity laws.

Section 7.03 Security and emergency plan.

- A. Prior to the commencement of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall adopt, implement, and instruct staff regarding a written plan to provide for the safety and security of clients, participants, staff, and the Contractor's facility, including procedures to follow during emergencies. Contractor shall maintain a current file of emergency contacts for each client and participant, which shall include the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and locations where such contacts can be reached. A security plan applying to all of Contractor's operations rather than specifically to the City-funded operations shall be sufficient to comply with the terms of this requirement. The Contractor shall cooperate with the City during any emergency affecting the Contractor's services and/or facilities.
- B. In the event that a State of Emergency (SOE) is declared by the Mayor of the City, the City may suspend Contractor's normal operations until further notice. No damages shall be assessed for suspension of normal services during this time. All other terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in effect, except as modified by a contract amendment registered pursuant to Charter §328 or other appropriate contract action. The Contractor may, at the request of and in a manner determined by the Department, assist the Department in carrying out emergency procedures during a State of Emergency. Emergency procedures shall remain in effect until the Mayor has determined that the SOE has expired. In consideration thereof, the City agrees to indemnify the Contractor against all claims by third parties arising out of the actions of its employees during the SOE that are directed by the City and not otherwise required to be performed under this Agreement, except for those arising out of the employees' gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

ARTICLE VIII — CENTRAL INSURANCE PROGRAM

Section 8.01 Availability. If offered to Contractor by the Department, participation in the City-sponsored Central Insurance Program (CIP) plan shall satisfy Contractor's responsibility to obtain any of the types of insurance provided under such CIP plan. The Department may

facilitate the provision of this insurance plan as a convenience for Contractor and for the protection of the City. Provision of these plans through the Department is in no way an admission by the Department or the City of liability for acts, omissions or negligence of Contractor or its employees.

Section 8.02 Cancellation. The Department reserves the right to cancel or modify any CIP plan offered to Contractor as it deems advisable, and at such time as it deems advisable, in its sole discretion. In such event, or in the event of cancellation by the insurers, the Department will promptly notify Contractor. Contractor must maintain all required insurance at all times during the term of this Agreement either through participation in the CIP plan or through insurance obtained separately by the Contractor.

Section 8.03 Notification concerning occurrence of incidents. If Contractor is enrolled in the CIP plan, upon the occurrence of any injury to any client/participant, employee, volunteer, officer, visitor, or any other person, in conjunction with the services funded in whole or in part through this Agreement, and/or of any damage to the facility or any damage to or theft of equipment purchased with funds paid under this Agreement, Contractor shall provide telephone notice to the Department within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident, followed by a written report on the approved Incident Report Form to be delivered to the Department within three (3) business days.

ARTICLE IX — REPRESENTATIONS AND COVENANTS OF CONTRACTOR

Section 9.01 Eligibility. Contractor represents and warrants that it has complied and continues to comply with the eligibility requirements set out in the solicitation document (e.g., the request for proposals) under which it proposed for and was awarded this Agreement. Any material change in the eligibility compliance information supplied in Contractor's contract proposal must be reported to the Department within a reasonable time thereof. Failure to do so will be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and could result in termination of this Agreement.

Section 9.02 Program services.

- A. Except where expressly set forth in the Scope of Work and approved by the Department, Contractor represents and warrants that eligibility for admission to the services funded through this Agreement shall not be restricted on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, alienage or citizenship status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, marital status, arrest or conviction record, status as a victim of domestic violence, lawful occupation, and family status.
- B. Contractor further represents and warrants that no clients or participants shall be charged a fee or required to make any other payment or purchase or participate in any activity designed to raise funds as a condition of eligibility for or participation in the services funded through this Agreement, except as required by law or unless a waiver of this provision is approved in writing by the Department. Waivers may be considered under the following conditions: (i) Contractor's total costs for the Services set forth in the Scope of Work exceed the

total value of the Agreement; (ii) Contractor's fees for Services and/or the arrangements made to include those participants unable to pay such fees are deemed reasonable and appropriate by the Department; and (iii) the fees are set at a level that does not discourage or impede participation by members of the community to be served by the services.

Allegations of abuse or maltreatment. Contractor will notify the Section 9.03 Department within twenty-four (24) hours of promptly determining that reasonable cause exists to suspect that any of Contractor's administrators or staff, including both paid and volunteer, has abused, maltreated, neglected, assaulted or endangered the welfare of any program participant. In addition, if such reasonable cause is found, the Contractor shall take appropriate action to remove the person from the proximity of program participants while the matter is being investigated by the Contractor. The term abuse shall mean the infliction of physical injury by other than accidental means which causes or creates a substantial risk of death, or serious or protracted disfigurement, or protracted impairment of physical or emotional health or protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily organ. The term maltreatment shall mean (i) treatment that results in serious physical injury other than by accidental means, or (ii) neglect or failure to exercise a minimum degree of care that impairs, or places in imminent danger of being impaired, the physical, mental or emotional condition of a program participant. Contractor shall provide telephone notice to the Department within 24 hours of determining that reasonable cause exists, followed by a written report, to be delivered to the Department within three (3) business days. Compliance with this reporting requirement does not satisfy any other legally mandated reporting of abuse, such as to the New York State Central Registry (SCR).

ARTICLE X — MISCELLANEOUS

Section 10.01 Headings. The article and paragraph headings throughout this Agreement are for convenience and reference only and the words contained therein shall in no way be deemed to define, limit, describe, explain, modify or add to the interpretation or meaning of any provision of this Agreement or the scope or intent thereof, nor in any way affect this Agreement.

Section 10.02 Order of priority. During the term of the Agreement, conflicts between the various documents shall be resolved in the following order of precedence, such documents constituting the entire Agreement between the parties:

- Standard Human Services Agreement (this document);
- Appendix A (General Provisions Governing Contracts for Consultants, Professional, Technical and Human Client Services);
- Appendix B (Scope of Work);
- Appendix C (Budget); and
- Fiscal Manual.

ARTICLE XI— SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Section 11.01 Availability of supportive services and technical assistance. At its sole discretion, the City may provide, either directly or through its designee, technical assistance to

Contractor in such areas as: (1) program planning, development, coordination and dissemination of information; (2) preparation of reports and materials required by the City and/or other governmental entities with jurisdiction over Contractor's activities relating to the operation of services funded through this Agreement; (3) compliance with applicable Laws, guidelines and administrative memoranda; and/or (4) issues or matters affecting Contractor's performance under this Agreement.

Section 11.02 Training. At its sole discretion, the City may provide, either directly or through its designee, training/technical assistance to Contractor's employees and Board members, relating to the management and operation of the program funded through this Agreement. If training and/or technical assistance is made available, Contractor must commit appropriate employees and board members to attend/participate at training sessions, as instructed by the City or its designee. Failure to do so may negatively affect Contractor's performance rating, which could in turn lead to termination of this Agreement.

Section 11.03 Capacity Building and Oversight (CBO) Review for not-for-profit **Contractors.** If requested by the Department, the Contractor must complete the Mayor's Office of Contract Services (MOCS) Capacity Building and Oversight (CBO) Review process. As part of that process, the Contractor must submit specified documents to the CBO unit of MOCS, which then conducts an evaluation of the Contractor and its operations for compliance with the terms of its contracts, its own by-laws, internal fiscal controls, applicable laws and regulations, and best practices in not-for-profit organization administration. The specified documents may include, but are not limited to, the Contractor's Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") determination of tax exemption, the most recent IRS Form 990 filing; the most recent audited financial statement (including the auditor's letter to the management), the functional budget for the current fiscal year in the format approved by the Board of Directors, an organizational chart identifying key staff by title, a copy of the most recently-approved Board Minutes, the by-laws of the corporation, a roster of the membership of the Board of Directors and a list of Board committees, the Contractor's current policies and procedures as adopted, and any other organizational documents, whether or not they are specifically required to be maintained pursuant to this contract or applicable laws and regulations. In the course of the CBO review process, MOCS may make recommendations to the Contractor, request the Contractor to take certain remedial actions and/or to implement certain policy changes. Any such recommendations, and the Contractor's responses thereto, will be provided to the Department for its consideration and any appropriate actions under this contract.

Section 11.04 Disclaimer. The technical assistance and training that the Department, in its sole discretion, may provide to Contractor shall not be construed to be a condition precedent to Contractor's obligation to provide the services funded through this Agreement in accordance with the Scope of Work.

ARTICLE XII – APPENDIX A

Section 12.01 Appendix A. The attached Appendix A, "General Provisions Governing Contracts for Consultants, Professional, Technical, Human and Client Services" is incorporated and made a part of this Agreement.

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Public Assistance Hiring Commitment Rider for HRA, DHS, and ACS

- A. Except as otherwise provided by subsection G below, Contractor agrees as a condition of this Agreement, to hire at least one Public Assistance Recipient ("PA Recipient") for each \$250,000 in value of this Agreement, or to the extent that the Contractor enters into other contracts with the Department of the City, for each \$250,000 of the cumulative value of contracts of the Contractor during the term of this Agreement.
- B. Such hiring shall be for full-time employment of at least a minimum of thirty-five (35) hours per week. The rate of pay shall be at least 20% above the federal minimum wage, and the duration of the employment shall be for at least one (1) year. In the event that a replacement of a PA Recipient is made by the Contractor during the one (1) year, such replacement shall not count as an additional employee toward Contractor's hiring requirement set forth herein.
- C. Within thirty (30) days of the commencement date of this Agreement ("commencement date") or fifteen (15) days following notice from the Department that a request for an exemption from the provisions of this Rider has been denied, Contractor shall submit, on forms specified by the Department, information and specifications for the position(s) available.
- D. The Contractor may at its option request the assistance of the Department in identifying potential employees. In such case, the Department will refer PA Recipients to the Contractor for employment interviews.
- E. Contractor shall hire the number of employees agreed upon pursuant to this Section within ninety (90) days of the commencement date or such longer period as may be specified, in writing, by the Department.
- F. In the event Contractor fails to hire the required number of PA Recipients within the required time period, or fails to pay and retain such employees pursuant to the above requirements, Contractor shall pay to the Department or the Department may at its option, deduct from monies due or become due to Contractor, the amount of nineteen dollars and eighteen cents (\$19.18) per employee for each calendar day for which such PA Recipient(s) is/are not employed by Contractor as required by this Article. Such amount is hereby fixed and agreed as liquidated damages.
- G. Contractor may apply to the Department for exemption from all or part of the requirements of this Article. Any application for an exemption must be made before the expiration of thirty (30) days after the commencement date of this contract, or any subsequent contract as discussed in subsection 1 herein, and shall be in the form specified by the Department. Exemption may be granted upon a showing that the operation of this Section will constitute an extreme hardship, within the sole discretion of the Department; or to any Contractor not employing twenty (20) or more employees at a place of business within the City of New York.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE RIDER FOR HRA

Language Assistance Services. The Contractor shall provide free language assistance services to limited English proficient individuals.

- A. Service Delivery. When a limited English proficient individual seeks or receives benefits or services from a Department Contractor, the Contractor shall provide promptly language assistance services in all interactions with that individual, whether the interaction is by telephone or in person. The Contractor shall meet its obligation to provide prompt language assistance services by ensuring that limited English proficient individuals do not have to wait unreasonably longer to receive assistance than individuals who do not require language assistance services.
- B. Translation. Where an application or form requires completion in English by a limited English proficient individual for submission to a state or federal authority, the Contractor shall provide oral translation of such application or form as well as certification by the limited English proficient individual that the form was translated and completed by an interpreter. The Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to provide language assistance services in person by bilingual personnel. The Contractor shall screen bilingual personnel and interpreter personnel for their ability to provide language assistance services. The Contractor shall translate all documents into every covered language, as indicated in subsection 2, below. The Contractor shall provide annual training for bilingual personnel and interpreter personnel and ensure that they are providing appropriate language assistance services.
- 1. Notices. Upon initial contact, whether by telephone or in person, with an individual seeking benefits and/or services offered by the Contractor, the Contractor shall determine the primary language of such individual. If it is determined that such individual's primary language is not English, the Contractor shall inform the individual in his/her primary language of the right to free language assistance services. The Contractor shall post conspicuous signs in every covered language at all of its offices informing limited English proficient individuals of the availability of free language assistance services. The Contractor shall provide in all application and recertification packages a notice advising participants that free language assistance services are available at its offices and where to go if they would like an interpreter. This notice shall appear in all covered languages.
- 2. Covered Languages. "Covered Languages" shall mean Arabic, Chinese, Haitian Creole, Korean, Russian or Spanish. Nothing in this section shall preclude a Contractor from providing language assistance services beyond those required in this section.

CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN RIDER: TO BE USED FOR THOSE PROGRAMS WHERE CONTINUATION OF SERVICES IN THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH OF AN EMERGENCY IS ESSENTIAL FOR PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY

Prior to the commencement of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall submit for the Department's review and approval a written Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) for its business which indicates its ability to continue the provision of essential services to the Department in the event that a State of Emergency is declared by the Mayor. The vendor should seek guidance from the Department on how to develop a COOP plan. A COOP plan includes, but is not limited to: the identification of an alternate site of business; appointment of alternate personnel for identified essential staff; development of protocols for the safekeeping of vital business records; and, a transportation contingency plan for its employees.

ATTACHMENT 1: Proposal Summary Form RFP TITLE: ECHOES Program: Be Ready Project RFP PIN: 78113P0001

Proposing Organization: _____ EIN: ___ Address: Zip Code State City Contact Name: Title: Contact E-mail: Telephone: **FUNDING REQUEST** # of slots DOP/CEO **Cost Per Optional Per** Cost per Additional Slot **Annual Funding Participant** additional Funding participant Request Request Rate (for any capacity exceeding 20 at any one time) 20 **Service Option** ☐ Option 1: Manhattan ☐ Option 2: Brooklyn/Queens (Select ONE only) **Program Site Program Site** Name: Name: Harlem NeON Address: 127 W. 127th Street Address: New York, NY 10027 Is the proposal printed on both sides, on recycled paper containing the minimum percentage of recovered fiber content as requested by the City in the instructions to this solicitation? Yes No Has the proposer submitted more than one proposal in response to this RFP? Yes No If yes, how many? Authorized Representative: Print Name Signature E-mail: Title:

ATTACHMENT 2: Relevant Experience Form

RFP TITLE: ECHOES PROGRAM: Be Ready Project RFP PIN: 78113P0001

Instructions: Complete for one pro	gram only; duplicate form as needed to	report on other programs.					
Indicate funding source for this program							
Program Name:							
Program Time Period (Describe only one time period for this program.)	Target Enrollment	Actual Enrollment					
Outcome 1:	Projected Achievement	Actual Achievement					
Outcome 2:	Projected Achievement	Actual Achievement					
Outcome 3:	Projected Achievement	Actual Achievement					

ATTACHMENT 3: Corporate Governance Certification

RFP TITLE: ECHOES PROGRAM: Be Ready Project RFP PIN: 78113P0001

sufficie include	er into a contract with DOP/CEO, each organization must certify that its organizational capability is ent to support the services it has contracted to provide. To certify, complete the form below, and an attached list of the members of the Board of Directors, with the name, title, address, telephone r, and e-mail address of each member.
I, an orga Propos	, am the Chairperson of the Board of ("Proposer"), anization that has proposed to provide services under the ECHOES RFP. I hereby certify that the er:
1.	Is governed by a Board of Directors, whose names and addresses are fully and accurately set forth on the attached list.
2.	Maintains its corporate books and records, including m inutes of each meeting, at the Proposer address stated on the Proposal Summary Form (Attachment 1 of this RFP).
3.	Has held in the past 12 months meetings of the Board of Directors at which a quorum was present.
4.	Reviews, at least annually, at a meeting of the Board of Directors and has reviewed in the past 12 months each of the following topics:
	 a. Executive compensation b. Internal controls, including financial controls c. Audits d. Program operations and outcomes.
Name	of Organization (Print)
Name	of Board Chairperson (Print)
Signat	ure of Board Chairperson
Sworn	to before me this day of, 20

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ATTACHMENT 4: Linkage Agreement Form

RFP TITLE: ECHOES PROGRAM: Be Ready Project RFP PIN: 78113P0001

Proposer:	
	ion of a commitment to integrate service delivery ons. It is not a consultant agreement. Provide one you will be working. Duplicate this form as needed.
Pursuant to the proposal submitted by(Prop	posing Organization)
In response to the ECHOES Program Reque Probation and the Center for Economic Opportuni programmatic linkage with	
in the form and manner described below.	(Linked Organization)
Describe the proposed programmatic linkage, incindividuals will be maintained.	cluding how referrals and follow-up services for
Proposing Organization:	Linked Organization:
Authorized Representative	Authorized Representative
Title	Title
Signature	Signature
Date	Work Address
	Work Telephone Number

Date

ATTACHMENT 5: Proposal Budget Summary Form

RFP TITLE: ECHOES PROGRAM: Be Ready Project RFP PIN: 78113P0001

Organization:	EIN:	

Category	DOP/CEO Funding Request:				
Personnel	Services				
Salaries and Wages		\$			
Full Time:	\$				
Part Time:	\$				
Fringe Benefits		\$			
Total Per	rsonnel Services:	\$			
Non-Staff	Services				
Consultants		\$			
Subcontractors		\$			
Stipends/Incentives		\$			
Vendors		\$			
Total No	\$				
Other Than Per	sonnel Service	es			
Consumable Supplies	\$				
Equipment Purchases	\$				
Equipment Other		\$			
Space Costs		\$			
Travel		\$			
Utilities & Telephone		\$			
Other Operational Costs	\$				
Other Costs:	\$				
Indirect Costs:	\$				
Total Other Than Per	rsonnel Services:	\$			
Total DOP/CEO Fundi	\$				

Proposal Budget Summary Category Definitions

Personnel Services

Salaries and Wages

- The Salaries are divided into two categories:
 - o Full Time employees: Persons who work 35 hours or more per week
 - o Part Time employees: Persons who work fewer than 35 hours per week

Fringe Benefits

• Fringe Benefits must include FICA. Charges to Fringe Benefits may also include unemployment insurance, worker's compensation, disability, pension, life insurance and medical coverage as per your policies. Enter the Fringe Benefit rate as indicated on the budget summary page. Fringe rates must not be less than 7.65% or exceed 30% of total salaries.

Insurance

• All funded programs must have general liability insurance of \$1 million, with a certificate naming DOP/CEO and the City of New York as additional insureds.

Non-Staff Services

Consultants

• Typically, independent individuals with professional or technical skills retained to perform specific tasks or complete projects related to the program that cannot be accomplished by regular staff. A consultant cannot be a salaried employee.

Subcontractors

• Typically, independent nonprofit entities retained to perform program services. A subcontract will be part of the DOP/CEO contract and will be registered with the NYC Comptroller. Each Subcontractor's EIN must be listed on the subcontract and on its budget.

Stipends

• An incentive allowance ONLY for the benefit of a participant or client.

Vendors

• An independent business entity retained to provide non-program services. Examples: Cleaning services, security, and accounting services.

Other than Personnel Services

Consumable Supplies

• Supplies that are not lasting or permanent in nature, such as office, program, and/or maintenance supplies.

Equipment Purchases

• Purchases of equipment that is durable or permanent, such as furniture, printers, calculators, telephones, and computers. All equipment and furniture purchased with DOP/CEO funds at a cost of \$500 or more become the property of The City of New York/. If the program is terminated, all such items must be returned to DOP/CEO.

Equipment Other

• The rental, lease, repair, and maintenance of office/program equipment utilized in the program's operation. This category also includes Computer Software.

Space Costs

- Public School: Opening fees and room rentals paid to the Department of Education (DOE) or
- Space Cost/Other: All other rent paid by a program for all sites utilized by that program. It also includes all related charges associated with the use of the site such as minor repairs and maintenance costs. No renovation or construction projects can be budgeted or paid for with DOP/CEO program funds.
- After being selected, all contractors charging for space cost are required to submit a Space Cost/Cost Allocation Plan. In addition, you will be required to submit a copy of your lease, DOE permit, or month-to-month rental agreement at the time of the budget submission.

Travel

• Local travel (i.e., bus and subway fares) by the employees of the program to and from sites that are being used for day-to-day program functions. Expenditures for employees who use their personal automobile for business are reimbursed a maximum of \$0.28 per mile plus tolls. Charge to this account all participant- related travel, such as bus trips and local travel.

Utilities & Telephone

• Utilities & Telephone costs associated with the proposed program.

Other Operational Costs

- This category is separated into two subcategories:
 - Other Costs: Items such as audit costs, postage, printing and publications, subscriptions, Internet fees, etc. Also includes any other operating costs that cannot be classified in any other category. In addition, includes costs associated with and for the benefit of the participants such as food, refreshments, entrance fees, awards, T-shirts, uniforms, and sporting equipment. This category also includes general liability insurance for contractors not in the Central Insurance Program.
 - o **Indirect Costs**: The purpose of Indirect Costs is to capture overhead costs incurred by a contractor operating several programs. The maximum allowable rate is 10 percent of the total budget.

ATTACHMENT 6: WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION EXPANSION ACT RIDER

- 1. In accordance with Local Law Nos. 30-2012 and 33-2012, codified at sections 6-132 and 12-113 of the New York City Administrative Code, respectively,
 - (a) Contractor shall not take an adverse personnel action with respect to an officer or employee in retaliation for such officer or employee making a report of information concerning conduct which such officer or employee knows or reasonably believes to involve corruption, criminal activity, conflict of interest, gross mismanagement or abuse of authority by any officer or employee relating to this Contract to (i) the Commissioner of the Department of Investigation, (ii) a member of the New York City Council, the Public Advocate, or the Comptroller, or (iii) the City Chief Procurement Officer, ACCO, Agency head, or Commissioner.
 - (b) If any of Contractor's officers or employees believes that he or she has been the subject of an adverse personnel action in violation of subparagraph (a) of paragraph 1 of this rider, he or she shall be entitled to bring a cause of action against Contractor to recover all relief necessary to make him or her whole. Such relief may include but is not limited to: (i) an injunction to restrain continued retaliation, (ii) reinstatement to the position such employee would have had but for the retaliation or to an equivalent position, (iii) reinstatement of full fringe benefits and seniority rights, (iv) payment of two times back pay, plus interest, and (v) compensation for any special damages sustained as a result of the retaliation, including litigation costs and reasonable attorney's fees.
 - (c) Contractor shall post a notice provided by the City in a prominent and accessible place on any site where work pursuant to the Contract is performed that contains information about:
 - (i) how its employees can report to the New York City Department of Investigation allegations of fraud, false claims, criminality or corruption arising out of or in connection with the Contract; and
 - (ii) the rights and remedies afforded to its employees under New York City Administrative Code sections 7-805 (the New York City False Claims Act) and 12-113 (the Whistleblower Protection Expansion Act) for lawful acts taken in connection with the reporting of allegations of fraud, false claims, criminality or corruption in connection with the Contract.
 - (d) For the purposes of this rider, "adverse personnel action" includes dismissal, demotion, suspension, disciplinary action, negative performance evaluation, any action resulting in loss of staff, office space, equipment or other benefit,

- failure to appoint, failure to promote, or any transfer or assignment or failure to transfer or assign against the wishes of the affected officer or employee.
- (e) This rider is applicable to all of Contractor's subcontractors having subcontracts with a value in excess of \$100,000; accordingly, Contractor shall include this rider in all subcontracts with a value a value in excess of \$100,000.
- 2. Paragraph 1 is not applicable to this Contract if it is valued at \$100,000 or less. Subparagraphs (a), (b), (d), and (e) of paragraph 1 are not applicable to this Contract if it was solicited pursuant to a finding of an emergency. Subparagraph (c) of paragraph 1 is neither applicable to this Contract if it was solicited prior to October 18, 2012 nor if it is a renewal of a contract executed prior to October 18, 2012.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS, PROPOSERS, CONTRACTORS, AND RENEWAL CONTRACTORS

This contract includes a provision concerning the protection of employees for whistleblowing activity, pursuant to New York City Local Law Nos. 30-2012 and 33-2012, effective October 18, 2012 and September 18, 2012, respectively. The provisions apply to contracts with a value in excess of \$100,000.

Local Law No. 33-2012, the Whistleblower Protection Expansion Act ("WPEA"), prohibits a contractor or its subcontractor from taking an adverse personnel action against an employee or officer for whistleblower activity in connection with a City contract; requires that certain City contracts include a provision to that effect; and provides that a contractor or subcontractor may be subject to penalties and injunctive relief if a court finds that it retaliated in violation of the WPEA. The WPEA is codified at Section 12-113 of the New York City Administrative Code.

Local Law No. 30-2012 requires a contractor to prominently post information explaining how its employees can report allegations of fraud, false claims, criminality, or corruption in connection with a City contract to City officials and the rights and remedies afforded to employees for whistleblowing activity. Local Law No. 30-2012 is codified at Section 6-132 of the New York City Administrative Code.

Local Law 30-2012

By Council Members Garodnick, Barron, Brewer, Chin, Dromm, Ferreras, Fidler, Gennaro, Gentile, Jackson, James, Koppell, Lander, Mark-Viverito, Mealy, Mendez, Palma, Rose, Seabrook, Vann, Williams, Nelson, Foster, Van Bramer, Halloran and Koo

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring city contractors and subcontractors to post information concerning their employees' reporting of fraud, false claims, criminality or corruption and their whistleblower protection rights.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 6 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 6-132 to read as follows:

§6-132. Posting of notice of whistleblower protection rights.

a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (1) "Contract" shall mean any written agreement, purchase order or instrument valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars or more pursuant to which a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for work, labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing, and shall include a subcontract between a contractor and a subcontractor.
- (2) "Contracting agency" shall mean a city, county, borough, or other office, position, administration, department, division, bureau, board or commission, or a corporation, institution or agency of government, the expenses of which are paid in whole or in part from the city treasury.
- (3) "Contractor" shall mean a person or business entity who is a party to a contract with a contracting agency valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars, and "subcontractor" shall

mean a person or entity who is a party to a contract with a contractor valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars.

- b. Posting of information about reporting fraud, false claims, criminality or corruption.

 Every contractor or subcontractor having a contract valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars or more shall post a notice, in a prominent and accessible place on any site where work pursuant to such contract or subcontract is performed, containing information about
- (1) how its employees can report to the New York city department of investigation allegations of fraud, false claims, criminality or corruption arising out of or in connection with such contract or subcontract, and
- (2) the rights and remedies afforded to its employees under sections 7-805 and 12-113 of the administrative code for lawful acts taken in connection with the reporting of allegations of fraud, false claims, criminality or corruption in connection with such contract or subcontract.
- c. Contract provisions. Every city contract or subcontract valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars shall contain a provision detailing the requirements of this section. If a contracting agency determines that there has been a violation of this section, it shall take such action it deems appropriate consistent with the remedies available under the contract or subcontract.
- d. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit an agency's authority to cancel or terminate a contract, issue a non-responsibility finding, issue a non-responsiveness finding, deny a person or entity pre-qualification, or otherwise deny a contractor city business.
- §2. This local law shall take effect 120 days after its enactment into law and shall apply to contracts and subcontracts for which bids or proposals are first solicited after such effective date; provided, however, that the commissioner of investigation and the city's chief procurement

officer shall take such measures as are necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such effective date.

Local Law 33-2012

By Council Members Garodnick, Halloran, Dromm, Barron, Brewer, Ferreras, Fidler, Gentile, Jackson, James, Koo, Koppell, Lander, Levin, Mark-Viverito, Palma, Rose, Sanders Jr., Seabrook, Van Bramer, Vann, Williams, Rivera, Rodriguez, Foster, Chin, Mealy, Gennaro and Ulrich

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to extending whistleblower protection for officers and employees of city contractors and subcontractors.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

- Section 1. This bill shall be known and may be cited as the "Whistleblower Protection Expansion Act."
- § 2. Section 12-113 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 10 for the year 2003, paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of subdivision a and paragraph 3 of subdivision b as added by local law number 25 for the year 2007, and subdivision f as amended by local law number 25 for the year 2007, is amended to read as follows:
- § 12-113 Protection of sources of information. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section:
- 1. "Adverse personnel action" shall include dismissal, demotion, suspension, disciplinary action, negative performance evaluation, any action resulting in loss of staff, office space or equipment or other benefit, failure to appoint, failure to promote, or any transfer or assignment or failure to transfer or assign against the wishes of the affected officer or employee.
- 2. "Remedial action" means an appropriate action to restore the officer or employee to his or her former status, which may include one or more of the following:

- (i) reinstatement of the officer or employee to a position the same as or comparable to the position the officer or employee held or would have held if not for the adverse personnel action, or, as appropriate, to an equivalent position;
 - (ii) reinstatement of full seniority rights;
 - (iii) payment of lost compensation; and
 - (iv) other measures necessary to address the effects of the adverse personnel action.
 - 3. "Commissioner" shall mean the commissioner of investigation.
- 4. "Child" shall mean any person under the age of nineteen, or any person ages nineteen through twenty-one if such person receives instruction pursuant to an individualized education plan.
- 5. "Educational welfare" shall mean any aspect of a child's education or educational environment that significantly impacts upon such child's ability to receive appropriate instruction, as mandated by any relevant law, rule, regulation or sound educational practice.
- 6. "Superior officer" shall mean an agency head, deputy agency head or other person designated by the head of the agency to receive a report pursuant to this section, who is employed in the agency in which the conduct described in such report occurred.
- 7. "Contract" shall mean any written agreement, purchase order or instrument having a value in excess of one hundred thousand dollars pursuant to which a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for work, labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing, and shall include a subcontract between a covered contractor and a covered subcontractor. Such term shall not include contracts or subcontracts resulting from emergency procurements or that are government-to-government procurements.

- 8. "Contracting agency" shall mean a city, county, borough, or other office, position, administration, department, division, bureau, board or commission, or a corporation, institution or agency of government, the expenses of which are paid in whole or in part from the city treasury.
- 9. "Covered contractor" shall mean a person or business entity who is a party or a proposed party to a contract with a contracting agency valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars, and "covered subcontractor" shall mean a person or entity who is a party or a proposed party to a contract with a covered contractor valued in excess of one hundred thousand dollars.
- 10. "Officers or employees of an agency of the city" shall be deemed to include officers or employees of local development corporations or other not-for-profit corporations that are parties to contracts with contracting agencies and the governing boards of which include city officials acting in their official capacity or appointees of city officials. Such officers and employees shall not be deemed to be officers or employees of a covered contractor or covered subcontractor.
- b. 1. No officer or employee of an agency of the city shall take an adverse personnel action with respect to another officer or employee in retaliation for his or her making a report of information concerning conduct which he or she knows or reasonably believes to involve corruption, criminal activity, conflict of interest, gross mismanagement or abuse of authority by another city officer or employee, which concerns his or her office or employment, or by persons dealing with the city, which concerns their dealings with the city, (i) to the commissioner, or (ii) to a council member, the public advocate or the comptroller, who shall refer such report to the commissioner. For purposes of this subdivision, an agency of the city shall be deemed to include,

but not be limited to, an agency the head or members of which are appointed by one or more city officers, and the offices of elected city officers.

- 2. No officer or employee of a covered contractor or covered subcontractor shall take an adverse personnel action with respect to another officer or employee of such contractor or subcontractor in retaliation for such officer or employee making a report of information concerning conduct which such officer or employee knows or reasonably believes to involve corruption, criminal activity, conflict of interest, gross mismanagement or abuse of authority by any officer or employee of such contractor or subcontractor, which concerns a contract with a contracting agency, (i) to the commissioner, (ii) to a council member, the public advocate or the comptroller, who shall refer such report to the commissioner, or (iii) to the city chief procurement officer, agency chief contracting officer, or agency head or commissioner of the contracting agency, who shall refer such report to the commissioner.
- 3. Every contract or subcontract in excess of one hundred thousand dollars shall contain a provision detailing the provisions of paragraph two of this subdivision and of paragraph two of subdivision e of this section.
- [2.] <u>4.</u> Upon request, the commissioner, council member, public advocate or comptroller receiving the report of alleged adverse personnel action shall make reasonable efforts to protect the anonymity and confidentiality of the officer or employee making such report.
- [3.] <u>5.</u> No officer or employee of an agency of the city shall take an adverse personnel action with respect to another officer or employee in retaliation for his or her making a report of information concerning conduct which he or she knows or reasonably believes to present a substantial and specific risk of harm to the health, safety or educational welfare of a child by another city officer or employee, which concerns his or her office or employment, or by persons

dealing with the city, which concerns their dealings with the city, (i) to the commissioner, (ii) to a council member, the public advocate, the comptroller or the mayor, or (iii) to any superior officer.

- c. An officer or employee (i) of an agency of the city, or (ii) of a public agency or public entity subject to the jurisdiction of the commissioner pursuant to chapter thirty-four of the charter who believes that another officer or employee has taken an adverse personnel action in violation of subdivision b of this section may report such action to the commissioner.
- d. 1. Upon receipt of a report made pursuant to subdivision c of this section, the commissioner shall conduct an inquiry to determine whether retaliatory adverse personnel action has been taken
- 2. Within fifteen days after receipt of an allegation <u>pursuant to subdivision c of this section</u> of a prohibited adverse personnel action, the commissioner shall provide written notice to the officer or employee making the allegation that the allegation has been received by the commissioner. Such notice shall include the name of the person in the department of investigation who shall serve as a contact with the officer or employee making the allegation.
- 3. Upon the completion of an investigation initiated under <u>subdivision c of</u> this section, the commissioner shall provide a written statement of the final determination to the officer or employee who complained of the retaliatory adverse personnel action. The statement shall include the commissioner's recommendations, if any, for remedial action, or shall state the commissioner has determined to dismiss the complaint and terminate the investigation.
- e. <u>1.</u> Upon a determination that a retaliatory adverse personnel action has been taken with respect to an officer or employee of an agency of the city in violation of paragraph one or five of subdivision b of this section, the commissioner shall without undue delay report his or

her findings and, if appropriate, recommendations to the head of the appropriate agency or entity, who (i) shall determine whether to take remedial action and (ii) shall report such determination to the commissioner in writing. Upon a determination that the agency or entity head has failed to take appropriate remedial action, the commissioner shall consult with the agency or entity head and afford the agency or entity head reasonable opportunity to take such action. If such action is not taken, the commissioner shall report his or her findings and the response of the agency or entity head (i) if the complainant was employed by an agency the head or members of which are appointed by the mayor, to the mayor, (ii) if the complainant was employed by a non-mayoral agency of the city, to the city officer or officers who appointed the agency head, or (iii) if the complainant was employed by a public agency or other public entity not covered by the preceding categories but subject to the jurisdiction of the commissioner pursuant to chapter thirty-four of the charter, to the officer or officers who appointed the head of the public agency or public entity, who shall take such action as is deemed appropriate.

2. Any officer or employee of a covered contractor or covered subcontractor who believes that he or she has been the subject of an adverse personnel action in violation of paragraph two of subdivision b shall be entitled to bring a cause of action against such covered contractor or covered subcontractor to recover all relief necessary to make him or her whole. Such relief may include but shall not be limited to: (i) an injunction to restrain continued retaliation, (ii) reinstatement to the position such employee would have had but for the retaliation or to an equivalent position, (iii) reinstatement of full fringe benefits and seniority rights, (iv) payment of two times back pay, plus interest, and (v) compensation for any special damages sustained as a result of the retaliation, including litigation costs and reasonable attorneys' fees. An officer or employee described in this paragraph may bring an action in any court of competent jurisdiction

for such relief. An officer or employee who brings a cause of action pursuant to this paragraph shall notify the agency chief contracting officer or agency head or commissioner of the contracting agency of such action; provided, however, that failure to provide such notice shall not be a jurisdictional defect, and shall not be a defense to an action brought pursuant to this paragraph. This paragraph shall not be deemed to create a right of action against the city, any public agency or other public entity, or local development corporations or not-for-profit corporations the governing boards of which include city officials acting in their official capacity or appointees of city officials, nor shall any such public agency, entity or corporation be made a party to an action brought pursuant to this subdivision.

- f. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the rights of any officer or employee with regard to any administrative procedure or judicial review, nor shall anything in this section be construed to diminish or impair the rights of a public employee or employer under any law, rule, regulation or collective bargaining agreement or to prohibit any personnel action which otherwise would have been taken regardless of any report of information made pursuant to this section.
 - g. Violation of this section may constitute cause for administrative penalties.
- h. The commissioner shall conduct ongoing public education efforts as necessary to inform employees and officers of covered agencies <u>and contractors</u> of their rights and responsibilities under this section.
- i. Not later than October thirty-first of each year, the commissioner shall prepare and forward to the mayor and the council a report on the complaints governed by this section during the preceding fiscal year. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of complaints received pursuant to this section, and the disposition of such complaints.

§ 3. This local law shall take effect ninety days after its enactment into law; provided, however, that the provisions of this local law shall apply only to contracts or subcontracts solicited or renewed on or after such effective date.

New York City Administrative Code section 7-805 Remedies of employees.

- a. (1) Any officer or employee of the city of New York who believes that he or she has been the subject of an adverse personnel action, as such term is defined in paragraph one of subdivision a of section 12-113 of the administrative code of the city of New York; or
- (2) any officer or employee of the city or state of New York, who believes that he or she has been the subject of a retaliatory action, as defined by section seventy-five-b of the civil service law; or
- (3) any non-public employee who believes that he or she has been the subject of a retaliatory action by his or her employer, as defined by section seven hundred forty of the labor law because of lawful acts of such employee in furtherance of a civil enforcement action brought under this section, including the investigation, initiation, testimony, or assistance in connection with, a civil enforcement action commenced or to be commenced under this section, shall be entitled to all relief necessary to make the employee whole. Such relief shall include but not be limited to: (i) an injunction to restrain continued discrimination, (ii) reinstatement to the position such employee would have had but for the discrimination or to an equivalent position, (iii) reinstatement of full fringe benefits and seniority rights, (iv) payment of two times back pay, plus interest, and (v) compensation for any special damages sustained as a result of the discrimination, including litigation costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.
- b. An employee described in subdivision a of this section may bring an action in any court of competent jurisdiction for the relief provided in this section.

ATTACHMENT 7:

IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT COMPLIANCE RIDER FOR NEW YORK CITY CONTRACTORS

The Iran Divestment Act of 2012, effective as of April 12, 2012, is codified at State Finance Law ("SFL") §165-a and General Municipal Law ("GML") §103-g. The Iran Divestment Act, with certain exceptions, prohibits municipalities, including the City, from entering into contracts with persons engaged in investment activities in the energy sector of Iran. Pursuant to the terms set forth in SFL §165-a and GML §103-g, a person engages in investment activities in the energy sector of Iran if:

- (a) the person provides goods or services of twenty million dollars or more in the energy sector of Iran, including a person that provides oil or liquefied natural gas tankers, or products used to construct or maintain pipelines used to transport oil or liquefied natural gas, for the energy sector of Iran; or
- (b) The person is a financial institution that extends twenty million dollars or more in credit to another person, for forty-five days or more, if that person will use the credit to provide goods or services in the energy sector in Iran and is identified on a list created pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision three of Section 165-a of the State Finance Law and maintained by the Commissioner of the Office of General Services.

A bid or proposal shall not be considered for award nor shall any award be made where the bidder or proposer fails to submit a signed and verified bidder's certification. Each bidder or proposer must certify that it is not on the list of entities engaged in investment activities in Iran created pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of Section 165-a of the State Finance Law. In any case where the bidder or proposer cannot certify that they are not on such list, the bidder or proposer shall so state and shall furnish with the bid or proposal a signed statement which sets forth in detail the reasons why such statement cannot be made. The City of New York may award a bid to a bidder who cannot make the certification on a case by case basis if:

- (1) The investment activities in Iran were made before the effective date of this section (i.e., April 12, 2012), the investment activities in Iran have not been expanded or renewed after the effective date of this section and the person has adopted, publicized and is implementing a formal plan to cease the investment activities in Iran and to refrain from engaging in any new investments in Iran: or
- (2) The City makes a determination that the goods or services are necessary for the City to perform its functions and that, absent such an exemption, the City would be unable to obtain the goods or services for which the contract is offered. Such determination shall be made in writing and shall be a public document.

BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH <u>IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT</u>

Pursuant to General Municipal Law §103-g, which generally prohibits the City from entering into contracts with persons engaged in investment activities in the energy sector of Iran, the bidder/proposer submits the following certification:

[Please Check One]

Dated:

BIDD	ER'S CERTIFICATION				
	By submission of this bid or proposal, each bidder/proposer and each person signing on behalf of any bidder/proposer certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, that each bidder/proposer is not on the list created pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of Section 165-a of the State Finance Law.				
	on the list created pursuant to paragraph (b)	e name of the bidder/proposer does not appear of subdivision 3 of Section 165-a of the State tement setting forth in detail why I cannot so			
Dated	New York, 20				
		SIGNATURE			
		PRINTED NAME			
Sworn da	to before me this y of, 20	TITLE			
Notar	y Public				

ATTACHMENT 8: NOTICE FOR PROPOSERS

In 2013 the City will be implementing a new web based subcontractor reporting system. Once this subcontractor reporting system is implemented, and the Selected Contractor receives notice of its implementation, the Selected Contractor will be required to list in the system all of the subcontractors that it knows it will use or is already using in the performance of the contract to be awarded. For each subcontractor listed, the Selected Contractor will be required to provide the following information: maximum contract value, description of subcontractor work, start and end date of the subcontract and identification of the subcontractor's industry. Identification of subcontractors in the system along with the required information will be required in order to obtain subcontractor approval under PPB Rule § 4-13 for all subcontractors that have not been approved as of the implementation date. Thereafter, the Selected Contractor will be required to report in the system the payments made to each subcontractor within 30 days of making the payment. If any of the required information changes throughout the term of the contract, the Selected Contractor will be required to revise the information in the system.

When the subcontractor reporting system is implemented, the Selected Contractor will receive a written notice from the City which will contain the information the Selected Contractor will need to list its subcontractors and report payments. The Selected Contractor will not be required to comply with the requirements set forth herein until such notice is issued. The Selected Contractor will have 30 days from the date of the notice to list its current subcontractors for which it has already received Agency approval, if any. Thereafter, for those subcontractors that have not yet been approved by the Agency, subcontractors will have to be listed in the system in order to obtain the required Agency approval.

Failure of the Selected Contractor to list a subcontractor and/or to report subcontractor payments in a timely fashion may result in the Agency declaring the Selected Contractor in default of the Contract and may subject the Selected Contractor to liquidated damages in the amount of \$100 per day for each day that the Selected Contractor fails to identify a subcontractor along with the required information about the subcontractor and/or fails to report payments to a subcontractor, beyond the time frames set forth herein or in the notice from the City. The Selected Contractor hereby agrees to these provisions and acknowledges that they will become effective on the date set forth in the notice.



Doing Business Data Form

To be completed by the City agency prior to distribution					
Agency: Transaction ID:					
Check One: Transaction Type (check one):					
Proposal	Concession	Contract	Economic Development Agreement		
Award	Franchise	Grant	Pension Investment Contract		

Any entity receiving, applying for or proposing on an award or agreement must complete a Doing Business Data Form (see Q&A sheet for more information). Please either type responses directly into this fillable form or print answers by hand in black ink, and be sure to fill out the certification box on the last page. Submission of a complete and accurate form is required for a proposal to be considered responsive or for any entity to receive an award or enter into an agreement.

This Data Form requires information to be provided on principal officers, owners and senior managers. The name, employer and title of each person identified on the Data Form will be included in a public database of people who do business with the City of New York; no other information reported on this form will be disclosed to the public. **This Data Form is not related to the City's VENDEX requirements.**

Please return the completed Data Form to the City office that supplied it. Please contact the Doing Business Accountability Project at DoingBusiness@cityhall.nyc.gov or 212-788-8104 with any questions regarding this Data Form. Thank you for your cooperation.

Section 1: Entity information					
Entity Name:					
Entity EIN/TII	N:				
Entity Filing	Status (select one):	HI			
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Entity is a No	n-Profit: Yes	No			
Entity Type:	Corporation (any type)	☐ Joint Venture	LLC	☐ Partnership (any type)	
	Sole Proprietor	Other (specify):			
Address:					
City:		State:	Zip:		
Phone :		Fax :			
E-mail:					
	Provide your e-mail addre	ss and/or fax number in orde	r to receive notices	regarding this form by e-mail or fax.	

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Section 2: Principal Officers			
Please fill in the required identifica officer or its equivalent, please che the person listed is replacing some and fill in the name of the person be Database, and indicate the date the	eck "This position does need eone who was previously being replaced so his/her	ot exist." If the er disclosed, please name can be ren	atity is filing a Change Form and echeck "This person replaced"
Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or equivalent office	•	This position does not exist
The highest ranking officer or man Chairperson of the Board.	•		
First Name:			
Office Title:	6.A.		
Employer (if not employed by entit			
Birth Date (mm/dd/yy): Home Address:			
Home Address: This person replaced former C			
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Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	or equivalent officer		This position does not exist
The highest ranking financial office	er, such as the Treasure	r, Comptroller, Fin	ancial Director or VP for Finance.
Office Title:			
Employer (if not employed by entit	ty):		
Home Address:			
			on date:
Chief Operating Officer (COC)) or equivalent office	r	This position does not exist
The highest ranking operational of Operations.	fficer, such as the Chief I	Planning Officer, [
First Name:	MI:	Last:	
Office Title:			
Employer (if not employed by entit	ty):		

For information or assistance, call the Doing Business Accountability Project at 212-788-8104.

Birth Date (mm/dd/yy): Home Phone #:

This person replaced former COO: ______ on date: _____

Home Address:

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Section 3: Principal Owners

Please fill in the required identification information for all individuals who, through stock shares, partnership agreements or other means, **own or control 10% or more of the entity**. If no individual owners exist, please check the appropriate box to indicate why and skip to the next page. If the entity is owned by other companies, those companies do **not** need to be listed. If an owner was identified on the previous page, fill in his/her name and write "See above." If the entity is filing a Change Form, list any individuals who are no longer owners at the bottom of this page. If more space is needed, attach additional pages labeled "Additional Owners."

There are no owners lis	ted because (select one	e):	
The entity is not-for-profit There are no individual own s Other (explain):		No individual owner holds 10% or more shares in the entity	
Principal Owners (who	own or control 10% or n	nore of th	e entity):
First Name:		MI:	Last:
Office Title:			
Employer (if not employe	d by entity):		
			hone #:
Home Address:			
First Name:		MI:	Last:
Office Title:			
			hone #:
Home Address:			
First Name:		_ M!:	Last:
Employer (if not employe	ed by entity):		
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Home Address:			
Remove the following	oreviously-reported Prir	icipal Ow	ners:
Name:			Removal Date:
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Name:			Removal Date:

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Section 4: Senior Managers

Please fill in the required identification information for all senior managers who oversee any of the entity's relevant transactions with the City (e.g., contract managers if this form is for a contract award/proposal, grant managers if for a grant, etc.). Senior managers include anyone who, either by title or duties, has substantial discretion and high-level oversight regarding the solicitation, letting or administration of any transaction with the City. At least one senior manager must be listed, or the Data Form will be considered incomplete. If a senior manager has been identified on a previous page, fill in his/her name and write "See above." If the entity is filing a Change Form, list individuals who are no longer senior managers at the bottom of this section. If more space is needed, attach additional pages labeled "Additional Senior Managers."

Senior Managers:		
First Name:	Mi:	Last:
Employer (if not employed by entity):		
		hone #:
Home Address:		
First Name:	MI:	Last:
Office Title:		
Employer (if not employed by entity):		
		hone #:
First Name:	Ml:	Last:
Office Title:		
Employer (if not employed by entity):		
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Remove the following previously-reported Se	enior Manag	gers:
Name:		Removal Date:
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I certify that the information submitted on the complete. I understand that willful or fraudule in the entity being found non-responsible and	ent submis:	ges and additional pages is accurate and sion of a materially false statement may result denied future City awards.
Name:		
Signature:	Da	Pate:
Entity Name:		
Title:	Wo	ork Phoné #:

Please return this form to the City agency that supplied it to you, not to the Doing Business Accountability Project.

ATTACHMENT 10: Acknowledgement of Addenda

RFP TITLE: ECHOES PROGRAM: Be Ready Project RFP PIN: 78113P0001 Proposer: COMPLETE PART I OR PART II, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE. PART I: List below the dates of issuance for each addendum received in connection with this RFP: ADDENDUM #1 DATED: ________, 20___ ADDENDUM #2 DATED: _________, 20____ ADDENDUM #3 DATED: _________, 20____ ADDENDUM #7 DATED: _________, 20____ ADDENDUM #8 DATED: , 20 PART II: Check, if applicable.

NO ADDENDUM WAS RECEIVED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS RFP.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (NAME):

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (SIGNTATURE):

DATE ____/___

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