

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS

THE SPRINGFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY

RFP 2024-01

PROPOSALS are DUE by 05/10/2024 no later than 3:00 PM CT

THE INTENT OF THIS RFP IS TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH A
HEALTH BENEFITS PROVIDER FOR GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE
BENEFITS

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Table 1

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| CONTRACTING OFFICER (CO) | Robb Stark, Procurement Specialist (217) 753-5757, ext. 232. robbs@sha1.org |
| HOW TO OBTAIN THE RFP DOCUMENTS ON THE ePROCUREMENT WEBSITE | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Access the Housing Agency Marketplace website at https://bit.ly/SHA-eProcurement. 2. Register your company by following the “Register your company” link or select “Click here to log in” if your company has already registered. 3. Follow the listed directions. <p>If you have any problems in accessing or registering on the system, please call customer support at 1-866-526-9266.</p> |
| PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE | 04/24/2024 at 10:00 AM, CT, in the main conference room of the Springfield Housing Authority, 200 North 11th Street Springfield, IL 62703 |
| HOW TO FULLY RESPOND TO THIS RFP BY SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL | Submit 3 copies of your "hard copy" proposal to the SHA Administrative Office. |
| DEADLINE TO SUBMIT A QUESTION | 05/01/2024, 3:00 PM CT |
| PROPOSAL SUBMITAL RETURN & DEADLINE | <p>05/10/2024, 3:00 PM CT</p> <p>Springfield Housing Authority</p> <p>200 North 11th Street, Springfield, IL 62703</p> <p>NOTE: The "hard copy" proposal must be received in-hand and time-stamped by the SHA by no later than the above date and time.</p> |
| CONTRACT PERIOD | The contract shall be for a minimum of twelve months. The SHA, in its sole discretion, shall have the option to renew annually for an additional four (4) one year terms for a maximum of five (5) years by agreement of both parties as specified by any written contract agreement. |

The Springfield Housing Authority (SHA) announces that professional services are required for work related to Group Health Insurance Benefits.

Vendors desiring consideration should provide an original and two (2) copies of their proposal that meets all requirements of the RFP for a total of three (3) copies of the proposal.

Copies of the RFP may be obtained from SHA's Office located at 200 N. 11th Street, Springfield, IL 62703, phone (217) 753-5757, #232. It may also be downloaded from <https://bit.ly/sha-eprocurement>.

Each Broker, Agent, or Group Benefits Provider will select two (2) providers/options to submit a proposal on that they have evaluated and determined will provide the best coverage for the SHA and its employees for the most reasonable monthly premium. The worksheet provided will be submitted for equal coverage that the SHA has currently and then one (1) other option.

All responses to the RFP must be in a sealed envelope reflecting on the outside thereof, the vendor's name, address, phone number. All responses to the RFP should be delivered to the following address by the deadline outlined in Table 1 in order to be considered.

SPRINGFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY

Proposal for RFP 2024-01

Attn: Robb Stark

200 N 11th Street

Springfield, IL 62703

The purpose of this RFP is to obtain quotes to enter into a contract to provide for group medical benefits (health, dental and vision) for its employees.

It is the SHA's intent to seek bids for coverage equal to or exceeding the existing coverage provided by Blue Cross Blue Shield (*current carrier*).

The SHA employs approximately sixty-five (65) full time staff members. All full time staff members are eligible for group benefits after sixty (60) days of employment. Approximately 65% of eligible employees opt for the SHA's group medical plan. Employees who opt off the plan are eligible to enroll during open enrollment.

The Springfield Housing Authority (SHA) provides group medical benefits for its employees and their families. The SHA pays the following of the employee's premiums:

- A minimum of 90% for Employee (EE) only, (approx. 37 employees)
- A minimum of 50% for EE + Child (approx. 4 employees), EE + Spouse (2 employees), and EE + Family (no employees).

Proposals are expected from financially sound insurers, authorized to do business in Illinois. Moody's and/or A.M. Best ratings, where applicable, should be furnished for each insurer being proposed.

A Broker, Agent, or Group Benefits Provider may be selected to provide a group medical plan, render customer support, function as a liaison for the SHA, the Director of Human Resources, and group benefit covered employees, troubleshoot plan discrepancies, and work closely with the SHA benefits coordinator to ensure each policy holder is kept abreast of updates/changes to the group plan. The SHA shall retain the right to select a broker/agent/insurer that is responsive to the needs of the SHA, its employees and their dependents. Medical proposals shall be valid effective 07/01/2024, remain valid for a minimum of one year through 06/30/2025, and shall be renewable in one (1) year increments for a total contract length not to exceed five (5) years. The SHA will consider an eighteen (18) month coverage period during the first year to align the benefits to a calendar year. **Only final bids good for a minimum twelve months will be considered. Quotes which are subject to change shall be considered non-responsive and rejected.**

The SHA will provide an employee census containing birthdates, gender, zip codes, and current coverage. This information may be requested by qualified vendors intending to submit bids and will be released upon receiving a signed confidentiality release. In addition to an employee census the following items will also be available for your review;

1. Illinois Standard Health Employee Application for Small Employers for each of the SHA's full time employees.
2. List of employees currently receiving health insurance benefits
3. List of Health Plans currently available to employees (see Appendix A)

If additional information is required for a final quote, please contact the contracting officer listed in Table 1.

The Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) is designed to protect workers from losing their health insurance coverage when they change jobs, lose their jobs, or become self-employed. It does so by placing new restrictions on preexisting condition exclusions, coverage termination, and limitations based on health status. The act applies to group health plans and issuers. HIPAA coverage applies to any health insurance coverage offered in connection with a group health plan, including limited scope dental and vision benefits, long-term care benefits, medical supplement plans, and specific disease or illness policies.

HIPAA improves the availability and portability of health coverage by:

- Limiting exclusions for preexisting medical conditions;
- Providing credit for prior health coverage and notifying new group health plans of previous coverage;
- Providing new enrollment rights to individuals who lose other health coverage or have a new dependent;
- Prohibiting discrimination in enrollment and premiums based on health status;
- Guaranteeing renewability of health insurance coverage; and
- Preserving a state's traditional role in regulating health insurance.

A. SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The scope of services may include but is not limited to the following:

1. The Contractor will provide insurance coverage for employees, spouses of employees, employees and their children, and family coverage based on employee selection/designation. Coverage will maximize group savings and pass that savings on to the insured. The Contractor providing a limitation on paperwork, maximizing savings to the insured on medical and pharmacy services, and provides for broad provider options will be preferred.
2. The Contractor will provide a breakdown of deductibles per individually insured by plan year or calendar year, per family by plan year or calendar year, per hospital admission, to include the use of PPO hospitals and non-PPO hospitals, per emergency room visit, and all other pre-existing condition requirements and costs. The Contractor will provide a clear statement of what procedures will not be covered and what procedures will be covered and their resulting deductibles. Additionally, any other deductibles or special clauses, constraints or requirements will be clearly stated in advance of selection of the Contractor and will remain in effect for a full calendar year upon selection of the Contractor unless changes are required by law.
3. The Contractor will provide responsive customer service in answering questions about coverage, assisting with securing coverage, and completion of insurance enrollments required by the SHA Director of Human Resources and the employees insured and their insured dependents.
4. The Contractor will provide for lab services in network.

5. The Contractor will provide for insurance that establishes a maximum out of pocket cost per plan year or calendar year.
6. The Contractor will provide a pharmacy prescription program that maximizes the use of discounts for both generic and brand-named drugs. In addition provide information relative to prescription plans that maximize pharmacy options, an option for mail order for convenience and additional savings. The Contractor will provide specific and clear instructions on the use of the prescription program in addition to prescriptions and equipment covered and not covered and any resulting deductibles. The pharmacy prescription program shall also include specific coverage from pharmacies outside of the local service area. In no case will a pharmacy prescription program be accepted that fails to have country wide pharmacy coverage.
7. The Contractor will provide for wellness benefits.
8. The Contractor will provide for pregnancy coverage.
9. The Contractor may provide for Chiropractic services.
10. The Contractor will provide specifics on COBRA and will provide a Conversion of Benefits for separating employees provided the conversion does not add to the overall cost of those employees and dependents insured remaining in the program.
11. The Contractor will provide descriptive plan materials of any self-select options and endorsements in compliance with federal, state, and local laws and/or regulations for the Director of Human Resources.
12. The Contractor will provide insurance that limits the amount of out-of-pocket expenses to the employee and provides a responsive billing or accounting process.
13. The Contractor will provide dental and vision benefits.

B. INFORMATION:

All questions should be directed to the contracting officer listed in Table 1. Any changes to the specifications shall be in writing in the form of an addendum and furnished to all Contractors submitting proposals.

C. PAYMENT:

The Contractor shall be paid upon submission of invoices to the Springfield Housing Authority to the attention of accounts payable as provided by any written contract agreement.

D. ADDITIONAL COST:

All usual and customary costs incurred as a result of providing services mentioned in **A. Scope of Services**, to include providing plan information, assisting employees with insurance questions, any required printing, mailing, data programming or reprogramming, postage and postage changes, and providing all other customer service and information to

the SHA Procurement Specialist, will be borne by the Contractor and not subject to reimbursement by the SHA or the insured and their dependents.

E. TERM:

The contract shall be for a minimum of twelve months. The SHA, in its sole discretion, shall have the option to renew annually for an additional four (4) one year terms for a maximum of five (5) years by agreement of both parties as specified by any written contract agreement.

F. RFP PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS:

Broker, Agent, or Group Benefits Provider at a minimum should submit the following as a part of their proposal and in the order presented

1. **Letter of Interest** stating the location and headquarters of the insurance agent's office to include specific statement of the services the insurance company is proposing to provide.
2. **Business Credentials** that provides a synopsis of the agent company's qualifications including capabilities of the agent; credentials of the insurance company's management team.
3. **List of Previous or Ongoing Insurance Contracts** that outline experience to perform services for a public sector employer required under the scope of services.
4. **Specific Accomplishments** that will demonstrate the ability of the insurance company/insurance agent to provide services required under the scope of services.
5. **Responses to the Scope of Services** that demonstrates and outlines how the insurance company/insurance agent would carry out the specific services required under the scope of services to include any enhancements that are not reflected in the scope of services. All plans and services provided shall be compliant with ACA, COBRA, ERISA, GINA, HIPAA (portability, privacy, and security), Section 125, and any other state or local law. Plans and services should include but not be limited to:
 - a) Insurer Qualifications
 - i. Proposals are expected from financially sound insurers, authorized to do business in Illinois. Moody's and/or A.M. Best ratings, where applicable, should be furnished for each insurer being proposed.
 - b) Network
 - i. Provide descriptive materials of the plan(s) offered, listings of preferred providers (including hospitals, general practitioners and specialists).
 - ii. State when the last provider directory was published and how often it is revised.
 - iii. State how many primary care physicians are in the network and the percentage of primary physicians and the percentage of the other physicians who are not accepting new patients?
 - iv. Indicate what kind of communications is provided by the network to the participating providers and how often they are informed of plan changes.
 - v. State to what extent benefits are provided out of the local service area.
 - vi. State other plans/options network has for consideration.

- c) Cost Containment
 - i. Describe the nature and special features of the plan offered.
 - ii. Indicate how benefits, deductible and co-payments are applied or recommended by the plan and any required or recommended penalties or non-use of preferred providers. Specifically address how lab work will be covered or not covered.
 - iii. Describe discounts and other pricing arrangements that the plan has negotiated with hospitals and physicians which will provide cost reduction to the SHA. Although statewide averages are useful, it is preferred that discounts in the SHA's local area be disclosed.
 - d) Stop-Loss/Waiver of Co-insurance
 - i. Managed care plans should indicate the maximum total out-of-pocket costs per plan year per person and per family.
 - e) COBRA and Conversion Benefits
 - i. In addition to providing mandated COBRA benefits, proposers shall make conversion benefits available to participants entitled to continue similar coverage, without evidence of insurability, as prescribed by Illinois law.
 - ii. Proposers are to state if they will administer COBRA enrollments and assure compliance with COBRA law. State separately the cost, if any, for these services.
6. **Reference Listing** of no fewer than four (4) references of past experience that include at a minimum, a contact person, a company name, the services provided to that company, a phone number, and an email address.
 7. **Additional Information and Comments** by the insurance Broker, Agent, or Group Benefits Provider at their discretion, that provides additional information deemed relevant to the evaluation of the proposal.
 8. **Sample Instruction Benefits Booklet and Last Provider Directory** demonstrating the same level of quality and content being proposed for this RFP.
 9. **Pricing** that includes all pricing for all services unless otherwise stated.
 10. **Insurance Agent / Company Statement of Confidentiality of Data** that states a commitment to keeping data and employee information confidential and specifically addresses what procedures will be used to ensure that data / information is kept confidential and secure.
 11. **Expectations of SHA Resources** necessary to carry out the terms of the vendor's proposal.

I. HUD/SHA required forms

HUD regulation, federal or state statute, and SHA policy requires certain certificates and affidavits be completed as part of the RFP response. A principal, partner or officer of the firm who is legally authorized to enter into a contractual relationship in the name of the firm must sign the documents. Documents must be notarized by a Notary Public where indicated and corporations should affix their corporate seal to the documents. If more than one firm is included in the project team, the following certifications are to be prepared by the primary firm only, and not consultants. The required certifications and affidavits are listed in **Appendix A** and are included in the package posted with this RFP.

G. NON-CONTACT:

No communication regarding this solicitation is allowed between submitting vendors, members of the board and members of the Selection Committee during the evaluation process. Failure to comply with this policy will result in disqualification. All communication regarding the solicitation shall be directed to the contact the contracting officer listed in Table 1.

H. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS:

Interested vendors shall submit an original and two (2) copies of their proposals to:

SPRINGFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY
Proposal for RFP 2024-01
Attn: Robb Stark
200 N 11th Street
Springfield, IL 62703

Proposal must be delivered in accordance with the deadline in Table 1. Proposals submitted by electronic means or proposals that are received late or misdirected will not be accepted for evaluation. **The SHA will take no responsibility for mail service delivery failure. Responses received later than the deadline in Table 1 will be considered ineligible for consideration – THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS DEADLINE.**

I. EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF PROPOSALS:

An RFP Selection Committee will evaluate all proposals received and:

1. Prepare an alphabetical listing of those vendors determined to be interested and available. Evaluate the proposals meeting minimum submission criteria based on:
 - a. Responsiveness of the proposal in clearly stating an understanding of the work to be performed for the SHA including demonstrating the requirements of the **A. Scope of Services** and **F. Proposal Requirements**. (3 points)
 - b. Vendor demonstrated competence, including technical education and training, experience and availability of adequate personnel, equipment and facilities. (10 points)
 - c. Vendor financial responsibility. (5 points)
 - d. Ability to design an insurance package that will meet or exceed the project requirements. (10 points)
 - e. The ability to meet a 07/01/2024 effective date, good for a minimum of one year. (5 points)
 - f. Past record of professional accomplishments. (3 points)
 - g. The Insurance agent or insurance company demonstrated the ability to complete all requirements outlined in **A. Scope of Services** (10 points) and **F. Proposal Requirements**. (10 points)
 - h. Stability: financial stability of the insurer, self-insurance fund, or other provider coverage. (5 points)
 - i. Fixed pricing and costs, deductibles, out of pockets, coverage, limitation of coverage, and costs for all parties (insured, dependents, and the SHA). Although cost will be a major consideration in evaluating proposals, it will not be the only consideration. (25 points)
 - j. Coverage: the amount and breadth of coverage and the extent of benefits, such as living death benefits, waiver of premium, deductibles, co-payments, co-insurance, restrictions, or exclusions. (5 points)
 - k. Services: the capabilities and experience of proposers, the hospitals and the number of physicians under contract and the number that will accept new patients, and the proposer's claims processing standards. (5 points)
 - l. References. (4 points)

2. Review of all proposals timely received will proceed as follows:
 - a. The RFP Selection Committee will review all written documentation timely submitted and shall develop and recommend a vendor rank order to the SHA for approval.
 - b. The RFP Selection Committee may request oral presentations and/or demonstrations from the vendors when establishing the recommended vendor rank order.
3. Negotiations between the selection committee and the first vendor (the vendor ranked highest on the SHA approved vendor rank order list) will proceed as follows:
 - a. Negotiations will be held with the first vendor on the vendor rank order list.
 - b. If no tentative agreement can be reached with the first vendor, then negotiations will commence with the second vendor on the vendor rank order list.
 - c. If no tentative agreement can be reached with the second vendor, then negotiations will commence with the third vendor on the vendor rank order list.
 - d. If no tentative agreement is reached with the third vendor on the vendor rank order list, then the RFP Selection Committee shall return to the SHA to report such and recommend that a new vendor rank order list be established from among any other proposals submitted. If for any reason said procedure is not feasible, the committee shall restart the process.
4. Once a tentative agreement is reached with a vendor, the agreement will be submitted to the SHA Board of Commissioners for approval. An executive summary shall be written to inform the SHA of the terms, conditions, and costs associated with the proposed contract.
5. Upon approval by the SHA of the components of the contract, execution shall be made for a formal written contract prior to commencement of any work.
6. The SHA's Reservation of Rights
 - a. The SHA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality in the RFP process, or to terminate the RFP process at any time, if deemed by the SHA to be in its best interests.
 - b. The SHA reserves the right not to award a contract pursuant to this RFP.
 - c. The SHA reserves the right to terminate a contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, at any time for its convenience upon 10 days written notice to the successful proposer(s).
 - d. The SHA reserves the right to determine the days, hours and locations that the successful proposer(s) shall provide the services called for in this RFP.
 - e. The SHA reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and not permit withdrawal for a period of 60 days subsequent to the deadline for receiving proposals without the written consent of the SHA Contracting Officer (CO).

- f. The SHA reserves the right to negotiate the fees proposed by the proposer entity.
- g. The SHA reserves the right to reject and not consider any proposal that does not meet the requirements of this RFP, including but not necessarily limited to incomplete proposals and/or proposals offering alternate or non-requested services.
- h. The SHA shall have no obligation to compensate any proposer for any costs incurred in responding to this RFP.
- i. Any and all agent fees shall be paid by the insurance carrier.
- j. The SHA shall reserve the right to at any time during the RFP or contract process to prohibit any further participation by a proposer or reject any proposal submitted that does not conform to any of the requirements detailed herein. By accessing the website at <https://bit.ly/sha-eprocurement> (hereinafter, the “noted Internet System” or the “System”) and by downloading this document, each prospective proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions listed within this document and within the noted Internet System, and further agrees that he/she will inform the CO in writing within 5 days of the discovery of any item listed herein or of any item that is issued thereafter by the SHA that he/she feels needs to be addressed. Failure to abide by this time frame shall relieve the SHA, but not the prospective proposer, of any responsibility pertaining to such issue.

J. CONFIDENTIALITY, WARRANTY AND INDEMNIFICATION

1. The **CONTRACTOR** agrees to exercise caution and discretion in safeguarding customer information and data which is confidential in nature and will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement prior to receiving the SHA Employee census. The **CONTRACTOR** will be liable for any willful and material disclosure of such information or data in addition to being subject to criminal prosecution for violation of any applicable state or federal laws.
2. The **CONTRACTOR** will provide a statement of warranty that specifies the warranty of services to be provided and any limitations therein.
3. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the **CONTRACTOR** shall indemnify and hold harmless the **SHA**, its officers and employees from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs including but not limited to reasonable attorney fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful conduct of the **CONTRACTOR** and other persons employed or utilized by the **CONTRACTOR** in the performance of this agreement.

K. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

All respondents must disclose with their proposal the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also a public officer or an employee of the SHA. Furthermore, all respondents must disclose the name of any SHA employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the firm or any of its branches. Furthermore, the official, prior to or at the time of

submission of the proposal, must file a statement with the SHA if he/she is an employee of the SHA, disclosing his/her or spouse's or child's interest and the nature of the intended business.

L. RIGHT TO WAIVE AND REJECT:

1. The SHA, in its absolute discretion, may reject any proposal of a vendor that has failed, in the opinion of the SHA, to complete or perform a SHA contracted project in a timely fashion or has failed in any other way, in the opinion of the SHA, to perform a prior contract in a satisfactory manner, and has directed the SHA Director of Finance to emphasize this condition to potential vendors.
2. There is no obligation on the part of the SHA to award the proposal to the lowest vendor, and the SHA reserves the right to award the proposal to the vendor submitting a responsive proposal with a resulting negotiated agreement which is most advantageous and in the best interest of the SHA, and **to reject any and all proposals**, or to waive any irregularity or technicality in proposals received. The SHA shall be the sole judge of the proposal and the resulting negotiated agreement that is in its best interest and its decision shall be final.
3. **The SHA reserves the right to waive any informalities or reject any and all proposals, in whole or part, to utilize any applicable state contracts in lieu of or in addition to this proposal and to accept the proposal that in its judgment will best serve the interest of the SHA.**
4. The SHA specifically reserves the right to reject any conditional proposal and will normally reject those that made it impossible to determine the true amount of the proposal. Each item must be proposed separately and no attempt is to be made to tie any item or items to any other item or items.

M. DISQUALIFICATION OF VENDORS:

Any of the following reasons may be considered as sufficient for the disqualification of a vendor and the rejection of his/her proposal or proposals:

1. More than one proposal for the same work from an individual, firm or corporation under the same or different name.
2. Evidence that the vendor has a financial interest in the firm of another vendor for the same work.
3. Evidence of collusion among vendors. Participants in such collusion will receive no recognition as vendors for any future work of the SHA until such participant shall have been reinstated as a qualified vendor.
4. Uncompleted work that in the judgment of the SHA might hinder or prevent the prompt completion of additional work if awarded.
5. Default under previous contract.

Appendix A

Certifications, Affidavits, Offer Forms, and Other Required Attachments

1. Employee Benefits Proposal Worksheet 1 (Proposal Form 1)
2. Employee Benefits Proposal Worksheet 2 (Proposal Form 2)
3. Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form
4. Contract Compliance Attachment
5. Drug Free Workplace Certification Form
6. General Instructions and Procedures
7. Hold Harmless Agreement
8. Non-Collusive Affidavit
9. Payment of Bills
10. Special Contract Requirements
11. Statement of Bidder's Qualifications
12. Instructions to Bidders for Contracts (HUD 5369)
13. Representations, Certifications & Other Statements of Bidders (HUD 5369-A)
14. Instructions to Offerors (HUD 5369-B)
15. Certifications and Representations of Offers (HUD 5369-C)
16. Previous Participation Certification (HUD 2530)
17. General Contract Conditions (Non-Construction, HUD 5370-C)
18. Non-Construction Contract Provisions (HUD 51915-A)
19. Equal Opportunity Certification (HUD 92010)

SHA Employee Benefits Proposal Worksheet 1

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| Proposed Health Carrier | | ** Please provide pricing for comparable plans listed under "Current SHA Benefits" and select ONE (1) Carrier only for each category (Medical, Dental and Vision) Example (BCBSIL, Delta Dental and Eyemed) **PLEASE INCLUDE A SUMMARY OF BENEFITS SHEET FOR THE PLANS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED*** |
| Proposed Dental Carrier | | |
| Proposed Vision Carrier | | |

| Proposed PPO Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|------------------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$500 (HRA \$500) | | | | | |
| Co-Insurance percentage | | | | | | |
| Office Visit Co-Pay | \$20 primary care physician, \$40 specialist | | | | | |
| Prescription Co-Pay | Preferred \$0-\$150 | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum out of Pocket | \$1,500 (Individual), \$4,500 (Family) | | | | | |
| Life Time Cap | | | | | | |

| Proposed HMO Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|------------------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$500 (HRA \$500) | | | | | |
| Co-Insurance percentage | | | | | | |
| Office Visit Co-Pay | \$20 primary care physician, \$40 specialist | | | | | |
| Prescription Co-Pay | Preferred \$0-\$150 | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum out of Pocket | \$1,500 (Individual), \$4,500 (Family) | | | | | |
| Life Time Cap | | | | | | |

| Proposed OAP or other Plan (Tier 1) | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|--|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$500 (HRA \$500) | | | | | |
| Co-Insurance percentage | | | | | | |
| Office Visit Co-Pay | \$20 primary care physician, \$40 specialist | | | | | |
| Prescription Co-Pay | Preferred \$0-\$150 | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum out of Pocket | \$1,500 (Individual), \$4,500 (Family) | | | | | |
| Life Time Cap | | | | | | |
| (Pricing is for Tier I HMO Providers only) | | | | | | |

| Proposed Dental Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|-------------------------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$50 (Individual), \$150 (family) | | | | | |
| Maximum Annual Benefit (In-Network) | \$2,000 per person per year | | | | | |

| Proposed Vision Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|----------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Eye Exam | \$10 Copay | | | | | |
| Lenses | \$10 Copay | | | | | |
| Frames | Up to \$150 | | | | | |
| Contact Lenses | Up to \$150 | | | | | |

* The Springfield Housing Authority currently has a PPO medical, dental, and vision plan.

SHA Employee Benefits Proposal Worksheet 2

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| Proposed Health Carrier | | ** Please provide pricing for comparable plans listed under "Current SHA Benefits" and select ONE (1) Carrier only for each category (Medical, Dental and Vision) Example (BCBSIL, Delta Dental and Eyemed) **PLEASE INLCUDE A SUMMARY OF BENEFITS SHEET FOR THE PLANS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED*** |
| Proposed Dental Carrier | | |
| Proposed Vision Carrier | | |

| Proposed PPO Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|------------------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$500 (HRA \$500) | | | | | |
| Co-Insurance percentage | | | | | | |
| Office Visit Co-Pay | \$20 primary care physician, \$40 specialist | | | | | |
| Prescription Co-Pay | Preferred \$0-\$150 | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum out of Pocket | \$1,500 (Individual), \$4,500 (Family) | | | | | |
| Life Time Cap | | | | | | |

| Proposed HMO Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|------------------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$500 (HRA \$500) | | | | | |
| Co-Insurance percentage | | | | | | |
| Office Visit Co-Pay | \$20 primary care physician, \$40 specialist | | | | | |
| Prescription Co-Pay | Preferred \$0-\$150 | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum out of Pocket | \$1,500 (Individual), \$4,500 (Family) | | | | | |
| Life Time Cap | | | | | | |

| Proposed OAP or other Plan (Tier 1) | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|--|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$500 (HRA \$500) | | | | | |
| Co-Insurance percentage | | | | | | |
| Office Visit Co-Pay | \$20 primary care physician, \$40 specialist | | | | | |
| Prescription Co-Pay | Preferred \$0-\$150 | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum out of Pocket | \$1,500 (Individual), \$4,500 (Family) | | | | | |
| Life Time Cap | | | | | | |
| (Pricing is for Tier I HMO Providers only) | | | | | | |

| Proposed Dental Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|-------------------------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Annual Deductible | \$50 (Individual), \$150 (family) | | | | | |
| Maximum Annual Benefit (In-Network) | \$2,000 per person per year | | | | | |

| Proposed Vision Plan | Current SHA Benefits (Single employee in network)* | Employee | Employee+ Spouse | Employee+ Child | Employee+ Children | Employee+Family |
|----------------------|---|----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Monthly Premium | | | | | | |
| Eye Exam | \$10 Copay | | | | | |
| Lenses | \$10 Copay | | | | | |
| Frames | Up to \$150 | | | | | |
| Contact Lenses | Up to \$150 | | | | | |

* The Springfield Housing Authority currently has a PPO medical, dental, and vision plan.



Springfield Housing Authority

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Springfield, IL 62703

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM

For purposes of determining any possible conflict of interest, all bidders/vendors, must disclose if the Springfield Housing Authority Executive Director, or his/her employee(s), are owners, corporate officers, employees, etc., of their business.

Indicate either "YES" (if a SHA employee is also associated with your business), or "NO". If yes, give person(s) name(s) and position(s) with your business.

YES NO

NAME(S)

POSITION(S)

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Person, Firm, or Corporation

Printed Name

Title

Authorized Signature

Date



CONTRACT COMPLIANCE ATTACHMENT

THE FOLLOWING ARE COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS THAT SHALL BE INCORPORATED INTO AND MADE A PART OF ANY CONTRACT ISSUED PURSUANT THERETO.

- A. The Contractor shall abide by and comply with all applicable local and State laws relating to 1) fair employment practices, affirmative action and prohibiting discrimination in employment as set forth in the Illinois Human Rights Act; 2) any and all applicable workmen's compensation laws; and 3) wages and claims of laborers, mechanics and other workmen, agents, or servants in any manner employed in connection with contracts involving public funds or the development or construction of public works, buildings or facilities. The scale of wages to be paid shall be obtained from the Illinois Department of Labor and posted by the Contractor in a prominent and accessible place at the project work site.

- A. The Contractor shall personally and individually agree and covenant, and shall furnish and provide evidence of general liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 and shall indemnify, protect, defend at its own cost, and hold harmless the Local Agency from and against all losses, damages, injuries, or claims thereof to or by persons or property, arising out of, through, or by virtue of the construction and development of the specified project facilities.

- B. The Contractor certifies that to the best of its knowledge, no officer or employee has been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of the State of Illinois, nor has any officer or employee made an admission of guilt of such conduct which is a matter of record.

- C. The Contractor certifies it has not been barred from being awarded a contract with a unit of State or local government as a result of a violation of Section 33E-3 or 33E-4 of the Criminal Code of 1961 (bid rigging or bid rotating).

- D. The Contractor certifies, pursuant to the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105), that it has a written sexual harassment policy that includes, at a minimum the following information: (i) the illegality of sexual harassment; (ii) the definition of sexual harassment under State law; (iii) a description of sexual harassment utilizing examples; (iv) the Contractor's internal complaint process including penalties; (v) the legal recourse, investigation and complaint process available through the Illinois Department of Human Rights and the Human Rights Commission and directions on how to contact both; and (vi) protection against retaliation as provided by Section 6-6-101 of the Illinois Human Rights Act. A copy of the policy shall be provided to the Department of Human Rights upon request.

- E. The Contractor certifies that neither it nor any substantially owned affiliated company is participating or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the provisions of the U.S. Export Administration Act of 1979 or the regulations of the U.S. Department of Commerce promulgated under that Act.

Contractor Printed Name

Contractor Signature

Date



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DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION

The below signed bidder certifies that it has implemented a drug free workplace program. In order to have a drug free workplace program, a business shall:

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under quote a copy of the statement specified in section 1.
4. In the statement specified in section 1, notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under quote, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of any Illinois criminal law or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any State, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
5. Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participating in, drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is convicted.
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of this section.

As the person authorized to sign this statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

Person, Firm, or Corporation

Printed Name

Title

Authorized Signature

Date

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND PROCEDURES

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. GENERAL

A. SUMMARY

These project requirements are supplemental to the General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions and are to be considered part of each Division of these specifications to which they are applicable as though they were incorporated therein verbatim.

B. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Notices, demands, requests, instructions, approvals, proposals, claim etc. must be in writing.
2. Any notice to or demand upon the Contractor will be considered sufficiently given if delivered at the office of the Contractor or at such other office as he/she may from time to time designate in writing to the SHA. Deposit in the United States mail in a sealed, postage prepaid envelope or if delivered with charges prepaid to any telegraph company for transmission in each case addressed to such office.
3. All letters or documents required to be delivered to the SHA or their representatives shall, unless otherwise specified in writing to the Contractor, be delivered to the Contract Officer at the SHA office. Any notice to or demand upon the SHA shall be sufficiently given if so delivered or deposited in the United States mail in a sealed postage prepaid envelope or delivered with charges prepaid to any telegraph company for transmission to said Contract Officer at such address or to such other representatives of the SHA or such other address as the SHA may subsequently specify in writing to the Contractor for such purposes.
4. Any such notice shall be deemed to have given as of the time of actual delivery or in the case of mailing, when the same should have been received in due course of post or in the case of telegrams at the time of actual receipt.

C. TEMPORARY FACILITIES

1. Provide any temporary facilities as required by federal, state or local codes or ordinances with the following paragraphs considered as minimum requirements.
2. Protections: Provide and maintain proper lights, signs, temporary doors, etc., as necessary to protect property tenants and public from construction operations both day and night.
3. Existing site(s) and/or structures may be used for storage of materials if approved by the owner. Lacking such approval, the contractor(s) must provide their own storage facilities. Protect all stored materials from the elements and from theft and damage during construction operations.
4. Fire protection: General contractor to provide and maintain in working order, on 10 lb. chemical fire extinguisher at work area and one at construction office area.
5. General Contractor will provide temporary construction locks at rear entrance doors as approved by owner. Existing locks shall be removed, sorted and reinstalled at same location at completion of project.

D. GUARANTEES, BONDS

Deliver written guarantees bonds and maintenance manuals specified. Such guarantees, bonds and manuals to be delivered before final inspection and are considered a prerequisite to final payment. Period covered by bonds and guarantees to commence with date of final acceptance or by authorized start-up of mechanical equipment when use by owner of said equipment begins.

E. CLEANUP

1. General Cleaning: Each contractor will remove his rubbish and debris immediately upon collection. General Contractor is responsible for ensuring that each work site is kept in an orderly manner.
2. Final Cleaning: Each contractor to perform thorough cleaning, sweeping, washing and polishing of equipment, materials and finishes provided by him and leave such finished work, equipment and finishes to satisfaction of Owner. General Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all final cleaning is done to Owners approval.

F. UTILITY CHARGES

Contractor may use utilities paid for by Owner at each site if available. If not available, the General Contractor is responsible for providing their own electrical, heat and water.

G. PERMITS AND FEES

1. The General Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all permits and fees required by the State of Illinois, County of Sangamon, City of Springfield are acquired and prominently displayed for all work required.
2. It is the Contractors responsibility to request inspections by the required inspection agencies.
3. Cost of all permits and fees are to be included in the base bid.

H. MATERIALS

Materials noted on drawings or specified herein for replacement shall be new.

I. PARTIAL OCCUPANCY

1. The SHA may accept any part or portion of the project if there has been such a degree of completion as will, in its opinion, make such part reasonably safe, fit and convenient for use and accommodation for which it was intended.
2. It is the intention of the SHA to accept not less than a satisfactorily complete whole building.

J. COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS, CODES, ETC.

1. Work must comply with prevailing local codes and general specifications of the SHA and HUD.
2. If during bid invitation walk through or during performance of contract work, additional code violations are identified, the contractor will notify the Owner immediately.

K. WORKMANSHIP

1. It will be expected that workmanship will be of "first class" for the trades involved. The determination as to the acceptance of workmanship, materials, finishes, etc., will be at the discretion of the Owner, Owner's Representative, Federal, State or City Inspectors and all agencies having jurisdiction over this project.
2. Work and workmanship will conform to and meet all ordinances, rules and regulations governing this project including Local, State and Federal regulations and standards.

L. COMPLETE WORK INTENDED

1. The intent of the contract documents is to include all items necessary for proper execution and completion of work.
2. Contract documents are complementary and what is required by any one is binding as if required by all.
3. Work not covered by contract documents will be required unless it is consistent therewith and is reasonably inferable there from as being necessary to produce the intended results.

M. DISCREPANCIES, CONFLICTS

Where discrepancies or conflicts occur between various contract documents, the following will be the order of precedence in resolving the discrepancy.

- a. Construction Contract
- b. Special Conditions
- c. Federal Labor Standards
- d. General Conditions
- e. Technical Specifications
- f. Approved shop drawings
- g. Architects Supplemental drawings
- h. Drawings at large scale (i.e., item shown largest)
- i. Drawings at small scale (i.e., items shown smallest)
- j. Dimensions and numbers shown on drawings
- k. Words on drawings
- l. Scaled measurements from drawings

N. MANUFACTURER'S PRINTED INSTRUCTIONS

1. Unless otherwise called for, equipment and materials are to be installed in accordance with current manufacturer's printed instructions as they occur, either attached to the product or separately printed.
2. Said manufacturer's printed instructions are to be kept and filed at the project site. The Contractor will obtain and present any and all such printed directions upon request by Owner and Owner's representatives.

O. PROCEED ORDER AND CHANGE ORDER SUBMISSIONS

1. Submissions may be for completion time extension, contract cost adjustment or a combination thereof.
2. Submission shall be in the form designated by the Owner and/or on forms provided by Owner. The Contractor will prepare all forms specified herein for Change Order submittal for approval.

3. Changes affecting either the completion time or contract cost or both must be submitted as a change order.
4. Submittal must be itemized as follows:
 - a. Materials & labor itemized separately - overhead & profit itemized separately
 - b. Request to clearly state reason for change order request.

P. DEFINITIONS

1. This paragraph describes and gives definitions to the extent of restoration, remodeling, replacement, repair, etc., of the rehabilitation work of this project.
2. Where the phrases "remove" and "replace" is specified, new materials are to be installed.
3. The following definitions to words and phrases contained in plan notations or in technical specifications are to be considered minimum interpretations but in no way relieve the contractor from any incidental or required work and are to meet the "first class workmanship" requirements or to meet applicable codes, ordinances and regulations.

"Provide" The word provide means to furnish and install complete and functioning.

"Clean" The word clean means to remove all dirt, grease, stains, mars discoloration, etc., in a manner to bring such surfaces or materials to a near new or clean condition.

"Patch" The word patch means to restore material or surface to a condition matching acceptable finish of balance of similar material or surfaces.

"Rebuild" The word rebuild, means to reconstruct and restore or otherwise rework said item to a like new or acceptable condition or finish.

"Refinish" The words refinish, means to restore finish to a like new condition or acceptable matching conditions and finish.

"Repair" The word repair may include the patching, painting, refinishing, replacement or parts or the whole as described by the work.

"Replace" The word replace includes the removal of existing item, cutting, patching, clocking, supports, fastenings, etc., as required for a replacement item.

"Remove" The word remove means to carefully remove said item with due respect for remaining adjacent materials and finishes including safe and proper disconnection of mechanical and electrical items.

“Reuse” The word reuse, means to replace or place existing material equipment where indicated in an acceptable manner. If relocation is involved, all patching and refinishing of surfaces is to be included.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR GENERAL CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTOR

The contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Springfield Housing Authority and its employees from and against all claims for personal injury or property damage, including claims against the Springfield Housing Authority, its agents or servants, arising out of or caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone of whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder, for any and all losses and expenses, including attorney fees, that may be incurred by the Springfield Housing Authority defending such claim, arising out of or resulting from the performance of the work. In any and all claims against the Springfield Housing Authority, or any of its agents or servants, by an employee of contractor, subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any one of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under this paragraph shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the contractor or subcontractor under Workers Compensation Acts, Disability Acts, or their Employee Benefits Act.

I _____, representing _____

by my signature acknowledge that I have read and understand the Hold Harmless Agreement and indemnify the Springfield Housing Authority. This agreement becomes a part of the contract.

By _____ Date _____

Title _____

Company _____

Address _____



NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT
Prime Bidder



State of **Illinois**)

County of **Sangamon**)

_____ being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he/she is _____ the party making the foregoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or a sham; that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the bid price of affiant of any other bidder, or to fix any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against the _____ or any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature of:

Bidder, if the bidder is an individual;

Partner, if the bidder is a partnership;

Officer, if the bidder is a corporation;

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20____

My commission expires, _____, 20____

Springfield Housing Authority
200 North 11th Street
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Payment of Bills

It is the Springfield Housing Authority's (SHA) intent that the Contractor receives prompt payment of his/her bills. At the same time, the SHA must insure that there is accountability with regard to goods and services for which the Contractor is seeking payment. To insure good relations, the parties agree as follows:

1. As a condition precedent to payment, the Contractor shall provide the SHA with a written invoice or bill in a form acceptable to the SHA for any and all goods and services for which payment is sought. SHA processes payments on the 10th, 20th, and 30th of each month. Documents for payment must be received by SHA 10 days prior to the payment processing dates. Due to the large amount of vendor payments processed each month, we ask that you not call the SHA to check on your payment unless the (30) days have passed.
2. The SHA shall approve or disapprove the bill or invoice within thirty- (30) days of receipt or within thirty- (30) days after the date on which the goods or services were received, whichever is later.
3. When safety or quality assurance testing of goods by the SHA is necessary before the approval or disapproval of a bill and such testing cannot be completed within thirty (30) days of receipt of the goods, approval or disapproval of the bill must be made immediately upon completion of the testing or within sixty (60) days after receipt of the goods, whichever occurs first.
4. Any bill approved for payment pursuant to Sections 2 and 3 above shall be paid within thirty- (30) days of the date of approval.
5. If the bill or invoice of the Contractor is disapproved, written notice of such disapproval shall be mailed to the Contractor with a statement that explains the reasons for the disapproval. The Contractor shall then be responsible for resubmitting its bill with corrections or amendments in accordance with procedures set forth in the above Sections.
6. The SHA may extend the time periods for payment set forth in Sections 1 through 5 by written notice to the Contractor of the following condition: 1) the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or other funding agency for the project is late in its payment to the SHA for the project in question.

In no event shall payment to the contractor be delayed more than ninety- (90) days from approval of the bill or receipt of the goods or services, whichever is later.

SPRINGFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY
SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

- A.** Sub-contracting with small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, and women owned small businesses and labor surplus area firms.

The prime contractor shall make good faith efforts to ensure that whenever possible, subcontracts are awarded to small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses and women owned small business firms. Good faith efforts include, but are not limited to:

1. Establish goals for small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, and Women owned small businesses.
2. Place qualified small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, and Women owned small businesses on solicitation lists.
3. Ensure small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, and Women owned small businesses are solicited whenever there are potential contract opportunities.
4. Divide total requirements when economically feasible, into smaller requirements to permit maximum participation by small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, and women owned small businesses.
5. Use the services and assistance of the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Minority Business Development Agency and the U.S. Department of Commerce, and state and local government agencies to identify small business, small disadvantaged businesses, and women owned small businesses to participate in the Springfield Housing Authority's contracts and procurement.

Prime contractors responding to this solicitation are required to submit a proposed subcontracting plan and to submit subcontracting performance reports to the Authority on a periodic basis after the award of contract.

Person, Firm, or Corporation

Printed Name

Title

Authorized Signature

Date

PROFILE OF FIRM AND STATEMENT OF BIDDER'S/PROPOSER'S QUALIFICATIONS

All questions must be answered and must be clear and comprehensive. Use a separate sheet if necessary when answering these questions.

1. Bidder/proposer information:
 - A. Company/Firm name:
 - B. Primary proposer contact name:
 - C. Primary proposer contact address:
 - D. Primary proposer contact phone:
 - E. Primary proposer contact email:
2. The permanent main office address:
3. When, where and how was the firm legally organized?
4. How many years have you been engaged in your type of business under your present firm name?
5. How many employees (full and part-time) within your firm?
6. Please list the general character of work performed by your firm:
7. Have you ever failed to complete any work awarded to you?
If so, where and why?
8. Have you ever defaulted on a contract?
If yes, describe.

9. List at least 3 of the more important locations recently serviced by your firm with contact information:

10. List experience in work similar in scope and importance to this project.

11. List your major equipment available for this contract:

12. Will you, upon request, fill out a detailed financial statement and furnish any other information that may be required by the Springfield Housing Authority?

13. Have you, your firm, corporation or other entity submitting this bid/proposal received any citations, complaints, summons, decisions, determinations, judgments or other allegations or findings of any state and federal laws which protect the health, safety or welfare of workers including, but not limited to, OSHA, FMLA, ADA, ADEA, NLRA, the Federal Civil Rights Act, the Illinois Human Rights Act, the Illinois Wage and Hour Law, and the Prevailing Wage Act, within the last two years? (circle one) **Yes / No**
 - a. If the answer to the above question is yes, please submit detailed information concerning the same.

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

 Printed Name of bidder/proposer

 Signature of bidder/proposer

 Date



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

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

Instructions to Bidders for Contracts

Public and Indian Housing Programs

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1. Bid Preparation and Submission

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. Explanations and Interpretations to Prospective Bidders

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

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

3. Amendments to Invitations for Bids

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

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

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

4. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

5. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Bids

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

(1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);

(2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the PHA/IHA that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the PHA/IHA after receipt at the PHA/IHA; or

(3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and observed holidays.

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

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

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

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

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

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

6. Bid Opening

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

7. Service of Protest

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

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

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

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

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

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

8. Contract Award

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. Assurance of Completion

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

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

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

[] (3) a 20 percent cash escrow;

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

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

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

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

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

11. Preconstruction Conference (applicable to construction contracts)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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1. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder certifies that--

(1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;

(2) The prices in this bid have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a competitive proposal solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

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

(1) Is the person in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or

(2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

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

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

(c) If the bidder deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder must furnish with its bid a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

[] [Contracting Officer check if following paragraph is applicable]

(d) Non-collusive affidavit. (applicable to contracts for construction and equipment exceeding \$50,000)

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

(2) A fully executed "Non-collusive Affidavit" [] is, [] is not included with the bid.

2. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3. Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

(a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in Section 1352 of title 31, United States Code, are hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.

(b) The bidder, by signing its bid, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief as of December 23, 1989 that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of a contract resulting from this solicitation;

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) have been paid, or will be paid, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the bidder shall complete and submit, with its bid, OMB standard form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities;" and

(3) He or she will include the language of this certification in all subcontracts at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of \$100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

(d) Indian tribes (except those chartered by States) and Indian organizations as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B) are exempt from the requirements of this provision.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

- (a) Result in an unfair competitive advantage to the bidder; or,
- (b) Impair the bidder's objectivity in performing the contract work.

[] In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement.

5. Bidder's Certification of Eligibility

(a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, neither it, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the bidder's firm, nor any of the bidder's subcontractors, is ineligible to:

(1) Be awarded contracts by any agency of the United States Government, HUD, or the State in which this contract is to be performed; or,

(2) Participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.

(b) The certification in paragraph (a) above is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the bidder knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the contract may be terminated for default, and the bidder may be debarred or suspended from participation in HUD programs and other Federal contract programs.

6. Minimum Bid Acceptance Period

(a) "Acceptance period," as used in this provision, means the number of calendar days available to the PHA/IHA for awarding a contract from the date specified in this solicitation for receipt of bids.

(b) This provision supersedes any language pertaining to the acceptance period that may appear elsewhere in this solicitation.

(c) The PHA/IHA requires a minimum acceptance period of [Contracting Officer insert time period] calendar days.

(d) In the space provided immediately below, bidders may specify a longer acceptance period than the PHA's/IHA's minimum requirement. The bidder allows the following acceptance period: calendar days.

(e) A bid allowing less than the PHA's/IHA's minimum acceptance period will be rejected.

(f) The bidder agrees to execute all that it has undertaken to do, in compliance with its bid, if that bid is accepted in writing within (1) the acceptance period stated in paragraph (c) above or (2) any longer acceptance period stated in paragraph (d) above.

7. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation

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

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

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

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

(Check the block applicable to you)

- [] Black Americans
- [] Asian Pacific Americans
- [] Hispanic Americans
- [] Asian Indian Americans
- [] Native Americans
- [] Hasidic Jewish Americans

8. Indian-Owned Economic Enterprise and Indian Organization Representation (applicable only if this solicitation is for a contract to be performed on a project for an Indian Housing Authority)

The bidder represents and certifies that it:

(a) [] is, [] is not an Indian-owned economic enterprise. "Economic enterprise," as used in this provision, means any commercial, industrial, or business activity established or organized for the purpose of profit, which is at least 51 percent Indian owned. "Indian," as used in this provision, means any person who is a member of any tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and any "Native" as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(b) [] is, [] is not an Indian organization. "Indian organization," as used in this provision, means the governing body of any Indian tribe or entity established or recognized by such governing body. Indian "tribe" means any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or

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

9. Certification of Eligibility Under the Davis-Bacon Act (applicable to construction contracts exceeding \$2,000)

(a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that neither it nor any person or firm who has an interest in the bidder's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(b) No part of the contract resulting from this solicitation shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(c) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U. S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

10. Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities (applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000)

(a) The bidder's attention is called to the clause entitled **Equal Employment Opportunity** of the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction.

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

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

(d) The bidder further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) prior to entering into subcontracts which exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause, it will:

- (1) Obtain identical certifications from the proposed subcontractors;
- (2) Retain the certifications in its files; and
- (3) Forward the following notice to the proposed subcontractors (except if the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

Notice to Prospective Subcontractors of Requirement for Certifications of Nonsegregated Facilities

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

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

11. Clean Air and Water Certification (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

The bidder certifies that:

(a) Any facility to be used in the performance of this contract [] is, [] is not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities:

(b) The bidder will immediately notify the PHA/IHA Contracting Officer, before award, of the receipt of any communication from the Administrator, or a designee, of the Environmental Protection Agency, indicating that any facility that the bidder proposes to use for the performance of the contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities; and,

(c) The bidder will include a certification substantially the same as this certification, including this paragraph (c), in every nonexempt subcontract.

12. Previous Participation Certificate (applicable to construction and equipment contracts exceeding \$50,000)

(a) The bidder shall complete and submit with his/her bid the Form HUD-2530, "Previous Participation Certificate." If the successful bidder does not submit the certificate with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the certificate by that date may render the bid nonresponsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed certificate.

(b) A fully executed "Previous Participation Certificate" [] is, [] is not included with the bid.

13. Bidder's Signature

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

(Signature and Date)

(Typed or Printed Name)

(Title)

(Company Name)

(Company Address)

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction



1. Preparation of Offers

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

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

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

2. Submission of Offers

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

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

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

3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

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

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

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

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

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Contract Award

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

(b) The HA may

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

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

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

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

8. Service of Protest

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

9. Offer Submission

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

Certifications and Representations of Offerors

Non-Construction Contract

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

This form includes clauses required by OMB's common rule on bidding/offering procedures, implemented by HUD in 24 CFR 85.36, and those requirements set forth in Executive Order 11625 for small, minority, women-owned businesses, and certifications for independent price determination, and conflict of interest. The form is required for nonconstruction contracts awarded by Housing Agencies (HAs). The form is used by bidders/offers to certify to the HA's Contracting Officer for contract compliance. If the form were not used, HAs would be unable to enforce their contracts. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality.

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

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

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

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

2. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation

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

- (a) is, is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.
- (b) is, is not a women-owned small business concern. "Women-owned," as used in this provision, means a small business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.
- (c) is, is not a minority enterprise which, pursuant to Executive Order 11625, is defined as a business which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals.

For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(Check the block applicable to you)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Hasidic Jewish Americans |

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

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

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

- (1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
- (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above (insert full name of person(s) in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder/offeror's organization);
(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

- (c) If the bidder/offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid/offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

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

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

(iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

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

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

- (d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

The offeror represents that the following persons are authorized to negotiate on its behalf with the PHA in connection with this request for proposals: (list names, titles, and telephone numbers of the authorized negotiators):

6. Conflict of Interest

In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, the offeror, by submission of a proposal, hereby warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement, as described in the clause in this solicitation titled "Organizational Conflict of Interest."

7. Offeror's Signature

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

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title:

Previous Participation Certification

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US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Housing/Federal Housing Commissioner

US Department of Agriculture
Farmers Home Administration

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| Part I to be completed by Controlling Participant of Covered Projects <i>(See instructions)</i> Reason for submission: | | For HUD HQ/FmHA use only | |
| 1. Agency name and City where the application is filed | | 2. Project Name, Project Number, City and Zip Code | |
| 3. Loan or Contract amount \$ | 4. Number of Units or Beds | 5. Section of Act | 6. Type of Project (check one) Existing Rehabilitation Proposed (New) |

7. List all proposed Controlling Participants and attach organization chart for all organizations

| Name and address of Principals and Affiliates (Name: Last, First, Middle Initial) proposing to participate | 8 Role of Each Principal in Project | 9. SSN or IRS Employer Number |
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Certifications: The controlling participants(s) listed above hereby apply to HUD or USDA FmHA, as the case maybe, for approval to participate as controlling participant(s) in the role(s) and project listed above. The controlling participant(s) each certify that all the statements made on this form are true, complete and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief and are made in good faith, including any Exhibits attached to this form.

Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. The controlling participants(s) further certify that to the best of their knowledge and belief:

1. Schedule A contains a listing, for the last ten years, of every project assisted or insured by HUD, USDA FmHA and/or State and local government housing finance agencies in which the controlling participant(s) have participated or are now participating.
2. For the period beginning 10 years prior to the date of this certification, and except as shown on the certification:
 - a. No mortgage on a project listed has ever been in default, assigned to the Government or foreclosed, nor has it received mortgage relief from the mortgagee;
 - b. The controlling participants have no defaults or noncompliance under any Conventional Contract or Turnkey Contract of Sale in connection with a public housing project;
 - c. There are no known unresolved findings as a result of HUD audits, management reviews or other Governmental investigations concerning the controlling participants or their projects;
 - d. There has not been a suspension or termination of payments under any HUD assistance contract due to the controlling participant's fault or negligence;
 - e. The controlling participants have not been convicted of a felony and are not presently the subject of a complaint or indictment charging a felony. (A felony is defined as any offense punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, but does not include any offense classified as a misdemeanor under the laws of a State and punishable by imprisonment of two years or less);
 - f. The controlling participants have not been suspended, debarred or otherwise restricted by any Department or Agency of the Federal Government or of a State Government from doing business with such Department or Agency;
 - g. The controlling participants have not defaulted on an obligation covered by a surety or performance bond and have not been the subject of a claim under an employee fidelity bond;
3. All the names of the controlling participants who propose to participate in this project are listed above.
4. None of the controlling participants is a HUD/FmHA employee or a member of a HUD/FmHA employee's immediate household as defined in Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch in 5 C.F.R. Part 2635 (57 FR 35006) and HUD's Standard of Conduct in 24 C.F.R. Part 0 and USDA's Standard of Conduct in 7 C.F.R. Part 0 Subpart B.
5. None of the controlling participants is a participant in an assisted or insured project as of this date on which construction has stopped for a period in excess of 20 days or which has been substantially completed for more than 90 days and documents for closing, including final cost certification, have not been filed with HUD or FmHA.
6. None of the controlling participants have been found by HUD or FmHA to be in noncompliance with any applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements in 24 CFR 5.105(a). (If any controlling participants have been found to be in noncompliance with any requirements, attach a signed statement explaining the relevant facts, circumstances, and resolution, if any).
7. None of the controlling participants is a Member of Congress or a Resident Commissioner nor otherwise prohibited or limited by law from contracting with the Government of the United States of America.
8. Statements above (if any) to which the controlling participant(s) cannot certify have been deleted by striking through the words with a pen, and the controlling participant(s) have initialed each deletion (if any) and have attached a true and accurate signed statement (if applicable) to explain the facts and circumstances.

| Name of Controlling Participant | Signature of Controlling Participant | Certification Date (mm/dd/yyyy) | Area Code and Tel. No. |
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| This form prepared by (print name) | | Area Code and Tel. No. | |

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Schedule A: List of Previous Projects and Section 8 Contracts. Below is a complete list of the controlling participants' previous participation projects and participation history in multifamily Housing programs of HUD/FmHA, State and local Housing Finance Agencies. **Note:** Read and follow the instruction sheet carefully. Make full disclosure. Add extra sheets if you need more space. Double check for accuracy. If no previous projects, write by your name, **"No previous participation, First Experience"**.

| 1. Controlling Participants' Name (Last, First) | 2. List of previous projects (Project name, project ID and, Govt. agency involved) | 3. List Participants' Role(s) (indicate dates participated, and if fee or identity of interest participant) | 4. Status of loan (current, defaulted, assigned, foreclosed) | 5. Was the Project ever in default during your participation Yes No If yes, explain | | 6. Last MOR rating and Physical Insp. Score and date |
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Part II- For HUD Internal Processing Only

Received and checked by me for accuracy and completeness; recommend approval or refer to Headquarters after checking appropriate box.

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| Date (mm/dd/yyyy) | Tel No. and area code | <input type="checkbox"/> A. No adverse information; form HUD-2530 approval recommended. <input type="checkbox"/> C. Disclosure or Certification problem | |
| Staff | Processing and Control | <input type="checkbox"/> B. Name match in system <input type="checkbox"/> D. Other (attach memorandum) | |
| Signature of authorized reviewer | | Signature of authorized reviewer | |
| | | Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| | | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) | |

Instructions for Completing the Previous Participation Certificate, form HUD-2530

Carefully read these instructions and the applicable regulations. A copy of those regulations published at 24 C.F.R. part 200, subpart H, can be obtained on-line at www.gpo.gov and from the Account Executive at any HUD Office. Type or print neatly in ink when filling out this form. Mark answers in all blocks of the form. If the form is not filled completely, it will delay approval of your application.

Attach extra sheets as you need them. Be sure to indicate "Continued on Attachments" wherever appropriate. Sign each additional page that you attach if it refers to you or your record. **Carefully read the certification before you sign it.** Any questions regarding the form or how to complete it can be answered by your HUD Account Executive.

Purpose: This form provides HUD with a certified report of all previous participation in HUD programs by those parties making application. The information requested in this form is used by HUD to determine if you meet the standards established to ensure that all controlling participants in HUD projects will honor their legal, financial and contractual obligations and are acceptable risks from the underwriting standpoint of an insurer, lender or governmental agency. HUD requires that you certify your record of previous participation in HUD/USDA-FmHA, State and Local Housing Finance Agency projects by completing and signing this form, before your project application or participation can be approved.

HUD approval of your certification is a necessary precondition for your participation in the project and in the capacity that you propose. If you do not file this certification, do not furnish the information requested accurately, or do not meet established standards, HUD will not approve your certification.

Note that approval of your certification does not obligate HUD to approve your project application, and it does not satisfy all other HUD program requirements relative to your qualifications.

Who Must Sign and File Form HUD-2530: Form HUD-2530 must be completed and signed by all Controlling Participants of Covered Projects, as such terms are defined in 24 CFR 200.212, and as further clarified by the Processing Guide referenced in 24 CFR 200.210(b) and made available on the HUD website at: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/mfh/prevparticipation.

Where and When Form HUD-2530 Must Be Filed: The original of this form must be submitted to the HUD Office where your project application will be processed at the same time you file your initial project application. This form must be filed with applications for projects listed in 24 CFR 200.214 and for the Triggering Events listed at 24 CFR 200.218.

Review of Adverse Determination: If approval of your participation in a HUD project is denied, withheld, or conditionally granted on the basis of your record of previous participation, you will be notified by the HUD Office. You may request reconsideration in accordance with 24 CFR 200.222 and further clarified by the Processing Guide. Request must be made in writing within 30 days from your receipt of the notice of determination.

Specific Line Instructions are set forth in the Processing Guide.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect this information by law (42 U.S.C. 3535(d) and 24 C.F.R. 200.217) and by regulation at 24 CFR 200.210. This information is needed so that principals applying to participate in multifamily programs can become HUD-approved controlling participants. The information you provide will enable HUD to evaluate your record with respect to established standards of performance, responsibility and eligibility. Without prior approval, a controlling participant may not participate in a proposed or existing multifamily or healthcare project. HUD uses this information to evaluate whether or not controlling participants pose an unsatisfactory underwriting risk. The information is used to evaluate the potential controlling participants and approve only individuals and organizations that will honor their legal, financial and contractual obligations.

Privacy Act Statement: The Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3543 requires persons applying for a Federally-insured or guaranteed loan to furnish his/her Social Security Number (SSN). HUD must have your SSN for identification of your records. HUD may use your SSN for automated processing of your records and to make requests for information about you and your previous records with other public agencies and private sector sources. HUD may disclose certain information to Federal, State and local agencies when relevant to civil, criminal, or regulatory investigations and prosecutions. It will not be otherwise disclosed or released outside of HUD, except as required and permitted by law. You must provide all of the information requested in this application, including your SSN.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

A response is mandatory. Failure to provide any of the information will result in your disapproval of participation in this HUD program.

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

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Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.08 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Reports Management Officer, Office of Information Policies and Systems, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C. 20410-3600; and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (2577-0157), Washington, D.C. 20503. Do not send this completed form to either of these addressees.

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

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

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

1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

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

2. Changes

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

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

3. Termination for Convenience and Default

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

4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

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

- (b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.
- (c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:
 - (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
 - (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract; or,
 - (iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

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

5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

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

6. Energy Efficiency

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

7. Disputes

- (a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, except for disputes arising under clauses contained in Section III, Labor Standards Provisions, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach there of which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause.
- (b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.
- (c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.
- (d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA.

8. Contract Termination; Debarment

9. Assignment of Contract

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

10. Certificate and Release

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

11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

- (a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and a contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:
 - (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or
 - (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract or any task/delivery order under the contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the contract or task/delivery order for the convenience of the HA if it would be in the best interest of the HA.
- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the HA may terminate the contract for default.
- (d) The terms of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime Contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

12. Inspection and Acceptance

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

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

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

13. Interest of Members of Congress

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

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

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

15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

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

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

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

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

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

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(b) Prohibition.

- (i) Section 1352 of title 31, U.S.C. provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (ii) The prohibition does not apply as follows:

(1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(2) Professional and technical services.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.

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

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

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

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

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

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

16. Equal Employment Opportunity

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

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

Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

17. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

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

18. Contractor's Status

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

19. Other Contractors

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

20. Liens

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

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

- (a) The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- (b) The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Part 135 regulations.
- (c) The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of

apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.

- (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135.
- (e) The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR Part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR Part 135.
- (f) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

22. Procurement of Recovered Materials

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

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

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

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

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Section II – Labor Standard Provisions for all Maintenance Contracts greater than \$2,000
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1. Minimum Wages

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

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

2. Withholding of funds

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

3. Records

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

4. Apprentices and Trainees

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

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

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

5. Disputes concerning labor standards

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

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD).

- (ii) The HA or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings of violation. The written decision on reconsideration shall contain instructions that any appeal of the decision shall be addressed to the Regional Labor Relations Officer by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days after the date of the decision. In the event that the Regional Labor Relations Officer was the deciding official on reconsideration, the appeal shall be directed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations (HUD). Any appeal must set forth the aspects of the decision that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations.
- (iii) The Regional Labor Relations Officer shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the decision on reconsideration) after receipt of a timely appeal, issue a written decision on the findings. A decision of the Regional Labor Relations Officer may be appealed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations, by letter postmarked within 30 days of the Regional Labor Relations Officer's decision. Any appeal to the Director must set forth the aspects of the prior decision(s) that are in dispute and the reasons. The decision of the Director, Office of Labor Relations, shall be final.

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

6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

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

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

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

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

7. Subcontracts

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

8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

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

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These contracts between a HUD grantee (housing agency (HA)) and an architect/engineer (A/E) for design and construction services do not require either party to submit any materials to HUD. The forms provide a contractual agreement for the services to be provided by the A/E and establishes responsibilities of both parties pursuant to the contract. The regulatory authority is 24 CFR 85.36. These contractual agreements are required by Federal law or regulation pursuant to 24 CFR Part 85.36. Signing of the contracts is required to obtain or retain benefits. The contracts do not lend themselves to confidentiality.

1.0 Contract Provisions Required by Federal Law or Owner Contract with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

1.1 Contract Adjustments. Notwithstanding any other term or condition of this Agreement, any settlement or equitable adjustment due to termination, suspension or delays by the Owner shall be negotiated based on the cost principles stated at 48 CFR Subpart 31.2 and conform to the Contract pricing provisions of 24 CFR 85.36 (f).

1.2 Additional Services. The Owner shall perform a cost or price analysis as required by 24 CFR 85.36 (F) prior to the issuance of a contract modification/amendment for Additional Services. Such Additional Services shall be within the general scope of services covered by this Agreement. The Design Professional shall provide supporting cost information in sufficient detail to permit the Owner to perform the required cost or price analysis.

1.3 Restrictive Drawings and Specifications. In accordance with 24 CFR 85.36(c)(3)(i) and contract agreements between the Owner and HUD, the Design Professional shall not require the use of materials, products, or services that unduly restrict competition.

1.4 Design Certification. Where the Owner is required by federal regulations to provide HUD a Design Professional certification regarding the design of the Projects (24 CFR 968.235), the Design Professional shall provide such a certification to the Owner.

1.5 Retention and Inspection of Records. Pursuant to 24 CFR 85.26(i)(10) and (11), access shall be given by the Design Professional to the Owner, HUD, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Design Professional which are directly pertinent to that specific Contract for the purpose of making an audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions. All required records shall be retained for three years after the Owner or Design Professional and other subgrantees make final payments and all other pending matters are closed.

1.6 Copyrights and Rights in Data. HUD has no regulations pertaining to copyrights or rights in data as provided in 24 CFR 85.36. HUD requirements, Article 45 of the General Conditions to the Contract for Construction (form HUD-5370) requires that contractors pay all royalties and license fees. All drawings and specifications prepared by the Design Professional pursuant to this contract will identify any applicable patents to enable the general contractor to fulfil the requirements of the construction contract.

1.7 Conflicts of Interest. Based in part on federal regulations (24 CFR 85.36(b)) and Contract agreement between the Owner and HUD, no employee, officer, or agent of the Owner (HUD grantee) shall participate in selection, or in the award or administration of a contract supported by Federal funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved.

Such a conflict would arise when:

- (i) The employee, officer or agent,
- (ii) Any member of his or her immediate family,
- (iii) His or her partner, or

(iv) An organization that employs, or is about to employ, any of the above, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award. The grantee's or subgrantee's officers, employees or agents will neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from Contractors, or parties to sub-agreements. Grantees and subgrantees may set minimum rules where the financial interest is not substantial or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal intrinsic value. To the extent permitted by State or local law or regulations, such standards or conduct will provide for penalties, sanctions, or other disciplinary actions for violations of such standards by the grantee's and subgrantee's officers, employees, or agents or by Contractors or their agents. The awarding agency may in regulation provide additional prohibitions relative to real, apparent, or potential conflicts of interest.

Neither the Owner nor any of its contractors or their subcontractors shall enter into any Contract, subcontract, or agreement, in connection with any Project or any property included or planned to be included in any Project, in which any member, officer, or employee of the Owner, or any member of the governing body of the locality in which the Project is situated, or any member of the governing body of the locality in which the Owner was activated, or in any other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any responsibilities or functions with respect to the Project during his/her tenure or for one year thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect. If any such present or former member, officer, or employee of the Owner, or any such governing body member or such other public official of such locality or localities involuntarily acquires or had acquired prior to the beginning of his/her tenure any such interest, and if such interest is immediately disclosed to the Owner and such disclosure is entered upon the minutes of the Owner, the Owner, with the prior approval of the Government, may waive the prohibition contained in this subsection: Provided, That any such present member, officer, or employee of the Owner shall not participate in any action by the Owner relating to such contract, subcontract, or arrangement.

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

1.8 Disputes. In part because of HUD regulations (24 CFR 85.36(i)(1)), this Design Professional Agreement, unless it is a small purchase contract, has administrative, contractual, or legal remedies for instances where the Design Professional violates or breaches Agreement terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate.

1.9 Termination. In part because of HUD regulations (24 CFR 85.36(i)(2)), this Design Professional Agreement, unless it is for an amount of \$10,000 or less, has requirements regarding termination by the Owner when for cause or convenience. These include the manner by which the termination will be effected and basis for settlement.

1.10 Interest of Members of Congress. Because of Contract agreement between the Owner and HUD, no member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this Contract or to any benefit to arise from it.

1.11 Limitation of Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transaction. The Limitation on Use of Appropriated Funds to Influence Certain Federal Contracting and Financial Transactions Act, Section 1352 of Title 31 U.S.C., provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by recipient of a federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person, including the Design Professional, for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

1.12 Employment, Training, and Contracting Opportunities for Low-Income Persons, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968.

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

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

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

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

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

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

G. Reserved.

H. Reserved.

1.13 Reserved.

1.14 Clean Air and Water. (Applicable to contracts in excess of \$100,000). Because of 24 CFR 85.36(i)(12) and federal law, the Design Professional shall comply with applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 1857h-4 transferred to 42 USC § 7607, section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15), on all contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000.

1.15 Energy Efficiency. Pursuant to Federal regulations (24 C.F.R 85.36(i)(13)) and Federal law, except when working on an Indian housing authority Project on an Indian reservation, the Design Professional shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163 codified at 42 U.S.C.A. § 6321 et. seq.).

1.16 Prevailing Wages. In accordance with Section 12 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437j) the Design Professional shall pay not less than the wages prevailing in the locality, as determined by or adopted (subsequent to a determination under applicable State or local law) by the Secretary of HUD, to all architects, technical engineers, draftsmen, and technicians.

1.17 Non-applicability of Fair Housing Requirements in Indian Housing Authority Contracts. Pursuant to 24 CFR section 905.115(b) title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-2000d-4), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in federally assisted programs, and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3620), which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, or familial status in the sale or rental of housing do not apply to Indian Housing Authorities established by exercise of a Tribe's powers of self-government.

1.18 Prohibition Against Liens. The Design professional is Prohibited from placing a lien on the Owner's property. This prohibition shall be placed in all design professional subcontracts.

**Equal Employment
Opportunity Certification**
Excerpt From 41 CFR §60-1.4(b)

**U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development**
Office of Housing
Federal Housing Commissioner

Department of Veterans Affairs
OMB Control No. 2502-0029
(exp. 9/30/2016)

The applicant hereby agrees that it will incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal Government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal Government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:

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

- (1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (4) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (5) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

- (6) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (7) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, 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 the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: **Provided, however,** That in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work:

Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and Federally-assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed

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upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

Excerpt from HUD Regulations

200.410 Definition of term "applicant".

- (a) In multifamily housing transactions where controls over the mortgagor are exercised by the Commissioner either through the ownership of corporate stock or under the provisions of a regulatory agreement, the term "applicant" as used in this subpart shall mean the mortgagor.
- (b) In transactions other than those specified in paragraph(a) of this section, the term "applicant" as used in this subpart shall mean the builder, dealer or contractor performing the construction, repair or rehabilitation work for the mortgagor or other borrower.

200.420 Equal Opportunity Clause to be included in contracts and subcontracts.

- (a) The following equal opportunity clause shall be included in each contract and subcontract which is not exempt:
During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
 - (1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, creed, color, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of the nondiscrimination clause.
 - (2) The contractor will in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard race, creed, color, or national origin.
 - (3) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided, advising the said labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notices in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
 - (4) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 10925 of March 6 1961, as amended, and of the regulations, and relevant orders of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity created thereby.

(5) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 10925 of March 6, 1961, as amended, and by the regulations, and orders of the said Committee, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by HUD and the Committee for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such regulations, and orders.

(6) In the event of the contractor's non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clause of this contract or with any of the said regulations, or orders, this contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or Federally-assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 10925 of March 6, 1961, as amended, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked provided in the said Executive Order or by regulations, or order of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, or as otherwise provided by law.

(7) The contractor will include the provisions of Paragraphs(1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by regulations, or orders of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity issued pursuant to Section 303 of Executive Order 10925 of March 6, 1961, as amended, 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 orders as HUD may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by HUD, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

- (b) Except in subcontracts for the performance of construction work at the site of construction, the clause is not required to be inserted in subcontracts below the second tier. Subcontracts may incorporate by reference to the equal opportunity clause.

200.425 Modification in and exemptions from the regulations in this subpart.

- (a) The following transactions and contracts are exempt from the regulations in this subpart:
 - (1) Loans, mortgages, contracts and subcontracts not exceeding \$10,000.
 - (2) Contract and subcontracts not exceeding \$100,000 for standard commercial supplies or raw material;
 - (3) Contracts and subcontracts under which work is to be or has been performed outside the United States and where no recruitment of workers within the United States is involved. To the extent that work pursuant to such contracts is done within the United States, the equal opportunity clause shall be applicable;
 - (4) Contracts for the sale of Government property where no appreciable amount of work is involved; and
 - (5) Contracts and subcontracts for an indefinite quantity which are not to extend for more than one year if the purchaser determines that the amounts to be ordered under any such contract or subcontract are not reasonably expected to exceed \$100,000 in the case of contracts or subcontracts for standard commercial supplies and raw materials, or \$10,000 in the case of all other contracts and subcontracts.