



FORT WORTH HOUSING SOLUTIONS

IFB NO. 2021-606

Stairs Tower Replacement at Cambridge Court Apartments

Release Date: Monday, July 12, 2021

IFB Due Date: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. CST



INVITATION FOR BID

IFB NO. 2021-606 Stair Tower Replacement at Cambridge Court Apartments

Fort Worth Housing Solutions (FWHS) is currently accepting **sealed bids**.

FWHS reserves the right to reject any or all bids. MBE/WBE firms are encouraged to submit a bid.

All questions for the IFB must be submitted in writing and e-mailed to Fort Worth Housing Solutions at procurement@fwhs.org or faxed to (817) 333-3593 no later than, 1:00 p.m. CST on Thursday, July 22, 2021.

DUE TO COVID- 19, FWHS IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

PRE-BID MEETING: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. CST

**Cambridge Court Apartments
Leasing Office
8135 Calmont Avenue
Fort Worth, TX 76116**

IFB DUE DATE/TIME: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. CST

**DELIVER TO: FWHS Procurement Office
1201 E. 13th Street, 2nd Floor
Fort Worth, TX 76102**

Solicitation documents are available through the e-Procurement portal, located on our website at www.fwhs.org/bid-invitations, starting **Monday, July 12, 2021**. Please call our office with questions at (817) 535-6877.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Fort Worth Housing Solutions (FWHS) is pleased to issue this Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the stair tower replacement at the Cambridge Court Apartments, located at 8135 Calmont Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76116.

FWHS is seeking **sealed bids** from interested, qualified, and experienced Contractors. All work is pursuant to all applicable federal, state and local laws.

FWHS is changing the face of affordable and attainable housing opportunities by providing mixed-income rental and homeownership possibilities that enable our clients to flourish in the community.

FWHS accomplishes this by assisting our clients in elevating themselves to the next level of self-sufficiency and personal responsibility through life-changing programs. Through its real estate development program, FWHS also delivers stable investment opportunities for our development partners.

Learn more about Fort Worth Housing Solutions at <http://www.fwhs.org>.

II. SCOPE OF WORK

Replace and repair 72 stair towers, ornamental iron catwalk rails, and stair handrails at Cambridge Court Apartments. Images of the existing stair towers and rod iron are included in **Attachment 2**, **Note:** Not all pictures of every rail and stair tower is included.

A. CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

1. All work and fixtures supplied are required to comply with the program accessibility provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as further defined through the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design ("2010 ADA"); and the Department compliance rules in Title 10 of the Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 1, Subchapter B (10 TAC §§1.201-1.212) ("Accessibility Rules").
2. All fencing, stair rails, stair towers, patio rails, balcony rails, maybe called ornamental iron, metal or steel but, for this project all will be defined as rod iron.
3. All welders must provide a copy of their welding certification card issued by the American Welding Society (AWS) or a certification from a trade school that specializes in welding. All welders must have a minimum of five (5) years of continual experience. **No welders will be allowed to weld on this project without the required certification.**

B. DETAILS

1. At all stair towers, the angle iron under the concrete landing shall be cut out and replaced with a new one.
2. The steel pan under the concrete landing shall be sandblasted with a small grit sand to remove all rust from the pan before the new angle iron is installed. Should the Contractor not want to sandblast, then a wire wheel can be used to remove the rust.

3. Any part of the rod iron rails on the stairs that are rusted through, blustered, or split shall be cut out and replaced with a new one. This would include but is not limited to girders, rails, ballast, step brackets, or post.
4. Any part of the rod iron rails on steps or fence rails at the catwalk that is rusted through, blustered, or split shall be cut out and replaced a with new one.
5. Any part of the rod iron rails at steps around the property that is rusted through, bluster, or split shall be cut and replaced with a new one.
6. All welds shall be chipped of any flux and grinded smooth before primer is installed. Any joint that is not chipped or grinded smooth shall be redone at no cost to the owner.
7. Rust-Oleum paint or an approved equal shall be sprayed on the entire underside of the stair tower landing or any new welds.

C. MATERIAL

1. Handrails material shall be 1-1/2” square tubular stock. All square tubular material shall comply with the City of Fort Worth Standards. Fabrication shall comply with ADA standards and the City of Fort Worth.

III. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

A. SAFETY

1. The Contractor shall furnish structurally adequate barricades where needed to prevent accidents and losses.
2. The Contractor shall provide and maintain on the job site, all necessary equipment to adequately protect against foreseeable injuries to persons or damages to property that may occur as a result of the performance of work.
3. It is the Contractor’s responsibility to comply with all OSHA safety standards while performing the work.
4. All equipment, except that specified in No. 2, above, for protection of others, shall be removed and/or secured daily in order to prevent accidental injury to residents.
5. The safety of the Contactor’s employees, residents, and property, are solely the responsibility of the Contractor.
6. The Contractor shall assume full responsibility for protection and safe keeping of materials and/or equipment stored on the premises.
7. The Contractor shall comply with recognized health and safety standards and codes.

B. HAZARDOUS WASTE, DISRUPTION & CLEAN-UP

1. Contractor shall conform to applicable regulatory procedures when hazardous or contaminated materials are discovered.
2. Care should be given to minimize disruption of peaceful and quite enjoyment of the premises of all occupants.

3. The Contractor shall leave work area free of construction trash, debris, excess materials, or any other foreign matter left from their work daily.
4. Off-site removal of construction items shall be taken to a permitted or licensed landfill, if applicable, in accordance with TCEQ regulations, and done at no additional cost to FWHS. Site dumpsters shall not be used for disposal.
5. Any damages caused by the Contractor, including but not limited to, trees, landscaping, grounds, sidewalks, curbs, residents' vehicles and/or other personal property, the apartment property, etc., during the course of construction shall be reported to the Project Manager immediately.
6. All due care should be taken to protect from damages. Should damage occur as a result of the Contractor's work operations and/or failure to protect residents' belongings, the Contractor shall be responsible for repairing or replacing the damaged item(s).
7. Upon Completion, the Contractor must field verify all work.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Change orders, for any reason, must be approved by FWHS prior to commencing any repairs not covered in this scope of work.
2. The Contractor shall work closely with FWHS staff during the construction work.

IV. REGULATORY/LICENSING

Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances and codes; and obtain any licenses or permits required to provide the services under this IFB, at no cost to FWHS. Bidder must be in good standing to do business in the state of Texas and the city of Fort Worth.

V. CONTRACTOR PRICE AND FEES

The fee charged by the Contractor will be a firm fixed fee per contract.

VI. CONTRACT TYPE & INSURANCE

A. CONTRACT TYPE

In selecting the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s), FWHS will examine which bidder(s) offers the low hardiest responsive and responsible Lump Sum Base Bid Total among other criteria. FWHS anticipates awarding a **single Firm Fixed Price contract** under this solicitation based on the **Lump Sum Base Bid Total**.

B. CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Prior to commencing work, the Contractor shall submit a current Certificate of Insurance to FWHS showing coverage. **A current COI will be required for the duration of the contract term, including extensions.**

Business Automobile Liability	Required Limits
<p>Western Hills Affordable Housing, LP., an affiliate of FWHS must be named as an additional insured and as the certificate holder. This is required for any vendor that will be using their vehicle to do work on FWHS properties.</p>	<p>\$500,000 combined Single limit, per occurrence</p>
Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability	Required Limits
<p>Workers' Compensation coverage is Statutory and has no pre-set limits. Employer's Liability limit is \$500,000. Workers' Compensation is required for any vendor made up of more than two persons. A Waiver of Subrogation in favor of FWHS must be included in the Workers' Compensation policy. Western Hills Affordable Housing, LP., an affiliate of FWHS must be a Certificate Holder.</p>	<p>Statutory</p>
Commercial General Liability	Required Limits
<p>Western Hills Affordable Housing, LP., an affiliate of FWHS must be named as an Additional Insured and as the Certificate Holder.</p>	<p>\$100,000 per accident \$2,000,000 aggregate</p>

VII. BID PREPARATION AND WITHDRAWAL

A. PREPARATION OF BIDS – Construction

1. Bidders must make their own estimates of the facilities and difficulties attending the execution of the proposed contract.
2. Bids must be submitted on the forms furnished by FWHS or on copies of those forms, and must be manually signed. The person signing a bid must initial each erasure or change appearing on any bid form.
3. The bid forms may require Bidders to submit bid prices for one (1) or more items on various bases, including lump sum bidding, deductive alternate prices, change order pricing of construction, or any combination thereof.
4. If the 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; and
5. Alternate bids will not be considered.
6. Product substitutions will not be considered unless this solicitation authorizes the submission. Bidders are responsible for providing bids for products that fully meet the required specifications. Bidders may bid the referenced manufacturers OR EQUAL. Nevertheless, bidders MUST bid what the specifications require. The FWHS will only entertain substitution requests of the selected Contractor.

B. TAX

This bid shall **not** include charges for “sales tax” on direct sales to FWHS or on any material incorporated into or becoming part of the work; federal excise taxes; or federal transportation taxes. FWHS will provide all contract awardees with a tax exemption certificate.

C. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of **one hundred eighty (180) calendar days** after the opening of bids without the consent of FWHS.

D. FALSE STATEMENTS IN BIDS

Bidders must provide full, accurate, and complete information as required by this solicitation and its attachments. The penalty for making false statements in bids is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

E. PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND SITE VISIT

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, bidders may wear facial coverings and maintain a social distancing of six (6) feet, during both the conference & site visit.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at Cambridge Court Apartment Leasing Office, located at 8135 Calmont Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76116 on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. CST. Immediately following the pre-bid conference, a site visit will be held. All prospective Bidders are urged to attend. Non-attendance on the part of a Bidder shall not relieve the Bidder of any responsibility for adherence to any of the provisions of this bid package or any addenda thereto.

F. TECHNICAL QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Bidders shall only communicate with the FWHS Procurement Department regarding this IFB and the bid to be submitted in response to this IFB, see Section XVII. These questions will be answered individually or, if applicable, to all potential Bidders, in the form of an addendum to the IFB, if FWHS determines that a revision to the IFB is warranted. All technical questions and Requests for Information (RFI) regarding this Contract must be submitted in writing by **fax** or **email**. Telephonic, oral, or any other means of communication of relaying questions shall not be answered. If an answer is inadvertently or otherwise provided to a question other than as specified in this section, it is expressly understood that the answer is not binding in any way on to FWHS.

Technical questions or RFIs received with regards to this solicitation after the deadline shown below will likely be unanswered. FWHS reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to respond to technical questions and RFIs received after the deadline.

Please include the following information in the body of your email or fax in the order shown:

1. Title of the solicitation in the subject line
2. Drawing and/or page number, if applicable
3. Specification section and/or page number, if applicable
4. Ask the question or provide the information
5. Provide a suggestion, if desired

VIII. BID OPENING AND CLARIFICATION MEETING

A. BID OPENING

No bids will be accepted after the date and time indicated on **Page 2**, at which time all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud via conference call: Call (563) 999-2272, use access code 603801.

Due to COVID-19, FWHS is closed to the public. Bidders can either mail or hand deliver their sealed bid packets to the Administration Building. If hand delivered, use the mail slot that is located on the left side of the main door. If Bidder chooses to mail their bid packet, **it must arrive by the specified date and time, regardless of the postmark date.** Failure to submit bid documents in the required quantity and properly executed may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and rejected by FWHS for further consideration.

B. CLARIFICATION (PRE-AWARD SURVEY) MEETING

FWHS reserves the right to conduct a Clarification (Pre-Award Survey) Meeting with the Bidder(s) prior to making an award, to determine if the Bidder(s) is(are) a responsible party(ies), as described and required by applicable law.

This Pre-Award Survey Meeting may include, but is not limited to the following:

1. A review of the Bidder's capacity to perform the terms and conditions of the contract;
2. A review of the Bidder's understanding of the Scope of Work, and confirmation of inclusion of the entire Scope of Work related to costs;
3. A discussion (and demonstration, if requested) of the Bidder's expertise in reading and interpreting the drawings and technical specifications included with this solicitation, if applicable;
4. Further breakdown of the costs and discussion of the required forms after contract award (**ex: Davis Bacon, Section 3, when applicable**);
5. Past performance on other FWHS and state/local government agency contracts;
6. Current employee depth and capabilities;
7. Financial records and resources/capabilities;
8. A visit to examine the Bidder's facilities and on-hand equipment, when applicable; and any other area or aspect of the Bidders integrity, operations and/or capability that will assist FWHS in making a determination of responsibility.

IX. AWARD

CONTRACT AWARD – SEALED BIDDING – CONSTRUCTION

- A. FWHS will review bids in response to this solicitation without discussions, and will award a contract to the responsible Bidder whose bid, responsive and conforming to the solicitation, provides best value and will be most advantageous to FWHS, considering the

Lump Sum Base Bid Total and the price-related factors specified elsewhere in the solicitation.

- B. FWHS may waive informalities or minor irregularities in bids received.
- C. FWHS may accept any item or combination of items, unless doing so is precluded by a restrictive limitation in the solicitation or the bid.
- D. FWHS may reject a bid as non-responsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or sub-line items, if applicable. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to FWHS even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.
- E. **FWHS reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to reissue or withdraw this Invitation for Bid in the event that competition is deemed inadequate or that it is otherwise deemed to be in the best interest of FWHS. In such instances, FWHS reserves the right to seek procurement by means of non-competitive negotiation.**
- F. No Awards may be made to a contractor or firm that is on the list of contractor's ineligible to receive awards from, FWHS or the United States, as furnished by HUD.

X. NOTICE TO PROCEED

Following execution of the Contract and the Contractor's delivery of all information and documents required by the contract documents and otherwise reasonably required by the Procurement Department, FWHS will issue a Notice to Proceed (NTP) to the Contractor, which will set forth the date(s) for the official commencement of the work described in this IFB and in the contract documents. Upon issuance of the NTP, FWHS will make the project location(s) available to the Contractor for the start of the required work.

XI. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

FWHS' obligation under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payments for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of FWHS for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer and/or designee for this contract and until the Contractor receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer and/or designee.

XII. SITE LOCATION

The selected Contractor(s) will complete the work for stair repairs at the Cambridge Court Apartments located at 8135 Calmont Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76116.

XIII. THE CONTRACTOR PRICE AND FEES

The fee charged by the Contractor will be a fixed fee price contract.

XIV. INVOICING AND PAYMENTS

All invoices shall be submitted directly to Accounts Payable at invoices@fwhs.org for approval prior to any payment being made. Invoices will be netted in no more than (30) thirty calendar days from receipt and approval. Invoices may be submitted monthly, and shall provide a service date, type of work performed, property name, property address. Invoices shall be submitted on the Contractor's own invoice and shall be paid within thirty (30) days after receipt of a properly executed and approved invoice in the Accounting Department, **SUBMITTED PAYMENTS MUST BE APPROVED BY the Development & Asset Management Dept.'s** including but not limited to Davis Bacon documents, punch list, etc.

XV. TERM OF CONTRACT

This contract shall be for a period of **one hundred twenty (120) days or less**. Any request for a contract extension from the vendor shall be submitted in writing. Contractor shall not be compensated for any work that is not performed in accordance to the Scope of Work, listed in the IFB.

XVI. PERSONNEL

Contractor represents that the personnel described in their bid shall be available to perform the services described for the duration of the contract period, barring illness, accident or other unforeseeable events of a similar nature in which cases the Contractor must be able to provide a qualified replacement. Such representation shall be valid for a minimum of 90 calendar days after the bid due date and time. Furthermore, all personnel shall be considered to be, at all times, the sole employees of the Contractor under its sole direction, and not employees or agents of FWHS.

XVII. UNAUTHORIZED COMMUNICATIONS

To protect the integrity of the procurement process, **FWHS requires all communications regarding this solicitation be directed to the Procurement Department Only** by either phone, e-mail or fax number as listed in solicitation. No officer, employee, agent or representative of the Bidder shall have any contact or discussion directly or indirectly through others to seek influence on any FWHS Board member, and/or employee during this solicitation process. Any violation of this prohibition may result in Bidder being disqualified from the procurement process. Any oral communications are considered unofficial and non-binding with regard to this solicitation.

XVIII. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, INDEMNITY & SECTION 3

A. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Bidder warrants that to the best of his/her knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, he/she does not have any organizational conflict of interest. Conflict of interest is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and the Bidder's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:

1. Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or

2. The Bidder's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired. In the event the Bidder has an organizational conflict of interest as defined herein, the Bidder shall disclose such conflict of interest fully in the submission.
3. The Bidder 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 President which shall include a description of the action which the Bidder has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. FWHS may, however, terminate the contract if it is in its best interest.
4. In the event the Bidder was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the President, FWHS may terminate the contract for default.
5. The provisions 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 Bidder. The Bidder shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.
6. No member of the FWHS Board of Commissioners shall be allowed to share any or part of this contract or to derive any benefit to arise there from. This provision shall be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.
7. Any FWHS official or employee who exercises or has exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to any FWHS contract/ procurement activities, or who is in a position to participate in the decision-making process or gain inside information with regards to any FWHS contract/procurement activities, obtain a financial or economic interest or benefit from the contract/ procurement, or have an interest in any contract or subcontract, or agreement with respect thereto or the proceeds there under, either for himself or herself or for those with whom he or she has family or business ties, during his or her tenure with the FWHS or for one year after such individual leaves FWHS.
8. FWHS reserves total discretion to determine the proper treatment of any conflict of interest disclosed under this provision.

B. INDEMNITY

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless FWHS for any and all claims, lawsuits, causes of action and liability arising out of the execution, performance or nonperformance of this Agreement or in connection with the Contractor use of FWHS premises. The costs of any actions stated herein will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

C. SECTION 3

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 HUDs regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implement Section 3.

XIX. ATTACHMENT 1 - BID SUBMISSION SHEET

TO: **FORT WORTH HOUSING SOLUTIONS**

- The undersigned, has familiarized themselves with the local conditions affecting the cost of the work and with the written scope of work, hereby propose to replace the stair tower at the Cambridge Court Apartments, located at 8135 Calmont Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76116, as required for the sum of:

OLD IRON REMOVAL	
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
Demolition & Haul Away	\$ _____
Labor	\$ _____

NEW INSTALLATION	
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
Sandblast Stair Tower	\$ _____
Catwalk Repair	\$ _____
Rust Oleum Paint or approved equal	\$ _____
Replace metal Brackets	\$ _____

FIRM FIXED COST \$ _____

NOTE: This contract shall be awarded on the lowest responsive and responsible bidder conforming to the solicitation that will be most advantageous to FWHS, considering only price and price related factors specified in the IFB. FWHS reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

- The undersigned certifies that this bid is genuine and the Contractor has not entered into any collusion with any person in respect to this bid or any other bid or the submitting of bids for the contract for which this bid is submitted.

NAME OF BIDDER

Company Name (Printed) _____

Representative's Name (Printed) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____

Fax _____

E-Mail _____

Signature _____

If this bid is submitted by a joint venture, each business shall provide the information requested below AND a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement must be included with your bid. Failure to provide the Joint Venture Agreement shall result in the Entire Bid Package being deemed non-responsive. A copy of this **Last Page** must be submitted and each page must bear an original signature.

By signing this Page and submitting this bid, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees to the following: (1) that it has reviewed the Contract Documents and understands and agrees to the terms and conditions contained therein; (2) that this bid, and the prices contained herein, shall remain firm if accepted by FWHS within ninety (90) calendar days of the date of the bid opening; (3) that the Contractor shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the Contract; and (4) that the Contractor shall perform the Work for the total amount of compensation within the time frame specified on Page 11 based upon the Contractor's bid contained herein, as entered below on Page 15 by the FWHS' Contracting Officer and/or designee, provided that the bid is accepted by FWHS and this Contract Document is executed by FWHS's Contracting Officer and/or designee.

Under penalties of perjury as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this bid are true and correct.

(Affix Corp. Seal)

If a Corporate Seal is not affixed, this document must be notarized. If neither is done, this entire bid shall be considered Non-Responsive and rejected.

(Business/Contractor's Name)

By: _____
(Signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this ___ day of _____, 20__

(Printed or Typed Name)

My Commission Expires:

Title: _____
(If a Corporation, President, Vice President, Partnership, Partner or other Officer should sign, evidence of authority must be submitted.)

(Notary Public)

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Taxpayer ID. No.: _____

Telephone No.: () _____ Fax No.: () _____

Email: _____ Date Signed by Contractor: _____

Contract Award

(Vendor)

(Contract No.)

Fort Worth Housing Solutions does hereby accept the Contractor's offer, bid and proposal as set forth in these Specifications for Bid pages, in the amount of _____ (\$ _____) subject to the terms, conditions and requirements contained in the "Contract Documents".

The Contractor agrees not to perform and waives any and all claims of payment for work which would result in billings beyond this amount without a prior written amendment to the Contract authorizing said additional work. The Contractor recognizes an affirmative duty to monitor its performance and billings to insure that the scope of work is completed within this firm-fixed contract price.

The Term of this Contract is _____

The "Notice to Proceed" will be issued as a separate document upon submission of all required documents.

FORT WORTH HOUSING SOLUTIONS

By: _____
Signature

Title: **Designee**
Fort Worth Housing Solutions
1201 E. 13th Street
Fort Worth, TX 76102

Date Signed: _____

XX. EXHIBIT A- DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

All documents, including this checklist, must be completed in full and included within the **sealed bid** or the package may be considered as a non-responsive submittal.

<u>Document Checklist</u>	<u>Initial if Included</u>
1. Addendum/Addenda Acknowledgment Receipt (If Applicable)	_____
2. Attachment 1 - Bid Submission Sheet	_____
3. Business References	_____
4. Conflict of Interest Questionnaire	_____
5. Document Checklist	_____
6. Equal Employment Opportunity	_____
7. HUD Form 5369-A	_____
8. Insurance Certificate (Proof)	_____
9. M/WBE Guidelines	_____
10. Notary Public (Page 15)	_____
11. Non-Collusive Affidavit (Notarized)	_____
12. Profile of Firm	_____
13. Section 3 Forms	_____
14. W-9	_____

I understand that failure to submit all these items may cause my submittal to be considered non-responsive.

Name _____

Title _____

Company _____

XXI. EXHIBIT B - HUD FORMS

- a) Instructions to Bidder for Contracts (HUD-5369)
- b) Representations, Certifications and Other Statements for Bidders-Construction (HUD 5369-A)
- c) General Contract Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts (HUD 5370-EZ)

**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)

General Contract Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing
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See Page 7 for Burden Statement

Applicability. The following contract clauses are applicable and must be inserted into **small construction/development contracts, greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$150,000.**

1. Definitions

Terms used in this form are the same as defined in form HUD-5370

2. Prohibition Against Liens

The Contractor is prohibited from placing a lien on the PHA's property. This prohibition shall apply to all subcontractors at any tier and all materials suppliers. The only liens on the PHA's property shall be the Declaration of Trust or other liens approved by HUD.

3. Disputes

- (a) Except for disputes arising under the **Labor Standards** clauses, all disputes arising under or relating to this contract, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach thereof which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause.
- (b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the Contracting Officer for a written decision. A claim by the PHA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the Contracting Officer.
- (c) The Contracting Officer shall, within 30 days after receipt of the request, decide the claim or notify the Contractor of the date by which the decision will be made.
- (d) The Contracting Officer's decision shall be final unless the Contractor (1) appeals in writing to a higher level in the PHA in accordance with the PHA's policy and procedures, (2) refers the appeal to an independent mediator or arbitrator, or (3) files suit in a court of competent jurisdiction. Such appeal must be made within 30 days after receipt of the Contracting Officer's decision.
- (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 or relating to the contract, and comply with any decision of the Contracting Officer.

4. Default

- (a) If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work, or any separable part thereof, with the diligence that will insure its completion within the time specified in this contract, or any extension thereof, or fails to complete said work within this time, the Contracting Officer may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the right to proceed with the work (or separable part of the work) that has been delayed. In the event, the PHA may take over the work and complete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, equipment, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. The Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the PHA resulting from the Contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within the specified time, whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the PHA in completing the work.

- (b) The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated or the Contractor charged with damages under this clause if –
 - (1) The delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor; and
 - (2) The Contractor, within 10 days from the beginning of such delay notifies the Contracting Officer in writing of the causes of delay. The Contracting Officer shall ascertain the facts and the extent of the delay. If, in the judgment of the Contracting Officer, the findings of Fact warrant such action, time for completing the work shall be extended by written modification to the contract. The findings of the Contracting Officer shall be reduced to a written decision which shall be subject to the provisions of the **Disputes** clause of this contract.
- (c) If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligation of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been for convenience of the PHA.

5. Termination for Convenience

- (a) The Contracting Officer may terminate this contract in whole, or in part, whenever the Contracting Officer determines that such termination is in the best interest of the PHA. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which the performance of the work under the contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
- (b) If the performance of the work is terminated, either in whole or in part, the PHA shall be liable to the Contractor for reasonable and proper costs resulting from such termination upon the receipt by the PHA of a properly presented claim setting out in detail: (1) the total cost of the work performed to date of termination less the total amount of contract payments made to the Contractor; (2) the cost (including reasonable profit) of settling and paying claims under subcontracts and material orders for work performed and materials and supplies delivered to the site, payment for which has not been made by the PHA to the Contractor or by the Contractor to the subcontractor or supplier; (3) the cost of preserving and protecting the work already performed until the PHA or assignee takes possession thereof or assumes responsibility therefore; (4) the actual or estimated cost of legal and accounting services reasonably necessary to prepare and present the termination claim to the PHA; and (5) an amount constituting a reasonable profit on the value of the work performed by the Contractor.
- (c) The Contracting Officer will act on the Contractor's claim within days (60 days unless otherwise indicated) of receipt of the Contractor's claim.
- (d) Any disputes with regard to this clause are expressly made subject to the provisions of the Disputes clause of this contract.

6. Insurance

- (a) Before commencing work, the Contractor and each subcontractor shall furnish the PHA with certificates of insurance showing the following insurance is in force and will insure all operations under the Contract:

(1) Workers' Compensation, in accordance with state or Territorial Workers' Compensation laws.

(2) Commercial General Liability with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of not less than \$ _____ [Contracting Officer insert amount] per occurrence to protect the Contractor and each subcontractor against claims for bodily injury or death and damage to the property of others. This shall cover the use of all equipment, hoists, and vehicles on the site(s) not covered by Automobile Liability under (3) below. If the Contractor has a "claims-made" policy, then the following additional requirements apply: the policy must provide a "retroactive date" which must be on or before the execution date of the Contract; and the extended reporting period may not be less than five years following the completion date of the Contract.

(3) Automobile Liability on owned and non-owned motor vehicles used on the site(s) or in connection therewith for a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of not less than \$ _____ [Contracting Officer insert amount] per occurrence.

(b) Before commencing work, the Contractor shall furnish the PHA with a certificate of insurance evidencing that Builder's Risk (fire and extended coverage) Insurance on all work in place and/or materials stored at the building site(s), including foundations and building equipment, is in force. The Builder's Risk Insurance shall be for the benefit of the Contractor and the PHA as their interests may appear and each shall be named in the policy or policies as an insured. The Contractor in installing equipment supplied by the PHA shall carry insurance on such equipment from the time the Contractor takes possession thereof until the Contract work is accepted by the PHA. The Builder's Risk Insurance need not be carried on excavations, piers, footings, or foundations until such time as work on the superstructure is started. It need not be carried on landscape work. Policies shall furnish coverage at all times for the full cash value of all completed construction, as well as materials in place and/or stored at the site(s), whether or not partial payment has been made by the PHA. The Contractor may terminate this insurance on buildings as of the date taken over for occupancy by the PHA. The Contractor is not required to carry Builder's Risk Insurance for modernization work which does not involve structural alterations or additions and where the PHA's existing fire and extended coverage policy can be endorsed to include such work.

(c) All insurance shall be carried with companies which are financially responsible and admitted to do business in the State in which the project is located. If any such insurance is due to expire during the construction period, the Contractor (including subcontractors, as applicable) shall not permit the coverage to lapse and shall furnish evidence of coverage to the Contracting Officer. All certificates of insurance, as evidence of coverage, shall provide that no coverage may be canceled or non-renewed by the insurance company until at least 30 days prior written notice has been given to the Contracting Officer.

7. Contract Modifications

(a) Only the Contracting Officer has authority to modify any term or condition of this contract. Any contract modification shall be authorized in writing.

(b) The Contracting Officer may modify the contract unilaterally (1) pursuant to a specific authorization stated in a contract clause (e.g., Changes); or (2) for administrative matters which

do not change the rights or responsibilities of the parties (e.g., change in the PHA address). All other contract modifications shall be in the form of supplemental agreements signed by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer.

(c) When a proposed modification requires the approval of HUD prior to its issuance (e.g., a change order that exceeds the PHA's approved threshold), such modification shall not be effective until the required approval is received by the PHA.

8. Changes

(a) The Contracting Officer may, at any time, without notice to the sureties, by written order designated or indicated to be a change order, make changes in the work within the general scope of the contract including changes:

- (1) In the specifications (including drawings and designs);
- (2) In the method or manner of performance of the work;
- (3) PHA-furnished facilities, equipment, materials, services, or site; or,
- (4) Directing the acceleration in the performance of the work.

(b) Any other written order or oral order (which, as used in this paragraph (b), includes direction, instruction, interpretation, or determination) from the Contracting Officer that causes a change shall be treated as a change order under this clause; provided, that the Contractor gives the Contracting Officer written notice stating (1) the date, circumstances and source of the order and (2) that the Contractor regards the order as a change order.

(c) Except as provided in this clause, no order, statement or conduct of the Contracting Officer shall be treated as a change under this clause or entitle the Contractor to an equitable adjustment.

(d) If any change under this clause causes an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for the performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by any such order, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment and modify the contract in writing. However, except for a adjustment based on defective specifications, no proposal for any change under paragraph (b) above shall be allowed for any costs incurred more than 20 days (5 days for oral orders) before the Contractor gives written notice as required. In the case of defective specifications for which the PHA is responsible, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased cost reasonably incurred by the Contractor in attempting to comply with the defective specifications.

(e) The Contractor must assert its right to an adjustment under this clause within 30 days after (1) receipt of a written change order under paragraph (a) of this clause, or (2) the furnishing of a written notice under paragraph (b) of this clause, by submitting a written statement describing the general nature and the amount of the proposal. If the facts justify it, the Contracting Officer may extend the period for submission. The proposal may be included in the notice required under paragraph (b) above. No proposal by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if asserted after final payment under this contract.

(f) The Contractor's written proposal for equitable adjustment shall be submitted in the form of a lump sum proposal supported with an itemized breakdown of all increases and decreases in the contract in at least the following details:

- (1) Direct Costs. Materials (list individual items, the quantity and unit cost of each, and the aggregate cost); Transportation and delivery costs associated with materials; Labor

breakdowns by hours or unit costs (identified with specific work to be performed); Construction equipment exclusively necessary for the change; Costs of preparation and/ or revision to shop drawings resulting from the change; Worker's Compensation and Public Liability Insurance; Employment taxes under FICA and FUTA; and, Bond Costs - when size of change warrants revision.

- (2) Indirect Costs. Indirect costs may include overhead, general and administrative expenses, and fringe benefits not normally treated as direct costs.
- (3) Profit. The amount of profit shall be negotiated and may vary according to the nature, extent, and complexity of the work required by the change.

The allowability of the direct and indirect costs shall be determined in accordance with the Contract Cost Principles and Procedures for Commercial Firms in Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 1-31), as implemented by HUD Handbook 2210.18, in effect on the date of this contract. The Contractor shall not be allowed a profit on the profit received by any subcontractor. Equitable adjustments for deleted work shall include a credit for profit and may include a credit for indirect costs. On proposals covering both increases and decreases in the amount of the contract, the application of indirect costs and profit shall be on the net-change in direct costs for the Contractor or subcontractor performing the work.

- (g) The Contractor shall include in the proposal its request for time extension (if any), and shall include sufficient information and dates to demonstrate whether and to what extent the change will delay the completion of the contract in its entirety.
- (h) The Contracting Officer shall act on proposals within 30 days after their receipt, or notify the Contractor of the date when such action will be taken.
- (i) Failure to reach an agreement on any proposal shall be a dispute under the clause entitled Disputes herein. Nothing in this clause, however, shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.
- (j) Except in an emergency endangering life or property, no change shall be made by the Contractor without a prior order from the Contracting Officer.

9. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

The HA, HUD, or Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until three 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.

10. Rights in Data and Patent Rights (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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. 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

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- 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.

14. Labor Standards - Davis-Bacon and Related Acts

(a) Minimum Wages.

(1) All laborers and mechanics employed under this contract in the construction or development of the project(s) involved will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR Part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the Contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under Section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv); also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the regular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits in the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein; provided, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in

a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

- (2) (i) Any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefor only when all the following criteria have been met:
 - (a) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
 - (b) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
 - (c) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (ii) If the Contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and HUD or its designee agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action shall be sent by HUD or its designee to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employee Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (iii) In the event the Contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and HUD or its designee do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), HUD or its designee shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of HUD or its designee, to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise HUD or its designee or will notify HUD or its designee within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (iv) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to subparagraphs (a)(2)(ii) or (iii) of this clause 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.
- (3) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the Contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.
- (4) If the Contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the Contractor may consider as part

of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program; *provided*, that the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the Contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the Contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

(b) **Withholding of Funds.** HUD or its designee shall, upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime Contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working in the construction or development of the project, all or part of the wages required by the contract, 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 until such violations have ceased. HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the Contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for and on account of the Contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due.

(c) **Payrolls and Basic Records.**

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

the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

- (2) (i) The Contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the Contracting Officer for transmission to HUD or its designee. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under subparagraph (c)(1) of this clause. This information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 (Federal Stock Number 029-005-00014-1) is available for this purpose and may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. The prime Contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 1214-0149.)
- (ii) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:
- (A) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be maintained under paragraph (c)(1) of this clause and that such information is correct and complete;
- (B) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in 29 CFR Part 3; and
- (C) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.
- (iii) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirements for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by subparagraph (c)(2)(ii) of this clause.
- (iv) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the Contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 3729 of Title 31 of the United States Code.
- (3) The Contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under subparagraph (c)(1) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or its designee, the Contracting Officer, or the Department of Labor and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

- (d) Apprentices. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services (OATELS), or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by OATELS, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by OATELS or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.
- The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the Contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated in this paragraph, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the Contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event OATELS, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by OATELS, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

- (e) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate

specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed in the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate in the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate in the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate in the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

- (f) Equal Employment Opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees, and journeymen under this clause shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 30.
- (g) Compliance with Copeland Act Requirements. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3, which are hereby incorporated by reference in this contract.
- (h) Contract Termination; Debarment. A breach of the labor standards clauses in this contract may be grounds for termination of the contract and for debarment as a Contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.
- (i) Compliance with Davis-Bacon and related Act Requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and related Acts contained in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.
- (j) Disputes Concerning Labor Standards. Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this clause shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the PHA, HUD, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.
- (k) Certification of Eligibility.
- (1) By entering into this contract, the Contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the Contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
 - (2) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a United States Government

contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

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

(l) Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts all the provisions contained in this clause, and such other clauses as HUD or its designee may by appropriate instructions require, 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 these provisions.

(m) 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 exceeds:

- (i) the applicable wage rate determined by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141 et seq.) to be prevailing in the locality with respect to such trade;
- (ii) an applicable apprentice wage rate based thereon specified in an apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) or a DOL-recognized State Apprenticeship Agency; or
- (iii) an applicable trainee wage rate based thereon specified in a DOL-certified trainee program.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour. This includes the time for collecting, reviewing, and reporting the data. The information requested is required to obtain a benefit. This form includes those clauses required by OMB's common rule on grantee procurement, implemented at HUD in 2 CFR 200, and those requirements set forth in Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 and its amendment by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, implemented by HUD at 24 CFR Part 135. The form is required for construction contracts awarded by Public Housing Agencies (PHAs). The form is used by Housing Authorities in so licitations to provide necessary contract clauses. If the form were not used, PHAs would be unable to enforce their contracts.. There are no assurances of confidentiality. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and an applicant is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

XXII. EXHIBIT C - FWHS FORMS

- a) Business References
- b) Non-Collusive Affidavit
- c) Conflict of Interest Questionnaire
- d) Profile of Firm
- e) Section 3 Guidelines/Forms
- f) M/WBE Guidelines
- g) Equal Employment Opportunity
- h) Sample Certificate of Insurance
- i) W-9

BUSINESS REFERENCES

Please provide a minimum of three (3) references and a brief description of the business relationship. Additional pages may be used, if necessary.

Company Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
Description: _____

Company Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
Description: _____

Company Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
Description: _____

**FORM OF NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT
(PRIME BIDDER)**

State of _____

County _____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he/she is _____, the party making the foregoing proposal or bid, and attests to the following:

- (1) That affiant employed no person, confirmation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction of the public building or project in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and
- (2) That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid to any person, corporation, firm, association or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.
- (3) That such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or 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 try to refrain from bidding, and has not in any manner directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the bid price of Affiant or of any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of said bid price, or of that of any other Bidder, or to secure any advantage against the Housing Authority or any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature*

*Bidder if the Bidder is an individual; all partners if Bidder is a partnership; officer if the Bidder is a corporation.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____, 20_____

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE FORM CIQ

For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session.

OFFICE USE ONLY
Date Received

This questionnaire is being in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.00 (1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006 (a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the record administrator of the local Governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code.

A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

1. Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2. Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an update completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)

3. Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.

Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001 (1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?

Yes No

B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes No

C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the Local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?

Yes No

D. Describe each employment relationship with the local government officer named in this section.

4.

Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity

Date

Note: A completed Profile of Firm Form must be submitted for each subcontractor.

Proposed Subcontractors					
Item	Company Name	Address	Phone	Specialty	W/M/BE
1					
2					
3					
4					
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6					
7					
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I understand and agree that if awarded a contract as a result of this solicitation that the use of the above subcontractors is subject to the approval of FWHS and becomes a part of the contract. I further understand that any change in subcontractors also requires the pre-approval of FWHS.			_____ (Signature) _____ (Printed Name & Title)		

Note: A completed Profile of Firm Form must be submitted for each subcontractor

PROFILE OF FIRM FORM (Page 1 of 2)

(This Form must be fully completed by all Proposers and Subcontractors)

(1) Prime ___ Joint Venture/Partner ___ Sub-contractor ___ (This form shall be completed by and for each).

(2) Name of Firm: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

(3) Street Address, City, State, Zip: _____

(4) Identify Principals/Partners in Firm

NAME	TITLE	% OF OWNERSHIP

(5) Please indicate the operating structure of your company.

- Publicly Held Corporation
 Privately Held Corporation
 Government Agency
 Non-Profit Organization
 Partnership
 Sole Proprietorship

(6) Respondent's Diversity Statement: You must check all of the following that apply to the ownership of this firm and enter where provided the correct percentage (%) of ownership of each:

Minority- (MBE), or Woman-Owned (WBE) Business Enterprises qualify by virtue of 51% or more Ownership and active management by one or more of the following:

- African American
 **Native American
 Hispanic American
 Asian/Pacific American
 Hasidic Jew
 Asian/Indian American
- _____%
 _____%
 _____%
 _____%
 _____%
 _____%

- Woman-Owned (MBE)
 Woman-Owned (Caucasian)
 Disabled Veteran
 Caucasian American (Male)
 Other (Specify):

(7) Is the business 51% or more owned by a public housing resident? ___ Yes ___ No. If yes, provide name and address of the public housing facility:

Facility Name: _____

Facility Address: _____ City: _____

SWMBE Certification Number: _____

Certification Agency: _____

(Note: A CERTIFICATION/NUMBER IS NOT REQUIRED – ENTER IF AVAILABLE)

PROFILE OF FIRM FORM (Page 2 of 2)

(Form must be completed, 9-10 if applicable)

(8) Federal Tax ID Number: _____

(9) City of Fort Worth Business License No: _____

(10) State of Texas License Type and No: _____

(11) Has your firm or any member of your firm been a party to litigation with a public entity? If yes, when, with whom and state the circumstances and any resolution.

Yes No

(12) Has your firm or any member of your firm ever sued or been sued by the Fort Worth Housing Solutions or its affiliated entities? If yes, when and state the circumstances and any resolution of the lawsuit.

Yes No

(13) Has your firm or any member of your firm ever had a claim brought against because of breach of contract or Non-performance? If yes, when and state the circumstances and any resolution of the matter.

Yes No

(14) Debarred Statement: Has this firm, or any principal(s) ever been debarred from providing any services by the Federal Government, any state government, the State of Texas, or any local Government agency within or without the State of Texas? If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances and current status.

Yes No

(15) Disclosure Statement: Does this firm or any principals thereof have any current, past, personal or Professional relationship with any Commissioner or Officer of FWHA? If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances and current status.

Yes No

(16) Verification Statement: The undersigned Offeror hereby states that by completing and submitting this form he/she is verifying that all information provided herein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, true and accurate, and agrees that if the FWHS discovers that any information entered herein is false, that shall entitle the FWHS to not consider nor make award or to cancel any award with the undersigned party.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Company

Purpose:

The purpose of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) (Section 3) is to ensure that employment and other economic and business opportunities generated by HUD Financial Assistance shall be directed to Fort Worth Housing Solutions (FWHS) Residents and other low- and very low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government housing assistance and to business concerns which provide economic opportunities to FWHS Residents and other low- and very low-income persons.

General Policy Statement:

It is the declared policy of the Fort Worth Housing Solutions (FWHS) that Equal Employment Opportunities shall be provided for every employee and applicant for employment regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, or economic status; and, that through the award of contracts to contractors, vendors, and suppliers, that employment and business opportunities be created for residents of FWHS properties and other qualified low- and very low income persons residing within the geographical boundaries of City of Fort Worth. This policy does not end with the mere prohibition of discriminatory practices by programs receiving HUD financial assistance or contractors, subcontractors, and vendors contracting with FWHS. FWHS recognizes its obligation as well as the obligation of potential contractors, subcontractors, to develop practical steps to achieve the goals of providing meaningful, full time employment opportunity, as well as business opportunities to FWHS residents and other Section 3 eligible persons.

Such obligation shall be demonstrated not merely through inclusion of positive or "best effort" steps, but shall result in a reasonable level of success in the recruitment, employment, and utilization of FWHS Residents and other Section 3 eligible persons and businesses in the workforce and subcontracting of work resulting out of the expenditure of HUD funding. The FWHS's Contracting Officer, through official resolution, shall examine and consider a contractor/vendor's success in providing employment and business opportunities to FWHS Residents prior to acting on any proposed contract award.

Numerical Goals for Section 3 Compliance:

Section 3 is a federal statute that expressly encourages , to the maximum extent feasible. To that end, FWHS has adopted the following numerical goals for meeting the greatest extent feasible requirement to provide economic opportunities to section 3 Residents and Section 3 Business Concerns in the procurement and awarding of modernization-funded construction, maintenance and professional services contracts:

NUMERICAL GOALS FOR SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE

Areas of Focus (Applies to all contracts)	Numerical Goal
Contractor and Sub-Contractor Hiring (full-time, part-time, temporary, Seasonal) applies to construction and maintenance service contracts.	10%
Contract Awards (applies to Construction contracts).	10%
All other Contracts Awards (i.e., services, and professional services).	3%
These goals apply to all Contractors as well as any Tier Sub-contractor	

Recipients and Contractors may demonstrate compliance with the "greatest extent feasible" requirement of Section 3 by meeting the numerical goals set forth in this Section 3 Program for providing training, employment, and contracting opportunities to Section 3 Residents and Section 3 Business Concerns. Efforts to employ Section 3 Residents to the greatest extent feasible should be made at all job levels.

FWHS in its own operations, shall endeavor to achieve the goals of Section 3 and shall provide equal responsibility to its contractors, vendors and suppliers to implement progressive efforts to also attain compliance. In doing so, FWHS shall evaluate contractors' compliance towards achieving the goals of Section 3 and ensure a system of Leveling sanctions against contractor, vendor or supplier for non-compliance.

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The numerical goals established above represent minimum numerical targets and all prospective contractors shall be advised and encouraged to seek Section 3 participation to the greatest extent feasible. Any contractor that meets the minimum numerical goals set forth above will be considered to have complied with the Section 3 requirements. Any contractor that does not meet the numerical goals set forth above has the burden of demonstrating why it was not feasible to meet the numerical goals. In the event no competing contractors were successful in meeting the minimum goals set forth above, FWHS shall consider documentation provided by the contractor evidencing impediments encountered despite actions taken to comply with the Section 3 requirements. Such evidence shall be subject to the satisfaction of FWHS.

All contractors submitting bids/proposals to the Housing Authority shall be required to complete certifications, as appropriate, as acknowledgement of the Section 3 contracting and employment provisions as required by this selection. Such certifications shall be supported with adequate evidence to support representations made. The certifications required to be submitted with the bid/proposal consist of the following:

- h. Certification for business concerns seeking Section 3 preference.
- e. Contractor certification of efforts to fully comply with Employment and training provisions of Section 3.

Prior to the award of any contract, the contractor shall enter into negotiations with FWHS for the purpose of incorporating into the contract a provision, to the greatest extent possible, hiring of Public Housing residents or other Section 3 residents to be trained or employed on the contract. Such resulting provision shall obligate the contractor toward the greatest extent possible, achieving the numerical goals listed above and shall be based on a detailed workforce analysis to be compiled by the contractor and submitted to FWHS prior to award of contract

Definitions:

Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) means the contract under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (1937 Act) between HUD and the PHA, or between HUD and the IHA that contains the terms and conditions under which HUD assist the PHA or IHA in providing decent, safe, and sanitary housing for low-income families. The ACC must be in the form prescribed by HUD under which HUD agrees to provide assistance in the deployment, modernization, and/or operation, of a low-income housing project under the 1937 Act, and the PHA or IHA agrees to develop, modernize and operate the project in compliance with all provisions of the ACC and the 1937 Act, and all HUD

regulations and implementing requirements and procedures.

Applicant means any entity which makes an application for Section 3 covered assistance, and includes, but is not limited to, and State, unit of local government, public housing agency, Indian housing authority, Indian tribe, or other public body, public or private nonprofit organization, private agency or institution, mortgagor, developer, limited dividend sponsor, builder, property manager, community housing development organization (CHDO), resident manage corporation, resident council, or cooperative association.

Contractor means any entity which contract to perform work generated by the expenditure of Section 3 covered assistance, or for work in connection with a Section 3 covered project.

Department or HUD means the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including its field offices to which authority has been delegated to perform functions under this part.

Employment opportunities generated by Section 3 covered assistance means all employment opportunities generated by the expenditure of Section 3 covered public and Indian housing Assistance (i.e., operating assistance, development assistance and modernization assistance, as described in § 135.3 (a) (1)).

Housing development means low-income housing owned, developed, or operated by public housing agencies or Indian housing authorities in accordance with HUD's public and Indian housing program regulations codified in 24 CFR Chapter IX.

HUD Youth build programs means programs that receive assistance under subtitle D of Title IV of the National Affordable Housing Act, as amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 12699), and provide disadvantaged youth with opportunities of employment, education, leadership development, and training in the construction or rehabilitation of housing for homeless individuals and members of low- and very low-income families.

TPA means the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1579(a)).

Metropolitan area means a metropolitan statistical area (MSA), as established by the Office of Management and Budget.

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New hires mean full-time employees for permanent, temporary or seasonal employment opportunities.

Other HUD programs means HUD programs, other than HUD public and Indian housing programs, that provide housing and community development assistance for “section 3 covered projects,” as defined in this section.

Public housing resident has the meaning given this term in 24CFR part 963.

Recipient means any entity, which receives section 3 covered assistance, directly from HUD or from another recipient and includes, but is not limited to, any State, unit of local government, PHA, IHA, Indian tribe, or other public body, public or private nonprofit organization, private agency or institution, mortgagor, developer, limited dividend sponsor, builder, property manager, community housing development organization, resident management corporation resident council, or cooperative association.

Section 3 means section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701 u).

Section 3-business concern means a business concern, as defined in this section:

- 1) That is 51 percent or more owned by section 3 residents; or
- 2) Whose permanent, full-time employees include persons, at least 30 percent of whom are currently section 3 residents; or within three years of the date of first employment with the business concern were section 3 residents or;
- 3) That provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract in excess of 25 percent of the dollar award of all subcontracts to be awarded to business concerns that meet the qualifications set forth in paragraphs (1) or (2) in this definition of “section 3 business concern.”

Section 3 covered assistance means:

- 1) Public and Indian Housing development assistance provided pursuant to section 5 of the 1937 Act;
- 2) Public and Indian housing operating assistance provided pursuant to section 9 of the 1937 Act.
- 3) Public and Indian housing modernization assistance provided pursuant to section 14 of the 1937 Act.

Section 3 covered contract means a contract or subcontract (including a professional service contract) awarded by a recipient or contractor for work generated by the expenditure of section 3 covered assistance, or for work arising in connection with section 3-covered project.

Section 3-covered project means the construction, reconstruction, conversion, rehabilitation of housing (including reduction and abatement of lead-based paint hazards), other public construction which includes buildings, maintenance or improvements (regardless of ownership) assisted with housing or community development assistance.

Section 3 resident means:

- 1) A public housing resident; or
- 2) An individual who resides in the metropolitan area or non-metropolitan county in which the section 3 covered assistance is expended, and who is:
 - I. A low-income person, as this term is defined in section 3(b)(2) of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437 a (b)(2)). Section 3(b)2 of the 1937 Act defines this term to mean families (including single persons) whose incomes do not exceed 80% of the median family income for the area, as determined by the Secretary, with adjustments for smaller and larger families, except that the Secretary may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 80% of the median for the area on the basis of the Secretary’s findings that such variations are necessary because of prevailing levels of construction cost or unusually high low-income families; or
 - II. A very low-income person, as this term is defined in section 3(b)(2) OF THE 1937 ACT (42 U.S.C. 1437 a (b)(2) defines this term to mean families (including single persons) whose incomes do not exceed 50% of the median family income for the area, as determined by the Secretary with adjustments made for smaller or larger families, except that the Secretary’s may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 50% of the median for the area on the basis of the Secretary’s findings that such variations are necessary because of unusually high low family incomes.

3. A person seeking the training and employment preference provided evidence by section 3 bears the responsibility of providing evidence (if requested) that the person eligible for the preference..

Service area means the geographical area in which the persons benefiting from the section 3-covered project reside.

Subcontractor means any entity (other than a person who is an employee of the contractor) which has a contract with a contractor to undertake a portion of the contractor’s obligation of the performance of work generated by the

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expenditure of section covered assistance, or arising in connection with a section 3 covered project.

Section 3 joint venture means an association of business concerns, one of which qualifies as a section 3 business concerns, formed by written joint venture agreement to engage in and carry out a specific business venture for which purpose the business concerns combine their efforts, resources, and skills for joint profit, but not necessarily on a continuing or permanent basis for conducting business generally, and for which the section 3 business concern:

- 1) Is responsible for a clearly defined portion of the work to be performed and holds management responsibilities in the joint venture; and
- 2) Performs at least 25% of the work and is contractually entitled to compensation proportionate to its work.

Preference for Section 3 Business Concerns (Contracting)

FWHS in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, requires contractors and sub-contractors (including professional service contracts) to direct their efforts towards awarding contracts to section 3 business concerns in the following order of priority and expend greatest extent feasible efforts to achieve, at minimum, the numerical goals established in this section:

- **1st Priority – Category 1 Section 3 Businesses**

Business concerns that are 51% or more owned by residents of the housing development(s) for which work is performed, or whose full-time, permanent workforce includes 30% of these persons as employees.

- **2nd Priority – Category 2 Section 3 Businesses**

Business concerns that are 51% or more owned by residents of other Fort Worth Housing Solutions Public Housing developments other than the development(s) where the work is performed or whose full-time permanent workforce includes 30% of these person(s) as employees.

- **3rd Priority – Category 3 Section 3 Businesses**

Business Concerns that are designated HUD Youth-Build programs being carried out in the City of Fort Worth.

- **4th Priority – Category 4 Section 3 Businesses**

Business concerns that are 51% or more owned by a section 3 resident(s) or whose permanent, full-time workforce includes no less than 30% Section 3 residents (category 4 businesses), or that subcontract in excess of 25% of the total amount of sub-contracts to Section 3 business concerns.

A section 3-business concern seeking a contract for a subcontract shall submit evidence to FWHS, if requested,

sufficient to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer that the business concern is responsible and has the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. Federal Regulations at 2CFR200.317-326, concerning the ability of the contractor to perform successfully, requires consideration of the contractor’s record in complying with Public Policy requirements, technical capacity, financial capacity and integrity. Section 3 compliance is a matter of properly considered as part of this determination.

Preference in Award of Section 3 Contracts

Preference in the award of Section 3 contracts that are awarded under the sealed bid procurement process shall be provided in accordance with the following:

Sealed bids shall be solicited from all businesses (Section 3 business concerns, and non-Section 3 business concerns). An award will be made to the qualified Section 3 business concern with the highest priority ranking and with the lowest responsive bid, provided that bid is;

A. *Within the maximum total contract price established in the Authority’s budget for the project for which bids are being taken.*

And

B. *It is not more than “X” higher than the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any responsive bidder.*

“X” IS DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS

	“X” =Lesser of:
When the lowest responsive bid less than \$100,000	10% of that bid or \$9,000
WHEN THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE BID:	
At least \$100,000, but less than \$200,000	9% of that bid or \$16,000
At least \$200,000, but less than \$300,000	8% of that bid or \$21,000
At least \$300,000, but less than \$400,000	7% of that bid or \$24,000
At least \$400,000, but less than \$500,000	6% of that bid or \$25,000
At least \$500,000, but less than \$1 Million	5% of that bid or \$40,000
At least \$1 Million, but less than \$2 Million	4% of that bid or \$60,000
At least \$2 Million, but less than \$4 Million	3% of that bid or \$80,000
At least \$4 Million, but less than \$7 Million	2% of that bid or \$105,000
7 Million or more	1-1/2% of the lowest bid with no dollar limit

FORT WORTH HOUSING SOLUTIONS

Preference in the award of Section 3 contracts that are awarded under the competitive negotiation (qualification based) method of procurement shall be accomplished by providing an evaluation criteria specific to the Section 3 rule and assigning a value equivalent to not more than fifteen (15) percent of the total number of available rating points. Such Section 3 evaluation criteria shall be for the provision of the preference for Section 3 business concerns.

Preference for Section 3 Residents (Employment & Training)

FWHS, in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, requires contractors and sub-contractors (including professional service contracts) to direct their efforts toward providing training and employment opportunities to Section 3 residents in the following order of priority and expend greatest extent feasible efforts to achieve at minimum, the numerical goals established in this section:

- 1st Priority—Category 1 Section 3 Residents Residents of the development for which work is performed.
- 2nd Priority—Category 2 Section 3 Residents Residents of other Public Housing developments outside of the development(s) where the work is performed.
- 3rd Priority—Category 3 Section 3 Residents Residents of the City of Fort Worth who are participants in HUD Youth-build programs being carried out in the City.
- 4th Priority—Category 4 Section 3 residents Other Section 3 Residents.

Certification Procedure:

FWHS has its own program of self-certification for individuals and business concerns seeking recognition as a Section 3 resident or Section 3 business concern as defined in this Section 3 Program. Any Individual or business concern seeking Section 3 preferences in the awarding of the contracts or purchase agreements shall complete appropriate certification forms and provide adequate documentation as evidence of eligibility for preference under the Section 3 program. An individual or business concern may apply for certification as a Section 3 resident or Section 3 business concern either prior to bidding for FWHS work or during the actual bidding process. Any business concern that submits certification for preference after receipt of bid will not be considered eligible for Section 3 preference in the evaluation of that specific bid award. Certifications for Section 3 preference for business concerns must be received by FWHS prior to the submission of bids or along

with the bid Certification for eligibility as a Section 3 resident may be made at any time. Individuals or business concerns seeking to file for Section 3 preference shall contact:

A resident seeking preference in training and employment shall certify that he/she is a Section 3 resident by completing the appropriate certification form and attaching adequate proof of Section 3 eligibility.

A business concern seeking preference in the awarding of a contract or purchase shall certify that the business concern is a Section 3 business by completing the appropriate certification form and attaching adequate proof of Section 3 eligibility as required.

Protest Procedure:

FWHS desires to offer to concerned parties a procedure whereby complaints alleging non-compliance with the Section 3 Statute can receive prompt and equitable hearing and resolution. Protest surrounding FWHS's Section 3 program may be submitted in writing to the Section 3 Coordinator:

All complaints of non-compliance with the Section 3 Statue shall conform with the following requirements.

6. Complaints shall be filed in writing and shall contain the name, address, and phone number of the person filing the complaint, and a brief description of the alleged violation of the regulations.
 - Complaints shall be filed within thirty (30) calendar days after the complaint becomes aware of the alleged violation.
7. An investigation as may be appropriate, will follow the filing of a complaint. The investigation will be conducted by FWHS's Section 3 Coordinator. These rules contemplate informal, but thorough investigations, affording all interested persons and their representative, if any, an opportunity to submit testimony and/or evidence as may be available and relevant to the complaint.
- g. Written documentation as to the validity of the complaint and a description of the findings or resolution, if any, will be issued by the Section 3 Coordinator no later than thirty (30) days after the filing of a complaint.

In cases where concerned parties wish to have its complaint considered outside of FWHS, a complaint may Be filed with the Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., 20410. A complaint must be received no later than 180 days from the date of the action or omission upon which the complaints based, unless the time for filing is extended by the Assistant Secretary for good cause shown.

FWHS FORM S3-1
SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE PLAN

All FWHS Contractors for Section 3 covered contracts must submit this form.

Section 3 requires that, to the greatest extent feasible, employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD funds be directed to low-income residents, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and to business concerns which provide economic opportunities to low-income persons.

We provide the following Section 3 Compliance Plan to outline how we will meet the requirements of Section 3.

Part I: Current Status as a Section 3 Business Concern (select one)

We are a Section 3 business concern and are submitting [FWHS Form S3-2](#) and supporting documentation with our submission.

We are not a Section 3 business concern.

Part II: Subcontracting (select one)

We commit to subcontracting at least 10% of the total dollar amount of this contract (for building trade contracts), or 3% of the total dollar amount of this contract (for non-building trade contracts), to qualifying Section 3 business concerns. [FWHS Forms S3-3](#) is attached.

We do not intend to subcontract the minimum threshold percentage of 10% of the total dollar amount of this contract (for building trade contracts), or 3% of the total dollar amount of this contract (for non- building trade contracts), to qualifying Section 3 business concerns.

Part III: Hiring (select one)

We anticipate needing to hire new employees to complete this project and commit that 30% of the new hires will be Section 3 residents. Attached is [FWHS Form S3-4](#) outlining the specific hiring needs.

We anticipate needing to hire new employees to complete this project, but do not commit to hiring Section 3 residents. Attached is [FWHS Form S3-4](#) outlining our specific hiring needs.

We do not anticipate needing any new hires to complete this project.

Part IV: Efforts That Will be Taken to Satisfy the Section 3 Requirements

Review Section I of [Appendix to 24 CFR 135](#). Attach a narrative description outlining which, if any, of the “Example Efforts to Offer Training and Employment Opportunities to Section 3 Residents” will be used to achieve the Section 3 requirements. The narrative must include a description of how each committed action will be implemented (for example, if flyers will be posted, discuss where they will be posted, or if agencies will be contacted, outline which agencies will be contacted). FWHS is not accepting financial contributions to a Section 3 fund in lieu of efforts to comply with Section 3 requirements.

The undersigned company official does swear or affirm that the information on this form is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge and there is no willful intent to mislead or commit fraud.

Signature _____ Company _____

Date

**FWHS FORM S3-2
CERTIFICATION FOR SECTION 3 BUSINESS CONCERNS**

Name of Business (the "Company") _____

Address of Business _____

Type of Business: Corporation Partnership
(Select one) Sole Proprietorship Joint Venture

Select the Section 3 business concern type you are claiming (A, B, or C) and attach the required supporting documentation as follows:

A. Section 3 resident-owned enterprise (51 percent or more owned by Section 3 residents)

- I am a FWHS public housing or Section 8 HCV resident; or
Copy of evidence of participation in a public assistance program; or
- Other evidence:

Attach the following documentation for business entity type, as applicable:

- Copy of Articles of Incorporation
- Partnership Agreement
- Assumed Business Name Certificate
- List of owners/stockholders and percentage of ownership of each
- Additional documentation, as necessary

B. Section 3 status due to at least 30 percent of the Company's permanent, full-time employees are currently Section 3 residents, or were Section 3 eligible residents within 3 years of their date of first employment with the Company

- List of all current full-time employees denoting each employee's hire date, and whether they qualify for Section 3 status, via [FWHS Form S3-5](#), Existing Employee List. Note: the Company must maintain a copy of [FWHS Form S3-6](#) for each Section 3 resident employee in their files.

C. Section 3 status by subcontracting more than 25 percent of the dollar amount of the contract to qualified Section 3 business concerns

- List of subcontracted Section 3 business (es) and subcontract amount(s) via [FWHS Form S3-3](#), Subcontracting Plan. Note: Contractors must collect a copy of this form, [FWHS Form S3-2](#), Certification for Section 3 Business Concerns, from each subcontractor claiming to be a Section 3 business concern, as well as the required supporting documentation, and retain this information in their files.

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that I am authorized to provide the above information. I attest to the truthfulness of my statements and agree to provide, upon request, additional documents to verify the information I have provided above.

Signature _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

**FWHS FORM S3-3
SUBCONTRACTING PLAN**

Total Dollar Value of contract: \$ _____

Total Approximate Dollar Value of all subcontracts: \$ _____

List All Subcontractors and Briefly Describe Work They Will Perform	Approximate Dollar Value	Construction (C) or Non-Construction (NC)	Section 3 Business Concern (Y/N)
1.	\$		
2.	\$		
3.	\$		
4.	\$		
5.	\$		
6.	\$		

HUD’s [Section 3 Clause](#) must be included in all contracts with subcontractors. Contractors must also collect [FWHS Form S3-2](#), Certification for Section 3 Business Concerns, from each subcontractor claiming to be a Section 3 business concern, as well as the required supporting documentation, and retain this information in their files.

The undersigned company official does swear or affirm that the information on this form is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge and there is no willful intent to mislead or commit fraud.

Signature

Company/Contractor

Date

**FWHS FORM S3-4
HIRING PLAN**

Project Name _____ Contractor/Subcontractor Name _____ Date _____

Instructions: In the chart below specify **all** new positions that will be needed for this project.

JOB CATEGORY/TITLE	Total # of Expected NEW HIRES and TRAINEES	Total # of Expected SECTION 3 NEW HIRES	Total # of New SECTION 3 TRAINEES	Expected HIRE DATE(S) of all new hires and trainees (note: there can be more than one date in each category)	Anticipated LENGTH OF HIRE (months)
Professionals:					
Technicians:					
Office/Clerical:					
Construction Work by Trade/Title					
Trade:					
Trade:					
Trade:					
Other:					
Other:					
TOTALS:					

The undersigned company official does swear or affirm that the information on this form is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge and there is no willful intent to mislead or commit fraud. Additionally, the undersigned confirms that a [FWHS Form S3-6](#) will be collected from each Section 3 new hire or trainee and will be retained on file.

Signature

Title

Date

**FWHS FORM S3-6
CERTIFICATION FOR SECTION 3 RESIDENTS**

All residents of FWHS public housing developments and all of FWHS's Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) holders qualify as Section 3 residents. Additionally, individuals residing in the [Fort Worth-Arlington MSA](#) who meet the **Low-Income** limits set forth below can qualify for Section 3 status.

2020 Income Limits	
Number in Household	Low Income (80%)
1 person	\$ 45,650
2 person	\$ 52,200
3 person	\$ 58,700
4 person	\$ 65,200
5 person	\$ 70,450
6 person	\$ 75,650
7 person	\$ 80,850
8 person	\$ 86,100

I am a FWHS public housing resident or Section 8 HCV holder (mark one): **YES** **NO**

If you are not a FWHS public housing resident or HCV holder, does your household fall at or below the applicable Low Income Limit outlined in the chart above (mark one)?: **YES** **NO**

The total number of members in my household = _____

My household's total annual income = \$ _____

My permanent address is: _____

I understand that the information above relating to the size and annual income of my family may require verification. I agree to provide documents upon request verifying this information and I authorize my employer to release information required for HUD or FWHS to verify my status as a Section 3 resident.

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that I have voluntarily provided the above information. I attest to the truthfulness of my statements fully understanding that this information is subject to verification by the appropriate agencies.

Signature _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

Exhibit C

M/WBE PARTICIPATION

M/WBE PARTICIPATION: The Offeror agrees to use his/her best efforts to subcontract with minority business enterprises and/or women business enterprises (herein called M/WBE) certified as such or recognized by Fort Worth Housing Solutions as a certified M/WBE. Offeror shall make a good faith effort to subcontract a sufficient dollar amount with M/WBEs to ensure that a minimum of 20 percent of the final contract dollars are expended on one or more M/WBE. All adjustments that cause the contract price to increase will also increase the total amount that the Offeror must make a good faith effort to expend on M/WBEs.

USING BEST EFFORTS TO FULFILL M/WBE REQUIREMENT: In the event Fort Worth Housing Solutions has a reasonable belief that Offeror will not use his/her its best efforts to meet the 20 percent M/WBE participation goal, Fort Worth Housing Solutions reserves the right to pull work from the contract. Best efforts may be established by a showing that Offeror has contacted and solicited bids/quotes from subcontractors and worked with the Housing Authority to seek assistance in identifying M/WBEs.

NOTIFICATION OF M/WBE PARTICIPATION: Offeror agrees to promptly complete and return all M/WBE Confirmation of Participation and M/WBE Confirmation of Payment forms utilized by Fort Worth Housing Solutions to confirm M/WBE subcontracting by submitting copies of checks made payable to the respective M/WBE subcontractor(s) signed by the offeror.

RESPONDENT

DATE

Note: This form must bear a signature.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – EMPLOYER INFORMATION REPORT

Name of Firm: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____

JOB CATEGORIES	OVERALL TOTALS	MALE					FEMALE				
		WHITE (Not of Hispanic Origin)	BLACK (Not of Hispanic Origin)	HISPANIC	ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE	WHITE (Not of Hispanic Origin)	BLACK (Not of Hispanic Origin)	HISPANIC	ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE
Officials and Managers											
Professionals											
Technicians											
Sales Workers											
Office and Clericals											
Craft Workers (Skilled)											
Operatives (Semi-Skilled)											
Laborers											
Service Workers											
TOTAL											

Signature: _____

Date: _____

ACORDTM

CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YY)

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.

Date the Certificate is issued

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER

1 This block identifies the Agent or Broker and their address.

2 This block may include contact information for the broker / agency. It's often helpful to contact the broker directly for clarification, revision requests or renewal certificates. Some agencies will only communicate with their insureds and do not allow or respond to 3rd requests.

INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE

3 The insurance company will be identified here. The insurer letter appears again in the left-hand margin near the center of the page (***3**) to show which insurer provides which type of coverage.

INSURED
4 The Insured is Vendor, Contractor or lessee (the policy holder).

- INSURER A:
- INSURER B:
- INSURER C:
- INSURER D:
- INSURER E:

COVERAGES

THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY)	LIMITS
*3	GENERAL LIABILITY COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR				EACH OCCURRENCE \$ FIRE DAMAGE (Any one fire) \$ MED EXPENSE (Any one person) \$ PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ PRODUCTS-COMP/OP AGG \$
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/>				
*3	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY ANY AUTO ALL OWNED AUTOS SCHEDULED AUTOS HIRED AUTOS NON-OWNED AUTOS				COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ AUTO ONLY-EA ACCIDENT \$ OTHER THAN EA ACC \$ AUTO ONLY: AGG \$
	GARAGE LIABILITY ANY AUTO				EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$
*3	EXCESS LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE DEDUCTIBLE RETENTION \$				
	WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS LIABILITY				WC STATUTORY LIMITS E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$
*3	OTHER				

5 These sections show only the coverages provided through the agent or broker identified in "1" above. If the insured uses more than one broker, a separate certificate is needed to show those coverages.

6 These two column shows inception and expiration dates for policies identified. Pay special attention that coverage does not expire before or during your project or lease.

The coverages & limits required in the solicitation, or those which are applicable to the projects scope of work MUST be included on the certificate.

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS/LOCATIONS/VEHICLES/EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT/SPECIAL/PROVISIONS

7 Forth Worth Housing Solutions is endorsed as additional insured on the general and auto liability policies on a primary and non-contributory basis.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

8 [Firm Name]
[Address]
ATTN: PM contact or Procurement Team

CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL _____ DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NAMED TO THE LEFT, BUT FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL IMPOSE NO OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND UPON THE INSURER, ITS AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
9 Must be signed by an authorized representative of the brokerage agency.

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number									
				-			-		
or									
Employer identification number									
				-					

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding? on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

North and South side of property stair towers



Typical condition under concrete landing at the stair towers



Typical rust under stair tower landing



Typical rust under stair tower landing



Typical rust under stair tower landing





Various types of stair tower elevations



Various types of stair tower elevations



Various types of stair tower elevations



Various types of stair tower elevations



Various stair tower elevations Stair rise

Building 20



Stair post



Cat walk bottom rail

Building 17



Stair post



Stair tower post



Apron



Bottom of rail

Building 16



Stair column



Fence post



Stair apron



Bottom of step rail



Step rail

Building 15



Stair post



Stair girder



Step rail





Step rail



Cat walk rail

Building 22



Stair column



Stair post

Building 18



Stair post

Building 19



Stair post



Stair apron



Catwalk rail

Building 21



Stair post

Building23



Stair column



Stair post



Stair post



Building 24



Stair post



Stair post

Building 14



Stair column



Stair post

Stair column

Building 13



Under side of stair tower



Cat walk rail



Handrail at stair tower



Stair tower post

North Side of property

Building 1



Stair post



Stair post



Stair column

Building 2



Stair post and stringer

Building 3



Stair post



Stair post

Building 5



Stair column bent



Stair post



Stair post and stringer



Stair column



Catwalk rail

Building 4



Stair post and stringer

Building 8



Stair post and stringer



Stair column

Building 6



Stair post



Stair post

Building 7



Stair post and girder

Building 10



Stair post



Stair rail



Stair post and girder





Stair rail



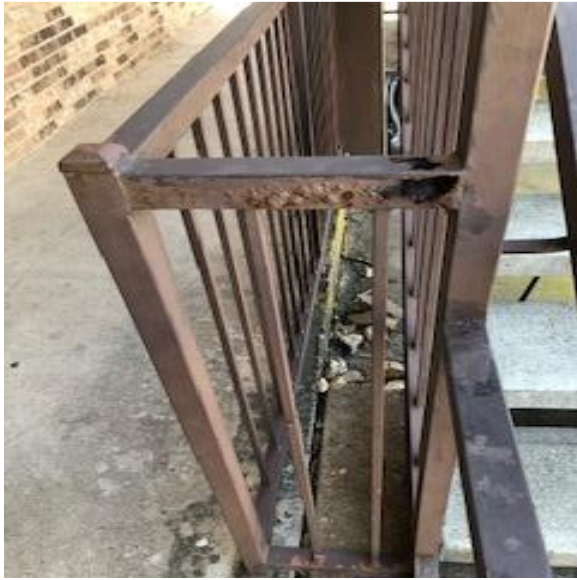
Stair column

Building 9



Stair post and girder

Building 11



Catwalk rail



Stair column and girder



Stair column



Stair post

Building 12



Stair post



Stair post

"General Decision Number: TX20210015 01/01/2021

Superseded General Decision Number: TX20200015

State: Texas

Construction Type: Residential

Counties: Johnson, Parker and Tarrant Counties in Texas.

Residential Projects consisting of single family homes and apartments up to and including 4 stories.

Note: Under Executive Order (EO) 13658, an hourly minimum wage of \$10.95 for calendar year 2021 applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least \$10.95 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in calendar year 2021. If this contract is covered by the EO and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must pay workers in that classification at least the wage rate determined through the conformance process set forth in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) (or the EO minimum wage rate, if it is higher than the conformed wage rate). The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Please note that this EO applies to the above-mentioned types of contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but it does not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60). Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

Modification Number	Publication Date
0	01/01/2021

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	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER (excluding drywall hanging and form setting).....	\$ 9.315	
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER (Excluding form setting).....	\$ 9.48	
DRYWALL HANGER.....	\$ 9.00	
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 10.214	
Form Setter.....	\$ 9.194	

HVAC MECHANIC (including duct, excluding pipe work).....\$ 8.337

Laborer, common.....\$ 7.25

Painters:

Brush.....\$ 8.85

Spray.....\$ 10.00

PLUMBER (Including HVAC WORK)....\$ 10.687

ROOFER, Including Built Up, Composition and Single Ply Roofs.....\$ 8.646

Sheet Metal Worker (Excluding HVAC-duct work).....\$ 14.103

TILE SETTER.....\$ 11.50

TRUCK DRIVER.....\$ 7.25

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of "identifiers" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate).

Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than ""SU"" or ""UAVG"" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the ""SU"" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- * an existing published wage determination

- * a survey underlying a wage determination
- * a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- * a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations
Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION
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