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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP #EMB&CS-07-18

**EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFITS
& CONSULTING SERVICES**

Issue Date: September 18, 2017

Closing Date: October 17, 2017 @ 2:00 PM

Donald J. Rhodes
Procurement Manager

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“ALL FORMS IDENTIFIED WITH A RED * MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH BID PACKET.



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**Employee Medical Benefits and Consulting Services
 Proposal Due Date and Time: October 17, 2017 @ 2:00 P.M**

Proposals, subject to the conditions and instructions contained herein, will be received at the above office until the date and hour shown (local prevailing time), for furnishing the described services, for delivery and/or performance F.O.B. Newport News, VA. **Proposals received in the issuing office after the date and time may not be considered.** NNRHA is not responsible for delays in the delivery of mail by the U.S. Postal Service, private couriers, or the intra-authority mail system. **It is the sole responsibility of the offeror to ensure that its proposal reaches the issuing office by the designated date and hour.** The official time used in the receipt of proposals is that time on the automatic time stamp machine in the issuing office.

All requests for interpretation of specifications shall be by written request, sent via facsimile to (757) 245-2144 or email to drhodes@nnrha.org. Any changes to this document will be issued as addenda, and will be on file in the Division of Purchasing. All such addenda will become part of the contract and all offers will be bound by such addenda, whether or not received by the offeror. This form must be signed, as well as subsequent addenda, and all pages returned in a sealed envelope. All signatures must be original and not photocopies. **Written questions must be submitted ten (10) days prior to the closing date of the RFP, last day for written questions is, October 06, 2017 @ 5:00 PM.**

PLEASE NOTE: The Wilbern Building is closed daily between the hours of 12:00 noon to 1:00p.m.

In compliance with this RFP, and subject to all the conditions thereof, the undersigned offers, if this proposal is accepted within ninety (90) calendar days from the closing date, to furnish any or all of the services upon which prices are quoted, at the price set opposite each item, to be delivered at the time and place specified herein. The undersigned certifies he has read, understands, and agrees to all terms, conditions, and requirements of this RFP, and is authorized to contract on behalf of firm named below.

Company Name: _____ Federal Tax ID: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Print Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to establish a contract with a qualified contractor to provide Medical Benefits and Consulting Services. Services required include the full range of services related to the design, implementation, maintenance and improvement of our employee medical benefits insurance plan, including auxiliary services.

II. CONTRACT PERIOD

This contract is for five (5) years; one base year and four (4) one year renewal options. NNRHA reserves the right to either exercise or not exercise the option years. If NNRHA decides not to exercise the option years, NNRHA will provide the contractor notice within 90 days of our intent not to exercise the options.

III. BACKGROUND

Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NNRHA) operates under the enabling legislation of Title 36 of the Code of Virginia and was established in 1939 under the United States Housing Act of 1937. It is governed by a seven member Board of Commissioners appointed by the City Council of Newport News. The Board employs an Executive Director who manages the staff necessary for the day-to-day operations of NNRHA programs and facilities.

NNRHA currently owns and operates 1,250 conventional public housing units distributed throughout twelve different communities, administers 2,511 Housing Choice Vouchers and the Community Development Block Grant, the Home Investment Partnership and Emergency Shelter Grant under a contract with the City of Newport News. In addition to being governed by the State and local law, much of NNRHA's activity is governed by regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). NNRHA currently has two approved Title 36 (Code of Virginia) redevelopment plans.

IV. SCOPE OF WORK

Basic Services:

NNRHA is looking for a benefits partner that can provide professional, highly qualified benefits guidance and services. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Developing short and long range employee benefit goals and strategies.
- Partnering with Human Resources in the administration of all groups insurance plans including responding to questions from and providing information to staff, and providing other benefits-related advisory services throughout the plan year.
- Reviewing and analyzing claim experience, claim service, and claim administration to ensure maximum benefit.
- Determining and recommending the most cost efficient funding methods for benefit programs.

- Preparing bid specifications and soliciting proposals, as needed, from insurance markets that specialize in insurance plans.
- Evaluating bids and bidders, including administration, coverage, claim payment procedures, customer service, networking.
- Providing in depth analysis of proposed alternatives and assist with the process of selecting the most favorable annual renewal options.
- Utilizing local and national benefit trends and provide benchmark survey data to help calibrate program offerings with employee and employer cost compared to similar organizations.
- Providing reports and presentations to staff.
- Assisting with the implementation and communication of new programs or changes to existing programs, which may include attending and presenting information at Open Enrollment meetings when requested.
- Working closely with team to develop and execute the benefits communications strategy.
- Assisting with the performance management of the vendors that provide insurance or related services.
- Acting as advisor on issues such as discrimination testing, 5500 filing, Section 125, COBRA, HIPAA, Medicare, FMLA, etc. Provide overall guidance to Health and Welfare regulatory compliance.
- Researching and reporting any new developments in the employee benefits arena on an ongoing basis.
- Recommending innovated ideas and new products, programs and services to ensure a competitive, valued and cost effective benefits program.
- Introducing proven programs and ideas to aggressively manage healthcare cost.
- Educating and advising on Healthcare Reform, specifically PPACA, and the key strategic decisions that should be considered.

V. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

A. General Requirements:

1. RFP Response:

In order to be considered for selection, offeror's must submit a complete response to this RFP. One (1) original so marked and five (5) copies so marked. Reference the submittal date and hour and RFP number in the lower left hand corner of the envelope or package. No other distribution of the proposals shall be made by the offeror. Outer envelope and each page must have the offeror's name, proposal number and submission date and time. Original copies must be marked as original.

DO NOT RETURN THE SOLICITATION IN YOUR SUBMITTAL PACKAGE. ONLY SUBMIT THE REQUIRED INFORMATION.

2. Proposal Preparation:

- a. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the offeror. All information requested must be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in NNRHA requiring prompt submission of the missing information and/or given a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals which are substantially incomplete or lack key information may be rejected by NNRHA at its discretion. Mandatory requirements are those required by law or regulation or are such that they cannot be waived and are not subject to negotiation.
- b. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically providing straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content.
- c. All past performance shall not be older than five (5) years. Any past performance submitted that is older than five years will not be counted as experience.
- d. Additional information such as company brochures, literature or other marketing material will not be used in the evaluation process. Only the information requested in the proposal will be used.
- e. Proposal should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the Evaluation Criteria of the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. The proposal should contain a table of contents which cross references the RFP requirements. Information which the offeror desires to fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration if the evaluators are unable to find where the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.

- f. Ownership of all data, material, and documentation originated and prepared for NNRHA pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to NNRHA and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. However, to prevent disclosure the offeror must invoke the protections of Section 2.2-4342F of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other materials are submitted. The written request must specifically identify the data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. The classification of an entire proposal document, line item prices and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable and may result in rejection of the proposal.

B. Evaluation Criteria:

During the initial evaluation phase, proposals are technically reviewed by the Evaluation Committee which determines if all of the requirements of the RFP are addressed.

The evaluation panel will use the following rating criteria to evaluate each of the required elements specified in the proposal. Then each element will be scored based on the weight assigned to that element and then all element scores will be added to arrive at the sum total score.

	CRITERION DESCRIPTION	Weight
1	Evidence of firms' ability to perform the work, as evidenced by profiles of the principals' and staff's professional and technical competence, experience and facilities. Provide resumes of assigned personnel dedicated to this account and their specific responsibilities.	30
2	Demonstrated understanding of the scope of work and utilization of current best practices in association with providing medical benefits.	20
3	Provide a detailed description of the approach and methodology to be used to accomplish the scope of work.	35
4	Past performance in terms of quality of work and compliance with performance schedules and description of your efforts you will undertake to provide client satisfaction.	15
5	Evidence that the firm is currently licensed / registered to provide required services in the State of Virginia.	Mandatory
6	Certified statement that the firm is not debarred, suspended, or otherwise prohibited from professional practice by any Federal, State or Local agency.	Mandatory

C. Award:

Once the qualified offerors have been determined, the Evaluation Committee shall rank all responsive proposals on technical factors, select in the order of preference two or more offerors. Negotiations will be conducted with each of the offerors so selected, then award shall be made to the offeror who has made the best proposal and provided the best value. Should N N R H A determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one offeror is fully qualified, or that one offeror is clearly more highly qualified than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that offeror.

D. Fee Proposal:

Please describe in detail your fee structure for providing the services requested. Provide the fee structure for each year of the contract.

FEE PROPOSAL

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“INITIAL CONTRACT YEAR”

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Provide the fee structure for each year of the contract.

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"4 th OPTION YEAR"

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL PROCEDURES:** NNRHA has established an administrative procedure for hearing protests of a decision to award, or an award, appeals from refusals to allow withdrawal of bids or proposals, appeals from disqualification's and determinations of non-responsibility, and appeals from decisions on disputes arising during the performance of the contract. Administrative appeals procedures can be obtained through the Division of Purchasing. If the dispute is regarding the contract, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the Procurement Officer or the Contracting Officer.

A protest of a decision to award or an award shall be submitted within ten (10) days after the award or the announcement of the decision to award, whichever occurs first. An appeal from refusal to allow withdrawal of a solicitation shall be submitted within ten (10) days after receipt of the decision. An appeal from a determination of non-responsibility shall be submitted within ten (10) days after receipt of the decision. An appeal from a decision resulting from a contract dispute shall be submitted within sixty (60) days after final payment; however, written notice of the Contractor's intention to file such claim shall have been given at the time of the occurrence of the work upon which the claim is based.

Contractors are prohibited from placing a lien on NNRHA's property. This prohibition shall apply to all Subcontractors.

2. **ADVERTISEMENT:** It is understood and agreed that, in the event a contract is awarded for the services included in this solicitation, no indications of such services to NNRHA will be used in any way in product literature or advertising without written approval of NNRHA except for bibliographical and curriculum vitae purposes and when required in response to a request for solicitation by a prospective client.
3. **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION AND A DRUG FREE WORKPLACE:** By submitting their bids or proposals, bidders or offerors certify to NNRHA that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginians With Disabilities Act, The Americans with Disabilities Act and 2.2-4311 and 2.2-4312 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body.

In every contract over \$10,000 the following provisions apply. (1) During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees to: (a) Not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. (b) Provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees. (c) The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. Also, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition. (d) In all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity

employer and maintains a drug-free workplace. (e) Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.

(2) The Contractor will include the provisions above in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provision will be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, “drug-free workplace” means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

4. **ANTITRUST:** By entering into a contract, the Contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to NNRHA all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired under said contract.
5. **APPLICABLE LAW AND COURTS:** This solicitation and any contract resulting from this solicitation shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the City of Newport News, VA. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, local laws and regulations. The Contractor shall procure any permits and licenses required for its business as the services to be provided by it hereunder.
6. **ASBESTOS:** Whenever and wherever during the course of performing any work under this contract, the Contractor discovers the presence of asbestos or suspect that asbestos is present; the Contractor shall stop the work immediately, secure the area, notify the building owner and await positive identification of the suspect material. During the downtime in such a case, the Contractor shall not disturb any surrounding surfaces but shall protect the area with suitable dust covers. In the event the Contractor is delayed due to the discovery of asbestos or suspected asbestos, then a mutually agreed extension of time to perform the work shall be allowed the Contractor but without additional compensation due to the time extension.
7. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:** A contract shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of NNRHA.
8. **AUDIT:** The Contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or state and federal auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
9. **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:** It is understood and agreed between the parties herein that NNRHA shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available or which may hereafter become available for the purpose of this agreement.
10. **AWARD OF CONTRACT:** Formal and informal bid and proposals will be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s) or most suitable offeror. The quality of the articles to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of NNRHA, and the delivery terms will be taken into consideration in making an award. Length of time for delivery as well as price may be considered in awarding of the contract. NNRHA is not liable for any cost incurred by the Contractor prior to issuance of a contract.

NNRHA also reserves the right to make multiple awards, by line item, lot, award based on overall lowest pricing, cancel or reject any or all bids or proposals, in whole or in part, to waive informalities and to delete items prior to making the award, whenever it is deemed in the sole opinion of NNRHA to be in its best interest. Nothing herein shall bind NNRHA to purchase any services or specified quantity of an item/product.

Be it further understood that NNRHA shall not be obligated to purchase or pay for any services or product listed unless and until officially ordered and received by NNRHA.

This solicitation/contract is subject to Virginia Public Procurement Act, 2 CFR Part 200 and HUD Handbook 7460.8 Rev 2 and the NNRHA Statement of Procurement Policy.

11. **BID/OFFER ACCEPTANCE PERIOD:** Any bid or offer in response to a solicitation shall be valid for ninety (90) days. At the end of the ninety (90) days the bid or offer may be withdrawn at the written request of the Bidder or Offeror. If the bid or offer is not withdrawn at that time it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is canceled.
12. **CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT:** NNRHA reserves the right to cancel and terminate any resulting contract, in part or in whole, without penalty, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor. Any contract cancellation notice shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligation to deliver and/or perform on all outstanding orders issued prior to the effective date of cancellation.
13. **CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT:** The parties may agree in writing to modify the scope of the contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract. However, the terms and conditions of the contract will not change.

NNRHA may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the Contractor. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the Contractor's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by and between the NNRHA and the Contractor, shall be incorporated in writing with a modification to the contract.

Contractor shall not perform any work that would result in exceeding the dollar limitation of this contract and/or purchase order without first supplying a quotation and obtaining written approval from the Division of Procurement.

14. **CLEAN AIR AND WATER EPS, ENERGY EFFICIENCY (APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF \$100,000):** The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, EPA regulations (40 CFR Part 15) and Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163).
15. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** The Contractor warrants that he has fully complied with the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (Section 2.1-639.1 et seq. of the Code of Virginia), The Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (Section 18.2-498.1 et seq.), Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 (Crimes Against the Administration of Justice) of Title 18.2, and article 4 (Ethics in Public Contracting) of the Public Procurement Act (section 11-72 et seq.).
16. **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:** The contract entered into by the parties shall consist of this solicitation, the signed bid or proposal submitted by the Contractor, the notice of award, purchase order, the general and special terms and conditions, and specifications with drawings, if any, including all addenda or modifications thereof, all which shall be referred to collectively as the Contract Documents.
17. **CONTRACTING OFFICER'S TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE (COTR) AS NNRHA'S AGENT:**

NNRHA will provide the Contractor the name of the designated representative(s) to administer this contract with the following responsibilities:

- A. Coordinating with the Contractor when services are needed and when they will begin.

- B. Day to day coordination of this service and assurance that services are delivered in accordance with the contract terms and conditions and purchase order.
- C. Promptly address problems or deviations from contract requirements or terms and conditions. If the problems or contract deviations continue, forward written vendor complaint, including recommended solutions, to the Procurement Officer so that adequate corrective action can be taken.
- D. Assurance that the contract dollar amount or terms and conditions are not exceeded, increased, decreased or modified in anyway without prior authorization from the Procurement Officer. If a modification or revision is required, supply the Procurement Officer with an approved change order request.
- E. After completion, promptly sign and date documents indicating the work has been completed and accepted.
- F. Complete and submit periodic evaluations of Contractor performance to the Procurement Officer.

18. **CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL:** The Contractor represents that it will secure, at its own expense, all personnel necessary to perform the required services hereunder. Such personnel shall not be employees of NNRHA nor shall they have any contractual relationship with NNRHA. All commitments made by the Contractor in the bid or proposal with respect to (i) the Contractor’s qualifications and its satisfaction of mandatory requirements in the IFB or RFP and (ii) the number and qualifications of its personnel to be assigned to this Contract, shall be incorporated herein by this reference.

All the required services will be performed by the Contractor or under its supervision, and all personnel employed by the Contractor shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under State and Local law to perform such services. The Contractor shall not reassign any personnel specifically designated in the Bid or Proposal to perform services under this Contract without NNRHA’s prior approval. The Contractor certifies that it will comply with NNRHA’s request for the reassignment of any employee performing the required services hereunder when NNRHA determines, in its reasonable opinion that such employee is not suited to work on this Contract. Evidence of qualifications shall be made available to NNRHA upon request.

19. **CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION:** If the bidder or offeror fails to provide this information in the bid or on the envelope containing the bid and fails to promptly provide their Contractor license number in writing when requested to do so before or after the opening of bids, they shall be deemed to be in violation of 54.1-1115 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and the bid will not be considered.

Indicate what type of Contractor’s license you hold and your Specialty.

Licensed Class A Virginia Contractor No _____ Specialty _____
 Licensed Class B Virginia Contractor No _____ Specialty _____
 Licensed Class C Virginia Contractor No _____ Specialty _____

If the bidder fails to obtain the required license prior to submission of their bid, the bid shall not be considered.

20. **COPYRIGHT/PATENTS:** The Contractor guarantees to defend and save NNRHA, its agents and employees, harmless from liability, loss, damage and expense including reasonable counsel fees, resulting from any actual or claimed trademark, copyright, composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention infringement, or any litigation based thereon, with respect to any part of the goods or services covered by this order.

21. **DEBARMENT STATUS:** By submitting their response, bidders/offerors certify that they are not currently debarred by NNRHA, the Commonwealth of Virginia or the Federal Government from submitting offers or proposals on contracts of the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.

22. **DEFAULT:** In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, NNRHA, after oral and written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies, which NNRHA, state and federal laws have in place.

23. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR BUSINESS AND UNEMPLOYED AND UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS (HUD ACT OF 1968, SECTION 3):**

In accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S. C. 1701u, the Contractor shall, to the maximum extent practicable:

- (A) Provide training and employment opportunities to the unemployed and underemployed residents of the unit of local government or the metropolitan area (or non-metropolitan county) in which the project is located; and
- (B) Award contracts for work in connection with the project to business concerns, which are located in or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the same metropolitan area or non-metropolitan County as the project.

The Contractor shall insert or cause to be inserted this same provision in each subcontract.

24. **ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING:** By signing their response, bidders/offerors certify that their bid/offer is made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other bidder, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their bids, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged. NNRHA may recover the value of anything conveyed in violation of this subsection. Any false statement hereunder constitutes a felony and can result in a fine and imprisonment as well as civil damages.

25. **FACSIMILE SOLICITATIONS/REVISIONS**

A. **Unsealed Bids/Unsealed Proposals and their Revisions:** May be accepted when using small purchase procedures. Facsimile bids, proposals and revisions to these must be completely received in the Purchasing Division prior to the date and time specified for receipt. The original copy of the facsimile transmission may be requested, if requested, must be received within five (5) business days. The Procurement Officer will designate the timing device used to document the receipt of bids; time printed on the top of the facsimile copy will not govern the time of receipt.

B. **Sealed Bids/Sealed Proposals/Revisions:** Will be accepted from a third party or an agent of the bidder, provided that the bids are submitted in a sealed envelope prior to the date and time specified for receipt. NNRHA staff shall not be considered as a third party. The bidder/offeror is responsible for arranging the third party involvement and for faxing the complete bid to the third party, not just a summary or the cover sheet. The original bid and addenda may be requested and, if requested, must be received within five (5) business days. The Procurement Officer will designate the timing device used to document the receipt of bids or proposals. Additionally, vendors may appear at the offices of 227 27th Street with proper company and personal identification to make revisions. All revisions must be initialed by the person making the change. Bid must be returned to the Purchasing Division prior to due date and time to be considered. NNRHA will not accept revisions written on the outside of the sealed envelope.

26. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The Contractor, its heirs, legal representatives, next of kin, successors and assigns agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless NNRHA, its members, Commissioners, officers, agents, and employees from any claims, damages and actions of any kind or nature, whether at law or in equity, arising

from or caused by the use of any materials, goods, or equipment of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor, any services of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor, provided that such liability is not attributable to the sole negligence of NNRHA or to failure of NNRHA to use the materials goods, or equipment in the manner already and permanently described by the Contractor.

27. **IDENTIFICATION OF BID/PROPOSAL/MODIFICATION:** Submittal package will be sealed and identified as follows:

From: _____
Name of Bidder/Offeror _____
Due Date & Time

Bidder/Offeror Address

Solicitation No. & Solicitation Title

Attn: Don Rhodes, Procurement Officer

28. **IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986:** By submitting their bid/proposal, bidders/offers certify that they do not and will not during the performance of this contract employ illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

29. **INSURANCE:** By signing and submitting a bid/proposal under this solicitation, the Bidder/Offeror certifies that if awarded the contract, it will have the following insurance coverage at the time the contract is awarded. The Contractor will have five (5) working days, upon notice of intent to award, to supply the Certificate of Insurance. The Bidder/Offeror further certifies that the Contractor and any Subcontractors will maintain this insurance coverage during the entire term of the contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. The Contractor's insurance company will supply a Certificate of Insurance listing the below required limits and the Certificate of Insurance shall name NNRHA as an additional insured

- A. Minimum Insurance Coverages and Limits Required For Most Contracts:
- B. Worker's Compensation – The Contractor shall also obtain and maintain worker's compensation insurance as required by statutory requirements and benefits, and in such policy limits as mandated, by the State and shall require any Subcontractor engaged by the Contractor to satisfy such requirement as well. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify NNRHA of increases in the number of employees that change their worker's compensation requirements under the Code of Virginia during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract.
- C. Automobile Liability (minimum) – \$500,000 combined single limit.
- D. Commercial General Liability (minimum) – \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate, including \$50,000 for fire damage. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products and completed operations coverage. NNRHA must be named as an additional insured and so endorsed on the policy.
- E. The Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend NNRHA, its officers, agents, servants, and employees from and against any claims, demands, losses, liabilities, and damages, causes of actions and costs and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature arising from or related to:

- 1) the provision of services by or the failure to provide any services or the use of any services or materials furnished (or made available) by the Contractor or its agents, servants or employees;
- 2) any conduct or misconduct of the Contractor or its agents, servants or employees not included in subparagraph (1) hereof and for which, its agents, servants or employees are alleged to be liable;
- 3) the negligence or other actionable fault of any Subcontractors engaged by the Contractor; or
- 4) claims, suits, actions or proceedings of whatsoever nature that are brought by the Contractor's employees, candidates for employment and statutory employees, as determined under the State worker's compensation laws.

If insurance is due to expire or renew during any contract period, it is the responsibility of the Contractor (including Subcontractors, as applicable) to furnish and assure that NNRHA, Division of Purchasing is in receipt of a current insurance certificate noting evidence of coverage. Expired insurance coverage during the course of any contract can be cause for immediate termination of all work, removal from NNRHA properties and cancellation of all contracts. Newport News Redevelopment & Housing Authority, P.O. Box 797, Newport News, VA 23607, will be named as additional insured on the certification with respect to the services being procured.

If the Contractor fails to supply the Procurement Officer the required certificate, the intent to award will be cancelled. Please see additional insurance requirements on HUD Form 5370 pertaining to builders risk insurance.

30. **INTEREST OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS:** No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise there from.

31. **INTEREST OF MEMBERS, OFFICERS, OR EMPLOYEES AND FORMER MEMBERS, OFFICERS, OR EMPLOYEES:** No member, officer, or employee of NNRHA, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, no member of the governing body of the locality in which NNRHA was activated, and no other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project, shall, during his or her tenure, or for one year thereafter, have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

32. **LIMITATIONS ON PAYMENTS MADE TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:**

- A. The Contractor agrees to comply with Section 1352 of Title 31, United States Code which prohibits the use of Federal appropriated funds to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract; the making of any Federal grant; the making of any Federal loan; the entering into of any cooperative agreement, or the modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- B. The Contractor further agrees to comply with the requirement of the Act to furnish a disclosure (OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities) 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 in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

C. 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 clause.

33. **MANDATORY USE OF NNRHA FORMS AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** Failure to submit a bid/offer on the official NNRHA forms provided for that purpose may be a cause for rejection of the bid/offer. Modification of or additions to the General Terms and Conditions of the solicitation may be cause for rejection of the bid/offer; however, NNRHA reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a solicitation.

34. **MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION:** The Contractor shall use its best efforts to comply with the commitment it has made in the Bid/Offer relative to the participation of businesses primarily (at least 51%) owned by minorities, women or public housing residents or small businesses (collectively, 'Disadvantaged Business Enterprises') in the performance of this Contract. By executing this Contract, the Contractor accepts the right of NNRHA to appoint an employee to monitor the Contractor's compliance with the commitments and requirements of this paragraph. The Contractor agrees to promptly submit reports to NNRHA on request detailing the level of participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in this Contract. NNRHA shall have the right to review all relevant documents of the Contractor relating to the participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in this Contract on an ongoing basis. NNRHA reserves the right to evaluate the Contractor's performance with regard to the commitments and requirements of this paragraph on an annual basis.

The Contractor shall take the following steps to assure that, whenever possible, subcontracts are awarded to minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor area firms:

- A. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- B. Assuring that small and minority businesses and women business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- C. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises;
- D. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirements of the contract permit, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises; and
- E. Using the services and assistance of the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Minority Business Development Agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and State and Local governmental small business agencies.

When such business has been subcontracted to these firms and upon completion of the contract; the Contractor agrees to furnish the purchasing office the following information: Name of firm, phone number, total dollar amount subcontracted, and type of product/service provided.

35. **MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS ON SITE:** NNRHA reserves the right to let other contracts in connection with this project or any other project. Contractors are expected to allow opportunity for the introduction of materials and the performance and the coordination of work with each other. If work by the other Contractor impacts your work according to plans and specifications, it is the Contractor's responsibility to notify NNRHA COTR or Procurement Officer immediately.

36. **NO WAIVER:** No failure or delay by a party to insist on the strict performance of any term of this Contract, or to exercise any right or remedy consequent on a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any breach or any subsequent breach of such term. Neither this Contract nor any of its terms may be changed or modified, waived, or terminated (unless as otherwise provided hereunder) except by an instrument in writing signed by

the party against whom the enforcement of the change, waiver or termination is sought. No waiver of any breach shall affect or alter this contract, but each and every term of this Contract shall continue in full force and effect with respect to any other than existing or subsequent breach thereof. The remedies provided in this Contract are cumulative and not exclusive of the remedies provided by law or in equity.

37. **NOTICES:**

- A. Any notice, instruction, request or demand required to be given or made to the Contractor hereunder shall be deemed to be duly and properly given or made if delivered or mailed, postage pre-paid, to the Contractor.
- B. Any notice, request, information, or documents required to be given or delivered hereunder by the Contractor to NNRHA or to any of its representatives, unless stated otherwise in this Contract, shall be signed or approved in writing by the Contractor, and shall be sufficiently given or delivered if mailed, certified or registered, postage prepaid to:

Newport News Redevelopment & Housing Authority
Division of Purchasing
227 – 27th Street
Newport News, VA 23607
ATTN: Procurement Officer

Or to such representative or address as may designate in writing to the Contractor.

- 38. **OBLIGATION OF BIDDER/OFFEROR:** By submitting a bid/offer, the bidder/offeror agrees that he has satisfied himself, from his own investigation of the conditions to be met, that he fully understands his obligation. He will not make any claim for, or have right to cancellation or relief from the contract because of any misunderstanding or lack of information.
- 39. **ORDERING:** Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract may be ordered by issuance of delivery orders by the individuals or activities designated in the solicitation. Such orders may be issued from the date of award through the expiration or termination of this contract. All task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a task order and this contract, the contract shall prevail.
- 40. **PAYMENT:** The prime Contractor is to submit invoices for services rendered directly to P.O. Box 797, Newport News, VA 23607. All invoices shall refer to the contract and/or purchase order number; social security (for individual Contractors) on the federal employer identification number (for proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations). Any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after invoice or acceptance, whichever occurs last. However, this shall not affect discounts for payment in less than 30 days. All goods and services provided under this contract/purchase order, which will be paid for with public funds, shall be billed by the Contractor at the contract prices, to include, itemization of charges. Contract will be performance based and fees will not be paid until the service or supplies, as defined in the response to these contract documents have been provided and accepted in the manner specified.

The following shall be deemed to be the date of payment after receipt of invoice: the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail, or the date of offset when offset proceedings have been instituted as authorized under the Virginia Debt Collection Act.

A. **Unreasonable Charges**

Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, the NNRHA shall promptly notify the Contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable, and the basis for the determination. In such cases, Contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is

contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges, which appear to be unreasonable, will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. A Contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty days of notification. The provisions of this section do not relieve NNRHA of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges, which are not in dispute (Code of Virginia § 2.2-4352).

B. Delays in Payment

NNRHA will make payment upon satisfactory completion, within thirty days. If work is not to the satisfaction of the COTR, the COTR will contact the Contractor to remedy the situation. Contractor will advise the COTR, in writing, of day and time task will be completed. If a new schedule is approved by COTR, and if the task is not completed within that time frame, NNRHA may proceed with default procedures. Reasons for not accepting Contractors work, and delaying payments, may include but are not limited to:

1. Submitting invoice without final inspection approval by COTR.
2. Incorrect Invoice, (i.e.) not billing according to the purchase order or contract.
3. Creating safety hazards.
4. Contractor failing to communicate completion of work.

41. **PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS:** The successful bidder/offeror shall deliver to the purchasing office executed Commonwealth of Virginia Standard Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds, each in the sum of the contract amount, with the NNRHA as obligee. The surety shall be a surety company or companies approved by the State Corporation Commission to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and acceptable to HUD and the Authority. No payment shall be due and payable to the Contractor, even if the contract has been performed in whole or in part, until the bonds have been delivered to and approved by the purchasing office. Standard bond forms will be provided by the purchasing office prior to or at the time of award. When the value of work for a General Contractor exceeds \$50,000.00 during the contract period (this includes initial award and all subsequent renewals), the General Contractor shall provide the Agency these bonds.

42. **PRIME CONTRACTORS RESPONSIBILITIES:** The Contractor shall be responsible for completely supervising and directing the work under this contract and all Subcontractors that he may utilize, using their best skill and attention. Subcontractors who perform work under this contract shall be responsible to the prime Contractor. The Contractor agrees that he is as fully responsible for the acts and omissions of Subcontractors and of persons employed by them as he is for the acts and omissions of his own employees. The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining satisfactory standards of employee's competency conduct courtesy, appearance, honesty, and integrity and shall be responsible for taking such disciplinary action with respect to any employee, as may be necessary. Additionally, the prime Contractor shall:

- A. Ascertain that all services and work will be performed in a professional workman-like manner acceptable to NNRHA and consistent with accepted professional standards. If the Contractor or their staff is other than professional with residents or NNRHA staff, the Contractor may be found in default of this contract.
- B. Insert appropriate clauses in all subcontracts to bind Subcontractors to the terms and conditions of this contract insofar as they are applicable to the work of Subcontractors.
- C. Within seven (7) days after receipt of amounts paid to the Contractor for services rendered by the subcontract either:
 1. Pay the Subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the agency attributable to the work performed by the Subcontractor under the contract; or

2. Notify the agency and Subcontractor, in writing, of his intention to withhold all or a part of the Subcontractor's payment with the reason for nonpayment.
- D. Pay interest on all amounts owed to Subcontractor that remain unpaid after seven days following receipt of payment by the agency, except for amounts withheld as allowed in 'C-2' above. "Unless otherwise provided under the terms of this contract, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent per month." A contract modification shall not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for the interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim shall not include any amounts for reimbursement for the interest charge. Your obligation to pay interest to a Subcontractor shall not be construed to be an obligation of NNRHA.
- E. Provide your social security number and if a proprietorship, partnership or corporation provide your federal employee identification number, space provided on cover sheet of this package.
- F. Include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring all Subcontractors to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements with respect to each lower-tier Subcontractor.
- G. Not purchase any materials or supplies pertaining to this contract that is subject to any chattel mortgage or under conditional sales or other agreement by which an interest is retained by the seller. The Contractor warrants that he has clear title to all materials and supplies for which he invoices for payment. This clause also pertains to all Subcontractors participating in this contract.
- H. Repair, to NNRHA satisfaction, any damage, including damage to finished surfaces, resulting from the performance of this contract.

43. **PROTECTION OF PERSON AND PROPERTY:**

- A. The Contractor expressly undertakes both directly and through its Subcontractors, to take every precaution at all times for the protection of persons and property, including NNRHA's employees and property. The Contractor shall make good any such damage injury or loss, except such as may be directly due to errors in the contract documents or caused by agents or employees of NNRHA. The Contractor shall adequately protect adjacent property as provided by law and the Contract documents, and shall provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights and other facilities for protection required by public authority, local conditions, or any of the contract documents.
- B. The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the work and in accordance with all State and Federal regulations.
- C. In an emergency affecting the safety of the work, life of individuals or the adjoining property, the Contractor shall act immediately without special instruction or authorization from NNRHA. Should the Contractor, in order to prevent threatened loss or injury, be instructed or authorized to act by NNRHA, he shall so act, without appeal. Any additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of any emergency work shall be determined as provided in this document or negotiated between both parties.

44. **PROTECTION OF TRADE SECRETS AND OTHER INFORMATION:** By submitting data required by this solicitation, the Contractor may (A) clearly mark any portions, which in their option, are trade secrets or commercial or financial information and (B) submit such marked material separately from other material required to be submitted and is in accordance with Code of Virginia 3.1-249.68.

45. **PUBLIC NOTICE OF AWARDS:** Award or decision to award, utilizing competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiations will be posted on a public bulletin board located at 227 27th Street and displayed on the electronic bulletin board accessible via modem, or home page, on the World Wide Web at www.nnrha.com. Sole source and emergency procurements, not utilizing competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiations, will also be posted.

46. **QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS/OFFERORS:** NNRHA may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the bidders/offerors to perform the services, furnish the goods or services and the bidders/offerors shall furnish to NNRHA all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. NNRHA reserves the right to inspect bidders/offerors physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the bidders/offerors capabilities. NNRHA further reserves the right to reject any bid/offer if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such bidder/offeror fails to satisfy NNRHA that such bidder/offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to provide the services and/or goods contemplated therein.

47. **SAFETY STANDARDS:** All personnel shall, at all times, wear approved clothing, hard hats, safety vest, and any other equipment required to meet OSHA standards. They will obey all safety rules and regulations and will not create hazardous conditions within the operation. The Contractor must meet motor carrier safety regulations (Federal and State), as applicable. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure the OSHA regulations are met in all applicable areas for all exposures encountered during the term of the contract.

48. **SUSPENSION OF WORK:**

A. The Procurement Officer may order the Contractor in writing to suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of the work of this contract for the period of time that the Procurement Officer determines appropriate for the convenience of the NNRHA.

B. If the performance of all or any part of the work is, for an unreasonable period of time, suspended, delayed, or interrupted (1) by an act of the Procurement Officer in the administration of this contract, or (2) by the Procurement Officer's failure to act within the time specified (or within a reasonable time if not specified) in this contract an adjustment shall be made for any increase in the cost of performance of the contract (excluding profit) necessarily caused by such unreasonable suspension, delay, or interruption and the contract modified in writing accordingly. However, no adjustment shall be made under this clause for any suspension, delay, or interruption to the extent that performance would have been so suspended, delayed, or interrupted by any other cause, including the fault or negligence of the Contractor or for which any equitable adjustment is provided for or excluded under any other provision of this contract.

C. A claim under this clause shall not be allowed (1) for any costs incurred more than 20 days before the Contractor shall have notified the Procurement Officer in writing of the act or failure to act (but this requirement shall not apply as to a claim resulting from a suspension order); and, (2) unless the claim, in an amount stated, is asserted in writing as soon as practicable after the termination of the suspension, delay, or interruption, but not later than the date of final payment under the contract.

49. **TAX EXEMPT:** NNRHA is exempt from the payment of any Virginia Sales Tax, State sales and use tax certificates of exemption. Form ST-12 will be issued upon request. When performance involves a service, the Contractor shall be responsible to pay a Virginia Sales Tax on materials consumed in performance of the service.

50. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF NNRHA:**

A. NNRHA may terminate this contract at any time without cause, in whole or in part, upon giving the Contractor notice of such termination. Upon such termination, the Contractors shall immediately cease work and remove from the project site all of its labor forces and such of its materials as NNRHA elects not to purchase or to assume in the manner hereinafter provided. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall take such steps as required by owner to assign to the owner the Contractor's interest in all subcontracts and purchase orders designated by owner. After all such steps have been taken to owner's satisfaction; the Contractor shall receive as full compensation for termination and assignment of the following:

1. All amounts then otherwise due under the terms of the contract,

2. Amount due for work performed subsequent to the latest request for payment through the date of termination.
3. Reasonable compensation for the actual cost of demobilization incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of such termination. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation for lost profits or for any other type of contractual compensation or damage other than those provided by the preceding sentence. Upon payment for the foregoing, owner shall have no further obligations to the Contractor of any nature.
4. All claims associated with this termination must be submitted with in one (1) year after the effective date of the termination.

B. In no event shall termination for the convenience of the owner terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

51. **TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:** NNRHA may terminate this contract at any time, for the Contractor's failure to perform their contractual obligations and may procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the defaulting contractor responsible for any resulting costs. NNRHA is not liable for Contractor's cost on undelivered work and may be entitled to the repayment of progress payments. All claims associated with this termination must be submitted with in one (1) year after the effective date of the termination.

52. **TESTING AND INSPECTION:** NNRHA reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications. Rejected supplies will be returned at the vendor's expense. The vendor, at no cost, shall replace materials and components that have been rejected by NNRHA.

53. **TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING:** By submitting their bids/offerors, all bidders/offerors certify and warrant that the price offered for FOB destination includes only the actual freight rate costs at the lowest and best rate and is based upon the actual weight of the goods to be shipped. Except as otherwise specified herein, standard commercial packaging, packing and shipping containers shall be used. All shipping containers shall be legibly marked or labeled on the outside with purchase order number, commodity description, and quantity.

54. **USE OF PREMISES AND REMOVAL OF DEBRIS:**

A. The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through its Subcontractor:

1. To perform this Contract in such a manner as not to interrupt or interfere with the operation of any existing activity on the premises or at the location of the work.
2. To maintain its apparatus, materials, supplies, and equipment in such orderly fashion at the site of the work as will not unduly interfere with the progress of its work or the work of NNRHA or any other Contractor.
3. To place upon the work or any part thereof only such loads as are consistent with the safety of that portion of the work.
4. To effect all cutting, filling or patching of its work required to make the same conform to the solicitations plans and specifications, and except with the consent of the Project Inspector, not to cut or otherwise alter the work of any other Contractor. The Contractor shall not damage or endanger any portion of the work by cutting, patching or otherwise altering any work, or excavation.

5. To clean up frequently all refuse, rubbish, scrap materials and debris caused by its operation, to the end that at all times the site of the work shall present a neat, orderly and workmanlike appearance.
6. The Contractor shall clean-up, move all refuse, rubbish surplus and scrap material and debris resulting from his operation at the end of each workday and after completion of all work. All material removed as part of clean up shall be completely removed from the properties.
7. NNRHA does not take responsibility for storing, securing or loss of the Contractor's apparatus, materials, supplies, equipment, or personal items.

55. WITHDRAWAL OF BID DUE TO ERROR:

- A. If a bid contains both clerical and judgment mistakes, a bidder may withdraw the bid from consideration if the price would have been substantially lower than the other bid due solely to the clerical mistake, that was an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of a bid that shall be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. A bid may be withdrawn from consideration if the price bid was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake in the bid provided the bid was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgement mistake and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of a bid, which unintentional arithmetic error or unintentional omission can clearly be shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn.
- B. The Contractor shall give notice in writing to Procurement Officer, Division of Purchasing, of their claim of right to withdraw their bid within two business days after the conclusion of the bid opening procedure and shall submit original work papers with such notice. The work papers, documents and materials may be considered as trade secrets or proprietary information subject to the conditions of subsection F of 2.2-4342. Section 2.2-4330 Code of Virginia.
- C. No bid may be withdrawn under this section when the result would be the awarding of the contract on another bid of the same bidder or another bidder in which the ownership of the withdrawing bidder is more than five percent.
- D. If a bid is withdrawn under the authority of this section, the lowest remaining bid shall be deemed to be the low bid.
- E. No bidder who is permitted to withdraw a bid shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor to or perform any subcontract or other work agreement for the person or firm to whom the contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn bid was submitted.
- F. If NNRHA denies the withdrawal of a bid under the provisions of this section, it shall notify the bidder in writing within 5 business days stating the reason for its decision and award the contract to such bidder at the bid prices(s), provided such bidder is a responsive and responsible bidder. At the same time the notice is provided, NNRHA shall return all work papers and copies thereof that have been submitted by the bidder.

56. **WORK HOURS AND PROCEDURES:**

- A. Normal work hours for NNRHA are from 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. All services shall be performed during normal work hours, unless prior approval from the COTR, or their designated personnel.
- B. Contractor(s) shall coordinate before commencing work specific day(s) and the approximate times of day service will be conducted.
- C. Due to weather or any other delays, Contractor shall advise COTR of alternate date(s) of service and time immediately, prior to service.

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

All questions must be answered and the data given must be clear and comprehensive. If necessary, questions may be answered on separate attached sheets. The Bidder may submit any additional information they desire.

- 1) Name of Company.

- 2) Permanent Main Office Address, including City, State, Zip Code, Phone Number, Fax Number and Email Address.

- 3) When organized?

- 4) If incorporated, when incorporated?

- 5) How many years have you been engaged in business under your present firm or trade name?
_____ Years

- 6) List current contracts, dollar value and anticipated date of completion.
(List these, showing gross amount of each contract and the appropriate anticipated dates of completion).

- 7) General character of work performed by your company.

- 8) Have you ever failed to complete any work awarded to you or defaulted on a contract? If so, describe the situation, and include dates and locations?

- 9) List the major equipment available for the performance of this contract.

10) Describe your experience in work similar in nature of this project.

11) List the background and experience of the principal members of your organization including the officers.

REFERENCES: Indicate below a listing of at least four (4) recent references that you have provided this type of service in the last five (5) years. Work performed for Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority is an acceptable reference. Include the date service was furnished and the name, address and phone number of the person the Authority has your permission to contact.

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Date of Service</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone No.</u>
1)			
2)			
3)			
4)			

Contractor's License Number: _____ Class _____

Number of employees employed with your firm that will be assigned to this contract. _____

SUBCONTRACTORS: Attach a list of all sub-contractors who will be working on this project. Failure to submit this required information may cause your bid to be deemed non-responsive.

NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____

County of _____

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

(1) He is _____ of
(Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative or Agent)

_____, the Bidder that has submitted the attached bid;
(Name of Company)

(2) He is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached bid and all pertinent circumstances respecting such bid;

(3) Such bid is genuine and is not a collusive sham;

(4) Neither the said Bidder nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affidavit, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham bid in connection with the contract for which the attached bid has been submitted or to refrain from bidding in connection with such contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the bid price or the bid price of any other bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the Newport News Redevelopment & Housing Authority or any person interested in the proposed contract; and

(5) The price or prices in the attached bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

(Name)

(Title)

Subscribed and Sworn before me

This ____ day of _____, 20 ____

My Commission Expires _____

MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION COMMITMENT FORM

It is the policy of Newport News Redevelopment & Housing Authority (NNRHA) to encourage minority participation in all contracts. To implement this policy, we encourage minority participation through subcontracting or other methods in contracting. You must complete this form, indicating the percentage of this contract that will be subcontracted to minority businesses. **FAILURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN YOUR RESPONSE BEING DECLARED NON-RESPONSIVE THUS ELIMATING YOUR FIRM FROM CONSIDERATION FOR THIS PROJECT.**

For the purpose of this commitment, the term “minority business” means a business at least 50% of which is owned and controlled by minority group members or, in the case of a publicly-owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is minority owned and the business is controlled by minority group members. For the purpose of the preceding sentence “minority group members” are citizens of the United States who are African-Americans, Hispanics, Asians, Pacific Islanders, and American Indians.

Please indicate the percentage of minority business participation to this project. This refers to the percentage of the total dollar value of the Contract that will be subcontracted to minority firms:

_____ %

NNRHA will consider minority participation in awarding the Contract. NNRHA reserves the right to approve or disapprove any subcontractor list.

If you need assistance with identifying minority firms in this area, please contact Office of Human Affairs, Emmagene Slade, Labor Compliance Officer, at (757) 247-6747 or the Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise at 111 East Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond, VA 23219 at (804) 786-6585.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he or she has read the terms of this commitment and is authorized to bind the prospective Bidder to the commitment herein set forth.

Contractor’s Name

Name of Authorized Officer (printed)

Date

Name of Authorized Officer (signed)

SECTION 3 REQUIREMENTS

All Section 3 covered contracts shall include the following clause (referred to as the Section 3 clause):

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

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

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

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

G. With respect to work performed in connection with Section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, Section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 and Section 7(b) agree to comply with Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with Section 7(b).

SECTION 3 BUSINESS SELF-CERTIFICATION

General Information:

I, _____, the undersigned being duly sworn, on oath, represents, warrants, certifies, deposes and says, under penalty of law, as follows:

- 1. Company Name: _____
- 2. Company Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
- 3. Business Telephone: _____ Cellular telephone: _____
Fax: _____ Email address: _____
- 4. Type of Business (examples: construction, electrician, catering, accounting, landscapes, etc.).

- 5. Contractor's License: _____ Class "A" _____ Class "B" _____ Class "C"
- 6. Certifications: _____ SWaM _____ DBE _____ Other _____

Please select "Yes" or "No". If you answer "YES" to one or more of the following questions, you may designate your company as a Section 3 Business Enterprise.

- 1. 51% or more of the business is owned by a Section 3 resident; or
_____ YES _____ NO
- 2. 30% or more of the company's full-time employees are Section 3 residents, or were Section 3 residents within the past three years; or
_____ YES _____ NO
- 3. The company can provide evidence, as required, of a commitment to subcontract 25% or more of all subcontract dollars to a certified and qualified Section 3 business enterprises.
_____ YES _____ NO

I declare and affirm under penalty of prosecution for perjury that the statements made herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsifying information and incomplete statements may be cause to disqualify this certification.

Signature of Business Owner or Authorized Representative Date

Signature of Business Owner or Authorized Representative Date

Notary Public Jurist: City/County of _____ in the Commonwealth of Virginia

The foregoing instrument was subscribed and sworn before me this ____ day of _____, 201__ by:

Notary (Please Print Name) Notary Signature

This commission expires: _____ Notary Registration Number: _____

SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE FORM

Contractor

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Reference Project: _____

Subject: Statement of Compliance with Section III Clause

In accordance with the provisions stated herein, I will make a “good faith effort” to provide training and employment opportunities to qualified low-income residents in the area in which this project is located (Hampton Roads Metropolitan Area). This clause and reporting requirements will be incorporated into any lower tier contracts.

We will comply and seek out the low-income person for any open positions. Notices shall be posted in conspicuous places available to residents, employees and applicants for any open positions.

Sincerely submitted,

Signature and Title

Printed Name

Date Signed

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ATTACHMENT "G"

**THIS FORM DOES NOT HAVE TO BE
RETURNED WITH THIS PROPOSAL**

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Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

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

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Introduction to Agreement

Agreement

made as of the _____ day of _____ in the year (yyyy) of _____

Between the **Owner** (Name & Address)

and the **Design Professional** (Name, Address and Discipline)

For the following **Project** (Include detailed description of Project, Location, Address, Scope and Program Designation)

The Owner and Design Professional agree as set forth below.

Article A: Services

A 1.0 Design Professional's Basic Services

A. 1.1 Areas of Professional's Basic Services. Unless revised in a written addendum or amendment to this Agreement, in planning, designing and administering construction or rehabilitation of the Project, the Design Professional shall provide the Owner with professional services in the following areas:

- o Architecture
- o Site Planning
- o Structural Engineering
- o Mechanical Engineering
- o Electrical Engineering
- o Civil Engineering
- o Landscape Architecture
- o Cost Estimating
- o Construction Contract Administration

A 1.2 Phases and Descriptions of Basic Services.

A. 1.2.1 Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Phase. After receipt of a Notice to Proceed from the Owner, the Design Professional shall prepare and deliver Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Documents. These documents shall consist of a presentation of the complete concept of the Project, including all major elements of the building(s), and site design(s), planned to promote economy both in construction and in administration and to comply with current program and cost limitations. The Design Professional shall revise these documents consistent with the requirements and criteria established by the Owner to secure the Owner's written approval. Additionally, the Design Professional shall make an independent assessment of the accuracy of the information provided by the Owner concerning existing conditions. Documents in this phase shall include:

- o Site plan(s)
- o Schedule of building types, unit distribution and bedroom count
- c Scale plan of all buildings, and typical dwelling units
- c Wall sections and elevations
- c Outline specifications
- c Preliminary construction cost estimates
- c Project specific analysis of codes, ordinances and regulations
- c Three dimensional line drawings

A. 1.2.2 Design Development Phase. After receipt of written approval of Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Documents, the Design Professional shall prepare and submit to the Owner Design Development Documents. The Design Professional shall revise these documents consistent with the requirements and criteria established by the Owner to secure the Owner's written approval. These documents shall include the following:

- o Drawings sufficient to fix and illustrate project scope and character in all essential design elements
- o Outline specifications
- o Cost estimates and analysis
- o Recommendations for phasing of construction
 - c Site plan(s)
 - c Landscape plan
 - c Floor plans
 - c Elevations, building and wall sections
 - c Updated three dimensional line drawings
 - c Engineering drawings

A. 1.2.3 Bidding, Construction and Contract Document Phase. After receipt of the Owner's written approval of Design Development Documents, the Design Professional shall prepare Construction Documents. After consultation with the Owner and Owner's attorney, if requested by the owner, the Design Professional shall also prepare and assemble all bidding and contract documents. The Design Professional shall revise these Bidding, Construction and Contract documents consistent with the requirements and criteria established by the Owner to secure the Owner's written approval. They shall, include in a detailed, manner all work to be performed; all material; workmanship; finishes and equipment required for the architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical, and site work; survey maps furnished by Owner; and direct reproduction of any logs and subsurface soil investigations. These documents shall include:

- o Solicitation for Bids
- o Form of Contract
- o Special Conditions
- o General Conditions
- o Technical Specifications
- o Plans and drawings
- o Updated cost estimates

A. 1.2.4 Bidding and Award Phase. After written approval of Bidding, Construction and Contract Documents from the Owner, the Design Professional shall assist in administering the bidding and award of the Construction Contract. This shall include:

- o Responding to inquires
- o Drafting and issuing addendum approved by Owner
- o Attending prebid conference(s)
- o Attending public bid openings
- o Reviewing and tabulating bids
- o Recommending list of eligible bids
- o Recommending award
- o Altering drawings and specifications as often as required to award within the Estimated Construction Contract Cost

A. 1.2.5 Construction Phase. After execution of the Construction Contract, the Design Professional shall in a prompt and timely manner administer the Construction Contract and all work required by the Bidding, Construction and Contract Documents. The Design Professional shall endeavor to protect the Owner against defects and deficiencies in the execution and performance of the work. The Design Professional shall:

- o Administer the Construction Contract.
- o Conduct pre-construction conference and attend dispute resolution conferences and other meetings when requested by the Owner.
- o Review and approve contractor's shop drawings and other submittals for conformance to the requirements of the contract documents.
- o At the Owner's written request, and as Additional Service, procure testing from qualified parties.
- o Monitor the quality and progress of the work and furnish a written field report weekly, semi monthly, monthly, or _____ This service shall be limited to a period amounting to 110% of the construction period as originally established under the construction contract unless construction has been delayed due to the Design professional's failure to properly perform its duties and responsibilities. The Owner may direct additional monitoring but only as Additional Services.
- o Require any sub-consultant to provide the services listed in this section where and as applicable and to visit the Project during the time that construction is occurring on the portion of the work related to its discipline and report in writing to the Design Professional.
- o Review, approve and submit to Owner the Contractor Requests for Payment.
- o Conduct all job meetings and record action in a set of minutes which are to be provided to the Owner.
- o Make modifications to Construction Contract Documents to correct errors, clarify intent or to accommodate change orders.
- o Make recommendations to Owner for solutions to special problems or changes necessitated by conditions encountered in the course of construction.
- o Promptly notify Owner in writing of any defects or deficiencies in the work or of any matter of dispute with the Contractor.
- o Negotiate, prepare cost or price analysis for and counter-sign change orders.
- o Prepare written punch list, certificates of completion and other necessary construction close out documents.
- o Prepare a set of reproducible record prints of Drawings showing significant changes in the work made during construction, including the locations of underground utilities and appurtenances referenced to permanent surface improvements, based on marked-up prints, drawings and other data furnished by the contractor to the Design Professional.

A. 1.2.6 Post Completion/Warranty Phase. After execution of the Certificate of Completion by the Owner, the Design Professional shall:

- o Consult with and make recommendations to Owner during warranties regarding construction, and equipment warranties.
- o Perform an inspection of construction work, material, systems and equipment no earlier than nine months and no later than ten months after completion of the construction contract and make a written report to the Owner. At the Owner's request, and by Amendment to the Additional Services section of this contract, conduct additional warranty inspections as Additional Services.
- o Advise and assist Owner in construction matters for a period up to eighteen months after completion of the project, but such assistance is not to exceed forty hours of service and one nonwarranty trip away from the place of business of the Design Professional.

A. 1.3 Time of Performance. The Design Professional's schedule for preparing, delivering and obtaining Owner's approval for Basic Services shall be as follows:

- o Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Documents within _____ calendar days for the date of the receipt of a Notice to Proceed.
- o Design Development Documents within _____ calendar days from the date of receipt of written approval by the Owner of Schematic Design/Preliminary Study documents.
- o Bidding, Construction and Contract Documents within _____ calendar days from the date of receipt of written approval by the Owner of Design Development Documents.

A. 2.0 Design Professional's Additional Services

A. 2.1 Description of Additional Services. Additional Services are all those services provided by the Design Professional on the Project for the Owner that are not defined as Basic Services in Article A, Section 1.2 or otherwise required to be performed by the Design Professional under this Agreement. They include major revisions in the scope of work of previously approved drawings, specifications and other documents due to causes beyond the control of the Design Professional and not due to any errors, omissions, or failures on the part of the Design Professional to carry out obligations otherwise set out in this Agreement.

A. 2.2 Written Addendum or Contract Amendment. All additional services not already expressly required by this agreement shall be agreed to through either a written addendum or amendment to this Agreement.

Article B: Compensation and Payment B.

1.0 Basic Services

B. 1.1 Fixed Fee for Basic Services. The Owner will pay the Design Professional for Basic Services performed as defined by A.1.2, a Fixed Fee (stipulated sum) of \$ _____ plus Reimbursable Expenses identified in Article B.2.0. Such

payment shall be compensation for all Basic Services required, performed, or accepted under this Contract.

B. 1.2 Payment Schedule. Progress payments for Basic Services for each phase of work shall be made in proportion to services performed as follows:

Phase	Amount
Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Phase	\$ _____
Design Development Phase	\$ _____
Bidding, Construction & Contract Document Phase	\$ _____
Bidding & Award Phase	\$ _____
Construction Phase	\$ _____
Post Completion/ Warranty Phase	\$ _____
Total Basic Services	\$ _____

B. 2.0 Reimbursables

B. 2.1 Reimbursable Expenses. The Owner will pay the Design Professional for the Reimbursable Expenses listed below up to a Maximum Amount of \$ _____ Reimbursable Expenses are in addition to the Fixed Fee for Basic Services and are for certain actual expenses incurred by the Design Professional in connection with the Project as enumerated below.

B. 2.1.1 Travel Costs. The reasonable expense of travel costs incurred by the Design Professional when requested by Owner to travel to a location that lies outside of a 45 mile radius of either the Project site, Design Professional's office (s), and Owner's office.

B. 2.1.2 Long Distance Telephone Costs. Long distance telephone calls and long distance telefax costs.

B. 2.1.3 Delivery Costs. Courier services and overnight delivery costs.

B. 2.1.4 Reproduction Costs. Reproduction and postage costs of required drawings, specifications, Bidding and Contract documents, excluding the cost of reproductions for the Design Professional or Subcontractor's own use.

B. 2.1.5 Additional Reimbursables. The Design Professional and Owner may agree in an addendum or amendment to this Agreement to include certain other expenses not enumerated above as Reimbursable Expenses. These Reimbursables shall not be limited by the Maximum Amount agreed to above. A separate Maximum Amount for these Reimbursables shall be established.

B. 3.0 Additional Services

B. 3.1 Payment for Additional Services. The Owner will pay the Design Professional only for Additional Services agreed to in an addendum or amendment to this Agreement executed by the Owner and the Design Professional pursuant to A.2. Payment for all such Additional Services shall be in an amount and upon the terms set out in such amendment or addendum and agreed upon by the parties. Each such amendment or addendum shall provide for a fixed price or, where payment for such Additional Services is to be on an hourly basis or other unit pricing method, for a

maximum amount; each such amendment or addendum shall also provide for a method of payment, including, at a minimum, whether payment will be made in partial payments or in lump sum and whether it will be based upon percentage of completion or services billed for.

B. 4.0 Invoicing and Payments

B. 4.1 Invoices. All payments shall require a written invoice from the Design Professional. Invoices shall be made no more frequently than on a monthly basis. Payments for Basic Services shall be in proportion to services completed within each phase of work. When requesting such payment, the invoice shall identify the phase and the portion completed. All invoices shall state the Agreement, name and address to which payment shall be made, the services completed and the dates of completion, and whether the invoice requests payment for Basic Services, Reimbursable or Additional Services. Invoices seeking payment for Reimbursable or Additional Services must provide detailed documentation.

B. 4.2 Time of Payment. Upon the Design Professional's proper submission of invoices for work performed or reimbursable expenses, the Owner shall review and, if the work is in conformance with the terms of the Agreement, make payment within thirty days of the Owner's receipt of the invoice.

Article C: Responsibilities

C. 1.0 Design Professional's Responsibilities

C. 1.1 Basic Services. The Design Professionals shall provide the Basic Service set out in Article A.1.0.

C. 1.2 Additional Services. When required under this Agreement or agreed to as set out in A.2.0, the Design Professional shall provide Additional Services on the Project.

C. 1.3 General Responsibilities. The Design Professional shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and coordination of all designs, drawings, specifications, and other services, furnished by the Design Professional under this Agreement. The Owner's review, approval, acceptance of, or payment for Design Professional services shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights under this Agreement or of any cause of action for damages caused by Design Professional's negligent performance under this Agreement. Furthermore, this Agreement does not restrict or limit any rights or remedies otherwise afforded the Owner or Design Professional by law.

C. 1.4 Designing Within Funding Limitations. The Design Professional shall perform services required under this Contract in such a manner so as to cause an award of a Construction Contract(s) that does not exceed (1) \$ _____ or (2) an amount to be provided by the Owner in writing to the Design Professional prior to the commencement of Design Professional services. This fixed limit shall be called the Maximum Construction Contract Cost. The amount may be increased by the Owner, but only with written notice to the Design Professional. If the increase results in a change to the scope of work, an amendment to this Agreement will be required. The Design Professional and the Owner may mutually agree to decrease the Maximum Construction Contract Cost, but only by signing a written amendment to this Agreement. Should bids for the Construction Contract(s) exceed the Maximum Construction Contract Cost, the Owner has the right to require the Design Profes-

sional to perform redesigns, rebids and other services necessary to cause an award of the Construction Contract within the Maximum Construction Contract Cost without additional compensation or reimbursement.

C. 1.5 Compliance with Laws, Codes, Ordinances and Regulations. The Design Professional shall perform services that conform to all applicable Federal, State and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations except as modified by any waivers which may be obtained with the approval of the Owner. If the Project is within an Indian reservation, tribal laws, codes and regulations shall be substituted for state and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations. However, on such a Native American Projects, the Owner may additionally designate that some or all state and local codes shall apply. In some of these circumstances, a model national building code may be selected by the Indian or Native American Owner. The Design Professional shall certify that Contract Documents will conform to all applicable laws, codes, ordinances and regulations. The Design Professional shall prepare all construction documents required for approval by all governmental agencies having jurisdiction over the project. The Design professional shall make all changes in the Bidding and Construction Documents necessary to obtain governmental approval without additional compensation or reimbursement, except in the following situations. If subsequent to the date the Owner issues a notice to proceed, revisions are made to applicable codes or non-federal regulations, the Design Professional shall be entitled to additional compensation and reimbursements for any additional cost resulting from such changes. The Design Professional, however, is obligated to notify the Owner of all significant code or regulatory changes within sixty (60) days of their change, and such notification shall be required in order for the Design Professional to be entitled to any additional compensation or reimbursement.

C. 1.6 Seal. Licensed Design Professionals shall affix their seals and signatures to drawings and specifications produced under this Agreement when required by law or when the project is located on an Indian Reservation.

C. 1.7 Attendance at Conferences. The Design Professional or designated representative shall attend project conferences and meetings involving matters related to basic services covered under this contract. Attendance at community wide meetings shall be considered an additional service.

C. 2.0 Owner's Responsibilities

C. 2.1 Information. The Owner shall provide information regarding requirements for the project, including a program that shall set forth the Owner's objectives and schedule. The Owner shall also establish and update the Maximum Construction Cost. This shall include the Owner's giving notice of work to be performed by the Owner or others and not included in the Construction Contract for the Project. The Design Professional, however, shall be responsible to ascertain and know federal requirements and limitations placed on the Project.

C. 2.2 Notice of Defects. If the Owner observes or otherwise becomes aware of any fault or defect in the construction of the project or nonconformance with the Construction Contract, the Owner shall give prompt written notice of those faults, defects or nonconformance to the Design Professional.

C.2.3 Contract Officer. The Owner shall designate a Contract Officer authorized to act on its behalf with respect to the design and construction of the Project. The Contract Officer shall examine documents submitted by the Design Professional and shall promptly render decisions pertaining to those documents so as to avoid unreasonably delaying the progress of the Design Professional's work.

C. 2.4 Duties to Furnish. The Owner shall provide the Design Professional the items listed below.

C. 2.4.1 Survey and Property Restrictions. The Owner shall furnish topographic, property line and utility information as and where required. The Owner may at its election require the Design Professional to furnish any of these items as an Additional Service.

C. 2.4.2 Existing Conditions. The Owner shall provide the Design Professional any available "as-built" drawings of buildings or properties, architect surveys, test reports, and any other written information that it may have in its possession and that it might reasonably assume affects the work.

C. 2.4.3 Waivers. The Owner shall provide the Design Professional information it may have obtained on any waivers of local codes, ordinances, or regulations or standards affecting the design of the Project.

C. 2.4.4 Minimum Wage Rates. The Owner shall furnish the Design Professional the schedule of minimum wage rates approved by the U.S. Secretary of Labor for inclusion in the solicitation and Contract Documents.

C. 2.4.5 Tests. When expressly agreed to in writing by both the Owner and the Design Professional, the Owner shall furnish the Design Professional all necessary structural, mechanical, chemical or other laboratory tests, inspections and reports required for the Project.

C. 2.4.6 Contract Terms. The Owner or its legal counsel may provide the Design Professional text to be incorporated into Bidding and Construction Contract Documents.

Article D: Contract Administration

D. 1.0 Prohibition of Assignment. The Design Professional shall not assign, subcontract, or transfer any services, obligations, or interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Owner. Such consent shall not unreasonably be withheld when such assignment is for financing the Design Professional's performance.

D. 1.1 Ownership of Documents. All drawings, specifications, studies and other materials prepared under this contract shall be the property of the Owner and at the termination or completion of the Design Professional's services shall be promptly delivered to the Owner. The Design Professional shall have no claim for further employment or additional compensation as a result of exercise by the Owner of its full rights of ownership. It is understood, however, that the Design Professional does not represent such data to be suitable for re-use on any other project or for any other purpose. If the Owner re-uses the subject data without the Design Professional's written verification, such re-use will be at the sole risk of the Owner without liability to the Design Professional.

D. 1.2 Substitutions.

A. The Design Professional shall identify in writing principals and professional level employees and shall not substitute or replace principals or professional level employees without the prior approval of the Owner which shall not unreasonably be withheld.

B. The Design Professional’s personnel identified below are considered to be essential to the work effort. Prior to diverting or substituting any of the specified individuals, the Design Professional shall notify the Owner reasonably in advance and shall submit justification, including proposed substitutions, in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the contract. No diversion or substitution of such key personnel shall be made by the Design professional without the prior written consent of the Owner.

D. 1.3 Suspension. The Owner may give written notice to the Design Professional to suspend work on the project or any part thereof. The Owner shall not be obligated to consider a claim for additional compensation if the Design Professional is given written notice to resume work within 120 calendar days. If notice to resume work is not given within 120 calendar days, the Design Professional shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in compensation.

D. 1.4 Subcontracts. The Design Professional will cause all applicable provisions of this Agreement to be inserted in all its subcontracts.

D. 1.5 Disputes. In the event of a dispute arising under this Agreement, the Design Professional shall notify the Owner promptly in writing and submit its claim in a timely manner. The Owner shall respond to the claim in writing in a timely manner. The Design Professional shall proceed with its work hereunder in compliance with the instructions of the Owner, but such compliance shall not be a waiver of the Design Professional’s rights to make such a claim. Any dispute not resolved by this procedure may be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or by consent of the Owner and Design Professional by other dispute resolution methods.

D. 1.6 Termination. The Owner may terminate this Agreement for the Owner’s convenience or for failure of the Design Professional to fulfill contract obligations. The Owner shall terminate by delivering to the Design Professional a Notice of Termination specifying the reason therefore and the effective date of termination. Upon receipt of such notice, the Design Professional shall immediately discontinue all services affected and deliver to the Owner all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing this contract whether completed or in process. If the termination is for convenience of the Owner, the Owner shall be liable only for payment for accepted services rendered before the effective date of termination.

D. 1.7 Insurance. The Design professional shall carry Commercial or Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, Professional Liability Insurance (for a period extending two years past the date of completion of construction), and other insurance as are required by law, all in minimum amounts as set forth below. The Design Professional shall furnish the Owner certificates of insurance and they shall state that a thirty day notice of prior cancellation or change will be provided to the Owner. Additionally, the Owner shall be an additional insured on all Commercial or Comprehensive General liability policies.

Insurance	Limits or Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

D. 1.8 Retention of Rights. Neither the Owner’s review, approval or acceptance of, nor payment for, the services required under this contract shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this contract, and the Design Professional shall be and remain liable to the Owner in accordance with the applicable law for all damages to the Owner caused by the Design professional’s negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this contract.

Article E: Additional Requirements

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Such a conflict would arise when:

(i) The employee, officer or agent,

(ii) Any member of his or her immediate family,

(iii) His or her partner, or

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

Neither the Owner nor any of its contractors or their subcontractors shall enter into any Contract, subcontract, or agreement, in connection with any Project or any property included or planned to be included in any Project, in which any member, officer, or employee of the Owner, or any member of the governing body of the locality in which the Project is situated, or any member of the governing body of the locality in which the Owner was activated, or in any other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any responsibilities or functions with respect to the Project during his/her tenure or for one year thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect. If any such present or former member, officer, or employee of the Owner, or any such governing body member or such other public official of such locality or localities involuntarily acquires or had acquired prior to the beginning of

his/her tenure any such interest, and if such interest is immediately disclosed to the Owner and such disclosure is entered upon the minutes of the Owner, the Owner, with the prior approval of the Government, may waive the prohibition contained in this subsection: Provided, That any such present member, officer, or employee of the Owner shall not participate in any action by the Owner relating to such contract, subcontract, or arrangement.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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G. Reserved.

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

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

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Article F: Other Owner Requirements (if any)

(Continue on additional pages as necessary)

This Agreement is entered into as of the day and year first written above.

Owner

Design Professional

(Housing Authority)

(Firm)

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Print Name)

(Print Title)

(Print Title)

Addendum (If any)

(Additional Services and other modifications)

This is an Addendum to a Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Design Professional signed and dated the _____ day of _____ in the year (yyyy) of _____ between the Owner _____ and Design Professional _____ on Project _____. The parties to that Agreement agree to modify the Agreement by the above delineated Additional Services and modifications.

This Addendum is dated this _____ day of _____ in the year (yyyy) of _____

Owner

Design Professional

(Housing Authority)

(Firm)

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Print Name)

(Print Title)

(Print Title)

**Contract Provisions Required by Federal Law
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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

ATTACHMENT "H"

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

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

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

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

1.4 Design Certification. Where the Owner is required by federal regulations to provide HUD a Design Professional certification regarding the design of the Projects (24 CFR 968.235, 905.260 and 905.639), the Design Professional shall provide such a certification to the Owner.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

G. With respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

H. Pursuant to 24 CFR 905.170(b), compliance with Section 3 requirements shall be to the maximum extent consistent with, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance, 25 U.S.C. section 450e(b) when this law is applicable.

1.13 Indian Preference in Indian Housing Authority Contracts. Pursuant to 24 CFR section 905.165 and Federal law, the Design Professional shall provide Indian Preference in its contracting, training, and employment practices when this contract is with an Indian Housing Authority and shall incorporate the following language into all of its subcontracts:

(i) The work to be performed under this contract is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b)). Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preferences in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises.

(ii) The parties to this contract shall comply with the provisions of said section 7(b) of the Indian Self-determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b)) and all HUD requirements adopted pursuant to section 7(b).

(iii) In connection with this contract, the parties shall, to the greatest extent feasible, give preference in the award of any subcontracts to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises, and preferences and opportunities for training and employment to Indians.

(iv) This section 7(b) clause shall be incorporated into every subcontract in connection with the project.

(v) Upon a finding by the IHA or HUD that any party to the contract is in violation of the section 7(b) clause, said party shall at the direction of the IHA, take appropriate remedial action pursuant to the contract.

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

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Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

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



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1. Preparation of Offers

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

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

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

2. Submission of Offers

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

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

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

3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

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

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

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

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

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Contract Award

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

(b) The HA may

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

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

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

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

8. Service of Protest

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

9. Offer Submission

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

Certifications and Representations of Offerors
Non-Construction Contract

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

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

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

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Check the block applicable to you)

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

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

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

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

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

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

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

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

- (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage;
- (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired; or
- (iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

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

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

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

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

6. Conflict of Interest

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

7. Offeror's Signature

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

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title: