

January 23, 2024

Request for Proposals (RFP): **General Environmental Services 2024**

Federal and state laws require that the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) must consider the impacts and potential consequences of transportation projects on the environment and obtain applicable environmental resource regulatory clearances and/ or permits prior to project construction.

The Environmental Section of the VTrans Project Delivery Bureau is the unit responsible for coordinating with federal and state resource regulatory agencies during project development to obtain clearances and permits. This is generally accomplished directly by agency staff or by agency staff using the services of contracted consultants. Given that VTrans works on roadways, bridges, bike/ pedestrian trails, railroads, and airports; the Contractor and/ or his/ her subcontractor may be required to assess a wide variety of resources under numerous scenarios involving various transportation modal projects.

To accomplish these objectives the Project Delivery Bureau Environmental Section requires the services of consulting firms employing environmental and cultural resource scientists, technicians, specialists, and sub-consultants.

This RFP will result in multiple awards.

All work will be accomplished in accordance with the following:

- Scope of Work (SOW) dated January 18, 2024;
- Attachment C: Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants dated December 4, 2023
- 2020 General Terms and Conditions for Contracts and Services
- 2018 Federal Terms and Conditions Services (Non-Construction)

all of which are attached hereto, in addition to all applicable local, state and federal regulations.

Prequalification is not required in order to submit a proposal for this RFP.

All questions related to this RFP shall be forwarded to **Caryn Pletzer, AOT Contract Administration, in writing**, by e-mail at caryn.pletzer@vermont.gov . All such questions and requests shall be received **no later than 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2024**. VTrans will not be bound by any oral communications. All questions or requests for clarification received will be documented and answered after this date.

Communication with other VTrans personnel regarding this RFP is prohibited and may result in the rejection of your proposal.

Proposal Assistance: If a Contractor requires assistance in preparing their proposal, registering with SAM.gov or needs guidance on socioeconomic certifications, the Contractor may contact the Agency of Commerce & Community Development (ACCD), Department of Economic Development (DED), APEX Accelerator. The Vermont APEX Accelerator (formerly The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)) specializes in helping small businesses navigate the documentation associated with State and Federal procurement. **There is no cost to the Contractor for assistance provided by APEX Accelerator.** Their website is: <https://accd.vermont.gov/economic-development/programs/ptac>

Proposers' Conference: There will **not** be a mandatory or optional pre-bid meeting.

Addendum(s) / Modifications. In the event that it becomes necessary to revise, modify, clarify, or otherwise alter this RFP, including VTrans' responses to questions and requests for clarification, such addendum(s)/modification(s) shall be posted to the VTrans Contract Administration website.

IT IS THE PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO OBTAIN ANY RFP MODIFICATIONS ISSUED.

They will be posted on the VTrans Contract Administration website at:

<https://vtrans.vermont.gov/contract-admin/bids-requests/services>

Reservation of Rights. All proposals become the property of VTrans upon submission. The cost of preparing, submitting and presenting a proposal is the sole expense of the Proposer. Unselected proposals shall be securely disposed of at VTrans' discretion. VTrans reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received as a result of this solicitation, to negotiate with any qualified source, to waive any formality and any technicalities or to cancel this RFP in part or in its entirety if it is in the best interest of VTrans. This solicitation of proposals in no way obligates VTrans to award a contract.

Exceptions to Terms and Conditions. The proposer must state in the business proposal any exceptions taken to the terms and conditions in this RFP. For each exception the proposer shall identify the term or condition, state the reason for the exception, and provide any other information concerning the exception. Such exceptions, deviations or conditional assumptions may, however, result in rejection of the proposal as unresponsive. Failure to note exceptions when responding to the RFP will be deemed to be acceptance of the State contract terms and conditions. If exceptions are not noted in the response to this RFP but raised during contract negotiations, the State reserves the right to cancel the negotiation if deemed to be in the best interests of the State.

Multiple Award Anticipated. VTrans intends to select more than one (1) Contractor to perform these services under a primary contract. Each contract will contain a variety of specific services the Contractor will be awarded. VTrans will enter into contracts, with an initial term of three (3) years with the option of extending for an additional three (3) year period.

Maximum Amount. The maximum amount(s) for the contract(s) will be set at a level to permit a Contractor to be awarded all work assignments if they are judged to be the most qualified. Qualification Based Selection will be determined by experience, specialists' availability, required specialized equipment, capacity, creative and technical solution, and past performance. Award of a contract does not guarantee payment of any or all the maximum amount. Payment is based on products or services actually delivered or performed. The maximum amount for this contract does not guarantee that the Contractor will receive any work under the Contract.

Work Orders. VTrans may use several methods for determining and distributing work orders to contracted Contractors including but not limited to requesting technical proposals from more than one Contractor for comparison, requesting a proposal from a single Contractor, or requesting proposals addressing more than one project. Award of work orders will be a qualification based selection when the services are design in nature and federal funding is involved. Award of work orders will be a best value selection when the services are not design in nature and federal funding is involved. Best value selection will be used for all services that are 100% state funded, regardless of service type.

All Work Order Requests that contain federal funding other than Federal Highway Association (FHWA) such as Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) or other federal funding may contain special provisions required for that federal funding and/or the particular project. By returning a work order proposal for that project, you are indicating that you understand and will abide by any additional provisions included in the Work Order Request/Authorization.

Primary Contract holders shall not enter into joint ventures with another Primary Contract holder in response to a second-tier solicitation (Work Order Request); nor shall it be permissible for a Primary Contract holder to include another Primary Contract holder as a subcontractor.

Contractors who are awarded work orders will report to the assigned VTrans Project Manager. Work will be performed primarily at project sites and municipalities throughout Vermont, as described in the work orders, and some meetings may be held at VTrans headquarters in Barre.

For sub-contractors not named in the proposal, utilization of sub-contractor personnel will require written approval by VTrans prior to the sub-Contractor performing any work under the contract. Please see additional information regarding this process under the sub-contractor section within the Proposal Technical Format and Content.

No work may be performed after the expiration date plus exercised extensions of the applicable Contract. In exceptional circumstances where it might be mutually desired to have work extend beyond the term of a Contract, written authorization will be needed, overseen by VTrans' Contract Administration, and authorized by the Secretary of Transportation, the Agency's Chief Financial Officer, other State Representatives as required and Federal oversight agencies as required. A formal amendment will be required for any such extension.

Confidentiality. All Proposals received will become part of the contract file and will become a matter of public record, and may be disclosed to the public in accordance with the Vermont Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq. If the proposal documents include material that is considered by the proposer to be proprietary and confidential under 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq., the proposer shall submit a cover letter that clearly identifies each page or section of the proposal that it believes is proprietary and confidential. The proposer shall also provide in their cover letter a written explanation *for each marked section* explaining why such material should be considered exempt from public disclosure in the event of a public records request, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317(c), including the prospective harm to the competitive position of the proposer if the identified material were to be released. **Additionally, the proposer must include a redacted copy of its response for portions that are considered proprietary and confidential.** Redactions must be limited so that the reviewer may understand the nature of the information being withheld. It is typically inappropriate to redact entire pages, or to redact the titles/captions of tables and figures. Under no circumstances can the entire response be marked confidential, and the State reserves the right to disqualify responses so marked.

Proposal Instructions – General

The quality of proposals and adherence to solicitation response requirements and/or restrictions are considered reflective of the manner in which the proposer could be expected to conduct business and will be given due consideration throughout the evaluation process.

Failure to provide all required information, or indications that the proposer did not conform to all terms as set forth in the RFP and attachments may make the offer non-responsive and may result in the elimination of the proposer from further consideration for award.

Proposals or unsolicited revisions submitted after the specified due date and time will not be accepted and will be securely disposed of.

Required Electronic Submittal Information:

Proposals will be received electronically via an FTP site. In order to upload your proposal, you must obtain a user account. This account will be provided when Contract Administration receives your request via e-mail. Please submit your request for a user account by e-mailing the single point of contact listed above. Your subject should state “**FTP Account Proposal Submit Request for General Environmental Services 2024**”. You will then receive guidance on uploading your proposal and a user account will be provided by separate e-mail(s).

Please submit your request as soon as possible and no later than four (4) business days before the RFP due date to ensure there is ample time to set up the user account(s).

When submitting your proposal(s) please use the following naming convention:

ProposalType_CompanyName_RFP Title

- **TechnicalProposal_ABConsulting_GeneralEnvironmentalServices2024**
- CostProposal_ABConsulting_AviationFuelSystemsServices2020 *(if applicable)*
- FinancialInformation_ABConsulting_AviationFuelSystemsServices2020 *(if applicable)* This file will be uploaded directly to AOT Audit Section as these documents are considered confidential. You will receive a separate user account through AOT Audit when this document is required, and a user account is requested.

Submit your proposals to the Office of Contract Administration, Agency of Transportation, via the provided FTP site, **prior to 2:00 P.M.**, on **Tuesday, February 20, 2024**.

Technical Proposal Format and Content

The proposal shall not exceed twenty (20) single sided pages. All pages that count toward the page limit shall be numbered consecutively. The pages shall be formatted as 8½” x 11” sheets. Font shall be size 12.

The twenty (20) pages shall include information as required below:

Proposal Substantive Content

In tabbed and labeled sections, please provide the following elements:

- Cover Letter**. All proposer’s or their authorized representative shall prepare and sign a cover letter. Submission of the letter shall constitute a representation by the proposer that it is willing and able to perform the services described in the RFP and their proposal response. **This section counts toward the twenty (20) page limit.**
- Technical Capability/Approach**. In this section the proposer must explain the proposer’s understanding of VTrans’ intent, objectives, and how the proposer proposes to achieve those objectives. The proposer must discuss the proposer’s experience, capabilities and plan for providing the described services, including any proposed approach to project management, strategies, tools and safeguards for ensuring performance of all required services, and any additional factors for VTrans’ consideration. **This section counts toward the twenty (20) page limit.**
- Business and Management Structure**. Provide a description of the bidding organization’s size, background, and structure, and a list by name and title of management personnel. Indicate which management personnel will be responsible for the delivery of services under the contract and a description of how the organization’s resources will be applied. This section should provide clear information as to the lines of communication and how the Business ensures Quality Control & Quality Assurance. Include information as to how Local, Regional and National Offices will coordinate to provide successful services. **This section counts toward the twenty (20) page limit.**

D. Organizational Chart. Provide a one-page organizational chart of the Proposer's team that notes the name and title of key individuals that are proposed to manage or perform tasks. This chart shall clearly indicate the lines of communication for problem resolution. The use of an 11x17 page is permitted, however ensure that the document has been scanned or saved appropriately so all information is included. You may utilize a separate text box to contain the phone number and e-mail of each person listed on the chart, but the text box must be located on the same page as the organizational chart. In the case of international or national firms, please provide an organizational chart of the local office that will be responsible for the delivery of services under the contract. **This section DOES NOT count toward the twenty (20) page limit.**

E. Key Personnel. Identify the name and title of all personnel who will be assigned to provide professional services under this contract. Indicate any certifications or special licensing the individual holds that is pertinent. Include up to two-page resumes for each individual. **This section DOES NOT count toward the twenty (20) page limit.**

NOTE: The key personnel identified in the proposal are considered by VTrans to be essential to the work being performed under the contract. Prior to diverting any of the specified individuals into other programs, the Contractor shall notify VTrans in advance and shall submit justification (including proposed substitutions) in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the program. No diversion shall be made without VTrans' written consent.

F. Subcontracts.

A. Identify **all** subcontracts proposed, and provide the following information:

- (1) Company name of each sub-contractor, or individual name in the case of independent Contractors
- (2) Names of each sub-contractor principals and/or corporate officers
- (3) Resumes of each sub-contractor's key personnel who will be assigned to provide professional services under the contract, including certifications or special licensing for each; and
- (4) The types of work to be performed by each sub-contractor

This section DOES NOT count toward the twenty (20) page limit.

NOTE: Fully executed sub-agreements must be in place for each sub-contractor prior to the sub-contractor performing any work under this contract. Any changes to or the addition of new sub-contractors are subject to the same notification and approval procedures applicable to key personnel described above. Contractor must request changes or additions in writing to the Contract Manager. The request shall include justification for the change or addition, all required items such as resumes of the sub-contractor, a description of their services, any certifications or special licensing the individual holds that is pertinent. All sub-contractors that the proposer anticipates utilizing under the contract should be included with the initial proposal. Changes to sub-contractors and the addition of new sub-contractors should be the exception and be on a limited basis.

G. Past Performance. Provide at least three (3) projects that detail past performance. The projects must be completed in the past five years or currently in process which are of similar size, scope, complexity and contract type or otherwise relevant to the work described in this RFP.

Proposer shall use the provided Past Performance and Reference Form.

The contact person must be able to speak knowledgeably about the proposer's performance in both technical and business aspects. The contacts provided may be directly communicated with at VTrans discretion.

The technical proposal shall not include any quoted or summarized comments or recommendations from any in-state or out-of-state evaluations, records or reports of any kind.

VTrans reserves the right to discuss the Proposer's past performance with any VTrans employee who has had experience with the Proposer.

This section counts toward the twenty (20) page limit.

H. Sample Project

Provide a scope of work, schedule and cost estimate for the sample project that is included with this RFP in the Scope of Work, Appendix B. The scope must include the schedule and show a breakdown by staff-person, task, outreach, etc.

For deliverables, provide information as outlined in the Sample Project, Appendix B to the Scope of Work.

This section DOES NOT count toward the twenty (20) page limit.

The Sample Project does have its own specific page limit of 10 single sided pages.

I. Price/Cost:

Complete the attached Hourly Classification Rate Schedule to provide fully burdened hourly rates for all classifications you anticipate utilizing under the Primary Contract. The classifications must be consistent with the key personnel and technical portions of your proposal.

The submitted rates will be in effect for the initial term of the Primary Contract, which is three (3) years. Rates can be revised during the amendment process for the option of extending for three (3) additional years.

This section DOES NOT count toward the twenty (20) page limit.

Required Certifications/Documents *Sections 1-6 DOES NOT count toward the twenty (20) page limit.
Section 7 counts toward the twenty (20) page limit.*

- 1. Completed Certification of Contractor / Consultant – fillable PDF provided**
- 2. Completed Certification Regarding Lobbying – fillable PDF provided.** If there is no lobbying activities, please indicate N/A on the second page and complete the firm information in section 11.
- 3. Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit – Form CA-91:** All proposers will be required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the proposer has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with such contract.

4. **Contractor's EEO Certification** - Form CA-109: The certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1)), and must be submitted by Contractors and proposed sub-contractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause.
5. **Worker Classification Compliance Requirements (Self Reporting and Sub-Contractor Reporting)** – The form must be completed in its entirety and submitted as part of the response for the proposal to be considered valid.
6. **Contractor and Sub-Contractor Information Form** – The form must be completed in its entirety and submitted as part of the response for the proposal to be considered valid.
7. **Past Performance and Reference Forms** – fillable PDF provided

Proposer's Cost Proposal

Submit one (1) separate and labeled (as noted above) PDF file, containing:

The Cost Proposal Form attached to this RFP as Attachment S.

Price/Cost

Any resulting contract will be based on the approved Cost Proposal. Actual price/cost for each project assigned under this primary contract will be determined at the work assignment level based on the approved Cost Proposal contained within the contract. For the purposes of determining the rates to be included in the Primary Contract, bidders must provide hourly rates per classification, for providing the necessary services as specified in the attached SOW. If there are multiple individuals in a classification, please calculate one rate per classification. The rates submitted shall be fully burdened rates. The classifications should be consistent with the information provided in your technical proposal. For sub-Contractors named in the proposal, include classification rates for all sub-Contractor personnel, for review and reasonableness. All sub-Contractors will be billed at cost.

The submitted rates in this proposal will be binding on the bidder for work at the work assignment level. The rates submitted and included in the Primary Contract will be in effect for the initial term of the Primary Contract, which is three (3) years. Rates can be revised during the initial amendment process for the option of extending for an additional three (3) year period. Rates can be revised during the amendment process for the option of extending for three (3) additional years.

VTrans will use the submitted rates to evaluate cost reasonableness and realism in the award of the Primary Contract after the qualifications-based selection of the contractor(s) for Primary Contracts is completed.

Contractor Financial Information

Submit one (1) separate, labeled PDF file, containing:

A. Break Down of Rates

1. Provide the current direct hourly rates for the key individuals who may be utilized under this agreement grouped by classification titles. The list of individuals should be consistent with the information provided in your technical proposal.

2. Please provide a breakdown of all rates by classification title including: direct rate, overhead rate, profit and total for the key personnel identified in the cost proposal.

Example:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Direct Labor Rate</u>	<u>Overhead Rate 150%</u>	<u>Profit</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Overtime Premium</u>	<u>Overtime Total</u>
Biologist	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$8.00	\$108.00	n/a	\$108.00
Botanist	\$27.00	\$40.50	\$5.40	\$ 72.90	\$13.50	\$ 86.40
Other Specify	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$4.00	\$ 54.00	\$10.00	\$ 64.00

This is only an example. Please use this format to present your information.

3. VTrans considers profit as a negotiable item and caps the profit at 10%. Please notify all sub-Contractor(s) of the 10% cap.
4. **If there are multiple individuals in a class of labor, please calculate one rate per classification. Include an explanation and justification for the calculation method utilized in calculating that rate.**
5. The total (fully burdened) rate provided in this section shall match the total (fully burdened) rate per class of labor as submitted in the Cost Proposal.
6. Overtime Premium is for direct labor rates only. There is no mark up on overhead rate or profit as these items do not incur additional costs. The Overtime premium is for the ½ increase in the direct labor rate. If an employee is not paid an increase rate for overtime hours, then the overtime premium would not be applicable.

B. Financial Documentation

- 1) A completed Form AASHTO Internal Control Questionnaire (ICQ) for Consulting Engineers (for the prime Contractor), along with required financial statements and indirect cost schedules. The current AASHTO ICQ form can be found on the VTran’s Audit page at <https://vtrans.vermont.gov/finance-admin/audit>
- 2) The financial information for the Proposer shall be for the most recently completed fiscal year.

If the Proposer has a completed AASHTO ICQ and current financials are on file already with the VTrans Audit Section, the Proposer does not need to resubmit for this RFP. Any Proposer wishing to verify their financial information should contact the VTrans Audit Section.

In accordance with 23 USC § 172 information supplied in compliance with the above financial requirements will be considered confidential.

Evaluation of Proposals

VTrans will award a contract in the best interest of the State. The selection will be a qualifications-based selection.

The selection panel is comprised of VTrans employees from varying Departments and Bureaus and in some cases external Stakeholders. The panel members may or may not be familiar with your company. With that in mind, it is important to provide detailed information regarding the evaluation criteria listed below.

The selection panel will evaluate proposals based upon the following factors and related sub-factors, which are of equal weight, unless noted otherwise.

1. Technical Capability/Approach (This section will be evaluated and rated at twice (2x) the weight of the other sections)

The proposal clearly indicates how the proposer will deliver timely, high-quality, compliant and cost-effective services to meet VTrans' needs. Specifically, the proposal demonstrates:

- Demonstrate experience and ability with the various types of engineering services that are outlined in the SOW that may be requested by VTrans.
- Demonstrated innovation on projects and assignments similar to those types listed in the SOW.
- Ability to meet projects on time and within budget.
- Extensive knowledge of all required federal and state permitting regulations and Resource Identification including, but not limited to, Act 250, stormwater, floodplains, fluvial geomorphology, noise studies, NEPA (including CE, EA, EIS, mitigation, indirect/cumulative impacts, etc.), aquatic organism passage and habitat assessment, habitat connectivity, invasive species, threatened and endangered species, wetlands, agricultural lands, historic, archaeology, hazardous waste Soil Management Plans and/or Corrective Action Plans, contaminated soils (IRULE), etc.
- Extensive knowledge of delineating wetlands in accordance to US Corps of Engineers methodologies. Need to be very familiar with VT State/Federal Wetland Permitting.
- Biologists that have been approved to conduct bat surveys through the VT Fish and Wildlife and USFWS survey protocols (habitat assessments, acoustic and tagging/radio telemetry) must be familiar with bat reporting guidelines.
- Rare/threatened/Endangered plants and animals- experience conducting surveys including but not limited to botanical, fresh water mussels, and amphibian surveys
- Specialized technologies-drones, thermal imagery capabilities, GIS/GPS Invasive species identification/remediation.
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- Describe how your organization will meet the digital recording and documentation deliverables of VTrans as outlined in the SOW. List all digital capabilities and expertise within your organization that currently exists, and how you plan to deliver the information in a compatible manner.
- Successful experience complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act for transportation projects.
- Successful development and listing of a transportation-themed Multiple Property Documentation Form(s) in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).
- Development of a statewide or national transportation-themed historic context(s).
- The identification of resources listed or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP and/or Section 4(f) property types within a transportation project's APE, in accordance with 36 CFR 800 and 23 CFR Part 774, respectively.
- Successful development of other programmatic and policy level documents such as programmatic agreements.

2. Business and Management Structure

- The proposal clearly demonstrates a sound organizational structure and management approach which indicate positive business ethics, clear lines of communication between the proposer's team and VTrans, active and continuing participation of senior executives, a focus on quality assurance and partnering.
- The proposal clearly demonstrates that the proposer has the resources and managerial capability to provide the required services in a timely, cost-effective manner.

3. Key Personnel

- Proposer's proposed key personnel are sufficient in number, experience, and skill level, to provide high-quality professional services in a timely and cost-effective manner.
- Demonstrates commitment of key personnel to tasks/assignments.
- Key personnel meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards as specified in 36 CFR Part 61 and possess additional professional certification(s) and licensing required for the Scope of Work.
- Key personnel will have extensive knowledge of all required federal and state permitting regulations and Resource Identification including, but not limited to, Act 250, stormwater, floodplains, fluvial geomorphology, noise studies, NEPA (including CE, EA, EIS, mitigation, indirect/cumulative impacts, etc.), aquatic organism passage and habitat assessment, habitat connectivity, invasive species, threatened and endangered species, wetlands, agricultural lands, historic, archaeology, hazardous waste Soil Management Plans and/or Corrective Action Plans, contaminated soils, etc.

- Key personnel will be very experienced in wetland delineation, conducting botanical surveys and rare/threatened/endangered species surveys. All key personnel must be experienced in GIS/GPS technologies to collect natural resource information and depict onto exhibits.

4. Past Performance

The past performance evaluation will examine how the proposer's past and present performance indicates the likelihood of successful completion of work under this contract. In conducting the past performance assessment VTrans may use data obtained by references provided and any other source.

- Please list previous examples of work completed in Vermont that demonstrates knowledge of NEPA and resource permitting.

5. Sample Project (This section will be evaluated and rated at twice (2x) the weight of the other sections)

- Include a technical approach within your proposal for a theoretical assignment, as described in Appendix B, include pertinent examples of work performed by key personnel and sub-contractors.
- Provide a proposed schedule through completion of the theoretical assignment.
- Please identify any NEPA and/or permitting requirements that will be required for all natural and cultural resources.
- Please identify any innovative design approaches that your firm would suggest to avoid, minimize impacts to regulated resources.
- Please identify any enhancements to that site that may be beneficial to the natural and cultural resource environment. Ranging from low cost to higher cost suggestions.

Evaluation Method

Ratings will focus on the strengths and weaknesses as demonstrated by the proposer's proposal. Assigned ratings represent the consensus developed by the selection committee. Each criterion described above will be scored according to the following chart.

The maximum possible evaluation score is 8+4+4+4+8=28

Single Max Weight	Twice Max Weight	Thrice Max Weight	Overall Rating	Description
4	8	12	Exceptional	Indicates a proposal containing significant strengths with few to no weaknesses
3	6	9	Very Good	Indicates a proposal containing a number of strengths but also some weaknesses
2	4	6	Acceptable	Indicates a proposal containing some strengths but also some significant weaknesses
1	2	3	Unacceptable	Indicates a proposal that contains significant weaknesses that outweigh any strengths

The Contractor awarded a contract shall, upon notification of award, apply for registration with the Vermont Secretary of State's Office to do business in the State of Vermont, if not already so registered. The registration form may be obtained from the Vermont Secretary of State, 128 State Street, Montpelier VT 05609-1101. The telephone number is 800-439-8683. Registration can be completed online at www.vtsosonline.com/online . VTrans will not process the contract until the Contractor is registered with the Secretary of State's office.

The Contractor shall submit to VTrans a certificate of insurance showing that minimum coverages are in effect. The certificate must be submitted to the office of Contract Administration prior to execution of the agreement. ***No work may be performed for any VTrans contract and/or Notice to Proceed, including mobilization, without compliant insurance being on file at AOT Contract Administration.*** It is the responsibility of the Contractor to maintain current certificates of insurance on file with the State through the term of the contract.

Worker's Compensation: With respect to all operations performed, the Contractor shall carry worker's compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Vermont.

NOTE: In the case of out-of-state Proposers, the proposer's workers' compensation insurance carrier must be licensed to write workers' compensation for all work that will be conducted within Vermont and so noted on the Certificate of Insurance.

The Contractor shall sign the contract documents and return them to the Agency's Office of Contract Administration within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of receipt. No contract shall be considered effective until it has been fully signed by all of the parties.

It is a condition of proposing under this RFP that, by submitting a proposal, the proposer accepts and agrees unconditionally that if the proposer in any way contacts, or attempts to contact, a member of the selection panel involved in the selection process for this RFP, either during or following the RFP process, with the aim of communicating about the selection process or outcome, then that proposer will be completely barred from receiving or performing such work of the type covered under the RFP for a period of 365 days from the date of that proposer's attempted contact with the selection panel member. The only valid point of contact for questions about the process or outcome is from Contract Administration and is specifically listed on the first page of the RFP.

After notification of award, proposers may request a debriefing. The debriefing will review the requesting proposers scores as well as strengths and weaknesses identified by the selection committee during their review. The debriefing process is a courtesy to the proposer and is not intended to provide information akin to that provided in discovery procedures applicable in civil litigation or to replace processes for requesting documents under the Vermont Public Records Act. Debriefing requests must be submitted in writing via e-mail to the sole point of contact within fourteen (14) calendar days of notification of award results. Please include the names and e-mail addresses of all employees of the proposer who wish to attend the debriefing.

Enclosures:

- Attachment A: Scope of Work (SOW) dated January 18, 2024
 - Appendix A – Link to Job Classifications
 - Appendix B – Sample Project & Maps
- Attachment B: Payment Provisions
- Attachment C: Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants dated December 4, 2023
- Attachment D: N/A – Left Intentionally Blank
- Attachment E: FAA Special Provisions
- Attachment F: 2020 General Terms and Conditions for Contracts and Services
- Attachment G: 2018 Federal Terms and Conditions Services (Non-Construction)
- Attachment H: Certification for Federal Aid Projects (DOT Form 272-040 EF)
- Attachment I: AOT Civil Rights DBE Policy Contract Requirements CR110
- Attachment J: Title VI Assurances – DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Non-Discrimination Provisions (DOT 1050.2A) – Assurance Appendix A and Assurance Appendix E
- Attachment K: Certification of Contractor / Consultant
- Attachment L: Certification Regarding Lobbying
- Attachment M: Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (Form CA-91)
- Attachment N: Contractor's EEO Certification (Form CA-109)
- Attachment O: Worker Classification Compliance Requirements (Self-Reporting and Subcontractor Reporting)
- Attachment P: N/A – Left Intentionally Blak
- Attachment Q: Past Performance and Reference Forms
- Attachment R: Contractor and Sub-Contractor Information Form
- Attachment S: Cost Sheets
- Attachment T: N/A – Left Intentionally Blank

Link for: AASHTO Internal Control Questionnaire (ICQ)

<https://vtrans.vermont.gov/sites/aot/files/portal/documents/other/AASHTO%20ICQ%20incl.%20Indirect%20Cost%20Certification%20complete.pdf>

State of Vermont
Agency of Transportation



Scope of Work for
General Environmental Services Contract

Prepared by:
Vermont Agency of Transportation
Project Delivery Bureau
Environmental Section

Dated:
January 18, 2024

Scope of Work for General Environmental Services

I. PURPOSE

Federal and state laws require that the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) must consider the impacts and potential consequences of transportation projects on the environment and obtain applicable environmental resource regulatory clearances and/ or permits prior to project construction.

The Environmental Section of the VTrans Project Delivery Bureau is the unit responsible for coordinating with federal and state resource regulatory agencies during project development to obtain clearances and permits. This is generally accomplished directly by agency staff or by agency staff using the services of contracted consultants. Given that VTrans works on roadways, bridges, bike/ pedestrian trails, railroads, and airports; the Contractor and/ or his/ her subcontractor may be required to assess a wide variety of resources under numerous scenarios involving various transportation modal projects.

Among the agencies regularly involved are: the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); the US Army Corps of Engineers (COE); the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USF&W); the US Coast Guard (USCG); the Federal Rail Administration; the Federal Aviation Administration; the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR); the Vermont Department of Agriculture, Food, & Markets; the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development - Division for Historic Preservation (DHP); town local zoning agencies; and others as applicable.

VTrans is committed to developing projects that address the transportation needs of the public by providing transportation facilities which are safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible. Environmentally responsible projects avoid, minimize, or mitigate the impacts and potential consequences of transportation projects on environmental and cultural resources. VTrans is also committed to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by initiatives to proactively incorporate into projects, where practicable, such as fish and wildlife habitat connectivity, aquatic organism passage, stormwater management measures, flood resiliency, long-term corridor planning, aesthetics, and context sensitive design principles.

To accomplish these objectives the Project Delivery Bureau Environmental Section requires the services of consulting firms employing environmental and cultural resource scientists, technicians, specialists, and sub-consultants.

II. GENERAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

VTrans requires consultant services that will complement the work being performed by the scientists, technicians, and specialists of the Project Delivery Bureau Environmental Section. Contracted consultants may be required to provide, but not be limited to, any of the following services:

1. Resource identification, field survey, data gathering, analysis, and documentation. Resources of particular concern include, but are not limited to wetlands, waterways, floodplains, stormwater, water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, threatened and endangered species, archaeological resources, historic and cultural resources, soils, agricultural land, forestry, hazardous wastes and materials, air quality, noise, limited reuse soils, aesthetics, landscaping, and socio-economic resources;

2. Resource impact analyses and documentation, including development of recommendations, if requested by VTrans, for impact avoidance or minimization by design revisions, use of innovative techniques, or alternative means;
3. Coordination with VTrans, federal, state, and local agencies; regional planning commissions; municipal officials; etc. for the purpose of obtaining environmental resource information which contributes to the development of responsible designs and acquiring permits and clearances, including NEPA documents;
4. Coordination with VTrans, federal, and state agencies, for the purpose of developing the Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative (LEDPA) for a proposed VTrans project. This may involve development of an alternatives analysis comparing environmental impacts and constraints of proposed alternatives along with completing the COE Section 404 Permit process, and any other required permits;
5. Attend and present environmental resource and permitting information at VTrans Environmental Resource Coordination Meetings and /or other project related meetings, which could include the use of remote technologies;
6. Preparation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation for approval of the FHWA or other lead federal agency. It is anticipated that the majority of assignments under this contract will involve projects eligible for Categorical Exclusion however, Environmental Assessments and/ or Environmental Impact Statements and associated documentation may also be required;
7. Preparation of applications for federal, state, and local environmental permits. See list below of laws and regulations that may require permits or clearances;
8. Preparing, attending, and/or conducting meetings and/or public hearings to obtain project information as well as to present and explain project information previously developed. This may include, but is not limited to, participation in Act 250 Hearings before District Environmental Commissions and possibly before the Vermont Superior Court Environmental Division, and in Public Hearings or meetings as directed by VTrans;
9. Development of plans and/ or designs for avoidance, minimization, and/ or mitigation of environmental impacts. Particularly in such resource areas as floodplains, waterways and/or wetlands, fish and wildlife habitat, cultural resource areas, etc.;
10. Design and development of Erosion Prevention and Sediment Control Plans (consistent with VTrans protocols), associated permit risk score worksheets, and notices-of-intent or Individual Permit applications;
11. Design and development of Operational Stormwater Management Plans (consistent with VTrans protocols), necessary supporting information, and associated notices-of-intent or Individual Permit applications;
12. Development of notices-of-intent and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans associated with Multi-Sector General Permit requirements;
13. Development and/or review of Soil Management Plans and/or Corrective Action Plans for hazardous waste and/ or contaminated soils (IRULE);
14. Analysis and development of Flow Restoration Plans and permit applications associated with Stormwater

Impaired Total Maximum Daily Load implementation permit requirements;

15. Development of a Stormwater Management Program or components of such program and notices-of-intent associated with TS4 and MS4 Permit requirements;
16. Historic and/ or archaeological resource identification and impact assessment studies. Such work must be performed by VTrans approved professionals and coordinated with the VTrans Historic Preservation and Archaeology Preservation Officers, in the Project Delivery Bureau Environmental Section, for determinations of effect relative to historic and/or archaeological resources;
17. Provide environmental permit compliance monitoring, reporting, and certification on VTrans projects during and after construction. This will include, but not be limited to, environmental commitments made during the NEPA process, environmental permit conditions, Section 106 stipulations, and EPSC control measures;
18. Develop Wildlife Hazard Assessments and Wildlife Hazard Management Plans to ensure compliance with Federal Aviation Regulation Part 139.337, as well as Natural Resource Management Plans for state managed airports and habitat connectivity for VTrans projects;
19. Research and development of process and/ or operations manuals, best management practices guides, environmental design guides, environmental studies, MOUs/ MOAs, and such other general environmental documents/ plans/ products or services as may be needed;
20. Provide landscape architectural and vegetation management guidance, design, and review, including, but not limited to, pollinator and invasive species management;
21. Provide fluvial geomorphology and hydraulic/ hydrologic design, guidance, and construction oversight on VTrans projects.

III. SPECIFIC SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Contracted consultants will be required to perform specific services as needed, including, but not limited to, the following: archival research; field investigations; resource surveys; GPS surveys; CADD; correspondence; interviews; data collection, testing and analyses; environmental resource related design work; participating in meetings and/ or hearings, including recording and/ or responding to comments received; coordinating with federal, state, and local officials and regulatory agencies; preparing NEPA documents; preparing federal and state environmental and resource regulatory permit applications and documents; and providing mitigation and/ or environmental commitment requirements.

Consultants will be required to perform work as needed, including but not limited to the following, in order to address the following federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and permit processes:

STATE AND LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- Local Floodplain Zoning Permits for VTrans town highway bridge projects.
- Title 10 V.S.A. Chapter 41 & 19 V.S.A. Chapter 1, Section 10[12] Stream Alteration Consultation
- Title 10 V.S.A § 6025(d)(5) The Vermont Wetland Rules
- Title 10 VSA Chapter 47 Section 1263 & 1264 Stormwater Management and current ANR Stormwater Management regulations
- Title 10 VSA Chapter 151 The Land Use and Development Law, Act 250
- Title 19 VSA § 10(12). Highways and current VTrans standards and procedures

- Title 22 VSA Chapter 14 The Historic Preservation Act of 1975
- Title 24 VSA Chapter 117 Municipal and Regional Planning and Development, Act 200
- Title 29 VSA Chapter 11 Management of Lakes & Ponds
- 10 V.S.A. Chapter 123 Threatened and Endangered Species Permit
- 10 V.S.A. Chapter 29 Flood Hazard Area and River Corridor Permit
- 10 V.S.A. Chapter 49A Shoreland Protection Permit
- 10 V.S.A. Chapter 159 Hazardous Waste
- 10 V.S.A. Chapter 47 Water Pollution Control
- 10 V.S.A. chapters 59 Underground and Aboveground Liquid Storage Tanks
- State Equity and Environmental Justice Laws

FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
- Section 4(f) of the Dept. of Transportation Act
- Section 6(f) of the Land & Water Conservation Act
- The Federal Clean Water Act and EPA regulations pursuant to 40 CFR Section 122 & 123, i.e. the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
- Executive Order 11988 Floodplain Management
- Executive Order 11990 Protection of Wetlands
- The Wild & Scenic Rivers Act
- The Resource Conservation & Recovery Act and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
- 401 Water Quality Certificate (33 U.S.C. Ch 26, Clean Water Act, Section 401)
- 404 Corps of Engineers Permit (33 U.S.C. 1344 Clean Water Act, Section 404)
- Title 23 CFR as amended by the federal transportation act, SAFETEA-LU.
- Title 49 CFR part 24 and 23 CFR part 710, the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Acts
- USDA Green Mountain National Forest Authorization under FHWA MOU
- US Coast Guard (33 U.S.C. 403 Rivers & Harbors - Sec. 10 Navigable Waters)
- USCG Section 144(c) (23 CFR 650.805 and 33 CFR 115.50(c) & 115.70(a))
- Environmental Justice (Executive Order 12898)
- Farmland Policy and Protection Act (7 U.S.C. Part 658)
- Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. Part 661 – 666)
- Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Ch 85 and 23 U.S.C. Ch 1, Section 109[J])
- Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. Section 1531 – 1534) – USF&W Service Section 7 consultation
- Title 23 CFR 772 FHWA Noise Regulations
- Federal Equity and Environmental Justice Executive Orders

In addition to the above specific needs, VTrans may occasionally require special studies, special designs, procedural documents, process studies, or other products such as resource specific CADD plans, GIS databases, manuals, etc., to address the general needs of the Project Delivery Bureau Environmental Section.

IV. WORK AND PRODUCT REQUIREMENTS

The consultant will be responsible for selecting, calibrating, validating, and defending all procedures, methods of analysis, interpretation, conclusions, and contents of all studies, reports, designs, permit applications, correspondence, and other products produced by its employees and/ or subcontractors, in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws, regulations, and standards.

The consultant will be responsible for performing liaison activities, as VTrans deems necessary, for furtherance of the assigned work, as well as participating in meetings, at any reasonable time, for the purpose of interpretation and evaluation of any aspects of the consultant's work and/ or products.

The consultant shall also be responsible for participation in any meetings scheduled by VTrans, FHWA, or various state and federal regulatory agencies for the purpose of explanation, review, or resolution of issues relative to the consultant's work and/ or products.

VTrans may provide the consultant with such survey data, drawings, designs, as-built plans, topographical maps, and documents in its possession and/ or examples of document formats, typical permit applications, and references to information resources as it shall deem to be of use to the consultant. The consultant will be expected to make appropriate and productive use of any information that VTrans provides for the purpose of carrying out assigned work. However, at times, the consultant may be required to perform new field surveys, data recovery, design/ plan development, and documentation.

A Users Guide to Section 106 Regulations can be found at <http://www.achp.gov/work106.html>. Programmatic Agreement Among the Federal Highway Administration, the Vermont State Historic Preservation Officer, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and the Vermont Agency of Transportation Regarding the Federal-Aid Highway Program in Vermont (July 2023). Archaeological work required under this contract may range from a Phase I Archaeological Resource Assessment to a Phase III Data Recovery Study as defined in the Vermont Division for Historic Preservations "Guidelines for Conducting Archaeology in Vermont" and the "Manual of Standards and Guidelines", which implements the Programmatic Agreement between the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation, the FHWA VT Division, VDHP, and VTrans.

V. DATA AND FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

All data, text, graphics, and other information produced and submitted to VTrans must be in a format immediately useable by VTrans and shall upon receipt become the sole property of the Vermont Agency of Transportation.

All information and/ or products, including data, text, and graphics, must be provided to VTrans electronically, via telecommunications systems and/ or electronic storage media such as CDs/ DVDs, as well as by hard-copy printouts if directed by the Project Manager for the contract.

VTrans currently uses Microsoft products including Word, Excel, Outlook, SharePoint, etc. However, it will be the consultant's responsibility to contact VTrans prior to submission of any information and/ or products by electronic means or on electronic storage media, to determine the specific software, format, and media requirements of VTrans at the time of submittal.

In instances when the consultant is required to perform field surveys, data recovery, and design/ plan development, such products must be in accordance with VTrans survey, design, ArcMap, and CADD standards. The consultant will be liable for the accuracy of information provided to VTrans.

FHWA procedural requirements are generally defined by Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23 Sections 771 & 772 and by the FHWA Technical Advisory Document T 6640.8A, Guidance for Preparing and Processing Environmental and Section 4(f) Documents.

The current COE Wetland Delineation Methodology (including regional supplements) and Highway Methodology shall be used in situations involving waterways and wetlands (contact COE for info.)

VI. ASSIGNMENTS, SCHEDULES, PROGRESS REPORTING, AND INVOICING

VTrans Project Delivery Bureau may use several methods for distributing work assignments to consultants under this contract, including but not limited to requesting technical proposals from several consultants for comparison, or by requesting a proposal from a single consultant. Consultants will be expected to promptly submit a technical proposal and cost estimate in response to each request received. The “Consultant Proposal Guidelines”, Appendix C, attached hereto provides information regarding proposal format. Consultant submissions should substantially follow the format in this example document, where applicable.

Each technical proposal must include a detailed scope of work identifying anticipated tasks, resources to be addressed, services to be provided, a list of employees and/or subcontractors to be used, documents and/ or other products to be generated, and a detailed schedule indicating commencement and completion dates for each significant process, progress milestone, product submittal, and the assignment as a whole.

The cost estimate shall contain a detailed estimate of personnel hours and associated costs by task, subtasks if applicable, and labor classification. A comprehensive estimate of total hours and costs will be required for every complete assignment; and time/ cost estimates for particular sub-processes and or products shall be strictly adhered to.

The schedule must include reasonable allowances of time for review and response by resource regulatory agencies and VTrans. The schedule must reflect critical steps beyond which work may not progress pending issuance of particular permits and/ or approvals, per current VTrans Project Development Process. In certain instances VTrans will set specific time frames within which work must be completed.

The Contractor should be available via email/ phone to discuss project status. The ability to schedule teleconference’s may be needed to have meetings between multiple stakeholders. The Contractor or his/ her subcontractor may be required to attend meetings and/ or hearings on behalf of VTrans relative to involvement of the project.

The consultant will be responsible for submitting regular status reports to VTrans for each project assigned under the contract. The VTrans project name, number, and General Services Contract number must be clearly shown on each and every such report. The normal frequency for status reports shall be monthly; however VTrans may require more or less frequent reports as it shall deem necessary.

1. Monthly Status Report

- a. The consultant shall provide the VTrans Project Manager (VPM) with a Monthly Status Report via email that identifies project activities completed during the reporting period. The Monthly Status Report shall outline the status of critical activities of the project or task assignment, overall percent complete in relation to effort, budget, and schedule, any direction received from VTrans, and any outstanding issues. The Monthly Status Report shall also indicate anticipated activities for the upcoming reporting period. The consultant shall also include Monthly Status Reports from subconsultants. Monthly Status Reports shall be prepared in accordance with the “Consultant Invoice Guidelines” provided in Appendix B.
- b. If the consultant fails to meet a project milestone or is falling behind schedule, the Monthly Status Report shall include this information, revised target dates for completion, as well as proposed solutions to recover the schedule. The consultant shall also identify any other outstanding issues requiring resolution and the entity responsible for achieving resolution.

- c. VTrans may require that the consultant provide copies of the Monthly Status Report to all affected municipal and regional planning organizations.
- d. The VPM may request a status report at any time or on a more frequent basis.

2. Monthly Invoice Summary

The consultant shall provide the VTrans Program Development Division's Business Office with a separate spreadsheet submission entitled Monthly Invoice Summary in accordance with the "Consultant Invoice Guidelines" provided in Appendix B. The summary shall depict job hours per labor classification for each authorized task. The summary is required to list the total authorized hours per tasks, total task hours worked for the monthly invoice, total task hours invoiced to-date, and remaining hours for the authorized task. The corresponding monthly status report, updated project schedule and any other supporting documentation shall be submitted with the monthly invoice summary.

The consultant must include the VTrans project name and number, contract number, and specific work authorization number on each and every invoice submitted for payment. Each invoice must also be accompanied by a brief summary of the work associated with that billing. Each invoice must be uniquely numbered and should any invoice require revision, the revised submittal must use the original number and be clearly labeled "Revised".

The selected Contractor shall be responsible for making sure that the proper safety apparel is worn by all personnel and that safety instructions are followed according to the guidelines and manuals listed below. The selected Contractor personnel are required to wear high-visibility safety apparel to follow 23 CFR 634.3 whenever working in the highway right-of-way. Safety wear and reflective apparel must meet ANSI Class 3. standards. If the selected Contractor is required to be on a construction site, they must wear hard hats, steel toe boots and vests always or they will not be permitted to enter the construction zone. They must also check in with the VTrans Resident Engineer prior to entering the construction zone.

If the selected Contractor is working alongside the road and traffic control is necessary, field staff will have a working knowledge of and will utilize proper placement and positioning of cones, signs, flashers, etc. as stated in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), Work Zone Traffic Control, and Flagging Handbook. The selected Contractor is responsible for supplying safety cones, signage, and flag persons; however, if lengthy or extensive traffic control is necessary, the selected Contractor will coordinate with the contract manager and the appropriate VTrans District personnel and other local safety officials as necessary. Occupational, Safety, and Health Administration. (OSHA) regulations will be followed with regard to field conditions, especially when conducting excavation of deep holes into the ground.

Landowner Permission: most highway projects require acquisition of private land over and above the existing State-owned Right-of-Way (ROW) either through temporary or permanent easements. For the purposes of conducting fieldwork, the Contractor is responsible for obtaining permission to enter all private lands for the purpose of conducting reviews.

VII. CONSULTANT PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS

Consultants responding to this request must maintain personnel possessing the minimum qualifications for the key positions, and the equivalent Vermont State Job Specification (Appendix A) as listed below throughout the contract term.

<u>Position Title / Labor Classification</u>	<u>Job Specification</u>
Senior Manager	AOT Manager IV
Project Manager	Civil Engineer VII
Project Supervisor	Civil Engineer IV - V
Environmental Engineer	AOT Manager IV
Biologist	AOT Environmental Biologist
Archaeologist	AOT Archeologist
Historic Preservation Specialist	AOT Historic Preservation Specialist
Environmental Specialist Supervisor	AOT Environmental Specialist. Supervisor
Environmental Specialist I - III	AOT Environmental Specialist I – III
Stormwater Management Engineer	Civil Engineer V
Engineer - project development	Civil Engineer II - IV
Technician - roadway design	AOT Technician I - IV
Technician - structures design	AOT Technician I - IV
Technician - CADD	AOT Technician III - IV
Survey Chief	AOT Survey Chief
Technician - GPS survey	AOT Technician III - IV

VIII. SAMPLE PROJECT and EXAMPLES OF WORK

Consultants responding to this request for proposals for a General Environmental Services contract must include a technical approach within your proposal for a theoretical assignment, as described in Appendix B.

Consultants should also provide pertinent examples of work performed by key personnel and sub-consultants identified in their proposals. Pertinent examples of work shall include, but are not limited to, the following: a NEPA Categorical Exclusion document; an environmental resource identification survey with a plan sheet plotted using Microstation CADD; a VT River Management Coordination, and/ or State Wetland Permit; a COE 404 General or Individual Permit; or an archaeological resource assessment. Consultants may include examples of other types of work provided they are pertinent to a federal and/ or state environmental law or regulation cited or referenced herein.

IX. Conflicts of Interest

The consultant is responsible for disclosing and reporting any and all potential or actual conflicts of interest, including the appearance of a potential or actual conflict of interest promptly to the VTrans Contract Manager. Where possible, such conflicts should be disclosed prior to the consultant's performance of work under the contract. A conflict of interest is a pecuniary interest or the appearance thereof in the award or performance of a contract or such an interest, known to the employee, by a member of his/ her current or former family or household, or a business associate. See Bulletin 3.5, State of Vermont, Agency of Administration, Contracting Procedures.

Federal regulations also define conflict of interest as “a situation in which [the consultant] has a financial interest,

personal activity or relationship that could impair the [consultant's] ability to act impartially and in the best interest of the Government when performing under the contract.” See 48 C.F.R. 3.1101. Financial interests, for example, include stock ownership, a prospective employment interest or a gift from a design consultant.

Further, under 48 C.F.R. 3.1101, the consultant may not:

1. Plan acquisitions;
2. Determine which supplies or services should be acquired by the State;
3. Approve any contract documents, including documents that define contractual requirements, incentive plans, and evaluation criteria;
4. Evaluate contract proposals;
5. Award government contracts;
6. Administer government contracts, including ordering changes or providing technical direction with respect to contract performance or item quantities, evaluating contractor performance, and accepting or rejecting contractor products or services;
7. Terminate contracts; and
8. Determine whether contract costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.

Work Authorizations. VTrans will award specific work under retainer contracts by conducting a second-tier qualification-based selection, considering such factors as experience/ expertise, availability/ capacity, required specialized equipment, creative/ technical solution, and past performance. The second-tier selection may be conducted informally, based upon information already in VTrans’ possession, or as necessary, more formally for example, by requesting technical proposals from more than one retainer contract holder; requesting a proposal from a single contractor, or requesting proposals addressing more than one project.

All Work Order Request that are 100% State funded will be conducted using best value selection. Best value selection considers all the factors for qualification based selection with the addition of price/ cost.

All Work Order Requests that contain federal funding other than Federal Highway Association (FHWA) such as Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) or other federal funding may contain special provisions required for that federal funding and /or the particular project. By returning a proposal for that project, you are indicating that you understand and will abide by any additional provisions included in the Work Order Request/ Authorization.

Contractors who are awarded work authorizations will report to the assigned VTrans Project Manager. For sub-contractors not named in the proposal, utilization of sub-contractor personnel will require written approval by VTrans prior to the sub-contractor performing any work on orders under this contract.

Work Authorization Maximum Duration. Work Authorizations may assign work on *projects* which will extend beyond the duration of the contract, however, no work authorization will extend beyond the final end point of the original *contract* duration, plus the duration of any exercised option periods. Further, there is no guarantee that a contractor who performed work on a specific project under an expired or expiring contract will be awarded a new contract to perform additional work on that specific project. In exceptional circumstances where it might be mutually desired to have work extend beyond the term of a Contract, written authorization will be needed, overseen by VTrans Contract Administration, and authorized by the Secretary of Transportation, the Agency’s Chief Financial Officer, and if required Federal oversight agencies.

Work Authorization Process.

- Individual projects will be assigned under the Retainer Contract by the issuance of a Work Order to the Contractor. A Work Order Request Form and a Work Authorization Notice will be used for this purpose.
- VTrans will begin this process by issuing a Work Order Request detailing the proposed project/ task and request a bid from the Contractor. The Work Order Request will indicate which payment provision (hourly rate schedule/ firm fixed price or cost plus fixed fee) will be utilized based on the options allowed within the contract. Detailed information regarding the project will be included on the first part of the Work Order Request. The second part of the Work Order Request will be completed by the contractor for submittal by the due date for review and selection/ award.
- Once the most qualified Contractor is selected, a cost proposal will be requested from the selected Contractor. The cost will then be reviewed. VTrans reserves the right to examine cost elements and negotiate the price prior to award of the Work Order.
- When all aspects of the Work Order have been negotiated and accepted by both parties, VTrans shall issue a Work Authorization to the Contractor, which will specify the effective date for commencement of services and the agreed upon cost.

Appendix A – Job Specifications

Current Job specifications can be found online at:

<https://humanresources.vermont.gov/classification-position-management/classification/job-specifications>

Appendix B – Sample Project

Sample/ Hypothetical Project: Due to increased traffic and safety concerns in the town of Bloomfield, Vermont, a traffic safety and capacity improvement project is being proposed. This project will encompass 1.2 acres of land to complete construction. Work to be performed includes the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of VT Route 105 and 102, coarse-milling of the existing roadway approaches, upgrade of the existing rail crossing, pavement markings, signing, and other related highway items.

Assumption: The project is eligible for federal funding from FHWA.

Assignment: Prepare an environmental resource identification assessment; develop and submit a NEPA document to VTrans; and develop and submit a list of the necessary environmental permits for this project along with a narrative justification for permitting needs. Include in your proposal the tasks (including fieldwork, agency coordination, and any other relevant studies or guidance) that will be necessary to complete the NEPA document and environmental permits. Please provide example exhibits for permit applications. Outline in your proposal the estimated hours by labor classification necessary to complete the individual tasks.

See the following map for assistance in preparing your Assignment.

ATTACHMENT B PAYMENT PROVISIONS

The maximum dollar amount payable under this contract is not intended as any form of a guaranteed amount. The Contractor will be paid for products or services actually delivered or performed, as specified in Attachment A, up to the maximum allowable amount specified on page 1 of the contract. Award of a contract does not guarantee payment of any or all the maximum amount.

All Services shall be invoiced according to the payment provisions listed below:

HOURLY CLASSIFICATION RATES:

It is the policy of the Vermont Agency of Transportation that reimbursement of meals and travel expenses, when applicable, for contractors, vendors, service providers, and grantees, including subgrantees and (sub)contractors, shall be determined by the terms set forth in Bulletin No. 3.5 – Procurement and Contracting Procedures. Travel expenses will be invoiced as separate line items, according to section 10.1.5.5 Reimbursable Travel Expenses, Item (b) of Bulletin 3.5. Verification of the expenses must be provided with the invoice and is subject to review by the AOT Audit Department. Federal Guidance will be followed whenever federal funding is involved.

The most current Bulletin 3.5 can be found here: <https://aoa.vermont.gov/bulletins/3point5>

The most recent GSA rates for meals and lodging can be found here: [Per Diem Rates | GSA](#)

The most recent GSA rate for mileage can be found here: [Privately Owned Vehicle \(POV\) Mileage Reimbursement Rates | GSA](#)

General information regarding the guidelines set forth in the Federal Acquisition Regulations can be found here: [52.216-7 Allowable Cost and Payment. | Acquisition.GOV](#)

Generally, meals during travel not requiring an overnight stay (e.g., mid-tour meals) are not reimbursable. The following outlines when a meal is allowable for reimbursement:

- Breakfast is allowable for reimbursement on the travel departure date that requires an overnight stay for a state work assignment or for travel on a state work assignment not requiring an overnight stay, if it is necessary for the Contractor to commence traveling more than 2 hours earlier than the start of their normally scheduled workday.
- Dinner is allowable for reimbursement on the return date from travel requiring an overnight stay on a state work assignment or for travel on a state work assignment not requiring an overnight stay, if the Contractor is unable to return to their residence or official work station at least 2 hours later than the end of their normally scheduled workday.
- Alcohol is never an allowable cost for meal reimbursement.
- Contractors authorized to participate in conferences, meetings, seminars, conventions, trainings, etc. (i.e., “conference-related meals”) shall be reimbursed for out-of-pocket meal expenses incurred without regard to location of the meal or maximum limits, provided the meal is a necessary part of the event and for which participants have no control over the cost of the meal.

- Subject to written approval, Contractors may provide food or allow meal reimbursement (subject to maximum limits) during emergency situations where key staff are required to remain on duty at their official work station, significantly beyond their normal work schedules, in order to maintain mission critical operations.

The hourly classification rates listed below will be in effect for the entire original term of the contract (3 years). Rates can be revised during the amendment process for the option of extending for three (3) additional years.

Addition of classifications are permitted without an amendment. The new classifications and the rates associated must be submitted to the Contract Manager. The Contract Manager will then submit any approved additions to Contract Administration for inclusion into the contract. The Contract Manager may negotiate the classification rates prior to approval. Addition of the new classifications will be captured formally within the contract with the next amendment. This does not apply to rate changes; this is for any new classifications not previously included in the contract.

Subcontractor(s) labor, materials and other direct expenses shall be billed at cost. A copy of the invoice(s) verifying the charges must be attached to the billing sent to VTrans.

Documents Requiring Signatures: If Contractor timesheets, daily work logs, inspection reports, expense sheets or any other documentation require signature for verification and attestation purposes, VTrans will require electronic signatures that include the date of signing. To have the most efficient process when it comes to invoices containing timesheets, verifiable authenticated electronic signatures of the Contractor's Authorized Personnel can be provided on an invoice coversheet instead of each individual document as long as the coversheet includes the following attestation:

“Under the pains and penalties of perjury, the information contained in the documents attached to this invoice are correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief for the periods indicated”.

If your Company policy is to sign each individual document and not a coversheet, we ask that each individual signature be a verifiable authenticated electronic signature with date of signature. We understand that this can be a time-consuming process, therefore if individual signatures are on each document but are not electronic, a cover sheet will be required. VTrans only requires the Authorized Contractor's Personnel who are attesting to the accuracy of all the documents and associated invoice to have an electronic signature and date on the coversheet. Individual timesheets and expense reports can have the hard signature of the employee, but the overall attestation must be electronic. Inspection Reports or other reports that require a signature, must include the above attestation and electronic signatures of the authorized Inspector or person preparing the report.

Contained within Attachment A - Scope of Work, items requiring signature are identified and indicate who is required to sign. Electronic signatures and date will be required, as stated above, unless otherwise noted.

The coversheet must be on Contractor Letterhead and include the following information:

- Contract Number
- Work Authorization Number (if applicable)
- Invoice number
- Period of Performance
- Attestation
- Printed Name and Title of each authorized Signatory
- Electronic Signature and Date

Electronic Signatures that do not have the date or cannot be verified as original will not be accepted.

Work Authorization Process for Primary Contracts:

Work assignments will be awarded on a qualifications-based selection for services that are design and engineering in nature or on a best value based selection if not design and engineering in nature or if the funding is 100% State funds. This will be determined at the work order level depending on type of service and type of funding.

The bid that is the most qualified or provides the best value to VTrans may involve some negotiation regarding the classifications and estimated hours prior to award of the work assignment. If successful negotiations cannot be completed, VTrans reserves the right to move to the next most qualified or best value Contractor.

Qualifications will be based upon capacity, creative and technical solution, experience and past performance. Best value will take into consideration all of the items noted above for qualification-based selection. In addition, cost will be part of the consideration for best value selection.

The Work Authorization must accompany the invoice with all associated back-up to verify the charges.

All invoices that are related to a Work Authorization must be submitted electronically to aot.contractadministrators@vermont.gov

Invoice Preparation and Submittal:

Contractor shall submit detailed invoices itemizing all work performed during the invoice period, including the dates of service, hours of work performed, rates of pay, and any other information and/or documentation appropriate and sufficient to substantiate the amount invoiced for payment by the State. **All invoices shall have a unique invoice number and follow a consistent numbering process. Invoices submitted without a unique invoice number will be returned.**

Invoices must clearly separate and subtotal the different services and expenses:

- Contractor Services (By Individual Task, Phase, Service or Deliverable, if applicable)
- Subcontractor Services (By Individual Subcontractor)
- Direct Expenses (By Individual expense)

When invoicing for subcontractor services, please attach a list of all approved subcontractors under this agreement for verification during invoice review and approval. This list will include any subcontractors named in your proposal and any additional subcontractors that have been added with the proper written approvals.

If additional information and guidance is provided as part of this contract, it is expected that invoices will be submitted according to those requirements.

Work required during weekends, holidays, or outside of the typical working hours, shall be entitled to a rate increase. Written approval must be obtained from the VTrans representative before overtime hours are utilized.

- **Hourly Classification Rate Services/Agreements:** Any rate increase shall be identified on the Hourly Classification Rate Sheet that is part of this agreement. Hourly rate increases are for direct labor only and does not apply to profit or indirect overhead rates.

Should any information within the invoice submittal be missing or incorrect, processing may be delayed until a corrected invoice is provided and accepted by VTrans. VTrans Audit may select invoices to review for completeness, accuracy and compliance with contract terms.

ATTACHMENT C: STANDARD STATE PROVISIONS FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS**REVISED DECEMBER 4, 2023**

1. Definitions: For purposes of this Attachment, “Party” shall mean the Contractor, Grantee, or Subrecipient, with whom the State of Vermont is executing this Agreement and consistent with the form of the Agreement. “Agreement” shall mean the specific contract or grant to which this form is attached.

2. Entire Agreement: This Agreement, whether in the form of a contract, State-funded grant, or Federally-funded grant, represents the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter. All prior agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, and understandings shall have no effect. Where an authorized individual is either required to click-through or otherwise accept, or made subject to, any electronic terms and conditions to use or access any product or service provided hereunder, such terms and conditions are not binding and shall have no force or effect. Further, any terms and conditions of Party’s invoice, acknowledgment, confirmation, or similar document, shall not apply, and any such terms and conditions on any such document are objected to without need of further notice or objection.

3. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue; No Waiver of Jury Trial: This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Vermont without resort to conflict of laws principles. Any action or proceeding brought by either the State or the Party in connection with this Agreement shall be brought and enforced in the Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Civil Division, Washington Unit. The Party irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of this court for any action or proceeding regarding this Agreement. The Party agrees that it must first exhaust any applicable administrative remedies with respect to any cause of action that it may have against the State regarding its performance under this Agreement. Party agrees that the State shall not be required to submit to binding arbitration or waive its right to a jury trial.

4. Sovereign Immunity: The State reserves all immunities, defenses, rights, or actions arising out of the State’s sovereign status or under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution. No waiver of the State’s immunities, defenses, rights, or actions shall be implied or otherwise deemed to exist by reason of the State’s entry into this Agreement.

5. No Employee Benefits For Party: The Party understands that the State will not provide any individual retirement benefits, group life insurance, group health and dental insurance, vacation or sick leave, workers compensation or other benefits or services available to State employees, nor will the State withhold any state or Federal taxes except as required under applicable tax laws, which shall be determined in advance of execution of the Agreement. The Party understands that all tax returns required by the Internal Revenue Code and the State of Vermont, including but not limited to income, withholding, sales and use, and rooms and meals, must be filed by the Party, and information as to Agreement income will be provided by the State of Vermont to the Internal Revenue Service and the Vermont Department of Taxes.

6. Independence: The Party will act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees of the State.

7. Defense and Indemnity:

- A.** The Party shall defend the State and its officers and employees against all third-party claims or suits arising in whole or in part from any act or omission of the Party or of any agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement. The State shall notify the Party in the event of any such claim or suit, and the Party shall immediately retain counsel and otherwise provide a complete defense against the entire claim or suit. The State retains the right to participate at its own expense in the defense of any claim. The State shall have the right to approve all proposed settlements of such claims or suits.
- B.** After a final judgment or settlement, the Party may request recoupment of specific defense costs and may file suit in Washington Superior Court requesting recoupment. The Party shall be entitled to recoup costs only upon a showing that such costs were entirely unrelated to the defense of any claim arising from an act or omission of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.
- C.** The Party shall indemnify the State and its officers and employees if the State, its officers, or employees become legally obligated to pay any damages or losses arising from any act or omission of the Party or an agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

D. Notwithstanding any contrary language anywhere, in no event shall the terms of this Agreement or any document furnished by the Party in connection with its performance under this Agreement obligate the State to (1) defend or indemnify the Party or any third party, or (2) otherwise be liable for the expenses or reimbursement, including attorneys’ fees, collection

costs or other costs of the Party or any third party.

8. Insurance: During the term of this Agreement, Party, at its expense, shall maintain in full force and effect the insurance coverages set forth in the Vermont State Insurance Specification in effect at the time of incorporation of this Attachment C into this Agreement. The terms of the Vermont State Insurance Specification are hereby incorporated by reference into this Attachment C as if fully set forth herein. A copy of the Vermont State Insurance Specification is available at: <https://aoa.vermont.gov/Risk-Claims-COI>.

9. Reliance by the State on Representations: All payments by the State under this Agreement will be made in reliance upon the accuracy of all representations made by the Party in accordance with this Agreement, including but not limited to bills, invoices, progress reports, and other proofs of work.

10. False Claims Act: Any liability to the State under the Vermont False Claims Act (32 V.S.A. § 630 et seq.) shall not be limited notwithstanding any agreement of the State to otherwise limit Party’s liability.

11. Whistleblower Protections: The Party shall not discriminate or retaliate against one of its employees or agents for disclosing information concerning a violation of law, fraud, waste, abuse of authority, or acts threatening health or safety, including but not limited to allegations concerning the False Claims Act. Further, the Party shall not require such employees or agents to forego monetary awards as a result of such disclosures, nor should they be required to report misconduct to the Party or its agents prior to reporting to any governmental entity and/or the public.

12. Use and Protection of State Information:

- A. As between the State and Party, “State Data” includes all data received, obtained, or generated by the Party in connection with performance under this Agreement. Party acknowledges that certain State Data to which the Party may have access may contain information that is deemed confidential by the State, or which is otherwise confidential by law, rule, or practice, or otherwise exempt from disclosure under the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq. (“Confidential State Data”).
- B. With respect to State Data, Party shall:
 - i. take reasonable precautions for its protection;
 - ii. not rent, sell, publish, share, or otherwise appropriate it; and
 - iii. upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Party shall dispose of or retain State Data if and to the extent required by this Agreement, law, or regulation, or otherwise requested in writing by the State.
- C. With respect to Confidential State Data, Party shall:
 - i. strictly maintain its confidentiality;
 - ii. not collect, access, use, or disclose it except as necessary to provide services to the State under this Agreement;
 - iii. provide at a minimum the same care to avoid disclosure or unauthorized use as it provides to protect its own similar confidential and proprietary information;
 - iv. implement and maintain administrative, technical, and physical safeguards and controls to protect against any anticipated threats or hazards or unauthorized access or use;
 - v. promptly notify the State of any request or demand by any court, governmental agency or other person asserting a demand or request for Confidential State Data so that the State may seek an appropriate protective order; and
 - vi. upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, and except as necessary to comply with subsection B.3 above in this section, return or destroy all Confidential State Data remaining in its possession or control.
- D. If Party is provided or accesses, creates, collects, processes, receives, stores, or transmits Confidential State Data in any electronic form or media, Party shall utilize:
 - i. industry-standard firewall protection;
 - ii. multi-factor authentication controls;
 - iii. encryption of electronic Confidential State Data while in transit and at rest;
 - iv. measures to ensure that the State Data shall not be altered without the prior written consent of the State;
 - v. measures to protect against destruction, loss, or damage of State Data due to potential environmental hazards, such as fire and water damage;

- vi. training to implement the information security measures; and
 - vii. monitoring of the security of any portions of the Party's systems that are used in the provision of the services against intrusion.
- E. No Confidential State Data received, obtained, or generated by the Party in connection with performance under this Agreement shall be processed, transmitted, stored, or transferred by any means outside the United States, except with the express written permission of the State.
- F. Party shall notify the State within twenty-four hours after becoming aware of any unauthorized destruction, loss, alteration, disclosure of, or access to, any State Data.
- G. State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard Update: Party confirms that all products and services provided to or for the use of the State under this Agreement shall be in compliance with State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard Update in effect at the time of incorporation of this Attachment C into this Agreement. The State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard Update prohibits the use of certain branded products in State information systems or any vendor system, and a copy is available at: <https://digitalservices.vermont.gov/cybersecurity/cybersecurity-standards-and-directives>
- H. In addition to the requirements of this Section 12, Party shall comply with any additional requirements regarding the protection of data that may be included in this Agreement or required by law or regulation.

13. Records Available for Audit: The Party shall maintain all records pertaining to performance under this Agreement. "Records" means any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or characteristics, which is produced or acquired by the Party in the performance of this Agreement. Records produced or acquired in a machine-readable electronic format shall be maintained in that format. The records described shall be made available at reasonable times during the period of this Agreement and for three years thereafter or for any period required by law for inspection by any authorized representatives of the State or Federal Government. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

14. Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act: Party agrees to comply with the requirement of 21 V.S.A. Chapter 5, Subchapter 6, relating to fair employment practices, to the full extent applicable, and shall include this provision in all subcontracts for work performed in Vermont. Party shall also ensure, to the full extent required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, that qualified individuals with disabilities receive equitable access to the services, programs, and activities provided by the Party under this Agreement.

15. Offset: The State may offset any sums which the Party owes the State against any sums due the Party under this Agreement; provided, however, that any offset of amounts due the State of Vermont as taxes shall be in accordance with the procedures more specifically provided in 32 V.S.A. § 3113.

16. Taxes Due to the State: Party certifies under the pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, the Party is in good standing with respect to, or in full compliance with, a plan to pay any and all taxes due the State of Vermont.

17. Taxation of Purchases: All State purchases must be invoiced tax free. An exemption certificate will be furnished upon request with respect to otherwise taxable items.

18. Child Support: (Only applicable if the Party is a natural person, not a corporation or partnership.) Party states that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, Party is not under an obligation to pay child support or is in good standing with respect to or in full compliance with a plan to pay any and all child support payable under a support order. Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in Vermont. In addition, if the Party is a resident of Vermont, Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in any other state or territory of the United States.

19. Sub-Agreements: Party shall not assign, subcontract, or subgrant the performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof to any other Party without the prior written approval of the State. Party shall be responsible and liable to the State for all acts or omissions of subcontractors and any other person performing work under this Agreement pursuant to an agreement with Party or any subcontractor.

In the case this Agreement is a contract with a total cost in excess of \$250,000, the Party shall provide to the State a list of all proposed subcontractors and subcontractors' subcontractors, together with the identity of those subcontractors' workers compensation insurance providers, and additional required or requested information, as applicable, in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54), as amended by Section 17 of Act No. 142 (2010) and by

Section 6 of Act No. 50 (2011).

Party shall include the following provisions of this Attachment C in all subcontracts for work performed solely for the State of Vermont and subcontracts for work performed in the State of Vermont: Section 10 (“False Claims Act”); Section 11 (“Whistleblower Protections”); Section 12 (“Confidentiality and Protection of State Information”); Section 14 (“Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act”); Section 16 (“Taxes Due the State”); Section 18 (“Child Support”); Section 20 (“No Gifts or Gratuities”); Section 22 (“Certification Regarding Debarment”); Section 30 (“State Facilities”); and Section 32.A (“Certification Regarding Use of State Funds”).

20. No Gifts or Gratuities: Party shall not give title or possession of anything of substantial value (including property, currency, travel, and/or education programs) to any officer or employee of the State during the term of this Agreement.

21. Regulation of Hydrofluorocarbons: Party confirms that all products provided to or for the use of the State under this Agreement shall not contain hydrofluorocarbons, as prohibited under 10 V.S.A. § 586.

22. Certification Regarding Debarment: Party certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, neither Party nor Party’s principals (officers, directors, owners, or partners) are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or excluded from participation in Federal programs, or programs supported in whole or in part by Federal funds. Party further certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, Party is not presently debarred, suspended, nor named on the State’s debarment list at: <https://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing-contracting/debarment>.

23. Conflict of Interest: Party shall fully disclose, in writing, any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest.

24. Vermont Public Records Act: Party acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement, any and all information obtained by the State from the Party in connection with this Agreement, and any obligations of the State to maintain the confidentiality of information are subject to the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 *et seq.*

25. Force Majeure: Neither the State nor the Party shall be liable to the other for any failure or delay of performance of any obligations under this Agreement to the extent such failure or delay shall have been wholly or principally caused by acts or events beyond its reasonable control rendering performance illegal or impossible (excluding strikes or lockouts) (“Force Majeure”). Where Force Majeure is asserted, the nonperforming party must prove that it made all reasonable efforts to remove, eliminate or minimize such cause of delay or damages, diligently pursued performance of its obligations under this Agreement, substantially fulfilled all non-excused obligations, and timely notified the other party of the likelihood or actual occurrence of an event described in this paragraph.

26. Marketing: Party shall not use the State’s logo or otherwise refer to the State in any publicity materials, information pamphlets, press releases, research reports, advertising, sales promotions, trade shows, or marketing materials or similar communications to third parties except with the prior written consent of the State.

27. Termination:

- A. Non-Appropriation:** If this Agreement extends into more than one fiscal year of the State (July 1 to June 30), and if appropriations are insufficient to support this Agreement, the State may cancel this Agreement at the end of the fiscal year, or otherwise upon the expiration of existing appropriation authority. In the case that this Agreement is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds, and in the event Federal funds become unavailable or reduced, the State may suspend or cancel this Agreement immediately, and the State shall have no obligation to pay Party from State revenues.
- B. Termination for Cause:** Either party may terminate this Agreement if a party materially breaches its obligations under this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days after delivery of the non-breaching party’s notice or such longer time as the non-breaching party may specify in the notice.
- C. Termination Assistance:** Upon nearing the end of the final term or termination of this Agreement, without respect to cause, the Party shall take all reasonable and prudent measures to facilitate any transition required by the State. All State property, tangible and intangible, shall be returned to the State upon demand at no additional cost to the State in a format acceptable to the State.

28. Continuity of Performance: In the event of a dispute between the Party and the State, each party will continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement during the resolution of the dispute until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms.

29. No Implied Waiver of Remedies: Either party's delay or failure to exercise any right, power, or remedy under this Agreement shall not impair any such right, power, or remedy, or be construed as a waiver of any such right, power, or remedy. All waivers must be in writing.

30. State Facilities: If the State makes space available to the Party in any State facility during the term of this Agreement for purposes of the Party's performance under this Agreement, the Party shall only use the space in accordance with all policies and procedures governing access to, and use of, State facilities, which shall be made available upon request. State facilities will be made available to Party on an "AS IS, WHERE IS" basis, with no warranties whatsoever.

31. Requirements Pertaining Only to Federal Grants and Subrecipient Agreements: If this Agreement is a grant that is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds:

A. Requirement to Have a Single Audit: The Subrecipient will complete the Subrecipient Annual Report annually within 45 days after its fiscal year end, informing the State of Vermont whether or not a Single Audit is required for the prior fiscal year. If a Single Audit is required, the Subrecipient will submit a copy of the audit report to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse within nine months. If a single audit is not required, only the Subrecipient Annual Report is required. A Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$750,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Part 200, Subpart F. The Subrecipient Annual Report is required to be submitted within 45 days, whether or not a Single Audit is required.

B. Internal Controls: In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.303, the Party must establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award to provide reasonable assurance that the Party is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the "Internal Control Integrated Framework" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

C. Mandatory Disclosures: In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.113, Party must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the State, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award. Failure to make required disclosures may result in the imposition of sanctions which may include disallowance of costs incurred, withholding of payments, termination of the Agreement, suspension/debarment, etc.

32. Requirements Pertaining Only to State-Funded Grants:

A. Certification Regarding Use of State Funds: If Party is an employer and this Agreement is a State-funded grant in excess of \$1,000, Party certifies that none of these State funds will be used to interfere with or restrain the exercise of Party's employee's rights with respect to unionization.

B. Good Standing Certification (Act 154 of 2016): If this Agreement is a State-funded grant, Party hereby represents: (i) that it has signed and provided to the State the form prescribed by the Secretary of Administration for purposes of certifying that it is in good standing (as provided in Section 13(a)(2) of Act 154) with the Agency of Natural Resources and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, or otherwise explaining the circumstances surrounding the inability to so certify; and (ii) that it will comply with the requirements stated therein.

(End of Standard Provisions)



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CURRENT CHANGES

Item	Change
All clauses	General updates to reflect statutory and regulatory changes, and some technical corrections and minor edits.
Addition of new provisions from 2 CFR § 200, Appendix II	Added sections detailing new provisions required under 2 CFR § 200, Appendix II: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (2 CFR § 200, Appendix II (K); 2 CFR § 200.216) [Section A14] • Domestic Preference for Procurements (2 CFR § 200, Appendix II (L); 2 CFR § 200.322) [Section A28]
Updates to Section A4	Updated the requirements in the Buy America section to align with current FAA requirements.
Updates to Sections A5, A6, and A12	Updated the civil rights protected bases to align with, and explicitly list, the applicable legal authorities, including the Disability Act and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

CONTRACT GUIDANCE

1. Purpose of this Document

- 1) The purpose of this document is to establish a convenient resource for Sponsors that consolidates federal contract provisions and clauses into one document that includes an applicability matrix. This document itself does not create, revise or delete requirements for participation in the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). The source of requirements addressed within this document are identified within the section for each individual clause.
- 2) **While this document is intended to assist Sponsors with their compliance efforts, it does not alter or modify the terms of any applicable statute or regulation, is not a substitute for reading the regulation and the applicability matrix, and each corresponding document section, nor does it constitute legal advice.**
- 3) Federal laws and regulations require that a Sponsor (a recipient of federal assistance) include specific clauses in certain contracts, solicitations, or specifications regardless of whether or not the project is federally funded.
- 4) For purposes of remaining compliant with its obligations, a Sponsor must incorporate applicable contract provisions in all its procurements and contract documents. Unless otherwise stated, these provisions flow down to subcontracts and sub-tier agreements.
- 5) Terminology:
 - a. The term **“Sponsor”** is used in this document to mean either an obligated Sponsor on a project that is not federally funded, or a Sponsor on an AIP funded project. A Sponsor is a “recipient” of federal assistance when receiving AIP or other FAA grant funds.
 - b. The term **“Owner”** of a public use airport is generally used in the solicitation or contract clauses because of its common use in public contracts. An Owner becomes an obligated Sponsor upon acceptance of the AIP grant assurances associated with current or prior AIP grant funded projects.
 - c. For purposes of determining requirements for contract provisions, the term **“contract”** includes professional services, and subcontracts and supplier contracts such as purchase orders.
 - d. The term **“contractor”** is understood to mean a contractor, subcontractor, or consultant; and means one who participates, through a contract or subcontract (at any tier).
 - e. The term **“bid”** is understood to mean a bid, an offer, or a proposal.
 - f. The term **“applicant”** is understood to mean the following in different contexts:
 - i. For the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) clause, the term **“applicant”** means an applicant for employment (whether or not the phrase, *for employment*, follows the word applicant or applicants).

- ii. For all other clauses, the term “**applicant**” means a bidder, offeror, or proposer for a contract.

2. Sponsor Actions

In general, Sponsor’s actions consistent with obligations:

- 1) Include in its procurements the provisions that are applicable to its project.
- 2) Not incorporate the entire contract provisions guidelines in its solicitation or contract documents, whether by reference or by inclusion in whole. Incorporation of this entire guidance document creates potential for ambiguous interpretation and may lead to improper application that unnecessarily increases price. A Sponsor that fails to properly incorporate applicable contract clauses may place themselves at risk for audit findings or denial of Federal funding.
- 3) Incorporate applicable contract provisions using mandatory language as required. The subheading entitled *Applicability* advises whether a particular clause or provision has mandatory language that a Sponsor must use.
 - (a) Mandatory Language – Whenever a clause or provision has mandatory text, the Sponsor must incorporate the text of the provision without change, except where specific adaptive input is necessary (e.g., such as the Sponsor’s name).
 - (b) No Mandatory Language – For provisions without mandatory language, this guidance provides model language acceptable to the FAA. Some Sponsors may have standard procurement language that is equivalent to those federal provisions. In these cases, Sponsors may use their existing standard procurement provision language provided the text meets the intent and purpose of the Federal law or regulation.
- 4) Require the contractor (including all subcontractors) to insert these contract provisions in each lower tier contract (e.g., subcontract or sub-agreement).
- 5) Require the contractor (including all subcontractors) to incorporate the requirements of these contract provisions by reference for work done under any purchase orders, rental agreements, and other agreements for supplies or services.
- 6) Require that the prime contractor be responsible for compliance with these contract provisions by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor, or service provider.
- 7) Verify that any required local or State provision does not conflict with or alter a Federal law or regulation.

3. Typical Procurement Steps

The typical procurement steps in a project are:

- 1) Solicitation, Request for Bids, or Request for Proposals – This is also called the Advertisement or Notice to Bidders.
- 2) Bidding or Accepting Proposals – In this stage, the bidders receive a complete set of the procurement documents, also known as the project manual. The project manual will typically

include a copy of the solicitation, instructions-to-bidders, bid forms, certifications and representations, general provisions, contract conditions, copy of contract, project drawings, technical specifications, and related project documents.

- 3) Bid/Proposal Evaluation – Period when Sponsor tabulates, reviews, and evaluates all proposals for bid responsiveness and bidder responsibility.
- 4) Award – Point when the Sponsor formally awards the contract to the successful bidder.
- 5) Execution of Contract – Point at which the Sponsor formally enters into a legally binding agreement with bidder to perform services or provide goods.

4. Applicability Matrix for Contract Provisions

[Table 1](#) Matrix summarizes the applicability of contract provisions based upon the type of contract or agreement. The dollar threshold represents the value at which, when equal to or exceeded, the Sponsor must incorporate the provision in the contract or agreement.

Supplemental information addressing applicability and use for each provision is located in Appendix A. Appendix A and the Matrix include notes indicating when the Sponsor may incorporate references in the solicitation in lieu of including the entire text.

Sponsors are responsible for reviewing both the Matrix and each corresponding section to determine applicability of specific contract provisions.

Meaning of cell values in table below:

- Info – Sponsor has discretion on whether to include clause in its contracts.
- Limited – Provision with limited applicability depending on circumstances of the procurement.
- n/a – Provision that is not applicable for that procurement type.
- NIS – Provision that does not need to be included or referenced in the solicitation document
- REF – Provision to be incorporated into the solicitation by reference.
- REQD – Provision the Sponsor must incorporate into procurement documents.

Table 1 – Applicability of Provisions

Provisions/Clauses	Dollar Threshold	Solicitation	Professional Services	Construction	Equipment	Property (Land)	Non-AIP Contracts
Access to Records and Reports	\$ 0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Affirmative Action Requirement	\$10,000	REQD	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
Breach of Contract	\$250,000	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Buy American Preferences	\$ 0	REF	Limited	REQD	REQD	Limited	n/a
(1) Buy American Statement	\$ 0	NIS	Limited	REQD	REQD	Limited	n/a
(2) Construction	\$ 0	NIS	Limited	REQD	REQD	Limited	n/a
(3) Equipment/Building Projects	\$ 0	NIS	Limited	REQD	REQD	Limited	n/a
Civil Rights – General	\$ 0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD
Civil Rights - Title VI Assurances	\$ 0	REF	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD
(1) Notice - Solicitation	\$ 0	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD
(2) Clause - Contracts	\$ 0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD
(3) Clause – Transfer of U.S. Property	\$ 0	NIS	n/a	n/a	n/a	Limited	REQD
(4) Clause – Transfer of Real Property	\$ 0	NIS	n/a	n/a	n/a	REQD	REQD
(5) Clause - Construct/Use/Access to Real Property	\$ 0	NIS	n/a	n/a	n/a	REQD	REQD
(6) List – Pertinent Authorities	\$0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD
Clean Air/Water Pollution Control	\$150,000	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards	\$100,000	NIS	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
Copeland Anti-Kickback	\$ 2,000	NIS	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
Davis Bacon Requirements	\$ 2,000	REF	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
Debarment and Suspension	\$25,000	REF	REQD	REQD	REQD	Limited	n/a
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	\$ 250,000	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Distracted Driving	\$10,000	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Domestic Preferences for Procurements	\$0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	Info
Equal Employment Opportunity	\$10,000	NIS	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
(1) EEO Contract Clause	\$10,000	NIS	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
(2) EEO Specification	\$10,000	NIS	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
Federal Fair Labor Standards Act	\$ 0	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	Info
Foreign Trade Restriction	\$ 0	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Lobbying Federal Employees	\$ 100,000	REF	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Occupational Safety and Health Act	\$ 0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	Info
Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment	\$0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	Info
Prohibition of Segregated Facilities	\$0	NIS	Limited	REQD	Limited	Limited	n/a
Recovered Materials	\$10,000	REF	Limited	REQD	REQD	Limited	n/a
Right to Inventions	\$ 0	NIS	Limited	Limited	Limited	n/a	n/a
Seismic Safety	\$ 0	NIS	Limited	Limited	Limited	n/a	n/a
Tax Delinquency and Felony Conviction	\$ 0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Termination of Contract	\$10,000	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a
Veteran’s Preference	\$ 0	NIS	REQD	REQD	REQD	REQD	n/a

Airport Concessions Disadvantage Business Enterprise (ACDBE) Notes:

1. Language relative to solicitation for ACDBEs does not need to be included in AIP funded solicitations, since in no case are concessions activities funded with federal funds.
2. Airport Sponsors must include the appropriate Civil Rights – Title VI language in their solicitation notices when they seek proposals for concessions.
3. For ACDBE agreements, use the column for *Non-AIP Contracts*.

APPENDIX A – CONTRACT PROVISIONS

A1 ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

A1.1 SOURCE

2 CFR § 200.334

2 CFR § 200.337

FAA Order 5100.38

A1.2 APPLICABILITY

2 CFR § 200.334 requires a Sponsor to retain records pertinent to a Federal award for a period of three years from submission of final closure documents. 2 CFR § 200.337 establishes that Sponsors must provide Federal entities the right to access records pertinent to the Federal award. FAA policy extends these requirements to the Sponsor's contracts and subcontracts of AIP funded projects.

Contract Types – The Sponsor must include this provision in all contracts and subcontracts of AIP funded projects.

Use of Provision – No mandatory language provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA with meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor prefers to use different language, the Sponsor's language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR §§ 200.334 and 200.337.

A1.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

The Contractor must maintain an acceptable cost accounting system. The Contractor agrees to provide the Owner, the Federal Aviation Administration and the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to the specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts and transcriptions. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after final payment is made and all pending matters are closed.

A2 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENT

A2.1 SOURCE

41 CFR Part 60-4

Executive Order 11246

A2.2 APPLICABILITY

Minority Participation. Sponsors are required to set goals for minority participation in AIP funded projects exceeding \$10,000. The goals for minority participation derive from Economic Area (EA) and Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) as established in Volume 45 of the Federal Register dated 10/3/80. Page 65984 contains a table of all EAs and SMSAs and the associated minority participation goals.

To find the goals for minority participation, a Sponsor must either refer to the Federal Register Notice or to the Department of Labor online document, "[Participation Goals for Minorities and Females](#)". EAs and SMSAs span state boundaries. A Sponsor may have to refer to entries for adjacent states in order to locate the goal for the project location.

Female Participation. Executive Order 11246 has set a goal of 6.9% nationally for female participation for all construction projects. This value remains constant for all counties and states.

Contract Types –

Construction – The Sponsor must incorporate this notice in all solicitations for bids or requests for proposals for AIP funded construction work contracts and subcontracts that exceed \$10,000. Construction work means construction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of buildings, highways or other changes or improvements to real property, including facilities providing utility services. The term also includes the supervision, inspection and other onsite functions incidental to the actual construction.

Equipment – The Sponsor must incorporate this notice in any equipment project exceeding \$10,000 that involves installation of equipment onsite (e.g., electrical vault equipment). This provision does not apply to equipment acquisition projects where the manufacture of the equipment takes place offsite at a manufacturer's plant (e.g., firefighting and snow removal vehicles).

Professional Services – The Sponsor must incorporate this notice in any professional service agreement if the professional services agreement includes tasks that meet the definition of construction work [as defined by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)] and exceeds \$10,000. Examples include installation of monitoring systems (e.g., noise, environmental, etc.).

Property/Land – The Sponsor must incorporate this notice in any agreement associated with land acquisition if the agreement includes construction work (defined above) that exceeds \$10,000. Examples include demolition of structures or installation of boundary fencing.

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. The Sponsor must:

- (a) Incorporate the text of this provision in its solicitations without modification.
- (b) Incorporate the applicable minority participation goal and the covered area by geographic name.
- (c) Not simply insert a reference to the 1980 Federal Register Notice.

A2.3 MANDATORY SOLICITATION CLAUSE

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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

Timetables

- Goals for minority participation for each trade: ***[Sponsor must insert established goal]***
- Goals for female participation in each trade: 6.9%

These goals are applicable to all of the Contractor’s construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the Contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and nonfederally involved construction.

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

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

4. As used in this notice and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the “covered area” is **[Sponsor must insert state, county, and city]**.

A3 BREACH OF CONTRACT TERMS

A3.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(A)

A3.2 APPLICABILITY

This provision requires Sponsors to incorporate administrative, contractual or legal remedies in the event that a contractor violates or breaches contract terms. The Sponsor must also include appropriate sanctions and penalties.

Contract Types – This provision is required for all contracts that exceed the simplified acquisition threshold as stated in 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II (A). This threshold is occasionally adjusted for inflation and is \$250,000.

Use of Provision – No mandatory language provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA as meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200. Select either “contractor” or “consultant” as applicable.

A3.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

BREACH OF CONTRACT TERMS

Any violation or breach of terms of this contract on the part of the [Contractor | Consultant] or its subcontractors may result in the suspension or termination of this contract or such other action that may be necessary to enforce the rights of the parties of this agreement.

Owner will provide [Contractor | Consultant] written notice that describes the nature of the breach and corrective actions the [Contractor | Consultant] must undertake in order to avoid termination of the contract. Owner reserves the right to withhold payments to Contractor until such time the Contractor corrects the breach or the Owner elects to terminate the contract. The Owner’s notice will identify a specific date by which the [Contractor | Consultant] must correct the breach. Owner may proceed with termination of the contract if the [Contractor | Consultant] fails to correct the breach by the deadline indicated in the Owner’s notice.

The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder are in addition to, and not a limitation of, any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.

A4 BUY AMERICAN PREFERENCE

A4.1 SOURCE

Title 49 USC § 50101

Executive Order 14005, *Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers*

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (Pub. L. No. 117-58), Build America, Buy America (BABA)

A4.2 APPLICABILITY

The Buy American Preference incorporates statutory requirements and policies outlined in the in 49 USC § 50101, Executive Order 14005, and BABA.

Section 50101 of 49 USC requires that all steel and manufactured goods used on AIP projects be produced in the United States. This section also gives the FAA the ability to issue a waiver to a Sponsor to use non-domestic material on an AIP funded project subject to meeting certain conditions. A Sponsor may request that the FAA issue a waiver from the Buy American Preference requirements if the FAA finds that:

- 1) Applying the provision is not in the public interest.
- 2) The steel or manufactured goods are not available in sufficient quantity or quality in the United States.
- 3) The cost of components and subcomponents produced in the United States is more than 60 percent of the total components of a facility or equipment, and final assembly has taken place in the United States. Items that have an FAA standard specification item number (such as specific airport lighting equipment) are considered the equipment.
- 4) Applying this provision would increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

Executive Order 14005 advances the Administration's priority to use terms and conditions of Federal financial assistance awards to maximize the use of goods, products, and materials produced in, and services offered in, the United States. The Order directs, to the extent appropriate and consistent with applicable law, agencies shall partner with the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) to conduct supplier scouting in order to identify American companies that are able to produce goods, products, and materials in the United States that meet Federal procurement needs, prior to consideration of using non-domestic products.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Build America, Buy America (BABA) Act strengthens Made in America Laws and bolsters America's industrial base, protects national security, and supports high-paying jobs. Under BABA, iron, steel and certain construction materials are required to be 100% produced in the United States.

Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (Pub. L. No. 117-58) BABA three waivers are available for iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials when a Federal agency finds that –

- 1) Applying the domestic content procurement preference would be inconsistent with the public interest (a "public interest waiver");

- 2) Types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality (a “nonavailability waiver”); or
- 3) The inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent (an “unreasonable cost waiver”).

BABA defines construction materials, items that are or consists primarily of non-ferrous metals, plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables), glass (including optic glass), lumber or drywall.

Items that consist of two or more of the aforementioned materials that have been combined together through a manufacturing process, and items that include at least one of the listed materials combined with a material that is not listed through a manufacturing process, should be treated as manufactured products, rather than as construction materials. For example, a plastic framed sliding window should be treated as a manufactured product while plate glass should be treated as a construction material.

The Buy America Preference requirements flow down from the Sponsor to first tier contractors, who are responsible for ensuring that lower tier contractors and subcontractors are also in compliance.

Note: The Buy American Preference does not apply to temporary equipment a contractor uses as a tool of its trade and which does not remain as part of the project.

Required Documentation

The FAA Buy American Requests. All applications (requests) for an FAA Buy American Preference Waiver includes, at minimum, a completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire. Additional information may be requested from the applicant by the FAA. Airport Sponsors, consultants, construction contractors, or equipment manufacturers are responsible for completing and submitting waiver applications. The FAA is unable to make a determination on waiver requests with incomplete information. Sponsors must confirm with the bidder or offeror to assess the adequacy of the waiver request and associated information prior to forwarding a waiver request to the FAA for action. All FAA waivers forms are available from the FAA Buy American Requirements webpage.

Propriety Confidentiality. Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act protects "trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person [that is] privileged or confidential. Proprietary manufacturing and design information submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration for the purposes of receiving a Buy American Waiver shall not be disclosed outside the FAA. The FAA will provide a written notification to the Airport Sponsor, manufacturer(s), contractor(s) or supplier(s) when a waiver determination is complete.

Timing of Waiver Requests. Sponsors desiring a Type 2 waiver should submit their waiver request, with justification, *before* issuing a solicitation for bids or a request for proposal for a project.

The Sponsor must submit a Type 2, Type 3, or Type 4 waiver request *prior* to executing the contract. The FAA will generally not consider waiver requests after execution of the contract except where extraordinary and extenuating circumstances exist.

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The Buy American Notice of Determination (NOD) Process. The FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 requires that all approved waivers must be posted to the FAA’s website and remain posted for public comment for 10 days, before becoming effective. All FAA waivers must complete the NOD process. Sponsors are encouraged to wait until approved waivers become effective before executing AIP projects.

Buy American Conformance Lists. The FAA Office of Airports maintains listings of projects and products that have received a waiver from the Buy American Preference requirements for project specific and nationwide use. Each of these conformance lists is available online at www.faa.gov/airports/aip/buy_american/. Products listed on the FAA Nationwide Buy American Conformance list do not require additional submittal of domestic content information. Nationwide waivers expire five years from the date issued, unless revoked earlier by the FAA.

Facility Waiver Requests. For construction of a facility, the Sponsor may submit the waiver request after bid opening, but prior to contract execution. Examples of facility construction include terminal buildings, terminal renovation, and snow removal equipment buildings.

Contract Types –

Construction and Equipment – The Sponsor must meet the Buy American Preference requirements of 49 USC § 50101 and BABA for all AIP funded projects that require materials that are or consists primarily of iron, steel or manufactured goods and construction materials.

Professional Services – Professional service agreements (PSAs) do not normally result in a deliverable that meets the definition of a manufactured product. However, the emergence of various project delivery methods has created situations where task deliverables under a PSA may include a manufactured product. If a PSA includes providing a manufactured good as a deliverable under the contract, the Sponsor must include the Buy American Preference provision in the agreement.

Property – Most land transactions do not involve acquiring a manufactured product. However, under certain circumstances, a property acquisition project could result in the installation of a manufactured product. For example, the installation of property fencing, gates, doors and locks, etc. represent manufactured products acquired under an AIP funded land project that must comply with Buy American Preferences.

Use of Provisions – No mandatory language provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s revised language must fully comply with 49 USC § 50101 and BABA.

There are two types of FAA Buy American certifications. The Sponsor must incorporate the appropriate certifications of compliance with FAA Buy American Preference in the solicitation:

- **Construction Projects** involving the replacement, rehabilitation, reconstruction of airfield surfaces such as on runways, taxiways, taxilanes, aprons, roadways, parking lots, etc. – Insert the Certificate of compliance to FAA Buy American Preference based on Construction Projects.

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- **Equipment and Buildings Projects** involving and including the acquisition of equipment such as snow removal equipment, navigational aids, wind cones, and the construction of buildings such as hangars, terminal development, lighting vaults, aircraft rescue & firefighting buildings, etc. - Insert the Certificate of Compliance with FAA Buy American Preference Based on Equipment/Building Projects.

A4.3 MODEL SOLICITATION CLAUSES

A4.3.1 Certification of Compliance with FAA Buy American Preference Statement

FAA BUY AMERICAN PREFERENCE

The Contractor certifies that its bid/offer is in compliance with 49 USC § 50101, BABA and other related Made in America Laws,¹ U.S. statutes, guidance, and FAA policies, which provide that Federal funds may not be obligated unless all iron, steel and manufactured goods used in AIP funded projects are produced in the United States, unless the Federal Aviation Administration has issued a waiver for the product; the product is listed as an Excepted Article, Material Or Supply in Federal Acquisition Regulation subpart 25.108; or is included in the FAA Nationwide Buy American Waivers Issued list.

The bidder or offeror must complete and submit the certification of compliance with FAA’s Buy American Preference, BABA and Made in America laws included herein with their bid or offer. The Airport Sponsor/Owner will reject as nonresponsive any bid or offer that does not include a completed certification of compliance with FAA’s Buy American Preference and BABA.

The bidder or offeror certifies that all constructions materials, defined to mean an article, material, or supply other than an item of primarily iron or steel; a manufactured product; cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives that are or consist primarily of: non-ferrous metals; plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables); glass (including optic glass); lumber; or drywall used in the project are manufactured in the U.S.

¹ Per Executive Order 14005 “Made in America Laws” means all statutes, regulations, rules, and Executive Orders relating to federal financial assistance awards or federal procurement, including those that refer to “Buy America” or “Buy American,” that require, or provide a preference for, the purchase or acquisition of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States, including iron, steel, and manufactured products offered in the United States.

A4.3.2 Certification of Compliance with FAA Buy American Preference – Construction Projects

As a matter of bid responsiveness, the bidder or offeror must complete, sign, date, and submit this certification statement with its proposal. The bidder or offeror must indicate how it intends to comply with 49 USC § 50101, BABA and other related Made in America Laws, U.S. statutes, guidance, and FAA policies, by selecting one of the following certification statements. These statements are mutually exclusive. Bidder must select one or the other (i.e., not both) by inserting a checkmark (✓) or the letter “X”.

- Bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will comply with 49 USC § 50101, BABA and other related U.S. statutes, guidance, and policies of the FAA by:
- a) Only installing iron, steel and manufactured products produced in the United States;
 - b) Only installing construction materials defined as: an article, material, or supply – other than an item of primarily iron or steel; a manufactured product; cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives that are or consist primarily of non-ferrous metals; plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables); glass (including optic glass); lumber or drywall that have been manufactured in the United States.
 - c) Installing manufactured products for which the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has issued a waiver as indicated by inclusion on the current FAA Nationwide Buy American Waivers Issued listing; or
 - d) Installing products listed as an Excepted Article, Material or Supply in Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 25.108.

By selecting this certification statement, the bidder or offeror agrees:

- a) To provide to the Airport Sponsor or the FAA evidence that documents the source and origin of the iron, steel, and/or manufactured product.
 - b) To faithfully comply with providing U.S. domestic products.
 - c) To refrain from seeking a waiver request after establishment of the contract, unless extenuating circumstances emerge that the FAA determines justified.
 - d) Certify that all construction materials used in the project are manufactured in the U.S.
- The bidder or offeror hereby certifies it cannot comply with the 100 percent Buy American Preferences of 49 USC § 50101(a) but may qualify for a Type 3 or Type 4 waiver under 49 USC § 50101(b). By selecting this certification statement, the apparent bidder or offeror with the apparent low bid agrees:
- a) To submit to the Airport Sponsor or FAA within 15 calendar days of being selected as the responsive bidder, a formal waiver request and required documentation that supports the type of waiver being requested.
 - b) That failure to submit the required documentation within the specified timeframe is cause for a non-responsive determination that may result in rejection of the proposal.
 - c) To faithfully comply with providing U.S. domestic products at or above the approved U.S. domestic content percentage as approved by the FAA.

- d) To furnish U.S. domestic product for any waiver request that the FAA rejects.
- e) To refrain from seeking a waiver request after establishment of the contract, unless extenuating circumstances emerge that the FAA determines justified.

Required Documentation

Type 2 Waiver (Nonavailability) - The iron, steel, manufactured goods or construction materials or manufactured goods are not available in sufficient quantity or quality in the United States. The required documentation for the Nonavailability waiver is

- a) Completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire
- b) Record of thorough market research, consideration where appropriate of qualifying alternate items, products, or materials including;
- c) A description of the market research activities and methods used to identify domestically manufactured items capable of satisfying the requirement, including the timing of the research and conclusions reached on the availability of sources.

Type 3 Waiver – The cost of components and subcomponents produced in the United States is more than 60 percent of the cost of all components and subcomponents of the “facility/project.” The required documentation for a Type 3 waiver is:

- a) Completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire including;
- b) Listing of all manufactured products that are not comprised of 100 percent U.S. domestic content (excludes products listed on the FAA Nationwide Buy American Waivers Issued listing and products excluded by Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 25.108; products of unknown origin must be considered as non-domestic products in their entirety).
- c) Cost of non-domestic components and subcomponents, excluding labor costs associated with final assembly and installation at project location.
- d) Percentage of non-domestic component and subcomponent cost as compared to total “facility” component and subcomponent costs, excluding labor costs associated with final assembly and installation at project location.

Type 4 Waiver (Unreasonable Costs) - Applying this provision for iron, steel, manufactured goods or construction materials would increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. The required documentation for this waiver is:

- a) A completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire from
- b) At minimum two comparable equal bids and/or offers;
- c) Receipt or record that demonstrates that supplier scouting called for in Executive Order 14005, indicates that no domestic source exists for the project and/or component;
- d) Completed waiver applications for each comparable bid and/or offer.

False Statements: Per 49 USC § 47126, this certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Aviation Administration and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under Title 18, United States Code.

Date

Signature

Company Name

Title

A4.3.3 Certification of Compliance with FAA Buy American Preference – Equipment/Building Projects

As a matter of bid responsiveness, the bidder or offeror must complete, sign, date, and submit this certification statement with their proposal. The bidder or offeror must indicate how they intend to comply with 49 USC § 50101, and other Made in America Laws, U.S. statutes, guidance, and FAA policies by selecting one on the following certification statements. These statements are mutually exclusive. Bidder must select one or the other (not both) by inserting a checkmark (✓) or the letter “X”.

- Bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will comply with 49 USC § 50101, BABA and other related U.S. statutes, guidance, and policies of the FAA by:
- a) Only installing steel and manufactured products produced in the United States;
 - b) Only installing construction materials defined as: an article, material, or supply – other than an item of primarily iron or steel; a manufactured product; cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives that are or consist primarily of non-ferrous metals; plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables); glass (including optic glass); lumber or drywall that have been manufactured in the United States.
 - c) Installing manufactured products for which the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has issued a waiver as indicated by inclusion on the current FAA Nationwide Buy American Waivers Issued listing; or
 - d) Installing products listed as an Excepted Article, Material or Supply in Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 25.108.

By selecting this certification statement, the bidder or offeror agrees:

- a) To provide to the Airport Sponsor or FAA evidence that documents the source and origin of the steel and manufactured product.
 - b) To faithfully comply with providing U.S. domestic product.
 - c) To furnish U.S. domestic product for any waiver request that the FAA rejects.
 - d) To refrain from seeking a waiver request after establishment of the contract, unless extenuating circumstances emerge that the FAA determines justified.
- The bidder or offeror hereby certifies it cannot comply with the 100 percent Buy American Preferences of 49 USC § 50101(a) but may qualify for a Type 3 waiver under 49 USC § 50101(b). By selecting this certification statement, the apparent bidder or offeror with the apparent low bid agrees:
- a) To submit to the Airport Sponsor or FAA within 15 calendar days of being selected as the responsive bidder, a formal waiver request and required documentation that supports the type of waiver being requested.
 - b) That failure to submit the required documentation within the specified timeframe is cause for a non-responsive determination that may result in rejection of the proposal.
 - c) To faithfully comply with providing U.S. domestic products at or above the approved U.S. domestic content percentage as approved by the FAA.

- d) To refrain from seeking a waiver request after establishment of the contract, unless extenuating circumstances emerge that the FAA determines justified.

Required Documentation

Type 2 Waiver (Nonavailability) - The iron, steel, manufactured goods or construction materials are not available in sufficient quantity or quality in the United States. The required documentation for the Nonavailability waiver is:

- a) Completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire
- b) Record of thorough market research, consideration where appropriate of qualifying alternate items, products, or materials including;
- c) A description of the market research activities and methods used to identify domestically manufactured items capable of satisfying the requirement, including the timing of the research and conclusions reached on the availability of sources.

Type 3 Waiver – The cost of the item components and subcomponents produced in the United States is more than 60 percent of the cost of all components and subcomponents of the “item”. The required documentation for a Type 3 waiver is:

- a) Completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire including;
- b) Listing of all product components and subcomponents that are not comprised of 100 percent U.S. domestic content (Excludes products listed on the FAA Nationwide Buy American Waivers Issued listing and products excluded by Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 25.108 (products of unknown origin must be considered as non-domestic products in their entirety).
- c) Cost of non-domestic components and subcomponents, excluding labor costs associated with final assembly at place of manufacture.
- d) Percentage of non-domestic component and subcomponent cost as compared to total “item” component and subcomponent costs, excluding labor costs associated with final assembly at place of manufacture.

Type 4 Waiver (Unreasonable Costs) - Applying this provision for iron, steel, manufactured goods or construction materials, would increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. The required documentation for this waiver is:

- a) Completed Content Percentage Worksheet and Final Assembly Questionnaire from
- b) At minimum two comparable equal bidders and/or offerors;
- c) Receipt or record that demonstrates that supplier scouting called for in Executive Order 14005, indicates that no domestic source exists for the project and/or component;
- d) Completed waiver applications for each comparable bid and/or offer.

False Statements: Per 49 USC § 47126, this certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Aviation Administration and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under Title 18, United States Code.

Date

Signature

Company Name

Title

A5 CIVIL RIGHTS - GENERAL

A5.1 SOURCE

49 USC § 47123

A5.2 APPLICABILITY

There are two separate civil rights provisions that apply to projects:

1. FAA General Civil Rights Provision and,
2. Title VI provisions, which are addressed in Appendix A6.

Contract Types – The General Civil Rights Provisions found in 49 USC § 47123, derived from the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, Section 520, apply to all Sponsor contracts *regardless* of funding source.

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. Each contract must include two civil rights provisions. The first general clause must be included in all contracts, lease agreements, or transfer agreements. An additional specific provision must be included; the applicable text is based on whether the contract is a general contract or whether the contract is a lease or transfer agreement. The Sponsor must incorporate the text of the appropriate general clause and specific clause without modification into the contract, lease, or transfer agreement.

The required clauses for each type of contact are summarized in the table below:

Contract Clause	The Sponsor must include the contract clause in:	Clause Text is Included in Paragraph
Clause that is used for all contracts, lease agreements and transfer agreements	Every contract or agreement regardless of funding source.	A6.3.1
Clause that is used for general contract agreements	This applies to all contracts that do not involve property agreements. It applies to all contracts not covered by A5.3.3 regardless of funding source.	A6.3.1
Clause that is used for lease agreements and transfer agreements	This applies to all property agreements such leases of concession space in a terminal and leases where a physical portion of the airport is transferred for use. It applies to all contracts not covered by A5.3.2 regardless of funding source.	A6.3.1

A5.3 MANDATORY CONTRACT CLAUSES

A5.3.1 General Clause that is used for Contracts, Lease Agreements, and Transfer Agreements

GENERAL CIVIL RIGHTS PROVISIONS

In all its activities within the scope of its airport program, the Contractor agrees to comply with pertinent statutes, Executive Orders, and such rules as identified in Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities to ensure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), creed, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), age, or disability be excluded from participating in any activity conducted with or benefiting from Federal assistance.

This provision is in addition to that required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

A5.3.2 Specific Clause that is used for General Contract Agreements

The above provision binds the Contractor and subcontractors from the bid solicitation period through the completion of the contract.

A5.3.3 Specific Clause that is used for Lease Agreements or Transfer Agreements

If the Contractor transfers its obligation to another, the transferee is obligated in the same manner as the Contractor.

The above provision obligates the Contractor for the period during which the property is owned, used or possessed by the Contractor and the airport remains obligated to the Federal Aviation Administration.

A6 CIVIL RIGHTS – TITLE VI ASSURANCE

A6.1 SOURCE

49 USC § 47123

FAA Order 1400.11

A6.2 APPLICABILITY

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, (Title VI) prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Sponsors must include appropriate clauses from the Standard DOT Title VI Assurances in all contracts and solicitations.

The text of each individual clause comes from the U.S. Department of Transportation [Order DOT 1050.2](#), Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination Provisions, effective April 24, 2013. These assurances require that the Recipient (the Sponsor) insert the appropriate clauses in the form provided by the DOT. Where the clause refers to the applicable activity, project, or program, it means the AIP project.

The clauses are as follows:

A6.2.1 Applicability of Title VI Solicitation Notice

Contract Clause	The Sponsor must include the contract clause in:	Clause Text is Included in Paragraph
Title VI Solicitation Notice – <ul style="list-style-type: none">Assurance 2 of the DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination ClausesAssurance 30(d) of the Airport Sponsors Assurances	<ol style="list-style-type: none">All AIP funded solicitations for bids, requests for proposals, or any work subject to Title VI regulations; andAll Sponsor proposals for negotiated agreements regardless of funding source.	A6.3.1

Contract Clause	The Sponsor must include the contract clause in:	Clause Text is Included in Paragraph
<p>Title VI Clauses for Compliance with Nondiscrimination Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assurance 3 of the DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination Clauses Assurance 30(e)(1) of the Airport Sponsor Assurances 	<p>Every contract or agreement (unless the Sponsor has determined, and the FAA concurs, that the contract or agreement is not subject to the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, which is a rare occurrence).</p> <p>It has been determined that service contracts with utility companies that are not already subject to substantively identical nondiscrimination requirements must include this clause.</p>	<p>A6.4.1</p>
<p>Title VI Required Clause for Property Interests Transferred from the United States</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assurance 4 of the DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination Clauses Assurance 30e.3 of the Airport Sponsor Assurances 	<p>As a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a Sponsor.</p> <p>This is a rare occurrence, and it will be the responsibility of the United States government to include the clause in the contract.</p>	<p>A6.4.3</p>
<p>Title VI Required Clause for Transfer of Real Property Acquired or Improved Under the Activity, Facility or Program –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assurance 5 of the DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination Clauses Assurance 30(e)(4)(a) of the Airport Sponsor Assurances 	<p>As a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Sponsor with other parties for all transfers of real property acquired or improved under Airport Improvement Program</p> <p>This applies to agreements such as leases where a physical portion of the airport is transferred for use, for example a fuel farm, apron space, or a parking facility. It applies to agreements not covered by A6.4.4.</p>	<p>A6.4.4</p>

Contract Clause	The Sponsor must include the contract clause in:	Clause Text is Included in Paragraph
Clause for Construction/Use/Access to Real Property Acquired Under the Activity, Facility or Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assurance 6 of the DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination Clauses • Assurance 30(e)(4)(b) of the Airport Sponsor Assurances 	In any future (deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments) entered into by the Sponsor with other parties for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under Airport Improvement Program This applies to agreements such as leases of concession space in a terminal not covered by A6.4.3.	A6.4.5
Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assurance 3 of the DOT Standard Title VI Assurances and Nondiscrimination Clauses • Assurance 30(e)(2) of the Airport Sponsor Assurances 	Insert this list in every contract or agreement, unless the Sponsor has determined, and the FAA concurs, that the contract or agreement is not subject to the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, which is a rare occurrence. This list can only be omitted if the FAA has determined that the contractor or company is already subject to substantively identical nondiscrimination requirements.	Error! Reference source not found. List must be included in all applicable contracts.

A6.3 MANDATORY SOLICITATION CLAUSE

The Sponsor must include this clause in:

- 1) All AIP funded solicitations for bids, requests for proposals, or any work subject to Title VI regulations; and
- 2) All Sponsor proposals for negotiated agreements **regardless of funding source.**

A6.3.1 Title VI Solicitation Notice

Title VI Solicitation Notice:

The **(Name of Sponsor)**, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that for any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, [select businesses, or disadvantaged business enterprises or airport concession disadvantaged business enterprises] will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and no businesses will be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), creed, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), age, or disability in consideration for an award.

A6.4 MANDATORY CONTRACT CLAUSES

A6.4.1 Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities

Insert this list in every contract or agreement, unless the Sponsor has determined and the FAA concurs, that the contract or agreement is not subject to the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities. This list can be omitted if the FAA has determined that the contractor or company is already subject to nondiscrimination requirements, which is a rare occurrence.

Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”) agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- 49 CFR part 21 (Non-discrimination in Federally-Assisted programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 USC § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC § 794 *et seq.*), as amended (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR part 27 (Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance);
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 USC § 6101 *et seq.*) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 USC § 47123), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100-259) (broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms “programs or activities” to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 USC § 12101, *et seq*) (prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities) as implemented by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration’s Nondiscrimination statute (49 USC § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (ensures nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations);
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must

take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs [70 Fed. Reg. 74087 (2005)];

- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 USC § 1681, et seq).

A6.4.2 Nondiscrimination Requirements/Title VI Clauses for Compliance

The Sponsor must include this contract clause in:

- 1) Every contract or agreement (unless the Sponsor has determined, and the FAA concurs, that the contract or agreement is not subject to the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities); and
- 2) Service contracts with utility companies that are not already subject to substantively identical nondiscrimination requirements.
- 3) Other types of contracts with utility companies involving property covered by A6.4.2, A6.4.3, or A6.4.4.

Compliance with Nondiscrimination Requirements:

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”), agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The Contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. **Nondiscrimination:** The Contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), creed, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR part 21.
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the Contractor of the contractor’s obligations under this contract and the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
4. **Information and Reports:** The Contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or

refuses to furnish the information, the Contractor will so certify to the Sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a Contractor's noncompliance with the non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the Sponsor will impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Aviation Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Withholding payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies; and/or
 - b. Cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto. The Contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the Contractor may request the Sponsor to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Sponsor. In addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

A6.4.3 Title VI Clauses for Deeds Transferring United States Property

This is a rare occurrence, and it will be the responsibility of the United States government to include the clause in the contract. It will be included as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a Sponsor.

CLAUSES FOR DEEDS TRANSFERRING UNITED STATES PROPERTY

The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interest therein from the United States pursuant to the provisions of the Airport Improvement Program grant assurances:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Federal Aviation Administration as authorized by law and upon the condition that the (*Title of Sponsor*) will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with (*Name of Appropriate Legislative Authority*), for the (**Airport Improvement Program or other program for which land is transferred**), and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Federal Aviation Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the (*Title of Sponsor*) all the right, title and interest of the U.S. Department of Transportation/Federal Aviation Administration in and to said lands described in (*Exhibit A attached hereto or other exhibit describing the transferred property*) and made a part hereof.

(HABENDUM CLAUSE)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto (*Title of Sponsor*) and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the (*Title of Sponsor*), its successors and assigns.

The (*Title of Sponsor*), in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interests in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over, or under such lands hereby conveyed [,] [and]* (2) that the (*Title of Sponsor*) will use the lands and interests in lands and interests in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended[, and (3) that in the event of breach of any of the above-mentioned nondiscrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter said lands and facilities on said land, and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the Federal Aviation Administration and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction].*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

**A6.4.4 Title VI Clauses for Transfer of Real Property
Acquired or Improved Under the Activity, Facility,
or Program**

This applies to agreements such as leases where a physical portion of the airport is transferred for use—for example a fuel farm, apron space, or a parking facility—and will be included as a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Sponsor with other parties for all transfers of real property acquired or improved under the Airport Improvement Program.

**CLAUSES FOR TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR IMPROVED UNDER THE
AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Sponsor pursuant to the provisions of the Airport Improvement Program grant assurances:

- A. The (grantee, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add “as a covenant running with the land”] that:
 - 1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a Federal Aviation Administration activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (grantee,

licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Regulations listed in the Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities (as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.

- B. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, (*Title of Sponsor*) will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, the (*Title of Sponsor*) will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above-described lands and facilities will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the (*Title of Sponsor*) and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

A6.4.5 Title VI Clauses for Construction/Use/Access to Real Property Acquired Under the Activity, Facility or Program

This applies to agreements such as leases of concession space in a terminal and any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Sponsor with other parties for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the Airport Improvement Program.

CLAUSES FOR CONSTRUCTION/USE/ACCESS TO REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/agreements entered into by (*Title of Sponsor*) pursuant to the provisions of the Airport Improvement Program grant assurances.

- A. The (grantee, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the case of deeds and leases add, “as a covenant running with the land”) that (1) no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the List of discrimination Acts And Authorities.
- B. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.), in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, (*Title of Sponsor*) will have the right to terminate the (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities

thereon, and hold the same as if said (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued.*

- C. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, (*Title of Sponsor*) will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of (*Title of Sponsor*) and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

A7 CLEAN AIR AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

A7.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(G)

42 USC § 7401, et seq

33 USC § 1251, et seq

A7.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Types – This provision is required for all contracts and lower tier contracts that exceed \$150,000.

Use of Provision – No mandatory language provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of Appendix II to 2 CFR § 200.

A7.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

CLEAN AIR AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, and regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 USC §§ 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 USC §§ 1251-1387). The Contractor agrees to report any violation to the Owner immediately upon discovery. The Owner assumes responsibility for notifying the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Contractor must include this requirement in all subcontracts that exceed \$150,000.

A8 CONTRACT WORKHOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT REQUIREMENTS

A8.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(E)

2 CFR § 5.5(b)

40 USC § 3702

40 USC § 3704

A8.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act Requirements (CWHSSA) (40 USC §§ 3702 & 3704) requires contractors and subcontractors on covered contracts to pay laborers and mechanics employed in the performance of the contracts not less than one and one-half times their basic rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek. CWHSSA prohibits unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous working conditions on federally-assisted projects. The Wage and Hour Division (WHD) within the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) enforces the compensation requirements of this Act, while DOL's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) enforces the safety and health requirements.

Contract Types –

Construction – This provision applies to all contracts and lower tier contracts that exceed \$100,000, and employ laborers, mechanics, watchmen, and guards.

Equipment – This provision applies to any equipment project exceeding \$100,000 that involves installation of equipment onsite (e.g., electrical vault equipment). This provision does not apply to equipment acquisition projects where the manufacture of the equipment takes place offsite at the vendor plant (e.g., ARFF and SRE vehicles).

Professional Services – This provision applies to professional service agreements that exceed \$100,000 and employs laborers, mechanics, watchmen, and guards. This includes members of survey crews and exploratory drilling operations.

Property – While most land transactions do not involve employment of laborers, mechanics, watchmen, and guards, under certain circumstances, a property acquisition project could require such employment. Examples include the installation of property fencing or testing for environmental contamination

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. Sponsors must incorporate this text without modification.

A8.3 MANDATORY CONTRACT CLAUSE

CONTRACT WORKHOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT REQUIREMENTS

1. Overtime Requirements.

No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

2. Violation; Liability for Unpaid Wages; Liquidated Damages.

In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this clause, the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this clause, in the sum of \$29 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this clause.

3. Withholding for Unpaid Wages and Liquidated Damages.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) or the Owner shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this clause.

4. Subcontractors.

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

A9 COPELAND “ANTI-KICKBACK” ACT

A9.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(D)

29 CFR Parts 3 and 5

A9.2 APPLICABILITY and PURPOSE

The Copeland (Anti-Kickback) Act (18 USC § 874 and 40 USC § 3145) makes it unlawful to induce by force, intimidation, threat of dismissal from employment, or by any other manner, any person employed in the construction or repair of public buildings or public works, financed in whole or in part by the United States, to give up any part of the compensation to which that person is entitled under a contract of employment. The Copeland Act also requires each contractor and subcontractor to furnish weekly a statement of compliance with respect to the wages paid each employee during the preceding week.

Contract Types –

Construction – This provision applies to all construction contracts and subcontracts financed under the AIP that exceed \$2,000.

Equipment – This provision applies to all equipment installation projects (e.g., electrical vault improvements) financed under the AIP that exceed \$2,000. This provision does not apply to equipment acquisitions where the equipment is manufactured at the vendor’s plant (e.g., SRE and ARFF vehicles).

Professional Services –The emergence of different project delivery methods has created situations where Professional Service Agreements (PSAs) include tasks that meet the definition of construction, alteration, or repair as defined in 29 CFR Part 5. If such tasks result in work that qualifies as construction, alteration, or repair and it exceeds \$2,000, the PSA must incorporate the Copeland Anti-kickback provision.

Property –Ordinarily, land acquisition projects would not involve employment of laborers or mechanics and thus the Copeland Anti-Kickback provision would not apply. However, land projects that involve installation of boundary fencing and demolition of structures would involve laborers and mechanics. The Sponsor must include this provision if the land acquisition project involves employment of laborers or mechanics for a contract exceeding \$2,000.

Use of Provision – No mandatory language provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 29 CFR Part 5.

A9.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

COPELAND “ANTI-KICKBACK” ACT

Contractor must comply with the requirements of the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 USC 874 and 40 USC 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulation 29 CFR part 3. Contractor and subcontractors are prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed on the project to give up any part of the compensation to which the employee is entitled. The Contractor and each Subcontractor must submit to the Owner, a weekly statement on the wages paid to each employee performing on covered work during the prior week. Owner must report any violations of the Act to the Federal Aviation Administration.

A10 DAVIS-BACON REQUIREMENTS

A10.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(D)

29 CFR Part 5

49 USC § 47112(b)

40 USC §§ 3141-3144, 3146, and 3147

A10.2 APPLICABILITY

The Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC §§ 3141-3144, 3146, and 3147) ensures that laborers and mechanics employed under the contract receive pay no less than the locally prevailing wages and fringe benefits as determined by the Department of Labor.

Contract Types –

Construction – Incorporate into all construction contracts and subcontracts that exceed \$2,000 and include funding from the AIP.

Equipment – This provision applies to all equipment installation projects (e.g., electrical vault improvements) financed under the AIP that exceed \$ 2,000. This provision does not apply to equipment acquisitions where the equipment is manufactured at the vendor’s plant (e.g., SRE and ARFF vehicles)

Professional Services – The emergence of different project delivery methods has created situations where Professional Service Agreements (PSAs) includes tasks that meet the definition of construction, alteration, or repair as defined in 29 CFR Part 5. If such tasks result in work that qualifies as construction, alteration, or repair and it exceeds \$2,000, the PSA must incorporate this clause.

Property – Ordinarily, land acquisition projects would not involve employment of laborers or mechanics and thus the provision would not apply. However, land projects that involve installation of boundary fencing and demolition of structures would involve laborers and mechanics. The Sponsor must include this provision if the land acquisition project involves employment of laborers or mechanics for a contract exceeding \$2,000.

Fencing Projects – Fencing projects that exceed \$2,000 must include this provision.

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. 29 CFR part 5 establishes specific language a Sponsor must use. The Sponsor may not make any modification to the standard language. A/E firms that employ laborers and mechanics on a task that meets the definition of construction, alteration, or repair are acting as a contractor. The Sponsor may not substitute the term “Contractor” for “Consultant” in such instances.

A10.3 MANDATORY CONTRACT CLAUSE

DAVIS-BACON REQUIREMENTS

1. Minimum Wages.

(i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR Part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalent thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the Contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR § 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: *Provided*, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under (1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can easily be seen by the workers.

(ii)(A) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

- (1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;
- (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
- (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(B) If the Contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor,

Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(C) In the event the Contractor, the laborers, or mechanics to be employed in the classification, or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

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

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

(iv) If the Contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the Contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, *Provided*, that the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the Contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the Contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

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

3. Payrolls and Basic Records.

(i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the Contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker; his or her correct classification; hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types

described in 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act); daily and weekly number of hours worked; deductions made; and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the Contractor shall maintain records that show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual costs incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

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

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

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

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

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

(C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the “Statement of Compliance” required by paragraph (3)(ii)(B) of this section.

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

(iii) The Contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph (3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the Sponsor, the Federal Aviation Administration, or the Department of Labor and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the Contractor, Sponsor, applicant, or Owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR § 5.12.

4. Apprentices and Trainees.

(i) Apprentices. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman’s hourly rate) specified in the Contractor’s or subcontractor’s registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice’s level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits,

apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(ii) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR § 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination that provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate that is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

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

5. Compliance with Copeland Act Requirements.

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.

6. Subcontracts.

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR §§ 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the Federal Aviation Administration may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR § 5.5.

7. Contract Termination: Debarment.

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A breach of the contract clauses in paragraph 1 through 10 of this section may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR § 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements.

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

9. Disputes Concerning Labor Standards.

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

10. Certification of Eligibility.

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

(ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR § 5.12(a)(1).

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

A11 DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

A11.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 180 (Subpart B)

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(H)

2 CFR Part 1200

DOT Order 4200.5

Executive Orders 12549 and 12689

A11.2 APPLICABILITY

The Sponsor must verify that the firm or individual that it is entering into a contract with is not presently suspended, excluded, or debarred by any Federal department or agency from participating in federally-assisted projects. The Sponsor accomplishes this by:

- 1) Checking the System for Award Management (SAM.gov) to verify that the firm or individual is not listed in SAM.gov as being suspended, debarred, or excluded;
- 2) Collecting a certification from the firm or individual that it is not suspended, debarred, or excluded; and
- 3) Incorporating a clause in the contract that requires lower tier contracts to verify that no suspended, debarred, or excluded firm or individual is included in the project.

Contract Types – This requirement applies to *covered transactions*, which are defined in 2 CFR part 180 (Subpart B). AIP funded contracts are non-procurement transactions, as defined by 2 CFR § 180.970. Covered transactions include any AIP-funded contract, regardless of tier, that is awarded by a contractor, subcontractor, supplier, consultant, or its agent or representative in any transaction, if the amount of the contract is expected to equal or exceed \$25,000. This includes contracts associated with land acquisition projects.

Use of Provision – No mandatory language provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA in meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR part 180. For professional service agreements, Sponsor may substitute “bidder/offeror” with “consultant.”

A11.3 MODEL BID/PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION CLAUSES

A11.3.1 Bidder or Offeror Certification

CERTIFICATION OF OFFEROR/BIDDER REGARDING DEBARMENT

By submitting a bid/proposal under this solicitation, the bidder or offeror certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency from participation in this transaction.

A11.3.2 Lower Tier Contract Certification

CERTIFICATION OF LOWER TIER CONTRACTORS REGARDING DEBARMENT

The successful bidder, by administering each lower tier subcontract that exceeds \$25,000 as a “covered transaction”, must confirm each lower tier participant of a “covered transaction” under the project is not presently debarred or otherwise disqualified from participation in this federally-assisted project. The successful bidder will accomplish this by:

1. Checking the System for Award Management at website: <http://www.sam.gov>.
2. Collecting a certification statement similar to the Certification of Offeror /Bidder Regarding Debarment, above.
3. Inserting a clause or condition in the covered transaction with the lower tier contract.

If the Federal Aviation Administration later determines that a lower tier participant failed to disclose to a higher tier participant that it was excluded or disqualified at the time it entered the covered transaction, the FAA may pursue any available remedies, including suspension and debarment of the non-compliant participant.

A12 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

A12.1 SOURCE

49 CFR Part 26

A12.2 APPLICABILITY

A Sponsor that anticipates awarding \$250,000 or more in AIP funded prime contracts in a federal fiscal year must have an approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program on file with the FAA Office of Civil Rights (49 CFR § 26.21). The approved DBE program will identify a 3-year overall program goal that the Sponsor bases on the availability of ready, willing, and able DBEs relative to all businesses ready, willing, and able to participate on the project (49 CFR § 26.45).

Contract Types – Sponsors with a DBE program on file with the FAA must include the following provisions, if applicable:

- 1) Clause in all solicitations for proposals for which a contract goal has been established,
- 2) Clause in each prime contract, and
- 3) Clause in solicitations that are obtaining DBE participation through race/gender neutral means.

Use of Provision –

1. *Solicitations with a DBE Contract Goal* – No mandatory language provided. 49 CFR §26.53 requires a Sponsor’s solicitation to address what a contractor must submit on proposed DBE participation. The language of A12.3.1 is acceptable to the FAA in meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s revised language must fully satisfy these requirements. The Sponsor may require the contractor’s submittal on proposed DBE participation either at bid opening as a matter of responsiveness or within five days of bid opening as a matter of responsibility.
2. *Solicitations Relying on Race/Gender Neutral Means* – No mandatory language provided. The language of A12.3.2 is acceptable to the FAA in meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s revised language must fully satisfy requirements for a Sponsor that is not applying a project specific contract goal but is covered by a DBE program on file with the FAA.
3. *Assurance for Contracts Covered by DBE Program* – **MANDATORY TEXT PROVIDED.** Sponsors must incorporate this language if they have a DBE program on file with the FAA. This includes projects where DBE participation is obtained through race/gender neutral means (i.e., no DBE contract goal). Section 26.13 of 49 CFR establishes mandatory language for contractor assurance. The Sponsor must not modify the language. Part 26 of 49 CFR requires Sponsors ensure this clause also flows down into subcontracts (i.e., must be included verbatim in subcontracts).

4. *Prompt Payment for Contracts Covered by DBE Program* – No mandatory language provided. Section 26.29 of 49 CFR requires Sponsors to include a contract clause requiring prompt payment to subcontractors no later than thirty (30) days after the prime contractor receives payment from the Sponsor. The requirement applies to all subcontractors, not just DBEs. The prompt payment language of A12.3.3 is acceptable to the FAA in meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, such as a specific clause identified in the Sponsor’s approved DBE program plan, the Sponsor’s revised language must fully satisfy these requirements.
5. *Termination of DBE Subcontractors on Contracts with a DBE Contract Goal* - No mandatory language provided. Section 26.53 of 49 CFR prohibits unauthorized removal or replacement of DBE firms listed in response to a solicitation that had a DBE contract goal and sets forth the specific enforcement mechanism recipients must include in prime contracts. The language of A12.3.A12.3.23 is acceptable to the FAA in meeting the intent of this requirement.
6. Sponsors that are not required to have a DBE program on file with the FAA are not required to include DBE provisions and clauses.

A12.3 REQUIRED PROVISIONS

A12.3.1 Solicitation Language (Solicitations that include a Contract Goal)

Bid Information Submitted as a matter of responsiveness:

The Owner’s award of this contract is conditioned upon Bidder or Offeror satisfying the good faith effort requirements of 49 CFR § 26.53.

As a condition of responsiveness, the Bidder or Offeror must submit the following information with its proposal on the forms provided herein:

- 1) The names and addresses of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms that will participate in the contract;
- 2) A description of the work that each DBE firm will perform;
- 3) The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm listed under (1);
- 4) Written statement from Bidder or Offeror that attests their commitment to use the DBE firm(s) listed under (1) to meet the Owner’s project goal
- 5) Written confirmation from each listed DBE firm that it is participating in the contract in the kind and amount of work provided in the prime contractor's commitment; and
- 6) If Bidder or Offeror cannot meet the advertised project DBE goal, evidence of good faith efforts undertaken by the Bidder or Offeror as described in appendix A to 49 CFR part 26. The documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted to the bidder when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the contract.

Bid Information submitted as a matter of responsibility:

The Owner’s award of this contract is conditioned upon Bidder or Offeror satisfying the good faith effort requirements of 49 CFR § 26.53.

As a condition of responsibility, every Bidder or Offeror must submit the following information on the forms provided herein within five days after bid opening.

- 1) The names and addresses of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms that will participate in the contract;
- 2) A description of the work that each DBE firm will perform;
- 3) The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm listed under (1);
- 4) Written statement from Bidder or Offeror that attests their commitment to use the DBE firm(s) listed under (1) to meet the Owner’s project goal;
- 5) Written confirmation from each listed DBE firm that it is participating in the contract in the kind and amount of work provided in the prime contractor's commitment; and
- 6) If Bidder or Offeror cannot meet the advertised project DBE goal, evidence of good faith efforts undertaken by the Bidder or Offeror as described in appendix A to 49 CFR part 26. The documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted to the bidder when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the contract.

A12.3.2 Solicitation Language (Race/Gender Neutral Means)

The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy of the [Insert Name of Owner] to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership.

A12.3.3 Prime Contracts (Contracts Covered by a DBE Program)

Contract Assurance (49 CFR § 26.13; mandatory text provided) –

The Contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- 1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- 2) Assessing sanctions;
- 3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- 4) Disqualifying the Contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

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Prompt Payment (49 CFR § 26.29; acceptable/sample text provided) –

The prime contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than [specify number of days, not to exceed 30] days from the receipt of each payment the prime contractor receives from [Name of recipient]. The prime contractor agrees further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within [specify number of days, not to exceed 30] days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of the [Name of Recipient]. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.

Termination of DBE Subcontracts (49 CFR § 26.53(f); acceptable/sample text provided) –

The prime contractor must not terminate a DBE subcontractor listed in response to [include Solicitation paragraph number where paragraph 12.3.1, Solicitation Language appears] (or an approved substitute DBE firm) without prior written consent of [Name of Recipient]. This includes, but is not limited to, instances in which the prime contractor seeks to perform work originally designated for a DBE subcontractor with its own forces or those of an affiliate, a non-DBE firm, or with another DBE firm.

The prime contractor shall utilize the specific DBEs listed to perform the work and supply the materials for which each is listed unless the contractor obtains written consent [Name of Recipient]. Unless [Name of Recipient] consent is provided, the prime contractor shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the listed DBE.

[Name of Recipient] may provide such written consent only if [Name of Recipient] agrees, for reasons stated in the concurrence document, that the prime contractor has good cause to terminate the DBE firm. For purposes of this paragraph, good cause includes the circumstances listed in 49 CFR §26.53.

Before transmitting to [Name of Recipient] its request to terminate and/or substitute a DBE subcontractor, the prime contractor must give notice in writing to the DBE subcontractor, with a copy to [Name of Recipient], of its intent to request to terminate and/or substitute, and the reason for the request.

The prime contractor must give the DBE five days to respond to the prime contractor's notice and advise [Name of Recipient] and the contractor of the reasons, if any, why it objects to the proposed termination of its subcontract and why [Name of Recipient] should not approve the prime contractor's action. If required in a particular case as a matter of public necessity (e.g., safety), [Name of Recipient] may provide a response period shorter than five days.

In addition to post-award terminations, the provisions of this section apply to preaward deletions of or substitutions for DBE firms put forward by offerors in negotiated procurements.

A13 DISTRACTED DRIVING

A13.1 SOURCE

Executive Order 13513

DOT Order 3902.10

A13.2 APPLICABILITY

The FAA encourages recipients of Federal grant funds to adopt and enforce safety policies that decrease crashes by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing work related to a grant or subgrant.

Contract Types – Sponsors must insert this provision in all AIP funded contracts that exceed the micro-purchase threshold of 2 CFR § 200.320 (currently set at \$10,000).

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA in meeting the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s revised language must fully satisfy these requirements.

A13.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

TEXTING WHEN DRIVING

In accordance with Executive Order 13513, “Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving”, (10/1/2009) and DOT Order 3902.10, “Text Messaging While Driving”, (12/30/2009), the Federal Aviation Administration encourages recipients of Federal grant funds to adopt and enforce safety policies that decrease crashes by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing work related to a grant or subgrant.

In support of this initiative, the Owner encourages the Contractor to promote policies and initiatives for its employees and other work personnel that decrease crashes by distracted drivers, including policies that ban text messaging while driving motor vehicles while performing work activities associated with the project. The Contractor must include the substance of this clause in all sub-tier contracts exceeding \$10,000 that involve driving a motor vehicle in performance of work activities associated with the project.

A14 PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

A14.1 SOURCE

2 CFR § 200, Appendix II(K)

2 CFR § 200.216

A14.2 APPLICABILITY

Sponsors and subgrant recipients are prohibited from using AIP grant funds to:

- a) Procure or obtain,
- b) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain, or
- c) Enter into a contract to procure or obtain certain covered telecommunications equipment.

These restrictions apply to telecommunication equipment, services, or systems that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system or as critical technology as part of any system. Covered telecommunications equipment is equipment produced or provided by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of either).

Contract Types – The Sponsor must include this provision in all AIP funded contracts and lower-tier contracts.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s revised language must fully satisfy these requirements. Sponsor may substitute “Contractor and subcontractor” with “Consultant and sub-consultant” for professional service agreements.

A14.3 MODEL CERTIFICATION CLAUSE

PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

Contractor and Subcontractor agree to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to use and procurement of certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment in compliance with the National Defense Authorization Act [Public Law 115-232 § 889(f)(1)].

A15 DRUG FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

A15.1 SOURCE

49 CFR Part 32

Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 USC § 8101-8106, as amended)

A15.2 APPLICABILITY

The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 requires some Federal contractors and *all* Federal grantees to agree that they will provide drug-free workplaces as a condition of receiving a contract or grant from a Federal agency. The Act does **not** apply to contractors, subcontractors, or subgrantees, although the Federal grantees workplace may be where the contractors, subcontractors, or subgrantees are working.

Contract Types – This provision applies to all AIP funded projects, but not to the contracts between the grantee (the Sponsor) and a contractor, subcontractors, suppliers, or subgrantees.

Use of Provision – No mandatory or recommended text provided because the requirements do not extend beyond the Sponsor level.

A15.3 CONTRACT CLAUSE

None.

A16 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO)

A16.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(C)

41 CFR § 60-1.4

41 CFR § 60-4.3

Executive Order 11246

A16.2 APPLICABILITY

The purpose of this provision is to provide equal opportunity for all persons, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin who are employed or seeking employment with contractors performing under a federally-assisted construction contract. There are two provisions — a construction clause and a specification clause.

The equal opportunity contract clause must be included in any contract or subcontract when the amount exceeds \$10,000. Once the equal opportunity clause is determined to be applicable, the contract or subcontract must include the clause for the remainder of the year, regardless of the amount or the contract.

Contract Types –

Construction – The Sponsor must incorporate contract and specification language in all construction contracts and subcontracts as required above.

Equipment – The Sponsor must incorporate contract and specification language into all equipment contracts as required above that involves installation of equipment onsite (e.g., electrical vault equipment). This provision does not apply to equipment acquisition projects where the manufacture of the equipment takes place offsite at the vendor plant (e.g., ARFF and SRE vehicles).

Professional Services – The Sponsor must include contract and specification language into all professional service agreements as required above.

Property – The Sponsor must include contract and specification language into all land acquisition projects that include work that qualifies as construction work as defined by 41 CFR part 60 as required above. An example is installation of boundary fencing.

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. 41 CFR § 60-1.4 provides the mandatory **contract** language. 41 CFR § 60-4.3 provides the mandatory **specification** language. The Sponsor must incorporate these clauses without modification.

A16.3 MANDATORY CONTRACT CLAUSE

A16.3.1 EEO Contract Clause

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE

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

(1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff, or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

(3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

(4) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(5) The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(6) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(7) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in

whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(8) The Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: *Provided*, however, that in the event the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

A16.3.2 EEO Specification

STANDARD FEDERAL EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

1. As used in these specifications:

- a. “Covered area” means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
- b. “Director” means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), U.S. Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
- c. “Employer identification number” means the Federal social security number used on the Employer’s Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941;
- d. “Minority” includes:
 - (1) Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
 - (2) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - (3) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
 - (4) American Indian or Alaskan native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).

2. Whenever the Contractor, or any subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this contract resulted.

3. If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR part 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each contractor or subcontractor participating in an approved plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other contractors or subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered contractor's or subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.

4. The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7a through 7p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered construction contractors performing construction work in a geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the work is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or from Federal procurement contracting officers. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

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

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

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

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

- b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
- c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source, or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
- d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
- e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
- f. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.
- g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination, or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with onsite supervisory personnel such as superintendents, general foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.
- h. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other contractors and subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
- i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female, and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other

training by any recruitment source, the Contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations, which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through 7p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the Contractor is a member and participant may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through 7p of these specifications provided that the Contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.

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

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

11. The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.

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

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

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

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

A17 FEDERAL FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT (FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE)

A17.1 SOURCE

29 USC § 201, et seq

2 CFR § 200.430

A17.2 APPLICABILITY

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Wage and Hour Division administers the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). This act prescribes federal standards for basic minimum wage, overtime pay, record keeping, and child labor standards.

Contract Types – Per the Department of Labor, all employees of certain enterprises having workers engaged in interstate commerce; producing goods for interstate commerce; or handling, selling, or otherwise working on goods or materials that have been moved in or produced for such commerce by any person are covered by the FLSA.

All consultants, sub-consultants, contractors, and subcontractors employed under this federally assisted project must comply with the FLSA.

Professional Services – 29 CFR § 213 exempts employees in a bona fide executive, administrative or professional capacity. Because professional firms employ individuals that are not covered by this exemption, the Sponsor’s agreement with a professional services firm must include the FLSA provision.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 29 USC § 201, et seq. The Sponsor must select *contractor* or *consultant*, as appropriate for the contract.

A17.3 MODEL SOLICITATION CLAUSE

All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the provisions of 29 CFR part 201, et seq, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), with the same force and effect as if given in full text. The FLSA sets minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for full and part-time workers.

The [**Contractor | Consultant**] has full responsibility to monitor compliance to the referenced statute or regulation. The [**Contractor | Consultant**] must address any claims or disputes that arise from this requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor – Wage and Hour Division.

A18 LOBBYING AND INFLUENCING FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

A18.1 SOURCE

31 USC § 1352 – Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(I)

49 CFR Part 20, Appendix A

A18.2 APPLICABILITY

Consultants and contractors that apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more must certify that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or another award covered by 31 USC § 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

Contract Types – The Sponsor must incorporate this provision into all contracts exceeding \$100,000.

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. Appendix A to 49 CFR Part 20 prescribes language the Sponsor must use. The Sponsor must incorporate this provision without modification.

A18.3 MANDATORY CERTIFICATION CLAUSE

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The Bidder or Offeror certifies by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Bidder or Offeror, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with 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.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under

grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

A19 PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES

A19.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(C)

41 CFR Part 60-1

A19.2 APPLICABILITY

The contractor must comply with the requirements of the EEO clause by ensuring that facilities they provide for employees are free of segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. This clause must be included in all contracts that include the equal opportunity clause, regardless of the amount of the contract.

Contract Types – AIP Sponsors must incorporate the Prohibition of Segregated Facilities clause (41 CFR § 60-1.8) in any contract containing the Equal Employment Opportunity clause of 41 CFR § 60-1.4. This obligation flows down to subcontract and sub-tier purchase orders containing the Equal Employment Opportunity clause.

Construction – Construction work means construction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of buildings, highways, or other changes or improvements to real property, including facilities providing utility services. The term also includes the supervision, inspection, and other onsite functions incidental to the actual construction.

Equipment – On site installation of equipment such as airfield lighting control equipment meets the definition of construction and thus this provision would apply. This provision does not apply to equipment projects involving manufacture of the item at a vendor’s manufacturing plant. An example would be the manufacture of a SRE or ARFF vehicle.

Professional Services – Professional services that include tasks that qualify as construction work as defined by 41 CFR part 60-1. Examples include the installation of noise monitoring equipment.

Property/Land – Land acquisition contracts that include tasks that qualify as construction work as defined by 41 CFR part 60-1. Examples include demolition of structures or installation of boundary fencing.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 41 CFR Part 60-1.

A19.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES

(a) The Contractor agrees that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The

Contractor agrees that a breach of this clause is a violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause in this contract.

(b) “Segregated facilities,” as used in this clause, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin because of written or oral policies or employee custom. The term does not include separate or single-user rest rooms or necessary dressing or sleeping areas provided to assure privacy between the sexes.

(c) The Contractor shall include this clause in every subcontract and purchase order that is subject to the Equal Employment Opportunity clause of this contract.

A20 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT OF 1970

A20.1 SOURCE

29 CFR Part 1910

A20.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Types – All contracts and subcontracts must comply with the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH). The U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) oversees the workplace health and safety standards wage provisions from OSH.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 29 CFR Part 1910.

A20.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the requirements of 29 CFR Part 1910 with the same force and effect as if given in full text. The employer must provide a work environment that is free from recognized hazards that may cause death or serious physical harm to the employee. The employer retains full responsibility to monitor its compliance and their subcontractor’s compliance with the applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 CFR Part 1910). The employer must address any claims or disputes that pertain to a referenced requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

A21 PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

A21.1 SOURCE

2 CFR § 200.323

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(J)

40 CFR Part 247

42 USC § 6901, et seq (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA))

A21.2 APPLICABILITY

Sponsors of AIP funded development and equipment projects must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. Section 6002 emphasizes maximizing energy and resource recovery through use of affirmative procurement actions for recovered materials identified in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines codified at 40 CFR part 247. When acquiring items designated in the guidelines, the Sponsor must procure items that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition.

Contract Types – This provision applies to any contracts that include procurement of products designated in subpart B of 40 CFR part 247 where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired by the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000.

Construction and Equipment – Include this provision in all construction and equipment projects.

Professional Services and Property – Include this provision if the agreement includes procurement of a product that exceeds \$10,000.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor's language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200.

A21.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

Contractor and subcontractor agree to comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247. In the performance of this contract and to the extent practicable, the Contractor and subcontractors are to use products containing the highest percentage of recovered materials for items designated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under 40 CFR Part 247 whenever:

- 1) The contract requires procurement of \$10,000 or more of a designated item during the fiscal year;
or
- 2) The contractor has procured \$10,000 or more of a designated item using Federal funding during the previous fiscal year.

The list of EPA-designated items is available at www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guidelines-construction-products.

Section 6002(c) establishes exceptions to the preference for recovery of EPA-designated products if the contractor can demonstrate the item is:

- a) Not reasonably available within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- b) Fails to meet reasonable contract performance requirements; or
- c) Is only available at an unreasonable price.

A22 RIGHT TO INVENTIONS

A22.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(F)

37 CFR Part 401

A22.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Types – This provision applies to all contracts and subcontracts with small business firms or nonprofit organizations that include performance of *experimental, developmental, or research work*. This clause is not applicable to construction, equipment, or professional service contracts unless the contract includes *experimental, developmental, or research work*.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

A22.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS

Contracts or agreements that include the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work must provide for the rights of the Federal Government and the Owner in any resulting invention as established by 37 CFR part 401, Rights to Inventions Made by Non-profit Organizations and Small Business Firms under Government Grants, Contracts, and Cooperative Agreements. This contract incorporates by reference the patent and inventions rights as specified within 37 CFR § 401.14. Contractor must include this requirement in all sub-tier contracts involving experimental, developmental, or research work.

A23 SEISMIC SAFETY

A23.1 SOURCE

49 CFR Part 41

A23.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Types – This provision applies to construction of new buildings and additions to existing buildings financed in whole or in part through the Airport Improvement Program.

Professional Services– Sponsor must incorporate this clause in any contract involved in the construction of new buildings or structural addition to existing buildings.

Construction – Sponsor must incorporate this clause in any contract involved in the construction of new buildings or structural addition to existing buildings.

Equipment – Sponsor must include the construction provision if the project involves construction or structural addition to a building such as an electrical vault project to accommodate or install equipment.

Land – This provision will not typically apply to a property/land project.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR part 41.

A23.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

A23.3.1 Professional Service Agreements for Design

SEISMIC SAFETY

In the performance of design services, the Consultant agrees to furnish a building design and associated construction specification that conform to a building code standard that provides a level of seismic safety substantially equivalent to standards as established by the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP). Local building codes that model their building code after the current version of the International Building Code (IBC) meet the NEHRP equivalency level for seismic safety. At the conclusion of the design services, the Consultant agrees to furnish the Owner a “certification of compliance” that attests conformance of the building design and the construction specifications with the seismic standards of NEHRP or an equivalent building code.

A23.3.2 Construction Contracts

SEISMIC SAFETY

The Contractor agrees to ensure that all work performed under this contract, including work performed by subcontractors, conforms to a building code standard that provides a level of seismic safety substantially equivalent to standards established by the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction

Program (NEHRP). Local building codes that model their code after the current version of the International Building Code (IBC) meet the NEHRP equivalency level for seismic safety.

A24 TAX DELINQUENCY AND FELONY CONVICTIONS

A24.1 SOURCE

Section 8113 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103) and similar provisions in subsequent appropriations acts.

DOT Order 4200.6 – Appropriations Act Requirements for Procurement and Non-Procurement Regarding Tax Delinquency and Felony Convictions

A24.2 APPLICABILITY

The Sponsor must ensure that no funding goes to any contractor who:

- Has been convicted of a Federal felony within the last 24 months; or
- Has any outstanding tax liability for which all judicial and administrative remedies have lapsed or been exhausted.

Contract Types – This provision applies to all contracts funded in whole or part with AIP.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of DOT Order 4200.6.

A24.3 MODEL CERTIFICATION CLAUSE

CERTIFICATION OF OFFEROR/BIDDER REGARDING TAX DELINQUENCY AND FELONY CONVICTIONS

The applicant must complete the following two certification statements. The applicant must indicate its current status as it relates to tax delinquency and felony conviction by inserting a checkmark (✓) in the space following the applicable response. The applicant agrees that, if awarded a contract resulting from this solicitation, it will incorporate this provision for certification in all lower tier subcontracts.

Certifications

- 1) The applicant represents that it is () is not () a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.
- 2) The applicant represents that it is () is not () a corporation that was convicted of a criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

Note

If an applicant responds in the affirmative to either of the above representations, the applicant is ineligible to receive an award unless the Sponsor has received notification from the agency suspension and debarment official (SDO) that the SDO has considered suspension or debarment and determined that further action is not required to protect the Government’s interests. The applicant therefore must provide information to the owner about its tax liability or conviction to the Owner, who will then notify

the FAA Airports District Office, which will then notify the agency's SDO to facilitate completion of the required considerations before award decisions are made.

Term Definitions

Felony conviction: Felony conviction means a conviction within the preceding twenty four (24) months of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law and includes conviction of an offense defined in a section of the U.S. Code that specifically classifies the offense as a felony and conviction of an offense that is classified as a felony under 18 USC § 3559.

Tax Delinquency: A tax delinquency is any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

A25 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

A25.1 SOURCE

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(B)

FAA Advisory Circular 150/5370-10, Section 80-09

A25.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Types – All contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$10,000 must address *termination for cause* and *termination for convenience* by the Sponsor. The provision must address the manner (i.e., notice, opportunity to cure, and effective date) by which the Sponsor’s contract will be affected and the basis for settlement (e.g., incurred expenses, completed work, profit, etc.).

Use of Provision –

Termination for Convenience – No mandatory text provided. The Sponsor must include a clause for termination for convenience. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of Appendix II to 2 CFR § 200.

Termination for Cause – No mandatory text provided. The Sponsor must include a clause for termination for cause (includes default). The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

Equipment, Professional Services, and Property – No mandatory text provided. The Sponsor may use their established clause language provided that it adequately addresses the intent of 2 CFR Part 200 Appendix II(B), which addresses termination for cause and for convenience.

A25.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSES

A25.3.1 Termination for Convenience

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (CONSTRUCTION & EQUIPMENT CONTRACTS)

The Owner may terminate this contract in whole or in part at any time by providing written notice to the Contractor. Such action may be without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of Owner. Upon receipt of a written notice of termination, except as explicitly directed by the Owner, the Contractor shall immediately proceed with the following obligations regardless of any delay in determining or adjusting amounts due under this clause:

1. Contractor must immediately discontinue work as specified in the written notice.
2. Terminate all subcontracts to the extent they relate to the work terminated under the notice.
3. Discontinue orders for materials and services except as directed by the written notice.

4. Deliver to the Owner all fabricated and partially fabricated parts, completed and partially completed work, supplies, equipment and materials acquired prior to termination of the work, and as directed in the written notice.
5. Complete performance of the work not terminated by the notice.
6. Take action as directed by the Owner to protect and preserve property and work related to this contract that Owner will take possession.

Owner agrees to pay Contractor for:

1. Completed and acceptable work executed in accordance with the contract documents prior to the effective date of termination;
2. Documented expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing work and furnishing labor, materials, or equipment as required by the contract documents in connection with uncompleted work;
3. Reasonable and substantiated claims, costs, and damages incurred in settlement of terminated contracts with Subcontractors and Suppliers; and
4. Reasonable and substantiated expenses to the Contractor directly attributable to Owner's termination action.

Owner will not pay Contractor for loss of anticipated profits or revenue or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from the Owner's termination action.

The rights and remedies this clause provides are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)

The Owner may, by written notice to the Consultant, terminate this Agreement for its convenience and without cause or default on the part of Consultant. Upon receipt of the notice of termination, except as explicitly directed by the Owner, the Contractor must immediately discontinue all services affected.

Upon termination of the Agreement, the Consultant must deliver to the Owner all data, surveys, models, drawings, specifications, reports, maps, photographs, estimates, summaries, and other documents and materials prepared by the Engineer under this contract, whether complete or partially complete.

Owner agrees to make just and equitable compensation to the Consultant for satisfactory work completed up through the date the Consultant receives the termination notice. Compensation will not include anticipated profit on non-performed services.

Owner further agrees to hold Consultant harmless for errors or omissions in documents that are incomplete as a result of the termination action under this clause.

A25.3.2 Termination for Default

TERMINATION FOR CAUSE (CONSTRUCTION)

Section 80-09 of FAA Advisory Circular 150/5370-10 establishes standard language for conditions, rights, and remedies associated with Owner termination of this contract for cause due to default of the Contractor.

TERMINATION FOR CAUSE (EQUIPMENT)

The Owner may, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate all or part of this Contract for cause if the Contractor:

1. Fails to begin the Work under the Contract within the time specified in the Notice- to-Proceed;
2. Fails to make adequate progress as to endanger performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms;
3. Fails to make delivery of the equipment within the time specified in the Contract, including any Owner approved extensions;
4. Fails to comply with material provisions of the Contract;
5. Submits certifications made under the Contract and as part of their proposal that include false or fraudulent statements; or
6. Becomes insolvent or declares bankruptcy.

If one or more of the stated events occur, the Owner will give notice in writing to the Contractor and Surety of its intent to terminate the contract for cause. At the Owner's discretion, the notice may allow the Contractor and Surety an opportunity to cure the breach or default.

If within [10] days of the receipt of notice, the Contractor or Surety fails to remedy the breach or default to the satisfaction of the Owner, the Owner has authority to acquire equipment by other procurement action. The Contractor will be liable to the Owner for any excess costs the Owner incurs for acquiring such similar equipment.

Payment for completed equipment delivered to and accepted by the Owner shall be at the Contract price. The Owner may withhold from amounts otherwise due the Contractor for such completed equipment, such sum as the Owner determines to be necessary to protect the Owner against loss because of Contractor default.

Owner will not terminate the Contractor's right to proceed with the work under this clause if the delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such acceptable causes include: acts of God, acts of the Owner, acts of another Contractor in the performance of a contract with the Owner, and severe weather events that substantially exceed normal conditions for the location.

If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, the Owner determines that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the Owner issued the termination for the convenience the Owner.

The rights and remedies of the Owner in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

TERMINATION FOR CAUSE (PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)

Either party may terminate this Agreement for cause if the other party fails to fulfill its obligations that are essential to the completion of the work per the terms and conditions of the Agreement. The party initiating the termination action must allow the breaching party an opportunity to dispute or cure the breach.

The terminating party must provide the breaching party [7] days advance written notice of its intent to terminate the Agreement. The notice must specify the nature and extent of the breach, the conditions necessary to cure the breach, and the effective date of the termination action. The rights and remedies in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this agreement.

- a) **Termination by Owner:** The Owner may terminate this Agreement for cause in whole or in part, for the failure of the Consultant to:
1. Perform the services within the time specified in this contract or by Owner approved extension;
 2. Make adequate progress so as to endanger satisfactory performance of the Project; or
 3. Fulfill the obligations of the Agreement that are essential to the completion of the Project.

Upon receipt of the notice of termination, the Consultant must immediately discontinue all services affected unless the notice directs otherwise. Upon termination of the Agreement, the Consultant must deliver to the Owner all data, surveys, models, drawings, specifications, reports, maps, photographs, estimates, summaries, and other documents and materials prepared by the Engineer under this contract, whether complete or partially complete.

Owner agrees to make just and equitable compensation to the Consultant for satisfactory work completed up through the date the Consultant receives the termination notice. Compensation will not include anticipated profit on non-performed services.

Owner further agrees to hold Consultant harmless for errors or omissions in documents that are incomplete as a result of the termination action under this clause.

If, after finalization of the termination action, the Owner determines the Consultant was not in default of the Agreement, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the Owner issued the termination for the convenience of the Owner.

- b) **Termination by Consultant:** The Consultant may terminate this Agreement for cause in whole or in part, if the Owner:
1. Defaults on its obligations under this Agreement;
 2. Fails to make payment to the Consultant in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;
 3. Suspends the project for more than [180] days due to reasons beyond the control of the Consultant.

Upon receipt of a notice of termination from the Consultant, Owner agrees to cooperate with Consultant for the purpose of terminating the agreement or portion thereof, by mutual consent. If Owner and Consultant cannot reach mutual agreement on the termination settlement, the Consultant may, without prejudice to any rights and remedies it may have, proceed with terminating all or parts of this Agreement based upon the Owner's breach of the contract.

In the event of termination due to Owner breach, the Consultant is entitled to invoice Owner and to receive full payment for all services performed or furnished in accordance with this Agreement and all justified reimbursable expenses incurred by the Consultant through the effective date of termination action. Owner agrees to hold Consultant harmless for errors or omissions in documents that are incomplete as a result of the termination action under this clause.

A26 TRADE RESTRICTION CERTIFICATION

A26.1 SOURCE

49 USC § 50104

49 CFR Part 30

A26.2 APPLICABILITY

Unless waived by the Secretary of Transportation, Sponsors may not use AIP funds on a product or service from a foreign country included in the current list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

Contract Types – The trade restriction certification and clause apply to all AIP funded projects.

Use of Provision – MANDATORY TEXT. 49 CFR Part 30 prescribes the language for this model clause. The Sponsor must include this certification language in all contracts and subcontracts without modification.

A26.3 MANDATORY SOLICITATION CLAUSE

TRADE RESTRICTION CERTIFICATION

By submission of an offer, the Offeror certifies that with respect to this solicitation and any resultant contract, the Offeror –

- 1) is not owned or controlled by one or more citizens of a foreign country included in the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR);
- 2) has not knowingly entered into any contract or subcontract for this project with a person that is a citizen or national of a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the USTR; and
- 3) has not entered into any subcontract for any product to be used on the Federal project that is produced in a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the USTR.

This certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an agency of the United States of America and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under Title 18 USC § 1001.

The Offeror/Contractor must provide immediate written notice to the Owner if the Offeror/Contractor learns that its certification or that of a subcontractor was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. The Contractor must require subcontractors provide immediate written notice to the Contractor if at any time it learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

Unless the restrictions of this clause are waived by the Secretary of Transportation in accordance with 49 CFR § 30.17, no contract shall be awarded to an Offeror or subcontractor:

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- 1) who is owned or controlled by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the USTR; or
- 2) whose subcontractors are owned or controlled by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country on such USTR list; or
- 3) who incorporates in the public works project any product of a foreign country on such USTR list.

Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by this provision. The knowledge and information of a contractor is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

The Offeror agrees that, if awarded a contract resulting from this solicitation, it will incorporate this provision for certification without modification in all lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor may rely on the certification of a prospective subcontractor that it is not a firm from a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by USTR, unless the Offeror has knowledge that the certification is erroneous.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making an award. If it is later determined that the Contractor or subcontractor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) may direct through the Owner cancellation of the contract or subcontract for default at no cost to the Owner or the FAA.

A27 VETERAN'S PREFERENCE

A27.1 SOURCE

49 USC § 47112(c)

A27.2 APPLICABILITY

Contract Types – This provision applies to all AIP funded projects that involve labor to carry out the project. This preference, which excludes executive, administrative, and supervisory positions, applies to covered veterans [as defined under § 47112(c)] only when they are readily available and qualified to accomplish the work required by the project.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor's language must fully satisfy the requirements of 49 USC § 47112.

A27.3 MODEL CONTRACT CLAUSE

VETERAN'S PREFERENCE

In the employment of labor (excluding executive, administrative, and supervisory positions), the Contractor and all sub-tier contractors must give preference to covered veterans as defined within Title 49 United States Code Section 47112. Covered veterans include Vietnam-era veterans, Persian Gulf veterans, Afghanistan-Iraq war veterans, disabled veterans, and small business concerns (as defined by 15 USC § 632) owned and controlled by disabled veterans. This preference only applies when there are covered veterans readily available and qualified to perform the work to which the employment relates.

A28 DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS

A28.1 SOURCE

2 CFR § 200.322

2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(L)

A28.2 APPLICABILITY

To the greatest extent “practicable,” Sponsors must provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the U.S., including, but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, or other manufactured products.

Contract Types – Must be included in all subawards, including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under the grant.

Use of Provision – No mandatory text provided. The following language is acceptable to the FAA and meets the intent of this requirement. If the Sponsor uses different language, the Sponsor’s language must fully satisfy the requirements of 2 CFR § 200.322.

A28.3 MODEL CERTIFICATION CLAUSE

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS

The Bidder or Offeror certifies by signing and submitting this bid or proposal that, to the greatest extent practicable, the Bidder or Offeror has provided a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including, but not limited to, iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products) in compliance with 2 CFR § 200.322.



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The following terms and conditions are incorporated into the contract in addition to those contained in Attachment C, the Vermont Standard Provisions for Contracts and Grants, except where noted that the terms herein are substitutions for those contained in the Vermont Standard Provisions for Contracts and Grants.

A. INSURANCE

1. Basic Insurance Requirements for All Contracts for Services:

a. Prime Contractor:

For any work, a prime contractor must at minimum have and maintain throughout the life of the contract insurance coverage in types and amounts meeting or exceeding the State's standard insurance requirements specified in the State's Attachment C in effect at inception of the contract.

When a contract is amended, if a new Attachment C was adopted since the execution of the original contract, then the new Attachment C insurance requirements will apply as of and after amendment.

Certain types and settings of work require additional types and amounts of insurance coverage, beyond Attachment C requirements, as specified at Sections 2.e. and 3 below, which the Contractor must obtain and maintain throughout the life of the contract.

b. Subcontractors:

Subcontractors are required to have insurance coverage in types and amounts meeting or exceeding the prime contractor's insurance obligations to the State, including any additional types and amounts of insurance coverage for certain types and settings of work as specified at Sections 2.e and 3 below.

As to subcontractors, a prime contractor is obligated, for each of its subcontractors, to verify and maintain evidence of verification that each subcontractor carries all VTrans-required insurances. Subcontractors must do the same for their sub-subcontractors.

2. Workers Compensation Verification Compliance (*applies to both prime and subcontractors*):

a. In accordance with Act 54 of 2009,¹ and as subsequently amended, for total project costs over \$250,000, all contractors and subcontractors must have, when applicable:

A payroll process by which during every pay period the contractor collects from the subcontractors or independent contractors a list of all workers who were on the jobsite during the pay period, the work performed by those workers on the jobsite,

¹ See: Act 54 of 2009, § 32; Act 142 of 2010, § 17; Act 50 of 2011, § 6, as available at: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/>

and a daily census of the jobsite. This information, including confirmation that contractors, subcontractors, and independent contractors have the appropriate workers' compensation coverage for all workers at the job site, and the same information for the subcontractors regarding their subcontractors shall also be provided to the Department of Labor and to the [Department of Financial Regulation], upon request, and shall be available to the public.

- b. Contractors and subcontractors must preserve and retain the above discussed documentation seven (7) years, per section JJ of this document.
- c. VTrans has the right to audit contractors' and subcontractors' compliance with the above; however, contractors and subcontractors should be in good standing at all times with this monitoring obligation, regardless of whether or how often VTrans conducts such audits.
- d. VTrans reserves the right to require contractors and subcontractors to submit periodic attestations of compliance with these workers compensation verification requirements.
- e. Contract-specific risk and insurance:
 - i. Where the subject matter of the contract gives rise to specific insurance obligations under the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act ("FMCSA") <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov>, which applies to both certain transport of passengers and certain materials of environmental concern, contractors and subcontractors must comply with the FMCSA insurance requirements.
 - ii. Environmental and pollution insurance coverage may also be required when the State, in its sole discretion, determines it to be required under the scope and subject matter of a contract.
 - iii. VTrans reserves the right to require other additional types or amounts of insurance for specific contracts when, in VTrans' sole discretion, it is prudent to do so in relation to the details of a particular contract.

3. Additional Types and Amounts of Insurance for Certain Subjects and Settings of Contracts for Services:

One or more types and amounts of the insurance coverages specified below will apply when the subject or setting of work falls within the scope(s) specified and described below:

- a. For Design/Engineering Professional Services for a Specific Contracts:
 - i. Where Contractor's work under the contract provides in whole or part design/engineering professional services for one or more specific projects, then before commencing work and throughout the term of this contract, contractor must provide Professional Liability insurance for all relevant services performed

under this Agreement, with minimum coverage of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) policy aggregate.

- ii. The required Professional Liability insurance coverage must be maintained continuously for five (5) years after the final acceptance of any construction that may be developed as a result of such design work, even if the construction is performed under a separate contract or project.
- iii. Separate from task or project-specific requirements to maintain coverage, if contractor for any reason ceases operations, the contractor shall be responsible to obtain and maintain professional liability coverage that extends for not less than five (5) years after such cessation of operations.

4. Valuable Papers and Records Insurance:

Where contractor's work under the contract will in whole or part consist of providing the State with designs, plans, drawings, analyses, studies, reports, data, or other professional work product, contractor shall carry Valuable Papers and Records Insurance in a form and amount sufficient to ensure the restoration or replacement of any plans, drawings, field notes, or other information or data relating to the work, whether supplied by the State or developed by the contractor, subcontractor, worker, or agent, in the event of loss, impairment, or destruction. Such coverage shall remain in force until the final work product as well as all related materials have been delivered by the contractor to, and accepted by, the State. Valuable Papers and Records Insurance shall provide coverage on an "individual occurrence" basis with limits in the amount of at least one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

5. Railroad Protective Liability:

- a. When any portion of contractor's or a subcontractor's work under the contract involves work on, over, or under the right-of-way of any railroad, the contractor shall provide and file with the Agency, with respect to the operations that it or its subcontractor perform under the contract, Railroad Protective Liability Insurance for and on behalf of the railroad as named insured, with the State and its officers and employees specified as additional insured.
- b. If Railroad Protective Liability insurance is required, the contractor shall obtain and submit the minimum coverage indicated above to the State prior to the commencement of rail-related work and activities, and shall maintain coverage until contractor notifies the State and the railroad that contractor has completed and ceased work on, over, or under the railroad right-of-way, and both State and railroad have concurred that contractor may terminate the railroad protective liability. Railroad coverage limits must meet or exceed:

- i. Not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages arising out of any one accident or occurrence, in connection with bodily injury or death and injury to or destruction of property; and
- ii. Subject to that limit per accident, a total (or aggregate) limit of six million dollars (\$6,000,000) for all injuries to persons or property during the policy period.

The Contractor shall file the original and one (1) copy of the Railroad Protective Liability policy with the State, who will provide the original to the appropriate railroad.

6. Information Technology Contracts:

- a. For contracts determined by the State to fall within the category of “information technology activity” as defined in statute at 3 V.S.A. §3301(b)(2), additional types and amounts of insurance will typically be required, and may change over time, either as to general standards or with regard to the subject matter or potential risk exposure in a specific IT transaction.
- b. As of the issuance of these General Terms and Conditions, the required IT insurance types include: Technology Professional Liability insurance with third-party coverage, and, if contractor has access to, processes, handles, collects, transmits, stores, or otherwise deals with State Data, Contractor shall maintain first party Breach Notification Coverage, which shall include the State of Vermont and its officers and employees as additional insureds.
- c. Information technology contracts will also generally require their own set of additional specific terms and conditions, derived from the then-applicable templates issued by the Agency of Digital Services and the Office of Purchasing and Contracting within the Department of Buildings and General Services.

B. INDEMNIFICATION

1. Basic Indemnification Requirements (any contract for services):

a. Prime Contractor:

Except as specifically provided below, a prime contractor must act in an independent capacity and defend and indemnify the State in accordance with the State’s then-current Attachment C

b. Subcontractors:

Except as specifically provided below, the prime contractor must include requirements as to independence, defense, and indemnity, matching Attachment C and identical to those in the prime contractor’s contract with State, in the prime contractor’s contracts with subcontractors. Subcontractors must do the same for their sub-subcontractors.

2. For Design/Engineering Professional Services for a Specific Projects:

a. Prime Contractor:

Where a contract is for design/engineering professional services for a specific project, or, when a contract contains a mixed scope of work that in part consists of tasks of such professional design services for a specific project or projects, then as to, and only as to, those specific professional design services, the provisions of Standard Attachment C on the subjects of “Defense and Indemnity” (numbered item 7 in the December 2017 version of Attachment C, and any equivalent provisions, however numbered, in any subsequently-issued Attachment C) are stricken in their entirety and replaced in full by the following:

The Party shall defend the State and its officers and employees against all claims or suits arising in whole or in part from any act or omission of the Party or of any agent of the Party in providing “non-professional services” under this Agreement. As used herein, “non-professional services” means services provided under this Agreement other than professional services relating to the design and/or engineering of all or part of the project. The State shall notify the Party in the event of any such claim or suit covered by this Subsection, and the Party shall immediately retain counsel and otherwise provide a complete defense against the entire claim or suit arising out of “non-professional services” provided under this Agreement.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in Subsection C above, the Party shall not be obligated to defend the State and its officers and employees against claims or suits arising from the Party’s provision of engineering design services or architectural design services. However, the Party’s obligation to defend the State and its officers and employees against all claims or suits arising out of “non-professional services” provided under this Agreement as provided in Subsection C above and the Party’s other obligations under Attachment C shall remain in effect.

The Party agrees to indemnify and hold the State, its officers and employees, harmless from and against monetary damages to third parties, together with reasonable costs, expenses and attorney’s fees incurred and paid by the State in defending claims by third parties (collectively “Damages”) but only in the event and to the extent such Damages are incurred and paid by the State as the proximate cause of negligent acts, errors or omissions (“Professional Negligence”) by the Party, its employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors, in providing the professional services required under this Agreement.

As used herein, “Professional Negligence” or “negligent acts, errors or omissions” means a failure by the Party to exercise that degree of skill and care ordinarily possessed by a reasonably prudent design professional practicing in the same or similar locality providing such services under like or similar conditions and circumstances.

The Party shall indemnify the State and its officers and employees in the event that the State, its officers or employees become legally obligated to pay any damages or losses

arising from any act or omission of the Party arising from the provision of “non-professional services” (as defined herein) under this Agreement.

The Party shall not be obligated to indemnify the State for any Damages incurred by the State attributable to the State’s own negligent acts, errors or omissions or the negligent acts, errors or omissions of its officers, agents or employees, or the acts, errors, omissions or breach of Agreement by persons or entities other than the Party, its employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors.

After a final judgment or settlement, the Party may request recoupment of specific defense costs and may file suit in Washington Superior Court requesting recoupment. The Party shall be entitled to recoup costs only upon a showing that such costs were entirely unrelated to the defense of any claim arising from an act or omission of the Party.

b. Subcontractors:

As to subcontractors working under a prime contractor and where the subcontractors are providing such professional design services for a specific project, the prime contractor will include the same design-specific provisions as defined in Section B(2)(a) above in the prime contractor’s own contracts with subcontractors. Subcontractors must do the same for their sub-subcontractors.

C. GENERAL COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS; RESPONSIBILITY FOR VIOLATION

1. The contractor shall observe and comply with all applicable federal, state, and municipal laws, bylaws, ordinances, and regulations in any manner affecting the conduct of the work and the action or operation of those engaged in the work, including all such orders or decrees as exist at present and those which may be enacted, adopted, or issued later, during the course of the work, by bodies or tribunals having any jurisdiction or authority over the work; and the contractor shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the State, any affected railroad(s), and any affected municipality(ies), and all their officers, agents, and employees against any claim or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such law, bylaws ordinances, regulations, order, or decree, whether by the contractor in person, its employee(s), or by the contractor’s subcontractor(s) or agent(s), or employee(s) or agents thereof.
2. If the contractor discovers any provision(s) in the contract contrary to or inconsistent with any law, ordinance, regulation, order, or decree, the contractor shall immediately report it to the Project Manager in writing.

D. COMPLIANCE WITH DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS, STANDARDS, MANUALS, GUIDELINES, DIRECTIVES, AND POLICIES

The contractor shall comply with all applicable statutes, regulations, ordinances, specifications, manuals, standards, guidelines, policies, directives, and any other requirements related to the

contract. In case of any conflict with the items referenced above, the contractor is responsible to ascertain and follow the direction provided by the State.

E. SEVERABILITY

Provisions of the contract shall be interpreted and implemented in a manner consistent with each other and using procedures that will achieve the intent of both parties. If for any reason a provision in the contract is unenforceable or invalid, VTrans, in its sole discretion may sever that provision from the contract, and the remaining provisions shall have the same force and effect as if the severed provisions had never been a part of the contract.

F. PROMPT PAYMENT

1. The contractor, by accepting and signing the contract, agrees to fully comply with the provisions of 9 V.S.A. §§ 4001-4009, also referred to as Act No. 74 of 1991 or the Prompt Payment Act, as amended. Compliance with this clause also satisfied the requirements of 46 CFR § 26.29. applicable to Federally funded contracts.
2. In accordance with 9 V.S.A. Section 4003, notwithstanding any contrary contract provision, payments shall be made within seven days from receipt of a corresponding final or progress payment by the State to the contractor, or seven days after receipt of a subcontractor's invoice, whichever is later. Failure to comply constitutes violation of this contract.
3. On all federal-aid and state funded contracts, the contractor, during the life of the contract and on a monthly basis, shall submit electronically a listing of payments to subcontractors on the form specified by the State and made available at: <http://apps.vtrans.vermont.gov/consultants/>. Electronic reports shall be filed with VTrans Office of Civil Rights by an authorized representative and received in the VTrans Office of Civil Rights on or before the tenth working day after month end. Contractors without access to the internet shall obtain and submit manual reports to the VTrans Office of Civil Rights. Manual reports shall be signed by an authorized representative, sent to the VTrans Office of Civil Rights, and postmarked on or before the tenth working day after month end. There shall be no direct compensation allowed the contractor for this work, but the cost thereof shall be included in the general cost of the work.
4. Violations shall be reported to the VTrans Office of Civil Rights for review. Failure to resolve disputes in a timely manner will result in a complaint made to the VTrans Chief of Contract Administration. In the Agency's judgment, appropriate penalties may be invoked for failure to comply with this specification. Penalties may include debarment or suspension of the ability to submit proposals.
5. This section shall be included in the prime contractor's contract made with all of its subcontractors.

G. TERMINATION

In addition to the Termination provisions contained in Attachment C, the following terms are included in this contract:

Termination for Convenience

1. General

- a. The Agency may, with thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor, terminate the Contract or any portion thereof when such termination would be in the best interest of the Agency. Upon notification, the contractor may be directed to immediately stop all work and incur no further costs under the contract.
- b. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor an Order of Termination specifying the termination is for the convenience of the Agency, the extent to which performance of work under the Contract is terminated, and the effective date of the termination.
- c. In the event such termination occurs, without fault and for reasons beyond the control of the Contractor, all completed or partially completed items of work as of the date of termination will be paid for in accordance with the contract payment terms.
- d. No compensation will be allowed for incomplete or eliminated contract items.
- e. Termination of the Contract, or portions thereof, shall not relieve the Contractor of its contractual responsibilities for work completed and shall not relieve the Contractor's Surety of its obligation for and concerning any just claim arising out of the work performed.

2. Contractor Obligations

After receipt of the Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by VTrans, the Contractor shall immediately proceed to:

- a. The extent specified in the Notice of Termination, cease work under the Contract on the date specified.
- b. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portions of the work under the Contract that are not terminated.
- c. Terminate and cancel any orders or subcontracts related to the services, except as may be necessary for completion of such portions of the work under the Contract that are not terminated.

- d. Transfer to VTrans all completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property which, if the Contract had been completed, would be required to be furnished to VTrans.
- e. Take other actions as may be necessary or as directed by VTrans for the protection and preservation of the property related to the contract which is in the possession of the contractor and that VTrans has or may acquire any interest.
- f. Make available to VTrans all cost and other records relevant to a determination of an equitable settlement.

3. Claim by Contractor

After receipt of the Notice of Termination from VTrans, the Contractor shall submit any claim for additional costs not covered herein or elsewhere in the Contract within sixty (60) days of the effective termination date. Should the Contractor fail to submit a claim within the sixty (60) day period, VTrans may, at its sole discretion, determine what, if any, compensation is due the Contractor and pay the Contractor the determined amount.

4. Negotiation

Negotiations to settle a timely claim shall be for the sole purpose of reaching a settlement equitable to both the Contractor and VTrans. Settlement shall be based on actual costs incurred by the Contractor, as reflected by the contract rates. Consequential damages, loss of overhead, loss of overhead contribution of any kind, and loss of anticipated profits on work not performed shall not be included in the Contractor's claim and will not be considered, allowed, or included as part of any settlement.

H. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

1. If a patentable discovery or invention results from work performed under the contract, all rights to such discovery or invention shall be the sole property of the Contractor, but the State and the United States Government shall have an irrevocable, nonexclusive, non-transferable, and royalty free license to each invention in the manufacture, use, and disposition, according to law, of any article or material or use of method that may be developed, as a part of the work under the contract.
2. Publications: All data, valuable papers, photographs, and any other documents produced under the terms of the contract shall become the property of the State of Vermont. The Contractor agrees to allow access to all data, valuable papers, photographs, and other documents at all times. The contractor shall not copyright any material originating under the contract without prior written approval of the State.
3. Ownership of the Work: All studies, data sheets, survey notes, subsoil information, drawings, tracings, estimates, specifications, proposals, diagrams, calculations, photographs, and other material prepared or collected by the contractors ("instruments of professional

service") shall become the property of the State as they are prepared or developed during performance of the work under the contract. If a contractor uses a proprietary system or method to perform the work, only the product will become the property of the State. The Contractor shall not be liable for any reuse, misuse, or alteration of these "instruments of professional service" by the State.

4. The Contractor shall surrender to the State upon demand or submit for inspection at any time any instruments of professional service that have been collected, undertaken, or completed by the Contractor pursuant to the contract. Upon completion of the work, these instruments of professional service will be appropriately endorsed by the Contractor and turned over to the State.
5. Data and publication rights to any instruments of professional services produced under the contract are reserved to the State and shall not be copyrighted by the contractor at any time without written approval of the State. No publication or publicity of the work, in part or in total, shall be made without the consent of the State, except that contractors may in general terms use previously developed instruments of professional service to describe its abilities for a project in promotional materials.
6. Rights and Remedies Additional: The rights and remedies of the State under this section are in addition to any other rights and remedies that the State may possess by law or under this contract.
7. Decisions Final and Binding: Decisions of the State on matters discussed in this section shall be final and binding.

I. PERSONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Contractor employees performing services for the VTrans shall not have, directly or indirectly, a personal conflict of interest with respect to any contract with VTrans and must immediately disclose to VTrans any personal conflicts of interest arising at any time from the bidding process to final contract close-out.

Definitions

As used in this clause:

1. Contractor Employees means employees and subcontractors of a VTrans contractor.
2. Personal Conflict of Interest means a situation in which a contractor employee has a financial interest, personal activity, or relationship that could impair the individual's ability to act impartially and in the best interest of the Government when performing under the contract.
 - a. Sources of personal conflicts of interest include but are not limited to:

- i. Financial interests of the contractor employee, of close family members, or of other members of the contractor employee's household;
 - ii. Other employment or financial relationships (including seeking or negotiating for prospective employment or business); and
 - iii. Gifts, including travel.
- b. Examples. Financial interests referred to above may arise from:
 - i. Compensation, including wages, salaries, commissions, professional fees, or fees for business referrals;
 - ii. Consulting relationships (including commercial and professional consulting and service arrangements, scientific and technical advisory board memberships, or serving as an expert witness in litigation);
 - iii. Services provided in exchange for honorariums or travel expense reimbursements;
 - iv. Research funding or other forms of research support;
 - v. Investment in the form of stock or bond ownership or partnership interest (excluding diversified mutual fund investments);
 - vi. Real estate investments;
 - vii. Patents, copyrights, and other intellectual property interests; or
 - viii. Business ownership and investment interests.
3. Acquisition Function means supporting or providing advice or recommendations to the following activities of a State agency:
 - a. Planning acquisitions;
 - b. Determining what supplies or services are to be acquired by the Government, including developing statements of work;
 - c. Developing or approving any contractual documents, including documents defining requirements, incentive plans, and evaluation criteria;
 - d. Evaluating contract proposals;
 - e. Awarding Government contracts;

- f. Administering contracts (including ordering changes or giving technical direction in contract performance or contract quantities, evaluating contractor performance, and accepting or rejecting contractor products or services);
 - g. Terminating contracts; and
 - h. Determining whether contract costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.
4. Non-public information means any State or third-party information that:
- a. Is deemed by VTrans to be proprietary or confidential, or is exempt from disclosure under the Vermont Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315, et al, or otherwise protected from disclosure by statute, Executive order, or regulation; or
 - b. Has not been disseminated to the general public and the State has not yet determined whether the information can or will be made available to the public.

Requirements

The Contractor shall:

1. Have procedures in place to screen employees for potential personal conflicts of interest;
2. Prevent personal conflicts of interest, including not assigning or allowing an employee to perform any task under the contract for which the Contractor has identified a personal conflict of interest for the employee that the Contractor or employee cannot satisfactorily prevent or mitigate in consultation with the contracting agency; and
3. Prohibit use of non-public information accessed through performance of a Government contract for personal gain.
4. Inform employees of their obligation:
 - a. To disclose and prevent personal conflicts of interest;
 - b. Not to use non-public information accessed through performance of a Government contract for personal gain;
 - c. To avoid even the appearance of personal conflicts of interest;
5. Maintain effective oversight to verify compliance with personal conflict-of-interest safeguards;
6. Take appropriate disciplinary action in the case of covered employees who fail to comply with policies established pursuant to this clause;

7. Report to VTrans any personal conflict-of-interest violation by an employee as soon as it is identified. This report shall include a description of the violation and the proposed actions to be taken by the Contractor in response to the violation.
8. Provide follow-up reports of corrective actions taken, as necessary. Personal conflict-of-interest violations include:
 - a. Failure by an employee to disclose a personal conflict of interest;
 - b. Use by an employee of non-public information accessed through performance of a Government contract for personal gain; and
 - c. Failure of an employee to comply with the terms of a non-disclosure agreement.
9. In the case of contractors' employees *who perform acquisition functions* for VTrans, screening procedures must include:
 - a. Maintaining and obtaining from each employee, when the employee is initially assigned to the task under the contract, a disclosure of interests that might be affected by the task to which the employee has been assigned, as follows:
 - i. Financial interests of the employee, of close family members, or of other members of the covered employee's household;
 - ii. Other employment or financial relationships of the employee (including seeking or negotiating for prospective employment or business); and
 - iii. Gifts, including travel.
 - b. Requiring each employee to update the disclosure statement whenever the employee's personal or financial circumstances change in such a way that a new personal conflict of interest might occur because of the task the employee is performing.

Mitigation or Waiver

1. In exceptional circumstances, if the Contractor cannot satisfactorily prevent a personal conflict of interest as required above, the Contractor may submit a request through the applicable Division Director for:
 - a. An agreement to a plan to mitigate the personal conflict of interest; or
 - b. A waiver of the requirement.
2. The Contractor shall include in the request any proposed mitigation of the personal conflict of interest.

3. The Contractor shall:

- a. Comply, and require compliance by the employee, with any conditions imposed by the Government as necessary to mitigate the personal conflict of interest; or
- b. Remove the Contractor employee or subcontractor employee from performance of the contract or terminate the applicable subcontract.

Disclosure

A mandatory duty is established for the Contractor to disclose procurement fraud, and overpayments, or risk debarment or suspension. The contractor must report fraud, conflicts of interest, bribery, and illegal gratuities in connection with the award or performance of a state contract.

Code of Business Ethics

Contractors are encouraged to have a written code of business ethics and conduct. In addition, the contractor should have an ongoing ethics and compliance training program for principals and employees, as well as a system of internal controls to detect fraud and improper conduct.

J. ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (OCOI)

Definition

Organizational conflict of interest (“OCOI”) means that because of other activities or relationships with other persons or entities, a contractor *as a business entity*:

1. Is unable or potentially unable to render impartial assistance or advice to VTrans;
2. Is or may be impaired in its objectivity in performing the contract work (Example: A firm has a contract to inspect work by firms that are its business affiliates); or
3. Has an unfair competitive advantage. (Example: a firm participates in systems engineering and technical direction; preparing specifications or work statements; participates in development and design work; or gains access to the information of other companies in performing advisory and assistance services for the government drafting a scope of work for a project, then bids on the project itself.)

Disclosure

The Contractor shall make an immediate and full disclosure, in writing, to the VTrans Project Manager of any potential or actual OCOI or the existence of any facts that may cause a reasonably prudent person to question the contractor's impartiality because of the appearance or existence of bias or an unfair competitive advantage. Such disclosure shall include a description of the actions

the contractor has taken or proposes to take in order to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate any resulting conflict of interest.

Contractors in Management Support Roles

OCOIs often arise when contractors or subcontractors are employed in management support roles, such as oversight and inspection of the work of other contractors, and the development of designs, requirements, or statements of work or procurement documents such as requests for proposal. Such contracts bear particularly close monitoring to avoid OCOIs. A contractor serving in a management support role may be precluded from providing additional services on projects, activities, or contracts under its oversight due to potential conflicts of interest.

OCOI Screening

Prior to submitting a proposal, each submitter or proposer will conduct an internal review of its current affiliations and will require its team members to identify potential, real, or perceived OCOIs relative to the anticipated procurement. Potential submitters or proposers will be notified that existing or future contractual obligations relative to the proposed procurement may present an OCOI that may require avoidance, neutralization, or mitigation.

Disqualification

Prior to the award of a contract, VTrans may determine that an OCOI exists which would warrant disqualifying the bidder for award of the contract. Vtrans will discuss the matter with the contractor to determine whether the OCOI can be mitigated to VTrans satisfaction by negotiating terms and conditions of the contract to that effect.

Subcontracts

1. The Contractor shall require from its subcontractors full disclosure of any actual, apparent, or potential OCOI, and report such OCOIs to the VTrans Project Manager.
2. The Contractor shall identify and avoid, neutralize, or mitigate any subcontractor OCOI prior to award of the contract to the satisfaction of the VTrans Project Manager. If the subcontractor's OCOI cannot be avoided, neutralized, or mitigated, the Contractor must obtain the written approval from the appropriate VTrans Division Director prior to entering into the subcontract.
3. If the Contractor becomes aware of a subcontractor's potential or actual OCOI after the contract award, the Contractor agrees that VTrans may require the Contractor to eliminate the subcontractor from its team.

K. CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMEDIES

VTrans may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, or decline to make an award to a contractor if, in VTrans sole discretion, it is deemed necessary to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate an actual or

apparent personal or OCOI. No contract for the construction of a project shall be awarded to the firm that designed the project or its subsidiaries or affiliates, except with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation or authorized representative.

1. If a Contractor fails to disclose facts pertaining to the existence of a potential or actual personal or OCOI or misrepresents relevant information to VTrans, VTrans may terminate the contract for default or pursue such other remedies as may be permitted by law or this contract.
2. The Contractor will have the right to appeal a finding of an actual or potential OCOI to the appropriate Division Director, whose decision will be final, subject to further review only as provided for by state law, regulation or procedure.

L. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL

1. The Contractor shall employ only qualified personnel to supervise and perform the work. VTrans shall have the right to approve or disapprove personnel hired to perform or supervise work related to the contract.
2. Upon VTrans' request, the Contractor shall supply resumes for staff proposed to work on assignment or under primary contracts for VTrans' review and acceptance or rejection. VTrans retains the right to interview the proposed staff.
3. If contractor has submitted a list of key personnel to VTrans as part of a proposal, the Contractor must notify and seek approval if any changes to the proposed personnel occur during the performance period of the contract.
4. VTrans reserves the right to require removal of any person employed by a contractor from work related to the contract as deemed necessary to protect the interests of the State. The decision of VTrans shall be final and not subject to challenge or appeal beyond the appropriate Division Director.

M. APPROVAL REQUIREMENT FOR HIRING CERTAIN VTRANS EMPLOYEES

1. Contractors are required to obtain VTrans approval prior to making offers of employment to VTrans employees who are engaged in acquisition functions as defined in paragraph I.3 a-h above, or an individual who was engaged in acquisition functions for VTrans within one year of the end of employment with VTrans. Request for approval must be submitted to the appropriate Division Director.
2. Discussions with current VTrans employees engaged in acquisition functions regarding *potential* employment with a contractor creates a conflict of interest for the employee and is prohibited absent a State approved mitigation plan or waiver.

3. Contractors are encouraged to maintain an open dialogue with VTrans regarding such matters and work toward mutually acceptable avoidance and resolution of any issues.

N. ASSIGNMENTS, TRANSFERS, AND SUBLETTING

1. The Contractor shall not assign, sublet, or transfer any interest in the work covered by the contract without the prior written consent of the State and appropriate federal agencies, if applicable. Further, if any subcontractor participates in any work involving additional services, the estimated extent and cost of the contemplated work must receive the prior written consent of the State.
2. The approval or consent to assign, sublet, or assign any portion of the work shall in no way relieve the Contractor of its responsibility to perform that portion of the work so affected. Except as otherwise provided in these specifications, the form of the subcontractor's contract shall be as developed by the contractor.
3. Any authorized subcontracts shall contain all the same provisions specified for and attached to the original contract with the State.

O. PERFORMANCE AND COMPLETION OF WORK

1. The Contractor shall perform the services specified in accordance with the terms of the contract and shall complete the contracted services by the completion dates specified in the contract.
2. Apart from ongoing obligations (*e.g.*, insurance, ownership of the work, and appearances), upon completion of all services covered under the contract and payment of the agreed upon fee, the contract with its mutual obligations shall be terminated.
3. If, at any time during or after performance of the contract, the Contractor discovers any design errors or other issues that warrant changes, the contractor shall notify the Project Manager immediately. This paragraph also applies to those projects that are under construction or have been constructed.

P. CONTINUING OBLIGATIONS

The Contractor agrees that if, because of a death or other occurrences, it becomes impossible to effectively perform its services in compliance with the contract, neither the contractor nor its surviving principals shall be relieved of their obligations to complete the services under the contract. However, the State may terminate the contract if it considers a death, incapacity, or other removal of any principal(s) or key project personnel to be a loss of such magnitude that it would affect the contractor's ability to satisfactorily comply with the contract.

Q. APPEARANCES

1. Hearings and Conferences. The Contractor shall provide professional services required by

the State that are necessary for furtherance of any work covered under the contract. Professional services shall include appropriate representation at design conferences, public gatherings and hearings, and appearances before any legislative body, commission, board, or court, to justify, explain, or defend its services provided under the contract.

2. The Contractor shall serve as a liaison if the State deems it necessary for the furtherance of the work and participate with the State, at any reasonable time, in conferences, concerning interpretation and evaluation of all services provided under the contract.
3. The Contractor further agrees to participate in meetings with the State, applicable Federal Agencies, or any other interested or affected participants for the purpose of review or resolution of any conflicts pertaining to the contract. The Contractor shall be equitably paid for such services and for any reasonable expenses incurred in relation thereto in accordance with the contract.
4. Appearance as Witness. When required by the State, the Contractor, or an appropriate representative, shall prepare for and appear in, on behalf of the State, any litigation or other legal proceeding concerning any relevant project or related contract. The contractor shall be equitably paid for such services and for any reasonable expenses incurred in relation thereto in accordance with the contract.

R. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

1. VTrans may, upon written notice, require changes, additions, or deletions to the work or contract. Whenever possible, any such adjustments shall be administered under the appropriate fee schedule or payment provisions established in the contract based on the adjusted quantity of work.
2. The State may, upon written notice, and without invalidating the contract, require changes resulting from the revision or abandonment of work already satisfactorily performed by the Contractor or changes in the statement of work section of the contract.
3. If the value of such changes, additions, or deletions is not otherwise reflected in payments to the contractor pursuant to the contract, or if such changes require additional time or expense to perform the work, the contract may be amended accordingly.
4. Changes to the scope, duration or value of the contract will require amendment of the contract, approved by the State's Secretary of Transportation or other official delegated such authority.
5. The Contractor agrees to maintain complete and accurate records, in a form satisfactory to VTrans, for any extra work or additional services in accordance with the contract and the Contractor shall perform such work or services only after an amendment has been fully executed or a written notice to proceed is issued by VTrans.

S. EXTENSION OF TIME

1. The contractor may request in writing an extension of the allotted time for completion of the work. A request for extension will be evaluated, and if VTrans determines that the justification is valid, an extension of time for completion of the work may be granted. A request for extension of time must be made before the contractor is in default.
2. The decision of VTrans relative to granting an extension of time shall be final and binding, and may result in damages owed to the State by the contractor.
3. Neither party hereto shall be held responsible for delay in performing the work encompassed herein when such delay is due to unforeseeable causes such as, but not limited to, acts of God or a public enemy, fire, strikes, floods, or legal acts of public authorities.

T. CONTRACTOR ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

1. “Professional negligence” resulting in errors and omissions in the work product of the contractor or subcontractors must be corrected by the contractor at no cost to the State, when it is determined that the error or omission was a direct cause of the contractor’s work. The contractor may be liable for the State’s costs and other damages resulting from errors or deficiencies in designs furnished under its contract.
2. When VTrans becomes aware of an error or omission on the part of the contractor or subcontractors, VTrans will inform the contractor and provide an opportunity for discussion and correction, if applicable. Discussions will not relieve the contractor from complying with any VTrans-ordered corrections.
3. VTrans’ review, approval, or acceptance of or payment for the services required under this contract shall not 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.
4. The rights and remedies of the State provided for under this contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or elsewhere in the contract. If the Contractor is comprised of more than one legal entity, each such entity shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

U. DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

1. Design Professionals: In cases where VTrans believes damages are owed by a contractor, VTrans will attempt to negotiate a resolution with the contractor. If requested in writing by either party, negotiations may take the form of structured non-binding mediation with the assistance of a mediator on a “without prejudice” basis. The mediator shall be appointed by agreement of the parties, and the fees split equally between the parties. Negotiations or mediation will not bar either party from pursuing any other available remedies except as mutually agreed to in a written mediation agreement.

2. Construction Services Professionals: The parties shall attempt to resolve any disputes that may arise under the contract by informal negotiation, with the approval of the appropriate Division Director. If the dispute is not resolved, the Director shall issue a decision, which the Contractor may appeal in writing to the Transportation Board, through the Director, within 30 calendar days of the Director's decision. The notice of appeal shall completely outline the nature and extent of the issue(s) appealed and shall include copies of any and all supporting documentation. The decision of the Transportation Board may be appealed to Vermont Superior Court by either party as provided in 19 V.S.A. § 5.

V. RETAINAGE AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Agency of Administration Bulletin 3.5 – Contracting Procedures, VTrans has considered whether services contracts should contain provisions that provide for liquidated damages and/or retainage. As a general principle, based on experience and policy, VTrans has generally chosen not to include liquidated damages and retainage in its services contracts.
2. Should VTrans believe that liquidated damages or retainage provision are advisable in a particular contract, VTrans will include such provisions in the contract.

W. NO ADVANTAGE FROM ERRORS OR OMISSIONS IN CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

Neither the contractor nor the State shall take advantage or be afforded any benefit as the result of apparent error(s) or omission(s) in the contract documents. If either party discovers error(s) or omission(s), it shall immediately notify the other.

X. HOSTILE ACTS

Except as provided below, or otherwise agreed to in writing by a duly authorized representative of the State, the Contractor agrees that during the term of this contract, and also after termination of this contract, it will not represent or render assistance to anyone in any matter, proceeding, or lawsuit against or otherwise adverse to the interests of the State or any of its agencies or instrumentalities in a matter, proceeding, or lawsuit related to any aspects of any work or projects to which this contract relates. Contractor also agrees to include written provision in any of contractor's subcontracts with others relating to this contract, providing that such subcontractors also recognize and agree to be bound by this duty of loyalty to the State regarding any aspects of any work or projects to which this contract relates.

Y. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPERVISION

The contractor shall be responsible for supervision of contractor employees and subcontractors for all work performed under the contract and shall be solely responsible for all procedures, methods of analysis, interpretation, conclusions, and contents of work performed under the contract.

Z. WORK SCHEDULE AND PROGRESS REPORTS

As required by VTrans, prior to initiating any work, the Contractor shall work with VTrans' Project Manager to develop a work schedule showing how the contractor will complete the various phases of work to meet the completion date and any interim submission dates in the contract. VTrans will use this work schedule to monitor the contractor.

The Contractor during the life of the contract shall make monthly progress reports, or as otherwise determined by the Project Manager, or set forth in the statement of work, indicating the work achieved through the date of the report. The Contractor shall link the monthly progress reports to the schedule. The report shall indicate any matters that have, or are anticipated to, adversely affected progress of the work. VTrans may require the Contractor to prepare a revised work schedule in the event that a specific progress achievement falls behind the scheduled progress by more than thirty (30) days. The revised work schedule shall be due as of the date specified by VTrans.

AA. WORK ASSIGNED UNDER PRIMARY-TYPE CONTRACTS

Specific tasks or projects under primary (ie. retainer or Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity ["IDIQ"]) type contracts will be awarded and managed as provided in the scope of work section of the contract. Contractors should not begin work on any task or project under a primary contract until they have received authorization as described in the scope of work.

BB. UTILITIES

Whenever a facility or component of a private, public, or cooperatively-owned utility will be affected by proposed construction, the Contractor shall consult with the State's Utility Section and initiate contacts or discussions with the affected owners regarding requirements necessary for revision of facilities, both above and below ground. All revisions must be completely and accurately exhibited on detail sheets or plans. The Contractor shall inform the State, in writing, of all contacts with utility facility owners, and the results thereof. Further details should be provided in the scope of work section of the contract.

CC. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Whenever it is necessary to perform work in the field (*e.g.*, with respect to reconnaissance, testing, construction inspection, and surveying) the contractor shall endeavor to maintain good relations with the public and any affected property owners. Personnel employed by or representing the contractor shall conduct themselves with propriety. If there is a need to enter upon private property to accomplish the work under the contract, the Contractor shall inform property owners and tenants in a timely manner and in accordance with relevant statutes. All work will be done with minimum damage to the land and disturbance to the owners thereof. Upon request of the Contractor, the State shall furnish a letter of introduction to property owners soliciting their cooperation and explaining that the contractor is acting on behalf of the State.

DD. INSPECTION OF WORK

1. The State and applicable federal agencies shall, at all times, have access to the contractor's work for the purposes of inspection, accounting, and auditing, and the Contractor shall provide appropriate and necessary access to accomplish inspections, accounting, and auditing.
2. The contractor shall permit the State and its representatives the opportunity at any time to inspect any plans, drawings, estimates, specifications, or other materials prepared or undertaken by the Contractor pursuant to the contract.
3. A conference, visit to a site, or inspection of the work may be held at the request of the Contractor, State, and appropriate federal agencies.

EE. WRITTEN DELIVERABLES/REPORTS

All communications and deliverables presented under terms of the contract shall be in a form and format identified in the statement of work section of the contract, including, but not limited to CADD Requirements, Data Specifications, and Geographic Information System Requirements.

FF. ELECTRONIC DATA MEDIA.

VTrans Web Page and File Transfer Protocol (FTP) Site Disclaimer. The files located on the VTrans web page and FTP site are subject to change. The contractor is responsible for maintaining contact with VTrans to determine if any changes affect the work produced by the contractor. Although VTrans makes every effort to ensure the accuracy of its work, it cannot guarantee that transferred files are error free.

GG. REVIEWS AND APPROVALS.

All work prepared by the Contractor, subcontractors, and representatives thereof pursuant to the contract shall be subject to review and approval by VTrans. Approval for any work shall be documented in writing. Approvals shall not relieve a contractor of its professional obligation to correct any defects or errors in the work at the contractor's expense.

The pertinent federal agencies may independently review and comment on the contract deliverables. The Contractor, through VTrans, shall respond to all official comments regardless of their source. The Contractor shall supply VTrans with written copies of all correspondence relating to reviews. All comments must be satisfactorily resolved before the affected work is advanced.

HH. PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Payment procedures will be set forth in Attachment B.

II. AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

1. Design and Engineering Contracts of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) and over:
 - a. Annually, the Contractor shall furnish the State with independently-prepared, properly supported indirect cost rates for all the time periods covered under the contract. These rates must be developed in accordance with the cost principles in 48 CFR Part 31. Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Contractor's overhead rate shall be based on actual, audited overhead costs.

2. **Design and Engineering Contracts** Under Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00):
 - a. The contractor may submit internally generated indirect cost computations and the related schedules.

 - b. Additional information may be requested from a new contractor executing a contract under \$500,000.00 or in some cases from contractors with existing or previous contracts with the State if any of the following conditions or areas of concern exist:
 - i. There is insufficient knowledge of the consultant's accounting system.

 - ii. There is previous unfavorable experience regarding the reliability of the consultant's accounting system

 - iii. The contract involves procurement of new equipment or supplies for which cost experience is lacking.

 - iv. There have been issues with adherence to Federal and State regulations and policies.

 - v. Capacity – ensuring ongoing delivery

JJ. RECORDS RETENTION:

The Contractor shall maintain all records related to the contract for a period of seven (7) years unless required to keep them longer as indicated Federal provisions or in the scope of work section of the contract.

KK. REGISTRATION WITH SECRETARY OF STATE

1. The Contractor shall be registered with the Vermont Secretary of State to do business in the State of Vermont if the Contractor:
 - a. Is a domestic or foreign corporation,

- b. Is a resident co-partner or resident member of a co-partnership or association,
 - c. Is a non-resident individual doing business in Vermont in his or her individual capacity,
 - d. Is doing business in Vermont under any name other than the Contractor's own personal name.
2. This registration must be complete prior to contract execution and maintained throughout the life of the contract.

LL. SITE VISIT

Where relevant to the work to be performed under the contract, contractors must inspect physical locations of construction when required in the statement of work and will not be compensated for any differing site conditions that could have been discovered during the inspection.

MM. MARKETING

The Contractor is prohibited from representing in marketing or promotional materials that VTrans is a co-sponsor in any project, or otherwise representing any sort of collaboration or partnership with VTrans; making claims of general endorsement by VTrans; and from using the VTrans logo, seal, or letterhead. In accordance with Attachment C, Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants, the Contractor has VTrans permission to refer to the fact that the Contractor has, or previously had, contracts with VTrans in marketing or promotional materials, as long as purely factual statements are made, and no general endorsement is asserted. Additionally, the Contractor may provide factual information regarding work under VTrans projects to other potential employers or identify designated VTrans employees or officials who could be consulted by as a reference about such prior work for VTrans. Designated VTrans employees may provide factual information regarding a Contractor's work under VTrans contracts to third parties requesting references. Contractor's providing false information regarding work under VTrans contract will be subject to administrative, civil, and criminal penalties.

Approved By: _____

E-SIGNED by Joe Flynn
on 2020-05-29 18:21:30 GMT

Secretary of Transportation



Federal Terms and Conditions Services (Non-Construction)

VERMONT AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION

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A. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction.
- c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default.
- d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).
- f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

- g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.
- h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>).
- i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

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2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

- a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - i. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
 - ii. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement,

theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

- iii. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and
- iv. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- v. Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal; and
- vi. Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200)

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions"

refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

- e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.
- g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.
- h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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4. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--
Lower Tier Participants:

- a. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:
 - i. is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
 - ii. is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal; and
 - iii. is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.
- b. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

B. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
 - a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with 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.
 - b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

C. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) POLICY, NONDISCRIMINATION AND RELATED CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy. It shall be the policy of the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) to ensure nondiscriminatory opportunity for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) to participate in the performance of all contracts and subcontracts financed with Federal funds as specified by the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), Federal Highway Administration and as set forth below.

1. Policy. It is the policy of USDOT that DBEs as defined in 49 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 26 shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Consequently, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and 23 CFR, Chapter 1, Part 230, Subpart b apply to this contract.
2. DBE Obligation. The State and its Contractors agree to ensure that DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and subcontracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Each subcontract the prime contractor signs with a subcontractor must include this assurance: The contractor, sub recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of USDOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as VTrans deems appropriate.
3. Sanctions for Noncompliance. The Contractor is hereby advised that failure of the Contractor, or any Subcontractor performing work under this contract, to carry out the requirements set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 above shall constitute a breach of contract and after the notification of the Vermont Agency of Transportation, Secretary of Transportation, may result in termination of this contract by the State or such remedy as the State deems necessary.
4. Inclusion in Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert in each of its subcontracts this Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy and also a clause requiring its subcontractors to include this same Policy in any lower tier subcontracts which they may enter into, together with a clause requiring the inclusion of the Policy in any further subcontract that may in turn be made. This Policy shall not be incorporated by reference.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Goals. The Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) is required to set an overall DBE goal for participation in all transportation related Federal-aid projects. The goal is determined following guidelines set

forth in 49 CFR 26.45, and based on the availability of ready, willing and able DBEs who submitted bids and quotes for transportation related projects, compared as a percentage of all available contractors who submitted bids and quotes for transportation related projects during the same time period. The DBE goal may be adjusted to take into account other factors impacting DBE utilization, in an effort to narrowly tailor the overall DBE goal. The detailed goal setting methodology and current overall DBE goal may be viewed on the VTrans website at: <http://vtranscivilrights.vermont.gov/doing-business/dbe-center/program-goals>.

VTrans currently utilizes a race/gender neutral policy to fulfill its overall DBE goals, and relies on the voluntary participation of contractors to utilize certified DBEs on every project sufficient to obtain the Agency's overall DBE goal. In order for this practice to continue, contractors must be proactive and solicit bids and quotes from certified DBEs for use when submitting their own bids, and employ certified DBEs when participating on transportation related projects. Otherwise, VTrans may have to implement specified contract goals on projects to ensure the overall DBE goals are met. VTrans may include specific DBE contract goals in certain cases to ensure DBE participation, if failure to obtain the project DBE goal would negatively impact the Agency's overall DBE goal because of the size of the contract.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Definition. A DBE is defined as a business that is owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged person(s). For the purposes of this definition:

- a. "Socially and economically disadvantaged person" means an individual who is a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and who is a Woman, Black, Hispanic, Portuguese, Native American, Asian American, or a member of another group, or an individual found to be disadvantaged by the Small Business Administration pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act.
- b. "Owned and controlled" means a business which is:
 - i. A sole proprietorship legitimately owned and controlled by an individual who is a disadvantaged person.
 - ii. A partnership, joint venture or limited liability company in which at least 51% of the beneficial ownership interests legitimately is held by a disadvantaged person(s).
 - iii. A corporation or other entity in which at least 51% of the voting interest and 51% of the beneficial ownership interests legitimately are held by a disadvantaged person(s).

The disadvantaged group owner(s) or stockholder(s) must possess control over management, interest in capital, and interest in earnings commensurate with percentage of ownership. Disadvantaged participation in a joint venture must also be based on the sharing of real earnings, as above. If the disadvantaged group ownership interests are real, substantial and continuing and not created solely to meet the requirements of the program, a firm is considered a bona fide DBE.

Certified DBE Directory. The current Vermont Unified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Directory is available online at:

<http://vtranscivilrights.vermont.gov/doing-business/dbe-center/directory>. This directory contains all currently certified DBEs available for work in Vermont, and is updated continuously. Only firms listed in this directory are eligible for DBE credit on Vermont Federal-aid projects. If you have questions about DBE certification, or do not have access to the Internet, please call the DBE Program Manager at (802) 828-5858 for assistance.

Counting DBE Participation Towards Project Goals. In order for payments made to DBE contractors to be counted toward DBE goals, the DBE contractors must perform a commercially useful function (CUF). The DBE must be responsible for execution of the work of the contract and must carry out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved, consistent with standard industry practices.

This means that:

- The DBE must also be responsible for ordering its own materials and supplies, determining quantity and quality, negotiating price, installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself;
- The DBE must perform work commensurate with the amount of its contract;
- The DBE's contribution cannot be that of an extra participant or a conduit through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation;
- The DBE must exercise responsibility for at least fifty percent of the total cost of its contract with its own workforce;
- None of the DBE's work can be subcontracted back to the prime contractor, nor can the DBE employ the prime's or other subcontractor's supervisors currently working on the project;
- The DBE's labor force must be separate and apart from that of the prime contractor or other subcontractors on the project. Transferring crews between primes, subcontractors, and DBE contractors is not acceptable;
- The DBE owner must hold necessary professional or craft license(s) or certification(s) for the type of work he/she performs on the project;
- The DBE may rent or lease, at competitive rates, equipment needed on the project from customary leasing sources or from other subcontractors on the project. Allowable credit for payments made to DBEs for work performed. A contractor may take credit for payments made to a certified DBE that satisfies CUF requirements at the following rate:

- A DBE Prime Contractor: Count 100% of the value of the work performed by own forces, equipment and materials towards the DBE goals.
- An approved DBE subcontractor: Count 100% of the value of work performed by the DBE's own forces, equipment and materials, excluding the following:
 - The cost of materials/supplies purchased from a non-DBE Prime Contractor.
 - The value of work provided by non-DBE lower tier subcontractors, including non-DBE trucking to deliver asphalt to a DBE contractor.
- A DBE owner-operator of construction equipment: Count 100% of expenditures committed.
- A DBE manufacturer: Count 100% of expenditures committed. The manufacturer must be a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises the materials or supplies obtained by the Contractor.
- A regular DBE dealer/supplier: Count 60% of expenditures committed. A regular dealer/supplier is defined as a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse or other establishment, in which the materials or supplies required for the performance of the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. A person may be a dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business, if the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products, by the means of a long-term agreement, and not by a contract by contract basis.
- A DBE broker: Count for DBE credit only the fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement, and, fees and transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required at the job site, but not the cost of materials procured. A broker is defined as any person(s) or firm who arranges or expedites transactions for materials or supplies, and does not take physical possession of the materials or supplies at their place of business for resale.
- A DBE renter of construction equipment to a contractor: Count 20% of expenditures committed, with or without operator.
- A bona fide DBE service provider: Count 100% of reasonable fees or commissions. Eligible services include professional, technical, consultant, or managerial, services and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment, materials or supplies required for the performance of the contract. Eligible services also include agencies providing bonding and insurance specifically required for the performance of the contract.

- A trucking, hauling or delivery operation: Count 100% of expenditures committed when trucks are owned, operated, licensed and insured by the DBE and used on the contract and, if applicable, includes the cost of the materials and supplies. 100% of expenditures committed when the DBE leases trucks from another DBE firm including an owner-operator. 100% of reasonable fees, or commissions, the DBE receives as a result of a lease arrangement for trucks from a non-DBE, including an owner-operator.
- Any combination of the above.

Removal of Approved DBE From Transportation Related Project. Contractors may not terminate for convenience, any approved DBE subcontractor and perform the work with their own forces, without prior written consent from the VTrans DBE Program Manager or VTrans Chief of Civil Rights.

Federal-aid projects which specify a DBE contract goal. The provisions of the Vermont Agency of Transportation Supplemental Specification – Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Utilization (CA 160) shall apply to all VTrans Federal-aid projects which specify a DBE contract goal.

Compliance with Prompt Payment Statute. In accordance with Vermont’s Prompt Payment Act and VTrans Standard Specifications for Construction, Section 107.01(g), the Contractor shall fully comply with the provisions of 9 V.S.A. Chapter 102, also referred to as Act No. 74 of 1991 or the Prompt Payment Act, as amended.

Subcontractor Payments. In accordance with VTrans Standard Specifications for Construction, Section 107.01(h), on all federal-aid and state funded contracts, the Contractor, during the life of the Contract and on a monthly basis, shall submit electronically, a listing of payments to subcontractors on the form specified by the State and made available at: <http://vtranscivilrights.vermont.gov/doing-business/contractors-center/compliance>. Electronic reports shall be filed with the Agency Office of Civil Rights by an authorized representative and received in the Agency Office of Civil Rights on or before the tenth working day after month end. Contractors without access to the internet shall obtain and submit manual reports to the Agency Office of Civil Rights. Manual reports shall be signed by an authorized representative, sent to the Agency Office of Civil Rights, and postmarked on or before the tenth working day after month end. There shall be no direct compensation allowed the Contractor for this work, but the cost thereof shall be included in the general cost of the work. In accordance with 9 V.S.A. Section 4003, notwithstanding any contrary agreement, payments made to subcontractors after seven days from receipt of a corresponding progress payment by the State to the Contractor, or seven days after receipt of a subcontractor’s invoice, whichever is later, violate this agreement. Violations shall be reported to the Agency Office of Civil Rights for review. Failure to resolve disputes in a timely manner may result in a complaint made to the Agency Pre-qualification Committee. In this Committee’s judgment, appropriate penalties may be involved for failure to comply with this specification. Penalties may include suspension, reduction or revocation of the Contractor’s pre-qualification rating. This clause shall be included in the prime Contractor’s Contract made with all if its subcontractors.

D. NONDISCRIMINATION AND RELATED CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR 60, 29 CFR 1625-1627, Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60- 1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR 60, and 29 CFR 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR 230, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (28 CFR 35, 29 CFR 1630, 29 CFR 1625-1627, 41 CFR 60 and 49 CFR 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 USC 140 shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR 35 and 29 CFR 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:
 - a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract.
 - b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the- job training."

2. EEO Officer: The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.
3. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:
 - a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer.
 - b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.
 - c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.
 - d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.
 - e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.
4. Recruitment: When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.
 - a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct

systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

- b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.
 - c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.
5. Personnel Actions: Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:
- a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.
 - b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.
 - c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.
 - d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

6. Training and Promotion:

- a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.
 - b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).
 - c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.
 - d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.
7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:
- a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.
 - b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.
 - c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.
 - d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment

vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities: The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established there under. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.
9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.
 - a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors and suppliers and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.
 - b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.
10. Assurance Required by 49 CFR 26.13(b):
 - a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's U.S. DOT-approved DBE program are incorporated by reference.
 - b. The contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the contracting agency deems appropriate.
11. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

- a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:
 - i. The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;
 - ii. The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and
 - iii. The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women;
- b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

E. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

The contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location, under the contractor's control, where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

F. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).
 - a. The term "perform work with its own organization" refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a

subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions:

- i. the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
 - ii. the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;
 - iii. the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and
 - iv. the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.
- b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract.
2. The contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.
 3. The contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.
 4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.
 5. The 30% self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements.

G. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.
2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).
3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C.3704).

H. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project.

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to

be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 1, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented; Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

I. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract, or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, or subcontractor, as appropriate, will be deemed to have stipulated as follows:

1. That any person who is or will be utilized in the performance of this contract is not prohibited from receiving an award due to a violation of Section 508 of the Clean Water Act or Section 306 of the Clean Air Act.
2. That the contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of paragraph (1) of this Section X in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements.

J. ENERGY CONSERVATION

The contractor agrees to comply with 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.

K. USED OR RE-CYCLED OR RECOVERED MATERIALS

Contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

Certification for Federal-Aid Contracts

The prospective participant certifies by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with 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.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

This certification is material representation of the fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each failure.

The prospective participant also agrees by submitting his or her bid or proposal that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) POLICY CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy. It shall be the policy of the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) to ensure nondiscriminatory opportunity for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) to participate in the performance of all contracts and subcontracts financed with Federal funds as specified by the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and as set forth below.

1. **Policy.** It is the policy of USDOT that DBEs as defined in 49 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 26 shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Consequently, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and 23 CFR, Chapter 1, Part 230, Subpart b apply to this contract.
2. **DBE Obligation.** The State and its Contractors agree to ensure that DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and subcontracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. **Each subcontract the prime contractor signs with a subcontractor must include this assurance:** *The contractor, sub recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of USDOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as VTrans deems appropriate.*
3. **Sanctions for Noncompliance.** The Contractor is hereby advised that failure of the Contractor, or any Subcontractor performing work under this contract, to carry out the requirements set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 above shall constitute a breach of contract and after the notification of the Vermont Agency of Transportation, Secretary of Transportation, may result in termination of this contract by the State or such remedy as the State deems necessary.
4. **Inclusion in Subcontracts.** The Contractor shall insert in each of its subcontracts this Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy and also a clause requiring its subcontractors to include this same Policy in any lower tier subcontracts which they may enter into, together with a clause requiring the inclusion of the Policy in any further subcontract that may in turn be made. This Policy shall not be incorporated by reference.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Goals. The Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) is required to set an overall DBE goal for participation in all transportation related Federal-aid projects. The goal is determined following guidelines set forth in 49 CFR 26.45, and based on the availability of ready, willing and able DBEs who submitted bids and quotes for transportation related projects, compared as a percentage of all available contractors who submitted bids and quotes for transportation related projects during the same time period. The DBE goal may be adjusted to take into account other factors impacting DBE utilization, in an effort to narrowly tailor the overall DBE goal. The detailed goal setting methodology and current overall DBE goal may be viewed on the VTrans website at: <http://vtrans.vermont.gov/civil-rights/doing-business/dbe-center/program-goals>

The VTrans overall DBE goal is currently achieved by a combination of contract specific goals and a race/gender neutral policy. Contractors should be proactive and solicit bids and quotes from certified DBEs for use when submitting their own bids and employ certified DBEs when participating on transportation related projects.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Definition. A DBE is defined as a business that is owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged person(s). For the purposes of this definition:

- (1) "Socially and economically disadvantaged person" means an individual who is a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and who is a Woman, Black, Hispanic, Portuguese, Native American, Asian American, or a member of another group, or an individual found to be disadvantaged by the Small Business Administration pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act.
- (2) "Owned and controlled" means a business which is:
 - a. A sole proprietorship legitimately owned and controlled by an individual who is a disadvantaged person.
 - b. A partnership, joint venture or limited liability company in which at least 51% of the beneficial ownership interests legitimately is held by a disadvantaged person(s).
 - c. A corporation or other entity in which at least 51% of the voting interest and 51% of the beneficial ownership interests legitimately are held by a disadvantaged person(s).

The disadvantaged group owner(s) or stockholder(s) must possess control over management, interest in capital, and interest in earnings commensurate with percentage of ownership. Disadvantaged participation in a joint venture must also be based on the sharing of real earnings, as above. If the disadvantaged group ownership interests are real, substantial and continuing and not created solely to meet the requirements of the program, a firm is considered a bona fide DBE.

Certified DBE Directory. The current Vermont Unified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Directory is available online at: <http://vtrans.vermont.gov/civil-rights/doing-business/dbe-center/directory>. This directory contains all currently certified DBEs available for work in Vermont and is updated continuously. Only firms listed in this directory are eligible for DBE credit on Vermont Federal-aid projects. If you have questions about DBE certification, or do not have access to the Internet, please call the [AOT DBE Program Manager](#) for assistance.

Counting DBE Participation Towards Project Goals. For payments made to DBE contractors to be counted toward DBE goals, the DBE contractors must perform a commercially useful function (CUF). The DBE must be responsible for execution of the work of the contract and must carry out its responsibilities by performing, managing, and supervising the work involved, consistent with standard industry practices.

This means that:

- The DBE must also be responsible for ordering its own materials and supplies, determining quantity and quality, negotiating price, installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself;
- The DBE must perform work commensurate with the amount of its contract;
- The DBE's contribution cannot be that of an extra participant or a conduit through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation;
- The DBE must exercise responsibility for at least fifty percent of the total cost of its contract with its own workforce;
- None of the DBE's work can be subcontracted back to the prime contractor, nor can the DBE employ the prime's or other subcontractor's supervisors currently working on the project;
- The DBE's labor force must be separate and apart from that of the prime contractor or other subcontractors on the project. Transferring crews between primes, subcontractors, and DBE contractors is not acceptable;
- The DBE owner must hold necessary professional or craft license(s) or certification(s) for the type of work he/she performs on the project;
- The DBE may rent or lease, at competitive rates, equipment needed on the project from customary leasing sources or from other subcontractors on the project.

Allowable credit for payments made to DBEs for work performed. A contractor may take credit for payments made to a certified DBE that satisfies CUF requirements at the following rate:

- A DBE Prime Contractor: Count 100% of the value of the work performed by own forces, equipment and materials towards the DBE goals.
- An approved DBE subcontractor: Count 100% of the value of work performed by the DBE's own forces, equipment and materials, excluding the following:
 - The cost of materials/supplies purchased from a non-DBE Prime Contractor.
 - The value of work provided by non-DBE lower tier subcontractors, including non-DBE trucking to deliver asphalt to a DBE contractor.
- A DBE owner-operator of construction equipment: Count 100% of expenditures committed.
- A DBE manufacturer: Count 100% of expenditures committed. The manufacturer must be a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises the materials or supplies obtained by the Contractor.
- A regular DBE dealer/supplier: Count 60% of expenditures committed. A regular dealer/supplier is defined as a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse or other establishment, in which the materials or supplies required for the performance of the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. A person may

be a dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business, if the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products, by the means of a long term agreement, and not by a contract by contract basis.

- A DBE broker: Count for DBE credit only the fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement, and, fees and transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required at the job site, but not the cost of materials procured. A broker is defined as any person(s) or firm who arranges or expedites transactions for materials or supplies, and does not take physical possession of the materials or supplies at their place of business for resale.
- A DBE renter of construction equipment to a contractor: Count 20% of expenditures committed, with or without operator.
- A bona fide DBE service provider: Count 100% of reasonable fees or commissions. Eligible services include professional, technical, consultant, or managerial, services and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment, materials or supplies required for the performance of the contract. Eligible services also include agencies providing bonding and insurance specifically required for the performance of the contract.
- A trucking, hauling or delivery operation: Count 100% of expenditures committed when trucks are owned, operated, licensed and insured by the DBE and used on the contract and, if applicable, includes the cost of the materials and supplies. 100% of expenditures committed when the DBE leases trucks from another DBE firm including an owner-operator. 100% of reasonable fees, or commissions, the DBE receives as a result of a lease arrangement for trucks from a non-DBE, including an owner-operator.
- Any combination of the above.

Removal of Approved DBE From Transportation Related Project. Contractors may not terminate for convenience, any approved DBE subcontractor and perform the work with their own forces, without prior written consent from the [AOT DBE Program Manager or the AOT Civil Rights Director](#)

Federal-aid projects which specify a DBE contract goal. The provisions of the Vermont Agency of Transportation Supplemental Specification – Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Utilization (CR 160) shall apply to all VTrans Federal-aid projects which specify a DBE contract goal.

Compliance With Prompt Payment Statute. In accordance with Vermont’s Prompt Payment Act and VTrans Standard Specifications for Construction, Section 107.01(g), the Contractor shall fully comply with the provisions of 9 V.S.A. Chapter 102, also referred to as Act No. 74 of 1991 or the Prompt Payment Act, as amended.

Subcontractor Payments. In accordance with VTrans Standard Specifications for Construction, Section 107.01(h), on all federal-aid and state funded contracts, the

Contractor, during the life of the Contract and on a monthly basis, shall submit electronically, a listing of payments to subcontractors on the form specified by the State and made available at: <http://apps.vtrans.vermont.gov/promptpay/>. Electronic reports shall be filed with the Agency Office of Civil Rights by an authorized representative and received in the Agency Office of Civil Rights on or before the tenth working day after month end. Contractors without access to the internet shall obtain and submit manual reports to the Agency Office of Civil Rights. Manual reports shall be signed by an authorized representative, sent to the Agency Office of Civil Rights, and postmarked on or before the tenth working day after month end. There shall be no direct compensation allowed the Contractor for this work, but the cost thereof shall be included in the general cost of the work. In accordance with 9 V.S.A. Section 4003, notwithstanding any contrary agreement, payments made to subcontractors after seven days from receipt of a corresponding progress payment by the State to the Contractor, or seven days after receipt of a subcontractor's invoice, whichever is later, violate this agreement. Violations shall be reported to the Agency Office of Civil Rights for review. Failure to resolve disputes in a timely manner may result in a complaint made to the Agency Pre-qualification Committee. In this Committee's judgment, appropriate penalties may be involved for failure to comply with this specification. Penalties may include suspension, reduction or revocation of the Contractor's pre-qualification rating. This clause shall be included in the prime Contractor's Contract made with all if its subcontractors.

Assurance Appendix A

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “contractor”) agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. **Nondiscrimination:** The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations as set forth in Appendix E, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21.
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor’s obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP.
4. **Information and Reports:** The contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor will so certify to the Recipient or the FHWA, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor’s noncompliance with the Non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - a. withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
 - b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement

as the Recipient or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Assurance Appendix E

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “contractor”) agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin), as implemented by 49 C.F.R. § 21.1 *et seq.* and 49 C.F.R. § 303;
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 *et seq.*), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (102 Stat. 28.), (“...*which restore[d] the broad scope of coverage and to clarify the application of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.*”);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by Department of Justice regulations at 28 C.F.R. parts 35 and 36, and Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration’s Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures non-discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 *et seq.*), as implemented by 49 C.F.R. § 25.1 *et seq.*

State Contract No.
Federal-Aid Project:

CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR / CONSULTANT

I hereby certify that I am the _____ and duly authorized representative of the firm of _____, whose address is _____, and that neither I nor the above firm I here represent has:

- (a) Employed or retained for a commission, percentage, brokerage, contingent fee, or other consideration, any firm or person (other than a bona fide employee working solely for me or the above consultant) to solicit or secure this contract,
- (b) Agreed, as an express or implied condition for obtaining this contract, to employ or retain the services of any firm or person in connection with carrying out the contract, or
- (c) Paid, or agreed to pay, to any firm, organization or person (other than a bona fide employee working solely for me or the above consultant) any fee, contribution, donation, or the consideration of any kind for, or in connection with, procuring or carrying out the contract; except as here expressly stated (if any):

I acknowledge that this certificate is to be furnished to the State Agency of Transportation and the U. S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, in connection with this contract involving participation of Federal-Aid highway funds, and is subject to applicable State and Federal laws, both criminal and civil.

Signature

Date

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, 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 the awarding 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.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents of all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Organization: _____

Street address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

CERTIFIED BY: (type or print)

TITLE:

(signature)

(date)

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

Approved by OMB

0348-0046

(See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	2. Status of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	3. Report Type: <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change For Material Change Only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, <i>if known</i> : Congressional District, if known:	5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:	
6. Federal Department/Agency:	7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, <i>if applicable</i> : _____	
8. Federal Action Number, if known:	9. Award Amount, if known: \$ _____	
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant <i>(if individual, last name, first name, MI):</i>	b. Individuals Performing Services <i>(including address if different from No. 10a)</i> <i>(last name, first name, MI):</i>	
11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____	
Federal Use Only:		Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form LLL (Rev. 7-97)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity 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 covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

STATE OF VERMONT
AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION
DEBARMENT AND NON-COLLUSION CERTIFICATION

I, _____, representing
(Official Authorized to Sign Contracts)

_____ of _____,
(Individual, Partnership or Corporation) (City or State)

hereby certify under the penalties of perjury under the laws of the State of Vermont and the United States that on behalf of the person, firm, association, or corporation submitting the bid certifying that such person, firm, association, or corporation has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action, in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the submitted bid for the Vermont project:

(Project Name)

_____ project located on _____,
(Project Number) (Route or Highway)

bids opened at _____,
(Town or City)

Vermont on _____.
(Date)

I further certify under the penalties of perjury under the laws of the State of Vermont and the United States that except as noted below said individual, partnership or corporation or any person associated therewith in any capacity is not currently, and has not been within the past three (3) years, suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any Federal or State Agency; does not have a proposed suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or ineligibility determination pending; and has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgement rendered against (it, him, her, them) by a court having jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years.

Exceptions: _____ No _____ Yes. (If yes complete second page of this form.)

(Name of Individual, Partnership or Corporation)

(Signature of Official Authorized to Sign Contracts)

(Name of Individual Signing Affidavit)

(Title of Individual Signing Affidavit)

Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of award but will be considered in determining bidder responsibility. **For any exception noted, indicate below to whom it applies, initiating agency, and dates of action.** Providing false information may result in criminal prosecution or administration sanctions.

EXCEPTIONS:

STATE OF VERMONT
AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION

November, 1985
CA-109

CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION FORM

Certification with regard to the Performance of Previous Contracts of Subcontracts subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause and the filing of Required Reports.

The bidder _____, proposed subcontractor _____, hereby certifies that he/she has _____, has not _____ participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause, as required by Executive Orders 10925, 11114, or 11246 as amended, and that he/she has _____, has not _____, filed with the Joint Reporting Committee, the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, a Federal Government contracting or administering agency, or the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, all reports due under the applicable filing requirements.

Company	By	Title
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NOTE: The above certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1)), and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Contracts and subcontracts which are exempt from the equal opportunity clause are set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5 (Generally only contracts or subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt.) Currently, Standard Form 100 (EEO-1) is the only report required by the Executive Orders or their implementing regulations.

Proposed prime contractors and subcontractors who have participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Executive Orders and have not filed the required reports should note that 41 CFR 60-1.7 (b) (1) prevents the award of contracts and subcontracts unless such contractor submits a report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the Federal Highway Administration, or by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor.

RFP/PROJECT NAME & NUMBER:
DATE:

WORKER CLASSIFICATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT

**Self Reporting
Form 1 of 2**

This form must be completed in its entirety and submitted as part of the response for the proposal to be considered valid.

The Vermont Agency of Transportation, in accordance with Section 32 of Act 54 (2009), as amended by Section 17 of Act 142 (2010) and further amended by Section 6 of Act 50 (2011), and for total projects costs exceeding \$250,000.00, requires bidders comply with the following provisions and requirements.

Bidder is required to self report the following information relating to past violations, convictions, suspensions, and any other information related to past performance and likely compliance with proper coding and classification of employees. The Agency of Transportation is requiring information on any incidents that occurred in the previous 12 months. Attach additional pages as necessary. If not applicable, so state.

Summary of Detailed Information	Date of Notification	Outcome

WORKER CLASSIFICATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT: Bidder hereby certifies that the company/individual is in compliance with the requirements as detailed in Section 32 of Act 54(2009), as amended by Section 17 of Act 142 (2010) and further amended by Section 6 of Act 50 (2011).

Date: _____

Name of Company: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Fax Number: _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Signature (Request/Report Not Valid Unless Signed) *

(Type or Print)

*Form must be signed by individual authorized to sign on the bidder's behalf.

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE – AGENCY USE ONLY	
VDOL CHECKED RE: ACT 54 2009, AND AMENDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>

WORKER CLASSIFICATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT

**Subcontractor Reporting Form
Form 2 of 2**

This form must be completed in its entirety by the Contractor and included in all requests to sublet or assign work as outlined in Section 108.01 of the Standard Specifications for Construction. This form must be updated as necessary and provided to the State as additional subcontractors are hired.

The Agency of Transportation in accordance with Act 54, Section 32 of the Acts of 2009 and for total project costs exceeding \$250,000.00 requires the contractor to comply with the following provisions and requirements:

The Contractor is required to provide a list of subcontractors on the job along with lists of subcontractor's subcontractors and by whom those subcontractors are insured for workers' compensation purposes. Include additional pages if necessary. This is not a requirement for subcontractor's providing supplies only and no labor to the overall contract or project.

Additionally, the Contractor shall collect and retain evidence of subcontractors' workers' compensation insurance, such as the ACORD insurance coverage summary sheet. Agency of Transportation will periodically verify the Contractors' compliance.

Subcontractor	Insured By		Subcontractor's Sub	Insured By

Date: _____

Name of Company: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Fax Number: _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Failure to adhere to Act 54, Section 32 of the Acts of 2009 and submit Subcontractor Reporting: Worker Classification Compliance Requirement will constitute non-compliance and may result in cancellation of contract and/or forfeiture of future bidding privileges until resolved.

Send Completed Form to: Vermont Agency of Transportation
Contract Administration
Barre City Place
219 North Main Street, Suite 105
Barre, Vermont 05641

PAST PERFORMANCE & REFERENCE FORM

Contractor:

Provide a summary of three (3) recent projects you provided services for that are in line with the Scope of Work for this RFP. Include any special circumstances that required creative approaches or dispute resolution. Each project must include a reference with contact information.

PROJECT 1

Company Name:

Contact Name:

E-mail:

Phone:

PAST PERFORMANCE & REFERENCE FORM

Contractor:

Provide a summary of three (3) recent projects you provided services for that are in line with the Scope of Work for this RFP. Include any special circumstances that required creative approaches or dispute resolution. Each project must include a reference with contact information.

PROJECT 2

Company Name:

Contact Name:

Phone:

E-mail:

PAST PERFORMANCE & REFERENCE FORM

Contractor:

Provide a summary of three (3) recent projects you provided services for that are in line with the Scope of Work for this RFP. Include any special circumstances that required creative approaches or dispute resolution. Each project must include a reference with contact information.

PROJECT 3

Company Name:

Contact Name:

Phone:

E-mail:

Contractor and Sub-Contrators Information
Use additional pages as necessary

Name of Your Company	
Mailing Address	
Office Telephone	
Contact Person #1 Name	
Telephone	
Email	
Contact Person #2 Name	
Telephone	
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