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**PBCHA Request for Proposals  
Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services  
PBCHA-RFP-2025-06**

**Issue Date: Monday, June 16, 2025**  
**Pre-proposal conference: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 @ 9:00 AM**  
**Closing Date and Time: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 @ 2:00 PM EST**

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This communication serves to apprise you of the above-mentioned Request for Proposals (RFP) for Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services. We invite you to respond to this RFP. Please carefully review all sections, paying particular attention to the closing date and time listed above and within the body of the documents.

**All Inquiries For Information Should Be Directed To:**  
**LaQuavial Pace, Contracts and Procurement Manager**  
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**PALM BEACH COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY  
3333 FOREST HILL BLVD  
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33406  
PBCHA-RFP-2025-06**

**Issue Date:** June 16, 2025  
**Title:** Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services  
**Issuing Agency:** Palm Beach County Housing Authority  
3333 Forest Hill Blvd  
West Palm Beach, Florida 33406

**Period of Contract:** From Date of Award for one (1) year with four (4) optional one (1) year renewals.

Proposals Will Be Received Until **July 15, 2025 @ 2:00PM EST** For Furnishing The Goods/Services Described Herein.

**All Inquiries for Information Should Be Directed To:** LaQuavial Pace, Contracts and Procurement Manager at [procurement@pbchafl.org](mailto:procurement@pbchafl.org).

**IF PROPOSALS ARE MAILED, SEND DIRECTLY TO ISSUING AGENCY SHOWN ABOVE. IF PROPOSALS ARE HAND DELIVERED, DELIVER TO:** Palm Beach County Housing Authority, Procurement Department, 3333 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach, Florida 33406. No electronic submission will be accepted.

**In Compliance With This Request For Proposals And To All The Conditions Imposed Therein And Hereby Incorporated By Reference, The Undersigned Offers Agrees To Furnish The Services At The Prices Indicated In Submitted Proposal. The Undersigned Further Certifies That He/She is Authorized to Sign This Document On Behalf Of the Submitting Contractor.**

Name and Address of Contractor:

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature In Ink)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

FEI/EIN NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

D&B Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Changes to this RFP may be issued in the form of an addendum at any time prior to the due date and time for submitting Proposals. The Procurement Officer maintains a mailing list of all vendors that were provided copies of this solicitation. The Procurement Officer will send the addendum to any vendor who directly received a copy of the RFP from the Procurement Office. All vendors are encouraged to visit PBCHA's web site regularly to learn of any changes to the solicitation ([www.PBCHAFL.org](http://www.PBCHAFL.org))**

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## **I. PURPOSE**

The Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA) is soliciting written proposals from qualified firms to provide Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services for its Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP). The required services are to be provided in accordance with 24 CFR 983 - HUD regulations, PBCHA administrative policies, as well as state and local building codes. Tasks will include any or all of the following: scheduling, appointment notification, coordination, inspection, re-inspection, and documentation of inspection results. The PBCHA HCVP provides rental assistance to over 3,400 households throughout Palm Beach County.

## **II. BACKGROUND**

The Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA) was created under Chapter 421 of the Florida Statute, and first opened its doors on June 10th, 1969, to provide affordable housing stock to low-income families through rental assistance programs: Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing. The Agency was formed as a Special District of the State of Florida and plays an integral role in affordable supportive housing initiatives countywide. The PBCHA asset portfolio consists of 428 public housing units, 148 non-subsidized units, and voucher programs which include over 3,424 Housing Choice Vouchers- inclusive of 614 Project Based Vouchers (PBV), 295 Mainstream Vouchers, 40 Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Vouchers, and 15 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Vouchers and 85 Emergency Housing Vouchers. The PBCHA also administers 215 Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Vouchers. PBCHA is led by a five – member Board of Commissioners and employs a staff of almost 50 people who are committed to bettering the lives of others.

## **III. QUALIFICATIONS**

The inspectors of the qualified firm must be proficient in Section 8 program regulations, and present certification in Housing Quality Standards, Visual Lead-Based Paint Assessments and Rent Reasonableness. In addition, Inspectors must have a proven track record in consistently applying, documenting, and communicating unit requirements. Inspectors must have reliable transportation and use of a cell phone and digital camera while in the field. Inspectors are to carry and use standard inspection equipment including but not limited to flashlights, circuit testers, room thermometers and smoke alarm testers. The Inspection customer service Representatives must also be trained in HQS, standard operating procedures for unit inspections, and have excellent written and oral communication and interpersonal skills.

## **IV. SCOPE OF SERVICES AND SPECIFICATIONS:**

The Contractor shall provide all labor, materials, insurance, transportation, etc. to provide HQS inspections including, but not limited to the following and in accordance with the scope of services. The PBCHA is requesting Housing Quality Inspection Services from a qualified contractor to inspect approximately 3,400 leased housing units annually. The Offeree should have extensive knowledge in HQS services and delivery as well as the ability to conduct UPCS\_V inspections upon application by HUD. Offeree will be able to provide annual, initial, 24 hours, re-inspections, complaints, and quality control related

inspections. The offeree will also be able to complete inspections for Neighborhood Stabilization Properties (NSP) as well as contract for HQS Inspection for NSP.

The offeree will have the ability to schedule within 7 days of receipt of inspection. The offeree must conduct inspections electronically and be able to interface with Yardi computer software. Offeree must provide a qualified representative that will be the main contact person for the inspection services. Offeree will be able to provide multiple means of contact with owners and families on the program as well as have an established portal for both tenant and owners to include pictures of failed items. Offeree will be able to attend monthly owner meetings to discuss HQS protocols. Offeree must have familiarity of the UPCS-V.

The selected Respondent shall perform all the duties and responsibilities normally associated with conducting residential unit inspections in accordance with the standards set forth by the Housing Quality Standards Inspection Guidelines via 24 CFR 982, PBCHA's Administrative Plan, and HQS manual.

**These duties shall include, but are not limited to the following:**

1. Conducting Annual Inspections, Initial Inspections, Special (complaint) Inspections, all re-inspections, Quality Control Inspections documentation for each unit inspected.
2. Obtain and maintain a current list of tenants and property owners.
3. Electronic appointment letters to both the tenants and property owner/manager stating the date and time of their scheduled Annual Inspection via email, text, mail. Provide automatic reminders (robo calls) prior to Annual inspections.
4. Provide tenants and Owner/managers with a toll-free phone number to call with any questions or specific scheduling request.
5. Provide the PBCHA with a copy of all scheduled inspection dates and times.
6. Using a HUD approved inspection report, complete unit inspections on the date and time scheduled.
7. Provide the PBCHA with a completed inspection report within 24 hours of completion.
8. Provide owners and tenants with real-time inspections results via email.
9. Provide the PBCHA with a list of any clients that failed to show for their unit inspection.
10. Make two (2) attempts to complete the unit inspection.
11. Email a re-inspection letter to the tenant and property owner/manager of any unit that did not meet H.Q.S. standards with a listing of failed items. The letter should explain exactly why the unit did not pass and the date that the repairs must be completed. The letter will also provide the property owner/manager with a toll-free phone number to call with any questions that they may have.

12. Provide the PBCHA with copies of all letters and documentation concerning each property inspected.
13. Perform any and all services not specifically mentioned above, in order to perform the services in a timely and professional manner according to SEMAP factors.
14. Make sure that any report reporting failed inspections clearly states responsibility (tenant or property owner/manager) in detail for H.Q.S. repairs.
15. Provide the PBCHA with a list of second - failed H.Q.S. Inspections on a daily basis (abatement-termination notices).
16. Provide the PBCHA with a list of passed/failed inspections results on a daily basis (final inspection).
17. Provide the PBCHA with a list of items to be certified as passed, that were marked inconclusive on the initial H.Q.S. Inspection Report.
18. Provide the PBCHA with a list of units that passed their Annual Inspection.
19. Conduct monthly quality control inspections and provide reports to PBCHA.
20. Coordinate and implement methodologies that will increase the average monthly/annual H.Q.S pass rate.
21. Coordinate with PBCHA to ensure data interfaces seamlessly with software in use.
22. Provide monthly performance reporting of the inspections conducted via electronic format.

#### **V. GENERAL STATEMENT:**

The Contractor shall provide all labor, materials, insurance, transportation, etc. to provide Housing Quality Standards Inspections services as described and in accordance with the Scope of Services.

#### **A. PBCHA RESERVATION OF RIGHTS:**

1. PBCHA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality in the RFP process, or to terminate the RFP process at any time, if deemed by the housing authority to be in its best interests.
2. PBCHA reserves the right not to award a contract pursuant to this RFP.
3. PBCHA reserves the right to terminate a contract awarded pursuant to this RFP at any time for its convenience upon 10 days written notice to the successful offeror(s).
4. PBCHA reserves the right to determine the days, hours, and locations that the successful offeror(s) shall provide the services called for in this RFP.

5. PBCHA reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and not permit withdrawal for a period of 60 days subsequent to the deadline for receiving proposals without the written consent of PBCHA Contracting Officer (CO).
6. PBCHA reserves the right to negotiate the fees proposed by the offeror entity.
7. PBCHA reserves the right to reject and not consider any proposal that does not meet the requirements of this RFP, including but not necessarily limited to incomplete proposals and/or proposals offering alternate or non-requested services.
8. PBCHA shall have no obligation to compensate any offeror for any costs incurred in responding to this RFP.
9. PBCHA shall reserve the right at any time during the RFP or contract process to prohibit any further participation by an offeror or reject any proposal submitted that does not conform to any of the requirements detailed herein.

## **VI. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- A. **APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS:** This solicitation and any resulting contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the state of Florida and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the Clerk & Comptroller, Palm Beach County. This contract is made, entered into, and shall be performed in the jurisdiction of Palm Beach County, Florida. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations. The Contractor shall procure any permits and licenses required for its business or the services to be provided by it hereunder.
- B. **ADVERTISING:** The Contractor shall not use any indication of its services to PBCHA for commercial or advertising purposes without prior approval from PBCHA.
- C. **AUDIT:** The Contractor hereby agrees to retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the state of Florida, whichever is sooner. PBCHA, its authorized agents, and/or State auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
- D. **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:** It is understood and agreed between the parties herein that PBCHA shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available, or which may hereafter become available for the purpose of this agreement.
- E. **BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD:** Any Bid in response to this solicitation shall be valid for 60 days. At the end of the 60 days the bid may be withdrawn at the written request of the Offeror. If the bid is not withdrawn at that time it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is canceled.
- F. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** The Contractor warrants that he has fully complied with the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (Florida Public Bid Law s.112.311 of Florida Statutes), The Florida Communications Fraud Act (Section 817.034).
- G. **MINORITY/WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING AND REPORTING:** Where it is practicable for any portion of the awarded contract to be subcontracted to other suppliers, the Contractor is encouraged to offer such business to minority and/or women-

owned businesses. Names of firms may be available from the buyer and/or from the Division of Purchases and Supply. When such business has been subcontracted to these firms and upon completion of the contract, the contractor agrees to furnish the purchasing office with the following information: name of firm, phone number, total dollar amount subcontracted, and type of product/service provided.

- H. **ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING**: By submitting their bids, Offerors certify that their bids are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other offeror, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their bid, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.
- I. **IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986**: By submitting their bids, Offerors certify that they do not and will not during the performance of this contract employ undocumented immigrant workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- J. **DEBARMENT STATUS**: By submitting their bids, Offerors certify that they are not currently debarred by PBCHA, the state of Florida or the Federal Government from submitting offers or bids on contracts of the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.
- K. **ANTITRUST**: By entering into a contract, the contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfer to all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the state of Florida, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by under said contract.
- L. **CLARIFICATION OF TERMS**: If any prospective offeror has questions about the specifications other solicitation documents, the prospective offeror should contact the Contract Officer whose name appears on the face of the solicitation no later than five working days before the due date. Any revisions to the solicitation will be made only by addendum issued by the buyer.
- M. **PAYMENT**:

1. To Contractor:

Invoices for services shall be submitted by the contractor directly to the payment address shown on the purchase order/contract. All invoices shall show the contract number and/or purchase order number.

Any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than 30 days, however.

All services provided under this contract or purchase order(s), that are to be paid for with public funds, shall be billed by the contractor at the contract price.



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- N. **PRECEDENCE OF TERMS**: The following General Terms and Conditions, APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS, ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING, IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986, DEBARMENT STATUS, ANTITRUST, CLARIFICATION OF TERMS, PAYMENT, HUD FORMS shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the other General Terms and Conditions and any special Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the state and federal procurement guidelines outlined in the Florida Public Bid Law and the HUD handbook 7460.8 Rev 2 shall apply.
- O. **TESTING AND INSPECTION**: PBCHA reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications.
- P. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT**: The contractor may **not** assign or transfer this Contract, any interest herein or any claim hereunder in whole or in part without the written consent of PBCHA. None of the required work shall be subcontracted by the contractor without the prior, written consent of PBCHA, which may be withheld by PBCHA in its sole discretion. The contractor shall be as fully responsible for acts and omissions of the contractor's subcontractor's and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by its subcontractors, as the contractor is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the contractor. The contractor shall include in each subcontract the contractor enters into for the provision of services under this contract, all provisions required to be included in such subcontracts established elsewhere within this contract.
- Q. **CONTRACT TERM**: The PBCHA anticipates that it will initially award a contract for a period of one (1) year with options to extend with four (4) one (1) year renewals for a maximum term of five (5) years.
- R. **RENEWAL OF CONTRACT**: This contract may be renewed by the Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA) for (one year)/ (4 successive one-year periods) under the terms and conditions of the original contract except as stated in 1. and 2. below. Price increases may be negotiated only at the time of renewal. Written notice of the Contractor's intention to renew shall be given approximately 90 days prior to the expiration date of each contract period.
1. If the PBCHA elects to exercise the option to renew the contract for an additional one-year period, the contract price(s) for the additional one year shall not exceed the contract price(s) of the original contract increased/decreased by more than the percentage increase/decrease of the CPI-U section of the Consumer Price Index of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve months for which statistics are available.
  2. If during any subsequent renewal periods, the PBCHA elects to exercise the option to renew the contract, the contract price(s) for the subsequent renewal period shall not

exceed the contract price(s) of the previous renewal period increased/decreased by more than the percentage increase/decrease of the CPI-U section of the Consumer Price Index of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve months for which statistics are available.

S. **CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT:** Changes can be made to the contract in any of the following ways:

1. The parties may agree in writing to modify the scope of the contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract.
2. PBCHA may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation.

The contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt. The contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such an order and shall give PBCHA credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:

- a) By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
- b) By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the contractor accounts for the number of units or work performed, subject to 's right to audit the contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or
- c) By ordering the contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The contractor shall present PBCHA with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. shall have the right to audit the records of the contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to PBCHA within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from. If the parties fail to agree on an amount of adjustment, the question of an increase or decrease in the contract price or time for performance shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures for resolving disputes provided by the Disputes Clause of this contract or, if there is none, in accordance with state and federal guidelines.

T. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:**

- a. Prior to a termination for cause, PBCHA will give the Contractor written notice specifying the cause. The notice will give the Contractor Ten (10) days from the date the notice is issued to cure the default or make progress satisfactory to PBCHA curing the default.

- b. PBCHA may terminate the Contract in whole or in part and from time to time, whenever PBCHA determines that the Contractor is:
  1. defaulting in performance of this Contract;
  2. failing to make satisfactory progress in the execution of the Contract; or
  3. endangering the performance of this Contract.

**U. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:**

This Contract may be terminated by PBCHA in whole or in part, upon written notice to the Contractor, when PBCHA determines this to be in its best interest. The termination shall be effective Ten (10) days after written notice has been issued.

- V. **INSURANCE:** By signing and submitting a bid under this solicitation, the Proposer certifies that if awarded the contract, it will have the following insurance coverage at the time the contract is awarded. The Offeror further certifies that the contractor and any subcontractors will maintain this insurance coverage during the entire term of the contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in the state of Florida. The contractor's insurance company will supply a Certificate of Insurance listing the required limits below and the Certificate of Insurance shall name PBCHA as an additional insured.

**MINIMUM INSURANCE COVERAGES AND LIMITS REQUIRED FOR MOST CONTRACTS:**

1. Workers' Compensation – The Contractor shall also obtain and maintain worker's compensation insurance as required by statutory requirements and benefits, and in such policy limits as mandated, by the State and shall require any subcontractor engaged by the Contractor to satisfy such requirement as well. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer.

Contractors who fail to notify PBCHA of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the state of Florida during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract.

2. Employer's Liability - \$100,000.
3. Automobile Liability (minimum) – \$1,000,000 combined single limit.
4. Commercial General Liability (minimum) - \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate, including \$50,000 for fire damage. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products and completed operations coverage. **PBCHA and its affiliates must be named as an additional insured and so endorsed on the policy.**
5. The Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend PBCHA, its officers, agents, servants, and employees from and against any claims, demands, losses, liabilities, and damages, causes of actions and costs and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature arising from or related to:

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

- W. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD**: Upon the award or the announcement of the decision to award a contract over \$50,000, as a result of this solicitation, PBCHA will publicly post such notice on its website ([www.pbchafl.org](http://www.pbchafl.org)) for a minimum of 10 days.
- X. **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE**: During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees to (1) provide a drug-free workplace for the contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, of/or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees place by or on behalf of the contractor that the contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

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

- Y. **SMOKE-FREE WORKPLACE**: PBCHA "smoke-free" policy bans the use of prohibited tobacco products in all public housing living units, indoor common areas in public housing, and in PHA administrative office buildings. The smoke-free policy also extends to all outdoor areas up to twenty-five feet from the public housing and administrative office buildings. Contractors and all personnel are prohibited from the use of any prohibited tobacco products on PBCHA property.
- Z. **NONDISCRIMINATION OF CONTRACTORS**: An Bidder, or contractor shall not be discriminated against in the solicitation or award of this contract because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, faith-based organizational status, any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment or because the Proposer or contractor employs ex-offenders unless has made a written determination that employing ex-offenders on the specific contract is not in its best

interest. If the award of this contract is made to a faith-based organization and an individual, who applies for or receives goods, service, or disbursements provided pursuant to this contract objects to the religious character of the faith-based organization from which the individual receives or would receive the goods, services, or disbursements, shall offer the individual, within a reasonable period of time after the date of his/her objection, access to equivalent goods, services, or disbursements from an alternative provider.

AA. **PERSONNEL:**

1. The Contractor represents that it will secure, at its own expense, all personnel necessary to perform the required services hereunder. Such personnel shall not be employees of PBCHA, nor shall they have any contractual relationship with PBCHA. All commitments made by the Contractor in the Proposal with respect to (i) the Contractor's qualifications and its satisfaction of mandatory requirements in the RFP and (ii) the number and qualifications of its personnel to be assigned to this Contract, shall be incorporated herein by this reference.
2. All the required services will be performed by the Contractor or under its supervision, and all personnel employed by the Contractor shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under State and local law to perform such services. The Contractor certifies that it will comply with PBCHA's request for the reassignment of any employee of Contractor performing the Required Services hereunder when PBCHA determines, in its reasonable opinion that such employee is not suited to work on this Contract.

BB. **NO WAIVER:** No failure or delay by a party to insist on the strict performance of any term of this Contract, or to exercise any right or remedy consequent on a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any breach or any subsequent breach of such term. Neither this Contract nor any of its terms may be changed or modified, waived, or terminated (unless as otherwise provided hereunder) except by an instrument in writing signed by the party against whom the enforcement of the change, waiver or termination is sought. No waiver of any breach shall affect or alter this contract, but each and every term(s) of this Contract shall continue in full force and effect with respect to any other than existing or subsequent breach thereof. The remedies provided in this Contract are cumulative and not exclusive of the remedies provided by law or in equity.

CC. **MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION:** The Contractor shall use its best efforts to comply with the commitment it has made in the Bid relative to the participation of businesses primarily (at least 51%) owned by minorities, women or public housing residents or small businesses (collectively, "Disadvantaged Business Enterprises") in the performance of this Contract.

By executing this Contract, the Contractor accepts the right of PBCHA to appoint an employee to monitor the Contractor's compliance with the commitments and requirements of this Paragraph. The Contractor agrees to promptly submit reports to PBCHA on request detailing the level of participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in this Contract. PBCHA shall have the right to review all relevant documents of the Contractor relating to the participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in this Contract on an ongoing basis. PBCHA reserves the right to evaluate

the Contractor's performance with regard to the commitments and requirements of this Paragraph on an annual basis.

## **VII. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

### **A. RFP RESPONSE**

1. In order to be considered for selection, offerors must submit a complete response to this RFP. One (1) original and five (5) copies of each proposal must be submitted to PBCHA on or before closing date. Offerors must also include one digital copy on flash drive.
2. Proposals shall be received by **2:00 p.m. (EST) on Tuesday, July 15, 2025**, at 3333 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33406.

Proposals received after this date and time will be rejected. Copies of this Request for Proposal are available electronically by visiting PBCHA's website at [www.pbchafil.org](http://www.pbchafil.org), click on Partners, then click on, and click on Current Bids and Solicitation or visit DemandStar's website at [www.demandstar.com](http://www.demandstar.com) or by contacting the Contracting Office at [procurement@pbchafil.org](mailto:procurement@pbchafil.org).

Respondents are required to submit **One (1) original and five (5) copies** of their proposal submitted in accordance with this RFP to the address listed below:

Palm Beach County Housing Authority  
ATTN.: LaQuavial Pace, Contract and Procurement Manager  
3333 Forest Hill Blvd  
West Palm Beach, FL 33406

All proposals shall contain the following identification clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope:

Request for Proposal  
FOR  
Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services  
Solicitation No. PBCHA-RFP-2025-06

### **B. PROPOSAL PREPARATION**

1. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the offeror. All information requested should be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in PBCHA requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals that are substantially incomplete or lack key information may be rejected by PBCHA. Mandatory requirements are those required by law or regulation or are such that they cannot be waived and are not subject to negotiation.
2. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content. Offerors

should be at a minimal address in detailed services within Section IV Scope of Services.

3. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, sub letter, and repeat the text of the requirement as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the paragraph number and sub letter should be repeated at the top of the next page. The proposal should contain a table of content which cross-references the RFP requirements. Information which the Offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration or lower scores if the evaluators are unable to find where the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.

4. As used in this RFP, the terms "must", "shall", "should" and "may" identify the criticality of requirements. "Must" and "shall" identify requirements whose absence will have a major negative impact on the suitability of the proposed solution. Items labeled as "should" or "may" are highly desirable, although their absence will not have a large impact and would be useful but are not necessary. Depending on the overall response to the RFP, some individual "must" and "shall" items may not be fully satisfied, but it is the intent to satisfy most, if not all, "must" and "shall" requirements. The inability of an Offeror to satisfy a "must" or "shall" requirement does not automatically remove that Offeror from consideration; however, it may seriously affect the overall rating of the Offerors' proposal.

5. Each copy of the proposal should be bound or contained in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with the proposal should be contained in that single volume.

6. Ownership of all data, materials, and documentation originated and prepared for PBCHA pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to PBCHA and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Florida Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Florida Freedom of Information Act; however, the Offeror must invoke the protections of 2020 Florida Statutes Title X Chapter 119 Section 1, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute confidential, proprietary or trade secret information. The classification of an entire proposal document, line-item prices, and/or total proposal prices as confidential, proprietary or

trade secret does not properly invoke the statutory exemption from public disclosure and is therefore not acceptable and may result in rejection of the proposal.

**C. Oral Presentation:** Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to give an oral presentation of their proposal to PBCHA. This provides an opportunity for the Offeror to clarify or elaborate on the proposal. This is a fact finding and explanation session only and does not include negotiation. PBCHA will schedule the time and location of these presentations. Oral presentations are an option of PBCHA and may, or may not, be conducted.

**D. Specific Proposal Instructions:** Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as possible so that PBCHA may rigorously evaluate your capabilities to provide the required good/services.

Offerors are required to submit the following items as a complete proposal:

1. Return the RFP cover sheet and all addenda acknowledgments, if any, signed and filled out as required. Provide the names of the person(s) who will be authorized to make representations for the Offeror, their titles, addresses, and telephone numbers. Provide information that the person signing the RFP is authorized to bind the firm(s).
2. All HUD Forms listed as attachments in the RFP, Statement of Offeror's Qualification, attachments to the RFP, and other specific items or data requested in the RFP. A certificate of insurance or other evidence of insurance satisfactory to PBCHA to meet the insurance requirements outlined in the RFP.
3. A written narrative statement to include:
  - a) Describe the Offeror's understanding of the work to be performed in the RFP.
  - b) Identify if the Offeror is a local, regional, national, or international firm.
  - c) Provide the names, addresses and a brief statement of the qualifications and experience of any firm(s) that have agreed to assist the Offeror in providing any of the services listed in the RFP's Scope of Services, along with percentage of participation description of the relationship of the Offeror to such firm(s). (e.g., joint venture, subcontract, etc.)
  - d) PBCHA has an agency goal to take all necessary steps to assure that qualified small, women-owned and minority business enterprises (MBEs) public housing resident-owned and Section 3 vendors are used when possible. It is the policy of PBCHA to encourage and promote economic opportunity by encouraging participation by MBEs and Section 3 vendors in PBCHA contracts through subcontracting, joint ventures, or other contracting methods. Please address the action that the Offeror will take if awarded the contract to assist and support PBCHA in achieving the economic opportunity goals as described.
  - e) A complete detailed resume of the Offeror (including, but not limited to, a summary of the lawyers, other staff members and computer capabilities of the Offeror) and other relevant information which would demonstrate the capacity,



resources, experience, and expertise of the Offeror in performing the above-described services.

f) A listing and a description of the capacity, education, experience, knowledge, skills, and qualifications of the staff in the firm who are to be assigned to PBCHA's account, their respective responsibilities for the above-described marketing and communication services to be performed under the contract, the estimated percentage of such services to be performed by each staff member of the firm.

g) A list of at least four (4) references where the Offeror has provided the services described in the RFP. Include the organization, contact name, title, location, telephone number, and email address. Provide information on past and current contracts.

h) A description of the Offeror's system for identifying potential conflicts of interest, an identification of any existing conflicts of interest providing the above described marketing and communication services to PBCHA and the manner by which the Offeror will resolve any such conflicts of interest prior to commencement of the contract for marketing and communication services, and the Offeror's representation that (i) upon commencement of the contract for marketing and communication services, the Offeror will have no conflicts of interests that would prevent or restrict the Offeror from representing PBCHA in the performance of any of the above described services and (ii) in the event that any future conflict of interest arises during the contract term as a result of the Offeror's representation of PBCHA and any other party included in or affected by the programs and operations of PBCHA, the Offeror shall continue to represent PBCHA and shall decline, terminate or limit the representation of such other party so as to avoid any such conflict of interest in a manner acceptable to PBCHA.

#### **E. Procurement Schedule:**

Legal Advertisement posted to Palm Beach Post	June 15 & June 22
Pre-proposal conference	July 1, 2025
RFP package posted on the PBCHA website	June 16, 2025
Deadline for questions (unless extended via an addendum)	July 7, 2025
Deadline for PBCHA – issued responses & any revisions (unless extended via an addendum)	July 9, 2025
Submission deadline (unless extended via an addendum)	July 15, 2025

#### **VIII. EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

Proposals that meet the threshold criteria/submission requirements will be evaluated as described below. The evaluation of professional qualifications of the proposals will be based on the qualifications demonstrated including references from other clients, technical criteria, and proposal evaluation scoring. Specific evaluation criteria to evaluate the technical qualifications of each Offeror and their degree of importance/relative weight area as follows:

An evaluation committee shall evaluate and score each proposal using the method described in this request for proposal. The evaluation committee shall make a recommendation to the ED/CEO. The ED/CEO shall make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners will make the final selection of the firm to be awarded the contract. A contract will be awarded to the Offeror whose proposal best meets the needs and requirements of PBCHA.

Failure to meet the threshold requirements may result in rejection of the proposal. PBCHA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to award one or more contracts or no contract. An interview with finalists may or may not be required at the discretion of PBCHA. In the event an interview is required, the interview will be evaluated using up to a possible ten (10) bonus points. Points awarded will be added to the Offerors final score.

All offerors, or only Offerors who fall within the competitive range, may or may not be interviewed. PBCHA shall review proposals on the basis of qualifications, and technical merit using the weighted criteria described above. The following is a summary of weighted selection criteria:

Proposal shall be concise but comprehensive enough to convey the required experience and capabilities; and arranged in accordance with this request for proposal, tabbed in accordance with each of the below listed evaluation criteria and required components.

No.	Criteria	Weight
1.	Evidence of firm's ability to perform the work, as evidenced by profiles of the principles and staff's professional and technical competence, experience and facilities.	15
2.	Past performance in terms of quality of work and compliance with performance schedules.	10
3.	Specific experience relative to the development of Goals, Objectives, and Work Plans for public and private corporations with business operations similar in nature to a public housing authority.	25
4.	Comprehensiveness of proposed methodology to complete this assignment.	20
5.	Competitiveness and reasonableness of consultant's fee proposal.	15
6.	Proposed plan for the utilization of minority business enterprise and Section 3 residents in the execution of services under this contract.	10
7.	Completeness and general response to this Request for Proposal.	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>

#### **IX. NEGOTIATION AND AWARD:**

Unless there is no need for negotiations with any of the Offerors, negotiations shall be conducted with Offerors who submit proposals determined to have a reasonable chance of being selected for award, based on evaluation of qualifications, price, and other factors considered to be most advantageous to PBCHA.

Such Offerors shall be accorded fair and equal treatment with respect to any opportunity for negotiation and revision of proposals. The purpose of negotiations shall be to seek clarification with regard to and advise Offerors of the deficiencies in both the technical and price aspects of their proposals so as to assure full understanding of and conformance to the solicitation requirements.

No Offeror shall be provided information about any other Offeror proposal, and no Offeror shall be assisted in bringing its proposal up to the level of any other proposal. Offerors shall not be directed to reduce their proposed prices to a specific amount in order to be considered for award; however, best, and final offers may be requested. PBCHA reserves the right to request additional information concerning any and/or all proposals submitted. A common deadline shall be established for receipt of proposal revisions based on negotiations.

After evaluation of proposal revisions, if any, the contract shall be awarded to the responsible firm whose qualifications, price and other factors considered are the most advantageous to PBCHA.

**X. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE:**

An optional pre-proposal conference will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at 9:00 am at 3333 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33406.

**XI. QUESTIONS:**

All questions regarding this RFP must be emailed to [procurement@pbchaf1.org](mailto:procurement@pbchaf1.org) with the subject heading "Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services PBCHA-RFP-2025-06 Questions". The deadline for submitting questions is five (5) days prior to closing. All questions submitted will be answered no later than five (5) calendar days before the proposal submission deadline with copies to all who have registered. Registered respondents are those contractors that were in attendance at the Pre-proposal Conference or have contacted procurement by email to be added to the list of respondents.

Proposals may be withdrawn by written request any time prior to the deadline for receiving proposals. After that time, proposals cannot be withdrawn and must be open for acceptance for a period not to exceed sixty (60) calendar days from the date of submission for the purpose of evaluating proposal documents and investigating the qualifications of the Offeror.

PBCHA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, or any part of any proposal, and to waive any informalities or irregularities.

Persons who require special accommodation should immediately contact the Authority's Contracting Office at (561) 684-2160 extension 107.

**XII. CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL:**

Any confidential material submitted by a Respondent must be clearly marked as such.

**XIII. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

The Respondents may be requested to submit current financial statements. Furthermore, the Respondents shall disclose any past or current litigation to which it is a party and the amount in controversy or potential liability.

**XIV. INCURRING COST:**

PBCHA is not responsible for any cost incurred by any Respondent prior to issuance of a Notice to Proceed. In general, no pre-contract costs will be paid to the successful Respondent. All costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of Proposal shall be wholly borne by each Respondents.

All supporting documentation and manuals submitted with each Proposal would become the property of the Owner unless otherwise indicated by the Respondents at the time of submission.

**XV. INELIGIBLE CONTRACTORS:**

PBCHA is prohibited from making any awards to contractors or accepting as subcontractors any individuals or firms that are on the GSA List of Parties Excluded from Federal procurement and Non-Procurement Programs.

**XVI. INSURANCE REQUIREMENT:**

The successful Offeror will be required to protect, defend, indemnify, keep, save, and hold PBCHA, its officers, officials, employees and agents, free and harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, penalties, damages, settlements, environmental liability, costs, charges, professional fees or other expenses or liabilities of every kind, obligations, actions, suits, judgments of settlements, proceedings of causes of action of every kind, nature and character (collectively, "Claims") in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of the acts or omissions and/or the performance thereof by the successful Offeror, its officers, officials, agents, employees, and subcontractors, including, but not limit to, the enforcement of, the indemnification provision. The successful Offeror will be further required to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend all suits for any and all Claims, at its sole expense and agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the Claims are considered groundless, false, or fraudulent.

PBCHA will have the right, at its option and at its expense, to participate in the defense of any suit, without relieving the successful Offeror of any of its obligations under this indemnity provision. The indemnities to be set forth in the contract resulting from this RFP will survive the expiration or termination of that Contract.

The successful Offeror shall be required to furnish original Certificates of Insurance evidencing the required coverage to be in force on the date of the Contract, and Renewal Certificates of Insurance, or a copy of the policy, if the coverage has an expiration or renewal date occurring during the term of this Contract or extensions

thereof. The receipt of any certificates does not constitute agreement by PBCHA that the insurance requirements in the Contract have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificates comply with all Contract requirements. The insurance policies shall provide for thirty (30) days prior written notice to be given to PBCHA in the event coverage is substantially changed, canceled, or non-renewed.

The Offeror shall require all subcontractors to carry the insurance required herein, or the Offeror may provide the coverage for any or all subcontractors, and, if so, the Certificate of Insurance or copy of the submitted policy shall so stipulate.

The Offeror and all subcontractors agree that insurers shall waive their rights of Subrogation against the Palm Beach County Housing Authority.

The Offeror expressly understands and agrees that any insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by the Palm Beach County Housing Authority should apply in excess of and not contribute with insurance provided by the successful Offeror and subcontractors under the Contract.

1. The successful Offeror shall procure and maintain at its sole cost and expense for the duration of this Contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to Properties which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by Offeror, its agents, representatives, volunteers, employees, or subcontractors. Offeror acknowledges that it has familiarized itself with the extent and scope of services to be performed and certifies that its insurance policies provide coverage for losses that might arise from the types of hazards to be found herein.
  - A. Offerors' insurance coverage shall be primary and non-contributory with respect to PBCHA, its officials, employees, and volunteers.
  - B. To the extent that subcontractors may be used, Offeror shall include all subcontractors as Additional Insured under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverage for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
  - C. Certificates of insurance and endorsements shall be furnished to PBCHA and approved by PBCHA before services are furnished. PBCHA must be named as an "Additional Insured".
  - D. The following standard insurance policies shall be required:  
Florida Department of Insurance or Insurance Services Office. They must set forth all coverage and deductibles as well as the notice of cancellation, termination or change in coverage provisions to PBCHA according to requirements and instructions contained herein. Certificates of Insurance (or certified copies of policies) and any required endorsements should be furnished to and approved by PBCHA before work commences. PBCHA reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

**XVII. INDEMNIFICATION:**

The successful Respondent will be required to protect, defend, indemnify, keep, save, and hold the Owner, its officers, officials, employees, and agents, free and harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, penalties, damages, settlements, environmental liability, costs, charges, professional fees or other expenses or liabilities of every kind.

Each Respondent is required to provide a written history of litigations that their firm has been involved in for the past 5 years.

**XVIII. LICENSING REQUIREMENT:**

Each Respondent and its staff must possess all of the required State of Florida Licenses, as well as all other licenses required by Palm Beach County/Business Tax Receipt to perform in accordance with the contract scope of services herein. In addition, the Respondent shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations applicable to the scope of services contemplated herein. The successful Respondent is presumed to be familiar with all Federal, State and Local laws, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations that may in any way affect performance on the proposed management services contract.

**Attachments:**

- A. HUD-5369-B - Instruction to Offerors Non-Construction
- B. HUD-5369-C – Certifications and Representations of Offerors
- C. HUD-5370-C – General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts
- D. HUD-50070 - Drug Free Workplace
- E. HUD-2992 - Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension
- F. HUD-92010 - Equal Employment Opportunity Certification
- G. Non-Collusive Affidavit
- H. Section 3 Clause and Minority Business Participation Commitment Form
- I. Public Entity Crimes Statement
- J. Exceptions To RFP

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **HUD-5369-B Form – Instruction to Offerors Non-Construction**

**(Pages 1 – 2)**

# Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

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



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## 1. Preparation of Offers

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

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

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

## 2. Submission of Offers

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

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

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

## 3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

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

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

## 4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

## 5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

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

## 6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

## **7. Contract Award**

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

(b) The HA may

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

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

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

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

## **8. Service of Protest**

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

## **9. Offer Submission**

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **HUD-5369-C Form – Certifications and Representations of Offerors Non-Construction Contract**

**(Pages 1 – 2)**

# Certifications and Representations of Offerors

## Non-Construction Contract

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

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

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

### 1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Check the block applicable to you)

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

### 3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

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

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

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

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

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

#### 4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

- (a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under a proposed contract and a prospective contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interest are such that:
- (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage;
  - (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired; or
  - (iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award he or she discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the HA which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the Contract for the convenience of HA if it would be in the best interest of HA.
- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this Contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the HA, the HA may terminate the Contract for default.
- (d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

#### 5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

#### 6. Conflict of Interest

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

#### 7. Offeror's Signature

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

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Signature & Date:

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Typed or Printed Name:

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Title:

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## **ATTACHMENT C**

### **HUD-5370-C Form – General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts**

**(Pages 1 – 6)**

# General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

## Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 3/31/2020)

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

- 1) **Non-construction contracts** (*without* maintenance) **greater than \$105,000 - use Section I;**
- 2) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 968.105) **greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$150,000 - use Section II; and**
- 3) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance), **greater than \$150,000 – use Sections I and II.**

### Section I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$150,000

#### 1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

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

#### 2. Changes

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

proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.

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

#### 3. Termination for Convenience and Default

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

#### 4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

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

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

## 5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

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

## 6. Energy Efficiency

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

## 7. Disputes

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

## 8. Contract Termination; Debarment

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

## 9. Assignment of Contract

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

## 10. Certificate and Release

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

## 11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

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

## 12. Inspection and Acceptance

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

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

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

### 13. Interest of Members of Congress

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

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

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

### 15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(b) Prohibition.

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



(1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(2) Professional and technical services.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## 16. Equal Employment Opportunity

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

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

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

## 17. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

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

## 18. Contractor's Status

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

## 19. Other Contractors

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

## 20. Liens

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

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

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

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

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

## **22. Procurement of Recovered Materials**

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

**ATTACHMENT D**

**HUD-50070 Form – Certification for Drug-Free Workplace**

# Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace

## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Public reporting burden.** Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.25 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing this burden can be sent to: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Chief Data Officer, R, 451 7th St SW, Room 8210, Washington, DC 20410-5000. Do not send completed forms to this address. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. HUD is authorized to collect this information under the authority cited in the Notice of Funding Opportunity for this grant program. The information collected will provide proposed budget data for multiple programs. HUD will use this information in the selection of applicants. This information is required to obtain the benefit sought in the grant program. This information will not be held confidential and may be made available to the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. §552).

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Applicant Name

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Program/Activity Receiving Federal Grant Funding

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Acting on behalf of the above named Applicant as its Authorized Official, I make the following certifications and agreements to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regarding the sites listed below:

I certify that the above named Applicant will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

a. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Applicant's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition.

b. Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees ---

(1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

(2) The Applicant's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

(3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and

(4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.

c. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph a.;

d. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph a. that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will ---

(1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

e. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

f. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted ---

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

g. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs a. thru f.

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**2. Sites for Work Performance.** The Applicant shall list (on separate pages) the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the HUD funding of the program/activity shown above: Place of Performance shall include the street address, city, county, State, and zip code. Identify each sheet with the Applicant name and address and the program/activity receiving grant funding.)

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Check here if there are workplaces on file that are not identified on the attached sheets.

I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any information provided in the accompaniment herewith, is true and accurate.  
**Warning:** HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties.  
(18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

Name of Authorized Official	Title
Signature	Date
X	

**ATTACHMENT E**

**HUD–2992 Form – Certification Regarding Debarment  
and Suspension**

# Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development

## Certification A: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions

1. The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that its principals;

a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal debarment or agency;

b. 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;

c. 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 (1)(b) of this certification; and

d. 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.

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

### Instructions for Certification (A)

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.

2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective 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 primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.

3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

5. The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of these regulations.

6. The prospective primary 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.

7. The prospective primary 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 Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines this eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.

9. 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 a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (6) 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.



**Certification B: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions**

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
2. 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.

**Instructions for Certification (B)**

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. 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.
3. 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 when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of these regulations.

5. 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.
6. 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.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
8. 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 a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (5) of these instructions, if a participant in a lower 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.

Applicant		Date
Signature of Authorized Certifying Official		Title

**ATTACHMENT F**

**HUD-92010 Form – Equal Employment Opportunity Certification**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Firm Name and Address

By

Title

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

#### **Excerpt from HUD Regulations**

##### **200.410**Definition of term “applicant”.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**ATTACHMENT G**  
**Non-Collusive Affidavit**

**NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT**

State of \_\_\_\_\_)  
County of \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_, being first  
duly sworn, deposes and says that:

(1) He is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative or Agent)  
of \_\_\_\_\_, the Bidder that has submitted the  
attached bid;

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

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

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

## **ATTACHMENT H**

### **Section 3 Clause and Minority Business Participation Commitment Form**

### SECTION III COMPLIANCE CLAUSE AND COMMITMENT FORM

- A. **The work to be performed under this Contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3** of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). **The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment** and other *economic opportunities* generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, **be directed to low- and very low-income persons**, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- B. The parties to this Contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this Contract, the parties to this Contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.
- C. **The Contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers** with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a **notice advising** the labor organization or workers' representative **of the Contractor's commitments under this Section 3 clause**, and will **post copies of the notice** in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The **notice shall describe the Section 3 preference**, shall set forth minimum number **and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.**
- D. **The Contractor agrees to include this Section 3 clause in every Subcontract** subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the Subcontract or in this Section 3 clause, upon a finding that the Subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The Contractor will not subcontract with any Subcontractor where the Contractor has notice or knowledge that the Subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.
- E. The Contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the Contractor is selected but before the Contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the Contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.
- F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this Contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
- G. With respect to work performed in connection with Section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, Section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this Contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises.



Parties to this Contract that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 and Section 7(b) agree to comply with Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with Section 7(b).

## Definitions

*Low Income Person* as used above means a **resident of the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton Area** at or below 80% of medium income as shown in the Income Table below.

*Economic Opportunities* as used above means contracts with (a) that is fifty-one percent (51%) or more owned by Section 3 residents; (b) whose permanent, full-time employees include persons, at least thirty percent (30%) of whom are currently Section 3 residents, or within three years of the date of first employment with the business concern were Section 3 residents; or (c) that provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract in excess of twenty-five percent (25%) of the dollar award of all subcontracts to be awarded to business concerns that meet the qualifications set forth in (a) or (b).

## Applicability

This Contract plus all Subcontracts.

## Reporting

**The Contractor will be required to report all new hires employed as a result of this Contract** and to determine and report whether or not any of these **new** hires may be defined as *low-income persons* based upon the above stated definition and by employing the income table below. For Subcontracts the Contractor will be responsible for requiring the Subcontractor to (a) report all new hires employed as a result of this Contract and to determine and report whether or not any of these **new** hires may be defined as *low income persons* based upon the above stated definition and by employing the income table below and (b) determine whether or not the Subcontractor may be defined as a *low income person* or a *Section III Business* based on the above stated definitions and income table below. These requirements apply to any tier of Subcontractors.

## INCOME TABLE

This table shows 80% of median income for West Palm Beach-Boca Raton Area for the designated number of persons in a family.

Income Limit Category	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
Very Low (50%) Income Limits	\$40,950	\$46,800	\$52,600	\$58,450	\$63,150	\$67,850	\$72,500	\$77,200
Extremely Low Income Limits	\$24,550	\$28,050	\$31,550	\$35,050	\$37,900	\$43,150	\$48,650	\$54,150
Low (80%) Income Limits	\$64,450	\$74,800	\$84,150	\$93,500	\$101,00	\$108,500	\$115,950	\$123,450

Minority Business and Section 3 Participation  
Commitment Form

**Project Name:** Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Services

It is the policy of Palm Beach County Housing Authority (“PBCHA”) to encourage Minority and Section 3 participation in all contracts. To implement this policy, PBCHA shall encourage Minority and Section III participation through **subcontracting**, or other methods in contracting. You must complete this form, indicating the percentage of this Contract that **will be subcontracted to Minority and Section 3 Businesses and Section 3 Individuals**.

**Minority Participation:**

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_ **Percent \***

To be considered a “minority business”, the business must be so certified by the Palm Beach County Office of Equal Business Opportunity (OEBO), City of West Palm Beach or any other local, state, or federal agency that certifies businesses as a minority business.

**Section 3 Participation:**

For the purpose of this commitment, the term “Section 3” refers to Section 3 businesses and Section 3 individuals based on the definitions below:

**Definitions:**

*Low Income Person* as used above means a **resident of the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton Area** at or below 80% of medium income as shown in the Income Table below.

*Economic Opportunities* as used above means contracts with (a) businesses owned 51% or more by residents of West Palm Beach-Boca Raton metropolitan area at or below 80% of medium income or (b) business whose full-time employees are made up of at least 30% residents of Palm Beach County area at or below 80% of medium income. Such businesses are referred to as *Section 3 Business*.

**Income Table**

This table shows 80% of median income for West Palm Beach-Boca Raton Area for the designated number of persons in a family.

<u>1 person</u>	<u>2 persons</u>	<u>3 persons</u>	<u>4 persons</u>
\$65,450	\$74,800	\$84,150	\$93,500
<u>5 persons</u>	<u>6 persons</u>	<u>7 persons</u>	<u>8 persons</u>
\$101,00	\$108,500	\$115,950	\$123,450

To be considered a “Section 3 business or Section 3 individual”; the business must provide documentation supporting the income level of the employees and individuals.

Please indicate the percentage of Section 3 participation for this project. This refers to the percentage of the total dollar value of the Contract that will be available for Section 3 opportunities.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Percent \***

\*PBCHA will consider Minority and Section 3 participation in awarding this Contract. PBCHA reserves the right to approve or disapprove any subcontractor list or individual.

**FAILURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID/OFFEROR BEING DECLARED NON-RESPONSIVE THUS ELIMINATING YOUR FIRM FROM CONSIDERATION FOR THIS PROJECT.**

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm’s Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Authorized Officer – printed

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Officer – signed

### SECTION III COMPLIANCE FORM

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Contractor

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Address

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City, State, Zip Code

Subject: Statement of compliance with Section III Clause

Gentlemen:

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

Attached is the report form to disclose the number of positions available for employment. We will comply and seek out the low-income person for any open positions. Notices shall be posted in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for any open positions.

Sincerely submitted,

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Typed Signature and Title

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Signature

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Date signed

**CERTIFICATION FOR BUSINESS CONCERNS SEEKING SECTION 3  
PREFERENCE IN CONTRACTING AND DEMONSTRATION OF CAPABILITY**

Name of Business\_\_\_\_\_

Address of Business\_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business: ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership  
☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Joint Venture

Attached is the following documentation as evidence of status:

**For Business claiming status as a Section 3 resident-owned enterprise:**

☐ Copy of resident lease ☐ Copy of receipt of public assistance  
☐ Copy of evidence of participation ☐ Other evidence  
in a public assistance program

**For Business entity as applicable:**

☐ Copy of Articles of Incorporation ☐ Certificate of Good Standing  
☐ Assumed Business Name Certificate ☐ Partnership Agreement  
☐ List of owners/stockholders and ☐ Corporation Annual Report  
% ownership of each ☐ Latest Board minutes appointing  
officers  
☐ Organization chart with names and titles ☐ Additional documentation  
and brief function statement

**For Business claiming Section 3 status by subcontracting 25 percent of the dollar awarded to  
Section 3 business:**

☐ List of subcontracted Section 3 business (es) and subcontract amount

**For business claiming Section 3 status, claiming at least 30 percent of their workforce are  
currently Section 3 residents or were Section 3 eligible residents within 3 years of date of first  
employment with the business:**

_____ List of all current full-time employees	_____ List of employee claiming Section 3 status
_____ PHA/IHA Residential lease less than 3 years from day of employment	_____ Other evidence of Section 3 status less than 3 years from date of employment

Evidence of ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract:

- ☐ Current financial statement
- ☐ Statement of ability to comply with public policy
- ☐ List of owned equipment
- ☐ List of all contracts for the past two years

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Name (Business)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Signature (Business)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Name  
(Attested by)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Signature  
(Attested by)

**ATTACHMENT I**

**PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES STATEMENT**



SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.133(3)(a),  
FLORIDA STATUTES, ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO AND MINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to \_\_\_\_\_  
[print name of the public entity]  
by \_\_\_\_\_  
[print individual's name and title]  
for \_\_\_\_\_  
[print name of entity submitting sworn statement]

whose business address is

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

and (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is \_\_\_\_\_

(If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn

statement: \_\_\_\_\_.)

2. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States, including, but not limited to, any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.
3. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
4. I understand that an "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means:
1. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or
  2. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.
5. I understand that a "person" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(e), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.

6. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. [Indicate which statement applies]

\_\_\_\_\_ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989. However, there has been a subsequent proceeding before a Hearing Officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative hearings and the Final Order entered by the Hearing Officer determined that it was not in the public interest to place the entity submitting this sworn statement on the convicted vendor list. (attach a copy of the final order)

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THE FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THAT PUBLIC ENTITY ONLY AND, THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES FOR CATEGORY TWO OF ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[signature]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Personally known \_\_\_\_\_

Or Produced identification \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public – State of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type of Identification) My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed, typed or stamped  
commission name of notary public)

***(Any exceptions to this RFP may disqualify your proposal)***

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