



Housing Authority of the County of Merced

**QUOTES FOR SMALL PURCHASE
AS-NEEDED FLOORING
CONTRACTOR SERVICES**

QSP 2018-10

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Flooring Contractor Services

INTRODUCTION: The Housing Authority of the County of Merced (Authority) is soliciting proposals from qualified suppliers to enter into a Master Agreement for qualified and licensed Contractors to provide as-needed flooring services for an initial 12-month period, with four optional one-year renewals.

Due to the estimated cost of this procurement falling under the Small Purchase Threshold of \$100,000.00, the Authority is procuring these services using a non-formal request for Quotes for Small Purchase (QSP) process. This informal QSP process means formal Request For Proposals (RFP) requirements and formal protest procedures do not apply (i.e., bid bonds, public bid opening, etc.). The Authority reserves the right to issue modifications to this QSP at any time, award the proposed project to more than one firm, reject all proposals, and ask for any clarifications or verifications from Proposers at any time.

This QSP is being issued, as well as any addenda, by the Authority. The contact person for the Authority is:

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Solicitation Date: October 15, 2018
Due Date and Time for Quotes: November 7, 2018 @ 2:00PM (PST)
Anticipated Start Date: December 1, 2018

METHOD OF AWARD: The Authority will retain the right to contract with any of the Contractors as a result of this QSP, which shall occur in the following manner (this is sometimes called “forming a pool” of Contractors that the Authority may draw from):

- When the Authority has need of work, Authority staff will contact the 1st ranked Contractor to ascertain as to whether or not that Contractor is available to do the work within the reasonable time-frame the Authority has established for that work (typically, “reasonable” shall be met at the site within one (1) business day and begin work within one (1) calendar week thereafter). If the 1st ranked Contractor is not available, the Authority will proceed to the next-ranked Contractor, and so forth, until the Authority has located an available Contractor.

SCOPE OF WORK (SOW)/TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS: The purpose of this QSP is to form a pool of Contractors from which the Authority may draw to contract for floor replacement work.



Scope of Work: The Contractor shall furnish all labor, tools, equipment, transportation, demolition/disposal, and supplies and may furnish materials, necessary to remove existing and install new flooring on an as-needed basis.

Material Specifications

The Authority may supply new flooring material and cove base material such as; Luxury Vinyl Planks (LVP), Vinyl Composite Tile (VCT) flooring. In some instances, the Contractor may be required to provide materials which will be approved by the Authority prior to purchase. Materials and products used in the repairs are to match existing Authority properties in quality and function and must be approved in advance by Authority staff.

The Contractor will be responsible for removing existing flooring materials (i.e. LVP, VCT or Carpet) and cove base (wood base and/or rubber base) and install new flooring and rubber cove base. Contractor must take care when removing baseboard and will be responsible for repairing any damage adjacent areas (i.e. walls).

Concrete Surface Preparation

In addition, some units may have carpet which will need to be removed and disposed of by the Contractor and the concrete surface shall be prepped as per manufacturer's specifications.

Once the existing flooring has been properly removed and disposed, the Contractor may have to prepare the concrete surface by applying a waterproofing and crack prevention membrane by following the product manufacturer's installation requirements and/or recommendations. The waterproof membrane product shall have an application system that when applied can address surface cracks and moisture within the concrete.

Asbestos testing will be conducted by the Authority and reports will be available by request. The Authority will be responsible for any required asbestos abatement. The Contractor shall notify the Authority, if at any time during the work, the contractor uncovers and/or finds suspect asbestos containing materials. Work shall cease immediately, without additional cost, to the Authority until the Authority confirms asbestos and abates as needed.

Contractor Responsibilities:

- General Surface Preparation – All surfaces must be structurally sound, clean, dry and free from contaminants that would prevent a good bond. Existing surfaces must be scarified and leveled, and all defects must be repaired. Cracks exceeding 1/8" (3mm) should be treated in accordance with product specifications.
- In some cases, the Contractor will be required to install underlayment particle board (0.38"); underlayment particle board must be installed in accordance with the material specifications.



- Vapor Barrier – The application of the waterproofing product as directed by the Authority shall be applied as a vapor barrier, and must follow the products specifications and guidelines for such an application.
- Crack Prevention Membrane – The product used for waterproofing and crack prevention membrane will need to follow product specifications and application. Cracks should be prefilled before beginning the waterproofing application. The Contractor must follow product application based on specifications and directions.
- Additional Vapor Barrier Application – The Contractor is to follow and apply multiple coats of the waterproofing and crack prevention membrane product chosen at the Authority's direction.
- Thresholds must be properly caulked with sealant to match floor color.
- Remove and reinstall all thresholds, as necessary
- Remove and reinstall:
 - All doors and set hinge pins
 - Sliding bypass door guides and properly adjust doors
 - Bifold door hardware and properly adjust doors
- Remove and properly reinstall toilets with new wax rings and flanges. Toilets must be properly sealed and leak-free.
- Contractor shall install rubber-type non-slip stair thread and risers for all stairs with definable last step edge delineation prior to landing for all units with stairways.
- All adhesives (glue) must be removed from new flooring.
- New flooring must be properly cleaned and broom swept.
- Contractor must properly secure the unit at the end of each work day.
- The Authority may issue a key/s for a specified unit/s. It will be the responsibility of the contractor to receive and return the key/s. Misplaced, lost or unreturned key/s will result in a rekeying charge.
- Contractor shall inspect unit prior to providing installation cost.

Once the waterproofing has been applied and properly dried, the Contractor shall install the flooring based upon product specifications and application practices. The Contractor shall also verify if the LVP product is compatible with the waterproofing and crack prevention membrane used on the concrete surface.

The Contractor will be responsible to:

- Place putty where needed and warranted.
- Prepare entire surface of the floor to remove all of the existing flooring materials, including but not limited to, baseboards, pads, etc..
- Apply sealant to the floor per standard renovation practices.
- Apply leveling compound in order to smooth out the surface and fill in any defects before placement of sealant and/or flooring material.
- Properly grind any high spots.
- Contractor shall install rubber baseboard above all finished floor areas. Baseboard must be tight to finished floor.



The Contractor is responsible for verifying quantities. The Authority is not responsible for actual dimension and quantities required to complete the installation.

All proposals submitted in response to this solicitation must conform to all of the requirements and specifications outlined within this document in its entirety. Contractor shall obtain all required approvals and permitting through the local governing agency/ies (Cities of Atwater, Dos Palos, Livingston, Los Banos and Merced and the County of Merced) and fees shall be paid by the Contractor. All local, state and federal codes and regulations shall be followed by the Contractor.

Construction Schedule and Hours of Work

1. Schedules and operations shall be performed to minimize intrusion and potential risks to the residents within the community. Installation hours shall take place, Monday-Thursday between the hours of 7:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. and alternating Fridays between the hours of 7:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. (offices are closed every other Friday). Work shall not be performed on weekends or holidays without prior approval from the Authority. The selected Contractor may also be required to coordinate their work schedule with other Contractors on-site (the Authority may act as project coordinator for the job).
2. If units are occupied, the Authority must provide its residents with a minimum 48-hours' notice before Contractor may commence work on unit; therefore, Contractor shall provide written notification to the Authority at least one week in advance before the anticipated start date for each unit (this does not apply if the unit is vacant).
3. Contractor shall be responsible for the disposal of the materials demolished at the site during this project, and such disposal shall be performed in compliance with all applicable laws. All work performed in removing the existing material and installing the new products must be performed by properly trained personnel.
4. In performing all services, Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, county, and city statutes, ordinances, and regulations. If such compliance is impossible for reasons beyond its control, Contractor shall immediately notify the Authority of that fact and the reasons therefore.
5. All work shall be inspected and signed off by the Authority's Authorized Representative before the work is deemed complete. No payment will be made until all work is completed to the satisfaction of the manager and is deemed complete.



Special Provisions

1. Contractor shall supply all safety or warning signs, equipment, plastic covers, barricades and any other specialty items that may be required.
2. Contractor shall proceed with installation work to be performed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and warranty requirements. Labor and workmanship installed by the Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall be warranted by the Contractor for a period of time of not less than one (1) year after date of acceptance.
3. Vacant units need to be completed in a timely manner in order to provide housing to prospective tenants. Contractor must start work within five (5) business days of receiving direction to proceed. Contractor shall finish project within an additional five (5) business days after work begins (exceptions to the time requirement will be decided on a case-by-case basis).
4. Additional Services: Purchases by Other Public Agencies ("Piggy-Back"): Contractor acknowledges that other Public Agencies may seek to "Piggy-Back" under the same terms and conditions, during the effective period of Agreement. The services and/or purchases being offered in the Contract Documents, Fee Submission and/or Best and Final Offer and for the same prices and/or terms proposed therein. Contractor has the option to agree or disagree to allow contract Piggy-Backs on a case-by case basis. Before the Authority permits another Public Agency to Piggy-Back any contract, the Authority shall first obtain the awarded Contractor's approval. Without the Contractor's approval, the Authority cannot permit the requesting Public Agency the right to Piggy-Back. In the event the awarded contractor allows another Public Agency to join the Authority Contract, it is expressly understood that the Authority shall in no way be liable for the joining Public Agency obligations to the awarded Contractor in any manner whatsoever.

Notification/Pre-Construction Conference

1. Prior to the start of work, a meeting will be scheduled between Contractor and Authority Authorized Representative to discuss labor compliance, prevailing wages and operational problems. At this meeting, Contractor shall present their proposed work schedule for the entire project.
2. Prior to the start of work, Contractor shall notify the Authority in writing of any surface defects (not covered elsewhere in this specification) which might be detrimental to the proper application of materials. If any defects are found, Contractor shall delay the project until the repairs can be arranged by the Authority's Authorized Representative. This delay shall be at no cost to the Authority.

General Requirements

1. Maintenance of Work Area: Contractor shall keep the working area sufficiently clear of equipment, material, and implements of service to prevent endangering persons and damages to the Authority property and to avoid an unsightly condition. Removal of such items shall be performed promptly upon completion of work. Contractor shall not use Authority facilities for disposal of debris and waste material, whether hazardous or non-hazardous, or asbestos-containing or non-asbestos-containing.
2. Safety and Security: Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations applicable to the work. Contractor shall provide adequate protection for all persons, (including but not limited to tenants, guests, visitors, etc.) and all Authority personnel within the working area or approaches thereto, and shall furnish and erect temporary barricades where necessary.
3. Access: Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, or other representatives, have no tenancy and shall be admitted to the grounds only for the proper execution of the work under this contract. Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, or other representatives must wear identifying company uniform and/or employee badge while working on Authority properties.
4. Workmanship and Labor: All employees of the Contractor, subcontractors or other representatives, shall be skilled in the type of work for which they are employed on the project and shall work under direction of competent superintendent. Should the Authority deem anyone employed in the work incompetent or unfit for their duties, Contractor shall remove such employee from the work and shall not reemploy them on work within the Authority on this project or any other project without written permission from the Authority.
5. **Davis-Bacon & Related Acts and/or State Prevailing Wage Rates**: As may apply by statutes, regulations and/or laws, if, at any time during the ensuing contract period(s), the Authority needs the successful Contractor to provide services that require the successful Contractor to pay Davis-Bacon & Related Acts or State Prevailing Wages Rates for a specific task order pertaining to the ensuing contract, then to compensate the successful Contractor for any amount when the applicable Davis-Bacon & Related Acts or State Prevailing Wage Rates are greater than the portion of the applicable hourly fees listed within that the Contractor actually pays to each such person performing the work, as verified by payroll records, the Authority shall pay the difference. In accordance with regulations, the Authority will enforce the Prevailing Wages shown in the applicable wage determination in effect on the date of a Purchase Order or Contract is issued.

- o Applicable Davis-Bacon & Related Acts (Federal) wage rates can be found at <http://www.wdol.gov/dba.aspx> (CA13 Res. or CA29 Bldg/Hwy/Heavy).
- o Applicable California State Prevailing Wage rates can be located at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD/>

GUARANTEED CONTRACT MINIMUM AMOUNT AND NOT-TO-EXCEED

MAXIMUM AMOUNT: The ensuing contract will be an Indefinite Quantities Contract (IOC), which, pursuant to HUD regulation, requires the Authority to award to each responsive and responsible Contractor a Guaranteed Contract Minimum Amount (GCMA) and a Not-to-exceed Maximum Contract Amount (NMCA) of work, those required minimum and maximum contract levels are:

- GCMA: \$250.00;
- NMCA: \$90,000.

Exceptions Pertaining to the GCMA: The noted GCMA (but not the entire Contract, only the restrictions pertaining to the set GCMA) will be null and void for any firm that chooses to reject a total of 5 requests from the Authority to be available for work during the contract period.

ASSIGNMENT OF PERSONNEL: The Authority shall retain the right to demand and receive a change in personnel assigned to the work if the Authority believes that such change is in the best interest of the Authority. Contractor shall select and employ the replacement personnel. Contractor shall ensure that any employee performing services on Housing Authority property is not registered and/or is not required to register as a sex offender pursuant to California Penal Code Section 290. In order to protect the public and minimize exposure to liability and risk, the Authority reserves the right to require the removal of any Contractor employee who, in the sole discretion of the Authority, presents a risk to the health or safety of any Authority resident or the general public.

INDEMNIFICATION: Contractor shall indemnify and defend HACM, its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, agents and assigns and hold it harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, liability, damage, costs, expenses, awards, fines, judgments and attorney fees arising out of or in any way connected with the performance of this Contract. Indemnity shall apply to any acts, omissions, willful misconduct, or negligent conduct, whether active or passive, unless liability is caused solely by the negligent or willful misconduct of HACM. Contractor will, on request and at its own expense, defend any action, suit or proceeding arising hereunder and shall reimburse and pay HACM for any loss, cost, damage or expense, including attorney fees (including those of in-house counsel) suffered by it hereunder.

LICENSING AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Contractor will ensure all required licensing and insurance requirements listed below are met. Prior to award (but not prior to submission of the proposal) the successful proposer will be required to provide:



1. Licensing: Contractor must hold a valid California Contractor's License for the appropriate trade listed in this QSP with all appropriate bonding and insurance required by the State of California and have the ability to obtain all required permitting either through local, state and federal agencies and being in good standing with all governing agencies. Contractor shall provide to the Authority copies of these and any other required current City, State and/or Federal licenses. Failure to maintain these licenses in a current status during the term(s) of this contract shall constitute a material breach thereof.
2. Proof of Insurance: Contractor shall maintain throughout the course of any Contract resulting from this QSP, at a minimum, insurance coverage shown on the attached *Insurance Requirements for Contractors* (Attachment D). Proof of such coverage must be presented to the Authority upon request.

PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

1. Contract Service Standards: All work performed pursuant to this QSP must conform and comply with all applicable federal, state, county, and city statutes, ordinances, and regulations, as well as those provided as Attachments below. If such compliance is impossible for reasons beyond its control, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Authority of that fact and the reasons therefore.

The Authority reserves the right to remove any Contractor who fails to respond to calls when requested or within the agreed-upon response times, and may in such cases proceed to contact the next Contractor from the pool.

All work shall be performed according to industry standards, procedures and methods normally accepted in the industry and in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, codes and regulations.

2. Personnel Standards

- a. Services shall be performed by personnel who are trained and otherwise qualified to perform tasks assigned.
- b. Contractor's employees shall wear clearly visible identification while performing duties.
- c. All personnel shall be neat in appearance and shall conduct their work in a professional manner with minimal disturbance to the contracting party. If any of the Contractor's personnel are not satisfactory to the Authority or its' managers, Contractor shall replace such personnel with those who are satisfactory.
- d. Contractor shall use all reasonable care, consistent with his/her right to manage and control his/her operation, not to employ any persons or use any labor, or use or have any equipment or permit any condition to exist which shall or may cause or be conducive to any labor complaints,

troubles, safety issues, disputes or controversies at the owner's place of business or which interfere or are likely to interfere with the operations of business.

- e. Contractor shall immediately give such notice to the Authority's Authorized Agent to be followed by written reports, as shall be reasonably necessary to advise the manager of any and all impending or existing labor complaints, troubles, disputes, or controversies and the progress thereof that Contractor, in his/her opinion, believes may interfere with the operation of the business. Contractor shall use his/her best efforts to resolve any such complaints, trouble, dispute, or controversy.

3. Supervision:

- a. Contractor shall furnish the necessary qualified supervision to oversee all operations.
- b. Contractor shall be available to attend meetings with the Authority's Authorized Agent or his/her designee, to coordinate, plan and discuss the contracted services and performance.

4. Equipment: Contractor shall furnish all equipment necessary to perform the services in accordance with these specifications, and warrants that all equipment will be of such type as to cause no hazard or danger.

5. Property Damages: Contractor shall be responsible for repair, restoration and/or replacement of any damaged areas made or disturbed in the course of the work being performed. All repairs, restorations and/or replacement must be to the satisfaction of the Authority Authorized Representative prior to final payment. Damaged areas include but are not limited to, existing, adjacent and/or adjoining structures, walls, roofs, ceilings, floors, fences, and/or landscape. All repairs and/or patches must match existing materials and must meet industry standards. All repairs and/or patches must be compatible with design and quality of the existing, adjacent and/or adjoining materials.

CONTRACT CONDITIONS: The following provisions are considered mandatory conditions of any contract award made by Authority pursuant to this QSP:

1. Contract Form: The Authority will not execute a contract on the Contractor's form; contract will only be executed on the Authority form and by submitting a proposal the Contractor agrees to do so (please note that the Authority reserves the right to amend this form as the Authority deems necessary). However, the Authority will consider any contract clauses that the Contractor wishes to include therein and submits in writing a request for the Authority to do so; but the failure of the Authority to include such clauses does not give the Contractor the right to refuse to execute the Authority's contract form. It is the responsibility of each prospective



Contractor to notify the Authority, in writing, prior to submitting a proposal, of any contract clause that he/she is not willing to include in the final executed contract and abide by. The Authority will consider and respond to such written correspondence, and if the prospective Contractor is not willing to abide by the Authority's response (decision), then that prospective Contractor shall be deemed ineligible to submit a proposal.

2. Required Clauses: At a minimum, the attached forms *Authority Purchase Order Terms and Conditions* (Attachment A), HUD Table 5.1 *Mandatory Contract Clauses for Small Purchases Other than Construction* (Attachment B), *Insurance Requirements for Most Contracts* (Attachment C), and HUD-5370-EZ *General Contract Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts* (Attachment G) will be applicable to any Purchase Order and/or Contract issued by the Authority for these construction-related services.
3. Unauthorized Sub-Contracting Prohibited: The successful proposer shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this QSP (including, but not limited to, selling or transferring the contract) without the prior written consent of the Authority's Executive Director. Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of the Authority Executive Director shall be void. It may result in the cancellation of the contract with the Authority, or may result in the full or partial forfeiture of funds paid to the successful proposer as a result of the proposed contract; either as determined by the Authority Executive Director.

NON-COLLUSION: The Contractor may be required to complete an affidavit in proof that they have not entered into any collusion with any person in respect to this bid or any other bid or the submitting of quotes for the contract for which this quote is submitted.

SECTION 3 CONTRACT: The work to be performed under this contract may be on projects assisted under a program receiving direct Federal financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and is subject to the requirement of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 which requires that, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment will be given to residents of the area of the Section 3 covered project. (Attachment F – Section 3 Business Preference Documentation).

AWARD OF THE CONTRACT

Subject to Other Documents. The contract is subject to the terms and conditions of the State of California as they exist at the time the agreement is signed.



Conflict of Interest. The Contractor warrants that it presently has no interest and will not acquire any interest direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services under this contract.

Responsibility. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to see that his/her quote is received by the Authority by the date and time set forth for the opening of the quotes. Quotes received after the time stated shall not be considered.

Rejection of Proposals. The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, which are determined to be non-responsive.

QUOTE PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Firms interested in being considered for selection shall submit a quote proposal complying with the instructions contained in this QSP. Quote proposals shall include only those items indicated below. Extraneous materials will not serve to enhance proposals. Please submit one (1) written copy of the quote proposal electronically by email (sue@merced-pha.com) or fax ((209) 386-4187) or by mail or hand delivery (405 U Street, Merced, CA 95341) as instructed on the Quote Submittal form included within the QSP packet.

1. **Pricing:** Provide a lump sum costs inclusive of all personnel, travel, per diem, overhead, materials, profit and all other direct or indirect costs to complete the work required. Costs shall be submitted on the Quote Submittal form which is the last page of this QSP document. Pricing submitted in other formats will not be considered and may result in the proposal being determined non-responsive.
2. **Completed Section 3 form:** The work to be performed under this contract is on a project assisted under a program receiving direct Federal financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and is subject to the requirement of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 which requires that, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment will be given to residents of the area of the Section 3 covered project. Comply with instructions found within the *Section 3 Business Preference Documentation* (Attachment F) to identify the proposer's plan to comply with Section 3 Requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Authority Purchase Order Terms and Conditions

Attachment B: HUD Table 5.1: Mandatory Contract Clauses for Small Purchases Other than Construction

Attachment C: Insurance Requirements for Contractors

Attachment D: Non-Collusive Affidavit



Attachment E: Profile of Firm Form

Attachment F: Section 3 Business Preference Documentation

Attachment G: Form HUD-5370-EZ General Contract Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts

Attachment H: Authority MWBE Contractor Information Over \$10K

Attachment I: Form HUD-5369 Instructions to Bidders for Contracts

Attachment J: Form HUD-5369-A Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders

Attachment I: Summary of the Authority's Properties



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF MERCED QUOTE FORM

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Quote: The Authority is only requesting that this page and any additional documents referenced therein be submitted by the due date as indicated in the QSP. Please submit one (1) written copy of the quote proposal electronically by email (sue@merced-pha.com) or fax ((209) 386-4187) or by mail or hand delivery (405 U Street, Merced, CA 95341) By submitting a quote response, the Contractor agrees to abide by all applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations. The following documents should be submitted with Quote:

- 1) Quote (this document)
- 2) Non-Collusive Affidavit
- 3) Profile of Firm Form
- 4) Section 3 Business Preference Documentation (optional)
- 5) Authority MWBE Contractor information over \$10K (optional)

1. Base Quote - The undersigned, being familiar with local conditions affecting the cost of work, and with the specifications, found in the QSP, Quote Form, General Scope of Work, and Addenda, if any thereto, as prepared by and on file in the offices of the Housing Authority of the County of Merced, California, hereby proposes to furnish all labor and services required to complete the work, all in accordance with the Specifications, for the amount(s) of:

- Total hourly cost to provide the services as described in this solicitation including, but not limited to employee wages and costs, tools, equipment, licensing, and insurance, etc.

Non-Prevailing Hourly Wage Rates

Regular: \$ _____/hr. Overtime: \$ _____/hr.

Davis-Bacon Hourly Wage Rates

Regular: \$ _____/hr. Overtime: \$ _____/hr.

California State Prevailing Hourly Wage Rates

Regular: \$ _____/hr. Overtime: \$ _____/hr.

- 2. If written notices of the acceptance of this quote is mailed, faxed, or delivered to the undersigned within sixty (60) days after the opening thereof, or at any time thereafter before this quote is withdrawn, the undersigned agrees to execute and deliver a contract in the prescribed form within ten (10) days after the contract is presented for signature.

Quote Submitted By:

Company: _____

Date: _____

By (Print Name): _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Fax: _____

Signature: _____
Authorized Principal or Officer



PURCHASE ORDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Herein "Authority" is the Housing Authority of the County of Merced, and "Seller" is the recipient of this Purchase Order (PO) and by accepting order from the Authority, Seller agrees as follows:

1. Applicable Laws. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure that all items/services provided in response to this PO are provided in compliance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, statutes, and codes. Seller agrees and understands that the Authority is a public house agency and this PO may be governed by applicable HUD regulations.
2. Applicable Documents. All of the terms and conditions (T&C) listed within each of the following documents are hereby included by reference as part of these T&C and by executing and returning the accompanying cover page, the Seller, hereby agrees to abide by all such terms and requirements and those listed on this T&C that the Authority chooses to, at any time during the effective period of this PO, or any ensuing issue, implement (the Seller must inform the Authority in writing if he/she wishes to receive a copy of any of these documents): (A) All documents issued as part of the applicable competitive solicitation process noted on the PO; (b) form HUD-5369 Instructions to Bidders for Contracts; form HUD-5369-A Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders; form HUD-5370-EZ General Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts; Mandatory Clauses Table 5.1 of HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2; and the applicable contract clauses contained within 2 CFP Part 200.
3. Conflicting Terms. These T&C may only be modified by the Authority in writing. In the case of any T&C herein that may be in conflict with any other T&C listed herein (including the documents listed within the preceding 2.) the Authority shall decide which T&C shall comply. Any T&C listed within any of the HUD forms listed within 2. herein shall take precedence over any T&C listed on any non-HUD documented listed herein. These T&C shall automatically take precedence over any similar terms and conditions listed on a supplier or contractor receiving document or invoice.
4. Cancellation. The Authority reserves the right to cancel this order or any portion thereof at any time for tis convenience or for default by the Seller.
5. F.O.B/Delivery. Unless specifically approved by the Authority in writing (i.e. typically as entered on the PO), no additional freight costs are approved by the Authority and may not be added to any invoice that ensures thereto. The Authority shall have the right to specify the date, time, place, method and sequence of delivery. All goods/items shall be shipped at the expense and risk of Seller until receipt by the Authority.

6. Hazardous Materials. If the Seller is furnishing items that contain hazardous materials, it/he/she must, compliant with applicable law, label each container listing the identity of such material. Each such container must also be identified on the exterior with the appropriate hazard warning. Further, the Seller must, at the time of delivery to the Authority, furnish the necessary Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for each chemical, substance, or product listed on this order.
7. OSHA. The Seller certifies that all items/services furnished as a result of acceptance of this PO conforms to and complies with the current OSHA Act.
8. Invoices. An original or "Certified to be true copy" invoice is required for payment and must reference the Authority's PO number and shall be accompanied by a copy of the receiving document showing the certifying signature of the Authority staff that received the items/services.
9. Quantity/Price. Changes in quantity and price listed on this PO will not be accepted by the Authority without prior written approval of the Authority officer that issued the PO.
10. Taxes. The Authority is not exempt from State sales tax and accordingly should be charged such tax by Seller.
11. Liens Prohibited. By acceptance of this PO the Seller thereby agrees that it/she/he is required by HUD regulation, prohibited from filing any lien against the Authority pertaining to the items/services detailed in the PO. It is agreed that Seller shall not reserve a security interest in the goods/items sold under this agreement once said goods/items are delivered. It is further agreed that Seller shall in no way cause or permit an encumbrance of the goods/items by others, including manufacturer.
12. Inclusion of Manufacturer's Warranty/Replacement of Defective Items/Parts. Seller will, at the time of the delivery, provide the Authority with written guarantees and warranties for all goods and products delivered to the Authority. Seller agrees to replace and/or repair any defective items/services within thirty (30) day of delivery at no cost to the Authority.

**MANDATORY CONTRACT CLAUSES FOR SMALL PURCHASES OTHER
THAN CONSTRUCTION**

The following contract clauses are required in contracts pursuant to **24 CFR 85.36(i) and Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act**. HUD is permitted to require changes, remedies, changed conditions, access and records retention, suspension of work, and other clauses approved by the Office of Federal Procurement Policy. The PHA and contractor is also subject to other Federal laws including the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, Federal regulations, and state law and regulations.

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

Right in Data and Patent Rights (Ownership and Proprietary Interest). The PHA 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 the Contract.

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.

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.

Termination for Cause and for Convenience (contracts of \$10,000 or more). (a) The PHA may terminate this contract in whole, or from time to time in part, for the PHA's convenience or the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations (cause/default). The PHA 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: (1) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver to the PHA all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing the contract, whether completed or in process. (b) If the termination is for the convenience of the PHA, the PHA 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 (cause/default), the PHA may (1) require the Contractor to deliver to it, in the manner and to the extent directed by the PHA, any work described in the Notice of Termination; (2) 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 PHA; and (3) withhold any payments to the Contractor, for the purpose of set-off or partial payment, as the case may be, of amounts owned by the PHA by the Contractor. In the event of termination for cause/default, the PHA shall be liable to the Contractor for reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor before the effective date of the termination. Any dispute shall be decided by the Contracting Officer.

General Requirements for Most Contracts

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of or failure to perform the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or sub-contractors.

MINIMUM SCOPE OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (*occurrence form CG 0 01 10 01*).
2. Insurance Services Office Additional Insured form (*CG 20 37 or CG 20 26*).
3. Insurance Services Office form number CA 00 01 06 92 covering Automobile Liability Code 1 (*any auto*), [*require if scope of work includes driving on Authority property*].
4. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by state law and Employer's Liability Insurance.

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

Contractor shall maintain limits no less than:

1. General Liability: \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury, Personal Injury, and Property Damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 per accident for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.
3. Workers' Compensation (*statutory*) and Employer's Liability: \$1,000,000 per accident for Bodily Injury or Disease.

NOTE: These limits can be attained by individual policies or by combining primary and umbrella policies.

DEDUCTIBLES AND SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Authority. At the option of the Authority, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Authority, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the Authority guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.

OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS

The General Liability and Automobile Liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. The Authority, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insured with respect to liability on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work

or operations and with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by the Contractor; or arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or on behalf of the Contractor. General Liability coverage can be provided in the form of an appropriate endorsement to the Contractor's insurance or as a separate Owner's policy.

2. For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Authority, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Authority, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance.
3. Each insurance policy required by these specifications shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be cancelled or materially changed, except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Authority.
4. Maintenance of the proper insurance for the duration of the contract is a material element of the contract. Material changes in the required coverage or cancellation of the coverage shall constitute a material breach of the contract by the Contractor.

ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURERS

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A. M. Best's rating of no less than B+:VI. Bidders must provide written verification of their insurer's rating.

VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE

Contractor shall furnish the Authority with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by these specifications. The endorsements should conform fully to the requirements. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Authority in sufficient time before work commences to permit Contractor to remedy any deficiencies. The Authority reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements effecting the coverage required by these specifications at any time.

SUB-CONTRACTORS

Use of sub-contractors must be pre-approved by the Authority. Contractor shall include all sub-contractors as insureds under its policies or shall furnish separate insurance certificates and endorsements for each sub-contractor in a manner and in such time as to permit the Authority to approve them before sub-contractors' work begins. All coverages for sub-contractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated above.

NOTE: The General Contractor's Commercial General Liability insurance should not include CG 2294 or CG 2295 as these endorsements will eliminate the General Contractor's insurance coverage for its work where the damaged work or the work out of which the damage arises was performed by a sub-contractor.

Notwithstanding this provision, Contractor shall indemnify the Authority for any claims resulting from the performance or non-performance of the Contractor's sub-contractors and/or their failure to be properly insured.

FORM OF NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT
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_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:
(name of signer)

That he/she, is the _____ (a/an owner, partner, officer of the firm, ect.) the party making the foregoing bid that the bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation; that the bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that the bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid, and has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or that anyone shall refrain from bidding; that the bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the bidder or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against the **Housing Authority of the County of Merced** awarding the contract or anyone interested in the proposed contract; that all statements contained in the bid are true; and, further, that the bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, or paid, and will not pay, any organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof to effectuate a collusive or sham bid.

That I have examined and carefully prepared this proposal from specifications, and have checked the same in detail before submitting this proposal; that the undersigned is duly authorized to make this affidavit.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the forgoing is true and correct.

 SIGNATURE OF BIDDER/PARTNER/OFFICER

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy or validity of that document.

State of _____ }
County of _____ } §

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this _____ day of _____, _____, by

(1) _____ ,
(Name of Signer)

(and (2) _____) ,
(Name of Signer)

Proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Signature _____
(Signature of Notary Public)

(Seal)

My commission expires _____, 20_____.

PROFILE OF FIRM FORM

1. Prime _____ Sub-contractor _____
2. Name of Firm: _____
- Fax: _____ Cell: _____
- Email: _____ Secondary Email: _____
3. Street Address, City, State, Zip: _____
- _____
4. Mailing Address, City, State, Zip (if different): _____
- _____
5. Please attached a brief biography/resume of the company, including the following information:
 (a) Year Firm Established; (b) Former Business Name and Year Established (if applicable).

6. Identify Principals/Partners in Firm:

NAME	TITLE	% OF OWNERSHIP

7. Identify the individual(s) that will act as project manager and any other supervisory personnel that will work on project:

NAME	TITLE

8. Proposer Diversity Statement: You must circle all of the following that apply to the ownership of this firm and enter, where provided, the correct percentage (%) of ownership of each:

Caucasian (Male) _____% Caucasian (Female) _____% Public-Held Corporation _____% Government Agency _____% Non-Profit Organization _____%

Resident- (RBE), Minority- (MBE), or Woman-Owned (WBE) Business Enterprise ~ Qualifies by virtue of 51% or more ownership and active management by one or more of the following:

Resident-Owned _____% African American _____% Native American _____% Hispanic _____% Asian/Pacific Islander _____% Woman-Owned (MBE) _____%

Disabled Veteran _____% Other (Specify): _____%

WMBE Certification Number: _____

Certified by (Agency): _____

(NOTE: A CERTIFICATION/NUMBER NOT REQUIRED TO PROPOSE – ENTER IF AVAILABLE)

9. Federal Tax ID

No.: _____

10. City/County Business Licenses:

a. City of Merced License # _____

b. City of Atwater License # _____

c. City of Livingston License # _____

d. City of Los Banos License # _____

e. City of Dos Palos License # _____

f. County of Merced License # _____

11. State of California Contractor's License/Registration Type(s) and

#.: _____

12. Worker's Compensation Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____

13. General Liability Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy No. _____ Expiration Date: _____

14. Automobile Liability Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy No. _____ Expiration Date: _____

15. Debarred Statement: Has this firm, or any principal(s) ever been debarred from providing any services by the Federal Government, any state government, the State of California or any local government agency within or without the State of California?
Yes No If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances and current status.
16. Disclosure Statement: Does this firm or any principals thereof have any current, past personal or professional relationship with any Commissioner, Officer and/or Employee(s) of the HA?
Yes No If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances and current status.
17. Verification Statement: The undersigned proposer hereby states that by completing and submitting this form he/she is verifying that all information provided herein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, true and accurate, and agrees that if the HA discovers that any information entered herein is false, that shall entitle the HA to not consider nor make award or to cancel any award with the undersigned party.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Company

**CERTIFICATION FOR BUSINESS CONCERNS SEEKING SECTION 3 BUSINESS 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 Other evidence Copy of evidence of participation in a public assistance program

For the business entity as applicable:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Articles of Incorporation | <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Good Standing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assumed Business Name Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership Agreement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> List of owners/stockholder and % of each | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation Annual Report |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Latest Board minutes appointing officers | <input type="checkbox"/> Additional documentation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organization chart with names and titles and brief functional statement | |

For business claiming Section 3 status by subcontracting 25% of the dollar awarded to qualified Section 3 business:

List of subcontracted Section 3 business and subcontract amount

For business claiming Section 3 status, claiming at least 30% 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:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> List of all current full time employees | <input type="checkbox"/> List of all employees claiming Section 3 status |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHA Residential lease (less than 3 years from date of employment) | <input type="checkbox"/> 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:

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Current financial statement | <input type="checkbox"/> List of owned equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Statement of ability to comply | <input type="checkbox"/> List of all contracts for the past 2 years with public policy |

Corporate Seal

AUTHORIZING NAME AND SIGNATURE:

Title

Date

Signature

Printed Name

SUGGESTED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN FOR UTILIZATION OF PROJECT AREA BUSINESSES

Number Of All Contracts Proposed: _____

Name Of Company: _____

Dollar Value Of All Contracts Proposed: _____

Project: _____

To The Greatest Extent Feasible, Contracts Will Be Awarded Through Negotiation Or Bid To Qualified Project Area Businesses.

Goal Of These Contracts For Project Area Businesses:

PROPOSED TYPE OF CONTRACT	APPROX. COST	PROPOSED TYPE OF CONTRACT	APPROX. COST

Outline The Program To Achieve These Goals For Economically And Socially Disadvantaged:

NOTE: To Complete The Affirmative Action Plan, Follow Steps Outlines In Attached Exhibit.

SUGGESTED SECTION 3 PRELIMINARY WORKFORCE STATEMENT UTILIZATION OF LOWER INCOME PROJECT AREA RESIDENTS AS REGULAR, PERMANENT EMPLOYEES, TRAINEES, APPRENTICES.

COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PROJECT: _____

	PRESENT PERMANENT EMPLOYEES (At Time of Contract Signing)	SECTION 3 WORKFORCE PROJECTION (Residents)	TOTAL PROJECTED WORKFORCE INCREASE
TRAINEES			
APPRENTICES			
JOURNEYPERSONS			
LABORERS			
SUPERVISORY			
SUPERINTENDENT			
PROFESSIONAL			
CLERICAL			

NOTE: RESIDENTS ARE THOSE LOWER INCOME PROJECT AREA RESIDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN QUALIFIED AS ELIGIBLE.

SECTION 3 BUSINESS PREFERENCE CLAUSE

This contract is subject to the following conditions under Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3).

- 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 or 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 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 Enterprise. 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).

PREFERENCE FOR SECTION 3 BUSINESS CONCERNS IN CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES

The HA has established the following priority for preference when providing contracting opportunities to Section 3 Businesses:

Priority I

Category 1a Business

Business concerns that are 51 percent or more owned by residents of the housing development or developments for which the Section 3-covered assistance is expended.

Priority II

Category 1b Business

Business concerns whose workforce includes 30 percent of residents of the housing development for which the Section 3-covered assistance is expended, or within three (3) years of the date of first employment with the business concern, were residents of the Section 3-covered housing development.

Priority III

Category 2a Business

Business concerns that are 51 percent or more owned by residents of any other housing development or developments.

Priority IV

Category 2b Business

Business concerns whose workforce includes 30 percent of residents of any other public housing development or developments, or within three (3) years of the date of first employment with the business concern, were "Section 3" residents of any other public housing development.

Priority V

Category 3 Business

Business concerns participating in HUD Youth-build programs being carried out in the metropolitan area in which the Section 3-covered assistance is expended.

Priority VI

Category 4a Business

Business concerns that are 51 percent or more owned by Section 3 residents in the metropolitan area, or whose permanent, full-time workforce includes no less than 30 percent of Section 3 residents in the metropolitan area, or within three (3) years of the date of employment with the business concern, were Section 3 residents in the metropolitan area.

Priority VII

Category 4b Business

Business concerns that subcontract in excess of 25 percent of the total amount of subcontracts to Section 3 business concerns.

Eligibility for Preference

A business concern seeking to qualify for a Section 3 contracting preference shall certify or submit evidence that the business concern is a Section business concern.

HUD directs within 24 CFR 135 that the HA may make award to qualified Section 3 business concern with the highest priority ranking and with the lowest responsive bid if that bid is:

- (a) within the maximum total contract price established by the HA; or
- (b) not more than "X" higher than the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any responsible bidder. "X" is determined as follows:

"X" = LESSOR OF:	
When the lowest responsive bid is less than \$100,000	10% of that bid, or \$9,000.00
When the lowest responsive bid is at least:	
\$100,000.00, but less than \$200,000.00	9% of that bid, or \$16,000.00
\$200,000.00, but less than \$300,000.00	8% of that bid, or \$21,000.00
\$300,000.00, but less than \$400,000.00	7% of that bid, or \$24,000.00
\$400,000.00, but less than \$500,000.00	6% of that bid, or \$25,000.00
\$500,000.00, but less than \$1,000,000.00	5% of that bid, or \$40,000.00
\$1,000,000.00, but less than \$2,000,000.00	4% of that bid, or \$60,000.00
\$2,000,000.00, but less than \$4,000,000.00	3% of that bid, or \$80,000.00
\$4,000,000.00, but less than \$7,000,000.00	2% of that bid, or \$105,000.00
\$7,000,000.00, or more	1.5% of the lowest responsive and responsible bid with no dollar limit

General Contract Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing
OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 3/31/2020)

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

1. Definitions

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

2. Prohibition Against Liens

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

3. Disputes

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

4. Default

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

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

5. Termination for Convenience

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

6. Insurance

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Contract Modifications

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

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

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

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

8. Changes

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

(1) In the specifications (including drawings and designs);

(2) In the method or manner of performance of the work;

(3) PHA-furnished facilities, equipment, materials, services, or site; or,

(4) Directing the acceleration in the performance of the work.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

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

10. Rights in Data and Patent Rights (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

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

11. Energy Efficiency

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

12. Procurement of Recovered Materials

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

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

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

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

14. Labor Standards - Davis-Bacon and Related Acts

(a) Minimum Wages.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(l) Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts all the provisions contained in this clause, and such other clauses as HUD or its designee may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these provisions in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all these provisions.

(m) Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates. Any prevailing wage rate (including basic hourly rate and any fringe benefits), determined under State law to be prevailing, with respect to any employee in any trade or position employed under the contract, is inapplicable to the contract and shall not be enforced against the Contractor or any subcontractor, with respect to employees engaged under the contract whenever such non-Federal prevailing wage rate exceeds:

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



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Vendor/Contractor Information

Dear Vendor/Contractor,

Please provide the information below:

Company Name: _____

Owner/President Name: _____

Co-Owner/Vice President Name: _____

Business/Contractor License #: _____

Contractor Section 3 Status: No ____ Yes ____

Sub-Contractor Company Name: _____

Sub-Contractor Owner/President Name: _____

Sub-Contractor Co-Owner/Vice President Name: _____

Sub-Contractor Business/Contractor License #: _____

Sub-Contractor Section 3 Status: No ____ Yes ____

If contract over \$10,000.00, please check all that apply:

a. Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE):

- 1. White Americans _____
- 2. Black Americans _____
- 3. Native Americans _____
- 4. Hispanic Americans _____
- 5. Asians/Pacific Americans _____
- 6. Hasidic Jews _____

b. Woman-Owned Business Enterprises (WBE):

Thank you for your cooperation.

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

**Instructions to Bidders for Contracts
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1. Bid Preparation and Submission

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. Explanations and Interpretations to Prospective Bidders

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

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

3. Amendments to Invitations for Bids

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

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

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

4. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

5. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Bids

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

6. Bid Opening

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

7. Service of Protest

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

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

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

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

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

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

8. Contract Award

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. Assurance of Completion

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

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

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

[] (3) a 20 percent cash escrow;

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

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

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

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

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

11. Preconstruction Conference (applicable to construction contracts)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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1. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder certifies that--

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

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

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

5. Bidder's Certification of Eligibility

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

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

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

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

6. Minimum Bid Acceptance Period

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Check the block applicable to you)

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

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

The bidder represents and certifies that it:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Obtain identical certifications from the proposed subcontractors;

(2) Retain the certifications in its files; and

(3) Forward the following notice to the proposed subcontractors (except if the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

Notice to Prospective Subcontractors of Requirement for Certifications of Nonsegregated Facilities

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

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

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

The bidder certifies that:

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

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

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

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

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

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

13. Bidder's Signature

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

(Signature and Date)

(Typed or Printed Name)

(Title)

(Company Name)

(Company Address)

Housing Authority of the County of Merced HOUSING DATA

Low-Income Public Housing Units (LIPH)

Bedroom Sizes

AMP #1 - Project #	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	
23 - 01	Merced	22	48	20	11	101	5th, 6th, 7th, George, West, Leshner, V, T
23 - 10	Merced	0	10	22	12	44	1st, 2nd, 3rd, R, S,
23 - 13	Merced	28	0	0	0	28	Park Ave/Elderly
23 - 21	Merced Acquisition	0	0	0	1	1	Barney
23 - 23	Atwater Acquisition	0	0	2	0	2	Vine Circle/Bellevue
Total AMP #1 units:						176	Total AMP 1

AMP #2 - Project #	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	
23 - 03	Atwater	2	8	4	1	15	Cameo Ct./Crest Rd.
23 - 06	Livingston	11	14	19	16	60	Alameda, Castellana, Balmoral
23 - 12A	Atwater	0	16	20	0	36	Kelso, Olive, Crest
23 - 12B	Winton	0	3	3	0	6	Suzie Street
Total AMP #2 units:						117	Total AMP 2

AMP #3 - Project #	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	
23 - 02	Los Banos	2	10	8	0	20	Linda Vista/ I Street
23 - 04	Los Banos	8	8	14	10	40	7th, 8th, B, C, D, Abby
23 - 05	So. Dos Palos	4	8	10	8	30	Lexington, Globe
23 - 11	Los Banos	0	3	5	2	10	J & K Street
23 - 12C	Dos Palos	0	5	7	0	12	Alleyne, Palo Alto, Almond
23 - 12D	So. Dos Palos	0	0	8	2	10	Globe
Total AMP #3 units:						122	Total AMP 3

AMP #4 - Project #	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	
23-24	Merced	0	6	0	0	6	1st Street
Total AMP #4 units:						6	Total AMP4

Total LIPH Conventional Units: 421

Valley View Homes

Development Name	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	
Midway	Dos Palos	0	16	14	4	34	Reynolds
O'Banion Terrace (senior)	Dos Palos	25	0	0	0	25	Dora St
Sierra Vista (senior)	Atwater	14	0	0	0	14	Sierra Vista/Olive
Total Valley View Units:						73	

Fair Market Home	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	
11 Sunbird	Merced	0	0	1	0	1	
Total Fair Mkt Home						0	

Farm Labor Centers	City	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Total Units	Type of Center
Merced Migrant	Merced	0	12	33	4	49	Seasonal
Atwater Migrant	Atwater	0	30	27	2	59	Seasonal
Los Banon Migrant	Los Banos	0	12	28	8	48	Seasonal
Felix Torres Migrant	Planada	0	43	25	4	72	Seasonal
Felix Torres Year Round	Planada	0	29	19	2	50	Year-Round
Total Farm Labor Units:						278	

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401 Leshner Drive, Merced, CA 95341