## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







## **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS OF GOVERNMENT FACILITIES**

#### Solicitation Number: DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016

This solicitation is designated only for certified small business enterprise ("SBE") contractors under the provisions of the "Small and Certified Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of 2014", D.C. Official Code § 2-218.01 *et seq.*, as amended. ONLY contractors that are certified by the District of Columbia Department of Small and Local Business Development ("DSLBD") as a SBE are eligible.

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<b>Project Information Meeting:</b>	October 7, 2022 at 3:00 A.M. See Section E.6 <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>
Questions Due Date:	<b>October 12, 2022 at 2:00 P.M.</b> See Section E.5
SOQ Delivery Date:	<b>October 31, 2022 at 2:00 P.M.</b> See Sections E.2 and E.3
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#### **Executive Summary**

The District of Columbia Department of General Services ("District", "Department" or "DGS") is issuing this Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") to solicit Statements of Qualifications ("SOQ(s)") from those entities ("Offeror(s)") interested in performing maintenance and repair services for various District of Columbia owned properties within the DGS construction portfolio and maintenance facility locations ("Project Locations"). As is more fully described below, such work may include, but is not limited to: roof repairs, life safety repairs, vandalism, windows and door replacement, mechanical services, and other miscellaneous work as may be necessary. The contractor(s) selected under this procurement (the "Contractor(s)") should be capable of handling all types of building and maintenance repairs and upgrades, including, but not limited to, roofing and plumbing repairs, electrical repairs, door and window replacements, carpentry, masonry, flooding remediation and fire alarm repairs, and other similar types of work. The contract work may also include, from time to time, projects that need to be completed quickly; these would primarily be in response to emergency situations such as vandalism, structural failures, or other life safety issues. It is contemplated that the work required for the Project Locations will be further detailed and released through competitive Task Order Agreements issued pursuant to indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity ("IDIQ") type contracts or Basic Ordering Agreements ("BOA(s)"), which will be awarded through this procurement.

The Contractors shall be responsible for completing maintenance and repair work on an as-needed basis as may be requested by the Department. For the most part, the Department is looking for Contractors that have the infrastructure and staff resources to handle discrete small tasks in a time-sensitive environment.

An Offeror's SOQ must meet all requirements established by this RFQ and all Offerors must hold the applicable license requirements as determined by the District Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs ("DCRA"). Failure to meet an RFQ requirement may render an Offeror's SOQ non-responsive, while the extent to which an Offeror meets or exceeds evaluation criteria will be rated by the Department's evaluation team ("Evaluation Team") and be reflective of the Evaluation Team's scoring of Offeror's SOQ submission.

#### A.1. Project Delivery Method

A.1.1 The goal of this RFQ is to establish a list of qualified Contractors to compete for maintenance and repair work on an as-needed basis as may be requested for projects across the Department of General Services' portfolio of properties. Each such Contractor will be required to enter into a BOA that will set forth the general terms and conditions of the process as well as establish the method by which Task Order Agreements ("Task Order Agreement(s)") for specific work will be competed and awarded. Offerors should note, however, that the BOA will not authorize any specific work or constitute a guarantee that any work will be assigned to a Contractor. All work will be awarded and released through individual project Task Order Agreements.

- **A.1.2** The Form of the BOA ("Form of Contract") is included here as <u>Attachment G</u>. Offerors should carefully review the Form of Contract when submitting their SOQ Submission. Offerors should note, however, that the Form of Contract will not authorize any specific work or constitute a guarantee that any work will be assigned to a Contractor. To the extent there are any inconsistencies between this RFQ and the Form of Contract, the Form of Contract shall prevail. Offerors are further advised that they are required to submit their SOQ Submissions premised upon entering into a contract that is substantially similar to the Form of Contract and that any proposed changes to the Form of Contract must be clearly identified and described in their SOQ Submission.
- **A.1.3** The term of the BOAs will be for a period of one (1) base year with an option to extend for four (4) additional one (1) year option periods.
- A.1.4 Section B below provides more detail; however, work will be assigned as follows: As projects are identified and funded by the Department, a narrative scope of work will be drafted for each such project. Typically, the narrative scope of work will not include complete drawings, and as such, selected pre-qualified Contractors should be prepared to complete the work as further described in the applicable Request for Task Order Proposal ("RFTOP"). The narrative scope of work will be issued to three (3) or more of the Contractors and each of those Contractors will be provided with an opportunity to walk the project with the Department's representatives in order to better understand and clarify the work. Each such Contractor will then be required to submit a lump sum price, and/or such other type of compensation requested by the Department for the proposed work. The specific method of compensation will be specified in the RFTOP. The amount of time that Contractors will be required to submit proposals under the RFTOP will depend on the specifics of each individual project. The Department will select the Contractor to be awarded each such project primarily based on price proposals submitted in response to RFTOPs, however the Department reserves the right to consider non-price factors when making such decisions and will also consider differences in scope and/or proposed finishes, equipment and materials. Awarded Task Orders will detail the award criteria for each project.

#### A.2.1 Contract Documents

As stated, the resulting contract(s) will be a BOA, included here as <u>Attachment G</u>. The DGS Standard Contract Provisions for Construction Contracts and the DGS Standard Contract Provisions for Architectural and Engineering Services Contracts, included here as <u>Attachment C</u>; and such other exhibits and attachments as are incorporated into the RFQ will also be included with the BOA (all such documents are referred to as "Contract Documents").

#### A.2.2 Attachments

The following attachments are specifically made a part of, and incorporated into, this RFQ:

Attachment A	<b>hent A</b> Past Performance Evaluation Form	
Attachment B	Tax Affidavit	
Attachment C	DGS Standard Contract Provisions – Construction Contracts and DGS	
	Standard Contract Provisions – Architectural and Engineering	
Attachment D	Bidder-Offeror Certification	
Attachment E	2022 Living Wage Act Notice and Fact Sheet	
Attachment F	EEO Policy Statement	
Attachment GForm of Contract (Basic Ordering Agreement)		
Attachment H Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement		
Attachment I	Submission Portal Preview	

#### A.3 Contractor's Compensation

The BOA shall merely set forth the basic parameters of the program and shall **not** constitute a guarantee that any work shall be forthcoming. **All work will be authorized and released by project-specific Task Order Agreements.** Typically, the narrative scope of work will not include complete drawings, and as such, Contractors should be prepared to complete the work as further described in the Request for Task Order Proposal ("RFTOP") issued for each project. The narrative scope of work will be issued to three (3) or more of the Contractors and each of those Contractors will be provided with an opportunity to walk the project with the Department's representatives in order to better understand and clarify the work. Each such Contractor will then be required to submit a lump sum price, and/or such other type of compensation requested by the Department to fully complete the proposed work. The specific method of compensation will be specified in the RFTOP. As such and absent specific instructions to the contrary, proposed Task Order pricing shall be "all inclusive" and should include sufficient funding to cover all of the Contractor's costs necessary to complete the particular project, including, but not limited to, profit, home and field office overhead, supervision, labor, materials, equipment, bonds, insurance and such professional services as may be required to complete the design and obtain the necessary permits.

#### A.4 Limitations

- A.4.1 Minimum Order: The minimum order for the awardees will be in an amount of \$50.00 during the base year and each option year period.
- A.4.2 Maximum Order: The maximum aggregate value of all Task Order Agreements issued to a single Contractor shall not exceed \$10,000,000.00 per base year and each option year pursuant to the BOA.

# A.5 Selection Criteria

SOQ Submissions will be evaluated in accordance with <u>**Part D**</u> of this RFQ. The following evaluation criteria will be used:

- i. Past Performance, Experience & References (25 points)
- ii. Key Personnel (25 points)
- iii. Project Management Plan (25 points)
- iv. Capacity (25 points)
- v. Certified Business Enterprise Preference points (Up to 12 points)

#### SECTION B SCOPE OF WORK

**B.1** Contractor's Scope of Work. As authorized via competitively awarded Task Order Agreements, the selected, pre-qualified Contractors shall compete for maintenance and repair work on an as-needed basis as may be requested for various Project Locations. Such work may include, but is not limited to: minor repairs, roofing repairs, window and door replacements interior demolition, playground renovations; and other miscellaneous work as may be necessary. These services will generally include a range of facility maintenance and restoration projects for such Project Locations. The contract work may also include, from time to time, projects that need to be completed in response to emergency situations such as vandalism, structural failures, flooding, fire damage or other life safety related issues.

Sample project types, include, but not limited to those listed below. The actual scope of work for each project will be detailed in the applicable RFTOP and identified in each awarded Task Order Agreement:

	Sample Project Types
a.	Minor repairs
b.	Roofing repairs
c.	Mechanical repairs
d.	Water intrusions and fire damage
e.	Grounds maintenance
f.	Playground repairs
g.	Interior demolitions

**B.1.1 Project Manager.** The Department shall assign a Project Manager (each, a "PM") to oversee the Contractor's work under any Task Order Agreement. The name and contact information for the assigned PMs will be specified in the applicable Task Order Agreement. The Contractor shall take direction from, and coordinate its work with, the assigned PMs. The Contractor will be required to develop work plans that are coordinated with, and acceptable to, the PMs assigned to each project. The Contractor acknowledges, however, that the Program Manager and Project Manager shall not be authorized to modify any of the rights or obligations of the Department or the Contractor pursuant to the BOA, or to issue Task Order Agreements, Change Orders, Contract Modifications or Change Directives. The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that only a duly authorized contracting officer of the Department shall have the authority to issue Task Order Agreements, Change Orders, Contractives on the Department's behalf.

**B.1.2 Central Office.** During the Term of the BOA, the Contractor shall maintain a central office that is staffed between the hours of 7am - 5pm Monday through Friday. This office will be used to manage work associated with the BOA. A separate office does not to be established, and it is acceptable if the Contractor elects to manage its staff assigned to projects from its current office. The office should be equipped with telephone lines, a fax machine, email, access to the

internet and such other equipment and supplies as are necessary to fulfill the work required under the BOA.

**B.1.3 Working Hours.** The Contractor shall be required to coordinate with the assigned Program Manager each individual project awarded via Task Order Agreement. The work may be performed during normal business hours; however, the Contractor may be required to work after hours or on weekend and holidays so as to not adversely impact the work of the District of Columbia employees/and or Contractors. The Contractor shall be required to develop work plans that are coordinated with, and acceptable to, the Program Manager.

# **B.2** Competitive Bidding.

**B.2.1** For each project identified and funded by the Department to be competed among selected pre-qualified Contractors that entered into a BOA pursuant to the RFQ, the Department will develop a scope of work and solicit competitive proposals from the Contractor's via RFTOPs. The scope of work will be issued to three (3) or more of the Contractors, and in most cases, each of those Contractors will be provided with an opportunity to walk the project with the Department's representatives in order to better understand and clarify the work.

**B.2.2** The Department contemplates that the scopes of work that will be issued to Contractors during the bidding phase will not include complete drawings. The parties acknowledge and agree that Contractors may be required to complete work on a design-build or design-assist basis or any such other method as described in the RFTOPs.

**B.2.3** Each Contractor will be required to submit, within the time allotted by the Department in the RFTOP, a lump sum price or such other pricing as may be requested by the Department for the proposed work (such price, "Task Order Price"). Absent specific instructions to the contrary, proposed Task Order pricing should be "all inclusive" and should include sufficient funding to cover all of the Contractor's costs necessary to complete the project, including, but not limited to, profit, home and field office overhead, supervision, labor, materials, equipment, bonds, insurance and such any other professional services as may be required to complete the design, other type of work or to obtain the necessary permits. The Contractor shall be responsible for using the then-current Davis-Bacon wage determination and/or Service Contract Act wages (as applicable) when developing its pricing for any given project.

**B.2.4** The Department will select the Contractor to be awarded each such project primarily based on price, but the Department reserves the right to consider non-price factors when making such decisions and will also consider differences in scope and/or proposed finishes, equipment and materials. Task Order Agreements will detail the award criteria for the project.

**B.2.5** In the event the Contractor is selected for a project, the Contractor shall enter into a Task Order. The Contractor shall not proceed with any work unless and until such Task Order is fully executed by the Department and the Contractor is directed to begin work. Before the Department executes Task Order Agreement, the Contractors are required to resolve any clean hand

compliance matters with relevant authorities including, but not limited, to the Office of Tax and Revenue ("OTR") office.

**B.3 Task Order Agreements.** Any and all work performed under the BOA or any Task Order Agreement issued pursuant hereto shall be governed by the terms and conditions set forth in the BOA. It is contemplated that individual Task Order Agreements shall, in general, contain the following information: (i) a description of the scope of work included in such Task Order Agreement; (ii) a lump sum price and/or such other terms of compensation for the work included in the Task Order Agreement's scope of work; (iii) the Substantial Completion Date for the Task Order Agreement's scope of work and/or such other schedule requirements for Task Order Agreement; (iv) liquidated damages; (v) name and contact information for the assigned PM; and (vi) any other specific requirements of the scope of work. The Task Order Agreement shall also set forth a general description and requirements of the given project (such description and requirements, the "**Project**").

**B.4 Term of the BOA.** The BOA shall be effective from the date of execution by both parties through one year from such date (such time period, the "**Term**"). Any and all work assigned to the Contractor pursuant to a Task Order Agreement issued pursuant to the BOA must be completed within the Term of the BOA, and no later than the Substantial Completion Date identified in the individual Task Order Agreement.

**B.5 Option Year.** The Department shall have the right to extend the Term of the BOA to four (4) one-year option periods (each such period, an "Option Year"), the first of which would begin on the date that the base year Term expires; and the second of which would begin on the date that Option Year 001 expires and end one year from the date that Option Year 001 expires. In the event the Department desires to extend the Term of the BOA pursuant to this Section B.5, the Department shall give the Contractor written notice of such election at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the applicable Option Year.

**B.6 Standard Task Order Provisions.** Unless otherwise expressly stated in a Task Order, all of the provisions of the BOA shall be deemed incorporated into the Task Order as if set forth therein.

**B.7 Minimum Value of BOA.** The minimum value of services for each base year and subsequent Option Year is Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).

**B.8 Not-to-Exceed Maximum Value of BOA.** The maximum aggregate value of services for the base year and each subsequent Option Year is Ten Million Dollars (**\$10,000,000.00**) (the "NTE Amount"). It is understood that the Contractor is not authorized to proceed with any work based solely on the BOA. Any and all work performed under the BOA shall be authorized by a written Task Order. In no event shall the Contractor be entitled to recover in the aggregate, pursuant to the BOA and any and all Task Orders issued pursuant hereto, more than the NTE Amount.

#### **B.9** Preconstruction Activities

Prior to mobilizing to the Project site and commencing work, the Contractor shall be required to complete those activities set forth in this **Section B.9**. Unless a delay in completing the preconstruction activities is the result of a delay by the Department or the Program Manager beyond the timeframes set forth herein or an event of force majeure, delays in completing the preconstruction activities shall not be considered excusable and shall not justify an extension of the substantial completion date or for further compensation.

**B.9.1 Detailed Schedule.** Within seven (7) days of the issuance of a Notice to Proceed for any awarded Task Order Agreement, the Contractor shall submit to the Department for its approval a schedule for the Project. Such schedule shall include a schedule for submittals and key milestones that is reasonably acceptable to the Program Manager. The Program Manager shall have five (5) business days to review such submittal.

**B.9.2** Potential Subcontractors and Suppliers. Within the timeframe specified in each Task Order, and after the issuance of a Task Order, the Contractor shall furnish to the Department and its Program Manager a list of the subcontractors and suppliers that will work on an individual project as well as a general description of each such subcontractor's scope of work. Within five (5) business days after such list is submitted, the Program Manager shall advise the Contractor if it has any objection to any of the listed subcontractors or suppliers. In the event the Program Manager has a reasonable objection to any such subcontractor or supplier; the Parties shall discuss such objection and agree on an appropriate course of action.

**B.9.3 Design Services.** Prior to providing its bid for any Task Order, the Contractor had an opportunity to review and ask questions regarding the scope of work for the Task Order and to ascertain what design services, if any, were necessary in order to complete the Project and has included in its price the costs of any necessary design services, and the Contractor shall be required to provide, at no additional cost to the Department, such design services as are necessary to implement the Project. The Contractor and the Project Manager shall agree upon the exact design services to be required prior to the commencing of construction.

**B.9.4 Safety Plan.** Prior to the start of any maintenance and construction activities, the Contractor shall prepare a safety plan for the construction phase conforming to OSHA, 29 CFR 1926 (such plan, the "Safety Plan"). The Safety Plan shall be submitted to the Department, and the Contractor shall incorporate such comments as the Department may reasonably request.

**B.9.4.1 Safety Barriers/Fences.** As part of its responsibility for Project safety, the Contractor shall install such fences and barriers as may be necessary. The Contractor shall develop a plan that describes the proposed separation and the specific nature of the fences and barriers that will be used. This plan will be submitted to the Department for its review and approval prior to the commencement of construction. Once such plan has been approved, the Contractor shall comply with it at all times during construction. The Contractor shall be required to revise the plan as may be reasonably requested by the Department. The cost of revising and complying with the plan shall not entitle the Contractor to an increase in the Task Order Price.

**B.9.4.2 Site Security.** The Contractor shall be responsible for site security and shall be required to provide such watchman as are necessary to protect the site from unwanted intrusion.

**B.9.4.3 Exculpation.** The right of the Department to comment on the Safety Plan and the nature and location of the required fences and barriers shall in no way absolve the Contractor from the obligation to maintain a safe site.

**B.9.5** Site Logistics Plan. Prior to the start of construction activities, the Contractor shall prepare a Site Logistics Plan. The Site Logistics Plan shall address: (i) the manner in which the Contractor intends to organize the site; (ii) the location and description of site fences and other safety barricades intended to prevent the public from entering the site; (iii) the location of construction entrances and wheel washing stations; and (iv) parking restrictions and procedures that will apply to the employees of Contractor and its subcontractors.

**B.9.6** Quality Plan. Prior to the start of construction activities, the Contractor shall prepare a Quality Plan. The Quality Plan shall address: (i) the processes employed by the Contractor to ensure quality assurance; (ii) to determine how items are checked for quality and which items need to be checked; (iii) list the specific quality materials used during the project including standards, guidelines, checklist, templates, procedures, user guides and processes; and how the Contractor will handle defective items.

**B.9.7 Design Reviews/Submittals.** On or before the dates specified in the approved detailed schedule, the Contractor shall submit the necessary information (i.e. shop drawings, submittals, sketches, etc.) to the Program Manager for his review and approval. Unless a different timeframe is established in the approved detailed schedule, the Program Manager shall have five (5) business days to review such documents. In the event the Program Manager finds such documents to be unacceptable, the Contractor shall be required to revise and resubmit such documents. The Contractor shall not commence construction activities unless and until such documents have been approved by the Program Manager. Any delays that result from design resubmissions shall be considered Non-Excusable.

In addition, the Contractor shall coordinate with the Department's Program Manager and the Department's architect/engineer with respect to requests for information (RFIs), architect's supplemental instructions and other construction administration, as well as the District Historic Preservation Review Board (as required).

**B.9.8 Permits.** Unless otherwise specified in the Task Order Agreement, it is understood that the Contractor shall be required to secure and pay for any and all permits, governmental fees, licenses and inspections necessary for the execution and completion of the work. The Department shall cooperate with the Contractor in securing such permits, licenses and inspections; provided however, the Department shall not be required to pay the fees for such permits, licenses and inspections unless otherwise noted in the Task Order.

**B.9.9** Coordination with DGS. The Contractor will be required to coordinate with the assigned Program Manager for each individual project. Unless specified otherwise in the Task Order, the work will generally be performed during normal business hours; however, the Contractor may be required to work after hours or on weekend and holidays as to not adversely impact the work of the District of Columbia employees/and or Contractors. The Contractor will be required to develop work plans that are coordinated with, and acceptable to, the Program Manager assigned to the task order.

**B.10** Maintenance and Construction Phase. The Construction Phase shall commence when the Department issues a written Notice to Proceed for Construction. The Contractor shall construct the work described on the Construction Documents including any work that is not specifically shown thereon but is reasonably inferable therefrom or necessary for a fully functioning Project. The work shall be carried out in a workmanlike and timely fashion. All materials and equipment to be incorporated into the Project shall be new and previously unused, unless otherwise specified, and shall be free of manufacturing or other defects. The Contractor hereby assumes the risks associated with and shall be responsible for (i) any changes in market conditions that affect the cost of labor or materials; (ii) coordination issues between any drawings for the Project; (iii) elements of work not shown on the drawings, but which are reasonably inferable from the drawings; (iv) cost associated with acceleration of the work and expediting of materials necessary to meet the Project Schedule which are the result of anything other than an Excusable Delay; and (v) the risk of subcontractor default.

**B.10.1 A.** Coordination with DGS. The Contractor will be required to coordinate with the assigned Program Manager for each individual project. The work may be performed during normal business hours; however, the Contractor may be required to work after hours or on weekend and holidays as to not adversely impact the work of District Government employees/and or Contractors. The Contractor will be required to develop work plans that are coordinated with, and acceptable to, the PM assigned to the Task Order Agreement.

**B.10.1 B.** Supervision & Coordination. The Contractor will be required to properly supervise and coordinate its work. At a minimum, it is envisioned that the Contractor will be required to undertake the following tasks:

- 1. Participate and assist in Project/Planning meetings;
- 2. Maintain full-time on-site construction supervision and provide daily inspections, quality control, monitoring, coordination of various trades, record drawings, and daily work log;
- 3. Coordinate work with any on-site personnel so as to ensure that their activities are not adversely affected;
- 4. Conduct periodic progress meetings following a Contractor generated agenda with the Program Manager;
- 5. Provide general safety and signage and posting for the project and see that each subcontractor prepares and submits adequate safety program and monitoring throughout the project;
- 6. Obtain all job permits and approvals from the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs that are required to perform and complete the work, unless otherwise noted herein; Page 11 of 48

- 7. Prepare payment requests, verify accuracy and forward to Department for approval and payment;
- 8. Assemble close-out documents required;
- 9. Provide assistance to the Department through all applicable warranty periods;
- 10. Coordinate its work with all third parties so as not to delay the critical path of the Project; and
- 11. Prepare and submit to the Department construction meeting minutes, progress meeting minutes, daily logs, inspection reports, preliminary and baseline schedules, (Primavera format) and schedule updates demonstrating the critical path of the Project (Primavera format).

**B.10.2 CBE Subcontractors.** The Contractor shall not substitute or replace any subcontractor or supplier certified by the DSLBD without the Department's prior written consent.

**B.10.3 Site Observations.** The Contractor will be required to visit the site, become familiar with local conditions under which the work is to be performed and correlate personal observations with requirements of the Construction Documents as provided for projects solicited under the RFTOPs. The Contractor shall carefully study and compare the Construction Documents with each other and with information furnished by the Department. Before commencing activities, the Contractor shall (1) take field measurements and verify field conditions; (2) carefully compare this and other information known to the Contractor with the Construction Documents; and (3) promptly report errors, inconsistencies or omissions discovered to the Department. Once work is started, the Contractor assumes the responsibility and costs for the work and the cost of correcting work previously installed.

**B.10.4 Warranty of the Construction Work.** The Contractor warrants to the Department that materials and equipment furnished under the Task Order Agreement will be of good quality and new unless otherwise expressly permitted in writing, that for the one (1) year period following the Substantial Completion Date the construction work will be free from defects not inherent in the quality required or permitted, and that the work will conform to the Construction Documents and/or any approved design documents. The Contractor's warranty excludes remedy for damage or defect caused by abuse, modifications not executed by the Contractor, improper or insufficient maintenance, improper operation, or normal wear and tear and normal usage. The Contractor and a representative of the Department shall walk the Project together eleven (11) months after the Substantial Completion Date to identify any necessary warranty work. In the event the Contractor fails to schedule such a walk, the Warranty period shall be extended until such time as the Contractor schedules such a walk.

**B.10.5 Extent of Responsibility and Site Conditions.** The Contractor shall be entitled to submit a change request for differing site conditions only to the extent that such conditions could not have been discovered by a competent visual inspection of the site and are of unusual nature and differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering to work of the character provided for in the Contract (such circumstances, "**Differing Site Conditions**"). The term Differing Site Conditions shall mean subsurface conditions on or adjacent to the Project site which differ materially from those indicated in the geotechnical reports prepared by the Contractor. Page 12 of 48

The term "Differing Site Conditions" shall also include unknown physical conditions at the site of an unusual nature which differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering to work of the character provided for in this Contract. Prior to commencing construction, the Contractor shall be required to conduct a thorough review of the Project site and the surrounding area and shall document its findings. In the event the Contractor fails to undertake and document such a thorough review, the Contractor shall be deemed to have known of those conditions which a thorough review would have detected. Any Change Request related to Differing Site Conditions shall be made pursuant to the Standard Contract Provisions.

## **B.10.6 Unsafe Materials and Hazardous Materials**

**B.10.6.1** The Contractor shall not bring, spill or release onto the site asbestos, PCBs, or any other Hazardous Material that is not customarily used in a facility of the type and similar to the Project, and shall bring to the Department's attention any specification of such Hazardous Materials in the design documents. If the Contractor believes that anything in the Task Order Agreement would require that it use or bring onto the site asbestos, PCBs, or any Hazardous Material that is not customarily used in a facility of the type and similar to the Project, it shall immediately inform the Department and seek direction before proceeding.

**B.10.6.2** If Hazardous Materials are discovered on the site, the Contractor shall immediately inform the Program Manager and the Department of such discovery. The Contractor shall be entitled to submit a Change Request in accordance with the Standard Contract Provisions for any Hazardous Materials abatement and disposal work. The Contractor shall comply with all laws, including, without limitation, the requirements of the EPA and all jurisdictional agencies as well as all laws relating to safety, health welfare, and protection of the environment, in removing, treating, encapsulating, passivating, and/or disposing of Hazardous Materials, including, but not limited to, removal, treatment, encapsulation, passivation, and/or disposal of the Hazardous Materials. If any notices to governmental authorities are required, the Contractor shall also give those notices at the appropriate times. The Contractor shall ensure abatement subcontractors and disposal sites are appropriately licensed and qualified.

**B.10.6.3** The Contractor shall keep detailed records documenting Work done so that the Department may independently verify compliance with all laws, the number of units actually removed, treated, and/or disposed of, and the appropriate unit price(s) applicable to the work.

**B.10.7 Progress Meetings.** The Contractor shall schedule and conduct at a minimum bi-weekly progress meetings at which the Department, the Program Manager, the Contractor and appropriate subcontractors can discuss the status of the Work. The Contractor shall prepare and promptly distribute meeting minutes.

**B.10.8 Written Reports.** The Contractor shall provide written reports to the Program Manager on the progress of the entire Work in accordance at least every other week, including, but not limited to, a baseline schedule and schedule updates with narrative demonstrating the critical path of the Project in Primavera format. The Contractor shall also maintain a daily log containing a record of weather, subcontractors working on the site, number of workers, major equipment on the Page 13 of 48

site, work accomplished, problems encountered and other similar relevant data as the Department may reasonably require. The log shall be available to the Department, the architect/engineer and the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager and on a monthly basis a copy of the log shall be submitted to the Department.

**B.10.9 Work by Separate Contractors.** The Department reserves the right to perform construction or operations related to the Project with the Department's own forces, and to award separate contracts in connection with other portions of the Project or other construction or operations on the site.

**B.10.10 Project Site Safety.** The Contractor will be required to ensure that its work is conducted in a safe manner and that appropriate barricades and other safety procedures are employed to ensure the safety of District of Columbia employees, Contractor and/or visitors. All such barricades and safety procedures shall be subject to the approval of the Department and its Program Manager.

**B.10.11 Close-Out and Training.** Contractor shall also provide the Department with a complete set of its Project files, including, but not limited to, shop drawings, product manuals, warranties, etc., prepared by the Contractor or its subcontractors along with any other documentation that may reasonably be requested by the Department or its Program Manager and/or Project Manager, at close out so as to assist the Department in operating the building. In addition, if the Project includes work on heating or cooling systems, at the beginning of the first heating and cooling season following turnover of the Project, the Contractor shall be available to assist with, and train the building engineers and staff in the start-up of the building systems for the new weather cycle.

**B.10.12 Salvaged and Stored Items.** The Contractor shall be responsible for salvaging and storing all items as identified by the Department in accordance with all applicable District laws and regulations, after notifying the Department and receiving the Department's permission to proceed.

**B.10.13 Cutting and Patching.** The Contractor shall be responsible for cutting, fitting or patching required to complete the Work or to make its parts fit together properly. All areas requiring cutting, fitting and patching shall be restored to the condition existing prior to the cutting, fitting and patching. The Contractor shall not damage or endanger a portion of the Work or fully or partially completed construction of the Department or separate contractors by cutting, patching or otherwise altering such construction, or by excavation.

## **B.10.14 Correction of Work**

**B.10.14.1** The Department shall be at liberty to object and to require the Contractor to remove forthwith from the Project site and the work and to promptly replace the superintendent, any foreman, technical assistant, laborer, agent, representative, or other person used by the Contractor in or about the execution or maintenance of the Work, who in the sole opinion of the Department is misconducting himself or herself, or is incompetent or negligent in the proper performance of his or her duties, or whose performance in the work is otherwise considered by the Department to Page 14 of 48

be undesirable or unsatisfactory, and such person shall not be again employed upon the Project without the written permission of the Department.

**B.10.14.2** The Contractor shall promptly correct work rejected by Department for failing to conform to the requirements of the Construction Documents or any approved design document or applicable law or regulations whether observed before or after the Project's completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed, and shall correct any work found to be not in accordance with the requirements within a period of one (1) year from the date of Final Completion or by terms of an applicable special warranty required by the Task Order Agreement.

**B.10.14.3** If during the guarantee or warranty period, any material, equipment or system requires corrective work because of defects in materials or workmanship, the Contractor shall commence corrective work within forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the notice and work diligently until corrective work is completed; provided, however, if such notice is received on the day before a weekend or a holiday, the Contractor will commence corrective work on the next business day. If the Contractor does not, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Contract Documents, commence all corrective work within forty-eight (48) hours or if the Contractor commences such work but does not pursue it in an expeditious manner, Department may either notify the bonding company (if any) to have such work and/or obligations performed at no additional cost to Department or may perform such Work and/or obligations and charge the costs thereof to Contractor.

#### **B.10.15 Manufacturers' Warranties**

**B.10.15.1** The Contractor warrants that all manufacturer's or other warranties on all labor, materials and equipment furnished by the Contractor or a Subcontractor or supplier shall run directly to or will be specifically assigned to Department on demand or upon Project completion without demand. In the event any issue or defect which would be covered by any warranty arises but is not addressed by the grantor of the warranty, the Contractor shall be required to act as the guarantor of the obligations under the warranty and to perform under the terms of the warranty.

**B.10.15.2** The Contractor warrants that the installation of all materials and equipment shall be in strict accordance with the manufacturers' requirements or specifications.

**B.10.16 Schedule Update.** The Contractor shall submit bi-weekly schedule updates which shall reflect actual conditions of Project progress as of the date of the update. The update shall reflect the actual progress of construction, identify developing delays, regardless of their cause, and reflect the Contractor's best projection of the actual date by which Substantial Completion and Final Completion of the Project will be achieved. Via a narrative statement (not merely a critical path method schedule), the Contractor shall identify the causes of any potential delay and state what, in the Contractor's judgment, must be done to avoid or reduce that delay. The Contractor shall point out, in its narrative, changes that have occurred since the last update, including those related to major changes in the scope of work, activities modified since the last update, revised projections of durations, progress and completion, revisions to the schedule logic or assumptions, and other relevant changes. Any significant variance from the previous schedule or update shall Page **15** of **48** 

also be identified in a narrative, together with the reasons for the variance and its impact on Project completion. All schedule updates shall be in Primavera 6 format. The Department may make reasonable requests during the Project for changes to the format or for further explanation of information provided. Submission of updates showing that Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Project will be achieved later than the applicable scheduled completion date shall not constitute requests for extension of time and shall not operate to change the scheduled completion date. The Department's receipt of, and lack of objection to, any schedule update showing Substantial Completion or Final Completion later than the dates agreed upon in the Project Schedule shall not be regarded as the Department's agreement that the Contractor may have an extension of time, or as a waiver of any of the Department's rights, but merely as the Contractor's representation that, as a matter of fact, Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Project may not be completed by the agreed upon date in the Project Schedule. Changes to the scheduled completion dates may be made only in the circumstances and only by the methods set forth in the Task Order Agreement.

B.10.17 Acceleration. Subject to the terms of this Section, the Department shall have the right to direct the Contractor to accelerate the work if, in the reasonable judgment of Department, the Contractor fails to: (i) supply a sufficiency of workers or to deliver the materials or equipment with such promptness as to prevent the delay in the progress of the work; or (ii) the progress of the work materially falls behind the projections contained in the then currently approved Project Schedule. In the event that the Department or its Program Manager determine that either of the events specified in the preceding sentence have occurred, the Department shall provide the Contractor with written notice of such event and the Contractor shall be required to provide the Department with a corrective action plan that is reasonably designed to address the concerns raised in such notice within three (3) days after receipt of such notice. If the Department and the Contractor are unable to agree on the terms of such corrective action plan within five (5) calendar days after the issuance of the notice (i.e. with forty eight (48) hours after the receipt of the proposed corrective action plan), the Department shall have the right to direct such acceleration as the Department, in its reasonable judgment, deems necessary. Provided the notice provisions of this Section are complied with, the cost of any acceleration directed under this Section shall not justify an adjustment to the Task Order Agreement Price or the Substantial Completion Date. The Contractor hereby acknowledges that this provision is a material inducement upon which the Department has relied in entering into the Contract; and represents and warrants that it has included sufficient funding in its Task Order Agreement Price in order to comply with the requirements of this Section.

**B.11 Substantial Completion Date.** The Contractor shall substantially complete a Project no later than the date identified in the Task Order Agreement. For purposes of this requirement, the term "**Substantially Complete**" shall mean that all of the following have occurred: (1) the work has been completed with only minor punch list items remaining to be completed; (2) any and all required permits or approvals related to the work have been obtained; (3) all operating and maintenance manuals, training videotapes and warranties required by the Contract have been delivered to the Department; (4) any supplemental training session required by the Contract for operating or maintenance personnel have been completed; (5) all clean-up required by the Contract has been completed; and (6) the Project is ready for the Department to use it for its intended Page **16** of **48** 

purpose. "**Minor punch list items**" are defined for this purpose as items that, in the aggregate, can be completed within thirty (30) days without interfering with the Department's normal use of the Project. Final Completion shall mean the point at which Substantial Completion has been achieved, all punch list items noted at Substantial Completion have been completed and all documents the Contractor is required to deliver to the Department as a condition to receiving final payment have been received. Work is defined as the construction and services required by the Contract, whether completed or partially completed, and includes all other labor, materials, equipment, and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations. The Work may constitute the whole or a part of the Project. Final Completion Date is 30 days from the Substantial Completion Date or as defined in each individual Task Order Agreement.

## **B.12** Administrative Matters

**B.12.1 Use of ProjectTeam.** The Contractor shall utilize the Department's ProjectTeam system and or the Salesforce Platform to create, manage and/or submit any and all documentation required to be provided by the vendor during the course of the Project, including, but not limited to: (i) requests for information; (ii) submittals; (iii) potential change orders; (iv) meeting minutes; (v) pencil copy invoices; (vi) drawings and specifications; (vii) punchlist; and (viii) other documents as may be designated by the Department.

**B.12.2 Invoice Submittal.** The Contractor shall create and submit payment requests in an electronic format through the District Vendor Portal, <u>https://vendorportal.dc.gov</u>. The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis. To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall enter all required information into the Portal after selecting the applicable purchase order number which is listed on the Contractor's profile.

**B.13** Liquidated Damages. If the Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion by the Substantial Completion Date, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the actual damage to the Department for the delay will be impossible to determine, and in lieu thereof, the Contractor shall pay to the Department, as fixed, and liquidated delay damages in the amount specified in the Task Order Agreement for failure to meet the Substantial Completion Date. The Contractor and the Department agree that the liquidated damages do not constitute, and shall not be deemed, a penalty but represent a reasonable approximation of the damages to the Department associated with a delay in the Project. In the event the Contractor fails to meet the Substantial Completion Date as defined in each individual Task Order Agreement, the Contractor consents to a termination for default.

**B.14 Compensation.** The Contractor shall be paid its compensation in a series of progress payments and a final payment. Progress payments shall be based on a Schedule of Values that is agreed upon by the Parties as well as the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager's good faith estimate of the level of completion for each component of the Schedule of Values. Contractor shall prepare the Schedule of Values which breaks down the Task Order Agreement Price for the various parts of the Work. The Schedule of Values shall be maintained in such a manner to provide a breakdown of the Task Order Agreement Price in enough detail to facilitate continued evaluation of applications for payment and progress reports. Large subcontracts shall be broken into several Page **17** of **48** 

line items where, in the opinion of the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager, such detail is necessary to properly track the progress of the Work. The proposed schedule of values shall also include separate line items for each part of the Work if so required by the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager. The Contractor and the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager shall meet as necessary to maintain the schedule of values for the Project in a manner acceptable to the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager. No progress payments shall be made unless the then current Schedule of Values is acceptable to the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager.

## **B.15** Key Personnel

The Offeror's personnel should have the necessary experience and licenses to perform the required work. Toward that end, Offerors should include within its Proposal a description of the staff available to perform this work and their qualifications.

The Contractor will not be permitted to reassign any of the key personnel unless the Department approves the proposed reassignment and the proposed replacement. When submitting a proposal in response to a RFTOP, generally, this should include: (i) the key Project Manager(s) who will supervise the work, (ii) the Assistant Project Manager; and (iii) the Field Superintendents who will oversee the work in the field. Specific personnel for each project would be specified in the RFTOP. To carry out the work associated with the resulting Task Order Agreement, the Contractor shall provide at least the key personnel identified in its proposal which shall be included as an exhibit to the Task Order Agreement and indicate the function(s) each will carry out for the proposed project and indicate what percentage of each such persons time will be devoted to the Task Order Agreement project. Absent death or disability, the (i) the key Project Manager(s) who will supervise the work, (ii) the Assistant Project Manager; and (iii) the Field Superintendents who will oversee the work in the field will not be allowed to reassign any of its key personnel without the Department's prior written approval.

#### **B.16** Risks Assumed by Contractor

By submitting a proposal for any project, the Contractor shall be deemed to have thoroughly examined the terms of the RFTOP, the Drawings and Specifications that may be included with the RFTOP, and shall constitute its acknowledgement that it has been provided with an opportunity to visit the Project site and that such Offeror has had the opportunity to become familiar with local conditions under which the work is to be performed. Further, in submitting any such bid, the Contractor shall be deemed to represent that it has satisfied itself that it can undertake the work for the stated cost. Among other things, by submitting a proposal, the Contractor assumes the following risks: (1) the nature of the land and subsoil unless such conditions constitute a Differing Site Condition under Article 4.A of the Standard Contract Provisions for Construction Contracts; (2) the form and nature of the site and surrounding areas; (3) details and levels of existing pipe lines, conduits, sewers, drains, cables or other existing services; (4) the quantities, nature and availability of the materials, tools, equipment and labor necessary for the completion of the work; (5) the means of access to the site and any accommodation that may be required; (6) uncertainties of weather and physical conditions at the site; and in general to have itself obtained all necessary Page 18 of 48

information as to risk contingencies, climatic, hydrological and natural conditions and other circumstances which may influence or affect his performance of the work.

#### SECTION C ECONOMIC INCLUSION AND COMPLIANCE

#### C.1 Preference for Small, Local, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

**<u>General</u>**: Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, in evaluating bids or proposals, the Department shall award preferences as follows:

- (A) Three points for a small business enterprise;
- (B) Five points for a resident-owned business;
- (C) Five points for a longtime resident business;
- (D) Two points for a local business enterprise;
- (E) Two points for a local business enterprise with its principal office located in an enterprise zone;
- (F) Two points for a disadvantaged business enterprise;
- (G) Two points for a veteran-owned business enterprise; and
- (H) Two points for a local manufacturing business enterprise.

A certified business enterprise shall be entitled to any or all of the preferences provided in this section, but in no case shall a certified business enterprise be entitled to a preference of more than 12 points or a reduction in price of more than 12 percent.

#### C.1.2 Preferences for Certified Joint Ventures – RESERVED [Intentionally Omitted]

#### C.1.3 Verification of Contractor's Certification as a Certified Business Enterprise

Any Contractor seeking to receive preferences on this RFQ must be certified at the time of submission of its proposal. The CO shall verify the Contractor's certification with DSLBD, and the Contractor should not submit with its proposal any additional Documentation regarding its certification as a certified business enterprise.

(a) Any vendor seeking certification in order to receive preferences under this RFQ should contact the:

Department of Small and Local Business Development ATTN: CBE Certification Program 441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 850N Washington, DC 20001 <u>dslbd@dc.gov</u>

(b) All vendors are encouraged to contact DSLBD at (202) 727-3900 if additional information is required on certification procedures and requirements.

#### C.2 Subcontracting Plan

An Offeror responding to this RFP which is obligated to subcontract shall be required to submit with its Proposal, any subcontracting plan required by law. Offeror's responding to this RFP shall be deemed nonresponsive and shall be rejected if the Offeror fails to submit a subcontracting plan that is required by law. If the Agreement is in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the Agreement shall be subcontracted in accordance with **Attachment I**.

#### C.2.1 Mandatory Subcontracting Plan and Requirements.

**C.2.1.1** Unless the Director of the DSLBD has approved a waiver in writing, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2- 218.51, for all contracts in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the contract shall be subcontracted to qualified small business enterprises (SBEs).

**C.2.1.2** If there are insufficient SBEs to completely fulfill the requirement of paragraph C.2.1.1, then the subcontracting may be satisfied by subcontracting 35% of the dollar volume to any qualified certified business enterprises (CBEs); provided, however, that all reasonable efforts shall be made to ensure that SBEs are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.

**C.2.1.3** A prime Contractor that is certified by DSLBD as a small, local or disadvantaged business enterprise shall not be required to comply with the provisions of Sections C.2.1.1 and C.2.1.2.

#### C.3 Mandatory Subcontracting Plan and Requirements

The Contractor shall comply with the terms of the mandatory subcontracting requirements as follows:

**C.3.1.** Unless the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) has approved a waiver in writing in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.51, for all contracts in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the Contract shall be subcontracted to qualified small business enterprises (SBEs).

**C.3.2.** If there are insufficient SBEs to completely fulfill the requirement of Section C.3.1 above, then the subcontracting may be satisfied by subcontracting 35% of the dollar volume to any qualified certified business enterprises (CBEs); provided, however, that all reasonable efforts shall be made to ensure that SBEs are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.

**C.3.3.** A prime contractor that is certified by DSLBD as a small, local or disadvantaged business enterprise shall not be required to comply with the provisions of subsections C.3.1 and C.3.2 above.

**C.3.4.** Except as otherwise provided in D.C. Official Code § 2-218.46, a prime contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs.

A CBE prime contractor that performs less than 35% of the contracting effort shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.

**C.3.5.** If the prime contractor is a certified joint venture and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, the CBE member of the certified joint venture shall perform at least 50% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. If the CBE member of the certified joint venture prime contractor performs less than 50% of the contracting effort, the certified joint venture shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.

**C.3.6.** Each CBE utilized to meet these subcontracting requirements shall perform at least 35% of its contracting effort with its own organization and resources.

**C.3.7.** A prime contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least 50% of the on-site work with its own organization and resources if the Contract is \$1 million or less.

## C.3.2 Subcontracting Plan Requirements

If the Contractor is required by law to subcontract under the Contract, it must submit a subcontracting plan for at least (35%) of the dollar volume of the Contract in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2–218.91. The subcontracting plan shall be submitted as part of the Proposal. Any reduction in the dollar volume of the subcontracted portion resulting from an amendment of the plan shall inure to the benefit of the District and the Department. Each subcontracting plan shall include the following:

- a) The name and address of each subcontractor;
- b) A current certification number of the small or certified business enterprise;
- c) The scope of work to be performed by each subcontractor; and
- d) The price that the Contractor will pay each subcontractor.

## C.3.3 Copies of Subcontracts

Within twenty-one (21) days of the date of award, the Contractor shall provide fully executed copies of all subcontracts identified in the subcontracting plan to the CO, District of Columbia Auditor, and the Director of Department of Small and Local Business Development.

## C.3.4 Subcontracting Plan Compliance Reporting

a) The Contractor has a subcontracting plan required by law for this Agreement; the Contractor shall submit a quarterly report to the CO, District of Columbia Auditor and the Director of DSLBD. The quarterly report shall include the following information for each subcontract identified in the subcontracting plan:

- 1. The price that the Contractor will pay each subcontractor under the subcontract;
- 2. A description of the goods procured, or the services subcontracted for;
- 3. The amount paid by the Contractor under the subcontract;
- 4. A copy of the fully executed subcontract, if it was not provided with an earlier quarterly report.
- b) If the fully executed subcontract is not provided with the quarterly report, the Contractor will not receive credit toward its subcontracting requirements for that subcontract.

## C.3.5 Annual Meetings

Upon at least 30-days written notice provided by DSLBD, the Prime Contractor shall meet annually with the CO, contract administrator ("CA"), District of Columbia Auditor and the Director of Department of Small and Local Business Development to provide an update on its subcontracting plan.

#### C.3.6 DSLBD Notices

The Prime Contractor shall provide written notice to the DSLBD and the District of Columbia Auditor upon commencement of the contract and when the contract is completed.

#### C.3.7 Enforcement and Penalties for Breach of Subcontracting Plan

A Prime Contractor shall be deemed to have breached a subcontracting plan required by law, if the Prime Contractor (i) fails to submit subcontracting plan monitoring or compliance reports or other required subcontracting information in a reasonably timely manner; (ii) submits a monitoring or compliance report or other required subcontracting information containing a materially false statement; or (iii) fails to meet its subcontracting requirements. A Prime Contractor that is found to have breached its subcontracting plan for utilization of CBEs in the performance of a contract shall be subject to the imposition of penalties, including monetary fines in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63. If the CO determines the Prime Contractor's failure to be a material breach of the contract, the CO shall have cause to terminate the contract under the default provisions in the Standard Contract Provisions, Neither the Prime Contractor nor its subcontractor may remove a subcontractor or tier-subcontractor if such subcontractor or tier-subcontractor is certified as an LSDBE company unless the Department approves of such removal, in writing. The Department may condition its approval upon the Prime Contractor developing a plan that is, in the Department's sole and absolute judgment, adequate to maintain the level of LSDBE participation on the Project.

#### C.4 First Source Residency Hiring Requirements for Contractors and Subcontractors

At least fifty-one percent (51%) of the Offeror's team and every subconsultant's employees hired after the Offeror enters into a contract with the Department, or after such Page 23 of 48 subconsultant enters into a contract with the Offeror, to work on this Project, shall be residents of the District of Columbia.

Upon execution of the contract, the Offeror and all of its member firms, if any, and each of its subcontractors and subconsultants shall submit to the Department a list of current employees that will be assigned to the Project, the date that they were hired and whether or not they live in the District of Columbia.

The Offeror shall comply with subchapter III of Chapter II of Title 1, and subchapter II of Chapter II of Title 1 of the D.C. Code, and all successor acts thereto and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The Offeror and all member firms, subcontractors, tier subcontractors, subconsultants, and suppliers with contracts in the amount of (\$100,000) or more shall be required to comply with the following: (i) enter into a First Source Employment Agreement with the D.C. Department of Employment Services ("DOES") upon execution of the contract; (ii) submit an executed First Source Agreement to DOES prior to beginning work on the Project; (iii) make best efforts to hire at least (51%) District residents for all new jobs created by the Project; (iv) list all employment vacancies with DOES; (v) submit monthly compliance reports to DOES by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month; (vi) at least (51%) apprentices and trainees employed must be residents of the District registered in program approved by the D.C. Apprenticeship Council; and (vii) trade contractors and subcontractors with contracts in the amount of (\$500,000) or more must register an apprenticeship program with the D.C. Apprenticeship Council.

The Offeror shall comply with First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984 (D.C. Code §§ 2-219.01 *et seq.*), as amended, and subchapter X of Chapter II of Title 2, and all successor acts thereto, including by not limited to the *Workforce Intermediary Establishment and Reform of First Source Amendment Act of 2011*, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, including, but not limited to the following requirements:

- a) At least twenty percent (20%) of journey worker hours by trade shall be performed by District residents;
- b) At least sixty percent (60%) of apprentice hours by trade shall be performed by District residents;
- c) At least fifty one percent (51%) of the skilled laborer hours by trade shall be performed by District residents; and
- d) At least seventy percent (70%) of common laborer hours shall be performed by District residents.

#### C.5 Apprenticeship Act

The District of Columbia Apprenticeship Act of 1946, D.C. Official Code §§ 32-1401 *et seq.* ("Act"), as amended, may apply. All contractors must ensure that subcontractors selected to perform work under Task Orders Agreement on a craft-by-craft basis shall be required to comply with this Act. All terms and conditions of the Act, D.C. Apprenticeship Council Rules and Page 24 of 48

Regulations, as well as any federal requirements, shall be implemented. The contractors shall be liable for any subcontractor non-compliance.

## C.6 Equal Employment Opportunity and Hiring of District Residents

The Offeror shall comply with applicable laws, regulations and special requirements of the Contract Project documents regarding equal employment opportunity and affirmative action programs. In accordance with the District of Columbia Administrative Issuance System, Mayor's Order 85-85 dated June 10, 1985, the forms for completion of the Equal Employment Opportunity Information Report are incorporated herein as **Exhibit I**. A contract award cannot be made to any contractor that has not satisfied the equal employment requirements.

# C.7 Buy American Act Provision

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. § 10a), including, but not limited to, the purchase of steel.

**C.7.1** In accordance with the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. § 10a-10d), and Executive Order 10582. December 17, 1954 (3 CFR, 1954-58 Comp., p. 230), as amended by Executive Order 11051, September 27,1962 (3 CFR, 1059—63 Comp., p. 635), the Contractor agrees that only domestic construction material will be used by the Contractor, subcontractors, material men and suppliers in the performance of the Agreement, except for non-domestic material listed in the Agreement.

"Components" as used in this Section, means those articles, materials and supplies incorporated directly into the end products.

"Domestic end product", as used in this section, means, (1) an unmanufactured end product mined or produced in the United States, or (2) an end product manufactured in the United States, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States, exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components.

Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind as the products shall be treated as domestic. Scrap generated, collected, and prepared for processing in the Unites States is considered domestic.

"End Products", as used in this Section, means those articles, materials, and supplies to be acquired for public use under this Contract.

The Contractor shall deliver only domestic end products, except those:

- 1. For use outside the United States;
- 2. That the District determines are not mined, produced, or manufactured in the Unites States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality;

- 3. For which the District determines that domestic preference would be inconsistent with the public interest; or
- 4. For which the District determines the cost to be unreasonable.

**C.7.2 Domestic Construction Material. "Construction material" means any article,** material or supply brought to the construction site for incorporation in the building or work. An unmanufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been mined or produced in the United States. A manufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been manufactured in the United States and if the cost of its components which have been mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. "Component" means any article, material, or supply directly incorporated in a construction material.

**C.7.3 Domestic Component.** A component shall be considered to have been "mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States" regardless of its source, in fact, if the article, material or supply in which it is incorporated was manufactured in the United States and the component is of a class or kind determined by the Government to be not mined, produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality.

**C.7.4 Foreign Material.** When steel materials are used in a project a minimal use of foreign steel is permitted. The cost of such materials cannot exceed on-tenth of one percent of the total project cost, or \$2,500,000, whichever is greater.

## C.8 Davis-Bacon Act Wage Determination

The Davis-Bacon Act Wage Determination may apply to all projects and will be determined and issued on a per Task Order Agreement basis.

## C.9 Service Contract Act

The Service Contract Act Wage Determination may apply to all projects and will be determined and issued on a per Task Order Agreement basis.

## C.10 Conformance with Laws

It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to perform under the contract in conformance with the Department's Procurement Regulations and all applicable statutes, laws, codes, ordinances, regulations, rules, requirements, orders and policies of Government bodies.

## C.11 Special Provisions Related to the COVID-19 Emergency

**C.11.1** The Contractor is required to comply with Mayor's Order 2021-099, COVID-19 Vaccination Certification Requirement for District Government Employees, Contractors, Interns, and Grantees, dated August 10, 2021, and all substantially similar vaccine Page 26 of 48

requirements, including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded. At the request of the District government, Contractors may be asked to provide certification of compliance with this requirement and/or documents and records in support of this certification.

**C.11.2** The Contractor is required to comply with City Administrator's Order 2021-4, Resumption of Requirement for All Persons to Wear a Mask Inside District Government Buildings and While on Duty as a District Government Employee or Contractor, dated July 30, 2021, and all substantially similar mask requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded.

#### SECTION D EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA

#### **D.1** Evaluation Process

The Department shall evaluate Offeror's SOQ Submissions and any best and final offers in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section D</u> and the Department's Procurement Regulations.

#### **D.2** Evaluation Committee

Each submission shall be evaluated in accordance with this <u>Section D</u> by an Evaluation Committee. The Evaluation Committee shall prepare a written report summarizing its findings and submit the same to the source selection official (or Contracting Officer). Based on the information submitted by the Offerors in response to this RFQ and the report prepared by the Evaluation Committee, the source selection official shall select the Offeror(s) whose submissions are determined by the source selection official to be the most advantageous to the Department.

#### **D.3** Oral Presentation

The Department does not intend to interview Offerors; however, the Department reserves the right to interview Offerors in the competitive range if necessary. If the Department conducts such interviews, each Offeror within the competitive range shall make an oral presentation to the Department's Evaluation Committee, and participate in a question and answer session. The purpose of the oral presentation and the question and answer session is to permit the Evaluation Committee to fully understand and assess the qualifications of each Offeror and the Offeror's key personnel. The submission will be re-scored at the conclusion of the oral presentation.

#### **D.3.1** Length of Oral Presentation

Each Offeror will be given up to 60 minutes to make the presentation. At the end of the initial presentation, there will be a break for approximately 45 minutes for the Evaluation Committee to assess the presentation and prepare questions. The Offeror will then respond to questions from the Department's Evaluation Committee for no more than 90 minutes.

#### D.3.2 Schedule

The order of presentation will be selected randomly and the Offerors will be informed of their presentation date before the beginning of oral presentations. The Department reserves the right to reschedule any Offeror's presentation at the discretion of the contracting officer.

#### **D.3.3 Offeror Attendees**

The oral presentation will be made by the Offeror's personnel who will be assigned the key jobs for this project. Each Offeror will be limited to 7 persons. The job functions of the persons

attending the presentation will be considered to be an indication of the Offeror's assessment of the key areas of responsibility that are deemed essential to the successful completion of the project.

## **D.3.4** Topics

The Offeror may present information about its capabilities and special qualifications to serve as a contractor for this Project, including the qualifications of key personnel.

# D.4 SOQ Submission Evaluation

Each SOQ Submission will be scored on a scale of 1 to 100 points. In addition, Offerors will be eligible to receive up to 12 preference points as described in <u>Section C.1</u> of this RFQ for participation by Local, Small or Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. Thus, the maximum number of points possible is 112. *BOAs will be awarded to the selected pre-qualified Contactors with the minimum evaluated score of eighty-five (85) points (including the CBE preference points) only.* 

# D.4.1 Past Performance, Experience & References (25 points)

The Department desires to pre-qualify Contractors with the experience necessary to perform the types of projects described in Section A of this RFQ. Offerors will be evaluated based on their demonstrated experience in:

(i) Successfully executing maintenance and repairs and construction projects in occupied buildings valued over \$100,000 and similar maintenance and repair projects for a government agency or private sector organization in which the Offeror served as the general contractor in the past five (5) years; (ii) Knowledge of, and access to, the local subcontracting market, including achieving CBE stated goals; (iii) performance under past or current government or private-sector contracts with requirements similar to those of the proposed BOA; and (v) knowledge of the local regulatory agencies and Code Officials. Offerors will be evaluated on the information provided by references on the Offerors quality of work, reliability, cost control, business relations, and the information provided to support the reference evaluator's evaluation as set forth in each Past Performance Evaluation Form as described in this Section D.4.1. References submitted must be from an owner/client source. **This element of the evaluation is worth up to twenty-five (25) points.** 

# D.4.2 Key Personnel (25 points)

The Offeror should include within its SOQ Submission, its full organization chart to demonstrate the depth of the organization by listing all full-time staff, their roles within the organization and years of experience. The Offeror shall also include within its SOQ Submission resumes of key personnel that will be assigned to this Project and indicate what percentage of each such person's time devoted to this Project. Key personnel shall include, generally the following individuals: (i) the key Project Manager(s) who will supervise the work, (ii) the Assistant Project Manager; and

(iii) the Field Superintendents who will oversee the work in the field. Specific personnel would be specified in the RFTOP. Offerors are also required to submit a roster of Project Managers and Field Superintendents who would be available to oversee work in the field. A list of the contractor's key personnel shall be attached to the contract that results from this RFQ. This element of the evaluation is worth up to twenty-five (25) points.

## **D.4.3 Project Management Plan (25 Points)**

Offerors are required to submit a Project Management Plan. The Project Management Plan should clearly explain how the contractor intends to manage and implement the Project. It should demonstrate a knowledge of the process and impediments that must be overcome and ensure that sufficient staffing will be provided. The Project Management Plan should clearly explain the Offerors approach to (i) Safety; (ii) Quality Assurance/Control; (iii) schedule management; and (iv) the coordination with permitting agencies. Offerors are to provide with their SOQ Submission samples of (i) company Safety Plan; (ii) company Quality Control Plan; and (iii) a project schedule and a 3-week look ahead. **This element of the evaluation is worth up to twenty-five (25) points.** 

## **D.4.4** Capacity (25 Points)

Offerors will be evaluated based on a detailed analysis demonstrating that they have the necessary capacity to meet anticipated project schedules. This plan must identify the necessary resources required for the completion of the Project. This requirement has been discussed in detail under Section E.4.1.6. This element of the evaluation is worth up to **twenty-five (25) points**.

#### **D.4.5 CBE Preference (12 points)**

The remaining twelve (12) points will be awarded based on the Offeror status as a Small Business Enterprise ("SBE")/Certified Business Enterprise ("CBE") as outlined in <u>Section C.1</u> of this RFQ.

## SECTION E SOQ ORGANIZATION, SUBMISSION PROCEDURES AND PROTESTS

This section outlines specific information necessary for the proper organization and manner in which Offerors' SOQ Submissions should be proffered. References are made to other sections in this RFQ for further explanation.

## E.1 SOQ Submission Identification

All SOQs shall be submitted electronically, as follows:

An electronic copy of the complete SOQs shall be submitted uploaded to Contracts & Procurement Division's Submission Portal as described in <u>Section E.2</u> by the Due Date in <u>Section E.3</u> of this *RFQ*. The submission should be titled: "Statement of Qualifications for Construction Small General Construction Projects – DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016."

## E.2 Delivery or Mailing of SOQ Submission

SOQs must be uploaded on the portal using the following link: <u>https://octo.quickbase.com/db/bq7rujdk2?a=dbpage&pageID=2</u>

The Submission Portal's preview is attached to this RFP as <u>Attachment I</u>. In submitting the proposal on the portal, Offerors must select the name of the Contract Specialist as indicated in **Section E.5**. Submissions to an incorrect Contract Specialist may not be considered for evaluation.

## E.3 Date and Time for Receiving SOQ Submissions

The due date for SOQ Submissions is at 2:00 P.M. on October 31, 2022. The Offeror assumes the sole responsibility for timely delivery of its SOQ Submission, regardless of the method of delivery.

## E.4 SOQ Organization and Offeror Qualifications

The Department is interested in a qualitative approach to presentation material. Brief, clear and concise material is more desirable than quantity. The SOQ Submission shall be organized as follows:

#### E.4.1 Technical SOQ Submission

Offerors are advised that the SOQ should include specific information that will demonstrate the qualifications and experience required by this RFQ. Offerors shall be aware that DGS reserves the right to conduct an independent investigation of any information, including prior experience, identified in a SOQ by contacting project references, accessing public information, contacting independent parties, or any other means. DGS also reserves the right to request additional information from an Offeror during the evaluation of that Offeror's SOQ.

Offeror shall submit SOQ to include (Technical SOQ and any Exceptions to the Form of Contract/BOA). The technical SOQ Submission shall be organized, as follows:

## E.4.1.1 Executive Summary

Each Offer should provide a summary of no more than three pages of the information contained in Section E.4.1.2.

## E.4.1.2 General Team Information and Firm(s) Data

Identify the full legal name the prime contractor. The prime contractor is defined as the Offeror that will serve as the prime/general contractor who will execute the BOA with DGS. Each Offeror should provide the following information for the contractor and each of its subconsultants.

- A. Name(s), address(es), and role(s) of each firm (including all sub-consultants)
- B. Firm profile(s), including:
  - i. Age.
  - ii. Firm history(ies).
  - iii. Firm size(s).
  - iv. Areas of specialty/concentration.
  - v. A list of any contract held by the Offeror where the contract was terminated (either for default or convenience). This list should also identify any contracts that resulted in litigation or arbitration between the Department and the Offeror. If the Offeror has multiple offices, only contracts held by the office submitting a SOQ Submission to this RFQ need be listed.
- C. Description of the team organization and personal qualifications of key staff, including:
  - 1. Identification of the single point of contact for the Offeror.
  - 2. Organizational chart illustrating reporting lines and names and titles for key participants proposed by the Offeror.
  - 3. A list or chart of all personnel proposed for the Project. Such list or chart should include the following information for each individual:
    - i. The individual's name.
    - ii. The individual's role.
    - iii. The percentage of time that will be devoted by the individual to the Project. This should be identified for each phase of the Project.
    - iv. The individual's resume. Resumes should indicate the individual's experience on the five (5) relevant projects and identify the role of the individual in each past project noted on the resume. The resume should also clearly identify how long the individual has worked in the construction industry and should indicate the number of years of experience in his or her current role and the prior roles. Offerors should also consider the information requested in Section D.3.2 of this RFQ.

- v. The individual's current workload over the next two years.
- 4. A chart showing the experience that the key team members have working together.

# E.4.1.3 Past Performance, Experience & References

- A. Offeror should submit a detailed description of no more than five (5) projects that best illustrate the team's experience and capabilities relevant to this RFQ with value ranging from \$10,000 to \$1,000,000 completed within the last five (5) years. For each such project, the Offeror should provide the information requested below:
  - i. The name and location of the project.
  - ii. The square footage of the project
  - iii. A short narrative of the scope of the contractor's work on the project.
  - iv. Indicate if the project was for an occupied or vacant site.
  - v. The delivery method implemented on the project.
  - vi. The start and end dates for maintenance and repair project.
  - vii. Self-performed trades and Percentage of the self-performed work.
  - viii. The initial substantial completion date and initial contract value.
    - ix. The actual substantial completion date and the final contract value.
- B. The Offeror shall ensure that a minimum of three (3) Past Performance Evaluation forms (<u>Attachment A</u>) are completed by a former client/owner and submitted on behalf of the Offeror directly to <u>rafi.rafiq@dc.gov</u> by the due date for Proposals.
- C. If the Offeror is a team or joint venture of multiple companies, the Evaluation Panel will consider the experience of each member of the team or joint venture in light of their role in the proposed team or joint venture.

# E.4.1.4 Project Management Plan

The Project Management Plan should contain the information requested in <u>Section D.4.3</u> of the RFQ.

# E.4.1.5 Capacity

Offerors shall submit a detailed analysis demonstrating that they have the necessary capacity to meet projects schedule. This plan must identify the necessary resources required for the completion of the Project and must include at a minimum the following:

- i. List number of years the firm has been in business
- ii. Provide copy of your firm's Dun & Bradstreet report for calendar year 2022
- iii. List your annual volume of work (in maintenance and repair dollars) during the past five (5) years for the firm responsible to execute the work under this RFQ. Include listing of all project identifying project client name, project value and date completed.

- iv. Describe the percentage of your business mix between Public sector and Private sector during the past five (5) years
- v. List of the firm's present and future work in terms of active projects, including current firm workload(s) projected over the next year and other contracts including contract values.
- vi. Submit in a tabular format listing all full-time staff, their roles within the organization and years of experience indicating staff designated as Key Personnel.

## E.4.1.6 Key Personnel

Key personnel shall include, generally the following individuals: (i) the key Project Manager(s) who will supervise the work, (ii) the Assistant Project Manager; and (iii) the Field Superintendents who will oversee the work in the field. Specific personnel would be specified in the RFTOP.

# E.4.1.7 Bidder-Offeror Certification Form

Each Offeror shall complete and submit the Bidder-Offeror Certification Form attached hereto as <u>Attachment D</u>. An Offeror who submits an incomplete or improperly or inaccurately completed Bidder-Offeror Certification Form may be deemed non-responsive.

## E.4.1.8 Tax Affidavit

Each Offeror must submit a tax affidavit substantially in the form of <u>Attachment B</u>. In order to be eligible for this procurement, Offerors must be in full compliance with their tax obligations to the District government.

#### E.4.1.9 SBE Subcontracting Plan

SBE Subcontracting Plan may apply to all projects and its requirement will be determined on a per Task Order Agreement basis.

## E.4.1.10 First Source Employment Agreement

First Source Employment Agreement may apply to projects awarded under each BOA and its requirement will be determined on a per Task Order Agreement basis.

## E.4.1.11 Organization's District License

A current copy of Organization's District License(s) must be included in SOQs.

## E.4.1.12 Certification of Citywide Clean Hands

A current copy of Certification of Citywide Clean Hands ("CCH") from the Districts Department of Office of Tax & Revenue (https://otr.cfo.dc.gov/page/certificate-clean-hands) must be included in SOQs.

## E.4.2 Price Consideration after Pre-Qualification and issuance of BOA

## E.4.2.1 Pricing

Pricing will not be solicited under this RFQ. Pricing, including pricing for services performed during any option periods, will be solicited in response to subsequent RFTOPs under the BOA and memorialized in the awarded Task Order Agreements.

## E.5 Contact Person

For information regarding this RFQ please contact:

Rafi Rafiq Contract Specialist Department of General Services 1250 U Street NW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Washington, DC 20009 <u>rafi.rafiq@dc.gov</u>

All questions about this RFP shall be submitted to the portal no later than **2:00 P.M. on October 12, 2022**. using the following link. https://octo.quickbase.com/db/bq7rujdk2?a=dbpage&pageID=2%E2%80%9D.

The Department will provide responses to potential Offerors to all questions received. **Questions** will not be accepted after this date.

In submitting the questions about the solicitation on the portal, Offerors must select the name of the Contract Specialist as indicated in this <u>Section E.5</u>. Questions submitted to an incorrect Contract Specialist may not be answered.

## E.6 Project Information Meeting

DGS will hold an information meeting for potential Offerors on **October 7**, 2022 at 3:00 P.M.. The conference will be held via Teams: <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>

Interested Offerors are strongly encouraged to attend. Please visit DGS' website regularly as this date may change.

## **E.7** Explanations to Prospective Offerors

Each Offeror should carefully examine this RFQ and any and all amendments, addenda or other revisions, and thoroughly familiarize itself with all requirements prior to proffering a SOQ Submission. Should an Offeror find discrepancies or ambiguities in, or omissions from, the RFQ and amendments, addenda or revisions, or otherwise desire an explanation or interpretation of the Page **35** of **48** 

RFQ, any amendments, addenda, or revisions, it must submit a request for interpretation or correction in writing. Any information given to an Offeror concerning the RFQ shall be furnished promptly to all other Offerors as an amendment or addendum to this RFQ if in the sole discretion of the Department that information is necessary in proffering SOQ Submissions or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective Offerors. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract shall not be binding.

## E.8 Protests

Protests shall be governed by D.C. Code § 2-360.08 and Section 4734 of the Department's Procurement Regulations (27 DCMR § 4734).

## E.9 Contract Award

This procurement is being conducted in accordance with D.C. Code § 2-354.03 and the provisions of Title 27 DCMR §§ 4700, et seq., of the Department's Procurement Regulations. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible Offeror and the most advantageous to the Department considering technical merit and other factors.

## E.10 Retention of SOQ Submissions

All SOQ Submissions shall be retained by the Department and therefore shall not be returned to the Offerors. With the exception of proprietary financial information, the SOQ Submissions shall become the property of the Department and the Department shall the right to distribute or use such information as it determines.

#### E.11 Examination of SOQ Submissions

Offerors are expected to examine the requirements of all instructions (including all amendments, addenda, attachments and exhibits) in this RFQ. Failure to do so shall be at the sole risk of the Offeror and may result in disqualification.

#### E.12 Late SOQ Submissions: Modifications

- A. Any SOQ Submission received after the exact time specified in this RFQ shall not be considered.
- B. Any modification of a SOQ Submission is subject to the same conditions as in Section E.3 stated above.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this RFQ to the contrary, a late modification of an otherwise successful SOQ Submission which makes its terms more favorable to the Department may be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- D. SOQ Submissions shall be irrevocable and remain in full force and effect for a period not less than one hundred twenty (120) days after receipt of SOQ Submissions.
## E.13 No Compensation for Preparation of SOQ Submissions

The Department shall not bear or assume any financial obligations or liabilities regarding the preparation of any SOQ Submissions submitted in response to this RFQ, or prepared in connection therewith, including, but without limitation, any submissions, statements, reports, data, information, materials or other documents or items.

## E.14 Rejection of SOQ Submissions

The Department reserves the right, in its sole discretion:

- A. To cancel this solicitation or reject all SOQ Submissions.
- B. To reject SOQ Submissions that fail to prove the Offeror's responsibility per the determination of the CO.
- C. To reject SOQ Submissions that contain conditions and/or contingencies that in the Department's sole judgment, make the SOQ Submission indefinite, incomplete, otherwise non-responsive, or otherwise unacceptable for award.
- D. To waive minor irregularities in any SOQ Submission provided such waiver does not result in an unfair advantage to any Offeror.
- E. To take any other action within the applicable Procurement Regulations or law.
- F. To reject the SOQ Submission of any Offeror that has submitted a false or misleading statement, affidavit or certification in connection with such SOQ Submission for this RFQ.
- G. To reject SOQ Submission that indicates a lack of understanding of any aspect of the scope of work of this RFQ.
- J. To reject SOQ Submissions that are deemed non-responsive.

## E.15 Limitation of Contracting Authority

Only a contracting officer with prior written authority from the CCO shall have the express, implied, or apparent authority to alter, amend, modify, or waive any clauses or conditions of the BOA. Furthermore, any alteration, amendment, modification, or waiver of any clause or condition of this RFQ is not effective or binding unless made in writing and signed by the CCO or its authorized representative.

## E.16 Non-Responsive SOQ Submissions

- A. **Certification.** The Department may consider a SOQ Submission non-responsive if the Offeror fails to properly complete or provides inaccurate information on the Bidder/Offeror Certification Form.
- B. **Exceptions.** If the Offeror identifies any changes or exceptions to the Standard Contract Provisions will be deemed non-responsive.
- C. **Core Competency.** The Department may consider a SOQ Submission non-responsive if the Offeror, whether by inclusion or omission, fails, in the Department's sole judgment, to demonstrate an understanding and competence in every aspect of the project.

## SECTION F INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

## F.1 INSURANCE

**F.1.1** The Department shall ensure that project specific Insurance Requirements are obtained from the DC Office of Risk Management ("ORM") on a per project basis and incorporated project specific Insurance Requirement in each RFTOP and awarded Task Order Agreement.

## SECTION G BONDS

## G.1 Contractor's Payment and Performance Bonds

The Contractor will be required to post a payment and performance bond having a penal value equal to the Lump Sum Price or value of each awarded Task Order Agreement valued at \$100,000 or more, at the time the Task Order Agreement is executed as required by the RFTOP.

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT A Past Performance Evaluation Form

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## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) DCAM-20-CS-RFQ-0016 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

## PAST PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FORM

Offeror Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Performance Elements	Excellent	Good	Acceptable	Poor	Unacceptable
Quality of Services/ Work					
Timeliness of Performance					
Cost Control					
Business Relations					
Customer Satisfaction					

1.	Name and Title of Evaluator:	

## 2. Signature of Evaluator:\_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. Name of Organization:

4. Telephone Number of Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address of Evaluator:

5. State type of service received:

6. State Contract Number, Amount and Period of Performance

- 7. Remarks on Excellent Performance: Provide data supporting this observation. Continue on separate sheet if needed)
- 8. Remarks on unacceptable performance: Provide data supporting this observation. (Continue on separate sheet if needed)

#### **RATING GUIDELINES**

Summarize Contractor performance in each of the rating areas. Assign each area a rating of 0 (Unacceptable), 1 (Poor), 2 (Acceptable), 3 (Good), 4(Excellent), or ++ (Plus). Use the following instructions for guidance in making these evaluations.

P	Quality roduct/Service	Cost Control		Timeless of Performance	Business Relations
۹- ۹- ۱	Compliance with contract requirements Accuracy of reports Appropriateness of bersonnel Technical excellence	-Within budget (over/ under target costs) -Current, accurate, and complete billings -Relationship of negated costs to actual -Cost efficiencies -Change order issue	-Relia -Resp direc -Comp ir -contra -No lic	onsive to technical ctions pleted on time, ncluding wrap-up and act administration quidated damages essed	-Effective management -Businesslike correspondence -Responsive to contract requirements -Prompt notification of contract problems -Reasonable/cooperative -Flexible -Pro-active -effective contractor recommended solutions Effective snail/small disadvantaged business Subcontracting program
0. Zero	Nonconformances are comprises the achievement of contract requirements, despite use of Agency resources	Cost issues are comperformance of contr requirements.		Delays are comprising the achievement of contract requirements, Despite use of Agency resources.	Response to inquiries, technical/ service/administrative issues is not effective and responsive.
1. Unacceptable	Nonconformances require major Agency resources to ensure achievement of contract requirements.	Cost issues require n Agency resources to achievement of contr requirements.	ensure	Delays require major Agency resources to ensure achievement of contract requirements.	response to inquiries, technical/ service/administrative issues is marginally effective and responsive.
2. Poor	Nonconformances require minor Agency resources to ensure achievement of contract requirements.	Costs issues require Agency resources to achievement of contr requirements.	ensure	Delays require minor Agency resources to ensure achievement of contract requirements.	Responses to inquiries, technical/ service/administrative issues is somewhat effective and responsive.
3. Acceptable	Nonconformances do not impact achievement of contract requirements.	Cost issues do not in achievement of contr requirements.		Delays do not impact achievement of contract requirements.	Responses to inquires, technical/ service/administrative issues is usually effective and responsive.
4. Good	There are no quality problems.	There are no cost iss	sues.	There are not delays.	Responses to inquiries, technical/ service/administrative issues is effective and responsive,

5. Excellent The contractor has demonstrated an exceptional performance level in some or all of the above categories.

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT B Tax Affidavit

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## **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

#### **Office of the Chief Financial Officer**

**Office of Tax and Revenue** 



## TAX CERTIFICATION AFFIDAVIT

THIS AFFIDAVIT IS TO BE COMPLETED ONLY BY THOSE WHO ARE REGISTERED TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Date				
Name o Busine	ized Agent of Organization/Ei ss Address (includ ss Phone Number	le zip code)		
Princip Square Federa Contra	ized Agent al Officer Name a and Lot Informat I Identification Nu ct Number Ployment Insuranc	tion ımber		

I hereby authorize the District of Columbia, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Office of Tax and Revenue to release my tax information to an authorized representative of the District of Columbia agency with which I am seeking to enter into a contractual relationship. I understand that the information released will be limited to whether or not I am in compliance with the District of Columbia tax laws and regulations solely for the purpose of determining my eligibility to enter into a contractual relationship with a District of Columbia agency. I further authorize that this consent be valid for one year from the date of this authorization.

I hereby certify that I am in compliance with the applicable tax filing and payment requirements of the District of Columbia. The Office of Tax and Revenue is hereby authorized to verify the above information with the appropriate government authorities.

Signature of Authorizing Agent		Title	
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The penalty for making false statement is a fine not to exceed \$5,000.00, imprisonment for not more than 180 days, or both, as prescribed by D.C. Official Code §47-4106.

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT C DGS Standard Contract Provisions – Construction Contracts and DGS Standard Contract Provisions – Architectural and Engineering

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# District of Columbia Department of General Services Standard Contract Provisions

# GENERAL PROVISIONS (Construction Contract)

#### **ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

- A. "Government" as used herein means the District of Columbia Department of General Services, (DGS) that is a party to a contract.
- **B.** "Executive" as used herein means the elected head of the Government as set forth in [Public Law 93-198 dated December 24, 1973, Title 4, Part B, Section 422(1)] (Or relevant local law).
- **C.** "Contracting Officer" as used herein means the Government official authorized to execute and administrate the Contract on behalf of the Government. Within DGS, the Director is the Chief Contracting Officer. The Director may make delegations of procurement authority to additional contracting officers within DGS.
- D. "Contract Documents" or "Contract" as used herein means Addenda, Contract Form, Standard Contract Provisions, Instructions to Bidders, General Provisions, Labor Provisions, Performance and Payment Bonds, Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Drawings, approved written Change Orders and Agreements required to acceptably complete the Contract, including authorized extensions thereof.

**ARTICLE 2. SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS**—The Contractor shall keep on the work site a copy of Contract drawings and specifications and shall at all times give the Contracting Officer access thereto. Anything mentioned in the specifications and not shown on the Contract drawings, or shown on the Contract drawings and not mentioned in the specifications, shall be of like effect as if shown or mentioned in both.

There shall be no change orders or equitable adjustments for work related to items appearing in either the Contract drawing or specifications.

All Contract requirements are equally binding. Each Contract requirement, whether or not omitted elsewhere in the Contract, is binding as though occurring in any or all parts of the Contract. In case of discrepancy:

- 1. The Contracting Officer shall be promptly notified in writing of any error, discrepancy or omission, apparent or otherwise.
- 2. Applicable Federal, State, and Municipal Code requirements have priority over: the Contract form, General Provisions, Change Orders, Addenda, Contract drawings, Special Provisions and Specifications.
- **3.** The Contract form, Standard Contract Provisions, General Provisions and Labor Provisions have priority over: Change Orders, Addenda, Contract drawings, Special Provisions and Specifications.
- 4. Change Orders have priority over: Addenda, Contract drawings and Specifications.
- **5.** Addenda have priority over: Contract drawings, Special Provisions and Specifications. A later dated Addendum has priority over earlier dated Addenda.
- 6. Special Provisions have priority over: Contract drawings and other specifications.

- 7. Shown and indicated dimensions have priority over scaled dimensions.
- **8.** Original scale drawings and details have priority over any other different scale drawings and details.
- 9. Large scale drawings and details have priority over small scale drawings and details.
- 10. Any adjustment by the Contractor without a prior determination by the Contracting Officer shall be at his own risk and expense. The Contracting Officer will furnish from time to time such detail drawings and other information as he may consider necessary, unless otherwise provided.

#### **ARTICLE 3. CHANGES**

- A. DESIGNATED CHANGE ORDERS—The Contracting Officer may, at any time, without notice to the sureties, by written order designated or indicated to be a change order, make any change in the work within the general scope of the Contract, including but not limited to changes
  - 1. In the Contract drawings and specifications;
  - 2. In the method or manner of performance of the work;
  - 3. In the Government furnished facilities, equipment, materials or services; or
  - 4. Directing acceleration in the performance of the work.

Nothing provided in this Article shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the prosecution of the work so changed.

- **B. OTHER CHANGE ORDERS**—Any other written order or an oral order (which term as used in this Section (B) shall include direction, instruction, interpretation, or determination) from the Contracting Officer which causes any such change, shall be treated as a Change Order under this Article, provided that the Contractor gives the Contracting Officer written notice stating the date, circumstances and sources of the order and that the Contractor regards the order as a Change Order.
- C. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS—Except as herein provided, no order, statement or conduct of the Contracting Officer shall be treated as a change under this Article or entitle the Contractor to an equitable adjustment hereunder. If any change under this Article 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 order, an equitable adjustment shall be made and the Contract modified in writing accordingly; provided, however, that except for claims based on defective specifications, no claim for any change under (B) above shall be allowed for any cost incurred more than 20 days before the Contractor gives written notice as therein required unless this 20 days is extended by the Contracting Officer and provided further, that in case of defective drawings and specifications, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased cost reasonably incurred by the Contractor in attempting to comply with such defective drawings and specifications.

If the Contractor intends to assert a claim for an equitable adjustment under this Article, he must, within 30 days after receipt of a written Change Order under (A) above or the furnishing of a written notice under (B) above, submit to the Contracting Officer a written statement setting forth the general nature and monetary extent of such claim, unless this period is extended by the Contracting Officer. The statement of claim hereunder may be included in the notice under (B) above.

With respect to the notification requirements hereunder, time is of the essence. A failure to provide timely notice constitutes waiver of the claim. No claim by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if asserted after final payment under the Contract.

**D. CHANGE ORDER BREAKDOWN**—Contract prices shall be used for Change Order work where work is of similar nature; no other costs, overhead or profit will be allowed.

Where Contract prices are not appropriate and the nature of the change is known in advance of construction, the parties shall attempt to agree on a fully justifiable price adjustment and/or adjustment of completion time.

When Contract prices are not appropriate, or the parties fail to agree on equitable adjustment, or in processing claims, equitable adjustment for Change Order work shall be per this Article and Article 4 and shall be based upon the breakdown shown in following subsections 1. through 7. The Contractor shall assemble a complete cost breakdown that lists and substantiates each item of work and each item of cost.

- 1. Labor—Payment will be made for direct labor cost plus indirect labor cost such as insurance, taxes, fringe benefits and welfare provided such costs are considered reasonable. Indirect costs shall be itemized and verified by receipted invoices. If verification is not possible, up to 18 percent of direct labor costs may be allowed. In addition, up to 20 percent of direct plus indirect labor costs may be allowed for overhead and profit.
- **2. Bond**—Payment for additional bond cost will be made per bond rate schedule submitted to the Office of Contracting and Procurement with the executed Contract.
- **3.** Materials—Payment for cost of required materials will be F.O.B. destination (the job site) with an allowance for overhead and profit.
- 4. Rented Equipment—Payment for required equipment rented from an outside company that is neither an affiliate of, nor a subsidiary of, the Contractor will be based on receipted invoices which shall not exceed rates given in the current edition of the Rental Rate Blue Book for Construction Equipment published by Data Quest. If actual rental rates exceed manual rates, written justification shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer for consideration. No additional allowance will be made for overhead and profit. The Contractor shall submit written certification to the Contractor or an affiliate of or subsidiary of the Contractor.
- 5. Contractor's Equipment— Payment for required equipment owned by the Contractor or an affiliate of the Contractor will be based solely on an hourly rate derived by dividing the current appropriate monthly rate by 176 hours. No payment will be made under any circumstances for repair costs, freight and transportation charges, fuel, lubricants, insurance, any other costs and expenses, or overhead and profit. Payment for such equipment made idle by delays attributable to the Government will be based on one-half the derived hourly rate under this subsection.
- 6. **Miscellaneous**—No additional allowance will be made for general superintendence, use of small tools and other costs for which no specific allowance is herein provided.

7. Subcontract Work—Payment for additional necessary subcontract work will be based on applicable procedures in 1. through 6., to which total additional subcontract work up to an additional 10 percent may be allowed for the Contractor's overhead and profit.

#### ARTICLE 4. EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENT OF CONTRACT TERMS

The Contractor is entitled to an equitable adjustment of the contract terms whenever the following situations develop:

#### A. DIFFERING SITE CONDITIONS:

- 1. During the progress of the work, if subsurface or latent physical conditions are encountered at the site differing materially from those indicated in the contract or if unknown physical conditions of an unusual nature, differing materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in the work provided for in the contract, are encountered at the site, the Contractor, upon discovering such conditions, shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer in writing of the specific differing conditions before they are disturbed and before the affected work is performed.
- 2. Upon written notification, the Contracting Officer will investigate the conditions, and if he/she determines that the conditions materially differ and cause an increase or decrease in the cost or time required for the performance of any work under the contract, an adjustment, excluding loss of anticipated profits, will be made and the contract modified in writing accordingly. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor of his/her determination whether or not an adjustment of the contract is warranted.
- 3. No contract adjustment which results in a benefit to the Contractor will be allowed unless the Contractor has provided the required written notice; a failure to notify the Contracting Officer of the changed conditions prior to work being disturbed by said conditions shall constitute a permanent waiver of all right to compensation related to the changed conditions by the Contractor.
- 4. No contract adjustment will be allowed under this clause for any effects caused on unchanged work.

#### B. SUSPENSION OF WORK ORDERED BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER:

- If the performance of all or any portion of the work is suspended or delayed by the Contracting Officer in writing for an unreasonable period of time (not originally anticipated, customary, or inherent to the construction industry) and the Contractor believes that additional compensation and/or contract time is due as a result of such suspension or delay, the Contractor shall submit to the Contracting Officer in writing a request for equitable adjustment within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the notice to resume work. The request shall set forth the reasons and support for such adjustment.
- 2. Upon receipt, the Contracting Officer will evaluate the Contractor's request. If the Contracting Officer agrees that the cost and/or time required for the performance of the contract has increased as a result of such suspension and the suspension was caused by conditions beyond the control or and not the fault of the contractor, its suppliers, or subcontractors at any approved tier, and not caused by weather, the Contracting Officer will make an adjustment (excluding profit) and modify the contract in writing accordingly. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contract of his/her determination whether or not an adjustment of the contract is warranted.
- 3. No contract adjustment will be allowed unless the Contractor has submitted the request for adjustment within the time prescribed; a failure to submit a request for adjustment in the time

prescribed shall constitute waiver of all right to compensation related to the suspension of work by the Contractor.

4. No contract adjustment will be allowed under this clause to the extent that performance would have been suspended or delayed by any other cause, or for which an adjustment is provided for or excluded under any other term of condition of this contract.

#### C. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE CHARACTER OF WORK:

- 1. The Contracting Officer reserves the right to make, in writing, at any time during the work, such changes in quantities and such alterations in the work as are necessary to satisfactorily complete the project. Such changes in quantities and alterations shall not invalidate the contract nor release the surety, and the Contractor agrees to perform the work as altered.
- 2. If the alterations or changes in quantities significantly change the character of the work under the contract, whether or not changed by any such different quantities or alterations, an adjustment, excluding loss of anticipated profits, will be made to the contract. The basis for the adjustment shall be agreed upon prior to the performance of the work. If a basis cannot be agreed upon, then an adjustment will be made either for or against the Contractor in such amount as the Contracting Officer may determine to be fair and reasonable.
- **3.** If the alterations or changes in quantities significantly change the character of the work to be performed under the contract, the altered work will be paid for as provided elsewhere in the contract.
- 4. The term "significant change" shall be construed to apply only to the following circumstances:
  - **a.** When the character of the work as altered differs materially in kind or nature from that involved or included in the original proposed construction; or
  - **b.** When an item of work is increased in excess of 125 percent or decreased below 75 percent of the original contract quantity. Any allowance for an increase in quantity shall apply only to that portion in excess of 125 percent of original contract item quantity, or in the case of a decrease below 75 percent, to the actual amount of work performed.

#### **ARTICLE 5. TERMINATION**

**TERMINATION GENERALLY**-Termination, whether for default or convenience, is not a Government claim. The Contracting Officer may terminate a contract for default, in whole or in part, if the termination is in the best interests of the Government, and the Contractor does any of the following:

- (a) Fails to deliver the goods or complete the work or services within the time specified in the contract or any modification;
- (b) Fails to make sufficient progress on contract performance so as to endanger performance of the contract within the time specified or in the manner specified in the contract;
- (c) Fails or refuses to go forward with the work in accordance with the direction of the Contracting Officer;
- (d) Expresses through word or conduct an intention not to complete the work in accordance with the directions of the Contracting Officer;
- (e) Fails to perform any of the other provisions of the contract;
- (f) Materially deviates from the representations and capabilities set forth in the Contractor's response to the solicitation.

A termination for default is a final decision of a Contracting Officer. In order to contest a termination for default, the Contractor must submit a certified request to convert the termination for default to a termination for convenience with all documents supporting such conversion and comply with all contract

provisions and laws relating to terminations for convenience, including the submission of a certified termination for convenience settlement proposal. The submission of the certified request for conversion to a termination for convenience and certified termination settlement proposal to the Contracting Officer must occur prior to 90 days from the date of the Contracting Officer's final decision.

**DELAYS**—If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will insure its completion within the time specified in the Contract, or any extension thereof, or fails to complete said work within specified time, the Government may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate his right to proceed with the work or such part of the work involving the delay. In such event the Government may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and utilize in completing the work such materials, appliances, and plant as may have been paid for by the Government or may be on the site of the work and necessary therefore. Whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated, he and his sureties shall be liable for any liability to the Government resulting from his refusal or failure to complete the work within the specified time.

If fixed and agreed liquidated damages are provided in the Contract and if the Government does not so terminate the Contractor's right to proceed, the resulting damage will consist of such liquidated damages until the work is completed and accepted.

The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be so terminated nor the Contractor charged with resulting damage if:

- 1. The delay in the completion the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, including but not restricted to acts of God, acts of the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the Government, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, climatic conditions beyond the normal which could be anticipated, or delays of subcontractors or suppliers arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both the Contractor and such subcontractors or suppliers (the term subcontractors or suppliers shall mean subcontractors or suppliers at any tier); and
- 2. The Contractor, within 72 hours from the beginning of any such delay, (unless the Contracting Officer grants a further period of time before the date of final payment under the Contract) notifies the Contracting Officer in writing of the causes of delay.

The Contracting Officer shall ascertain the facts and the extent of the delay and extend the time far completing the work when, in his judgment, the findings of fact justify such an extension, and his findings of fact shall be final and conclusive on the parties, subject only to appeal as provided in Article 7 herein.

If, after notice of termination of the Contractor's right to proceed under the provisions of this Article, it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this Article, or that the delay was excusable under the provisions of this Article, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be in accordance with Article 6 herein. Failure to agree to any such adjustment shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact within the meaning of Article 7 herein.

The rights and remedies of the Government provided in this Article are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Contract.

The Government may, by written notice, terminate the Contract or a portion thereof as a result of an Executive Order of the President of the United States with respect to the prosecution of war or in the interest of national defense. When the Contract is so terminated, no claim for loss of anticipated profits will be permitted.

#### ARTICLE 6. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT

- **A.** The performance of work under the Contract may be terminated by the Government in accordance with this Article in whole, or in part, whenever the Contracting Officer shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the Government. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of work under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
- **B.** After receipt of a Notice of Termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall:
  - 1. Stop work under the Contract on the date and to the extent specified in the Notice of Termination.
  - 2. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the Contract as is not terminated.
  - **3.** Terminate all orders and subcontracts to the extent that they relate to the performance of work terminated by the Notice of Termination.
  - 4. Assign to the Government, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Contracting Officer, all of the right, title and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case the Government shall have the right, in its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts.
  - **5.** Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders or subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Contracting Officer to the extent he may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all purposes of this Article.
  - 6. Transfer title to the Government and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, directed by the Contracting Officer
    - **a.** The fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in progress, completed work, supplies, and other material procured as a part of, or acquired in connection with, the performance of the work terminated by the Notice of Termination, and
    - **b.** The completed, or partially completed plans, drawings information and other property which, if the Contract bad been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the Government.
  - 7. Use his best efforts to sell, in the manner, at the terms, to the extent, and at the price or prices directed or authorized by the Contracting Officer, any property of the types referred to in 6 above provided, however, that the Contractor:
    - a. Shall not be required to extend credit to any purchaser, and

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- **b.** May acquire any property under the conditions prescribed and at a price or prices approved by the Contracting Officer, and
- c. Provided further, that the proceeds of any such transfer or disposition shall be applied in reduction of any payments to be made by the Government to the Contractor under the Contract or shall otherwise be credited to the price or cost of the work covered by the Contract or paid in such other manner as the Contracting Officer may direct.

- 8. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Notice of Termination.
- **9.** Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Contracting Officer may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to the Contract which is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the Government has or may acquire an interest.
- **10.** The Contractor shall proceed immediately with the performance of the above obligations notwithstanding any delay in determining or adjusting the cost, or any item of reimbursable cost, under this Article.
- 11. "Plant clearance period" means, for each particular property classification (such as raw materials, purchased parts and work in progress) at any one plant or location, a period beginning with the effective date of the termination for convenience and ending 90 days after receipt by the Contracting Officer of acceptable inventory schedules covering all items of that particular property classification in the termination inventory at that plant or location, or ending on such later date as may be agreed to by the Contracting Officer and the Contractor. Final phase of a plant clearance period means that part of a plant clearance period which occurs alter the receipt of acceptable inventory schedules covering all items of the particular property classification at the plant or location.

At any time after expiration of the plant clearance period, as defined above, the Contractor may submit to the Contracting Officer a list, certified as to quantity and quality, of any or all items of termination inventory not previously disposed of, exclusive of items the disposition of which has been directed or authorized by the Contracting Officer, and may request the Government to remove such items or enter into a storage agreement covering them. Not later than 15 days thereafter, the Government will accept title to such items and remove them or enter into a storage agreement covering the same; provided, that the list submitted shall be subject to verification by the Contracting Officer upon removal of the items or, if the items are stored, within 45 days from the date of submission of the list, and any necessary adjustments to correct the list as submitted, shall be made prior to final settlement.

- C. After receipt of a Notice of Termination, the Contractor shall submit to the Contracting Officer his termination claim, in the form with the certification prescribed by the Contracting Officer. Such claim shall be submitted promptly but in no event later than 90 days from the effective date of termination, unless one or more extensions in writing are granted by the Contracting Officer upon request of the Contractor made in writing within such 90 day period or authorized extension thereof. In the event the Contractor was terminated for default and it asserts that it is entitled to a termination for convenience, its certified request for the conversion of the default termination to one for convenience and its certified termination settlement proposal must be submitted to the Contracting Officer prior to the expiration of 90 days from the date of the default termination. With respect to a termination for convenience, if the Contracting Officer determines that the facts justify such action, he may receive and act upon any such termination claim at any time after such 90 day period or extension thereof. Nothing herein shall be construed to extend the time for the submission of a claim hereunder for a defaulted Contractor beyond 90 days from the date of the default termination. Upon failure of the Contractor to submit his termination claim within the time allowed, the Contracting Officer may, subject to any review required by the Government's procedures in effect as of the date of execution of the Contract, determine, on the basis of information available to him, the amount, if any, due to the Contractor by reason of the termination and shall thereupon pay to the Contractor the amount so determined.
- **D.** Subject to the provisions of C above, and subject to any review required by the Government's procedures in effect as of the date of execution of the Contract, the Contractor and Contracting

Officer may agree upon the whole or any part of the amount or amounts to be paid to the Contractor by reason of the total or partial termination of work pursuant to this Article, which amount or amounts may include a reasonable allowance for profit on work done; provided, that such agreed amount or amounts, exclusive of settlement costs, shall not exceed the total Contract price as reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made and as further reduced by the Contract price of work not terminated. The Contract shall be amended accordingly, and the Contractor shall be paid the agreed amount. Nothing in E below prescribing the amount to be paid to the Contractor in the event of failure of the Contractor and the Contracting Officer to agree upon the whole amount to be paid to the Contractor by reason of the termination of work pursuant to this Article, shall be deemed to limit, restrict or otherwise determine or effect the amount or amounts which may be agreed upon to be paid to the Contractor pursuant to this paragraph.

- E. In the event of the failure of the Contractor and the Contracting Officer to agree as provided in D above upon the whole amount to be paid to the Contractor by reason of the termination of work pursuant to this Article, the Contracting Officer shall, subject to any review required by the Government's procedures in effect as of the date of execution of the Contract, determine, on the basis of information available to him, the amount, if any, due the Contractor by reason of the termination and shall pay to the Contractor the amounts determined by the Contracting Officer, as follows, but without duplication of any amounts agreed upon in accordance with D above:
  - 1. With respect to all Contract work performed prior to the effective date of the Notice of Termination, the total (without duplication of any items) of:
    - a. The cost of such work;
    - b. The cost of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of work under subcontracts or orders as provided in B 5. above, exclusive of the amounts paid or payable on account of supplies or materials delivered or services furnished by the subcontractor prior to the effective date of the Notice of Termination of work under the Contract, which amounts shall be included in the cost on account of which payment is made under E1.a. above; and
    - **c.** A sum, as profit on E.1.a. above, determined by the Contracting Officer to be fair and reasonable; provided however, that if it appears that the Contractor would have sustained a loss on the entire Contract had it been completed, no profit shall be included or allowed under this subparagraph and an appropriate adjustment shall be made reducing the amount of the settlement to reflect the indicated rate of loss; and provided further that profit shall be allowed only on preparations made and work done by the Contractor for the terminated portion of the Contract but may not be allowed on the Contractor's settlement expenses. Anticipatory profits and consequential damages will not be allowed. Any reasonable method may be used to arrive at a fair profit, separately or as part of the whole settlement.
  - 2. The reasonable cost of the preservation and protection of property incurred pursuant to B.9; and any other reasonable cost incidental to termination of work under the Contract including expense incidental to the determination of the amount due to the Contractor as the result of the termination of work under the Contract.
  - **F.** The total sum to be paid to me Contractor under E.1. above shall not exceed the total Contract price as reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made and as further

reduced by the Contract price of work not terminated. Except for normal spoilage, and except to the extent that the Government shall have otherwise expressly assumed the risk of loss, there shall be excluded from the amounts payable to the Contractor under E.1. above, the fair value, as determined by the Contracting Officer, of property which is destroyed, lost, stolen or damaged so as to become undeliverable to the Government, or to a buyer pursuant to B.7 above.

- **G.** The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under Article 7 herein, from any determination made by the Contracting Officer under C. or E. above, except that, if the Contractor has failed to submit his claim within the time provided in C above and has failed to request extension of such time, he shall have no such right of appeal. In any case where the Contracting Officer has made a determination of the amount due under C. or E. above, the Government shall pay to the Contractor the following:
  - 1. If there is no right of appeal hereunder or if no timely appeal has been taken, the amount so determined by the Contracting Officer, or
  - 2. If an appeal had been taken, the amount finally determined on such appeal.
- **H.** In arriving at the amount due the Contractor under this Article there shall be deducted:
  - 1. all unliquidated advance or other payments on account theretofore made to the Contractor, applicable to the terminated portion of the Contract;
  - **2.** any claim which the Government may have against the Contractor in connection with the Contract; and
  - **3.** the agreed price for, or the proceeds of sale of, any materials, supplies or other things kept by the Contractor or sold, pursuant to the provisions of this Article and not otherwise recovered by or credited to the Government.
- I. If the termination hereunder be partial, prior to the settlement of the terminated portion of the Contract, the Contractor may file with the Contracting Officer a request in writing for an equitable adjustment of the price or prices specified in the Contract relating to the continued portion of the Contract (the portion not terminated by the Notice of Termination), and such equitable adjustment as may be agreed upon shall be made at such price or prices; however, nothing contained herein shall limit the right of the Government and the Contractor to agree upon the amount or amounts to be paid to the Contractor for the completion of the continued portion of the Contract when said Contract does not contain an established Contract price for such continued portion.
- J. The Government may from time to time, under such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, make partial payments against costs incurred by the Contractor in connection with the terminated portion of the Contract whenever in the opinion of the Contracting Officer the aggregate of such payments shall be within the amount to which the Contractor will be entitled hereunder. If the total of such payments is in excess of the amount finally agreed or determined to be due under this Article, such excess Shall be payable by the Contractor to the Government upon demand, together with interest computed at the rate of 6 percent per annum for the period from the date such excess is received by the Contractor to the date on which such excess is repaid to the Government; provided however, that no interest shall be charged with respect to any such excess payment attributable to a reduction in the Contractor's claim by reason of retention or other disposition of termination inventory until ten days after the date of such retention or disposition, or such later date as determined by the Contracting Officer by reason of the circumstances.

K. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract or by applicable statute, the Contractor, from the effective date of termination and for a period of three years after final settlement under the Contract, shall preserve and make available to the Government at all reasonable times at the office of the Contractor, but without direct charge to the Government, all his books, records, documents and other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under the Contract and relating to the work terminated hereunder, or, to the extent approved by the Contracting Officer, photographs and other authentic reproductions thereof.

#### **ARTICLE 7. DISPUTES**

A. All disputes arising under or relating to this contract shall be resolved as provided herein.

B. Claims by a Contractor against the Government.

(1) Claim, as used in Section B of this clause, means a written assertion by the Contractor seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to this contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.

- (a) All claims by a Contractor against the Government arising under or relating to a contract shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer for a decision.
- (b) Within 120 days after receipt of a claim, the Contracting Officer shall issue a decision, whenever possible taking into account factors such as the size and complexity of the claim and the adequacy of the information in support of the claim provided by the Contractor.
- (c) Any failure by the Contracting Officer to issue a decision on a contract claim within the required time period shall be deemed to be a denial of the claim and shall authorize the commencement of an appeal on the claim as otherwise provided.
- (d) (1) If a Contractor is unable to support any part of his or her claim and it is determined that the inability is attributable to a material misrepresentation of fact or fraud on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for an amount equal to the unsupported part of the claim in addition to all costs to the Government attributable to the cost of reviewing that part of the Contractor's claim.

(2) Liability under this section shall be determined within 6 years of the commission of the misrepresentation of fact or fraud.

- (e) All cost data, pricing data, and task data of claims hereunder must be certified as accurate, complete, required, and necessary to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief. Further, all task or work data in the claim must be described therein to the smallest unit of work or task. The Contracting Officer may require any additional certifications, descriptions or explanations of the claim.
- (f) The parties agree that time is of the essence and all claims hereunder must be presented to the Contracting Officer for a final decision within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of the circumstances giving rise to such claim or within thirty (30) days of when the Contractor knew or should have known of the circumstances giving rise to such claim, otherwise compensation for that claim is waived.
- (g) The parties agree that there shall be no claims for unabsorbed home office overhead.
- (2) The Contractor's claim shall contain at least the following:

(a) A description of the claim and the amount in dispute;

(b) Any data or other information in support of the claim;

(c) A brief description of the Contractor's efforts to resolve the dispute prior to filing the claim; and

(d) The Contractor's request for relief or other action by the Contracting Officer.

(e) The certification of the accuracy, completeness, requirement, and necessity of all aspects of the claim.

(3) The decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the Contractor.

 Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, a Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.
C. Claims by the Government against a Contractor (a) Claim as used in Section C of this clause, means a written demand or written assertion by the Government, including the Contracting Officer, seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to this contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant. Nothing herein shall be construed to require the Government to notify the Contractor prior to the issuance of the Contracting Officer's final decision.

(b) (1) All claims by the Government against a Contractor arising under or relating to a contract shall be decided by the Contracting Officer, who shall issue a decision in writing and furnish a copy of the decision to the Contractor.

(2) The decision shall be supported by reasons and shall inform the Contractor of his or her rights. Specific findings of fact shall not be required.

(3) This clause shall not authorize the Contracting Officer to settle, compromise, pay, or otherwise adjust any claim involving fraud.

(4) The decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the Contractor.

(5) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.

**ARTICLE 8. PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR**—Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, the Government will pay the contract price or prices as hereinafter provided in accordance with Government regulations.

The Government will make progress payments monthly as the work proceeds, or at more frequent intervals as determined by the Contracting Officer, on estimates approved by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall furnish a breakdown of the total Contract price showing the amount included therein for each principal category of the work, in such detail as requested, to provide a basis for determining progress payments. In the preparation of estimates the Contracting Officer, at his discretion, may authorize material delivered on the site and preparatory work done to be taken into consideration. Material delivered to the Contractor at locations other than the site may also be taken into consideration:

- 1. If such consideration is specifically authorized by the Contract;
- 2. If the Contractor furnishes satisfactory evidence that he has acquired title to such material, that it meets Contract requirements and that it will be utilized on the work covered by the Contract; and
- 3. If the Contractor furnishes to the Contracting Officer an itemized list.

The Contracting Officer at his/her discretion shall cause to be withheld retention in an amount sufficient to protect the interest of the Government. Unless otherwise agreed, the amount shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the partial payment. However, if the Contracting Officer, at any time after 50 percent of the work has been completed, finds that satisfactory progress is being made, he may authorize any of the remaining progress payments to be made in full or may retain from such remaining partial payments less than 10 percent thereof. Also, whenever work is substantially complete, the Contracting Officer, if he considers the amount retained to be in excess of the amount adequate for the protection of the Government, at his discretion, may release to the Contractor all or a portion of such excess amount. Furthermore, on completion and acceptance of each separate building, public work, or other division of the Contract, on which the price is stated separately in the Contract, payment may be made therefore without retention of a percentage, less authorized deductions.

All material and work covered by progress payments made shall thereupon become the sole property of the Government, but this provision shall not be construed as relieving the Contractor from the sole responsibility for all material and work upon which payments have been made or the restoration of any damaged work, or as waiving the right of the Government to require the fulfillment of all of the terms of the Contract.

Upon completion and acceptance of all work, the amount due the Contractor under the Contract shall be paid upon presentation at a properly executed voucher and after the Contractor shall have furnished the Government with a release, if required, of all claims against the Government arising by virtue of the Contract, other than claims in stated amounts as may be specifically excepted by the Contractor from the operation of the release.

**ARTICLE 9. TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT**—Unless otherwise provided by law, neither the Contract nor any interest therein may be transferred or assigned by the Contractor to any other party without the written consent of the Contracting Officer nor without the written acceptance by the surety on the performance and payment bond securing the Contract of the assignee as the Contractor and the principal on such bond; and any attempted transfer or assignment not authorized by this Article shall constitute a breach of the Contract and the Government may for such cause terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed in the same manner as provided in Article 5 herein, and the Contractor and his sureties shall be liable to the Government for any excess cost occasioned the Government thereby.

#### **ARTICLE 10. MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP**

- A. GENERAL—Unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract, all equipment, material and articles incorporated in the work covered by the Contract shall be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended. Unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract, reference to any equipment, material, article or patented process, by trade name, make or catalog number, shall be regarded as establishing a standard of guality and shall not be construed as limiting competition., and the Contractor may use any equipment, material, article or process which, in the judgment of the Contracting Officer, is equivalent to that named unless otherwise specified. The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer for his approval the name of the manufacturer, the model number, and other identifying data and information respecting the performance, capacity, nature and rating of the mechanical and other equipment which the Contractor contemplates incorporating in the work. Machinery and equipment shall be in proper condition. When required by the Contract or when called for by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer for approval full information concerning the material or articles which he contemplates incorporating in the work. When so directed, samples shall be submitted for approval at the Contractor's expense, with all shipping charges prepaid. Machinery, equipment, material, and articles installed or used without required approval shall be at the risk of subsequent rejection and subject to satisfactory replacement at Contractor's expense.
- **B.** SURPLUS MATERIALS USE—Whenever specified in the Contract or authorized by the Contracting Officer that materials become the property of the Contractor, which by reference or otherwise shall include disposal of materials, it is understood that the Contractor accepts such materials "as is" with no further expense or liability to the Government. If such material specified in the Contract will have a potential or real interest of value, the Contractor shall make allowance in the Contract to show such value.
- **C. GOVERNMENT MATERIAL**—No materials furnished by the Government shall be applied to any other use, public or private, than that for which they are issued to the Contractor. The full amount of the cost to the Government of all materials furnished by the Government to the Contractor and for which no charge is made, which are not accounted for by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer, will be charged against the Contractor and his sureties and may be deducted from any monies due the Contractor, and this charge shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any other liabilities of the Contractor whether civil or criminal. Materials furnished by the Government for which a charge is made at a rate mentioned in the specifications will be delivered to the Contractor upon proper requisitions therefore and will be charged to his account.
- D. Plant —The Contractor shall at all times employ sufficient tools and equipment for prosecuting the various classes of work to full completion in the manner and time required. The Contractor shall at all times perform work in sufficient light and shall provide proper illumination, including

lighting required for night work as directed, as a Contract requirement. All equipment, tools, formwork and staging used on the project shall be of sufficient size and in proper mechanical and safe condition to meet work requirements, to produce satisfactory work quality and to prevent injury to persons, the project or adjacent property. When methods and equipment are not prescribed in the Contract, the Contractor is free to use tools, methods and equipment that he satisfactorily demonstrates will accomplish the work in conformity with Contract requirements.

If the Contractor desires to use a method or type of tool or equipment other than specified in the Contract, he shall request approval to do so; the request shall be in writing and shall include a full description of proposed methods, tools and equipment and reason for the change or substitution. Approval of substitutions and changed methods will be on condition that the Contractor will be fully responsible for producing work meeting Contract requirements. If after trial use of the substituted methods, tools and equipment, the Contracting Officer determines that work produced does not meet Contract requirements, the Contractor shall complete remaining work with specified methods, tools and equipment.

- E. CAPABILITY OF WORKERS- All work under the Contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The Contracting Officer may require the Contractor to remove from the work any such employees as the Contracting Officer deems incompetent, careless, insubordinate, or otherwise objectionable, or whose continued employment on the work is deemed by the Contracting Officer to be contrary to the public interest. Such request will be in writing:
- F. CONFORMITY OF WORK AND MATERIALS—All work performed and materials and products furnished shall be in conformity, within indicated tolerances, with lines, grades, cross sections, details, dimensions, material and construction requirements shown or intended by the drawings arid specifications.

When materials, products or work cannot be corrected, written notice of rejection will be issued. Rejected materials, products and work shall be eliminated from the project and acceptably replaced at Contractor's expense. The Contracting Officer's failure to reject any portion of the project shall not constitute implied acceptance nor in any way release the Contractor from Contract requirements.

#### G. UNAUTHORIZED WORK AND MATERIALS—Work performed or materials ordered or

furnished for the project deviating from requirements and specifications without written authority, will be considered unauthorized and at Contractor's expense. The Government is not obligated to pay for unauthorized work. Unauthorized work and materials may be ordered removed and replaced at Contractor's expense.

**ARTICLE 11. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE**—Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, inspection and test by the Government of material and workmanship required by the Contract shall be made at reasonable times and at the site of the work, unless the Contracting Officer determines that such inspection or test of material which is to be incorporated in the work shall be made at the place of production, manufacture or shipment of such material. To the extent specified by the Contracting Officer at the time of determining to make off-site inspection or test, such inspection or test shall be conclusive as to whether the material involved conforms to Contract requirements. Such off-site inspection or test shall not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for damage to or loss of the material prior to acceptance, nor in any way affect the continuing rights of the Government after acceptance of the completed work under the terms of the last paragraph of this Article, except as herein above provided.

The Contractor shall, without charge, replace any material and correct any workmanship found by the Government not to conform to Contract requirements and specifications, unless in the public interest the Government consents to accept such material or workmanship with an appropriate adjustment in Contract price. The Contractor shall promptly segregate and remove rejected material from the premises at Contractor's expense.

If the Contractor does not promptly replace rejected material or correct rejected workmanship, the Government:

- 1. May, by contract or otherwise, replace such material and correct such workmanship and charge the cost thereof to the Contractor, or
- 2. May terminate the Contractor's right to proceed in accordance with Article 5 herein.

The Contractor shall furnish promptly, without additional cost to the Government, all facilities, labor and material reasonably needed for performing such safe and convenient inspection and test as may be required by the Contracting Officer. All inspections and tests by the Government shall be performed in such manner as not unnecessarily to delay the work. Special, full size, and performance tests shall be performed as described in the Contract. The Contractor shall be charged with any additional cost of inspection when material and workmanship are not ready for inspection at the time specified by the Contractor.

Should it be considered necessary or advisable by the Contracting Officer at any time before acceptance of the work, either in part or in its entirety, to make an examination of work completed, by removing or tearing out same, the Contractor shall, on request, promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor and material to do same. If such work is found to be defective or nonconforming in any material respect, due to the fault of the Contractor or his subcontractors, he shall defray all the expenses of such examination and of satisfactory reconstruction. If, however, such work is found to meet the requirements of the Contract, an equitable adjustment shall be made in the Contract price to compensate the Contractor for the additional services involved in such examination and reconstruction and, if completion of the work has been delayed thereby, he shall, in addition, be granted an equitable extension of time.

Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, acceptance by the Government will be made as promptly as practicable after completion and inspection of all work required by the Contract. Acceptance shall be final and conclusive except as regards to latent defects, deficiencies, non-conforming work, fraud, or such gross mistakes as may amount to fraud, or as regards the Government's rights under any warranty or guaranty, or as otherwise provided herein.

**ARTICLE 12. SUPERINTENDENCE BY CONTRACTOR**—The Contractor shall give his personal superintendence to the performance of the work or have a competent foreman or superintendent, satisfactory to the Contracting Officer, on the work site at all times during progress, with authority to act for him.

**ARTICLE 13. PERMITS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**—The Contractor shall, without expense to the Government, be responsible for obtaining any necessary licenses, certificates and permits, and for complying with any applicable Federal, State, and Municipal laws, codes and regulations, in connection with the prosecution of the work. He shall be similarly responsible for all damages to persons or property that occurs as a result of his fault or negligence. He shall take proper safety, health and environmental precautions to protect the work, the workers, the public, and the property of others. He shall also be responsible for all materials delivered and work performed until completion and acceptance of the entire construction work, except for any completed unit of construction thereof which theretofore may have been accepted.

#### ARTICLE 14. INDEMNIFICATION—

A. The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Government and all of its officers, agents and servants against any and all claims or liability arising from or based on, or as a consequence or result of, any act, omission or default of the Contractor, his employees, or his subcontractors, in the performance of, or in connection with, any work required, contemplated or performed under the Contract.

**B.** Disputes between the Contractor and any subcontractors, material suppliers, or any other third parties over payments allegedly owed by the Contractor to a third party shall be resolved exclusively between the Contractor and the third party; the Contractor shall permit no pass-through suits to be brought against the Government by a third party in the Contractor's name. However, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the Contractor from paying a subcontractor's claim and seeking a timely equitable adjustment hereunder.

**ARTICLE 15. PROTECTION AGAINST TRESPASS**—Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Contract, the Contractor is authorized to refuse admission either to the premises or to the working space covered by the Contract to any person whose admission is not specifically authorized in writing by the Contracting Officer.

#### **ARTICLE 16. CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE WORK**

- A. GENERAL—The Contractor shall be responsible for having taken steps reasonably necessary to ascertain the nature and location of the work, and the general and local conditions which can affect the work and the cost thereof. Any failure by the Contractor to do so will not relieve him from responsibility for successfully performing the work as specified without additional expense to the Government. The Government assumes no responsibility for any understanding or representation concerning conditions made by any of its officers or agents prior to the execution of the Contract, unless such understanding or representation by the Government is expressly stated in the Contract.
- B. WORK AND STORAGE SPACE—Available work and storage space designated by the Government shall be developed as required by the Contract or restored at completion of the project by the Contractor to a condition equivalent to that existing prior to construction. No payment will be made for furnishing or restoration of any work and storage space. If no area is designated or the area designated is not sufficient for the Contractor's operations, he shall obtain necessary space elsewhere at no expense or liability to the Government.
- **C. WORK ON SUNDAYS, LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND AT NIGHT**—No work shall be done at any time on Sundays or legal holidays or on any other day before 7 a.m. or after 7 p.m., except with the written permission of the Contracting Officer and pursuant to the requirements of the Police Requirements of the Government.
- D. EXISTING FEATURES—Subsurface and topographic information including borings data, utilities data and other physical data contained in the Contract or otherwise available, are not intended as representations or warranties but are furnished as available information. The Government assumes no expense or liability for the accuracy of, or interpretations made from, existing features. The Contractor shall be responsible for reasonable consideration of existing features above and below ground which may affect the project.
- E. UTILITIES AND VAULTS—The Contractor shall take necessary measures to prevent interruption of service or damage to existing utilities within or adjacent to the project. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to determine exact locations of all utilities in the field.

For any underground utility or vault encountered, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer and take necessary measures to protect the utility or vault and maintain the service until relocation by owner is accomplished. No additional payment will be made for the encountering of these obstructions.

In case of damage to utilities by the Contractor, either above or below ground, the Contractor shall restore such utilities to a condition equivalent to that which existed prior to the damage by repairing, rebuilding or otherwise restoring as may be directed, at the Contractor's sole expense.

Damaged utilities shall be repaired by the Contractor or, when directed by the Contracting Officer, the utility owner will make needed repairs at the Contractor's expense.

No compensation, other than authorized time extensions, will be allowed the Contractor for protective measures, work interruptions, changes in construction sequence, changes in methods of handling excavation and drainage or changes in types of equipment used, made necessary by existing utilities, imprecise utility or vault information or by others performing work within or adjacent to the project.

F. SITE MAINTENANCE—The Contractor shall maintain the project site in a neat and presentable manner throughout the course of all operations, and shall be responsible for such maintenance until final acceptance by the Government. Trash containers shall be furnished, maintained and emptied by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer. Excavated earthwork, stripped forms and all other materials and debris not scheduled for reuse in the project shall be promptly removed from the site.

The Contracting Officer may order the Contractor to clean up the project site at any stage of work at no added expense to the Government If the Contractor fails to comply with this order, the Contracting Officer may require the work to be done by others and the costs will be charged to the Contractor.

Upon completion of all work and prior to final inspection, the Contractor shall clean up and remove from the project area and adjacent areas all excess materials, equipment, temporary structures, and refuse, and restore said areas to an acceptable condition.

- **G. PRIVATE WORK**—Except as specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall not perform any private work abutting Government projects with any labor, materials, tools, equipment, supplies or supervision scheduled for the Contract until all work under the Contract has been completed. Contract materials used for any unauthorized purpose shall be subtracted from Contract amount.
- H. GOVERNMENT NOISE CONTROL ACT OF 1977—The contractor shall be in strict compliance with [D.C. Law 2-53, Government of Columbia Noise Control Act of 1977 and all provisions thereof. Effective March 16, 1978. 24 D.C.Register 5293.] (Or relevant local law)

**ARTICLE 17. OTHER CONTRACTS**—The Government may undertake or award other contracts for additional work and the Contractor shall fully cooperate with such other contractors and Government employees and carefully coordinate his own work with such additional work as may be directed by the Contracting Officer. It is the duty of the Contractor to coordinate its activities with all third parties, including, but not limited to utilities, who may affect the Contract work hereunder. The Contractor shall not commit or permit any act which will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or by Government employees. The Government assumes no liability, other than authorized time extensions, for Contract delays and damages resulting from delays and lack of progress by others. The Contractor shall make no claim against the Government for delay or damages resulting from the actions of third parties, including, but limited to utilities.

**ARTICLE 18. PATENT INDEMNITY**—Except as otherwise provided, the Contractor agrees to indemnify the Government and its officers, agents, and employees against liability, including costs and expenses, for infringement upon any Letters Patent of the United States (except Letters Patent issued upon an application which is now or may hereafter be, for reasons of national security, ordered by the Federal Government to be kept classified or otherwise withheld from issue) arising out of the performance of the Contract or out of the use or disposal, by or for the account of the Government, of supplies furnished or construction work performed hereunder.

**ARTICLE 19. ADDITIONAL BOND SECURITY**—If any surety upon any bond furnished in connection with the Contract becomes unacceptable to the Government, or if any such surety fails to furnish reports

as to his financial condition from time to time as requested by the Government, the Contractor shall promptly furnish such additional security as may be required from time to time to protect the interests of the Government and of persons supplying labor or materials in the prosecution of the work contemplated by the Contract. Provided that upon the failure of the Contractor to furnish such additional security within ten (10) days after written notice so to do, all payments under the Contract will be withheld until such additional security is furnished.

**ARTICLE 20. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**—The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the Government shall have the right to terminate the Contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

**ARTICLE 21. APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY**—The Contractor does hereby irrevocably designate and appoint the Clerk of the Superior Court of the Government and his successors in office as the true and lawful attorney of the Contractor for the purpose of receiving service of all notices and processes issued by any court in the Government, as well as service of all pleadings and other papers, in relation to any action or legal proceeding arising out of or pertaining to the Contract or the work required or performed hereunder.

The Contractor expressly agrees that the validity of any service upon the said Clerk as herein authorized shall not be affected either by the fact that the Contractor was personally within the District of Columbia and otherwise subject to personal service at the time of such service upon the said Clerk or by the fact that the Contractor failed to receive a copy of such process, notice, pleading or other paper so served upon the said Clerk, provided that said Clerk shall have deposited in the United States mail, certified and postage prepaid, a copy of such process, notice, pleading or other papers addressed to the Contractor at the address stated in the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 22. GRATUITIES AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES NOT TO BENEFIT

- A. If it is found by the Department that gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, payment, offers of employment or otherwise) were offered or given by the Contractor, or any agent or representative of the Contractor, to any official, employee or agent of the District with a view toward securing the Contract or any other contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending, or the making of any determinations with respect to the performance of the Contract, the Department may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under the Contract without liability and may pursue such other rights and remedies provided by law and under the Contract.
- B. In the event the Contract is terminated as provided above, the Department shall be entitled:
  - 1. to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of a breach of the Contract by the Contractor; and
  - 2. as a penalty in addition to any other damages to which it may be entitled by law, to exemplary damages in an amount (as determined by the Department) which shall be not less than ten times the costs incurred by the Contractor in providing any such gratuities to any such officer or employee.
- C. Unless a determination is made as provided herein, no officer or employee of the Government will be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, and any contract made by the Contracting Officer or any Government employee authorized to execute contracts in which they or an employee of the Government will be personally interested shall be

void, and no payment shall be made thereon by the Government or any officer thereof, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit. A Government employee shall not be a party to a contract with the Government and will not knowingly cause or allow a business concern or other organization owned or substantially owned or controlled by the employee to be a party to such a contract, unless a written determination has been made by the head of the procuring agency that there is a compelling reason for contracting with the employee, such as when the Government's needs cannot reasonably otherwise be met. [DC Procurement Practices Act of 1985, D.C. Law 6-85, D.C. Official Code, section 2-310.01, and Chapter 18 of the DC Personnel Regulations] (Or relevant local law). The Contractor represents and covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. The Contractor further covenants not to employ any person having such known interests in the performance of the contract.

**ARTICLE 23. WAIVER**—No Governmental waiver of any breach of any provision of the Contract shall operate as a waiver of such provision or of the Contract or as a waiver of subsequent or other breaches of the same or any other provision of the Contract; nor shall any action or non-action by the Contracting Officer or by the Government be construed as a waiver of any provision of the Contract or of any breach thereof unless the same has been expressly declared or recognized as a waiver by the Contracting Officer or the Government in writing.

#### ARTICLE 24. BUY AMERICAN.

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. § 10a), including, but not limited to, the purchase of steel.

- A. AGREEMENT—In accordance with the Buy American Act (41 USC I0a-I0d), and Executive Order 10582. December 17, 1954 (3 CFR, 1954-58 Comp., p. 230), as amended by Executive Order 11051, September 27,1962 (3 CFR, I059—63 Comp., p. 635), the Contractor agrees that only domestic construction material will be used by the Contractor, subcontractors, material men and suppliers in the performance of the Contract, except for non-domestic material listed in the Contract.
- **B.** DOMESTIC CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL—"Construction material" means any article, material or supply brought to the construction site for incorporation in the building or work. An unmanufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been mined or produced in the United States. A manufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been manufactured in the United States and if the cost of its components which have been mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. "Component" means any article, material, or supply directly incorporated in a construction material. -
- **C. DOMESTIC COMPONENT**—A component shall be considered to have been "mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States" regardless of its source, in fact, if the article, material or supply in which it is incorporated was manufactured in the United States and the component is of a class or kind determined by the Government to be not mined, produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality.
- D. FOREIGN MATERIAL When steel materials are used in a project a minimal use of foreign steel is permitted. The cost of such materials cannot exceed on-tenth of one percent of the total project cost, or \$2,500,000, whichever is greater.

#### ARTICLE 25. TAXES

- A. FEDERAL EXCISE—Materials, supplies and equipment are not subject to the Federal Manufacturer's Excise Tax, if they are furnished or used in connection with the Contract provided that title to such materials, supplies and equipment passes to the Government under the Contract. The Contractor shall in such cases furnish his subcontractors and suppliers with a purchaser's certificate in the form prescribed by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
- **B.** SALES AND USE TAXES—Materials which are physically incorporated as a permanent part of real property are not subject to Government Sales and Use Tax. The Contractor shall, when purchasing such materials, furnish his suppliers with a Contractor's Exempt Purchase Certificate in the form prescribed in the Sales and Use Tax Regulations of the Government. Where the Contractor, subcontractor or material man has already paid the Sales and Use Tax on material, as prescribed above, the Sales and Use Tax Regulations of the Government permit the Contractor, subcontractor or material man to deduct the sales or use tax on the purchase price of the same on his next monthly return as an adjustment. However, the Contractor, subcontractor or material man to deduct the Government that no sum in reimbursement of such tax was included in the Contract or else that the Government has received a credit under the Contract in an amount equal to such tax.

Government Sales and Use Tax shall be paid on any material and supplies, including equipment rentals, which do not become a physical part of the finished project. [See Government of Columbia Sales and Use Tax Administration Ruling No. 6] (Or relevant local law).

The Contractor, subcontractor, or material supplier shall provide proof of compliance with the provisions of [D.C. Law 9-260] (Or relevant local law), as amended, codified in [D.C. Code46-103] (Or relevant local law), Employer Contributions, prior to award.

The Contractor, subcontractor, or material supplier shall provide proof of compliance with the applicable tax filing and licensing requirements set forth in [D.C. Code, Title 47, Taxation and Fiscal Affairs] (Or relevant local law), prior to contract award.

**ARTICLE 26. SUSPENSION OF WORK**—The Contracting Officer may order the Contractor in writing to suspend, delay or interrupt all or any part of the work for such period of time as he may determine to be appropriate for the convenience of the Government.

If the performance of all or any part of the work is, for an unreasonable period of time, suspended, delayed or interrupted by an act of the Contracting Officer in the administration of the Contract, or by his failure to act within the time specified in the Contract (or if no time is specified, within a reasonable time), an adjustment will be made for an increase in the cost of performance of the Contract (excluding profit) necessarily caused by such unreasonable suspension, delay or interruption and the Contract modified in writing accordingly. However, no adjustment will be made under this Article for any suspension, delay or interruption to the extent:

- 1. That performance would have been so suspended, delayed or interrupted by any other cause, including the fault or negligence of the contractor, or
- **2.** For which an equitable adjustment is provided or excluded under any other provision of the Contract.

No claim under this Article shall be allowed:

1. For any costs incurred more than 20 days before the Contractor shall have notified the Contracting Officer in writing of the act or failure to act involved (but this requirement shall no apply as to a claim resulting from a suspension order), and

2. Unless the claim, in an amount stated, is asserted in writing as soon as practicable after the termination of such suspension, delay, or interruption, but not later than the date of final payment under the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 27. SAFETY PROGRAM

A. GENERAL—In order to provide safety controls for the protection of the life and health of Government and Contract employees and the general public; prevention of damage to property, materials, supplies, and equipment; and for avoidance of work interruptions in the performance of the Contract, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal and local laws governing safety, health and sanitation including the Safety Standards, Rules and Regulations issued by the American National Standards, U. S. Department of Labor, U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, [D.C. Minimum Wage and Industrial Safety Board] (Or relevant local law) and the latest edition of "Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices" issued by the Federal Highway Administration.

The Contractor shall also take or cause to be taken such additional safety measures as the Contracting Officer may determine to be reasonably necessary.

The Contractor shall designate one person to be responsible for carrying out the Contractor's obligation under this Article.

The Contractor shall maintain an accurate record of all accidents resulting in death, injury, occupational disease, and/or damage to property, materials, supplies, and equipment incident to work performed under the Contract. Copies of these reports shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer within two working days after occurrence.

The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor of any noncompliance with the foregoing provisions and the action to be taken. The Contractor shall, after receipt of such notice, immediately take corrective action. Such notice, when delivered to the Contractor or his representative at the site of the work, shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose. If the Contractor fails or refuses to comply promptly, the Contracting Officer may issue an order stopping all or part of the work until satisfactory corrective action has been taken. No part of the time lost due to any such stop orders shall be made the subject of claim for extension of time or for excess costs or damages by the Contractor.

This Article is applicable to all subcontractors used under the Contract and compliance with these provisions by the subcontractors will be the responsibility of the Contractor.

(In Contracts involving work of short duration or of non-hazardous character, the following Section *B. will be deleted by Special Provision*)

- **B. CONTRACTOR'S PROGRAM SUBMISSION**—Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall:
  - 1. Submit in writing to the Contracting Officer for his approval his program for complying with this Article for accident prevention.
  - 2. Meet with the Contracting Officer's Safety Representative after submission of the above program to develop a mutual understanding relative to the administration of the overall safety program.

**ARTICLE 28. RETENTION OF RECORDS**—Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, or by applicable statute, the Contractor, from the effective date of Contract completion and for a period of three years after final settlement under the Contract, shall preserve and make available to the Government at all

reasonable times at the office of the Contractor but without direct charge to the Government, all his books, records, documents, and other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under the Contract.

**ARTICLE 29. RECOVERY OF DEBTS OWED THE GOVERNMENT---**The Contractor hereby agrees that the Government may use all or any portion of any payment, consideration or refund due the Contractor under the Contract to satisfy, in whole or part, any debt due the Government.

**ARTICLE 30. ADMINISTRATIVE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES---**In addition to any other liquidated damages provided for in the Contract, the Contractor hereby agrees that the Government may assess administrative liquidated damages for the Contractor's failure to submit when due any deliverable required by the Contract. Unless otherwise prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the rate of the administrative liquidated damages shall be \$250 per day until the required deliverable is received and accepted by the Government. The Government's remedies for failure to comply with the Contract terms and conditions are cumulative and not exclusive. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the Government's ability to terminate the Contractor for the failure to submit Contract deliverables when due.

#### ARTICLE 31. ANTI-COMPETITIVE PRACTICES AND ANTI-KICKBACK PROVISIONS.

- A. The Contractor recognizes the need for markets to operate competitively and shall observe and shall comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations prohibiting anti-competitive practices. The Contractor shall not engage, directly or indirectly, in collusion or other anti-competitive practices that reduces or eliminates competition or restrains trade. The Department shall report to the appropriate authority any activity that evidences a violation of the antitrust laws, and take such other further action to which it is entitled or obligated under the law.
- **B.** The Contractor shall observe and comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations prohibiting kickbacks and, without limiting the foregoing, Contractor shall not (i) provide or attempt to provide or offer to provide any kickback; (ii) solicit, accept, or attempt to accept any kickback; or (iii) include, directly or indirectly, the amount of any kickback in the contract price charged by Contractor or a Subcontractor of the Construction Manager to the Department. The Contractor shall have in place and follow reasonable procedures designed to prevent and detect possible violations described in this subparagraph in its own operations and direct business relationships. The Department may take any recourse available to it under the law for violations of this anti-kickback provision.
- C. The Contractor represents and warrants that it did not, directly or indirectly, engage in any collusive or other anti-competitive behavior in connection with the bid, negotiation or award of the Contract. Further, the Contractor represents and warrants that it will not either directly or indirectly, engage in any collusive or other anti-competitive behavior in connection with the performance and administration of the Contract. In the event the Department determines that there has been a violation of these provisions, it may terminate the contract without liability.

#### ARTICLE 32. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS.

- A. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, or physical handicap. The affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
  - 1. Employment, upgrading, or transfer;
  - 2. Recruitment or recruitment advertising;
  - 3. Demotion, layoff, or termination;

- 4. Rates of pay, or other forms of compensation; and
- 5. Selection for training and apprenticeship.
- **B.** Unless otherwise permitted by law and directed by the Department, the Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Department setting forth the provisions of this Section concerning non-discrimination and affirmative action.
- **C.** The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment pursuant to the non-discrimination requirements set forth in this Section.
- D. The Contractor agrees to send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Department, advising each labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this Section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- E. The Contractor agrees to permit access by the Department to all books, records and accounts pertaining to its employment practices for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with this Section, and shall post copies of the notices in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- **F.** The Contractor shall include in every subcontract the equal opportunity clauses of this Section so that such provisions shall be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor.
- **G.** The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any Subcontractor as the Contracting Officer may direct as a means of enforcing these provisions, including sanctions for non-compliance.

#### ARTICLE 33. ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR DEPARTMENT'S EMPLOYEES AND FORMER

**EMPLOYEES**---The Department expects the Contractor to observe the highest ethical standards and to comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations governing ethical conduct or conflicts of interest. Neither the Contractor, nor any person associated with the Contractor, shall provide (or seek reimbursement for) any gift, gratuity, favor, entertainment, loan or other thing of value to any employee of the District or the Department not in conformity with applicable law, rules or regulations. The Contractor shall not engage the services of any person or persons in the employment of the Department or the District for any Work required, contemplated or performed under the Contract. The Contractor may not assign to any former Department or District employee or agent who has joined the Contractor's firm any matter on which the former employee, while in the employ of the Department, had material or substantial involvement in the matter. The Contractor may request a waiver to permit the assignment of such matters to former Department personnel on a case-by-case basis. The Contractor shall include in every subcontract a provision substantially similar to this section so that such provisions shall be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor.

**ARTICLE 34. CONSTRUCTION.** The Contract shall be construed fairly as to all parties and not in favor of or against any party, regardless of which party prepared the Contract.

**ARTICLE 35. SURVIVAL.** All agreements warranties, and representations of the Contractor contained in the Contract or in any certificate or document furnished pursuant to the Contract shall survive termination or expiration of the Contract.

**ARTICLE 36. REMEDIES CUMULATIVE.** Unless specifically provided to the contrary in the Contract, all remedies set forth in the Contract are cumulative and not exclusive of any other remedy the Government may have, including, without limitation, at law or in equity. The Government's rights and

remedies will be exercised at its sole discretion, and shall not be regarded as conferring any obligation on the Government's to exercise those rights or remedies for the benefit of the Contractor or any other person or entity.

**ARTICLE 37. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; MODIFICATION.** The Contract supersedes all contemporaneous or prior negotiations, representations, course of dealing, or agreements, either written or oral. No modifications to the Contract shall be effective against the Department unless made in writing signed by both the Department and the Contractor, unless otherwise expressly provided to the contrary in the Contract. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the Department's right to issue unilateral modifications to the contract.

**ARTICLE 38. SEVERABILITY.** In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of this Contract, and in lieu of each such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision, there shall be added automatically as a part of this Contract a provision as similar in terms to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision as may be possible and be valid, legal and enforceable; each part of this Contract is intended to be severable.

**ARTICLE 39.** FORCE MAJEURE----If the Contractor, because of Force Majeure, is rendered wholly or partly unable to perform its obligations when due under this Contract, the Contractor may be excused from whatever performance is affected by the Force Majeure to the extent so affected. In order to be excused from its performance obligations under this Contract by reason of Force Majeure, within 72 hours of the occurrence or event, the Contractor must provide the Contracting Officer written notice of its inability to perform as well as a description of the force majeure and its effect on Contract performance. The Contractor's assertion of its inability to perform. If the Contracting Officer agrees that the Contractor is wholly or partly unable to perform its obligations under the Contract a decision will be issued indicating the extent to which the Contractor is excused from its performance obligations. In no event will the Contractor be entitled to money damages from the Government due to force majeure.

**District of Columbia District of General Services** 

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# **Standard Contract Provisions**

General Provisions (Architectural & Engineering Services Contract)

#### ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

- **A.** "Architect-Engineer" means the individual, individuals, and or firm identified as the "Architect-Engineer" in the preamble of Contract executed by and between the District and the Architect-Engineer for the Project.
- **B.** "Change Order" means a document signed by the District and the Architect-Engineer to authorize an addition, deletion or revision in the services, the Architect-Engineer's cost of, or the time required for, the performance of any part of the services under the Contract, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract.
- **C.** "Contract" means the written contract for professional services between the District and the Architect-Engineer, including all exhibits, Standard Contract Provisions, and any duly executed amendments.
- **D.** "Contracting Officer" means the District official authorized to execute and administrate the Contract on behalf of the District. Within DGS, the Director is the Chief Contracting Officer. The Director may make delegations of procurement authority to additional contracting officers within DGS.
- **E.** "District" means the District of Columbia, Department of General Services, (the "Department" or "DGS"), a party to the Contract.
- **F.** "Project" means the District's project identified in the Contract, of which Architect-Engineer's services under the Contract as a party.
- **G.** "Scope of Services" means any and all work done in any and all phases of the Project, pursuant to and as set forth by the Department in the Contract.
- **H.** "Day or Days" All references to day or days in these Standard Contract Provisions will be counted based on calendar days not business days.

#### ARTICLE 2. GENERAL

- **A.** The Contracting Officer shall have authority to take any action provided for herein on behalf of the District, including approval, certifications, vouchers, acceptance and changes within the Scope of Services.
- **B.** The Architect-Engineer's period of performance shall commence on the effective date as agreed and as specified in the Scope of Services or in each task order issued by the Contracting Officer and ends on the date all required services are satisfactorily completed in accordance with the terms of the Contract and Project close-out documents and all deliverables are delivered to the District.
- **C.** All services shall be prosecuted under the direction of a principal officer or responsible representative of the Architect-Engineer, approved by the Contracting Officer. The design of architectural, civil, structural, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, or other engineering features of the Project shall be accomplished in accordance with the terms of the Contract and reviewed and certified in accordance with applicable District of Columbia regulations by architects or engineers registered to practice in the District of Columbia in the particular professional field involved.
- D. The Architect-Engineer shall furnish sufficient technical, supervisory and administrative personnel

to ensure the efficient prosecution of the services in accordance with the approved Project Schedule.

- E. The Architect-Engineer agrees that duly authorized representatives of the District shall have access at all reasonable times to inspect and make copies of all notes, designs, drawings, specifications or other technical or non-technical data, including but not limited to payroll of company personnel, pertaining to the services performed under the Contract.
- F. The standard of care. The Architect-Engineer, its consultants and subcontractors shall perform the services consistent with the professional skill and care ordinarily provided by members of the same profession currently practicing under similar or same circumstances in the same or similar locality of the Project. The standard of care shall not be altered by the application, interpretation, or construction of this or any other provision of these Standard Contract Provisions or the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 3. PROGRESS SCHEDULES AND REPORTS

- A. Generally. In addition to the requirements set forth in the Scope of Services and the requirements set forth elsewhere in the Contract, the Architect-Engineer shall furnish progress reports monthly, biweekly and with each payment request, describing accomplishments, decisions and overall progress made during the period covered by the report and including the most recent Project Schedule and as set forth in more detail in this Article 3.
  - **B.** Monthly Reports. The Architect-Engineer shall provide written reports to the District, at a minimum on a monthly basis on the progress of the Project, including, but not limited to, a baseline schedule and schedule updates with narrative demonstrating the critical path of the services in Primavera format in the latest available version or as designated by the Contracting Officer. The monthly written reports shall also include, at a minimum, the services accomplished, problems encountered, cost updates, an economic inclusion report, cash flow updates, quality assurance reports and other similar relevant data as the District may reasonably require.
  - C. Biweekly Updates. The Architect-Engineer shall also provide written update reports to the District on a biweekly basis, which shall reflect actual conditions of Project progress as of the date of the update. The update shall reflect the actual progress of designs or construction, as the case may be, identify developing delays, regardless of their cause, and reflect the Architect-Engineer's best projection of the actual date by which Substantial Completion and Final Completion of the Project will be achieved. Via a narrative statement (not merely a critical path method schedule), the Architect-Engineer shall identify the causes of any potential delay and state what, in the Architect-Engineer's judgment, must be done to avoid or reduce that delay. The Architect-Engineer shall point out, in its narrative, changes that have occurred since the last update, including those related to major changes in the Scope of Services, activities modified since the last update, revised projections of durations, progress and completion, revisions to the schedule logic or assumptions, and other relevant changes. Any significant variance from the previous schedule or update shall also be identified in a narrative, together with the reasons for the variance and its impact on Project completion. All schedule updates shall be in the latest version of Primavera format and reasonably acceptable to the District. The District may make reasonable requests during the Project for changes to the format or for further explanation of information provided. Submission of updates showing that Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Project will be achieved later than the applicable scheduled completion date shall not constitute requests for extension of time and shall not operate to change the scheduled completion date. The District's receipt of, and lack of objection to, any schedule update showing Substantial Completion or Final Completion later than
the dates agreed upon shall not be regarded as the District's agreement that the Architect-Engineer may have an extension of time, or as a waiver of any of the District's rights, but merely as the Architect-Engineer's representation that, in the Architect-Engineer's best projection, Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Project may not be completed by the agreed upon date. Changes to the scheduled completion dates may be made only in the circumstances and only by the methods set forth in the Contract.

D. Condition Precedent to Payment. All payments to Architect-Engineer are contingent upon satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract as determined by the Contracting Officer. Requisitions for payment shall be accompanied by a Project Progress Report which shall include the information set forth in this Article 3 and a statement indicating the percentage of completion of all required services for the Project.

#### ARTICLE 4. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ARCHITECT-ENGINEER

- A. Quality. The Architect-Engineer shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and the coordination of all designs, drawing, specifications, and other services furnished. The Architect-Engineer shall, without additional compensation correct or revise any errors or deficiencies in its designs, drawings, specification and other services.
- **B.** Scope of Services. The Architect-Engineer shall accomplish the design services required pursuant to the Scope of Services or under each task order. The services, as set forth in the Contract, shall include but are not limited to the services required to enable the District to award the related construction contract pursuant to standard District procedures, for the construction of the facilities designed at a price that does not exceed the estimated construction contract price set forth in the Contract.
  - 1. If bids or proposals are not solicited within 180 days following the District's acceptance of the services to be provided under the Scope of Services or task order, the Architect-Engineer shall, prepare an estimate of constructing the design submitted and such estimate will be used in lieu of bids or proposals to determine compliance with the funding limitation.
  - 2. If the bids or proposals for the construction contract received exceed such estimated price, the Architect-Engineer shall perform such redesign and other services as are necessary to permit contract award within such funding limitation. Such redesign services shall be performed at no increase in the price of the Contract. However, the Architect-Engineer shall not be required to perform such additional services at no cost to the District if the unfavorable bids or proposals are the results of unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault and negligence of the Architect-Engineer.
- C. Designing to Budget. The Architect-Engineer shall promptly advise the Contracting Officer if the Architect-Engineer finds that the Project design will exceed or is likely to exceed the funding limitations and the Architect-Engineer is unable to design a usable facility within these limitations. Upon receipt of such information, the Contracting Officer will review the Architect- Engineer's revised estimate of construction cost. The Contracting Officer may, if he determines that the estimated construction contract price set forth in the Scope of Services or task order is so low that award of a construction contract not in excess of such estimate is improbable, authorize a change in the scope, quality or type of materials, or both, as required to reduce the estimated construction cost to an amount within the estimated construction contract price set forth elsewhere in the Contract or he may adjust such estimated construction contract price.

- **D. Project Management and Inspection Entity.** In the event the Contract requires the Architect-Engineer to provide construction period services, the Architect-Engineer shall also, at intervals of no less than once per week or as set forth in the Scope of Services, be responsible for:
  - 1. Visits to Site and Observation of Construction. An Architect-Engineer representative who is knowledgeable of the Project and competent in each discipline that has trade activities and stages of construction being performed shall visit the site at the agreed-to intervals to observe as an experienced and qualified design professional the progress and quality of the various aspects of the contractor's work. Based on information obtained during such visits and on such observations, the Architect-Engineer shall endeavor to determine whether such work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents and shall keep the District informed of the general progress of the work in relation to the overall schedule. The Architect-Engineer shall document the site visit in writing and shall submit his findings in accordance with the report requirements set forth in Article 3 herein.
  - 2. Inspections of Work in Progress by the Architect-Engineer. During his periodic visits to the site to observe the work in progress, the Architect-Engineer shall, as a minimum, spot check the work installed and in progress to determine compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents and the codes and installation/workmanship standards listed therein. Defective and noncompliant work observed during such visits shall be noted in the Architect-Engineer's reports and pointed out to the Contracting Officer and Program Manager. The Architect-Engineer shall identify for the Project Manager any specific checks or inspections to be made. The results of these inspections shall be made a part of the Project's daily log and reports. The Architect-Engineer shall document the inspection in writing.
  - 3. Supplemental Inspections and Tests. For work not in compliance with the Contract Documents, the Architect-Engineer shall, with the District's approval, require additional or supplemental inspection or testing. The Architect-Engineer shall receive and review all certificates of inspections, tests and approvals required by laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, orders or the Contract Documents and shall determine whether, in its opinion as an Architect-Engineer, their content complies with the requirements of each. The Architect-Engineer shall also determine whether the results certified indicate compliance with the Contract Documents. The Architect-Engineer shall document the inspection in writing.
  - 4. Defective Work. During its site visits and based on its observation during such visits, the Architect-Engineer may disapprove the contractor's work, or any portion thereof, while the work is in progress if Architect-Engineer believes that such work does not conform to the Contract Documents or the approved shop drawings or other submittals. The Architect-Engineer may also recommend that the District reject any work that the Architect-Engineer believes will not result in a completed Project that conforms generally to the Contract Documents or that it believes will prejudice the integrity of the design as reflected in the Contract Documents. The Architect-Engineer shall document the defective work in writing.
- E. Code and Regulatory Compliance. The Architect-Engineer is responsible for designing the project and administering the construction phase of the Project in accordance with applicable District of Columbia Codes and other regulatory requirements applicable to the Project. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as relieving the Architect-Engineer, any other professional design consultant, or any contractor, supplier or other participant from any professional or legal responsibility for performance. Reviews, comments and approvals by the Department of General Services and its divisions, or any employee or official of the District, in no way absolve any other person, firm or corporation involved in

the Project from their full responsibilities under the applicable laws, codes and professional practice as required in projects for the District of Columbia. Lack of comment by a District of Columbia reviewer does not relieve the Architect-Engineer from designing to meet the applicable code or Architect-Engineer Manual requirements or applicable regulations related to water, sewer, fire department service, and other utilities.

- 1. Additional Costs. If the correction of a code or regulatory violation results in a Change Order during construction, any additional costs incurred shall be borne by the party responsible for the violation. The District shall bear only the costs attributable to the actual code or regulation-required enhancement of the Project.
- 2. *Code Interpretation.* If the Architect-Engineer believes that a code or a regulation is unclear as to meaning, the Architect-Engineer shall request a written opinion as to the applicable interpretation from the applicable regulatory agency, as appropriate. The Architect-Engineer shall be entitled to rely on the written opinion, if any, received from such agency.
- F. As-Built Drawings. At completion of the Project, the Architect-Engineer shall prepare a full set of record drawings showing the "as-built" condition of the Project and including the locations of all utilities based on his own records and upon information supplied by the Construction Manager, Contractor or Design-Builder, as applicable, on which the Architect-Engineer may rely. These drawings will consist of the original working drawings and the original of supplemental drawings and details modified to show the "as built" conditions both in paper, tracings, and electronic media. "As-built" drawings shall be turned over to the District as a condition precedent to Substantial Completion; final payment of the Architect-Engineer's fees shall not be due until the building is accepted by the District, the final Application for Payment is made, in acceptable form, to and accepted by the District, and record drawings and "as-built" drawings in the form of paper, tracings, and electronic media in the form of Compact Discs in latest version of AutoCAD. The District reserves the right to occupy the building, or portions thereof, prior to final acceptance.
- G. No Waiver. Neither the District's review, approval or acceptance of, nor payment for, any of the services required under the Contract shall be construed to operate as a waiver or any rights under the Contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of the Contract, and the Architect-Engineer shall be and remain liable to the District in accordance with applicable law for all damages to the District caused by the Architect-Engineer's negligent or intentionally wrongful act, omission or default while performing any of the services under the Contract.
- **H. Remedies Inclusive.** The rights and remedies of the District and the Architect-Engineer provided for under the Contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

#### ARTICLE 5. PAYMENTS

A. Invoices. The Architect-Engineer shall submit an invoice to the District, along with District-required documentation. The invoice shall generally itemize the various phases or parts of the Total Contract Amount, the value of the various phases or parts, the previously invoiced and approved amounts for payment, and the amount of the current invoice. The invoice shall also include a certification statement signed by the Architect-Engineer stating that the Architect-Engineer has paid its consultants, subcontractors and suppliers their individual proportional share of all previous payments, including interest if applicable, received from the District in accordance with the terms of the Architect-Engineer's subcontract with such persons or companies and these Standard Contract Provisions. Invoices for reimbursables shall include documentation of costs for which reimbursement is sought. Invoices for Architect-Engineer Services being performed on an

hourly rate basis shall show the technical classifications, names of the persons performing the Architect-Engineer services, man hours expended, marked up hourly rates for the classification, and the extended cost amount.

- B. Invoice Disputes. Unless there is a dispute about the compensation due the Architect-Engineer, including, but not limited to, claims by the District against the Architect-Engineer, then within thirty (30) days after receipt by the District of the Architect-Engineer's acceptable invoice, which shall be considered the invoice receipt date, the District shall pay to the Architect-Engineer the amount approved less any retainage and less any prior payments or advances made to Architect-Engineer. The date on which payment is due shall be referred to as the "payment date."
- **C. Frequency.** Invoices prepared the Architect-Engineer relating to the amount and value of work and services performed by the Architect-Engineer under the Contract shall be made periodically (not more often than monthly) and sent to the District for payment, accompanied by such documentation and supporting data as may be required by the Contracting Officer.
- D. Retainage. Upon approval of such invoice amounts by the Contracting Officer and presentation of proper documentation by the Architect-Engineer, payment of the invoice amount as determined above less agreed upon retainage and all previous payments shall be made in accordance with the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code §2-221.01 et seq. Unless otherwise provided for in the Contract, the retained payment percentage shall be 5%, provided, however, that if the Contracting Officer determines that the work is Substantially Complete and that the amount of retained percentages is in excess of the amount considered by him to be adequate for the protection of the District, he may in his discretion release to the Architect-Engineer such excess amount.
- E. Final Payment. Upon the satisfactory completion of the Architect-Engineer's services and formal notification of its final acceptance by the Contracting Officer, the Architect-Engineer shall be paid the unpaid balance of any money due hereunder, including retained percentages. Prior to such final payment under the Contract or prior to settlement upon termination of the Contract and as a condition precedent thereto, the Architect-Engineer shall execute and deliver to the Contracting Officer a release of all claims against the District arising under or by virtue of the Contract other than such claims, if any, as may be specifically excepted by the Architect-Engineer from the operation of the release in stated amounts to be set forth therein.
- Document Ownership. All drawings, designs, specifications and other Architect-Engineer F. deliverables first produced solely for the District in the performance of the Contract, or in contemplation thereof, and all as-built drawings produced after completion of the work shall be and remain the sole property of the District and may be used on any other work without additional cost to the District. With respect thereto, the Architect-Engineer agrees not to assert any rights or to establish any claim under the design patent or copyright laws and not to publish or reproduce such matter in whole or in part or in any manner or form or authorize others so to do without the written consent of the District, until such time as the District may have released such matter to the public. Further, with respect to any architectural design which the District desires to protect by applying for and prosecuting a design patent application or otherwise, the Architect-Engineer agrees to furnish the Contracting Officer such duly executed instruments and other papers (prepared by the District) as are deemed necessary to vest in the District the rights granted it under this clause. The Architect-Engineer agrees to furnish and provide access to the originals or copies of all such materials on the request of the Contracting Officer for a period of three (3) years after completion for the project.

- **G. Corrections of Work Post-Payment.** Notwithstanding the acceptance and approval by the District of any services performed or provided by the Architect-Engineer, the Architect-Engineer shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and the coordination of all services furnished by the Architect-Engineer under the Contract. The Architect-Engineer shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors or deficiencies or omissions in the Architect-Engineer's services.
- H. Payment Not Waiver. The District's review, approval or acceptance of, or payment for, any of the Materials and Services required under the Contract shall not constitute any representation, warranty or guaranty by the District as to the substance or quality of the matter reviewed, approved or accepted and shall not be construed to operate as a waiver or estoppel of any of the District's rights or privileges under the Contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of the Contract. No person or firm shall rely in any way on such review, approval or acceptance by the District. The Architect-Engineer shall be and remain liable in accordance with Applicable Law for all damages to the District caused by the Architect-Engineer. Review, approval or acceptance by the District or the Contracting Officer under the Contract shall not constitute approval otherwise required by any of the District departments, boards, commissions, or other regulatory agencies in the exercise of their independent regulatory authority.
- I. Errors and Omissions. Without limiting the Architect-Engineer's responsibility set forth above, such responsibility, by way of illustration shall include the following: If any error or omission in the Construction Documents submitted by the Architect-Engineer requires a change in the Scope of Services or any portion thereof, the Architect-Engineer shall promptly complete such change at no additional cost to the District.
- J. Compensation Disputes. Disputes regarding the compensation due the Architect-Engineer may include, but are not limited to, the amount due, the value or percentage of the Architect- Engineer Services completed, defects or deficiencies in the Architect-Engineer Services, quality of the Architect-Engineer Services, compliance with the Contract Documents, completion itself, or negligent performance of professional services on the part of the Architect-Engineer. In the event of disputes, payment shall be mailed on or before the Payment Date for amounts and Architect-Engineer Services not in dispute, subject to any setoffs claimed by the District.
- K. Adjustments. All prior payments, whether based on estimates or otherwise, may be corrected and adjusted in any payment and shall be corrected and adjusted in the final payment. In the event that any invoice by the Architect-Engineer contains a defect or impropriety which would prevent payment by the Payment Date, the District shall notify the Architect-Engineer in writing of such defect or impropriety within ten (10) days after the invoice receipt date. Any disputed amounts determined by the District to be payable to the Architect-Engineer shall be due thirty (30) days from the date the dispute is resolved. Interest shall be paid by the District in accordance with the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code §2-221.01 *et seq*.
- L. Payments to Subcontractors. The Architect-Engineer shall make a payment to each of its Consultants and Subcontractors, not later than seven (7) calendar days after receipt of amounts paid to the Architect-Engineer by the District, in an amount equal to the proportionate share of the total payment, including any interest, received from the District attributable to the Architect-Engineer Services performed by Consultants and Subcontractors less a retainage of not more than five percent (5%) if provided for in the applicable subcontract, said retainage being the same money, not additional money, retained by the District from the payment to the Architect-Engineer.

#### ARTICLE 6. CHANGES

**A. Generally.** The Contracting Officer may at any time by written order make changes within the general scope of the Contract to the Scope of Services to be performed under each task order. If such changes cause an increase or decrease in the Architect-Engineer's cost of or time required for performance of any service under the Contract, or both, upon approval of the Contracting Officer, an equitable adjustment shall be made and the Contract shall be modified in writing by the Contracting Officer accordingly. Any claim of the Architect-Engineer for adjustment under this clause must be made in writing to the Contracting Officer within ten (10) days from the date of receipt by the Architect-Engineer of the notification of change unless the Contracting Officer grants a further period of time before the date of final payment under this Contract. If the Architect-Engineer requests changes to the Scope of Services, the Architect-Engineer must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the District that the changes are necessary and not due to the acts or omissions of the Architect-Engineer. Generally, the time of performance of the Contract and/or any task order may be extended for the administrative convenience of the District or for other purposes whenever the Contracting Officer determines such action will not be a cause for additional fee or other related cost.

- **B.** Additional Compensation. Compensation to the Architect-Engineer beyond the monetary limits set forth in the Contract shall only be made if and when a Change Order to the Contract is duly executed by the Parties. Nothing herein shall limit the District's ability to make changes to the Contract unilaterally.
- **C. Designated Change Orders.** The Contracting Officer may, at any time, by written order designated or indicated to be a change order, make any changes in the work within the general scope of the Contract, including but not limited to changes:
  - 1. In the Contract drawings and specifications;
  - 2. In the method or manner of performance of the services;
  - 3. In the District furnished facilities, equipment, materials or services; or
  - 4. Directing acceleration in the performance of the services.

Nothing provided in this Article shall excuse the Architect-Engineer from proceeding with the prosecution of the services so changed.

- **D. Other Change Orders.** Any other written order or an oral order (which term as used in this Section shall include direction, instruction, interpretation, or determination) from the Contracting Officer which causes any such change, shall be treated as a Change Order under this Article, provided that the Architect-Engineer gives the Contracting Officer written notice stating the date, circumstances and sources of the order and that the Architect-Engineer regards the order as a Change Order.
- E. General Requirements. Except as herein provided, no order, statement or conduct of the Contracting Officer shall be treated as a change under this Article or entitle the Architect-Engineer to an equitable adjustment hereunder. If any change under this Article causes an increase or decrease in the Architect-Engineer's cost of, or the time required for, the performance of any part of the services under the Contract whether or not changed by any order, an equitable adjustment shall be made and the Contract modified in writing accordingly; provided, however, that except for claims based on defective specifications, no claim for any change under (B) above shall

be allowed for any cost incurred more than thirty (30) days before the Architect-Engineer gives written notice as therein required unless this thirty (30) day period is extended by the Contracting Officer and provided further, that in case of defective drawings and specifications, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased cost reasonably incurred by the Architect- Engineer in attempting to comply with such defective drawings and specifications.

- 1.If the Architect-Engineer intends to assert a claim for an equitable adjustment under this Article, the Architect-Engineer must, within thirty (30) days after receipt of a written Change Order under (A) above or the furnishing of a written notice under (D) above, submit to the Contracting Officer a written statement setting forth the general nature and monetary extent of such claim, unless this period is extended by the Contracting Officer. The statement of claim hereunder may be included in the notice under (D) above.
- 2. With respect to the notification obligations of the Architect-Engineer hereunder, time is of the essence. A failure to provide timely notice constitutes waiver of the claim. No claim by the Architect-Engineer for an equitable adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if asserted after final payment under the Contract.
- F. Change Order Breakdown. Contract prices shall be used for Change Order work where the services, as changed, are of similar nature; no other costs, overhead or profit will be allowed.
  - 1. Where Contract prices are not appropriate and the nature of the change is known in advance of construction, the parties shall attempt to agree on a fully justifiable adjustment of the Architect-Engineer's compensation and time for performance.
  - 2. When Contract prices are not appropriate, or the parties fail to agree on equitable adjustment, or in processing claims, equitable adjustment for Change Order work shall be per this Article and Article 7 and shall be based upon the breakdown shown in following subsections a) through g). The Architect-Engineer shall assemble a complete cost breakdown that lists and substantiates each item of work and each item of cost.
    - a) Labor—Payment will be made for direct labor cost plus indirect labor cost such as insurance, taxes, fringe benefits and welfare provided such costs are considered reasonable by the District. Indirect costs shall be itemized and verified by receipted invoices. If verification is not possible, up to 18 percent of direct labor costs may be allowed. In addition, up to 20 percent of direct plus indirect labor costs may be allowed for overhead and profit.
    - b) Rented Equipment—Payment for required equipment rented from a third party company that is neither an affiliate of, nor a subsidiary of, the Architect-Engineer will be based on receipted invoices, which shall not exceed rates given in the current edition of the Rental Rate Blue Book for Construction Equipment published by Data Quest. If actual rental rates exceed manual rates, written justification shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer for consideration. No additional allowance will be made for overhead and profit. The Architect-Engineer shall submit written certification to the Contracting Officer that any required rented equipment is neither owned by nor rented from the Architect-Engineer or an affiliate of or subsidiary of the Architect-Engineer.
    - c) *Architect-Engineer's Equipment*—Payment for required equipment owned by the Architect-Engineer or an affiliate of the Architect-Engineer will be based solely on an hourly rate

derived by dividing the current appropriate monthly rate by 176 hours. No payment will be made under any circumstances for repair costs, freight and transportation charges, fuel, lubricants, insurance, any other costs and expenses, or overhead and profit. Payment for such equipment made idle by delays attributable to the District will be based on one-half the derived hourly rate under this subsection.

- d) *Miscellaneous*—No additional allowance will be made for general superintendence, use of small tools and other costs for which no specific allowance is herein provided.
- e) Subcontract Work—Payment for additional necessary subcontract work will be based on applicable procedures in a) through f), to which total additional subcontract work, up to an additional 10 percent, may be allowed for the Architect-Engineer's overhead and profit.

#### G. Significant Changes in Character of Services.

- The Contracting Officer reserves the right to make, in writing, at any time during the performance of services, such changes in quantities and such alterations in the services as are necessary to satisfactorily complete the Project. Such changes in quantities and alterations shall not invalidate the Contract, and the Architect-Engineer agrees to perform the services as altered.
- 2. If the alterations or changes in quantities significantly change the character of the services under the Contract, whether or not changed by any such different quantities or alterations, an adjustment, excluding loss of anticipated profits, will be made to the Contract. The basis for the adjustment shall be agreed upon prior to the performance of the services. If a basis cannot be agreed upon, then an adjustment will be made either for or against the Architect-Engineer in such amount as the Contracting Officer may determine to be fair and reasonable.
- **3.** If the alterations or changes in quantities significantly change the character of the services to be performed under the Contract, the altered services will be paid for as provided elsewhere in the Contract.
- 4. The term "significant change" shall be construed to apply only to the following circumstances:
  - **a.** When the character of the services as altered differs materially in kind or nature from that involved or included in the original proposed construction; or
  - **b.** When an item of work is increased in excess of 125 percent or decreased below 75 percent of the original Contract quantity. Any allowance for an increase in quantity shall apply only to that portion in excess of 125 percent of original Contract item quantity, or in the case of a decrease below 75 percent, to the actual amount of services performed.
- 5. If the parties fall to agree upon the adjustment to be made, the dispute shall be processed as provided in Article 10 hereof entitled "Disputes". Nothing provided in this section shall excuse the Architect-Engineer from proceeding with the prosecution of services so changed.

#### ARTICLE 7. EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENT OF CONTRACT TERMS

The Architect-Engineer is entitled to an equitable adjustment of the contract terms whenever the following situations develop:

#### A. Differing Site Conditions.

1. During the progress of the work, if subsurface or latent physical conditions are encountered at the site differing materially from those indicated in the Contract or if unknown physical

conditions of an unusual nature, differing materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in the work provided for in the Contract, are encountered at the site, the Architect-Engineer, upon discovering such conditions, shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer in writing of the specific differing conditions before they are disturbed and before the affected work is performed.

- 2. Upon written notification, the Contracting Officer will investigate the conditions, and if he/she determines that the conditions materially differ and cause an increase or decrease in the cost or time required for the performance of any work under the contract, or both, an adjustment, excluding loss of anticipated profits, will be made and the Contract modified in writing accordingly. The Contracting Officer will notify the Architect-Engineer of his/her determination whether or not an adjustment of the Contract is warranted.
- **3.** No contract adjustment which results in a benefit to the Architect-Engineer will be allowed unless the Architect-Engineer has provided the required written notice; a failure to notify the Contracting Officer of the changed conditions prior to work being disturbed by said conditions shall constitute a permanent waiver of all right to compensation related to the changed conditions by the Architect-Engineer.
- **4.** No contract adjustment will be allowed under this clause for any effects caused on unchanged work.

#### B. Suspension of Work Ordered by Contracting Officer.

- 1. If the performance of all or any portion of the work is suspended or delayed by the Contracting Officer in writing for an unreasonable period of time (not originally anticipated, customary, or inherent to the nature of the services) and the Architect-Engineer believes that additional compensation or contract time, or both, is due as a result of such suspension or delay, the Architect-Engineer shall submit to the Contracting Officer in writing a request for equitable adjustment within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice to resume work. The request shall set forth the reasons and support for such adjustment.
- 2. Upon receipt, the Contracting Officer will evaluate the Architect-Engineer's request. If the Contracting Officer agrees that the cost or time required for the performance of the Contract, or both, has increased as a result of such suspension and the suspension was caused by conditions beyond the control or and not the fault of the Architect-Engineer or its consultants or subcontractors at any approved tier, and not caused by weather, the Contracting Officer will make an adjustment (excluding profit) and modify the contract in writing accordingly. The Contracting Officer will notify the Architect-Engineer of his/her determination whether or not an adjustment of the Contract is warranted.
- 3. No contract adjustment will be allowed unless the Architect-Engineer has submitted the request for adjustment within the time prescribed; a failure to submit a request for adjustment in the time prescribed shall constitute waiver of all right to compensation related to the suspension of work by the Architect-Engineer.

#### ARTICLE 8. TERMINATION

- **A.** Termination for Default. Termination, whether for default or convenience is not a Government claim. The Contracting Officer may terminate the Contract, or any task order issued thereunder by the Contracting Officer, for default, in whole or in part, if the termination is in the best interests of the Government, and the Architect-Engineer does any of the following:
  - 1. Fails to complete the Services within the time specified in the Contract or any modification (including task orders);
  - 2. Fails to make sufficient progress on contract performance so as to endanger performance

of the Contract (including any task order) within the time specified or in the manner specified in the Contract;

- **3.** Fails or refuses to go forward with the services in accordance with the direction of the Contracting Officer;
- **4.** Expresses through word or conduct an intention not to complete the services in accordance with the directions of the Contracting Officer;
- 5. Fails to perform any of the other provisions of the Contract (or any task order);
- **6.** Materially deviates from the representations and capabilities set forth in the Architect-Engineer's response to the solicitation.
- B. Final Decision of Contracting Officer. A termination for default is a final decision of the Contracting Officer. In order to contest a termination for default, the Architect-Engineer must submit a certified request to convert the termination for default to a termination for convenience with all documents supporting such conversion and comply with all Contract provisions and laws relating to terminations for convenience, including the submission of a certified termination for convenience settlement proposal. The submission of the certified request for conversion to a termination for convenience and certified termination settlement proposal to the Contracting Officer must occur prior to ninety (90) days from the date of the Contracting Officer's final decision.
- C. Delays. If the Architect-Engineer refuses or fails to prosecute the services, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will provide for its completion within the time specified in the Contract, or any extension thereof, or fails to complete said services within the specified time, the District may, by written notice to the Architect-Engineer, terminate its right to proceed with the services or such part of the services involving the delay. In such event, the District may take over the services and prosecute the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and utilize in completing the services such materials as may have been paid for by the District. Whether or not the Architect- Engineer's right to proceed with the services are terminated, the Architect-Engineer shall be liable for any liability to the District resulting from the Architect-Engineer's refusal or failure to complete the services within the specified time.
  - 1. If fixed and agreed liquidated damages are provided in the Contract and if the District does not so terminate the Architect-Engineer's right to proceed, the resulting damage will consist of such liquidated damages until the services are completed and accepted.
  - **2.** The Architect-Engineer's right to proceed shall not be so terminated nor the Architect-Engineer charged with resulting damage if:
  - a) The delay in the completion the services arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Architect-Engineer, including but not restricted to acts of God, acts of the public enemy, acts of the District in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the District, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, climatic conditions beyond the normal which could be anticipated, or delays of subcontractors or suppliers arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both the Architect-Engineer and such consultants or subcontractors at any tier; and
  - b) The Architect-Engineer, within 72 hours from the beginning of any such delay, (unless the

Contracting Officer grants a further period of time before the date of final payment under the Contract) notifies the Contracting Officer in writing of the causes of delay.

- **3.** The Contracting Officer shall ascertain the facts and the extent of the delay and extend the time for completing the services when, in his/her judgment, the findings of fact justify such an extension, and his/her findings of fact shall be final and conclusive on the parties, subject only to appeal as provided in Article 7 herein.
- 4. If, after notice of termination of the Architect-Engineer's right to proceed under the provisions of this Article, it is determined for any reason that the Architect-Engineer was not in default under the provisions of this Article, or that the delay was excusable under the provisions of this Article, or that the delay was excusable under the provisions of this Article, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be in accordance with Article 6 herein. Failure to agree to any such adjustment shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact within the meaning of Article 7 herein.
- 5. The rights and remedies of the District provided in this Article are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Contract.
- 6. The District may, by written notice, terminate the Contract or a portion thereof as a result of an Executive Order of the President of the United States with respect to the prosecution of war or in the interest of national defense. When the Contract is so terminated, no claim for loss of anticipated profits will be permitted.
- D. Opportunity to Cure. Notwithstanding the foregoing sections A and C, the Contract will not terminate as a result of the failure to perform if the Architect-Engineer begins, immediately upon receipt of such notice, to correct its failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure with no more than ten (10) days of receipt thereof. The Contracting Officer in its sole discretion, but is not obligated to, may extend the period to cure if the Department finds a legitimate reason for the extension.

#### E. Termination for Convenience of the District Government

- 1. The performance of services under the Contract, or any task order issued thereunder by the Contracting Officer, may be terminated by the District in accordance with this Article, in whole or in part, whenever the Contracting Officer shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the District. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Architect-Engineer of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of services under the Contract (or task order) is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
- **2.** After receipt of a Notice of Termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer, the Architect-Engineer shall:
  - a) Stop work under the Contract (or task order) on the date and to the extent specified in the Notice of Termination.
  - b) Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the services under the Contract (or task order) as is not terminated.
  - c) Terminate all orders and subcontracts to the extent that they relate to the performance of the services terminated by the Notice of Termination.

- d) Assign to the District, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Contracting Officer, all of the right, title and interest of the Architect-Engineer under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case the District shall have the right, in its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts.
- e) Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders or subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Contracting Officer to the extent he/she may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all purposes of this Article.
- f) Transfer title to the District and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, directed by the Contracting Officer completed, or partially completed plans, drawings, information and other property which, if the Contract (or task order) had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the District.
- g) Complete performance of such part of the services as shall not have been terminated by the Notice of Termination.
- h) Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Contracting Officer may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to the Contract that is in the possession of the Architect-Engineer and in which the District has or may acquire an interest.
- The Architect-Engineer shall proceed immediately with the performance of the above obligations notwithstanding any delay in determining or adjusting the cost, or any item of reimbursable cost, under this Article.
- 3. After receipt of a Notice of Termination, the Architect-Engineer shall submit to the Contracting Officer its termination claim, in the form with the certification prescribed by the Contracting Officer. Such claim shall be submitted promptly but in no event later than ninety (90) days from the effective date of termination, unless one or more extensions in writing are granted by the Contracting Officer upon request of the Architect-Engineer made in writing within such ninety (90)-day period or authorized extension thereof. In the event the Architect- Engineer was terminated for default and it asserts that it is entitled to a termination for convenience, its certified request for the conversion of the default termination to one for convenience and its certified termination settlement proposal must be submitted to the Contracting Officer prior to the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date of the default termination. With respect to a termination for convenience, if the Contracting Officer determines that the facts justify such action, he/she may receive and act upon any such termination claim at any time after such ninety (90)-day period or extension thereof. Nothing herein shall be construed to extend the time for the submission of a claim hereunder for a defaulted Architect-Engineer beyond ninety (90) days from the date of the default termination. Upon failure of the Architect- Engineer to submit his termination claim within the time allowed, the Contracting Officer may, subject to any review required by the District's procedures in effect as of the date of execution of the Contract, determine, on the basis of information available to him/her, the amount, if any, due to the Architect-Engineer by reason of the termination and shall thereupon pay to the Architect-Engineer the amount so determined.
- 4. Subject to the provisions of Section 3 above, and subject to any review required by the District's procedures in effect as of the date of execution of the Contract, the Architect-Engineer and Contracting Officer may agree upon the whole or any part of the amount or amounts to be paid to the Architect-Engineer by reason of the total or partial termination of services pursuant to this Article, which amount or amounts may include a reasonable allowance for profit on services completed; provided, that such agreed amount or amounts, exclusive of settlement costs, shall not exceed the total Contract price as reduced by the amount of

payments otherwise made and as further reduced by the Contract price of any services not terminated. The Contract shall be amended accordingly, and the Architect-Engineer shall be paid the agreed amount. Nothing in Section 5 below prescribing the amount to be paid to the Architect-Engineer in the event of failure of the Architect-Engineer and the Contracting Officer to agree upon the whole amount to be paid to the Architect-Engineer by reason of the termination of services pursuant to this Article, shall be deemed to limit, restrict or otherwise determine or effect the amount or amounts which may be agreed upon to be paid to the Architect-Engineer pursuant to this paragraph.

- **5.** In the event of the failure of the Architect-Engineer and the Contracting Officer to agree as provided in Section 4 above upon the whole amount to be paid to the Architect-Engineer by reason of the termination of services pursuant to this Article, the Contracting Officer shall, subject to any review required by the District's procedures in effect as of the date of execution of the Contract, determine, on the basis of information available to him/her, the amount, if any, due the Architect-Engineer by reason of the termination and shall pay to the Architect-Engineer the amounts determined by the Contracting Officer, as follows, but without duplication of any amounts agreed upon in accordance with Section 4 above:
  - a) With respect to all Contract work performed prior to the effective date of the Notice of Termination, the total (without duplication of any items) of:
    - i) The cost of such services;
    - ii) The cost of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of services under subcontracts or orders as provided in Section 2(e) above, exclusive of the amounts paid or payable on account of supplies or materials delivered or services furnished by the subcontractor prior to the effective date of the Notice of Termination of work under the Contract, which amounts shall be included in the cost on account of which payment is made under on Section 5(a)(i) above; and
    - iii) A sum, as profit on Section 5(a)(i) above, determined by the Contracting Officer to be fair and reasonable; provided however, that if it appears that the Architect-Engineer would have sustained a loss on the entire Contract had it been completed, no profit shall be included or allowed under this subparagraph and an appropriate adjustment shall be made reducing the amount of the settlement to reflect the indicated rate of loss; and provided further that profit shall be allowed only on preparations made and services performed by the Architect-Engineer for the terminated portion of the Contract (or task order) but may not be allowed on the Architect-Engineer's settlement expenses. Anticipatory profits and consequential damages shall not be allowed. Any reasonable method may be used to arrive at a fair profit, separately or as part of the whole settlement.
  - b) The reasonable cost of the preservation and protection of property incurred pursuant to Section 2(i); and any other reasonable cost incidental to termination of services under the Contract including expense incidental to the determination of amount due to the Architect-Engineer as the result of the termination of work under the Contract.
  - 6. The total sum to be paid to the Architect-Engineer under Section 5(a) above shall not exceed the total Contract price as reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made and as further reduced by the Contract price of services not terminated. Except for normal spoilage, and except to the extent that the District shall have otherwise expressly assumed the risk of loss, there shall be excluded from the amounts payable to the Architect-Engineer under Section 5(a) above, the fair value, as determined by the Contracting Officer, of property which is destroyed, lost, stolen or damaged so as to become undeliverable to the District
  - 7. The Architect-Engineer shall have the right of appeal, under Article 9 herein, from any determination made by the Contracting Officer under Sections 3 or 5, above, except that, if

the Architect-Engineer has failed to submit its claim within the time provided in Section 3 above and has failed to request extension of such time, the Architect-Engineer shall have no such right of appeal. In any case where the Contracting Officer has made a determination of the amount due under Sections 3 or 5, above, the District shall pay to the Architect-Engineer the following:

- a) If there is no right of appeal hereunder or if no timely appeal has been taken, the amount so determined by the Contracting Officer, or
- b) If an appeal had been taken, the amount finally determined on such appeal.
- 8. In arriving at the amount due the Architect-Engineer under this Article there shall be deducted:
  - a) all unliquidated advance or other payments on account theretofore made to the Architect-Engineer, applicable to the terminated portion of the Contract (or task order);
  - b) any claim which the District may have against the Architect-Engineer in connection with the Contract; and
  - c) the agreed price for, or the proceeds of sale of, any materials, supplies or other things kept by the Architect-Engineer or sold, pursuant to the provisions of this Article and not otherwise recovered by or credited to the District.
- **9.** If the termination hereunder be partial, prior to the settlement of the terminated portion of the Contract (or task order), the Architect-Engineer may file with the Contracting Officer a request in writing for an equitable adjustment of the price or prices specified in the Contract relating to the continued portion of the Contract (the portion not terminated by the Notice of Termination), and such equitable adjustment as may be agreed upon shall be made at such price or prices; however, nothing contained herein shall limit the right of the District and the Architect-Engineer to agree upon the amount or amounts to be paid to the Architect-Engineer for the completion of the contract price for such continued portion.
- **10.** The District may from time to time, under such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, make partial payments against costs incurred by the Architect-Engineer in connection with the terminated portion of the Contract (or task order) whenever in the opinion of the Contracting Officer the aggregate of such payments shall be within the amount to which the Architect-Engineer will be entitled hereunder. If the total of such payments is in excess of the amount finally agreed or determined to be due under this Article, such excess shall be payable by the Architect-Engineer to the District upon demand, together with interest in accordance with the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code §2-221.01 *et seq*.
- **11.** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract or by applicable statute, the Architect-Engineer, from the effective date of termination and for a period of three (3) years after final settlement under the Contract, shall preserve and make available to the District at all reasonable times at the office of the Architect-Engineer, but without direct charge to the District, all its books, records, documents and other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Architect-Engineer under the Contract and relating to the services terminated hereunder, or, to the extent approved by the Contracting Officer, photographs and other authentic reproductions thereof.
- **12.** By virtue of a Termination for Convenience, the Architect-Engineer shall not become entitled to payment for defective services, deficient services, rejected services, or services not in accordance with the plans or specifications set forth in the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 9. DISPUTES

**A. Generally.** All disputes arising under or relating to the Contract shall be resolved as provided herein.

#### B. Claims by the Architect-Engineer against the District.

- 1. Claim, as used in this Section B of Article 9, means a written assertion by the Architect- Engineer seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to the Contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.
  - a) All claims by the Architect-Engineer against the District arising under or relating to the Contract shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer for a decision.
  - b) Within 120 days after receipt of a claim, the Contracting Officer shall issue a decision, whenever possible taking into account factors such as the size and complexity of the claim and the adequacy of the information in support of the claim provided by the Architect-Engineer.
  - c) Any failure by the Contracting Officer to issue a decision on a Contract claim within the required time period shall be deemed to be a denial of the claim and shall authorize the commencement of an appeal on the claim as otherwise provided.
    - i) If the Architect-Engineer is unable to support any part of its claim and it is determined that the inability is attributable to a material misrepresentation of fact or fraud on the part of the Architect-Engineer, the Architect-Engineer shall be liable to the District for an amount equal to the unsupported part of the claim in addition to all costs to the District attributable to the cost of reviewing that part of the Architect-Engineer's claim.
    - ii) Liability under this section shall be determined within six (6) years of the commission of the misrepresentation of fact or fraud.
  - d) All cost data, pricing data, and task data of claims hereunder must be certified as accurate, complete, required, and necessary to the best of the Architect-Engineer's knowledge and belief. Further, all task or work data in the claim must be described therein to the smallest unit of work or task. The Contracting Officer may require any additional certifications, descriptions or explanations of the claim.
- e) The parties agree that time is of the essence and all claims hereunder must be presented to the Contracting Officer for a final decision within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of the circumstances giving rise to such claim or within thirty (30) days of when the Architect-Engineer knew or should have known of the circumstances giving rise to such claim, otherwise compensation for that claim is waived.
- f) The parties agree that there shall be no claims for unabsorbed home office overhead.
- 2. The Architect-Engineer's claim shall contain at least the following:
  - a) A description of the claim and the amount in dispute;

- b) Any data or other information in support of the claim;
- c) A brief description of the Architect-Engineer's efforts to resolve the dispute prior to filing the claim; and
- d) The Architect-Engineer's request for relief or other action by the Contracting Officer.
- e) The certification of the accuracy, completeness, requirement, and necessity of all aspects of the claim.
- **3.** The decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the Architect-Engineer.
- **4.** Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Architect-Engineer shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.

#### C. Claims by the District Against the Architect-Engineer.

1. Claim as used in this Section C of Article 9, means a written demand or written assertion by the District, including the Contracting Officer, seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to the Contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant. Nothing herein shall be construed to require the District to notify the Architect-Engineer prior to the issuance of the Contracting Officer's final decision.

#### 2.

- a) All claims by the District against the Architect-Engineer arising under or relating to a contract shall be decided by the Contracting Officer, who shall issue a decision in writing and furnish a copy of the decision to the Architect-Engineer.
- b) The decision shall be supported by reasons and shall inform the Architect-Engineer of its rights. Specific findings of fact shall not be required.
- **3.** This clause shall not authorize the Contracting Officer to settle, compromise, pay, or otherwise adjust any claim involving fraud.
- **4.** The decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the Architect-Engineer.
- **5.** Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Architect-Engineer shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.
- **6.** The Contracting Officer may enter into a voluntary exclusion agreement with the Architect-Engineer in order to settle any claim or dispute between the parties.

#### ARTICLE 10. RETENTION AND EXAMINATION OF RECORDS

Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, or by applicable statute, the Architect-Engineer, from the effective date of Contract completion and for a period of three (3) years after final settlement under the Contract, shall preserve and make available to the District at all reasonable times at the office of the Architect-Engineer but without direct charge to the District, all its books, records, documents, and other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Architect-Engineer under the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 11. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

The Architect-Engineer warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Architect-Engineer for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the District shall have the right to terminate the Contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

#### ARTICLE 12. OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT

Α. District Employees Not To Benefit. Unless a determination is made as provided herein, no officer or employee of the District will be admitted to any share or part of the Contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, and any contract made by the Contracting Officer or any District employee authorized to execute contracts in which they or an employee of the District will be personally interested shall be void, and no payment shall be made thereon by the District or any officer thereof, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to the Contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit. A District employee shall not be a party to a contract with the District and will not knowingly cause or allow a business concern or other organization owned or substantially owned or controlled by the employee to be a party to such a contract, unless a written determination has been made by the head of the procuring agency that there is a compelling reason for contracting with the employee, such as when the District's needs cannot reasonably otherwise be met in accordance with DC Procurement Practices Act of I985, D.C. Law 6-85, D.C. Official Code, section 2-310.01, and Chapter 18 of the DC Personnel Regulations. The Architect-Engineer represents and covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. The Architect-Engineer further covenants not to employ any person having such known interests in the performance of the Contract.

#### B. Anti-Competitive Practices and Anti-Kickback Provisions.

- 1. The Architect-Engineer recognizes the need for markets to operate competitively and shall observe and shall comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations prohibiting anticompetitive practices. The Architect-Engineer shall not engage, directly or indirectly, in collusion or other anti-competitive practices that reduces or eliminates competition or restrains trade. The District shall report to the appropriate authority any activity that evidences a violation of the antitrust laws, and take such other further action to which it is entitled or obligated under the law.
- 2. The Architect-Engineer shall observe and comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations prohibiting kickbacks and, without limiting the foregoing, Architect-Engineer shall not (i) provide or attempt to provide or offer to provide any kickback; (ii) solicit, accept, or attempt to accept any kickback; or (iii) include, directly or indirectly, the amount of any

kickback in the contract price charged by Architect-Engineer or a Subcontractor of the Architect-Engineer to the District. The Architect-Engineer shall have in place and follow reasonable procedures designed to prevent and detect possible violations described in this subparagraph in its own operations and direct business relationships. The District may take any recourse available to it under the law for violations of this anti-kickback provision.

#### ARTICLE 13. CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND ETHICS

- A. Former Employees Generally. Pursuant to Public Law 95-521, as amended, <u>no former</u> <u>employee</u> of the United States District or the District of Columbia:
  - 1. Shall knowingly represent the Architect-Engineer before any District agency through personal appearance or communication in connection with a matter involving specific parties to the Contract where the former District employee participated personally and substantially in this matter while employed with the District.
  - 2. Shall <u>within two (2) years after</u> terminating District employment knowingly represent the Architect-Engineer before any District agency through personal appearance or communication in connection with a matter involving specific parties to the Contract were the matter was pending under the official responsibility of the former employee <u>within one (1) year</u> prior to termination of District service.
- B. Former Senior Employees. Pursuant to Public Law 95-591, as amended, <u>no former senior</u> <u>level officer or former senior level employee</u> of the United States District or the District of Columbia District named in or designated by the Contracting Officer of the Office of District Ethics under Section 207(d) of Title 18 USC:
  - 1. Shall, <u>within two (2) years after terminating District employment knowingly represent or aid counsel</u>, advise, consult or assist in representing any other person by personal presence at any formal or informal appearance before any District agency in connection with a matter involving specific parties where the former employee participated personally aid substantially in that matter while employed with the District.
  - 2. Shall, <u>within one (1) year</u> after terminating District employment knowingly act as an agent or attorney for or otherwise represent anyone in any formal or informal appearance before or with the intent to influence make any written or oral communication on behalf of anyone to his or her former District or agency or any of its officers or employees or (2) in connection with any particular District matter, whether or not involving a specific party which is pending before such District or agency or in which it has a direct and substantial interest.
- C. Conflict of Interest. The Architect-Engineer represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its directors, officers, members, partners or employees, has any interest nor shall they acquire any interest, directly or indirectly, which would or may conflict in any manner or degree with the performance or rendering of the services herein provided. The Architect-Engineer represents and warrants that, in the performance of the Contract, no person having such interest or possible interest shall be employed by it. No elected official or other officer or employee of the District, nor any person whose salary is payable, in whole or in part, from the District Treasury, shall participate in any decision relating to the Contract which affects his/her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership or association in which he/she is, directly or indirectly, interested; nor shall any such person have any interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract or in the proceeds

thereof.

- D. No Kick-Backs. The Architect-Engineer shall not offer or receive any kickbacks or inducements from any other offeror, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with the Contract. The Architect-Engineer shall not confer on any public employee having official responsibility for the Contract any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value.
- E. No Contractor Employment. No official or employee of the District of Columbia whose duties as such official or employee include matters relating to or affecting the subject matter of the Contract shall, during the pendency and term of the Contract and/while serving as an official or employee of the District of Columbia, become or be an employee of the Architect-Engineer or any entity that is a subcontractor on the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 14. DISMISSALS AND REPLACEMENT OF KEY PERSONNEL

- A. Dismissals by the District. Should the continued employment of any person or persons in the Architect-Engineer's organization under the Contract be deemed by the Contracting Officer to be prejudicial to the interests of the District, such person or persona shall be immediately removed from the work hereunder. The Architect-Engineer shall make every effort in the selection of its employees and in the prosecution of the work under the Contract to safeguard all drawings and specifications and to prevent the theft conversion or unauthorized use of the same.
- **B.** Replacement of Key Personnel. No substitutions for Key Personnel shall be permitted unless approved by the Contracting Officer. Any proposed replacement for Key Personnel must possess qualifications substantially similar to those of the Key Personnel being replaced and are subject to the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer. In addition, at the Contracting Officer's request at any time, the Architect-Engineer shall remove any Key Personnel or other personnel and substitute another employee of the Architect-Engineer or its subcontractors reasonably satisfactory to the Contracting Officer. The Contracting Officer may request such substitution at any time, in his/her sole discretion.
- C. Liquidated Damages. In order to maintain project continuity the District expects that the Architect-Engineer will assign the same project managers to all phases of the Project and that such personnel will be available to oversee and coordinate the services throughout the Project. Accordingly, the Architect-Engineer's designated Key Personnel shall be subject to liquidated damages for their removal or reassignment by the Architect-Engineer. In each instance where the Architect-Engineer removes or reassigns one of its Key Personnel (but excluding instances where such personnel become unavailable due to death, disability, or separation from the employment of the Architect-Engineer or any affiliate of the Architect-Engineer) without the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer, the Architect-Engineer shall pay to the District an amount set forth in the Contract as liquidated damages and not a penalty, to reimburse the District for its administrative costs arising from the Architect-Engineer's failure to provide the Key Personnel. The foregoing liquidated damage amount shall not bar recovery of any other damages, costs or expenses other than the District's internal administrative costs. In addition, the District shall have the right, to be exercised in its sole discretion, to remove, replace or to reduce the Scope of Services of the Architect-Engineer in the event that a member of the Key Personnel has been removed or replaced by the Architect-Engineer without the consent of the District. In the event the District exercises the right to remove, replace or to reduce the Scope of Services of the Architect-Engineer, the District shall have the right to enforce the terms of the Contract and to keep-in-place those members of the Architect-Engineer's team not removed or replaced and the remaining members

shall complete the services required under the Contract in conjunction with the new members of the Architect-Engineer's team approved by the District.

# ARTICLE 15. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- A. Generally. The Architect-Engineer shall at all times exercise the professional skill and care required by Section 2.F of these Standard Contract Provisions in observing and complying with all laws, codes, regulations, orders and decree set forth by any department, agency or branch of the United States District, and the District of Columbia applicable to the services.
- B. Equal Opportunity: Non-Discrimination in Employment. During the performance of the Contract the Architect-Engineer shall comply with the provisions of Mayor's Order 85-85 as implemented by Title 4, Chapter 11 Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements in Contracts, 33 DCR 4952 (August 15, 1986).

#### C. Buy American Act.

- Agreement—In accordance with the Buy American Act (41 USC I0a-I0d), and Executive Order 10582. December 17, 1954 (3 CFR, 1954-58 Comp., p. 230), as amended by Executive Order 11051, September 27,1962 (3 CFR, I059—63 Comp., p. 635), the Architect-Engineer agrees that only domestic construction material will be used by the Architect-Engineer, subcontractors, material men and suppliers in the performance of the Contract, except for non-domestic material listed in the Contract.
- 2. Domestic Construction Material—"Construction material" means any article, material or supply brought to the construction site for incorporation in the building or work. An unmanufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been mined or produced in the United States. A manufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been manufactured in the United States and if the cost of its components which have been mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. "Component" means any article, material, or supply directly incorporated in a construction material.
- 3. Domestic Component—A component shall be considered to have been "mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States" regardless of its source, in fact, if the article, material or supply in which it is incorporated was manufactured in the United States and the component is of a class or kind determined by the District to be not mined, produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality.
- **4.** *Foreign Material* When steel materials are used in a project a minimal use of foreign steel is permitted. The cost of such materials cannot exceed on-tenth of one percent of the total project cost, or \$2,500,000, whichever is greater.
- **D.** Service Contract Act. The Architect-Engineer agrees that the work performed under this Contract shall be subject to the Service Contract Act (41 U.S.C. 351 *et seq.*). The wage rates applicable to this Project shall be attached as an exhibit to the Contract. The Architect-Engineer further agrees that it and all of its subcontractors shall comply with the regulations implementing the Service Contract Act and such regulations are hereby incorporated by reference.

E. False Claims Act. The Architect-Engineer shall be governed by all laws and regulations prohibiting false or fraudulent statements and claims made to the government, including the prescriptions set forth in District of Columbia Code §22-2405 and §§2-381.01 et seq.

#### ARTICLE 16. APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY

The Architect-Engineer does hereby irrevocably designate and appoint the Clerk of the Superior Court of the District and his successors in office as the true and lawful attorney of the Architect-Engineer for the purpose of receiving service of all notices and processes issued by any court in the District, as well as service of all pleadings and other papers, in relation to any action or legal proceeding arising out of or pertaining to the Contract or the work required or performed hereunder.

The Architect-Engineer expressly agrees that the validity of any service upon the said Clerk as herein authorized shall not be affected either by the fact that the Architect-Engineer was personally within the District of Columbia and otherwise subject to personal service at the time of such service upon the said Clerk or by the fact that the Architect-Engineer failed to receive a copy of such process, notice, pleading or other paper so served upon the said Clerk, provided that said Clerk shall have deposited in the United States mail, certified and postage prepaid, a copy of such process, notice, pleading or other papers addressed to the Architect-Engineer at the address stated in the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 17. INDEMNIFICATION

- A. Violation of Laws, Regulations, Specifications, and Breach of Contract. If the Architect-Engineer violates any laws, regulations, codes or industry standards relating to the Project, the Architect-Engineer shall take prompt action to correct or abate such violation and shall indemnify and hold the District of Columbia and its officials, officers, agents, and employees, the Department and its consultants, representatives, agents, servants and employees harmless against any and all claims or liability, damages, fines, penalties, third party claims, suits, awards, actions, causes of action or judgments, including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred thereunder, arising from or based on the violation of any such law, code, regulation, codes or industry standards, order or decree in performance of the Contract services whether by the Architect-Engineer, an employee or agent of the Architect-Engineer, any person, firm or corporation employee engaged by the Architect-Engineer or contractually associated with the Architect-Engineer in the performance of or in connection with the Services contemplated or performed under the Contract.. If the Architect-Engineer breaches the terms of this Contract, including the solicitation, letter contract, standard contract provisions, directives, specifications, manufacturer's specifications, and the RFP, the Architect-Engineer shall indemnify and hold the Department and its consultants, representatives, agents, servants and employees harmless against any damages, fines, penalties, claims, suits, awards, actions, causes of action or judgments, including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred thereunder, that result from such breach.
- B. Professional Services. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Architect-Engineer shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Department and the Department's consultants and agents and employees from and against claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the services, provided that such claim, damage, loss or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), but only to the extent caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the Architect-Engineer, a consultant or subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by a party

indemnified hereunder.

- C. Non-Professional Services. In addition, other than claims arising out of the performance of professional services, the Architect-Engineer shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Department, its representatives, consultants, officers, agents, servants and employees, from and against claims, liabilities, demands, losses, damages, judgments, costs, or expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses recoverable under applicable law, to the extent such claims are caused by acts or omissions of the Architect-Engineer, a consultant or subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder or arising out of the Contract services, provided that, such claims arise out of non-professional services required under the Contract.
- **D.** Third Party Disputes. Disputes between the Architect-Engineer and any subcontractors, material suppliers, or any other third parties over payments allegedly owed by the Architect-Engineer to a third party shall be resolved exclusively between the Architect-Engineer and the third party; the Architect-Engineer shall permit no pass-through suits to be brought against the District by a third party in the Architect-Engineer's name. However, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the Architect-Engineer from paying a subcontractor's claim and seeking a timely equitable adjustment hereunder.

#### ARTICLE 18. SUBCONTRACTORS AND/OR OUTSIDE ASSOCIATES AND CONSULTANTS

- A. Prior Consent Required. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 18 (A), the Architect-Engineer shall not delegate or enter into any Subcontracts for the performance of its obligations under the Contract, in whole or in part, without on each occasion obtaining the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer. Any subcontractors and/or outside associates or consultants required by the Architect-Engineer in connection with the Services covered by the Contract shall be limited to such individuals or firms as were specifically identified in the Architect-Engineer's written proposal and approved by the District during negotiations. Any proposed changes in such subcontractors, associates, or consultants shall be subject to the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer.
- **B. Requests.** The Architect-Engineer shall submit to the Contracting Officer copies of all proposed subcontract(s) to be entered into by the Architect-Engineer, along with the Architect-Engineer's written request for the District's consent. All such subcontracts must specify that:
  - 1. work performed by the subcontractor shall be in accordance with the terms of the Contract;
  - 2. nothing contained in such subcontract shall be construed to impair the rights of the District under the Contract;
  - **3.** the District's consent to or approval of any subcontract shall not create any obligation of the District to any subcontractor;
  - **4.** nothing contained in such subcontract, or under the Contract, shall create any obligation of the District to any subcontractor;
  - 5. the District shall be expressly designated a third party beneficiary of the subcontract;
  - **6.** upon request by the District (at the District's sole option) and upon receipt of written notice from the District stating that the Contract between the District and the Architect-Engineer has been

terminated, the subcontractor agrees that it will continue to perform its obligations under the subcontract for the benefit of the District in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, provided the District pays the subcontractor for the services rendered and materials provided by the subcontractor from and after the date of the termination of the Contract between the District and the Architect-Engineer at the same rate or in the same amount as set forth in the subcontract for services and materials after such date of termination;

- 7. the subcontractor shall be bound by the same requirements as the Architect-Engineer including confidentiality, maintenance and preservation of records, and audit by government representatives, under the Contract; and
- 8. the subcontractor agrees (i) to assign and transfer to the District all of its rights to sales and use tax which may be refunded as a result of a claim for refund for any materials purchased in connection with the subcontract or the Contract, (ii) that, other than as directed by the District, it will not file a claim for refund for any sales or use tax which is the subject of this assignment; and (iii) that the District, in its own name or in the name of subcontractor, may file a claim for a refund of any sales or use tax covered by the assignment.
- C. No Relief of Obligations. No permitted subcontract shall relieve the Architect-Engineer of any obligation under the Contract. The Architect-Engineer shall be as fully responsible for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors or persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, as it is for the acts and omissions of the Architect-Engineer or persons directly or indirectly employed by the Architect-Engineer.
- **D. No Effect.** Any purported subcontract in violation of this Section or of any other section in the Contract shall be of no force and effect.
- E. Right to Reject. The District may, in its sole discretion, reject any or all bids and proposals received by the Architect-Engineer from any subcontractor for any portion of the services, and may require the Architect-Engineer to obtain new or revised bids or proposals or subcontractors.
- F. Incorporation by Reference. Any agreement the Architect-Engineer makes with a subcontractor, outside associate or consultant shall incorporate specifically or by reference thereto, each and every provision of the Contract, these Standard Contract Provisions, the Attachment(s) and Appendices hereto, and if applicable, the District's Standard Contract Provisions for Construction Contracts.

#### ARTICLE 19. WAIVER

No waiver by the District or the Architect-Engineer of any breach of any provision of the Contract shall operate as a waiver of such provision or of the Contract or as a waiver of subsequent or other breaches of the same or any other provision of the Contract; nor shall any action or non-action by the Contracting Officer or by the District or the Architect-Engineer be construed as a waiver of any provision of the Contract or of any breach thereof unless the same has been expressly declared or recognized as a waiver by the Contracting Officer or the Architect-Engineer, as applicable, in writing.

#### ARTICLE 20. PATENTED AND PROPRIETARY ITEMS

A. Prior Approval Required. The Architect-Engineer shall not, without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer, specify for the Project, or necessarily imply the required use of any article, product, material, fixture or form of construction, the use of which is covered by a patent, or which

is otherwise exclusively controlled by a particular firm or group of firms.

**B. Indemnity.** The Architect-Engineer shall be liable to and hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District against any claim, action cost or judgment against the District for patent infringement, trademark violation, copyright violation or infringement of rights in technical data, in any systems, graphs, charts, designs, drawings or specifications furnished by the Architect-Engineer in the performance of the Contract.

#### ARTICLE 21. TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

- A. Prior Consent Required. Unless otherwise provided by law, neither the Contract nor any interest therein may be transferred or assigned by the Architect-Engineer to any other party without the written consent of the Contracting Officer; and any attempted transfer or assignment not authorized by this Article shall constitute a breach of the Contract and the District may for such cause terminate the Contract for default and terminate the right of the Architect-Engineer to proceed in the same manner as provided in Article 8.B. herein, and the Architect-Engineer shall be liable to the District for any excess cost occasioned the District thereby.
- B. Monies. The Architect-Engineer shall not assign any right to any monies to be paid under the Contract, without on each occasion obtaining the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer. In no case shall approval by the District of the assignment of any monies to be paid under the Contract relieve the Architect-Engineer from its obligations hereunder or change the remaining terms of the Contract. Any purported assignment in violation of this Article shall be of no effect.
- **C. Applicability in Case of Bankruptcy or Insolvency.** A receiver or trustee in any federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other proceedings shall comply with the requirements set forth in the Standard Contract Provisions.
- D. Obligation of Architect-Engineer. The Architect-Engineer acknowledges that the Services are the obligation of the Architect-Engineer and the District shall have no obligation to accept performance by a third party without the Contracting Officer's prior and express written consent.
- E. Failure to Obtain Consent. Failure to obtain the previous written consent of the Contracting Officer to such an assignment, transfer or conveyance, shall justify, at the option of the Contracting Officer, the revocation and annulment of the Contract. The District shall thereupon be relieved and discharged from any further liability and obligation to the Architect-Engineer, his assignees or transfers, and the Architect-Engineer and his assignees shall forfeit and lose all monies theretofore earned under the Contract, except so much as may be required to pay the Architect-Engineer's employees.
- **F.** Assignment by the District. This Contract may be assigned by the District to any corporation, agency or instrumentality of the District having authority to accept such assignment.

#### ARTICLE 22. QUALIFICATIONS

A. Signatory Authority and Qualifications. The Architect-Engineer hereby warrants that the signature or signatures herein before affixed are duly authorized further the Architect-Engineer warrants as a true statement any and all statements of qualification with respect to but not limited to professional status premises, employees experience and financial standing such as may be set forth in documents furnished by the Architect-Engineer or required by the District for the purpose of securing the District's consent to enter into the Contract. Misrepresentation shall be

cause for termination for default of the Contract and such other action as may be appropriate including with limitation suspension and debarment and civil or criminal penalties.

- B. Good Standing. If the Architect-Engineer is an entity, the Architect-Engineer is either: (1) a not-for-profit corporation or other entity determined to be tax exempt pursuant to section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code by the Internal Revenue Service; or (2) a business corporation, partnership or other business entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of its incorporation or organization. The Architect-Engineer shall also be duly licensed, qualified and in good standing in the District of Columbia. The Architect-Engineer's loss of good standing is grounds for Termination for Default without liability upon the Department.
- **C. Authority to Act.** The Architect-Engineer has full legal power and authority to enter and perform the Contract and provide the Services without resulting in a default under or a breach or violation of (1) the Architect-Engineer's certificate or articles of incorporation or bylaws or other organizational documents, if applicable; (2) any applicable law, or any license, permit or other instrument or obligation to which the Architect-Engineer is now a party or by which the Architect-Engineer may be bound or affected; and (3) the Architect-Engineer's tax exempt status, if applicable.
- **D.** Legal Obligation. The Contract has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the District and the Architect-Engineer, by and through persons authorized to execute the Contract on their respective behalf, and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the District and the Architect-Engineer, enforceable against the District and the Architect-Engineer in accordance with its terms.
- E. No Litigation Preventing Performance. There is no litigation, claim, consent order, settlement agreement, investigation, challenge or other proceeding pending or threatened against the Architect-Engineer, its properties or business, or any individuals acting on the Architect-Engineer's behalf, including, without limitation, subcontractors, which seek to enjoin or prohibit the Architect-Engineer from entering into or performing its obligations under the Contract.
- F. Requisite Licensure and Qualifications. The Architect-Engineer and all of the entities and individuals acting on the Architect-Engineer's behalf, including, without limitation, consultants and subcontractors, in connection with the Services under the Contract, possess and, at all times during the term of the Contract, shall possess all licenses, certifications, qualifications, or other credentials as required in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations and the terms of the Contract, to perform the Services. The Architect- Engineer shall provide the District with copies of all licenses, credentials, and/or certifications specified in this Section within five (5) days of request by the District.

#### ARTICLE 23. ARCHITECT-ENGINEER'S WARRANTY AGAINST DEBARMENT

The Architect-Engineer certifies that it is not currently (i) debarred, suspended or excluded, (ii) a party to a voluntary exclusion agreement, or (iii) otherwise enjoined from submitting bids or proposals on contracts for the type of services covered by the Contract, nor is the Architect-Engineer an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred, suspended, excluded or otherwise enjoined.

#### ARTICLE 24. RECOVERY OF DEBTS OWED THE GOVERNMENT

The Architect-Engineer hereby agrees that the Department may use all or any portion of any payment, consideration or refund due the Architect-Engineer under the Contract to satisfy, in whole or part, any debt due the District.

#### ARTICLE 25. ADMINISTRATIVE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

In addition to any other liquidated damages provided for in the Contract, the Architect-Engineer hereby agrees that the Government may assess administrative liquidated damages for the Architect-Engineer's failure to submit when due any deliverable required by the Contract. Unless otherwise prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the rate of the administrative liquidated damages shall be \$250 per day until the required deliverable is received and accepted by the Department. The Department's remedies for failure to comply with the Contract terms and conditions are cumulative and not exclusive. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the Department's ability to terminate the Architect-Engineer for the failure to submit Contract deliverables when due.

#### ARTICLE 26. FORCE MAJEURE

If the Architect-Engineer, because of Force Majeure, is rendered wholly or partly unable to perform its obligations when due under this Contract, the Architect-Engineer may be excused from whatever performance is affected by the Force Majeure to the extent so affected. In order to be excused from its performance obligations under this Contract by reason of Force Majeure, within 72 hours of the occurrence or event, the Architect-Engineer must provide the Contracting Officer written notice of its inability to perform as well as a description of the Force Majeure and its effect on Contract performance. The Contracting Officer will have the right to cause the inspection of the work site to determine the validity of the Architect-Engineer's assertion of its inability to perform. If the Contracting Officer agrees that the Architect-Engineer is wholly or partly unable to perform its obligations under the Contract a decision will be issued indicating the extent to which the Architect-Engineer is excused from its performance obligations. In no event will the Contractor be entitled to money damages from the Department due to Force Majeure.

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT D Bidder-Offeror Certificate

[ATTACHMENT WILL APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

#### **BIDDER/OFFEROR CERTIFICATION FORM**

#### COMPLETION

The person(s) completing this form must be knowledgeable about the Bidder's/Offeror's business and operations.

#### RESPONSES

Every question must be answered. Each response must provide all relevant information that can be obtained within the limits of the law. Individuals and sole proprietors may use a Social Security number but are encouraged to obtain and use a federal Employer Identification Number (EIN). Provide any explanation at the end of the section or attach additional sheets with numbered responses. Include the Bidder's/Offeror's name at the top of each attached page.

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

This form contains five (5) sections. Section I concerns the bidder's/offeror's responsibility; Section II includes additional required certifications; Section III relates to the Buy American Act (if applicable); Section IV relates to the Walsh-Healey Act; and Section V requires the bidder's/offeror's signature. Please note, a determination that a prospective contract is found to be "not responsible" is final and not appealable.

#### SECTION I. BIDDER/OFFEROR RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION

Instructions for Section I: Section I contains eight (8) parts. Part 1 requests information concerning the Bidder's/Offeror's business entity. Part 2 inquires about current or former owners, partners, directors, officers or principals. Part 3 relates to the responsibility of the Bidder's/Offeror's business. Part 4 concerns the Bidder's/Offeror's business certificates and licenses. Part 5 inquires about legal proceedings. Part 6 relates to the Bidder's/Offeror's financial and organizational status. Part 7 requires the Bidder/Offeror to agree to update the information provided. Part 8 relates to disclosures under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Information Act (FOIA).			
PART 1: BIDDER/OFFEROR INFORMAT	TION		
Legal Business Entity Name:		Solicitation #:	
Address of the Principal Place of Business (street, city, state, zip code)		Telephone # and ext.:	Fax #:
Email Address:		Website:	
Additional Legal Business Entity Identities: If a status (active or inactive).	applicable, list any other DBA, Trade	Name, Former Name, Other Identity and EIN	used in the last five (5) years and the
Туре:	Name:	EIN:	Status:
1.1 Business Type (Please check the appropriat	e box and provide additional information	ation if necessary.):	
Corporation (including PC)		Date of Incorporation:	
□ Joint Venture		Date of Organization:	
Limited Liability Company (LLC or PLLC)		Date of Organization:	
Nonprofit Organization		Date of Organization:	
Partnership (including LLP, LP or General)		Date of Registration or Establishment:	
Sole Proprietor		How many years in business?:	
Other		Date established?:	
If "Other," please explain:			
1.2 Was the bidder's/offeror's business formed or incorporated in the District of Columbia?		🗌 Yes 🗌 No	
If "No" to Subpart 1.2, provide the jurisdiction the applicable jurisdiction and a certified Applie			÷
State         Country			
<ul> <li>1.3 Please provide a copy of each District of Coprovided in Subpart 1.2). If the Bidder/Offeror either:</li> <li>(a) Certify its intent to obtain the necessary lice</li> <li>(b) Euclide in the subscription from the necessary lice</li> </ul>	is not providing a copy of its license, ense, registration or certification prior	registration or certification to transact busine	
(b) Explain its exemption from the requirement			

1.4 If your company, its principals, shareholders, directors, or employees own an interest or have a position in another entity in the same or similar line of business as the Bidder/Offeror, please describe the affiliation in detail.

1.5 If any officer, director, shareholder or anyone holding a financial interest in the Bidder/Offeror has a relationship with an employee of the Department or any District agency for whom the Department is procuring goods or services, please describe the nature of the relationship in detail.

#### PART 2: INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY

Additional Instructions for Section I, Parts 2 through 8: Provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the government entity involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s).

Within the past five (5) years, has any current or former owner, partner, director, officer, principal or any person in a position involved in the administration of funds, or currently or formerly having the authority to sign, execute or approve bids, proposals, contracts or supporting documentation on behalf of the bidder/offeror with any government entity:

2.1 Been sanctioned or proposed for sanction relative to any business or professional permit or license?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
2.2 Been under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or determined ineligible under any federal, District or state statutes?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
2.3 Been proposed for suspension or debarment?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
2.4 Been the subject of an investigation, whether open or closed, by any government entity for a civil or criminal violation for any business-related conduct?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
2.5 Been charged with a misdemeanor or felony, indicted, granted immunity, convicted of a crime, or subject to a judgment or a plea bargain for:	
(a) Any business-related activity; or	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
(b) Any crime the underlying conduct of which was related to truthfulness?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
2.6 Been suspended, cancelled, terminated or found non-responsible on any government contract, or had a surety called upon to complete an awarded contract?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No

Please provide an explanation for each "Yes" in Part 2 above.

2.7 In the past ten (10) years has the Bidder/Offeror had a contract terminated, in whole or in part, for any reason? If so, describe each such termination in detail.

2.8 In the past ten (10) years has the Bidder/Offeror ever been assessed liquidated damages, costs to re-procure, costs to complete, or any other monetary damages under a contract? If so, describe each such assessment in detail.

#### PART 3: BUSINESS RESPONSIBILITY

Within the past five (5) years, has the Bidder/Offeror:

3.1 Been under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or determined ineligible under any federal, District or state statutes?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
3.2 Been proposed for suspension or debarment?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
3.3 Been the subject of an investigation, whether open or closed, by any government entity for a civil or criminal violation for any business-related conduct?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
3.4 Been charged with a misdemeanor or felony, indicted, granted immunity, convicted of a crime, or subject to a judgment or plea bargain for:	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
(a) Any business-related activity; or	
(b) Any crime the underlying conduct of which was related to truthfulness?	
3.5 Been disqualified or proposed for disqualification on any government permit or license?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
3.6 Been denied a contract award (in whole or in part, for any reason) or had a bid or proposal rejected based upon a non- responsibility finding by a government entity? If so, describe each such occurrence in detail.	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
3.7 Had a low bid or proposal rejected on a government contract for failing to make good faith efforts on any Certified Business Enterprise goal or statutory affirmative action requirements on a previously held contract?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
3.8 Been suspended, cancelled, terminated or found non-responsible on any government contract, or had a surety called upon to complete an awarded contract?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
Please provide an explanation for each "Yes" in Part 3.	

#### PART 4: CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES

Within the past five (5) years, has the Bidder/Offeror:

4.1 Had a denial, decertification, revocation or forfeiture of District of Columbia certification of any Certified Business Enterprise or federal certification of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status for other than a change of ownership?

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

Please provide an explanation for "Yes" in Subpart 4.1.	
4.2 Please provide a copy of the bidder's/offeror's District of Columbia Office of Tax and Revenue Tax Certification Affidavit.	
PART 5: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS	
Within the past five (5) years, has the Bidder/Offeror:	
5.1 Had any liens or judgments (not including UCC filings) filed against it which remain undischarged?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 5.1, provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the Lien Holder or Claimant's name, the amount of th issue(s).	he lien(s) and the current status of the
5.2 Had a government entity find a willful violation of District of Columbia compensation or prevailing wage laws, the Service Contract Act or the Davis-Bacon Act?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
5.3 Received any OSHA citation and Notification of Penalty containing a violation classified as serious or willful?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
5.4 Engaged in any litigation with any government entity? If so, please identify and/or describe all threatened and pending litigation and/or claims, including but not limited to matters pending before any Boards of Contracts Appeals. Please provide an explanation for each "Yes" in Part 5.	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
PART 6: FINANCIAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION	
6.1 Within the past five (5) years, has the Bidder/Offeror received any formal unsatisfactory performance assessment(s) from any government entity on any contract?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.1, provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the government entity involved, any remedial or correstatus of the issue(s).	ective action(s) taken and the current
6.2 Within the past five (5) years, has the bidder/offeror had any liquidated damages assessed by a government entity over \$25,000?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.2, provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the government entity involved, the amount assessed	and the current status of the issue(s).
6.3 Within the last seven (7) years, has the Bidder/Offeror initiated or been the subject of any bankruptcy proceedings, whether or not closed, or is any bankruptcy proceeding pending?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.3, provide the bankruptcy chapter number, the court name and the docket number. Indicate the current status "pending" or "closed".	of the proceedings as "initiated,"
6.4 During the past three (3) years, has the Bidder/Offeror failed to file a tax return or pay taxes required by federal, state, District of Columbia or local laws?	Yes No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.4, provide the taxing jurisdiction, the type of tax, the liability year(s), the tax liability amount the bidder/offer status of the tax liability.	or failed to file/pay and the current
6.5 During the past three (3) years, has the Bidder/Offeror failed to file a District of Columbia unemployment insurance return or failed to pay District of Columbia unemployment insurance?	🗋 Yes 📄 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.5, provide the years the Bidder/Offeror failed to file the return or pay the insurance, explain the situation and taken and the current status of the issue(s).	any remedial or corrective action(s)
6.6 During the past three (3) years, has the Bidder/Offeror failed to comply with any payment agreement with the Internal Revenue Service, the District of Columbia Office of Tax and Revenue and the Department of Employment Services?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.6, provide the years the Bidder/Offeror failed to comply with the payment agreement, explain the situation an taken and the current status of the issue(s).	d any remedial or corrective action(s)
6.7 Indicate whether the Bidder/Offeror owes any outstanding debt to any state, federal or District of Columbia government.	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If "Yes" to Subpart 6.7, provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the government entity involved, any remedial or correstatus of the issue(s).	ective action(s) taken and the current
6.8 During the past three (3) years, has the Bidder/Offeror been audited by any government entity?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
(a) If "Yes" to Subpart 6.8, did any audit of the Bidder/Offeror identify any significant deficiencies in internal controls, fraud or illegal acts; significant violations of provisions of contract or grant agreements; significant abuse; or any material disallowance?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No

(b) If "Yes" to Subpart 6.8(a), provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the government entity involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s).

#### PART 7: CONTRACTOR PROCUREMENT ACTIVITY WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT

7.1 What is your organization's Design Capacity (total labor hours) to conduct or purse business with the Department of General Services (DGS) in the current fiscal year? Design capacity is calculated by multiplying the total number of company employees dedicated to a particular line of business by no more than 12 hours per day. Person's completing this form may be required to provide supporting documentation to substantiate allocable labor hours presented.

(a) Construction:	labor hours			
(b) Non-Construction:	labor hours			
7.2 In the table below, please list:				
(1) The active contracts your or response; and	ganization currently holds with the Departme	ent of General Services, please include the	contract number(s) as a part of your	
(2) The number of labor hours y list an attached addendum to th	your organization has allocated to each active is document).	e contract within the current fiscal year. (No	ote, if more entries are required, please	
	Contract Number	Labor Hours Allocated		
PART 8: RESPONSE UPDATE REQU	IREMENT			
8.1 In accordance with the requirement of	Section 302(c) of the Procurement Practices	Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Official Code	§ 2-353.02), the Bidder/Offeror shall	
(a) Within sixty (60) days of a material cha	ange to a response; and			
(b) Prior to the exercise of an option year of	contract.			
PART 9: FREEDOM OF INFORMATI	ON ACT (FOIA)			
	serts that any information provided in respon			
	nbia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), eff		🗋 Yes 🔝 No	
	D.C. Official Code §§ 2-531, et seq.). Include the question number(s) and explain the basis for the claim. (The District will determine whether such information is, in fact, exempt from FOIA at the time of request for disclosure under FOIA.)			
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	TION II. ADDITIONAL REQUIRED BI			
	ntains four (4) parts. Part 1 requests inforn o equal employment opportunity requireme			
PART 1. DISTRICT EMPLOYEES NO	T TO BENEFIT			
1.1 The bidder/offeror certifies that no offi	icer or employee of the District of Columbia	will benefit from this contract. List the na	me(s) of any officer or employee of	
the District of Columbia that may benefit fi	rom this contract in section 1.2 below.			
1.2 The following officer or employee of the	he District of Columbia may benefit from the	is contract.		
(a)				

(b)

#### PART 2: INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION REQUIREMENTS

The Bidder/Offeror certifies that:

2.1 The signature of the Bidder/Offeror is considered to be a certification by the signatory that:

(a) The contract prices have been arrived at independently without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication or agreement with any bidder/offeror or competitor related to:

- (i) Those prices;
- (ii) The intention to submit a bid/proposal; or
- (iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices in the contract.

(b) The prices in this contract have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the Bidder/Offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid/proposal opening unless otherwise required by law; and

(c) No attempt has been made or will be made by the Bidder/Offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a contract for the purpose of restricting competition.

2.2 The signature on the bid/proposal is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:

(a) Is the person in the Bidder's/Offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this contract, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs 2.1(a)(i) through (a)(iii) above; or

(b) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as an agent for the following principal in certifying that the principal has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs 2.1(a)(i) through (a)(iii) above:

[Insert full name of person(s) in the organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this contract and the title of his or her position in the bidder's/offeror's organization]

(i) As an authorized agent, certifies that the principals named in subparagraph 2.2(b) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs 2.1(a)(i) through (a)(iii) above; and

(ii) As an agent, has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs 2.1(a)(i) through (a)(iii) above.

2.3 If the Bidder/Offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph 2.1(b) above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

#### 2.4 The Bidder/Offeror certifies that:

(a) there are no other entities related to it that are responding to or bidding on the subject solicitation or invitation to bid. Related entities include, but are not limited to, any entity that shares management positions, board positions, shareholders, or persons with a financial interest in the Bidder/Offeror.

(b) there are no current or former owners, partners, officers, directors, principals, managers, employees or any persons with a financial interest in the Bidder/Offeror who have a financial interest in the request for proposal or invitation for bid or any asset, tangible or intangible, arising out of any contract or scope of work related to the request for proposal or invitation for bid.

With regards to 2.4 (b), if the Bidder/Offeror has knowledge of such a financial interest, please provide a detailed explanation.

#### PART 3: EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS OBLIGATIONS

3.1 I hereby certify that I am fully aware of the contents of Mayor's Order 85-85, Mayor's Order 2017-313 and the Office of Human Rights' regulations in Chapter 11 of the DCMR, and agree to comply with them while performing this contract.

#### PART 4: FIRST SOURCE OBLIGATIONS

4.1 I hereby certify that I am fully aware of the requirements of the Workforce Intermediary Establishment and Reform of the First Source Amendment Act of 2011 (D.C. Law 19-84), and agree to enter into a First Source Employment Agreement with the Department of Employment Services if awarded any contract valued at \$300,000 or more which receives funds or resources from the District, or funds or resources which, in accordance with a federal grant or otherwise, is administered by the District government.

4.2 I certify that the Initial Employment Plan submitted with my bid or proposal is true and accurate.

#### PART 5: EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY OBLIGATIONS

5.1 I hereby certify that the Bidder/Offeror has verified the identity and employment eligibility of all its employees.

#### PART 6: LANGUAGE ACCESS OBLIGATIONS

6.1 For contracts where the contracting agency is a "covered entity" or "covered entity with major public contact" as defined in Sections 2(2) and 2(3) of the Language Access Act of 2004 (D.C. Official Code § 2-1931(2) and § 2-1931(3)), I hereby certify that I will comply with Language Access compliance requirements of the contracting agency while performing this contract.

#### PART 7: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

7.1 The bidder/offeror certifies that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its obligations under the contract.

#### PART 8: SUBCONTRACTING OBLIGATIONS

8.1 The bidder/offeror certifies that it has verified with the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) the current certifications of its proposed certified business enterprise (CBE) subcontractors.

8.2 The bidder/offeror certifies that it has verified with the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA), and any other licensing authority, that its proposed subcontractors possess all applicable licenses and permits required to perform the work.

#### SECTION III. DOMESTIC PREFERENCE CERTIFICATIONS

Instructions for Section III: Section III contains one (1) part which should only be completed if goods are being provided that are subject to the requirements of the Buy American Act.

PART 1: BUY AMERICAN ACT COMPLIANCE (Applies if the bidder/offeror will provide goods to the District that are subject to the requirements of the Buy American Act)

1.1 In accordance with 41 USC 8301 *et. seq*. and implementing regulations, the bidder/offeror certifies that each end product, except the end products listed below, is a domestic end product.

EXCLUDED EN	ID PRODUCTS	
COUNTRY OF	ORIGIN	
PART 2: FHWA BUY AMERICA ACT COMPLIANCE (Applies to FHWA-fu	nded construction contracts)	
2.1 In accordance with 23 CFR 635.410(b), the bidder/offeror certifies that only steel United States will be used for permanent incorporation on the project.	or iron materials manufactured in the	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
PART 3: BUY AMERICAN ACT COMPLIANCE (Applies to locally-funded co	nstruction contracts)	
3.1 In accordance with 41 USC 8301 <i>et. seq</i> . and implementing regulations, the bidde materials manufactured in the United States will be used on the project.	er/offeror certifies that only construction	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
SECTION IV. WALS	SH-HEALEY ACT	
Instructions for Section IV: Walsh-Healey Act.		
If this contract is for the manufacture or furnishing of materials, supplies, articles or ea Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act, as amended (41 U.S.C. §§ 35-45) (the "Act", as u		
(a) All representations and stipulations required by the Act and regulations issued by t representations and stipulations are subject to all applicable rulings and interpretations		1 2
(b) All employees whose work relates to this contract shall be paid not less than the m 50-202.2) (41 U.S.C. §40). Learners, student learners, apprentices, and handicapped w 50-202.3) to the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment is permitted under Section 14 of the same extent that such employment extent that such employment extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent that such employment extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent the same extent that such employment extent the same	vorkers may be employed at less than the pres	scribed minimum wage (see 41 CFR
SECTION V. CEI	RTIFICATION	
Instruction for Section V: This section must be completed by all bidder/offerors.		
I, [ ], as the person authorized to is true and accurate. In accordance with the requirements of section 302(c) of the Proc update any response provided in this form within 60 days of a material change to a res		Official Code § 2-353.02(c)), I shall
Name [Print and sign]:	Telephone #:	Fax #:
Title:	Email Address:	
Date:	Contract No:	

The District of Columbia is authorized to verify the above information with appropriate government authorities. Penalty for making false statements is a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, imprisonment for not more than 180 days, or both, as prescribed in D.C. Official Code § 22-2405. Penalty for false swearing is a fine of not more than \$2,500.00, imprisonment for not more than three (3) years, or both, as prescribed in D.C. Official Code § 22-2404.

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT E 2022 Living Wage Act Notice and Fact Sheet

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## **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Department of Employment Services

MURIEL BOWSER MAYOR



DR. UNIQUE MORRIS-HUGHES Director

# LIVING WAGE ACT FACT SHEET

The Living Wage Act of 2006, D.C. Code §§ 2-220.01 - 2-220.11, provides that District of Columbia government contractors and recipients of government assistance (grants, loans, tax increment financing), in the amount of \$100,000 or more, shall pay affiliated employees wages at no less than the current living wage rate.

# Effective January 1, 2022 until June 30, 2022, the living wage rate is \$15.50 per hour.

Effective July 1, 2022, the District's Minimum Wage will increase again based on the CPI as of December 31, 2021.

Subcontractors of D.C. government contractors, who receive \$15,000 or more from the contract, and subcontractors of the recipients of government assistance, who receive \$50,000 or more from the assistance, are also required to pay their affiliated employees no less than the current living wage rate.

"Affiliated employee" means any individual employed by a recipient who receives compensation directly from government assistance or a contract with the District of Columbia government, including any employee of a contractor or subcontractor of a recipient who performs services pursuant to government assistance or a contract. The term "affiliated employee" does not include those individuals who perform only intermittent or incidental services with respect to the government assistance or contract, or who are otherwise employed by the contractor, recipient or subcontractor.

**Exemptions** – The following contracts and agreements are exempt from the Living Wage Act:

- 1. Contracts or other agreements that are subject to higher wage level determinations required by federal law (i.e., if a contract is subject to the Service Contract Act and certain wage rates are lower than the District's current living wage, the contractor must pay the higher of the two rates);
- 2. Existing and future collective bargaining agreements, provided that the future collective bargaining agreement results in the employee being paid no less than the current living wage;
- 3. Contracts for electricity, telephone, water, sewer or other services provided by a regulated utility;
- 4. Contracts for services needed immediately to prevent or respond to a disaster or imminent threat to public health or safety declared by the Mayor;
- 5. Contracts or other agreements that provide trainees with additional services including, but not limited to, case management and job readiness services, provided that the trainees do not replace employees subject to the Living Wage Act;

- 6. An employee, under 22 years of age, employed during a school vacation period, or enrolled as full-time student, as defined by the respective institution, who is in high school or at an accredited institution of higher education and who works less than 25 hours per week; provided that students not replace employees subject to the Living Wage Act;
- 7. Tenants or retail establishments that occupy property constructed or improved by receipt of government assistance from the District of Columbia; provided, that the tenant or retail establishment did not receive direct government assistance from the District of Columbia;
- Employees of nonprofit organizations that employ not more than 50 individuals and qualify for taxation exemption pursuant to Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, approved August 16, 1954 (68 A Stat. 163; 26. U.S.C. §501(c)(3));
- 9. Medicaid provider agreements for direct care services to Medicaid recipients, **provided**, **that** the direct care service is not provided through a home care agency, a community residence facility, or a group home for persons with intellectual disabilities as those terms are defined in section 2 of the Health-Care and Community Residence Facility, Hospice, and Home Care Licensure Act of 1983; D.C. Official Code § 44-501; and
- 10. Contracts or other agreements between managed care organizations and the Health Care Safety Net Administration or the Medicaid Assistance Administration to provide health services.

## Enforcement

The Department of Employment Services (DOES) Office of Wage-Hour and the D.C. Office of Contracting and Procurement share monitoring responsibilities.

**Home Care Final Rule:** The Department of Labor extended overtime protections to home care workers and workers who provide companionship services. Employers within this industry are now subject to recordkeeping provisions.

If you learn that a contractor subject to this law is not paying at least the current living wage, you should report it to the contracting officer. If you believe that your employer is subject to this law and is not paying at least the current living wage, you may file a complaint with the DOES Office of Wage - Hour, located at 4058 Minnesota Avenue, N.E. Suite 3600, Washington, D.C. 20019, call (202) 671-1880, or file your claim on-line: <u>www.does.dc.gov</u>. Go to "File a Claim" tab.

For questions and additional information, contact the Office of Contracting and Procurement at (202) 727-0252 or the Department of Employment Services on (202) 671-1880.

**Please note:** This fact sheet is for informational purposes only as required by Section 106 of the Living Wage Act. It should not be relied on as a definitive statement of the Living Wage Act or any regulations adopted pursuant to the law.
# **THE LIVING WAGE ACT OF 2006**

D.C. Code §§ 2-220.01 – 2-220.11

Recipients of new contracts or government assistance shall pay affiliated employees and subcontractors who perform services under the contracts no less than the current living wage.

Effective January 1, 2022 until June 30, 2022, the living wage rate is \$15.50 per hour. Effective July 1, 2022, the District's Minimum Wage will increase again based on the CPI as of December 31, 2021.

The requirement to pay a living wage applies to:

- All recipients of contracts in the amount of \$100,000 or more, and all subcontractors that receive \$15,000 or more from the funds received by the recipient from the District of Columbia, and
- All recipients of government assistance in the amount of \$100,000 or more, and all subcontractors of these recipients that receive \$50,000 or more from the government assistance received by the recipient from the District of Columbia.

"<u>Contract</u>" means a written agreement between a recipient and the District government.

"<u>Government assistance</u>" means a grant, loan, or tax increment financing that result in a financial benefit from an agency, commission, instrumentality, or other entity of the District government. "<u>Affiliated employee</u>" means any individual employed by a recipient who received compensation directly from government assistance or a contract with the District of Columbia government, including employees of the District of Columbia, any employee of a contractor or subcontractor of a recipient who performs services pursuant to government assistance or contract. The term "affiliated employee" does not include those individuals who perform only intermittent or incidental services with respect to the contract or government assistance or who are otherwise employed by the contractor, recipient, or subcontractor.

**Certain exemptions apply:** 1) Contracts or agreements subject to wage determinations required by federal law which are higher than the wage required by this Act; 2) Existing and future collecting bargaining agreements, provided that the future agreement results in employees being paid no less than the current living wage; 3) contracts for electricity, telephone, water, sewer performed by regulated utilities; 4) contracts for services needed immediately to prevent or respond to a disaster or imminent threat declared by the Mayor; 5) contracts awarded to recipients that provide trainees with services, including but not limited to case management and job readiness services, provided the trainee does not replace employees; 6) employees under 22 years of age employed during a school vacation period, or enrolled as a full-time student who works less than 25 hours per week; 7) tenants or retail establishments that occupy property constructed or improved by government assistance, provided there is no receipt of direct District government assistance; 8) employees of nonprofit organizations that employ not more than 50 individuals and qualify for 501(c)(3) status; 9) Medicaid provider agreements for direct care services to Medicaid recipients, provided, that the direct care service is not provided through a home care agency, a community residence facility, or a group home for persons with intellectual disabilities as those terms are defined in section 2 of the Health-Care and Community Residence Facility, Hospice, and Home Care Licensure Act of 1983; D.C. Official Code § 44-501; and 10) contracts or agreements between managed care organizations and the Health Care Safety Net Administration or the Medicaid Assistance Administration to provide health services.

**Home Care Final Rule:** The Department of Labor extended overtime protections to home care workers and workers who provide companionship services. Employers within this industry are now subject to recordkeeping provisions.

Each recipient and subcontractor of a recipient shall provide this notice to each affiliated employee covered by this notice, and shall also post this notice in a conspicuous site in its place of business. All recipients and subcontractors shall retain payroll records created and maintained in the regular course of business under District of Columbia law for a period of at least 3 years.

To file a claim, visit: Department of Employment Services, Office of Wage-Hour, 4058 Minnesota Avenue, NE, Suite 3600, Washington, D.C. 20019; call: (202) 671-1880; or file your claim on-line: does.dc.gov. Go to "File a Claim" tab.

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT F EEO Policy Statement

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# **CONTRACTOR'S LETTERHEAD**

#### EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO) POLICY STATEMENT

\_\_\_\_\_SHALL NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANY EMPLOYEE OR APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED: RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, FAMILIA L STATUS, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, GENETIC INFORMATION, DISABILITY, SOURCE OF INCOME, OR PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS.

AGREES TO AFFIRMATIVE ACT ION TO ENSURE THAT APPLICANTS ARE EMPLOYED, AND THAT EMPLOYEES ARE TREATED DURING EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT REGARD TO THEIR ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED: RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, FAMILIAL STATUS, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, GENETIC INFORMATION, DISABILITY, SOURCE OF INCOME, OR PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS. THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING: (A) EMPLOYMENT, UPGRADING, OR TRANSFER; (B) RECRUITMENT OR RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING; (C) DEMOTION, LAYOFF, OR TERMINATION; (D) RATES OF PAY, OR OTHER FORMS OR COMPENSATION; AND (E) SELECTION FOR TRAINING AND APPRENTICESHIP.

\_\_\_\_\_AGREES TO POST IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING NON-DISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION.

\_\_\_\_\_\_SHALL STATE THAT ALL QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 1103.2 THROUGH 1103.10 OF MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85; "EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENTS IN CONTRACTS."

\_\_\_\_\_AGREES TO PERMIT ACCESS TO ALL BOOKS PERTAINING TO ITS EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES, AND TO REQUIRE EACH SUBCONTRACTOR TO PERMIT ACCESS TO BOOKS AND RECORDS.

\_\_\_\_\_AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL GUIDELINES FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY APPLICABLE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

\_\_\_\_\_\_SHALL INCLUDE IN EVERY SUBCONTRACT THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSES, SUBSECTION 1103.2 THROUGH 1103.10 SO THAT SUCH PROVISIONS SHALL BE BINDING UPON EACH SUBCONTRACTOR OR VENDOR.

AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL AND TITLE

DATE

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE NAME

FIRM/ORGANIZATION

# **CONTRACTOR'S LETTERHEAD**

ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENTS MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85, EFFECTIVE JUNE 10, 1985, AND THE RULES IMPLEMENTING MAYORS ORDER 85-85, 33 DCR 4952, (PUBLISHED AUGUST 15, 1986), "ON COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENTS IN DISTRICT GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS," ARE HEREBY INCLUDED AS PART OF THIS BID/PROPOSAL. THEREFORE, EACH BIDDER/OFFEROR SHALL INDICATE BELOW THEIR WRITTEN COMMITMENT TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85 AND THE IMPLEMENTING RULES. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE SUBJECT MAYOR'S ORDER AND THE IMPLEMENTING RULES SHALL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE RESPECTIVE BID/PROPOSAL.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF \_\_\_\_\_\_, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "THE CONTRACTOR," CERTIFY THT THE CONTRATOR IS FULLY AWARE OF ALL OF THE PROVISIONS OF

MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85, EFFECTIVE JUNE 10, 1985, AND OF THE RULES IMPLEMENTING MAYOR'S ORDER 85-85, 33 DCR 4952. I FURTHER CERTIFY AND ASSURE THAT THE CONTRACTOR WILL FULLY COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE MAYOR'S ORDER AND IMPLEMENTING RULES IF AWARDED THE D.C. GOVERNMENT REFERENCED BY THE CONTRACT NUMBER ENTERED BELOW. FURTHER, THE CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGES AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE AWARD OF SAID CONTRACT AND ITS CONTINUATION ARE SPECIFICALLY CONDITIONED UPON THE CONTRACTOR'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABOVE-CITED ORDER AND RULES.

CONTRACTOR

NAME

SIGNATURE

TITLE

CONTRACT NUMBER

DATE

# EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER INFORMATION REPORT

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DC Office of Contracting and Procurement	Reply to: Office of Contracting and Procurement								
Employer Information Report (EEO)	441 4th Street, NW, Suite 700 South Washington, DC 20001 Washington, DC 20001								
Instructions: Two (2) copies of DAS 84-404 or Federal Form EF One copy shall be retained by the Contractor.	O-1 shall be submitted to the Office of Contracting and Procurement.								
Section A	– TYPE OF REPORT								
1. Indicate by marking in the appropriate box the type of reporting	nit for which this copy of the form is submitted (MARK ONLY ONE BOX)								
Single Establishment Employer Multi-establishment Employer:									
(1). Single-establishment Employer Report(2) □ Consolidated Report(2) □ United State(2) □ United State									
	<ul> <li>(3) □ Headquarters Report</li> <li>(4) □ Individual Establishment Report (submit one</li> </ul>								
	for each establishment with 25 or more employees)								
	(5) $\Box$ Special Report								
1. Total number of reports being filed by this Company.									
Section B – COMPANY IDENTIFICATION (To be answered by all employers) OFFICIAL									
1. Name of Company which owns or controls the establishment for which this report is filed									
Address (Number and street) Ci	y or Town Country State Zip Code b.								
b. Employer Identification No.									
2. Establishment for which this report is filed.	OFFICIAL USE ONLY								
a. Name of establishment	с.								
Address (Number and street) Ci	y or Town Country State Zip Code d.								
b. Employer Identification No.									
3. Parent of affiliated Company									
a. Name of parent or affiliated Company b.	Employer Identification No.								
Address (Number and street) Ci	y or Town Country State Zip Code								
Section C - ESTAI	LISHMENT INFORMATION								
1. Is the location of the establishment the same as that reported last year									
Yes No Did not report Report on combined last year basis basis	as that reported last year? Yes No USE ONLY								
2. What is the major activity of this establishment? (Be specific, i.e supplies, title insurance, etc. Include the specific type of product or activity.									
	business enterprise (50% owned or 51% controlled by minority members).								
DAS 84-404 (Replaces D.C. Form 264	s No 0.9 Sept. 74 which is Obsolete) 84-2P891								

#### SECTION D - EMPLOYMENT DATA

Employment at this establishment – Report all permanent, temporary, or part-time employees including apprentices and on-the-job trainees unless specifically excluded as set forth in the instructions. Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. Blank spaces will be considered as zero. *In columns 1, 2, and 3, include ALL employees in the establishment Including those in minority groups* 

IOB	JOB TOTAL EMPLOYEES IN					MINORITY GROUP EMPLOYEES							
CATEGORIES	ESTABLISHMENT				MALE				FEMALE				
	Total Employees Including Minorities	Total Male Including Minorities	Total Female Including Minorities	Black	Asian	American Indian	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian	Hispanic		
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Office and Clerical													
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Section E – REMARKS Use this Item to give any identification data appearing on last report which differs from that given above, explain major changes in composition or reporting units, and other pertinent information.													
Section F - CERTIFICATION													
Check 1. > All reports are accurate and were prepared in accordance with the instructions (check on consolidated only) One 2. > This report is accurate and was prepared in accordance with the instructions.													
Name of Authorized Official Title					Signature Date								
Name of person con This report (Type of			Address (Number and	d street)									
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INFORMATION CITED HEREIN SHALL BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE.

#### DEPARTMENT OF SMALL AND LOCAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION

#### SUBCONTRACT SUMMARY FORM

This SUMMARY form is to be completed by the PRIME contractor.									
BID NO.	CCB NUMBER:	of	pages						
NOTE: the standard for minority s contract dollar amount to be subco	subcontracting is 25% or the TOTAL ontracted.	AMOUNT OF PRIME CONTRACT \$ equals							
NAME OF PRIME CONTRACT	OR:	ADDRESS:							
TELEPHONE NO.									
PROJECT NAME: ADDRESS:		PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS:							
	WARD NO:								
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2. ADDRESS 3. CONTACT PERSON 4. MBOC CERT. NO.	5. PHONE NO.	YES NO 2. TRADE OR BUSINESS PRODUCT THAT SUB WILL PROVIDE.	equals (=) 2% (percent) OF TOTAL PRIME CONTRACT.						
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PERCENT OF PRIME CONTRACT. \_\_\_\_\_%

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# PROJECTED GOALS AND TIMETABLES FOR FUTURE HIRING

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Craftsman (Skilled)												
Operative (Semi- Skilled)												
Laborers (Unskilled)												
Service Workers												
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NAME OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL:				TITLE:				SIGNATURE:				
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ADDRESS:												
TYPE OF ACCOUNT/S:												

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT G Form of Contract (Basic Ordering Agreement)

[ATTACHMENT WILL APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

# BASIC ORDERING AGREEMENT Maintenance & Repair of Government Facilities DCAM-22-CS-RFQ 0016

**THIS AGREEMENT** ("Agreement" or "Contract") is made by and between the **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT**, acting by and through its **DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES** (the "Department" or "DGS") and [ ], duly organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, and with a place of business at [ ] (the "Contractor" or "Prime Contractor", and collectively with the Department, the "Parties").

#### ARTICLE 1 NATURE OF AGREEMENT

Section 1.1 <u>Nature of Agreement.</u> This Agreement is issued pursuant to the Department's Request for Qualifications for Maintenance and Repair of Government Facilities (Solicitation Number DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016) (the "RFQ"), and the Contractor, by virtue of this Agreement, shall be included on the Department's list of pre-qualified contractors to be eligible to compete, as set forth in Section 1.3 of this Agreement with other pre-qualified contractors on maintenance and repair services projects for District of Columbia Facility Management Division, Public Schools ("DCPS") and Department of Parks and Recreation ("DPR") facilities. This Agreement does not authorize any specific work or constitute a guarantee that any work will be assigned to the Contractor. All work will be awarded and released through individual project task orders as set forth in Section 1.3 of this Agreement.

**Section 1.2** The term "Agreement" shall include this Contract, any and all Task Order Agreements, the Department's Standard Contract Provisions (Construction and Architectural/Engineering, if applicable), as amended, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, all other exhibits attached hereto, and/or any document incorporated by reference.

#### Section 1.3 <u>Competitive Bidding.</u>

**Section 1.3.1** For each project identified and funded by the Department to be competed among pre-qualified contractors that entered into this basic ordering agreement ("BOA") pursuant to the RFQ, the Department will develop a scope of work. The scope of work will be issued to three (3) or more of the pre-qualified contractors via a Request for Task Order Proposals ("RFTOP(s)"), and each of those contractors may be provided with an opportunity to walk the project with the Department's representatives in order to better understand and clarify the required work.

**Section 1.3.2** The Department contemplates that the scopes of work that will be issued to the pre-qualified contractors during the bidding phase will not include complete drawings. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Contractor may be required to complete work on a design-build or design-assist basis or any such other method as described in the RFTOPs.

Section 1.3.3 The Department will select the contractor to be awarded each such project

primarily based on price, but the Department reserves the right to consider non-price factors when making such decisions and will also consider differences in scope and/or proposed finishes, equipment and materials. RFTOPs will detail the award criteria for each project.

**Section 1.3.4** In the event the Contractor is selected for a project, the Contractor shall enter into a Task Order Agreement ("Task Order Agreement"). The Contractor shall not proceed with any work unless and until such Task Order Agreement is fully executed by the Department's Contracting Officer ("Contracting Officer" or "CO") and the Contractor is directed to begin work. Before the Department executes the Task Order Agreement, the Contractor must resolve any clean hand compliance matters with relevant authorities including, but not limited, to the District of Columbia Office of Tax and Revenue ("OTR").

**Section 1.3.5** Each contractor will be required to submit, within the time allotted by the Department, a lump sum price, a guaranteed maximum price ("GMP"), or such other pricing as may be requested by the Department for the proposed work (such price, "Task Order Agreement Price"). Absent specific instructions to the contrary, the proposed Task Order Agreement Price should be "all inclusive" and should include sufficient funding to cover all of the Contractor's costs necessary to complete the project, including, but not limited to, profit, home and field office overhead, supervision, labor, materials, equipment, bonds, insurance and any other professional services as may be required to complete the design and construction, other type of work or to obtain the necessary permits. The Contractor shall be responsible for using the then-current Davis-Bacon wage determination or Service Contract Act (as applicable) when developing its pricing for any given project.

Section 1.4 <u>Task Order Agreements.</u> Any and all work performed under any Task Order Agreement issued pursuant hereto shall be governed by the terms and conditions set forth in the BOA. It is contemplated that individual Task Order Agreement shall, in general, contain the following information: (i) a description of the scope of work included in such Task Order Agreement; (ii) a lump sum price, GMP, and/or such other terms of compensation for the work included in the Task Order Agreement's scope of work; (iii) the Substantial Completion Date for the Task Order Agreement's scope of work and/or such other schedule requirements for Task Order Agreement; (iv) liquidated damages; (v) name and contact information for the assigned Project Manager; and (vi) any other specific requirements of the scope of work. The Task Order Agreement shall also set forth a general description and requirements of the given project (such description and requirements, the "**Project**"). The form of Task Order Agreement is attached as **Exhibit D**.

Section 1.5 <u>Term of Agreement.</u> The Agreement shall be effective from the date of execution by Department's Contracting Officer subsequent to the Contractor's execution. through one year from such date (such time period, the "Term"). Any and all work assigned to the Contractor pursuant to a Task Order Agreement issued pursuant to the Agreement must be completed within the Term of the Agreement, and no later than the Substantial Completion Date identified in the individual Task Order Agreement.

Section 1.6 Option Year. The Department shall have the right to extend the term of this

Agreement for four (4) one-year option periods (each such period, an "Option Year"), the first of which would begin on the date that the base year Term expires and end one year from the date that such Term expires; the second of which would begin on the date that Option Year 001 expires and end one year from the date that Option Year 001 expires. the third of which would begin on the date that Option Year 002 expires and end one year from the date that Option Year 002 expires; and the fourth of which would begin on the date that Option Year 003 expires. In the event the Department desires to extend the Term of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 1.6, the Department shall provide the Contractor written notice of such election at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the applicable Option Year.

Section 1.7 <u>Standard Task Order Provisions.</u> Unless otherwise expressly stated in a Task Order Agreement, all of the provisions of Article 2 through Article 14 of this Agreement shall be deemed incorporated into each Task Order Agreement as if set forth therein.

**Section 1.8** <u>Minimum Value of Agreement.</u> The Contractor shall be entitled to receive a minimum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) during the base year and each option year period.

Section 1.9 <u>Not-to-Exceed Maximum Value of Agreement.</u> In addition, this Agreement has an aggregate not-to-exceed amount of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) (the "NTE Amount"). It is understood that the Contractor is not authorized to proceed with any work based solely on this Agreement. Any and all work performed under this Agreement shall be authorized by a written Task Order Agreement. In no event shall the Contractor be entitled to recover in the aggregate, pursuant to this Agreement and any and all Task Order Agreements issued pursuant hereto, more than the NTE Amount, unless and until the Department's Contracting Officer has authorized the Contractor to exceed the NTE Amount in advance and in writing through a duly executed Change Order to this Agreement. In addition, each Option Year shall have the same value as the base period; thus, for each Option Year exercised by the Department, the minimum value of services will be Fifty Dollars (\$50) and an aggregate NTE Amount of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00). All amounts must be authorized by Task Order Agreements.

#### ARTICLE 2 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 2.1 <u>Relationship of Parties.</u> The Contractor accepts the relationship of trust and confidence established with the Department by this Agreement, and covenants with the Department to furnish the Contractor's reasonable skill and judgment and to cooperate with the Program Manager in furthering the interests of the Department. The Contractor shall use its best efforts to perform the Project in an expeditious and economical manner consistent with the interests of the Department.

**Section 2.2** <u>General Scope of Project.</u> The Department anticipates that the projects assigned through Task Order Agreements pursuant to this Agreement will be on-call general construction projects and may include minor repairs, roofing repairs, window and door replacements, interior demolition, playground renovations; and other miscellaneous work as may be necessary at DCPS, DPR and municipal sites and shall be performed on an as directed/as needed basis and must be completed by the substantial completion dates specified in each competitively bid Task Order Agreement.

Section 2.3 <u>Completion Date.</u> Subject to the Excusable Delay provisions of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to substantially complete the Project on or before the date set forth in the individual Task Order Agreement for any given project.

Section 2.4 <u>Program Manager and Project Manager</u>. The Department shall assign a Program Manager and Project Manager to oversee the Contractor's work under any Task Order Agreement. The name and contact information for the assigned PMs will be specified in the applicable Task Order Agreement. The Contractor shall take direction from, and coordinate with, the assigned PMs. The Contractor will be required to develop work plans that are coordinated with, and acceptable to, the PMs assigned to each project. <u>The Contractor acknowledges, however,</u> that the Program Manager and Project Manager are not authorized to modify any of the rights or obligations of the Department or the Contractor pursuant to the Agreement, or to issue Task Order Agreements, Change Orders or Change Directives. The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that only a duly authorized Contracting Officer of the Department shall have the authority to issue Task Order Agreements, Change Orders or Change Directives on the Department's behalf.

#### The Parties understand that:

- a. The CO is the only person authorized to approve changes in any of the requirements of this Agreement and any subsequent Task Order Agreement.
- b. The Contractor shall not comply with any order, directive or request that changes or modifies the requirements of this Agreement and any subsequent Task Order Agreements, unless issued in writing and signed by the CO.
- c. In the event the Contractor effects any change at the instruction or request of any person other than the CO, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made in the Task Order Agreement Price to cover any cost increase incurred as a result thereof.

#### Section 2.5 Administrative Matters.

**2.5.1 Use of Department's Electronic Project Management Information System** (**ProjectTeam**). Awarded Contractor shall utilize the Department's ProjectTeam system to create, manage and/or submit any and all documentation required to be provided by the Contractor during the course of each Project, including, but not limited to: (i) requests for information; (ii) submittals; (iii) potential change orders; (iv) meeting minutes; (v) pencil copy invoices; (vi) drawings and specifications; (vii) punchlist; and (viii) other documents as may be designated by the Department.

**2.5.2 Invoice Submittal.** The Contractor shall create and submit payment requests in an electronic format through the DC Vendor Portal, <u>https://vendorportal.dc.gov</u>. The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis. To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall enter all required information into the Portal after selecting the applicable purchase order number which is listed on the Contractor's profile.

**Section 2.6** <u>Central Office.</u> During the Term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall maintain a central office that is staffed between the hours of 7am - 5pm Monday through Friday. This office will be used to manage work associated with this Agreement. A separate office does not need to be established, and it is acceptable if the Contractor elects to the run projects from its current office. The office should be equipped with telephone lines, a fax machine, email, access to the internet and such other equipment and supplies as are necessary to fulfill the work required under this Agreement.

## Section 2.7 Coordination with DGS

**Section 2.7.1** <u>Working Hours.</u> The Contractor is required to coordinate with the assigned Project Manager for each individual project. The work may be performed during normal business hours; however, the Contractor may be required to work after hours or on weekend and holidays so as to not adversely impact the work of the District of Columbia employees/and or contractors. The Contractor will base its bid on normal working hours; off-peak rates will be handled on a case by case basis for projects requiring work after normal business hours. The Contractor will be required to develop work plans that are coordinated with, and acceptable to, the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager assigned to the Task Order Agreement. If work is to be performed in an occupied facility, the Contractor will be required to submit an initial coordination plan ("Coordination Plan") with its Task Order Agreement's proposal for the project describing how the Contractor will work with the Department and the facility operations. Such Coordination Plan would be evaluated as part of the bidding process described in **Section 1.3** above.

Section 2.7.2 <u>Supervision & Coordination</u>. The Contractor shall properly supervise and coordinate its work. At a minimum, the Contractor will undertake the following tasks:

(1) Participate and assist in Project/Planning meetings;

(2) Maintain full-time on-site construction supervision and provide daily inspections, quality control, monitoring, coordination of various trades, record drawings, and daily work log;

(3) Coordinate work with any on-site personnel so as to ensure that their activities are not adversely affected;

(4) Conduct periodic progress meetings following a Contractor generated agenda with the Program Manager;

(5) Provide general safety and signage and posting for the project and see that each subcontractor prepares and submits adequate safety program and monitoring throughout the project;

(6) Obtain all job permits and approvals from the Department of Consumer and

Regulatory Affairs ("DCRA") that are required to perform and complete the work, unless otherwise noted herein or in the Task Order Agreement;

(7) Prepare payment requests, verify accuracy and forward to Department for approval and payment;

(8) Assemble close-out documents required;

(9) Provide assistance to the Department through all applicable warranty periods.

(10) Coordinate its work with all third parties so as not to delay the critical path of the Project; and

(11) Prepare and submit to the Department construction meeting minutes, progress meeting minutes, daily logs, inspection reports, preliminary and baseline schedules, (Primavera format) and schedule updates demonstrating the critical path of the Project (Primavera format).

#### ARTICLE 3 PRECONSTRUCTION DELIVERABLES

**Section 3.1** <u>Schedule.</u> Within seven (7) days of the issuance of a Notice to Proceed ("NTP") for any Task Order Agreement awarded by the Department, the Contractor shall be required to submit to the Department's Contracting Officer and Program Manager for their approval a schedule for each project awarded under a Task Order Agreement. Such schedule shall include a schedule for submittals and key milestones that are reasonably acceptable to the Project Manager and the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall not begin any construction activities until the Project Manager has approved a schedule for the Task Order Agreement. Unless otherwise authorized by the Task Order Agreement, prior to mobilizing to the Project site and commencing work, the Contractor shall complete those activities set forth in Sections 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 5.13, 5.14 and 5.15.

**Section 3.2** <u>Potential Subcontractors and Suppliers.</u> Within seven (7) days of the issuance of an NTP for any Task Order awarded by the Department, the Contractor shall furnish to the Project Manager a list of the subcontractors and suppliers that will work on the Project as well as a general description of each such subcontractor's scope of work. Within five (5) business days after such list is submitted, the Project Manager shall advise the Contractor if it has any objection to any of the listed subcontractors or suppliers. In the event the Project Manager has a reasonable objection to any such subcontractor or supplier, the parties shall discuss such objection and agree on an appropriate course of action.</u>

Section 3.3 <u>Design Services.</u> Prior to providing its bid for a Task Order Agreement, the Contractor will have an opportunity to review and ask questions regarding the scope of work for the Task Order Agreement and to ascertain what design services, if any, are necessary in order to complete the Project and which will be included in its price the costs of any necessary design services, and the Contractor shall be required to provide, at no additional cost to the Department, such design services as are necessary to implement the Project. The Contractor and the Project

Manager shall agree upon the exact design services to be required prior to the commencing of construction services.

**Section 3.4 Design Reviews/Submittals.** On or before the dates specified in the approved detailed schedule as required per Section 3.1, the Contractor shall submit the necessary design information (i.e. permit drawings, shop drawings, submittals, sketches, etc.) to the Project Manager for review and approval. Unless a different timeframe is established in the approved detailed schedule, the Project Manager shall have five (5) business days to review such documents. In the event the Project Manager finds such documents to be unacceptable, the Contractor shall be required to revise and resubmit such documents. The Contractor shall not commence construction activities unless and until such documents have been approved by the Project Manager. Any delays that result from design resubmissions shall be considered Non-Excusable. In addition, the Contractor shall coordinate with the Program Manager and the Department's architect/engineer (if applicable) with respect to requests for information ("RFIs"), architect's supplemental instructions and other construction administration, as well as the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board and Commission of Fine Arts, as required.

Section 3.5. <u>Permits</u>. Unless otherwise specified in the Task Order Agreement, it is understood that the Contractor shall be required to secure and pay for any and all permits, governmental fees, licenses and inspections necessary for the execution and completion of the work. The Department shall cooperate with the Contractor in securing such permits, licenses and inspections; provided however, the Department shall not be required to pay the fees for such permits, licenses and inspections unless otherwise noted in the Task Order Agreement. The costs of any such fees or inspections are included in the Task Order Agreement Price.

#### ARTICLE 4 CONTRACT SUM

Section 4.1 <u>Lump Sum Price or Other Terms of Compensation</u>. For the work covered by any given Task Order Agreement, the Contractor shall be paid the lump sum price, GMP or other terms of compensation set forth in the Task Order Agreement ("Contract Sum") to Fully Complete the Project.

Section 4.2 <u>Nature of the Contract Sum.</u> The Contractor acknowledges and understands that the Contract Sum is based on the scope of work included with the Project Task Order Agreement. It is understood and agreed that the Contract Sum represents the Contractor's payment to fully complete the Project. The Parties acknowledge and agree that it is their intent to have the Contractor to construct and deliver a fully functional Project as contemplated in the scope of work for the Contract Sum and consistent with the project schedule. In furtherance of such intent, the Contractor hereby assumes the risks associated with and shall be responsible for (i) any changes in market conditions that affect the cost of labor or materials; (ii) coordination issues between any drawings for the Project; (iii) elements of work not shown on the Scope of Work, but which are reasonably inferable from the Scope of Work; (iv) cost associated with acceleration of the work and expediting of materials necessary to meet the Project Schedule which are the result of anything other than an Excusable Delay; and (v) the risk of subcontractor default.

Section 4.3 Risks Assumed by Contractor. By submitting a bid for any project, the

Contractor shall be deemed to have thoroughly examined the terms of the RFTOP, the drawings and specifications that may be included with the RFTOP, and shall constitute its acknowledgement that it has been provided with an opportunity to visit the Project site and that such Contractor has had the opportunity to become familiar with local conditions under which the work is to be performed. Further, in submitting any such bid, the Contractor shall be deemed to represent that it has satisfied itself that it can undertake the work for the stated cost. Among other things, by submitting a bid, the Contractor assumes the following risks: (1) the nature of the land and subsoil unless such conditions constitute a Differing Site Condition under Article 4.A of the Standard Contract Provisions for Construction Contracts; (2) the form and nature of the site and surrounding areas; (3) details and levels of existing pipe lines, conduits, sewers, drains, cables or other existing services; (4) the quantities, nature and availability of the materials, tools, equipment and labor necessary for the completion of the work; (5) the means of access to the site and any accommodation that may be required; (6) uncertainties of weather and physical conditions at the site; and in general to have itself obtained all necessary information as to risk contingencies, climatic, hydrological and natural conditions and other circumstances which may influence or affect his performance of the work.

Section 4.4 <u>Allowances</u>. To the extent that the Contract Sum related to a Task Order Agreement includes one or more allowances, such allowances shall be reflected on the Schedule of Values attached to such Task Order Agreement. The Contract Sum associated with that Task Order Agreement shall be adjusted (either upward or downward) by change order to reflect the actual cost of the work covered by such allowance. However, the Contractor shall not exceed the allowance amount specified in each Task Order Agreement without the Contracting Officer's approval.

Section 4.5 <u>Tax Exempt Status.</u> The Department expects that the Project will qualify as tax-exempt under the applicable laws, and such tax exemption shall be reflected in the Contract Sum.

#### ARTICLE 5 CONSTRUCTION PHASE

**Section 5.1** <u>General.</u> The construction phase for the work covered by a Task Order Agreement shall commence when the Project Manager issues an NTP for construction. The Contractor shall construct the work described on the approved design submittals including any work that is not specifically shown thereon but is reasonably inferable therefrom or necessary for a fully functioning Project. The work shall be carried out in a workmanlike and timely fashion. All materials and equipment to be incorporated into the Project shall be new and previously unused, unless otherwise specified, and shall be free of manufacturing or other defects.

**Section 5.2** <u>Mandatory Subcontract Provisions.</u> To the extent the Contractor intends to subcontract a portion of the work, any subcontract in excess of \$25,000 shall include the following provisions:

(1) that, to the extent of the work or supply within the Task Order Agreement's scope, the subcontractor or supplier is bound to the Contractor for the performance of all obligations which the Contractor owes the Department under

the Agreement;

- (2) that the Subcontractor or supplier is not in privity with the Department and shall not seek compensation directly from the Department on any third-party beneficiary, quantum meruit, or unjust enrichment claim, or otherwise, except as may be permitted by any applicable mechanic's lien law;
- (3) that the Department is a third-party beneficiary of the subcontract or supply agreement, entitled to enforce any rights thereunder for its benefit;
- (4) that the Subcontractor or supplier consents to assignment of its agreement to the Department, at the Department's sole option, if the Contractor is terminated for default;
- (5) that the Subcontractor or supplier shall comply immediately with a written order from the Department to the Contractor to suspend or stop work;
- (6) that the Subcontractor or supplier shall maintain records of all work that is requested or authorized to do on a time and material or cost-plus basis, or with respect to claims that it has asserted on a time and materials or cost-plus basis, during the Project and for a period of time specified in the Standard Contract Provisions and requiring the Subcontractor or supplier to make those records available for review or audit by the Department during that time;
- (7) that the Subcontractor shall obtain and maintain, throughout the Project, workers' compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia (This provision is not applicable to supply agreements);
- (8) that, if the Department terminates the Agreement for convenience, the Contractor may similarly terminate the subcontract or supply agreement for convenience, and that the Subcontractor or supplier shall, in such a case, be entitled only to the costs set forth in the Termination for Convenience provisions of this Agreement;
- (9) that the Department shall have the right to enter into a contract with the Subcontractor or supplier for the same price as its subcontract or supply agreement price less amounts already paid, if the Contractor files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or has an involuntary petition in bankruptcy filed against it;
- (10) that the Subcontractor or supplier shall not be entitled to payment for defective or non-conforming work, materials or equipment, and shall be obligated promptly to repair or replace non-conforming work, materials or equipment at its own cost;

Section 5.3 <u>Certified Subcontractors.</u> The Contractor shall not substitute or replace any Subcontractor or supplier certified by the District of Columbia Department of Small and Local Business Development ("DSLBD" or "Department of Small and Local Business Development") without the Department's Contracting Officer and the Director of DSLBD's prior written consent.

Section 5.4 Site Observations. The Contractor may be provided with an opportunity to

visit the site, become familiar with local conditions under which the work is to be performed and correlate personal observations with requirements of the Agreement, Task Order Agreement, and approved design submittals; as provided for projects solicited under the RFTOPs. The Contractor shall carefully study and compare the Agreement, Task Order Agreement, and approved design submittals with each other and with information furnished by the Department. Before commencing activities, the Contractor shall: (1) take field measurements and verify field conditions; (2) carefully compare this and other information known to the Contractor with the Agreement, Task Order Agreement, and approved design submittals; and (3) promptly report errors, inconsistencies or omissions discovered to the Department. Once work is started, the Contractor assumes the responsibility and costs for the work and the cost of correcting work previously installed.

Section 5.5 Warranty of the Construction Work. The Contractor warrants to the Department that materials and equipment furnished under Task Order Agreement will be of good quality and new and previously unused unless otherwise expressly permitted in writing, and shall be free of manufacturing or other defects and that for the one (1) year period following the Substantial Completion Date the construction work will be free from defects not inherent in the quality required or permitted, and that the work will conform to the Scope of Work and/or any approved design documents. The Contractor's warranty excludes remedy for damage or defect caused by abuse, modifications not executed by the Contractor, improper or insufficient maintenance, improper operation, or normal wear and tear and normal usage. The Contractor and a representative of the Department shall walk the project together eleven (11) months after the Substantial Completion Date to identify any necessary warranty work. In the event the Contractor fails to schedule such a walk, the warranty period shall be extended until such time as the Contractor schedules such a walk.

Section 5.6 Extent of Responsibility and Site Conditions. The Contractor shall be entitled to submit a change request for differing site conditions only to the extent that such conditions could not have been discovered by a competent visual inspection of the site and are of unusual nature and differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering to work of the character provided for in the Contract (such circumstances, "Differing Site Conditions"). The term Differing Site Conditions shall mean subsurface conditions on or adjacent to the Project site which differ materially from those indicated in the geotechnical reports prepared by the Contractor. The term Differing Site Conditions shall also include unknown physical conditions at the site of an unusual nature which differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering to work of the character provided for in this Contract. Prior to commencing construction, the Contractor shall be required to conduct a thorough review of the Project site and the surrounding area and shall document its findings. In the event the Contractor fails to undertake and document such a thorough review, the Contractor shall be deemed to have known of those conditions which a thorough review would have detected. Any change request related to Differing Site Conditions shall be made pursuant to the Standard Contract Provisions for Construction Contracts.

### Section 5.7 <u>Unsafe Materials and Hazardous Materials</u>

**Section 5.7.1** The Contractor shall not bring, spill or release onto the site asbestos, Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs), or any other hazardous material that is not customarily used in a facility of the type and similar to the Project, and shall bring to the Department's attention any specification of such Hazardous Materials in the design documents. If the Contractor believes that anything in the Task Order Agreement would require that it use or bring onto the site asbestos, PCBs, or any Hazardous Material that is not customarily used in a facility of the type and similar to the Project, it shall immediately inform the Department and seek direction before proceeding.

**Section 5.7.2** If Hazardous Materials are discovered on the site, the Contractor shall immediately inform the Program Manager and the Department of such discovery. The Contractor shall be entitled to submit a Change Request in accordance with the Standard Contract Provisions for any Hazardous Materials abatement and disposal work. The Contractor shall comply with all laws, including, without limitation, the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and all jurisdictional agencies as well as all laws relating to safety, health welfare, and protection of the environment, in removing, treating, encapsulating, passivating, and/or disposing of hazardous materials, including, but not limited to, removal, treatment, encapsulation, passivation, and/or disposal of the Hazardous Materials. If any notices to governmental authorities are required, the Contractor shall also give those notices at the appropriate times.

**Section 5.7.3** The Contractor shall keep detailed records documenting Work done so that the Department may independently verify compliance with all laws, the number of units actually removed, treated, and/or disposed of, and the appropriate unit price(s) applicable to the work.

**Section 5.8** <u>Progress Meetings.</u> The Contractor shall schedule and conduct at a minimum bi-weekly progress meetings at which the Department, the Program Manager and the Contractor and appropriate subcontractors can discuss the status of the work. The Contractor shall prepare and promptly distribute meeting minutes.

Section 5.9 <u>Written Reports.</u> The Contractor shall provide written reports to the Program Manager on the progress of the entire work in accordance at least every other week, including, but not limited to, a baseline schedule and schedule updates with narrative demonstrating the critical path of the Project in Primavera format. The Contractor shall also maintain a daily log containing a record of weather, Subcontractors working on the site, number of workers, major equipment on the site, Work accomplished, problems encountered and other similar relevant data as the Department may reasonably require. The log shall be available to the Department, the architect/engineer and the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager and on a monthly basis a copy of the log shall be submitted to the Department.

#### Section 5.10 Key Personnel.

The Contractor's personnel should have the necessary experience and licenses to perform the required work. Toward that end, the Contractor should include within its Task Order Agreement's proposal a description of the staff available to perform this work and their qualifications. The Contractor will not be permitted to reassign any of the key personnel unless the Department's Contracting Officer approves the proposed reassignment and the proposed replacement. When submitting a Task Order proposal, at a minimum, the Contractor will be required to propose and commit to one or more specific Project Managers and Field Superintendents for the particular project. To carry out the work associated with the resulting Task Order Agreement, the Contractor shall provide at least the key personnel identified in its proposal which shall be included as an exhibit to the Task Order Agreement, and indicate the function(s) each will carry out for the proposed project and indicate what percentage of each such persons time will be devoted to the Task Order Agreement's project. The Contractor shall not replace any of the key personnel without the Department's Contracting Officer prior written approval.

Section 5.11 <u>Work by Separate Contractors.</u> The Department reserves the right to perform construction or operations related to the Project with Department's own forces, and to award separate contracts in connection with other portions of the Project or other construction or operations on the site.

#### Section 5.12 Site Safety and Clean-Up.

The Contractor will be required to: (i) provide a safe and efficient site, with controlled access, including the installation and provision of such safety barricades, enclosures and overhead protection as may reasonably be required by the Department and as may be necessary to ensure a safe workplace or as may be required by OSHA or other applicable law, and to remove such at the end of the Work and leave the site in broom clean condition; (ii) be responsible for the security of its tools, equipment and materials that are stored at the site; (iii) provide wheel washing stations on site so as to prevent the accumulation of dirt and other refuse on the streets surrounding the Project site; (iv) be responsible for site security; and (v) be responsible for the cost of temporary power used during the construction of the Project, including, but not limited to, the cost of installing such temporary wiring as may be required. Such safety and clean-up shall include, but not limited to, the following:

**Section 5.12.1 Safety Plan.** Prior to the start of construction activities, the Contractor shall prepare a safety plan for the construction phase conforming to OSHA 29 CFR 1926 (such plan, the "**Safety Plan**"). This plan will be submitted to the Department for its review and approval prior to the commencement of construction. Once such plan has been approved, the Contractor shall comply with it at all times during construction. The Contractor shall be required to revise the plan as may be reasonably requested by the Department. The cost of revising and complying with the plan shall not entitle the Contractor to an increase in the Task Order Agreement Price.

**Section 5.12.1.1 Safety Barriers/Fences.** As part of its responsibility for Project safety, the Contractor shall install such fences and barriers as may be necessary. The Contractor shall develop a plan that describes the proposed separation and the specific nature of the fences and barriers that will be used.

Section 5.12.1.2 Site Security. The Contractor shall be responsible for site security and shall be required to provide such watchman as are necessary to protect the site from

unwanted intrusion.

**Section 5.12.1.3 Exculpation.** The right of the Department to comment on the Safety Plan and the nature and location of the required fences and barriers shall in no way absolve the Contractor from the obligation to maintain a safe site.

**Section 5.13** <u>Site Logistics Plan ("Site Logistics Plan")</u>. Prior to the start of construction activities, the Contractor shall prepare a Site Logistics Plan. The Site Logistics Plan shall address: (i) the manner in which the Contractor intends to organize the site; (ii) the location and description of site fences and other safety barricades intended to prevent the public from entering the site; (iii) the location of construction entrances and wheel washing stations; and (iv) parking restrictions and procedures that will apply to the employees of Contractor and its subcontractors.</u>

Section 5.14 <u>Quality Plan ("Quality Plan")</u>. Prior to the start of construction activities, the Contractor shall prepare a Quality Plan. The Quality Plan shall address: (i) the processes employed by the Contractor to ensure quality assurance; (ii) to determine how items are checked for quality and which items need to be checked; (iii) list the specific quality materials used during the project including standards, guidelines, checklist, templates, procedures, user guides and processes; and how the Contractor will handle defective items.

#### Section 5.15 RESERVED

Section 5.16 <u>Salvaged and Stored Items.</u> The Contractor shall be responsible for salvaging and storing all items as identified by the Department in accordance with all applicable District laws and regulations, after notifying the Department and receiving the Department's permission to proceed.

Section 5.17 <u>Sediment and Erosion Control.</u> The Contractor shall be responsible for installing sediment and erosion control measures, inclusive of, but not limited to: silt fencing, inlet protection, stabilized construction entrances, and other control measures.

Section 5.18 <u>Cutting and Patching.</u> The Contractor shall be responsible for cutting, fitting or patching required to complete the Work or to make its parts fit together properly. All areas requiring cutting, fitting and patching shall be restored to the condition existing prior to the cutting, fitting and patching. The Contractor shall not damage or endanger a portion of the Work or fully or partially completed construction of the Department or separate contractors by cutting, patching or otherwise altering such construction, or by excavation.

#### Section 5.19 Correction of Work.

**Section 5.19.1** The Department shall be at liberty to object and to require the Contractor to remove forthwith from the Project site and the work and to promptly replace the superintendent, any foreman, technical assistant, laborer, agent, representative, or other person used by the Contractor in or about the execution or maintenance of the work, who in the sole opinion of the Department is misconducting himself, or is incompetent or negligent in the proper performance of his duties, or whose performance in the work is otherwise considered by the Department to be undesirable or unsatisfactory, and such person shall

not be again employed upon the project without the written permission of the Department.

**Section 5.19.2** The Contractor shall promptly correct work rejected by Department for failing to conform to the requirements of the Scope of Work or any approved design document or applicable law or regulations whether observed before or after the project's completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed, and shall correct any work found to be not in accordance with the requirements within a period of one (1) year from the date of Final Completion or by terms of an applicable special warranty required by the Task Order Agreement.

**Section 5.19.3** If during the guarantee or warranty period, any material, equipment or system requires corrective Work because of defects in materials or workmanship, the Contractor shall commence corrective work within forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the notice and work diligently until corrective work is completed; provided, however, if such notice is received on the day before a weekend or a holiday, the Contractor will commence corrective work on the next business day. If Contractor does not, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the contract documents, commence all corrective work within forty-eight (48) hours or if the Contractor commences such work but does not pursue it in an expeditious manner, the Department may either notify the bonding company (if any) to have such work and/or obligations performed at no additional cost to Department or may perform such Work and/or obligations and charge the costs thereof to the Contractor.

#### Section 5.20 Manufacturer's Warranties.

**Section 5.20.1** The Contractor warrants that all manufacturers' or other warranties on all labor, materials and equipment furnished by the Contractor or a Subcontractor or supplier shall run directly to or will be specifically assigned to the Department on demand or upon Project completion without demand. In the event any issue or defect which would be covered by any warranty arises but is not addressed by the grantor of the warranty, the Contractor shall be required to act as the guarantor of the obligations under the warranty and to perform under the terms of the warranty.

**Section 5.20.2** The Contractor warrants that the installation of all materials and equipment shall be in strict accordance with the manufacturers' requirements or specifications.

**Section 5.21** <u>Close-Out and Training.</u> The Contractor shall also provide the Department with a complete set of its Project files, including, but not limited to, shop drawings, product manuals, warranties, etc., prepared by the Contractor or its subcontractors along with any other documentation that may reasonably be requested by the Department or its Program Manager and/or Project Manager, at close out so as to assist the Department in operating the building. In addition, if the Project includes work on heating or cooling systems, at the beginning of the first heating and cooling season following turnover of the Project, the Contractor shall be available to assist with, and train the building engineers and staff in the start-up of the building systems for the new weather cycle.

Section 5.22 Schedule Update. The Contractor shall submit bi-weekly schedule updates which shall reflect actual conditions of the Project progress as of the date of the update. The update shall reflect the actual progress of construction, identify developing delays, regardless of their cause, and reflect the Contractor's best projection of the actual date by which the Substantial Completion and Final Completion of the Project will be achieved. Via a narrative statement (not merely a critical path method schedule), the Contractor shall identify the causes of any potential delay and state what, in the Contractor's judgment, must be done to avoid or reduce that delay. The Contractor shall point out, in its narrative, changes that have occurred since the last update, including those related to major changes in the scope of work, activities modified since the last update, revised projections of durations, progress and completion, revisions to the schedule logic or assumptions, and other relevant changes. Any significant variance from the previous schedule or update shall also be identified in a narrative, together with the reasons for the variance and its impact on Project completion. All schedule updates shall be in Primavera 6 format. The Department may make reasonable requests during the Project for changes to the format or for further explanation of information provided. Submission of updates showing that Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Project will be achieved later than the applicable scheduled completion date shall not constitute requests for extension of time and shall not operate to change the scheduled completion date. The Department's receipt of, and lack of objection to, any schedule update showing Substantial Completion or Final Completion later than the dates agreed upon in the Project Schedule shall not be regarded as the Department's agreement that the Contractor may have an extension of time, or as a waiver of any of the Department's rights, but merely as the Contractor's representation that, as a matter of fact, Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Project may not be completed by the agreed upon date in the Project Schedule. Changes to the scheduled completion dates may be made only in the circumstances and only by the methods set forth in the Task Order Agreement.

Section 5.23 Acceleration. Subject to the terms of this Section, the Department shall have the right to direct the Contractor to accelerate the work if, in the reasonable judgment of Department, the Contractor fails to: (i) supply a sufficiency of workers or to deliver the materials or equipment with such promptness as to prevent the delay in the progress of the work; or (ii) the progress of the work materially falls behind the projections contained in the then currently approved Project Schedule. In the event that the Department or its Program Manager determine that either of the events specified in the preceding sentence have occurred, the Department shall provide the Contractor with written notice of such event and the Contractor shall be required to provide the Department with a corrective action plan that is reasonably designed to address the concerns raised in such notice within three (3) days after receipt of such notice. If the Department and the Contractor are unable to agree on the terms of such corrective action plan within five (5) calendar days after the issuance of the notice (i.e. with forty eight (48) hours after the receipt of the proposed corrective action plan), the Department shall have the right to direct such acceleration as the Department, in its reasonable judgment, deems necessary. Provided the notice provisions of this Section are complied with, the cost of any acceleration directed under this Section shall not justify an adjustment to the Task Order Agreement Price or the Substantial Completion Date. The Contractor hereby acknowledges that this provision is a material inducement upon which the Department has relied in entering into the Contract; and represents and warrants that it has included sufficient funding in its Task Order Agreement Price in order to comply with the requirements of this Section.

## ARTICLE 6 SUBSTANTIAL AND FINAL COMPLETION/CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

**Section 6.1** Time is of the essence of this Agreement.

Section 6.2 The Contractor shall substantially complete a project no later than the date identified in each Task Order Agreement ("Substantial Completion Date"). For purposes of this requirement, the term "Substantially Complete" shall mean that all of the following have occurred: (1) the Work has been completed with only minor punch list items remaining to be completed; (2) any and all required permits or approvals related to the Work have been obtained; (3) all operating and maintenance manuals, training videotapes and warranties required by the Contract have been delivered to the Department; (4) any supplemental training session required by each Task Order Agreement for operating or maintenance personnel have been completed; (5) all clean-up required by each Task Order Agreement has been completed; and (6) the project is ready for the Department to use it for its intended purpose. "Minor punch list items" are defined for this purpose as items that, in the aggregate, can be completed within thirty (30) days without interfering with the Department's normal use of the Project. "Final Completion" shall mean the point at which Substantial Completion has been achieved, all punch list items noted at Substantial Completion have been completed and all documents the Contractor is required to deliver to the Department as a condition to receiving final payment have been received. "Work" is defined as the construction and services required by the Contract, whether completed or partially completed, and includes all other labor, materials, equipment, and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations. The Work may constitute the whole or a part of the project. Final Completion Date is 30 days from the Substantial Completion Date or as defined in each individual Task Order Agreement.

**Section 6.3** The Contractor will perform the work so that it shall achieve Substantial Completion by the Substantial Completion Date. Unless the failure to achieve Substantial Completion by the Substantial Completion Date is a result of an Excusable Delay, as defined in Section 6.3 of this Agreement, the delay shall be deemed Non-Excusable and the Contractor shall not be entitled to an extension of the Substantial Completion Date or for further compensation. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, delays for the following reasons shall be regarded as Non-Excusable and shall not entitle the Contractor to an extension of time:

- (1) Delays due to job site labor disputes, work stoppages, or suspensions of work;
- (2) Delays due to adverse weather, unless the Contractor establishes that the adverse weather was of a nature and duration in excess of averages established by data from the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for the Project locale for the ten (10) years preceding the effective date of the Agreement;
- (3) Delays due to the failure of the Contractor or Subcontractors or material suppliers at any tier to perform in timely or proper fashion, without regard to concepts of negligence or fault;
- (4) Delays due to Site conditions whether known or unknown as of the effective date of the Agreement, foreseeable or unforeseeable at that time, naturally occurring or

man-made; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that delays due to Differing Site Conditions or hazardous materials remediation shall be deemed an Excusable Delay;

- (5) Delays in completing the preconstruction activities, unless the result of a delay by the Department or its Program Manager beyond the timeframes set forth herein or in the Task Order Agreement, or an event of force majeure; or
- (6) Delays due to design submissions as described in Section 3.4.

**Section 6.4** The Contractor shall be entitled to an adjustment in the Substantial Completion Date due to an Excusable Delay. The term "Excusable Delay" shall mean:

- (1) Delays due to adverse weather other than those that are classified as a Non-Excusable delay;
- (2) Delays due to acts of God, war, unavoidable casualties, civil unrest, and other similar causes of delay that are beyond the control of the Contractor; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in no event shall a Non-Excusable delay or the action of the Contractor, or any of its employees, agents, Subcontractors or material suppliers be deemed an Excusable Delay; or
- (3) Delays caused by Differing Site Conditions or hazardous materials remediation.

In addition to the foregoing, a delay shall be deemed to be an Excusable Delay only to the extent that such delay: (i) warrants an extension in the Substantial or Final Completion Date; (ii) has not been caused by the Contractor or any of its employees, agents, Subcontractors or material suppliers; (iii) is of a duration of not less than three (3) days; (iv) is on Project's critical path; and is in addition to any time contingency periods set forth in the critical path.

Section 6.5 If the Contractor wishes to make a claim for an increase in the Agreement time, written notice as provided herein shall be given. The Contractor's claim shall include an estimate of the cost and of the probable effect of delay on the progress of the Work. In the case of continuing delay, only one claim is necessary.

#### ARTICLE 7 PAYMENT PROVISIONS

Section 7.1 <u>Compensation</u>. The Contractor shall be paid its compensation in a series of progress payments and a final payment. Progress payments shall be based on a Schedule of Values that is agreed upon by the Parties as well as the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager's good faith estimate of the level of completion for each component of the Schedule of Values.

Section 7.2 <u>Schedule of Values ("Schedule of Values")</u>. The Contractor shall prepare a Schedule of Values that breaks down the Task Order Agreement Price for the various parts of the Work. The Schedule of Values shall be maintained in such a manner to provide a breakdown of the Task Order Agreement Price in enough detail to facilitate continued evaluation of applications for payment and progress reports. Large subcontracts shall be broken into several line items where, in the opinion of the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager, such detail is necessary to properly track the progress of the Work. The proposed schedule of values shall also include separate line items for each part of the Work if so required by the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager. The Contractor and the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager shall meet as necessary to maintain the Schedule of Values for the Project in a manner acceptable to the Project Manager and/or the Program Manager. No progress payments shall be made unless the then current Schedule of Values is acceptable to the Project Manager.

Section 7.3 <u>Retention</u>. The Department shall withhold from each progress payment an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of each progress payment. Once Substantial Completion has occurred, the Department will reduce the retention being withheld to an amount that is equal to Two Hundred percent (200%) of the Program Manager's good faith estimate of the remaining Work.

Section 7.4 <u>Documents Required with Application for Payment.</u> Each Application for Payment shall be accompanied by the Contractor's job cost ledgers in a form satisfactory to the Department, the subcontractors' and suppliers' Applications for Payment on a form acceptable to the Department, and such other supporting documentation as the Department may reasonably request.

Section 7.5 <u>Timely Payment of Subcontractors</u>. Within seven (7) days of receiving any payment from the Department including amounts attributable to Work performed, or materials or equipment supplied, by a Subcontractor or supplier, the Contractor shall either pay the Subcontractor or supplier for its proportionate share of the amount paid to the Contractor for the Subcontractor or supplier, in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or part of the payment and state the reason for the withholding. All monies paid to the Contractor under the Agreement shall be used first to pay amounts due to Subcontractors or suppliers supplying labor or materials for the Project and only money remaining after such payments are made may be retained by the Contractor. Monies paid by joint check shall be deemed to have been paid fully to the Subcontractor or supplier named as a joint payee, unless the Department agrees otherwise in writing. Any interest paid to Subcontractor to a Change Order.

**Section 7.6** <u>Lien Waivers.</u> Each Application for Payment shall be accompanied by written waivers of the right to file a mechanic's lien and all other claims.

**Section 7.7** <u>Submission</u>. On the twenty-fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) day of each month the Contractor shall submit to the Department (with a copy to the Program Manager) an Application for Payment, which Application for Payment shall cover the entire month during which the Application for Payment is submitted.

**Section 7.8** <u>Right to Withhold Payments.</u> The Department will notify the Contractor within fifteen (15) days after receiving any Application for Payment of any defect in the Application for Payment or the Contractor's performance which may result in the Department's declining to pay all or a part of the requested amount. The Department may withhold payment

from the Contractor, in whole or part, as appropriate, if:

- 1. the Work is defective and such defects have not been remedied; or
- 2. the Department has determined that the Contractor's progress has fallen behind the Project Schedule, and the Contractor fails, within ten (10) calendar days of the Department's written demand, to provide the Department with a realistic and acceptable plan to recover the delays; or
- **3.** the Contractor has failed to pay Subcontractors or suppliers promptly or has made false or inaccurate certifications that payments to Subcontractors or suppliers are due or have been made; or
- **4.** any mechanic's lien has been filed against the Department, the site or any portion thereof or interest therein, or any improvements on the site, even though the Department has paid all undisputed amounts due to the Contractor, and the Contractor, upon notice, has failed to remove the lien, by bonding it off or otherwise, within ten (10) calendar days; or
- 5. the Contractor is otherwise in substantial breach of this Agreement.

Section 7.9 <u>Payment Not Acceptance</u>. Payment of any progress payment or final payment shall not constitute acceptance of Work that is defective or otherwise fails to conform to the Agreement, or a waiver of any rights or remedies the Department may have with respect to defective or nonconforming Work.

#### ARTICLE 8 INDEMNIFICATION

Section 8.1 Indemnification shall be governed by the terms of the Department's Standard Contract Provisions (Construction Contracts and Architectural and Engineering Services Contracts, as applicable) attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

#### ARTICLE 9 CHANGES CLAUSE

Section 9.1 <u>Changes Authorized.</u> The Department may, without invalidating this Agreement or any Task Order Agreement issued pursuant to this Agreement, and without notice to or approval of any surety, order changes in the Work released through any Task Order Agreement, including additions, deletions or modifications. Any such change must be conveyed by the Department to the Contractor via written Change Directive or Change Order.

Section 9.2 <u>Executed Change Directive/Change Order Required</u>. Only a written Change Directive or Change Order, executed by the Department's Contracting Officer, may make changes to the Agreement. In particular, but without limitation, a written Change Directive or Change Order executed by the Department is the only means by which changes may be made to the Substantial or Final Completion Date, or the Contract Sum.

Section 9.3 <u>Department-Initiated Changes.</u> If the Department wishes to make a change in the Work or to accelerate the Work, it will execute and issue to the Contractor a written

Change Directive, either directing the Contractor to proceed at once with the changed Work or directing it to not to proceed, but to inform the Department, in writing, of the amount, if any, by which the Contractor believes that Substantial or Final Completion Date and/or the Contract Sum should be adjusted to take the Change Order or Change Directive into account.

Section 9.4 <u>Notice of Change Event.</u> The Contractor must give the Department written notice of any Change Event within ten (10) calendar days of the date on which the Contractor knew, or reasonably should have known, of the Change Event. To the extent available, the notice must state the nature of the Change Event and describe, generally, all changes in the Contract to which the Contractor believes it is entitled. Such notice is an express condition precedent to any claim or request for adjustment to the Substantial or Final Completion Date, or the Contract Sum arising from the Change Event and, if the notice is not given within the required time, the Contractor will have waived the right to any adjustment to the Substantial or Final Completion Date or the Contract Sum arising from the Change Event.

**Section 9.5** <u>Detailed Change Request.</u> Within twenty (20) days after giving notice of a change event, the Contractor shall submit a written change request describing, in reasonable detail, all adjustments it seeks to the Substantial or Final Completion Date or the Contract Sum as a result of the Change Event. The change request shall include the same information as described in Section 9.4 with respect to any Contract changes the Contractor seeks due to the Change Event, and the amount of any requested adjustment to the Contract Sum shall be limited in accordance with Section 9.4.

#### Section 9.6 Reserved

**Section 9.7 Failure to Agree.** If the Contractor claims entitlement to a change in the Agreement, and the Department does not agree that any action or event has occurred to justify any change in time or compensation, or if the Parties fail to agree upon the appropriate amount of the adjustment in time or compensation, the Department will unilaterally make such changes, if any, to the Agreement, as it determines to be appropriate pursuant to the Agreement. The Contractor shall proceed with the Work and the Department's directives, without interruption or delay, and shall make a claim as provided in Article 13 of this Agreement, if needed. Failure to proceed due to a dispute over a change request shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and entitle the Department to all available remedies for such breach, including, without limitation, termination for default.

Section 9.8 <u>Department's Designated Representative</u>. The Department designates the individual(s) identified in <u>Exhibit B</u> as its representative with express authority to bind the Department with respect to all matters requiring the Department's approval or authorization. Subject to the limitations on their authority specified in <u>Exhibit B</u>, these representative(s) shall have the exclusive authority to make decisions on behalf of the Department concerning estimates and schedules, construction budgets, changes in the Work, and execution of Change Orders or Change Directives, and shall render such decisions promptly and furnish information expeditiously, so as to avoid unreasonable delay in the services or performance of the Work by the Contractor. In order for the Department to effectively manage the Project and assure that the Contractor does not receive conflicting instructions regarding the Work, the Design-Builder shall promptly notify the Department's representative upon receiving any instructions or other communication in connection with the Contractor's work from any employee of the Department or other purported agent of the Department other than the Department's designated representative.

# ARTICLE 10 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

**Section 10.1** If the Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion by the Substantial Completion Date as specified in each Task Order Agreement, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the actual damage to the Department for the delay will be impossible to determine, and in lieu thereof, the Contractor shall pay to the Department, as fixed and liquidated delay damages in the amount specified in the Task Order Agreement for failure to meet the Substantial Completion Date. The Contractor and the Department agree that the liquidated damages do not constitute, and shall not be deemed, a penalty but represent a reasonable approximation of the damages to the Department associated with a delay in the Project. In the event the Contractor fails to meet the Substantial Completion Date as defined in each individual Task Order Agreement, the Contractor consents to a termination for default.

#### ARTICLE 11 INSURANCE AND BONDS

**Section 11.1** Insurance Requirements shall be obtained from the Office of Risk Management ("ORM") and incorporated in within each RFTOP.

#### Section 11.2 Performance Bond and Payment Bond.

#### Section 11.2.1 Trade Subcontractor Bonds

All trade subcontractors shall provide a payment and performance bond having a penal value equal to One Hundred Percent (100%) of the cost of the trade subcontract for any subcontract valued at One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) or more. All such bonds shall be written on a dual-obligee basis.

#### Section 11.2.2 Contractor's Payment and Performance Bond

For each Task Order Agreement valued at One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) or more, the Contractor shall, before the Task Order Agreement is executed, as applicable, provide to the Department a payment bond and performance bond, each with a penal sum equal to the Contract Sum of the Task Order Agreement. Such bond shall remain in full force and effect until Final Completion is achieved and the Department shall be able to draw upon such bond regardless of the amount paid by the Department to the Contractor, even if such amount exceeds the penal value of such bond.

#### ARTICLE 12 ECONOMIC INCLUSION AND COMPLIANCE

**Section 12.0 LSDBE Utilization**: Under the provisions of the Small, Local, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of 2005, D.C. Law 16-33 (codified at D.C. Code § 2-218.01 et seq.), preferences shall be given to Offerors that are certified by the Department of Small and Local Business Development as being a small business enterprise ("SBE"), having resident business ownership, having a longtime resident business, being a local business enterprise, being a disadvantaged business enterprise, being a local business enterprise, or being a local manufacturing business enterprise. In accordance with these laws, the following preferences shall be awarded in evaluating an Offeror's Proposal:

- a) Three (3) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as a small business enterprise.
- b) Five (5) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as having a resident business ownership.
- c) Five (5) points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as having a longtime resident business.
- d) Two (2) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as a local business enterprise.
- e) Two (2) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as being a local business enterprise with its principal office located in an enterprise zone.
- f) Two (2) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as a disadvantaged business enterprise.
- g) Two (2) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as a veteran-owned business enterprise.
- h) Two (2) preference points shall be awarded if the Offeror is certified as a local manufacturing business enterprise.

A certified business enterprise ("CBE") shall be entitled to any or all of the preferences provided in this section, but in no case shall a CBE be entitled to a preference of more than 12 points.

# Section 12.1 Mandatory Subcontracting Plan and Requirements.

The Contractor shall comply with the terms of the mandatory subcontracting requirements as follows:

**12.1.1.** Unless the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) has approved a waiver in writing in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.51, for all contracts in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the Contract shall be subcontracted to qualified small business enterprises (SBEs).

**12.1.2.** If there are insufficient SBEs to completely fulfill the requirement of Section 12.1.1 above, then the subcontracting may be satisfied by subcontracting 35% of the dollar volume to any qualified certified business enterprises (CBEs); provided, however, that all reasonable efforts shall be made to ensure that SBEs are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.

**12.1.3.** A prime contractor that is certified by DSLBD as a small, local or disadvantaged business enterprise shall not be required to comply with the provisions of subsections 12.1.1 and 12.1.2 above.

**12.1.4.** Except as otherwise provided in D.C. Official Code § 2-218.46, a prime contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs.

A CBE prime contractor that performs less than 35% of the contracting effort shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2- 218.63.

**12.1.5.** If the prime contractor is a certified joint venture and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, the CBE member of the certified joint venture shall perform at least 50% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. If the CBE member of the certified joint venture prime contractor performs less than 50% of the contracting effort, the certified joint venture shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.

**12.1.6.** Each CBE utilized to meet these subcontracting requirements shall perform at least 35% of its contracting effort with its own organization and resources.

**12.1.7.** A prime contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least 50% of the on-site work with its own organization and resources if the Contract is \$1 million or less.

#### Section 12.2 Subcontracting Plan Requirements

**Section 12.2.1** If the Prime Contractor is required by law to subcontract under the Task Order, it must submit a subcontracting plan for at least (50%) of the dollar volume of the contract in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2–218.91. The subcontracting plan shall be submitted as part of the Proposal. Any reduction in the dollar volume of the subcontracted portion resulting from an amendment of the plan shall inure to the benefit of the District and the Department. Each subcontracting plan shall include the following:

- (a) The name and address of each subcontractor;
- (b) A current certification number of the small or certified business enterprise;
- (c) The scope of work to be performed by each subcontractor; and
- (d) The price that the Prime contractor will pay each subcontractor.

#### Section 12.2.2 Copies of Subcontracts

Within twenty-one (21) days of the date of award, the Contractor shall provide fully executed copies of all subcontracts identified in the subcontracting plan to the Contracting Officer, Project Manager, District of Columbia Auditor, and the Director of Department of Small and Local Business Development.

#### Section 12.2.3 Subcontracting Plan Compliance Reporting

- a) The Prime Contractor has a subcontracting plan required by law for this Agreement; the Prime Contractor shall submit a quarterly report to the CO, District of Columbia Auditor and the Director of DSLBD. The quarterly report shall include the following information for each subcontract identified in the subcontracting plan:
  - 1. The price that the Prime Contractor will pay each subcontractor under the subcontract;
  - 2. A description of the goods procured, or the services subcontracted for;
  - 3. The amount paid by the Prime Contractor under the subcontract;
  - 4. A copy of the fully executed subcontract, if it was not provided with an earlier quarterly report.
- b) If the fully executed subcontract is not provided with the quarterly report, the Prime Contractor will not receive credit toward its subcontracting requirements for that subcontract.

#### Section 12.2.4 Annual Meetings

Upon at least 30-days written notice provided by DSLBD, the Contractor shall meet annually with the CO, contract administrator ("CA"), District of Columbia Auditor and the Director of Department of Small and Local Business Development to provide an update on its subcontracting plan.

#### Section 12.2.5 DSLBD Notices

The Contractor shall provide written notice to DSLBD and the District of Columbia Auditor upon commencement of the Task Order Agreement and when the Task Order Agreement is completed.

#### Section 12.2.6 Enforcement and Penalties for Breach of Subcontracting Plan

A Prime Contractor shall be deemed to have breached a subcontracting plan required by law, if the Prime Contractor: (i) fails to submit subcontracting plan monitoring or compliance reports or other required subcontracting information in a reasonably timely manner; (ii) submits a monitoring or compliance report or other required subcontracting information containing a materially false statement; or (iii) fails to meet its subcontracting requirements. A Prime Contractor that is found to have breached its subcontracting plan for utilization of Certified Business Enterprises ("CBEs") in the performance of a contract shall be subject to the imposition of penalties, including monetary fines in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63. If the CO determines the Prime Contractor's failure to be a material breach of the Agreement, the CO shall have cause to terminate the Agreement under the default provisions in the Standard Contract Provisions. Neither the Prime Contractor nor its subcontractor may remove a subcontractor or tier-subcontractor if such subcontractor or tier-subcontractor is certified as a Local Small Disadvantaged Business Enterprise ("LSDBE") business unless the Department approves of such removal, in writing. The Department may condition its approval upon the Prime Contractor developing a plan that is, in the Department's sole and absolute judgment, adequate to maintain the level of LSDBE participation on the Project.

#### Section 12.2.7 Residency Hiring Requirements for Contractors and Subcontractors

**Section 12.2.7.1** For Task Order Agreements for services in the amount of \$300,000 or more, the Contractor shall comply with the First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984, as amended, D.C. Official Code § 2-219.01 et seq. ("First Source Act").

**Section 12.2.7.2** The Contractor shall enter into and maintain during the term of the Agreement and subsequent Task Order Agreements, a First Source Employment Agreement (Employment Agreement) with the District of Columbia Department of Employment Services ("DOES"), in which the Contractor shall agree that: (a) The first source for finding employees to fill all jobs created in order to perform the contract shall be the First Source Register; and (b) The first source for finding employees to fill any vacancy occurring in all jobs covered by the Employment Agreement shall be the First Source Register.

Section 12.2.7.3 If applicable, the Contractor shall comply with subchapter X of Chapter II of Title 2, and all successor acts thereto, including by not limited to the Workforce Intermediary Establishment and Reform of First Source Amendment Act of 2011, and the rules and regulations

promulgated thereunder, including, but not limited to the following requirements:

- a) At least twenty percent (20%) of journey worker hours by trade shall be performed by District residents;
- b) At least sixty percent (60%) of apprentice hours by trade shall be performed by District residents;
- c) At least fifty one percent (51%) of the skilled laborer hours by trade shall be performed by District residents; and
- d) At least seventy percent (70%) of common laborer hours shall be performed by District residents.

**Section 12.2.7.4** The Contractor shall not begin performance of the Task Order Agreements until its Employment Agreement has been accepted by DOES. Once approved, the Employment Agreement shall not be amended except with the approval of DOES.

**Section 12.2.7.5** The Contractor agrees that at least 51% of the new employees hired to perform the contracts shall be District residents. The Contractor shall ensure that at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the Contractor's team and every sub-consultant's and subcontractor's employees hired after the effective date of the Agreement, or after such subconsultant or subcontractor enters into a contract with the Contractor, to work on projects shall be residents of the District of Columbia. This percentage shall be applied in the aggregate, and not trade by trade.

Section 12.2.7.6 The Contractor's hiring and reporting requirements under the First Source Act and any rules promulgated thereunder shall continue for the term of the Agreement and any subsequent Task Order Agreements.

Section 12.2.7.7 The CO may impose penalties, including monetary fines of 5% of the total amount of the direct and indirect labor costs of the contract, for a willful breach of the Employment Agreement, failure to submit the required hiring compliance reports, or deliberate submission of falsified data.

**Section 12.2.7.8** If the Contractor does not receive a good faith waiver, the CO may also impose an additional penalty equal to 1/8 of 1% of the total amount of the direct and indirect labor costs of the contract for each percentage by which the Contractor fails to meet its hiring requirements.

Section 12.2.7.9 Any contractor which violates, more than once within a 10-year timeframe, the hiring or reporting requirements of the First Source Act shall be referred for debarment for not more than five (5) years.

**Section 12.2.7.10** The Contractor may appeal any decision of the CO pursuant to this clause to the DC Contract Appeals Board located at 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 350N, Washington, DC 20001.

Section 12.2.7.11 The provisions of the First Source Act do not apply to nonprofit organizations

which employ 50 employees or less.

#### Section 12.2.8 Apprenticeship Act

The District of Columbia Apprenticeship Act of 1946, D.C. Official Code §§ 32-1401 *et seq.* ("Apprenticeship Act"), as amended, may apply to the project. All subcontractors selected to perform work on the project on a craft-by-craft basis shall be required to comply with this Apprenticeship Act. All terms and conditions of the Apprenticeship Act, D.C. Apprenticeship Council Rules and Regulations, as well as any federal requirements, shall be implemented. The Prime Contractor shall be liable for any subcontractor non-compliance.

Section 12.3.1 The Contractor shall maintain detailed records relating to the general hiring of District of Columbia and community residents

**Section 12.3.2** The Contractor shall be responsible for: (i) including the provisions of this Section 12.3 in all subcontracts; (ii) collecting the information required in this Section 12.3 from its Subcontractors; and (iii) providing the information collected from its Subcontractors in any reports required to be submitted by the Contractor pursuant to this Section 12.3.

**Section 12.4** Equal Employment Opportunity and Hiring of District Residents In accordance with the District of Columbia Administrative Issuance System, Mayor's Order 85-85 dated June 10, 1985, "on compliance with Equal Opportunity Requirements in District government contracts," each contracting shall submit the forms for completion of the Equal Employment Opportunity Information Report incorporated herein as Exhibit C. An award cannot be made to any contractor who has not satisfied the Equal Employment Requirements.

#### ARTICLE 13 CLAIMS & DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Section 13.1 All claims or disputes arising out of this Agreement shall be governed by the terms of the Department's Standard Contract Provisions (Construction Contracts and Architectural and Engineering Services Contracts, as applicable) attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

#### ARTICLE 14 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 14.1 <u>Extent of Contract.</u> The Agreement, which includes this Contract and the other documents incorporated herein by reference, represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Department and Contractor and supersedes all prior negotiations representations or agreements, either written or oral. The Agreement may be amended only by written instrument signed by both the Department and Contractor. All of the documents comprising the Agreement should be read as complementary, so that what is called for by one is called for by all. Ambiguities
shall be construed in favor of a broader scope of work, as the intent of the Agreement is, with specific identified exceptions, to require the Contractor to assume entire responsibility for the Project. If there is any inconsistency among the documents comprising the Agreement, the order of precedence among them is as follows, with the first listed document having the highest priority: the Agreement and its Modifications; Change Orders and Exhibits (any Change Order issued and executed by the Department shall supersede those portions of earlier dated contract documents to which it pertains); Task Order Agreements and Exhibits; Standard Contract Provisions (any missing term in the Agreement, however, shall be addressed in accordance with the Standard Contract Provisions); Contractor's Offer/Award Form; and Sections A & B of the RFQ.

Section 14.2 <u>Ownership And Use of Documents.</u> The drawings, specifications and other documents prepared by the Contractor's architect/engineer, and copies thereof furnished to the Contractor, are for use solely with respect to Task Order Agreement's project. They are not to be used by the Contractor, subcontractors, sub-subcontractors or suppliers on other projects, or for additions to the Task Order Agreement's project outside the Task Order Agreement's scope of the work, without the specific written consent of the Department and the architect/engineer.

Section 14.3 <u>Governing Law.</u> The Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia, without regard to its conflict of laws principles.

Section 14.4 <u>Buy American Act Provision</u>. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. § 10a), including, but not limited to, the purchase of steel.

**Section 14.4.1** In accordance with the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. § 10a-10d), and Executive Order 10582. December 17, 1954 (3 CFR, 1954-58 Comp., p. 230), as amended by Executive Order 11051, September 27,1962 (3 CFR, 1059—63 Comp., p. 635), the Contractor agrees that only domestic construction material will be used by the Contractor, subcontractors, material men and suppliers in the performance of the Agreement, except for non-domestic material listed in the Agreement.

"Components" as used in this Section, means those articles, materials and supplies incorporated directly into the end products.

"Domestic end product", as used in this section, means, (1) an unmanufactured end product mined or produced in the United States, or (2) an end product manufactured in the United States, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States, exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components.

Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind as the products shall be treated as domestic. Scrap generated, collected, and prepared for processing in the Unites States is considered domestic.

"End Products", as used in this Section, means those articles, materials, and supplies to be acquired

for public use under this Contract.

The Contractor shall deliver only domestic end products, except those:

- 1. For use outside the United States;
- 2. That the District determines are not mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality;
- 3. For which the District determines that domestic preference would be inconsistent with the public interest; or
- 4. For which the District determines the cost to be unreasonable.

Section 14.4.2 Domestic Construction Material. "Construction material" means any article, material or supply brought to the construction site for incorporation in the building or work. An unmanufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been mined or produced in the United States. A manufactured construction material is a "domestic construction material" if it has been manufactured in the United States and if the cost of its components which have been mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. "Component" means any article, material, or supply directly incorporated in a construction material.

**Section 14.4.3 Domestic Component.** A component shall be considered to have been "mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States" regardless of its source, in fact, if the article, material or supply in which it is incorporated was manufactured in the United States and the component is of a class or kind determined by the Government to be not mined, produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality.

**Section 14.4.4 Foreign Material.** When steel materials are used in a project a minimal use of foreign steel is permitted. The cost of such materials cannot exceed on-tenth of one percent of the total project cost, or \$2,500,000, whichever is greater.

**Section 14.5** <u>Davis-Bacon Act Provision</u>. The Contractor agrees that the construction work performed under Task Order Agreement shall be subject to the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276a- 276a-7), which will be in effect on the date the Task Order Agreement is executed by an authorized Contracting Officer, as applicable. The wage rates applicable to a given Task Order Agreement shall be attached thereto. The Contractor further agrees that it and all of its subcontractors shall comply with the regulations implementing the Davis-Bacon Act and such regulations are hereby incorporated by reference.

**Section 14.6** <u>Service Contract Act.</u> The Contractor agrees that the work performed under this Contract shall be subject to the Service Contract Act Wage Determination, which will be in effect on the date the Task Order Agreement is executed by an authorized Contracting Officer, as

applicable. The wage rates applicable to a given Task Order Agreement shall be attached thereto. The Contractor further agrees that it and all of its subcontractors shall comply with the regulations implementing the Service Contract Act Wage Determination and such regulations are hereby incorporated by reference.

#### Section 14.7 WAY TO WORK AMENDMENT ACT OF 2006

**14.7.1**. Except as described in **Section 14.7.8** below, the Contractor shall comply with Title I of the Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (DC Law 16-118, DC Official Code §2-220.01 et seq.) ("Living Wage Act of 2006"), for contracts for services in the amount of \$100,000 or more in a 12-month period.

**14.7.2** The Contractor shall pay its employees and subcontractors who perform services under the Contract no less than the current living wage.

**14.7.3** The Contractor shall include in any subcontract for \$15,000 or more a provision requiring the subcontractor to pay its employees who perform services under the Contract no less than the current living wage rate.

**14.7.4** The DOES may adjust the living wage annually, and the Contractor will find the current living wage rate on its website at www.does.dc.gov.

14.7.5 The Contractor shall provide a copy of the Fact Sheet attached as **Exhibit** C to each employee and subcontractor who performs services under the Contract. The Contractor shall also post the Notice attached as **Exhibit** C in a conspicuous place in its place of business. The Contractor shall include in any subcontract for \$15,000 or more a provision requiring the subcontractor to post the Notice in a conspicuous place in its place of business.

**14.7.6** The Contractor shall maintain its payroll records under the Contract in the regular course of business for a period of at least three (3) years from the payroll date, and shall include this requirement in its subcontracts for \$15,000 or more under the Contract.

**14.7.7** The payment of wages required under the Living Wage Act of 2006 shall be consistent with and subject to the provisions of DC Official Code §32-1301 et seq.

14.7.8 The requirements of the Living Wage Act of 2006 do not apply to:

(1) Contracts or other Agreements that are subject to higher wage level determinations required by federal law;

(2) Existing and future collective bargaining agreements, provided that the future collective bargaining agreement results in the employee being paid no less than the established living wage;

(3) Contracts for electricity, telephone, water, sewer or other services provided by a

regulated utility;

(4) Contracts for services needed immediately to prevent or respond to a disaster or imminent threat to public health or safety declared by the Mayor;

(5) Contracts or other agreements that provide trainees with additional services including, but not limited to, case management and job readiness services; provided that the trainees do not replace employees subject to the Living Wage Act of 2006;

(6) An employee under 22 years of age employed during a school vacation period, or enrolled as a full-time student, as defined by the respective institution, who is in high school or at an accredited institution of higher education and who works less than 25 hours per week; provided that he or she does not replace employees subject to the Living Wage Act of 2006;

(7) Tenants or retail establishments that occupy property constructed or improved by receipt of government assistance from the District of Columbia; provided, that the tenant or retail establishment did not receive direct government assistance from the District;

(8) Employees of nonprofit organizations that employ not more than 50 individuals and qualify for taxation exemption pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, approved August 16, 1954 (68A Stat. 163; 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3);

(9) Medicaid provider agreements for direct care services to Medicaid recipients, provided, that the direct care service is not provided through a home care agency, a community residence facility, or a group home for mentally retarded persons as those terms are defined in section 2 of the Health-Care and Community Residence Facility, Hospice, and Home Care Licensure Act of 1983, effective February 24, 1984 (DC Law 5-48; DC Official Code § 44-501); and

(10) Contracts or other agreements between managed care organizations and the Health Care Safety Net Administration or the Medicaid Assistance Administration to provide health services.

**14.7.9** The Mayor may exempt a contractor from the requirements of the Living Wage Act of 2006, subject to the approval of Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 109 of the Living Wage Act of 2006.

**Section 14.8** <u>False Claims Act.</u> The Contractor shall be governed by all laws and regulations prohibiting false or fraudulent statements and claims made to DC government, including the prescriptions set forth in D.C. Official Code §§ 22-2405 and 2-381.02 et seq. In the event that it is discovered that the Contractor has made a false, fraudulent or unsupported statement or claim to the District or the Department, the Department may terminate this Agreement and any Task Order Agreements without liability.

Section 14.9 <u>No Third-Party Beneficiary Rights.</u> Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating third-party beneficiary rights in any person or entity, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement.

Section 14.10 <u>Limitations.</u> The Contractor agrees that any statute of limitations applicable to any claim or suit by the Department arising from this Contract or its breach shall not begin to run, or shall be deemed to be tolled, until Final Completion or, with respect to latent defects or nonconformities, such later time as the Department knew or should have known of the defect or nonconformity.

Section 14.11 <u>Binding Effect: Assignment.</u> The Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon and enforceable by, the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. The Contractor shall not assign its rights under the Agreement, including the right to all or a portion of its compensation, without the Department's prior written consent. Any delegation or assignment made contrary to the provisions of this Paragraph shall be null and void.

**Section 14.12** <u>Survival.</u> All warranties, and representations of the Contractor contained in the Contract or in any certificate or document furnished pursuant to the Agreement shall survive termination or expiration of the Agreement.

Section 14.13 <u>No Waiver.</u> If the Department waives any power, right, or remedy arising from the Contract or any applicable law, the waiver shall not be deemed to be a waiver of the power, right, or remedy on the later recurrence of any similar events. No act, delay, or course of conduct by the Department shall be deemed to constitute the Department's waiver, which may be effected only by an express written waiver signed by the Department.

**Section 14.14** <u>Remedies Cumulative.</u> Unless specifically provided to the contrary in the Agreement, all remedies set forth in the Agreement are cumulative and not exclusive of any other remedy the Department may have, including, without limitation, at law or in equity. The Department's rights and remedies will be exercised at its sole discretion, and shall not be regarded as conferring any obligation on the Department's to exercise those rights or remedies for the benefit of the Contractor or any other person or entity.

Section 14.15 <u>Entire Agreement: Modification.</u> The Agreement supersedes all contemporaneous or prior negotiations, representations, course of dealing, or agreements, either written or oral. No modifications to the Agreement shall be effective unless made in writing signed by both the Department and the Contractor, unless otherwise expressly provided to the contrary in the Contract.

**Section 14.16** <u>Severability.</u> In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, and in lieu of each such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision, there shall be added automatically as a part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision as may be possible and be valid, legal and enforceable; each part of this Agreement is intended to be severable.

**Section 14.17** <u>Anti-Deficiency Act</u>. The Department's obligations and responsibilities under the terms of the Contract and any subsequent agreement entered into pursuant to this Agreement or referenced herein ( to which the Department is a party), are and shall remain subject to the provisions of: (i) the federal Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. §§1341, 1342, 1349 - 1351,1511-1519 (2004) (the "Federal ADA"), and D.C. Official Code §§ 1-206.03(e) and 47-105

(2001); (ii) the District of Columbia Anti-Deficiency Act, D.C. Official Code §§ 47-355.01 – 355.08 (2004 Supp.) (the "**D.C. ADA**" and (i) and (ii) collectively, as amended from time to time, the "**Anti- Deficiency Acts**"); and (iii) Section 446 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.46 (2001). Pursuant to the Anti-Deficiency Acts, nothing in this Agreement shall create an obligation of the Department in anticipation of an appropriation by Congress for such purpose, and the Department's legal liability for payments and other charges under this Agreement shall not arise or obtain in advance of the lawful availability of appropriated funds for the applicable fiscal year as approved by Congress. <u>IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 446</u> OF THE HOME RULE ACT, D.C. CODE § 1-204.46, NO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICIAL IS AUTHORIZED TO OBLIGATE OR EXPEND ANY AMOUNT UNDER THE CONTRACT OR CONTRACT DOCUMENTS UNLESS SUCH AMOUNT HAS BEEN APPROVED, IS LAWFULLY AVAILABLE AND APPROPRIATED BY ACT OF CONGRESS.

**Section 14.17.1** The Department agrees to exercise all lawful authority available to it to satisfy the financial obligations of the Department that may arise under this. During the term of this Agreement, the Mayor of the District of Columbia or other appropriate official shall, for each fiscal period, include in the budget application submitted to the Council of the District of Columbia the amount necessary to fund the Department's known potential financial obligations under this Agreement for such fiscal period. In the event that a request for such appropriations is excluded from the budget approved by the Council and submitted to Congress by the President for the applicable fiscal year or if no appropriation is made by Congress to pay any amounts due under this Agreement for any period after the fiscal year for which appropriations have been made, and in the event appropriated funds for such purposes are not otherwise lawfully available, the Department will not be liable to make any payment under this Agreement upon the expiration of any then-existing appropriation, the Department shall promptly notify the Contractor, and this Agreement shall immediately terminate upon the expiration of any then-existing appropriation.

Section 14.17.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, no officer, employee, director, member or other natural person or agent of the District or Department shall have any personal liability in connection with the breach of the provisions of this Section or in the event of non-payment by the Department under this Agreement.

**Section 14.17.3** This Agreement shall not constitute an indebtedness of the District and/or the Department nor shall it constitute an obligation for which the Department is obligated to levy or pledge any form of taxation or for which the District has levied or pledged any form of taxation. No District of Columbia Official or employee is authorized to obligate or expend any amount under this Agreement unless such amount has been appropriated by Act of Congress and is lawfully available.

Section 14.18 <u>Termination for Default.</u> The Department may terminate the Agreement for default if the Contractor fails to perform any of its duties or obligations under the Agreement. The Department must provide the Contractor with written notice of its intent to terminate the Agreement under this provision If the Contractor has begun its curative action and has made progress satisfactory to the Department within the seven days, the Department may so notify the

Contractor and the termination will not take effect. Otherwise, the termination shall take effect without further notice or opportunity to cure.

**Section 14.19** <u>Termination for Convenience</u>. The Department may terminate the Agreement in whole or specified part, for its convenience, whether the Contractor is in breach of Contract or not. The notice of termination shall state the effective date of termination, the extent of the termination, and any specific instructions. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive only the following with respect to the terminated portion of the Project: (1) Cost of Work performed up to the date of termination; (2) reasonable costs of terminating outstanding subcontracts and supply agreements and other similar wind-up costs in a reasonable amount; (3) a fair and reasonable portion of the Project, up to the time of termination. In the event of a termination for convenience, the Contractor shall <u>not</u> be entitled to profit on unperformed elements of the Work.

#### Section 14.20 Anti-Competitive Practices and Anti-Kickback Provisions.

**Section 14.20.1** The Contractor recognizes the need for markets to operate competitively and shall observe and shall comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations prohibiting anticompetitive practices. The Contractor shall not engage, directly or indirectly, in collusion or other anti-competitive practices that reduces or eliminates competition or restrains trade. The Department shall report to the appropriate authority any activity that evidences a violation of the antitrust laws, and take such other further action to which it is entitled or obligated under the law.

**Section 14.20.2** The Contractor shall observe and comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations prohibiting kickbacks and, without limiting the foregoing, the Contractor shall not: (i) provide or attempt to provide or offer to provide any kickback; (ii) solicit, accept, or attempt to accept any kickback; or (iii) include, directly or indirectly, the amount of any kickback in the contract price charged by Contractor or a Subcontractor of the Contractor to the Department. The Contractor shall have in place and follow reasonable procedures designed to prevent and detect possible violations described in this subparagraph in its own operations and direct business relationships. The Department may take any recourse available to it under the law for violations of this anti-kickback provision.

Section 14.20.3 The Contractor represents and warrants that it did not, directly or indirectly, engage in any collusive or other anti-competitive behavior in connection with the bid, negotiation or award of the Agreement.

#### Section 14.21 <u>Ethical Standards for the Department's Employees and Former</u> <u>Employees</u>.

Section 14.21.2 The Department expects the Contractor to observe the highest ethical standards and to comply with all applicable law, rules, and regulations governing ethical conduct or conflicts of interest. Neither the Contractor, nor any person associated with the Contractor, shall provide

(or seek reimbursement for) any gift, gratuity, favor, entertainment, loan or other thing of value to any employee of the District or the Department not in conformity with applicable law, rules or regulations. The Contractor shall not engage the services of any person or persons in the employment of the Department or the District for any Work required, contemplated or performed under the Agreement. The Contractor may not assign to any former Department or District employee or agent who has joined the Contractor's firm any matter on which the former employee, while in the employ of the Department, had material or substantial involvement in the matter. The Contractor may request a waiver to permit the assignment of such matters to former Department personnel on a case-by-case basis. The Contractor shall include in every subcontract a provision substantially similar to this section so that such provisions shall be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor.

#### Section 14.22 Gratuities and Officers Not To Benefit Provisions.

Section 14.22.1 If it is found, after notice and hearing, by the Department that gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, payment, offers of employment or otherwise) were offered or given by the Contractor, or any agent or representative of the Contractor, to any official, employee or agent of the Department or the District with a view toward securing the Agreement or any other contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending, or the making of any determinations with respect to the performance of the Agreement, the Department may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under the Agreement and may pursue such other rights and remedies provided by law and under the Agreement.

Section 14.22.2 In the event the Agreement is terminated as provided in Section 14.21.1, the Department shall be entitled:

- .1 To pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of a breach of the Agreement by the Contractor; and
- .2 As a penalty in addition to any other damages to which it may be entitled by law, to exemplary damages in an amount (as determined by the Department) which shall be not less than ten times the costs incurred by the Contractor in providing any such gratuities to any such officer or employee.

Section 14.22.3 No member of, nor delegate to Congress, Mayor or City Council Member, nor officer nor employee of the District, nor officer nor employee of the Department shall be admitted to any share or part of the Agreement or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, and all agreements entered into by the authorized representative of the Department in which he or any officer or employee of the Department shall be personally interested as well as all agreements made by the Department in which the Mayor or City Council Member or officer or employee of the District shall be personally interested shall be void and no payments shall be made on any such contracts by the Department or by any officer thereof; but this provision shall not be construed or

extend to the agreement if the share of or benefit to the member of, or delegate to Congress, Mayor or City Council Member, or officer or employee of the District is de minimums.

#### Section 14.23 Covenant Against Contingent Fees Provisions.

**Section 14.23.1** The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a Commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the Department shall have the right to terminate the Contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of the Department, percentage, brokerage of contingent fee.

**Section 14.24** <u>Conformance with Laws.</u> It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to perform the Contract in conformance with the Department's Procurement Regulations (27 DCMR § 4700 *et seq.*) and all statutes, laws, codes, ordinances, regulations, rules, requirements and orders of governmental bodies, including, without limitation, the U.S. Government and the District of Columbia government; and it is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to determine the Procurement Regulations, statutes, laws, codes, ordinances, regulations, rules, requirements and orders that apply and their effect on the Contractor's obligations thereunder. This Section 14.23 shall apply during both the design and preconstruction phase and the construction phase.

#### Section 14.25 <u>Retention of Records: Inspections and Audits</u>.

**Section 14.25.1** As used in this clause, "records" includes books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of whether such items are in written form, in the form of computer data, or in any other form.

Section 14.25.2 Examination of Costs. If this is a cost-reimbursement, incentive, time-and-materials, labor-hour, or price re-determinable contract, or any combination of these, the Contractor shall maintain and the CO, or an authorized representative of the CO, shall have the right to examine and audit all records and other evidence sufficient to reflect properly all costs claimed to have been incurred or anticipated to be incurred directly or indirectly in performance of this Contract and the Task Order Agreements. This right of examination shall include inspection at all reasonable times of the Contractor's plants, or parts of them, engaged in performing the Contract and the Task Order Agreements.

Section 14.25.3 Cost or pricing data. If the Contractor has been required to submit cost or pricing data in connection with any pricing action relating to this Contract or the Task Order Agreements, the CO, or an authorized representative of the CO, in

order to evaluate the accuracy, completeness, and currency of the cost or pricing data, shall have the right to examine and audit all of the Contractor's records, including computations and projections, related to:

- a. The proposal for the contract, subcontract, or modification;
- b. The discussions conducted on the proposal(s), including those related to negotiating;
- c. Pricing of the contract, subcontract, or modification; or
- d. Performance of the contract, subcontract or modification.

#### Section 14.25.4 Comptroller General

- **a.** The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative, shall have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this Contract, Task Order Agreements, or a subcontract.
- **b.** This paragraph may not be construed to require the Contractor or subcontractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor or subcontractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

**Section 14.25.5 Reports.** If the Contractor is required to furnish cost, funding, or performance reports, the CO or an authorized representative of the CO shall have the right to examine and audit the supporting records and materials, for the purpose of evaluating:

- a. The effectiveness of the Contractor's policies and procedures to produce data compatible with the objectives of these reports; and
- b. the data reported.

Section 14.25.6 Availability. The Contractor shall make available at its office at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence described in Section 14.24, for examination, audit, or reproduction, until three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement, any subsequent Task Order Agreement, or for any shorter period specified in the RFQ, or for any longer period required by statute or by other section of this Contract. In addition:

- a. If this Contract or the Task Order Agreement is completely or partially terminated, the Contractor shall make available the records relating to the work terminated until thee (3) years after any resulting final termination settlement; and
- b. The Contractor shall make available records relating to appeals under Article 13 of this Contract (Disputes and Claims) or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this Contract until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

Section 14.25.7 The Contractor shall insert a clause containing all the terms of this Section 14.25, including this Section 14.25.7 in all subcontracts under this Contract that exceed the small purchase threshold of \$100,000.00 and:

- a. That are cost-reimbursement, incentive, time-and-materials, labor-hour, or price re-determinable type or any combination of these;
- b. For which cost or pricing data are required; or
- c. That requires the subcontractor to furnish reports as discussed in **Section 14.25.5** of this Contract.

**Section 14.25.8** The Inspector General, District of Columbia Auditor, or Director shall be entitled to audit the books and records of a contractor or any subcontractor under any negotiated contract or subcontract, other than a firm fixed-price contract, to the extent that the books and records relate to the performance of the contract or subcontract. Books and records shall be maintained by the Contractor for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under the prime contract and by the subcontract, unless a shorter period is otherwise authorized in writing. The Inspector General, District of Columbia Auditor, or Director may, at reasonable times, inspect the part of the place of business of a contractor or any subcontractor which is related to the performance of any contract awarded or to be awarded by the District.

#### Section 14.26 Warranties and Representations

**Section 14.26.1** All disclosures, representations, warranties, and certifications the Contractor makes in its proposal in response to the RFQ shall remain binding and in effect throughout the term of the Contract. The Contractor reaffirms that all such disclosures, representations, warranties, and certifications are true and correct.

**Section 14.26.2** If any disclosure, representation, warranty or certification the Contractor has made or makes pursuant to the RFQ or the Contract, including, without limitation, representations concerning the Contractor's construction or design experience and qualifications, claims or litigation history or financial condition, is materially inaccurate, that shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, entitling the Department to all available remedies.

**Section 14.26.3** The terms and conditions of Section 14.25 shall apply during both the preconstruction and construction and design management phases.

Section 14.27 <u>Responsibility for Agents and Contractors.</u> At all times and during both the preconstruction and construction phases, the Contractor shall be responsible to the Department for any and all acts and omissions of the Contractor's agents, employees, Subcontractors, Sub-Subcontractors, material suppliers, and laborers, and the agents and employees of the Subcontractors, Sub-Subcontractors, material suppliers, and laborers performing or supplying

Work in connection with the Project. This Section 14.26 shall apply during both the preconstruction and construction phases.

**Section 14.28** <u>Independent Contractor.</u> The Contractor and the Contractor's employees: (1) shall perform the services specified herein as independent contractors, not as employees or agent of the District, or joint venture or partner with the District; (2) shall be responsible for their own management and administration of the work required and bear sole responsibility for complying with any and all technical, schedule, financial requirements or constraints attendant to the performance of this Agreement and any subsequent Task Order Agreement; (3) shall be free from supervision or control by any government employee with respect to the manner or method of performance of the service specified; but (4) shall, pursuant to the government's right and obligation to inspect, accept or reject work, comply with such general direction of the CO, or the duly authorized representative of the CO as is necessary to ensure accomplishment of the objectives of this Agreement and any Task Order Agreement. The Contractor shall have exclusive authority to manage, direct, and control the Work, and shall be responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures, as well as for Project safety.

#### Section 14.29 Non-Discrimination in Employment Provisions.

#### 14.29.1 District of Columbia Human Rights Act

**a.** The Contractor shall not discriminate in any manner against any employee or applicant for employment that would constitute a violation of the District of Columbia Human Rights Act, effective December 13, 1977, as amended (D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.01 *et seq.*) ("Act", as used in this clause). The Contractor shall include a similar clause in all subcontracts, except subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials. In addition, the Contractor agrees, and any subcontractor shall agree, to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a notice setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause as provided in section 251 of the Act.

- **b.** Pursuant to Mayor's Order 85-85, (6/10/85), Mayor's Order 2002-175 (10/23/02), Mayor's Order 2011-155 (9/9/11) and the rules of the Office of Human Rights, Chapter 11 of Title 4 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations, the following clauses apply to the Agreement:
  - 1. The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, or physical handicap.
  - 2. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, or physical handicap. The affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- i. Employment, upgrading, or transfer;
- ii. Recruitment or recruitment advertising;
- iii. Demotion, layoff, or termination;
- iv. Rates of pay, or other forms of compensation; and
- v. Selection for training and apprenticeship.
- 3. Unless otherwise permitted by law and directed by the Department, the Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Department setting forth the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Section 14.28.1(b) of this Agreement, concerning non-discrimination and affirmative action.
- 4. The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment pursuant to the non-discrimination requirements set forth in **Section 14.29.1**.
- 5. The Contractor agrees to send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Department, advising each labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this **Section 14.29.1**, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- 6. The Contractor agrees to permit access by the Department to all books, records and accounts pertaining to its employment practices for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with this **Section 14.29.1**, and to require under terms of any subcontractor agreement each subcontractor to permit access of the subcontractors, books, records, and accounts for such purposes.
- 7. The Contractor shall include in every subcontract this **Section 14.29.1**, so that such provisions shall be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- 8. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the CO may direct as a means of enforcing these provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Department, the Contractor may request the District to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the District.

#### Section 14.29.2 PREGNANT WORKERS FAIRNESS

- **a.** The Contractor shall comply with the Protecting Pregnant Workers Fairness Act of 2016, D.C. Official Code § 32-1231.01 *et seq.* (PPWF Act).
- **b.** The Contractor shall not:

- 1. Refuse to make reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding for an employee, unless the Contractor can demonstrate that the accommodation would impose an undue hardship;
- 2. Take an adverse action against an employee who requests or uses a reasonable accommodation in regard to the employee's conditions or privileges of employment, including failing to reinstate the employee when the need for reasonable accommodations ceases to the employee's original job or to an equivalent position with equivalent:
  - i. Pay;
  - ii. Accumulated seniority and retirement;
  - iii. Benefits; and
  - iv. Other applicable service credits;
- 3. Deny employment opportunities to an employee, or a job applicant, if the denial is based on the need of the employer to make reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding;
- 4. Require an employee affected by pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding to accept an accommodation that the employee chooses not to accept if the employee does not have a known limitation related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding or the accommodation is not necessary for the employee to perform her duties;
- 5. Require an employee to take leave if a reasonable accommodation can be provided; or
- 6. Take adverse action against an employee who has been absent from work as a result of a pregnancy-related condition, including a pre-birth complication.

**c.** The Contractor shall post and maintain in a conspicuous place a notice of rights in both English and Spanish and provide written notice of an employee's right to a needed reasonable accommodation related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding pursuant to the PPWF Act to:

- a. New employees at the commencement of employment;
- b. Existing employees; and
- c. An employee who notifies the employer of her pregnancy, or other condition covered by the PPWF Act, within 10 days of the notification.

**d.** The Contractor shall provide an accurate written translation of the notice of rights to any non-English or non-Spanish speaking employee.

**e.** Violations of the PPWF Act shall be subject to civil penalties as described in the PPWF Act.

## 14.29.3 UNEMPLOYED ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

**a.** The Contractor shall comply with the Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act of 2012, D.C. Official Code § 32-1361 *et seq.* ("Anti- Discrimination Act").

**b.** The Contractor shall not:

- 1. Fail or refuse to consider for employment, or fail or refuse to hire, an individual as an employee because of the individual's status as unemployed; or
- 2. Publish, in print, on the Internet, or in any other medium, an advertisement or announcement for any vacancy in a job for employment that includes:
  - i. Any provision stating or indicating that an individual's status as unemployed disqualifies the individual for the job; or
  - ii. Any provision stating or indicating that an employment agency will not consider or hire an individual for employment based on that individual's status as unemployed.
- **c.** Violations of the Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act shall be subject to civil penalties as described in the Anti- Discrimination Act.

## Section 14.30 The Quick Payment Act

## Section 14.30.1 Interest Penalties to Contractors

**Section 14.30.1.1** The District will pay interest penalties on amounts due to the Contractor under the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code §2-221.01 *et seq.*, as amended, for the period beginning on the day after the required payment date and ending on the date on which payment of the amount is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of 1.5% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the required payment date. The required payment date shall be:

**a.** The date on which payment is due under the terms of the Contract;

**b.** Not later than 7 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of meat or meat food products;

**c.** Not later than 10 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of a perishable agricultural commodity; or

**d.** 30 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after receipt of a proper invoice for the amount of the payment due, if a specific date on which payment is due is not established by contract;

Section 14.30.1.2 Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.

Section 14.30.1.3 No interest penalty shall be due to the Contractor if payment for the completed delivery of goods or services is made on or after:

**a.** $3^{rd}$  day after the required payment date for meat or a meat food product; **b.** $5^{th}$  day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or **c.** $15^{th}$  day after any other required payment date in the case of any other item.

#### Section 14.30.2 Payments to Subcontractors

**Section 14.30.2.1** The Contractor must take one of the following actions within seven (7) days of receipt of any amount paid to the Contractor by the District for work performed by any subcontractor under this contract:

- a. Pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the District that is attributable to the subcontractor for work performed under the Contract; or
- b. Notify the Contracting Officer and the subcontractor, in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or part of the subcontractor's payment and state the reason for the nonpayment.

Section 14.30.2.2 The Contractor must pay any subcontractor or supplier interest penalties on amounts due to the subcontractor or supplier beginning on the day after the payment is due and ending on the date on which the payment is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of 1.5% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid on the following if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before:

- a. The 3rd day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product;
- b. The 5th day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- c. The 15th day after the required payment date for any other item.

**Section 14.30.2.3** Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid by the Contractor at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt to the subcontractor and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.

**Section 14.30.2.4** A dispute between the Contractor and subcontractor relating to the amounts or entitlement of a subcontractor to a payment or a late payment interest penalty under the Quick Payment Act does not constitute a dispute to which the District of Columbia is a party. The District may not be interpleaded in any judicial or administrative proceeding involving such a dispute.

### Section 14.30.3 Subcontractor Quick Payment Clause Flow-Down Requirements

**Section 14.30.3.1** The Contractor shall include in each subcontract under this Contract a provision requiring the subcontractor to include in its contract with any lower-tier subcontractor or supplier the payment and interest clauses required under paragraphs (1) and (2) of D.C. Official Code §2-221.02(d).

Section 14.31 Confidentiality of Information. The Contractor shall keep all information relating to any employee or customer of the District in absolute confidence and shall not use the information in connection with any other matters; nor shall it disclose any such information to any other person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the District and federal laws governing the confidentiality of records. In the course of the Contractor 's performance of the work, the Department may make available to the Contractor information that the Department designates as trade secrets or other confidential engineering, technical and business information. As long as, and to the extent that, such information remains confidential and available to others only with the consent of the Department, or is not generally available to the public from other sources, the Contractor shall maintain such information in strict confidence and shall not disclose any such information to others (including its employees or subcontractors), except to the extent necessary to enable the Contractor to carry out the projects. The Contractor shall similarly obligate any and all persons to whom such information is necessarily disclosed to maintain the information in strict confidence. The Contractor agrees that, in the event of any breach of this confidentiality obligation, the Department shall be entitled to equitable relief, including injunctive relief or specific performance, in addition to all other rights or remedies otherwise available.

### Section 14.32 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT ("FOIA")

The District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, at *D.C. Official Code § 2-532 (a-3)*, requires the District to make available for inspection and copying any record produced or collected pursuant to a District contract with a private contractor to perform a public function, to the same extent as if the record were maintained by the agency on whose behalf the contract is made. If the Contractor receives a request for such information, the Contractor shall immediately send the request to the PM designated in <u>each Task Order Agreement</u> who will provide the request to the FOIA Officer for the agency with programmatic responsibility in accordance with the D.C. Freedom of Information Act. If the agency with programmatic responsibility receives a request for a record maintained by the Contractor is required by law to provide all responsive records to the PM within the timeframe designated by the PM. The FOIA Officer for the agency with programmatic responsibility of the records. The District will reimburse the Contractor for the costs of searching and copying the records in accordance with *D.C. Official Code §2-532* and Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the *D.C. Municipal Regulations*.

### Section 14.33 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 ("ADA")

During the performance under this Agreement, the Contractor and any of its subcontractors shall comply with the ADA. The ADA makes it unlawful to discriminate in employment against a qualified individual with a disability. See 42 U.S.C. §12101 et seq.

### Section 14.34 CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS

Any contract in excess of \$1,000,000 shall not be binding or give rise to any claim or demand against the District until approved by the Council of the District of Columbia and signed by the Contracting

Officer.

### 14.35 SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY

**14.35.1.** The Contractor is required to comply with Mayor's Order 2021-099, COVID-19 Vaccination Certification Requirement for District Government Employees, Contractors, Interns, and Grantees, dated August 10, 2021, and all substantially similar vaccine requirements, including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded. At the request of the District government, Contractors may be asked to provide certification of compliance with this requirement and/or documents and records in support of this certification.

**14.35.2** The Contractor is required to comply with City Administrator's Order 2021-4, Resumption of Requirement for All Persons to Wear a Mask Inside District Government Buildings and While on Duty as a District Government Employee or Contractor, dated July 30, 2021, and all substantially similar mask requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded.

Section 14.36 Media Releases. Neither the Contractor, its employees, agents or subcontractors or material suppliers shall make any press release or similar media release related to any project unless such press release have been discussed with the Department prior to its issuance.

# Section 14.37 Prohibition Against Contractor's Performance of Inherently Governmental Functions

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-352.05a, the Contractor shall not perform any inherently governmental function. An inherently governmental function involves, among other things, the interpretation and execution of the laws of the District to: (1) Bind the District to take or not to take some action by contract, policy, regulation, authorization, order, or otherwise; (2) Appoint, direct, or control officials or employees of the District; (3) Exert ultimate control over the acquisition, use, or disposition of the property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, of the District, including the control, or disbursement of, appropriated and other District funds; (4) With respect to contracts to procure goods or services for the District: (A) Determine what supplies or services are to be acquired by the District, and at what prices; provided, that the Mayor or the Mayor's designee may give a contractor authority to acquire supplies for the District at prices within specified ranges and subject to other reasonable conditions considered appropriate; (B)Participate as a voting member on any source-selection board, unless the contractor has: (i) Been hired by the District for its specific technical expertise; and (ii) No conflict of interest exists with regard to the contract or vendors under consideration by the source-selection board; (C) Approve any contractual documents, to include documents defining requirements, incentive plans, and evaluation criteria; (D) Award contracts; (E) Administer contracts, including ordering changes in contract performance or contract quantities, taking action based on evaluations of contractor performance, and accepting or rejecting contractor products or services; (F) Terminate contracts; (G) Determine whether contract costs are reasonable, allocable, or allowable; and (H) Evaluate a Contractor's performance when the evaluation is to be used to determine whether payment should be made to the contractor and in what amount. Given the

foregoing, the Contractor acknowledges that only District government employees may perform inherently government functions; and, the Contractor is required to notify the CO and COTR in writing if its work under this Contract requires District government employees to perform inherently governmental functions.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties have executed this Agreement for Maintenance and Repair of Government Facilities (Solicitation Number DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016) as of the date last written below.

<b>DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES,</b> (An agency within the executive branch of the Government of the District of Columbia)	[CONTRACTOR]
By:	By:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

# Exhibit A1

# The Department's Standard Contract Provisions (Construction Contracts) (See following page)

# Exhibit A2

## Standard Contract Provisions (Architectural & Engineering Services Contracts)

# <u>Exhibit B</u>

# Department's Designated Representatives

# Exhibit C

**Equal Employment Opportunity and Hiring of District Residents** 

## <u>Exhibit D</u>

The Living Wage Act

## Exhibit E

Form of Task Order Agreement

#### **Contracts & Procurement**

### TASK ORDER AGREEMENT [Insert #] CONTRACT NO. DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016 IDIQ for MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR AT GOVERNMENT FACILITIES [Insert Project Name/Title]

#### [DATE]

[Insert RK#]

**THIS TASK ORDER AGREEMENT NO.** [] is issued by the Government of the District of Columbia, acting by and through its **DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES** (the "Department" or "DGS") to the contractor listed below. Assuming this Task Order Agreement is signed by the Contractor without modification of any kind, it shall constitute a binding legal contract between the Department and the Contractor. The terms of Task Order Agreement are as follows:

- 1. Remaining capacity. The remaining capacity for the Contractor under the BOA Contract, [Option Year] is [\$\_\_\_]
- **2.** Contractor. This Task Order Agreement is being issued to [Contractor] "Contractor" under Contract No. DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016 ("BOA").
- **3.** Scope of Work. The Contractor shall provide all necessary services and furnish all supervision, labor, materials, and equipment necessary to [ ] located at [Insert Project Address] ("the Project") in accordance to the Scope of Work (Exhibit A) and the Contractor's Proposal (Exhibit B).
- 4. Task Order Price. The Contractor will be paid a Lump Sum Price of [Insert Amount] to fully complete and deliver fully functioning Project, as described in the Contractor's price proposal dated [], 20[] (Exhibit B) and the Scope of Work (Exhibit A). In no event shall the Contractor be paid more than [Insert Amount] unless the Contractor is authorized to exceed this limit in advance and in writing by a DGS Contracting Officer.
- 5. Notice to Proceed. This Task Order Agreement serves as the Contractor's Notice-to-Proceed.
- 6. Substantial Completion Date The work in this Task Order shall be completed no later than [\_\_], 20[] ("Substantial Completion Date"). Substantial Completion shall mean that all of the following have occurred: (1) the construction and installation work have been completed with only minor punch list items remaining to be completed; (2) a permanent certificate of occupancy and all other required permits or approvals have been obtained; (3) all operating and maintenance materials, manuals, training recordings videos and draft warranties required by the Contract have been delivered to the Department; (4) any supplemental training session required by the Contract for operating or maintenance personnel have been completed; (5) all clean-up required by the Contract has been completed; (6) the Project is ready for the Department to use it for its intended purpose; and (7) all equipment, supplies, materials and items to be installed have been installed in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and industry standards and have undergone and passed the requisite testing and inspections. "Minor punch list items" are defined for this purpose as items that, in the aggregate, can be completed by the Final Completion Date without interfering with the Department's normal use

of the Project.

- 7. Final Completion Date. The Final Completion Date of this Task Order is [\_\_], 20[] ("Final Completion Date"). Final Completion shall mean the point at which Substantial Completion has been achieved, all punch list items noted at Substantial Completion have been completed, and all documents the Contractor is required to deliver to the Department as a condition to receiving final payment have been received. Work is defined as the construction and services required by the Contract, whether completed or partially completed, and includes all other labor, materials, equipment, and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations. The Work may constitute the whole or a part of the Project.
- 8. Administrative Term. An administrative term of [\_\_], 20[] ("Administrative Term Date") is hereby established for all work that is subject of this Task Order Agreement.
- **9.** Living Wage Act. The Contractor agrees that the Work performed under this Task Order shall be subject to the living wage act (Exhibit F) in effect at the time of the Task Order execution by the Department. As such, the Contractor and its subcontractors shall comply with the wage reporting requirements imposed by the act.
- **10. Davis-Bacon Act Wage Determination.** The Contractor shall comply with the U.S. Department of Labor Davis-Bacon Act Wage Determination (**Exhibit C**).

#### **11. Insurance Requirement.**

[Project-specific Insurance Requirements shall be obtained from the office of risk management ("ORM") and incorporated in within each RFTOP and resulting Task Order Agreement].

12. Program Manager. The Project Manager for this Task Order is as follows:

[Insert PM Name] Project Manager Capital Construction Services Contractor- DC Department of General Services 1250 U Street, NW / 4th Floor Washington, DC 20009 Phone: (202) \_ \_ Email:

**13. Contracting Officer.** The name and contact information for the Contracting Officer for this Task Order Agreement is as follows:

[Insert CO's Name] Contracting Officer Contracts & Procurement Division Department of General Services [Address] Only a duly authorized Contracting Officer shall have the authority to direct the Contractor to start the project, issue change orders, contract modifications or change directives on the Department's behalf. The Program Manager shall not have the authority to modify any of the rights and obligations of the Department or the Contractor pursuant to the task order, or to issue change orders, contract modifications or change directive.

- 14. Use of Department's Electronic Project Management Information System (ProjectTeam). Awarded vendor shall utilize the Department's ProjectTeam system to create, manage and/or submit any and all documentation required to be provided by the vendor during the course of the Project, including, but not limited to: (i) requests for information; (ii) submittals; (iii) potential change orders; (iv) meeting minutes; (v) pencil copy invoices; (vi) drawings and specifications; (vii) punchlist; and (viii) other documents as may be designated by the Department.
- **15. Invoice Submittal.** The Contractor shall create and submit payment requests in an electronic format through the DC Vendor Portal, <u>https://vendorportal.dc.gov</u>. The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis. To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall enter all required information into the Portal after selecting the applicable purchase order number which is listed on the Contractor's profile.
- **16. Performance and Payment Bonds.** The Contractor shall provide to the Department payment and performance bonds, each with a penal sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Task Order Agreement price, prior to commencing Work, in accordance with Article 11, Section 11.12 of the underlying Contract No. DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016.
- **17. Liquidated Damages.** If the Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion by the Substantial Completion Date, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the actual damage to the Department for the delay will be impossible to determine, and in lieu thereof, the Contractor shall pay to the Department, as fixed and liquidated delay damages in the amount specified in the Task Order Agreement for failure to meet the Substantial Completion Date. The Contractor and the Department agree that the liquidated damages do not constitute, and shall not be deemed, a penalty but represent a reasonable approximation of the damages to the Department associated with a delay in the Project. In the event the Contractor fails to meet the Substantial Completion Date as defined in each individual Task Order Agreement, the Contractor consents to a termination for default.
- **18. Terms & Conditions.** The District of Columbia Department of General Services Standard Contract Provisions for Construction Contracts and the Standard Contract Provisions for Architectural and Engineering Services Contracts are incorporated into this Task Order Agreement as (Exhibit A1 and Exhibit A2).
- **19. Service Contract Act**. The Contractor agrees that the work performed under the proposed Contract shall be subject to the Service Contract Act Wage Determination in effect on the date the contract is executed and such wages are incorporated as (**Exhibit G**). Service Contract Wage Schedules are available at <u>www.wdol.gov.</u>

## 20. SBE Subcontracting Requirement;

- a) Unless the Director of DSLBD has approved a waiver in writing in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.51, for all contracts in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the contract shall be subcontracted to SBEs.
- b) If there are insufficient SBEs to completely fulfill the requirement of paragraph (a) of this Section 20.1. above, then the subcontracting may be satisfied by subcontracting (35%) of the dollar volume to any qualified CBEs; provided, however, that all reasonable efforts shall be made to ensure that SBEs are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.
- c) A Design-Builder ("Prime Contractor") that is certified by DSLBD as a small, local or disadvantaged business enterprise shall not be required to comply with the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) above of this Section 20.1.
- d) Except as provided in paragraphs (e) and (g) below of this Section 20.1, a Prime Contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a proposal preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least (35%) of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, (35%) of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. A CBE Prime Contractor that performs less than (35%) of the contracting effort shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.
- e) A Prime Contractor that is a certified Joint Venture and has been granted an offer preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least (50%) of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, (35%) of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. A certified Joint Venture Prime Contractor that performs less than (50%) of the
- contracting effort shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63. f) Each CBE utilized to meet these subcontracting requirements shall perform at least (35%) of
- its contracting effort with its own organization and resources.
- g) A Prime Contractor that is a CBE and has been granted an offer preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least (50%) of the on-site work with its own organization and resources if the Agreement is one (\$1) million dollars or less.

## 20.1 Subcontracting Plan Requirements:

If the Prime Contractor is required by law to subcontract under the contract, it must submit a subcontracting plan for at least (50%) of the dollar volume of the contract in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.91. The subcontracting plan shall be submitted as part of the Proposal and may only be amended with the prior written approval of the CO and Director of DSLBD. Any reduction in the dollar volume of the subcontracted portion resulting from an amendment of the plan shall inure to the benefit of the District and the Department. Each subcontracting plan shall include the following:

- a) The name and address of each subcontractor;
- b) A current certification number of the small or certified business enterprise;
- c) The scope of work to be performed by each subcontractor; and
- d) The price that the Prime Contractor will pay each subcontractor.

## 20.2 Copies of Subcontracts

Within twenty-one (21) days of the date of award, the Prime Contractor shall provide fully executed copies

of all subcontracts identified in the subcontracting plan to the CO, District of Columbia Auditor, and the Director of Department of Small and Local Business Development.

## 20.3 Subcontracting Plan Compliance Reporting

- a) The Prime Contractor has a subcontracting plan required by law for this Agreement; the Prime Contractor shall submit a quarterly report to the CO, District of Columbia Auditor and the Director of DSLBD. The quarterly report shall include the following information for each subcontract identified in the subcontracting plan:
  - 1. The price that the Prime Contractor will pay each subcontractor under the subcontract;
  - 2. A description of the goods procured, or the services subcontracted for;
  - 3. The amount paid by the Prime Contractor under the subcontract;
  - 4. A copy of the fully executed subcontract, if it was not provided with an earlier quarterly report.
- b) If the fully executed subcontract is not provided with the quarterly report, the Prime Contractor will not receive credit toward its subcontracting requirements for that subcontract.

## 20.4 Annual Meetings

Upon at least 30-days written notice provided by DSLBD, the Prime Contractor shall meet annually with the CO, contract administrator ("CA"), District of Columbia Auditor and the Director of Department of Small and Local Business Development to provide an update on its subcontracting plan.

## 20.5 DSLBD Notices

The Prime Contractor shall provide written notice to the DSLBD and the District of Columbia Auditor upon commencement of the Agreement and when the Agreement is completed.

## 20.6 Enforcement and Penalties for Breach of Subcontracting Plan

A Prime Contractor shall be deemed to have breached a subcontracting plan required by law, if the Prime Contractor (i) fails to submit subcontracting plan monitoring or compliance reports or other required subcontracting information in a reasonably timely manner; (ii) submits a monitoring or compliance report or other required subcontracting information containing a materially false statement; or (iii) fails to meet its subcontracting requirements. A Prime Contractor that is found to have breached its subcontracting plan for utilization of CBEs in the performance of a contract shall be subject to the imposition of penalties, including monetary fines in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63. If the CO determines the Prime Contractor's failure to be a material breach of the Agreement, the CO shall have cause to terminate the Agreement under the default provisions in the Standard Contract Provisions. Neither the Prime Contractor nor its subcontractor may remove a subcontractor or tier-subcontractor if such subcontractor or tier-subcontractor is certified as an LSDBE company unless the Department approves of such removal, in writing. The Department may condition its approval upon the Prime Contractor developing a plan that is, in the Department's sole and absolute judgment, adequate to maintain the level of LSDBE participation on the Project.

## 20.7 Apprenticeship Act

The District of Columbia Apprenticeship Act of 1946, D.C. Official Code §§ 32-1401 et seq. ("Act"), as

amended, may apply to this project. All subcontractors selected to perform Work on the project on a craftby-craft basis shall be required to comply with this Act. All terms and conditions of the Act, D.C. Apprenticeship Council Rules and Regulations, as well as any federal requirements, shall be implemented. The Prime Contractor shall be liable for any subcontractor non-compliance

## 20.8 Non-Responsive Proposal

Proposals responding to this RFTOP shall be deemed non-responsive and shall be rejected if the Offeror fails to submit a subcontracting plan that meets the criteria set forth below:

(a) The name and address of each subcontractor.

(b) A current certification number of the small or certified business enterprise.

(c) The scope of work to be performed by each subcontractor; and

(d) The price to be paid by the prime contractor to each subcontractor.

The subcontracting plan shall be provided before the District accepts the submission of the proposal. If the Contractor self-performs, the appropriate field on the form should be selected.

## 20.9 SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY

**20.9.1** The Contractor is required to comply with Mayor's Order 2021-099, COVID-19 Vaccination Certification Requirement for District Government Employees, Contractors, Interns, and Grantees, dated August 10, 2021, and all substantially similar vaccine requirements, including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded. At the request of the District government, Contractors may be asked to provide certification of compliance with this requirement and/or documents and records in support of this certification.

**20.9.2** The Contractor is required to comply with City Administrator's Order 2021-4, Resumption of Requirement for All Persons to Wear a Mask Inside District Government Buildings and While on Duty as a District Government Employee or Contractor, dated July 30, 2021, and all substantially similar mask requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded.

**21. Key Personnel.** The following individuals shall be considered key personnel: (i) the Field Superintendent, and (ii) the Project Manager as identified in (**Exhibit J**). The Contractor shall not be permitted to reassign any of the key personnel unless the Department approves the proposed reassignment and the proposed replacement, in writing and by an authorized Contracting Officer ("CO"). The key personnel specified in the contract are essential to the work being performed hereunder. Prior to diverting any of the specified key personnel, the Contractor shall notify the CO at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance and shall submit justification, including proposed substitutions, in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact upon the contract.

**22. Compliance Documents.** The Contractor shall comply with all laws and regulations based upon the project value and shall provide the Department with all of the compliance documents and requirements including, but not limited to, the certificate of insurance, subcontracting plan, payment and performance bonds, first source agreement and employment plan, tax compliance certificate, and all other compliance documents, as applicable to this District of Columbia government-funded project. The failure by the Contractor to comply with any of the legal and compliance requirements or the failure to provide the Department with any of the required

documents within the time specified will result in termination of this Task Order Agreement based upon the Contractor's default. The Department shall not incur any cost due to the Contractor's failure to comply with the District of Columbia's laws and regulations

- **23. Order of Precedence.** The following documents are incorporated into this Task Order Agreement in the following order of precedence:
  - 1. This Task Order No. []
  - 2. Standard Contract Provisions (Construction Contracts) (Exhibit A1)
  - 3. BOA No: DCAM-22-CS-RFQ-0016
  - 4. RFTOP No.[ ](by reference)
  - 5. The Contractor's proposal dated [ ]

#### **24. Additional Exhibits:**

- 1. Davis Bacon Act Wage Determination (Exhibit F)
- 2. Service Contract Act (Exhibit G)
- 3. Subcontracting Plan (**Exhibit H**)
- 4. Payment and Performance bonds (Exhibit I)
- 5. Key Personnel (**Exhibit J**)

**ACCEPTED BY:** 

By:	By:
Name:	Name:
Title: Contracting Officer	Title:
Date:	Date:

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT H Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement

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## ATTACHMENT H

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Offeror's Name: \_\_\_\_\_("Offeror(s)")

Offeror's attention is directed to <u>27 DCMR Section 4705</u> and <u>Section 4707</u> of the Department of General Services Procurement Rules for Construction and Related Services regarding organizational conflicts of interest ("Organizational Conflicts of Interest"). Offerors are advised that certain firms will not be allowed to participate in the Project or on any Offeror's team for the Project because of their work with the Department in connection with the Project procurement.

(Initially capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Agreement or the RFQ).

### **Required Disclosure of Conflicts**

In the space provided below identify all relevant facts relating to past, present, or planned interest(s) of the Offeror's team (including the Offeror, principal/major participants, proposed subconsultants and proposed subcontractors, and their respective chief executives, directors, and other key personnel for the Project) which may result, or could be viewed as, an Organizational Conflict of Interest in connection with the RFQ.

Offeror should disclose: (a) any current contractual relationships with the Department, (b) any past, present, or planned contractual or employment relationships with any officer or employee of Department, and (c) any other circumstances that might be considered to create a financial interest in the Agreement by any Department member, officer or employee if Offeror is awarded the Contract. Offeror should also disclose matters such as having directors in common with any of the individuals or entities involved in preparing the RFQ. Offeror should also disclose contractual relationships (i.e. Joint Ventures) with any of the individuals or entities involved in preparing the RFQ, as well as relationships wherein such individual or entity is a contractor or consultant (or subcontractor or subconsultant) to Offeror or a member of Offeror's team. The foregoing is provided by way of example, and shall not constitute a limitation on the disclosure obligations.

## **Certification**

The undersigned hereby certifies that, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, no interest exists that is required to be disclosed in this Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement, other than as disclosed above.

Signature		
Name		
Title		
Company Name		
Date	, 20	

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES







ATTACHMENT I Submission Portal Preview

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**Department of General Services** Contract & Procurement Division

Please utilize the form below to submit your proposals. If you have questions regarding the submission process, please contact the DGS contract specialist listed in the solicitation.

# Before submitting this form, please ensure the DGS contract specialist email address and the required fields are entered correctly.

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