

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

# FOR

# INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS

RFP No. 24-906-19

SUBMISSION DATE: TUESDAY, March 26, 2024

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[Table No. 2] AGENCY CONTACT PERSON Thelma Bowers, Contract Administrator Telephone: (504) 670-3448 E-mail: tbowers@hano.org 1. Access www.hano.org. HOW TO OBTAIN THE RFP DOCUMENTS 2. Click on the "Business" tab on the blue taskbar. ON HANO'S WEBSITE 3. Click on "Active Solicitations" and go to the specific solicitation. 4. If you have any problems accessing the RFP documents, please contact Procurement at procurement@hano.org. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE NO CONFERENCE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED **OUESTION SUBMITTAL DEADLINE** Monday, March 11, 2024, at 10:00 AM CT 1. As directed within Section 3.2.1 of the RFP HOW TO FULLY RESPOND TO THIS RFP BY SUBMITTING PROPOSAL document, submit proposed pricing, where А SUBMITTAL provided for, within the RFP. 2. As instructed within Section 3.0 of the RFP document, submit 4 copies of your "hard copy" proposal (one original clearly marked or stamped "original" and three copies of the required submittals) to HANO's Procurement and Contracts Department (physical address below) or an electronic submission of one technical proposal (each tabbed section must be marked by a cover sheet) and one cost proposal to HANO's e-portal (Proposal Submission Form), as further specified herein \*Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 2:00 PM CT PROPOSAL SUBMITAL RETURN & Housing Authority of New Orleans DEADLINE Procurement and Contracts Department 4100 Touro Street New Orleans, LA 70122

### **1.0** THE AGENCY'S RESERVATION OF RIGHTS. The Agency reserves the right to:

- **1.1 Right to Reject, Waive, or Terminate the RFP.** Reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality in the RFP process, or to terminate the RFP process at any time, if deemed by the Agency to be in its best interests.
- **1.2 Right to Not Award.** Not to award a contract pursuant to this RFP.
- **1.3 Right to Terminate.** Terminate a contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, at any time for its convenience upon 10 days written notice to the successful proposer(s).

- **1.4 Right to Determine Time and Location.** Determine the days, hours, and locations that the successful proposer(s) shall provide the services called for in this RFP.
- **1.5 Right to Retain Proposals.** Retain all proposals submitted and not permit withdrawal for a period of 60 days subsequent to the deadline for receiving proposals without the written consent of HANO's Contracting Officer (CO).
- **1.6 Right to Negotiate.** Negotiate the fees proposed by the proposer entity.
- **1.7 Right to Reject Any Proposal.** Reject and not consider any proposal that does not meet the requirements of this RFP, including but not necessarily limited to incomplete proposals and/or proposals offering alternate or non-requested services.
- **1.8 No Obligation to Compensate.** Have no obligation to compensate any proposer for any costs incurred in responding to this RFP.
- **1.9 Right to Prohibit.** At any time during the RFP or contract process to prohibit any further participation by a proposer or reject any proposal submitted that does not conform to any of the requirements detailed herein.
- **1.10 Right to Reject Obtaining Competitive Solicitation Documents.** HANO's website and Procurement Staff are the only official and appropriate means to obtain the RFP documents (and any other information pertaining to this RFP such as addenda). Accordingly, by submitting a response to this RFP the respondent thereby affirms that he/she obtained all information on the website.
- **2.0 BACKGROUND.** The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) is seeking insurance and risk management consulting services.

### 2.1 SCOPE OF WORK

### PART I - INTRODUCTION

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) is seeking proposals from Louisiana Certified Insurance and Risk Management Consultants with a documented track record of providing Risk Management and Insurance Consultant services for large public housing authorities or similarly sized state agencies. Respondent's proposals shall include evidence of previous experience and qualifications relative to the provision of such services including, but not limited to:

- **Risk Identification**: Identifying HANO's human, financial, legal, material and environmental exposures to loss and work HANO's Risk Manager to identify loss;
- *Risk Analysis and Evaluation:* Measuring HANO's exposures to project the potential frequency and severity of future losses and work HANO's Risk Manager to identify risk;

- *Risk Elimination or Reduction:* Identifying techniques and strategies used to eliminate or avoid HANO's exposures to loss; reduce the potential for a loss to occur; or control cost should a loss occur;
- *Risk Finance:* Identifying the method by which HANO's cost associated with exposure to losses is funded or transferred (self-insurance, insurance or non-insurance);
- **Insurance Procurement**: Solicit proposals from qualified insurance carriers on an annual or as needed basis. Evaluate proposals in accordance with HANO's specifications.

### PART II - SCOPE OF SERVICES

The successful respondent shall provide professional services and sufficient organization, personnel, and management staff with the necessary skill and judgment to perform Risk Management and Insurance Consultant services. The provision of such services will include, but not necessarily be limited to the following:

#### **Principal Activities**

• **Provide consultation to HANO regarding its insurance program.** Perform an annual review of insurance Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves. Update and analyze loss history to assist in determining the level of risk retention and risk transfer that is needed to protect HANO from financial loss.

• Evaluate existing insurance contracts (and claims history, as necessary). Determine whether the policies currently in force are appropriate in terms of coverage, carrier and price. Provide recommendations, and draft the appropriate wording concerning any changes, modifications, consolidations, and/or additions in the carriers, coverage, limits, terms, conditions, and exposures that are needed to yield a comprehensive risk management program to protect the interests of HANO.

- Act as an agent for new or renewed insurance policies engaged during the term of this contract.
- Assist in identifying and evaluating existing and emerging exposures to risk.
- Identify programs, products and insurers that are capable of meeting HANO's insurance needs.
- Assist in the preparations of bid specifications, in compliance with all applicable Public Procurement rules and regulations for markets capable of quoting for coverage, including but not limited to:

<sup>o</sup> Identify and organize pertinent information to assist HANO in bidding and placing excess property and liability insurance, and other insurance programs and coverages, as requested by HANO. Market

the broadest insurance coverage at the most reasonable cost to cover HANO exposures. Monitor the market response and status of proposals.

<sup>o</sup> Verify the accuracy of all rates, rate classifications and premiums charged.

<sup>o</sup> Assist HANO's Procurement Department in the evaluation of proposals, regarding review if insurance requirements, rates etc., received in response to solicitations. Include a comprehensive financial analysis, a review of the appropriateness of retention levels assumed, insurance limits purchased, and recommendations for selection of an insurer(s).

<sup>o</sup> Present a risk management plan, including alternative risk financing techniques, for each type of risk for which insurance cannot be obtained due to the excessive cost or lack of required coverage in the marketplace.

<sup>o</sup> Review and assess HANO's Risk Management plan, and participate in discussions relative to alternative risk financing techniques for each type of insurance risk that cannot be obtained due to the excessive cost, or lack of required coverage in the marketplace.

<sup>o</sup> Review insurance policies upon receipt to determine compliance with insurance requested for those exposures that HANO insures.

<sup>o</sup> Assist with in obtaining new coverage, and it is secure and in place by the expiration/anniversary date of the existing coverage.

<sup>o</sup> Follow the direction of HANO regarding investigations and defense of claims assigned. Consult with HANO point of contact on claims management when appropriate.

### **Monthly Consultant Activities**

- Assess HANO's areas of exposure, and discuss short- and long-term solutions with the HANO designated point of contact.
- Assist with reporting insurance claims, and in the completion and transmittal of required forms and documents, as requested.
- Provide a monthly briefing of current market conditions that may have an impact on HANO's financial status to the HANO designated point of contact.
- Monitor and advise HANO when new insurance forms (ISO and others) are approved for use in the State of Louisiana.
- Submit a monthly status report that includes a schedule of time and activities performed each month.

### **Quarterly Consultant Activities**

On a quarterly basis, provide insurance expertise, and an evaluation of the insurance market options. Submit a quarterly report on all commercial policies, detailing loss information for each line of insurance and each HANO property. The report shall reflect claims opened and closed, and claims reserved and paid by policy year (including all allocated loss adjustment expenses), until all claims are closed. The report shall be cumulative for each policy year (not only for activity in that quarter). The information on the quarterly report for each individual claim shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Date of loss.
 Status of claim (open, closed, etc.).
 Brief description of loss.
 Name of HANO property.
 Amount of claim as indicated below (by coverage code, if coverage code is applicable):

°Total incurred

°Amount paid °Amount reserved °Amount recovered °Amount of loss adjustment expenses °Net incurred

#### **Ongoing Consultant Activities**

Insurance Policy Consultation:

• Act as an advisor to HANO for specialty insurance coverage(s) that may be outside the normal market expertise of the selected consultant. Develop and implement insurance and/or self-insurance programs in response to new exposures presented.

- Provide premium allocation services so premium costs may be properly charged back to agencies.
- Assist HANO in providing annual premium estimates for budgeting purposes.
- Evaluate and provide semi-annual, training, and education relative to loss control, safety, claims management, and related topics to HANO staff, in risk management (as requested).

### Claims Management

Claims Management duties shall be performed by HANO's Legal Department.

#### **Contractual Consultation**

• Provide documentation of verification of coverage to satisfy lessors, contractors, developers and other parties from whom HANO seeks services or the use of equipment. and/or facilities, as requested.

- Prepare insurance certificates and endorsements, as requested by HANO or its suppliers, contractors, or vendors for all commercial policies.
- Provide recommendations prior contract awarded regarding HANO risk in contractual arrangements/agreements.
- Attend quarterly strategic planning meetings.

• Assist HANO in developing uniform indemnification and insurance requirements within all HANO contracts. Review exceptions on an individual basis.

#### Loss Control/Prevention Consultation

• Review and prepare an in-depth evaluation of the existing safety and loss control program.

Describe the necessary improvements needed in order to accomplish a comprehensive safety and loss control program to reduce loss and create a safe work environment for HANO's employees. Provide recommendations for improvements, target thresholds, and elements of standard service, based on industry practices and historical loss results. Include a methodology to quantify HANO's return on investment in the loss control function based on the data elements available.

- Assist with loss control inspections, and the boiler and machinery inspection program.
- Assist as a resource for risk control, and risk analysis services.
- Provide consultation on the design of any new loss prevention program(s), as requested.
- Review and comment on proposed loss control recommendations proposed by HANO as requested.

• Assist in the coordination of educational programs, e.g., defensive driving courses, and loss control and safety meetings for HANO staff. Track and monitor the outcome of the programs.

#### **Insurance Market Consultation**

- Perform an audit of existing insurance policies to assist in determining adequacy of limits, coverage, duplication or gaps in coverage, suitability of forms, financial stability of insurers, and insurer services capability.
- Perform verification of insurance company audit calculations.
- Prepare insurance data for an annual CPA audit.
- Confirm competitive pricing on HANO's market coverage.
- Provide continuous advice on insurance industry customs, practices, current developments,

and any other technical matters that are relevant to the industry.

- Consult with HANO on discussions related to premium methodology and square footage rates for property value determinations.
- Provide periodic market updates (quarterly/as requested);
- Assist as a resource for special projects.
- Provide special reports, as requested.
- Provide responses and clarifications in a timely manner, regarding coverage or claim questions from insurers, underwriters or adjusters, as requested by HANO.

#### Stewardship Report

• Prepare a comprehensive stewardship report that includes quantitative measures of productivity at the end of each fiscal year, or as requested by HANO (fiscal year is October 1, through September 30).

At a minimum, the report shall include the following:

- 1) A policy schedule that includes, periods, limits, carriers, premiums, and a brief description of coverage.
- 2) Recommendations for improvements to the existing program, and suggestions for long-term objectives.
- 3) A status of the current state of the insurance market, and an estimate of its future status.
- 4) Recommendations on risk retention and transfer, based on market conditions.

#### Transition of Contract

• Prior to the expiration date of the contract resulting from this RFP, the consultant shall assist a newly awarded consultant with a transition, in a timeframe designated by HANO.

#### Deliverables

- 1) The consultant shall provide deliverables (in written format), within a timeframe <u>not to exceed 30 working days</u> from the date of contract execution, which shall include the following:
  - An evaluation of HANO's existing insurance contracts (including claims history, as necessary). Determination if policies currently in force are appropriate in terms of coverage, carrier and price.

- 2) The consultant shall provide deliverables (in written format), within a timeframe <u>not to exceed 45 working days</u> from the date of contract execution, which shall include the following:
  - **Provide an Actuarial Consultation for HANO's self-insurance program.** The Consultant shall perform an annual review of self-insurance Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves. Provide an update and analyze loss history to assist in determining the level of risk retention and risk transfer needed to protect HANO from financial loss.
- 3) The consultant shall provide deliverables (in written format), within a timeframe not to exceed 60 working days from the date of contract execution, which shall include the following:
  - Recommendations, and a draft of appropriate wording concerning any changes, modifications, consolidations, and/or additions in the terms, conditions and coverage limits that are needed to yield a comprehensive risk management program that protects the interests of HANO.
- 4) Develop and submit a working timeline to implement approved recommendations.

#### **Reporting Deadlines**

• The Monthly Status Report shall be submitted that reflects time and activities performed during previous month and shall be delivered by tenth day of each month.

• The Quarterly Loss History Reports for each line of coverage engaged with the consultant shall be delivered by the following dates:

January 15th, April 15th, July 15th, and October 15th of each year.

• A comprehensive Stewardship Report shall be delivered no later than October 30<sup>th</sup> of each fiscal year.

• A final report shall be delivered no later than two (2) weeks prior to the expiration date of the contract and shall contain the results of all completed projects not yet reported to HANO, as well as a status update on projects or activities not yet complete, and any final recommendations.

- **2.2 General Requirements.** (PLEASE NOTE: It is the responsibility of each proposer, but especially the eventual successful proposer, to, prior to the submittal deadline during the period of time this RFP is posted, to inform the Agency for its consideration of any of the following information that is, in the opinion of the firm, inaccurate or ineffective.)
  - The contractor shall possess all applicable licenses and/or certifications required to perform the required services.

#### 3.0 PROPOSAL FORMAT.

**3.1 Tabbed Proposal Submittal.** The Agency intends to retain the Contractor pursuant to a "Best Value" basis, not a "Low Bid" basis ("Best Value," in that the Agency will, as detailed within the following Section 4.0, consider factors other than just cost in making the award decision). Therefore, so that the Agency can properly evaluate the offers received, all proposals submitted in response to this RFP must be formatted in accordance with the sequence noted within the table below. Each category must be separated by numbered index dividers (which number extends so that each tab can be located without opening the proposal) and labeled with the corresponding tab reference also noted below.

		[Table No. 3]				
(1)	(2)	(3)				
RFP	Tab					
Section	No.	Description				
3.1.1	1	Form of Proposal. This Form is attached hereto as Attachment A				
		to this RFP document. This 2-page Form must be fully completed,				
		executed where provided thereon and submitted under this tab as				
		a part of the proposal submittal.				
3.1.2	2	Form HUD-5369-C (8/93), Certifications and Representations of				
		Offerors, Non-Construction Contract. This Form is attached hereto				
		as <b>Attachment G</b> to this RFP document. This form must be fully				
		completed, executed where provided thereon and submitted under				
		this tab as a part of the proposal submittal.				
3.1.3	3	<b>Profile of Firm Form.</b> The Profile of Firm Form is attached hereto				
		as Attachment B to this RFP document. This 2-page Form must be				
		fully completed, executed, and submitted under this tab as a part				
		of the proposal submittal.				
3.1.4	4	<b>Proposed Services.</b> As more fully detailed within Section 2.0, <i>Scope</i>				
		of Work/Technical Specifications, of this document, the proposer				
		shall, at a minimum, clearly detail within the information				
		submitted under this tab documentation showing:				

3.1.4.1	As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 1, herein the
	proposer's STAFFING AND QUALIFICATIONS, Offerors
	shall Provide evidence that your firm is a Louisiana Certified
	Insurance and Risk Management Consultant. Provide a brief
	history of your firm and information regarding staff qualifications
	that demonstrate the Respondent's capacity to perform the
	required services. Include an organizational chart that illustrates
	the Respondent's overall staffing approach for completing the
	required work. Include in the chart all key personnel specialists
	and consultants who will be assigned work under this contract.
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	Provide resumes of all key personnel, specialists, and consultants
	who will perform the work required. Identify their specific role in
	the provision of services. Resumes should include the particular
	relevant experience of the individual as it relates to their proposed
	role in the project, in addition to the education, career, and
	achievement data typically included in a resume. Include evidence
	of licenses and other related professional designations of
	personnel.
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3.1.4.2	As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 2, herein the proposer's <b>KNOWLEDGE AND RELEVANT EXPERIENCE</b> , Submit detailed information on Contractor's knowledge and relevant experience in Risk Management. Include specific experience relative to Risk Identification; Risk Analysis and Evaluation; Risk Elimination or Reduction; and Risk Finance and Insurance Procurement, for large public housing authorities or similarly sized state agencies. Identify similar or related work performed for public housing authorities that have been completed to date or are currently active. Include projects that are dissimilar but believed by the respondent to have some relevant aspect, along with an explanation of why and how the particular aspects are relevant.
	For each project identified provide:
	<ul> <li>Project description</li> <li>The client/public housing authority</li> <li>The name, address and contact information for the contract representative</li> <li>The dollar value of the contract</li> <li>The contract duration including start and completion date, or projected completion date if still active.</li> <li>A reference contact for each contract, including address, phone and email address.</li> </ul> Detail your firm's past experience with property and casualty, and multi-line insurance procurement and underwriting.
	Detail your firm's past experience in writing and servicing commercial insurance for public entity accounts.
3.1.4.3	As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 3, herein, the proposer's <b>RESPONSE AND APPROACH TO THE SCOPE OF SERVICES</b> Provide a detailed narrative that demonstrates the approach intended for use by the Contractor to perform the audit services as outlined in the RFP. The approach shall identify and categorize major tasks to be performed including deliverables as outlined in the scope of services. Detail anticipated work products relative to the provision of services. Include proposed processes for ensuring effective communication and coordination with HANO staff, as well as procedures for reporting and disseminating information.

3.1.5	5	Acknowledgement of Addenda. Please check HANO's website under "Business" and "Active Solicitations" to confirm that you have read and acknowledged in writing all addenda issued and submit your acknowledgment of each addendum on Attachment				
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3.1.6	6	<b>Equal Employment Opportunity/Supplier Diversity.</b> The proposer must submit under this tab a copy of its Equal Opportunity Employment Policy and a complete description of the positive steps it will take to ensure compliance, to the greatest extent feasible, with the regulations detailed within the following Section 3.6 herein pertaining to supplier diversity (i.e., small, minority-, and women-owned businesses). This document must be on company letterhead (EEO Policy)				
3.1.7	7	Certification of Contractor Non-Exclusion Attachment F				
3.1.8	9 10	<b>Subcontractor/Joint Venture Information.</b> The proposer shall identify hereunder <b>whether or not</b> he/she intends to use any subcontractors for this job, if awarded, and/or if the proposal is a joint venture with another firm. Please remember that all information required from the proposer under the preceding tabs must also be included for any major subcontractors (10% or more) or from any joint venture. (If this does not apply, mark N/A)				
		<b>Section 3 Business Preference Documentation.</b> The proposer shall identify hereunder whether or not he/she intends to claim a Section 3 Business Concern. <b>Attachment M</b>				
3.1.10	11	Vendor Registration Form Attachment L				
3.1.11	12	Corporate Resolution Form Attachment J				
3.1.12	notect as "N "THI	*Optional Tabs. If no information is to be placed under any of the above noted tabs (especially the "Optional" tabs), please place a statement such as "NO INFORMATION IS BEING PLACED UNDER THIS TAB" or "THIS TAB LEFT INTENTIONALLY BLANK." <u>DO NOT</u> eliminate any of the tabs.				
3.1.13	that t Agen remo	<b>Proposal Submittal Binding Method.</b> It is preferable and recommended hat the proposer bind the proposal submittals in such a manner that the Agency can, if needed, remove the binding (i.e., "spiral-type" etc.) or remove the pages from the cover (i.e., 3-ring binder; etc.) to make copies, hen conveniently return the proposal submittal to its original condition.				

**3.2 Proposal Submission.** All pricing must be submitted in a separate, sealed enclosure and all proposals must be submitted and time-stamped received in the designated Agency office by no later than the submittal deadline stated herein (or within any ensuing addendum). A total of 1 original signature copy (marked "ORIGINAL") and 3 copies (each of the 3 separate proposal submittals shall have a cover and extending tabs) of the "hard copy" proposal submittal, shall be placed in a sealed package and addressed to:

Housing Authority of New Orleans Procurement and Contracts Department Attn: Thelma Bowers, Contract Administrator 4100 Touro Street New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

- **3.2.1 Exterior of Submittal Package.** The package exterior must clearly denote the above noted RFP number and must have the proposer's name and return address. Proposals received after the published deadline will not be accepted.
- 3.2.2 Submission Conditions. DO NOT FOLD OR MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL MARKS, NOTATIONS OR REQUIREMENTS ON THE DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED! Proposers are not allowed to change any requirements or forms contained herein, either by making or entering onto these documents or the documents submitted any revisions or additions; and if any such additional marks, notations or requirements are entered on any of the documents that are submitted to the Agency by the proposer, such may invalidate that proposal. If, after accepting such a proposal, the Agency decides that any such entry has not changed the intent of the proposal that the Agency intended to receive, the Agency may accept the proposal and the proposal shall be considered by the Agency as if those additional marks, notations or requirements were not entered on such. By accessing and downloading these documents, each prospective proposer that does so is thereby agreeing to confirm all notices that the Agency delivers to him/her as instructed, and by submitting a proposal, the proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions published herein and by addendum pertaining to this RFP.
- **3.2.3 Submission Responsibilities.** It shall be the responsibility of each proposer to be aware of and to abide by all dates, times, conditions, requirements and specifications set forth within all applicable documents issued by the Agency, including the RFP document, the documents listed within the following Section 3.8 herein, and any addenda and required attachments submitted by the proposer. By virtue of completing, signing, and submitting the completed documents, the proposer is stating his/her agreement to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth within those documents. Written notice from the proposer not authorized in writing from HANO to exclude any of the Agency requirements contained within the documents may cause that proposer to not be considered for award.
- **3.4 Proposer's Responsibilities Contact with the Agency.** It is the responsibility of the proposer to address all communication and correspondence pertaining to this RFP process to the Procurement staff only. Proposers must not make inquiry or communicate with any other Agency staff member or official (including members of the Board of Commissioners) pertaining to this RFP. Failure to abide by this requirement may be cause for the Agency to not consider a proposal submittal received from any proposer who may not have abided by this directive.

- **3.5.1** Addenda. All questions and requests for information must be addressed in writing to Thelma Bowers, Contract Administrator at <u>tbowers@hano.org</u>, <u>procurement@hano.org</u>. Procurement will respond to all such inquiries in writing by addendum to all prospective proposers (i.e., firms or individuals that have obtained the RFP Documents). Proposers must provide written acknowledgement of addenda with their submissions.
- **3.6 Proposer's Responsibilities Equal Employment Opportunity and Supplier Diversity.** Both the Contractor and the Agency have, pursuant to HUD regulation, certain responsibilities pertaining to the hiring and retention of personnel and subcontractors.
  - 3.6.1 Within 2 CFR §200.321 it states:
    - **3.6.1.1** Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.
    - **3.6.1.2** (a) The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.
    - **3.6.1.3** (2) Affirmative steps must include:
      - **3.6.1.3.1** (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
      - **3.6.1.3.2** (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
      - **3.6.1.3.3 (3)** Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
      - **3.6.1.3.4 (4)** Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
      - **3.6.1.3.5 (5)** Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business

Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and

**3.6.1.3.6 (6)** Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

#### 3.6.2 Within HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2 it states:

- **3.6.2.1** Section 15.5.A, Required Efforts. Consistent with Presidential Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432, the <Agency> shall make every effort to ensure that small businesses, MBEs, WBEs, and labor surplus area businesses participate in <Agency> contracting.
- **3.6.2.2** Section 15.5.B, Goals. <The Agency> is encouraged to establish goals by which they can measure the effectiveness of their efforts in implementing programs in support of . . . contracting with disadvantaged firms. It is important to ensure that the means used to establish these goals do not have the effect of limiting competition and should not be used as mandatory set-aside or quota, except as may otherwise be expressly authorized in regulation or statute. Some localities have adopted minority contracting set-aside policies or geographic limitations, which may be in conflict with Federal requirements for full and open competition.
- **3.6.3** Within **HANO's Procurement Policy** it states that our Agency will:

#### 3.6.3.1 Assistance to Small and Other Business, Required Efforts:

- **3.6.3.1.1** Including such firms, when qualified, on solicitation mailing lists;
- **3.6.3.1.2** Encouraging their participation through direct solicitation of proposals or proposals whenever they are potential sources;
- **3.6.3.1.3** Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by such firms;
- **3.6.3.1.4** Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by such firms;
- **3.6.3.1.5** Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, and the Minority

Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and,

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- **3.6.3.1.6** Requiring prime contractors, when subcontracting is anticipated, to take the positive steps listed above.
- **3.6.4 Requirements.** Accordingly, please see Section 3.1.6 within Table No. 3 herein which details the information pertaining to this issue that the proposer must submit in response to this proposal showing compliance, to the greatest extent feasible, with these regulations.
- **3.7 Pre-proposal Conference.** A pre-proposal conference has not been scheduled for this project.
- **3.8 Recap of Attachments.** It is the responsibility of each proposer to verify that he/she has received the following attachments pertaining to this RFP, which are included as a part of this RFP:

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No.	Attachment	Description			
1.0		This RFP Document			
2.0		"No-Bid" Response Form			
3.0	Α	Form of Proposal			
4.0	В	Profile of Firm Form			
8.0	С	Supplemental Conditions for Proposers &			
		Contractors (SIPC)			
9.0	D	Acknowledgement of Addenda			
10.0	Ε	Certification of Contractor Non-Exclusion			
11.0	F	Form HUD-5369-C (8/93), Certifications			
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#### 4.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION.

**4.1 Evaluation Factors.** The following factors will be utilized by the Agency to evaluate each proposal submittal received; award of points for each listed factor will be based upon the documentation that the proposer submits within his/her proposal submittal and on-line (specifically, the pricing submitted on-line):

			[Table	No. 6]
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
				Also,
				Reference
	Max			RFP
Factor	Point			Sections
No.	Value	Factor Type	Factor Description	Herein
1	30	Subjective	As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation	3.1.4.1
	points	(Technical)	Factor No. 1, herein the proposer's	
			STAFFING AND QUALIFICATIONS,	
			Offerors shall Provide evidence that your	
			firm is a Louisiana Certified Insurance and	
			Risk Management Consultant. Provide a	
			brief history of your firm and information	
			regarding staff qualifications that	
			demonstrate the Respondent's capacity to	
			perform the required services. Include an	
			organizational chart that illustrates the	
			Respondent's overall staffing approach for	
			completing the required work. Include in	
			the chart all key personnel specialists and	
			consultants who will be assigned work	
			under this contract.	
			Provide resumes of all key personnel,	
			specialists, and consultants who will	
			perform the work required. Identify their	
			specific role in the provision of services.	
			Resumes should include the particular	
			relevant experience of the individual as it	
			relates to their proposed role in the project,	
			in addition to the education, career, and	
			achievement data typically included in a	
			resume. Include evidence of licenses and	
			other related professional designations of	
			personnel.	
			• Provide a reference contact at	
			the current or past company	
			including the address, phone	
			number and email address.	

2	40	Culting	As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation	3.1.4.2
2	40 points	Subjective (Technical)	Factor No. <b>2</b> , herein the proposer's	5.1.4.2
	points	(Teennear)	KNOWLEDGE AND RELEVANT	
			EXPERIENCE, Submit detailed	
			information on Contractor's knowledge	
			and relevant experience in Risk	
			Management. Include specific experience	
			relative to Risk Identification; Risk	
			Analysis and Evaluation; Risk Elimination	
			or Reduction; and Risk Finance and	
			Insurance Procurement, for large public	
			housing authorities or similarly sized state	
			agencies.	
			Identify similar or related work performed	
			for public housing authorities that have	
			been completed to date or are currently	
			active. Include projects that are dissimilar	
			but believed by the respondent to have	
			some relevant aspect, along with an	
			explanation of why and how the particular aspects are relevant.	
			aspects are relevant.	
			For each project identified provide:	
			Project description	
			• The client/public housing	
			authority	
			• The name, address and contact	
			information for the contract	
			<ul><li>representative</li><li>The dollar value of the contract</li></ul>	
			<ul> <li>The contract duration including</li> </ul>	
			start and completion date, or	
			projected completion date if still	
			active.	
			• A reference contact for each	
			contract, including address, phone	
			and email address.	
			Detail your firm's past experience with	
			property and casualty, and multi-line	
			insurance procurement and underwriting.	
			Detail your firm's past experience in	
			writing and servicing commercial	
			insurance for public entity accounts.	
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3	30 points	Subjective (Technical)	As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 3, herein, the proposer's <b>RESPONSE AND APPROACH TO THE</b> <u>SCOPE OF SERVICES</u> Provide a detailed narrative that demonstrates the approach intended for use by the Contractor to perform the audit services as outlined in the RFP. The approach shall identify and categorize major tasks to be performed including deliverables as outlined in the scope of services. Detail anticipated work products relative to the provision of services. Include proposed processes for ensuring effective communication and coordination with HANO staff, as well as procedures for reporting and disseminating information.	3.1.4.3
	100 points		Total Possible Points	
evaluatio	*NOTE: Points will be awarded for each Subjective Factor by each of the appointed evaluation committee members based on his/her opinion after a thorough review of the information submitted by each proposer within his/her proposal.			

#### 4.2 Evaluation Method

- **4.2.1 Initial Evaluation for Responsiveness.** Each proposal received will first be evaluated for responsiveness (i.e., meets the minimum of the requirements).
- **4.2.2 Evaluation Packet.** An evaluation packet will be prepared for each evaluator, including the following documents:
  - **4.2.2.1** Instructions to Evaluators;
  - **4.2.2.2** Proposal Tabulation Form;
  - **4.2.2.3** Written Narrative Form for each proposer;
  - **4.2.2.4** Recap of each proposer's responsiveness;
  - **4.2.2.5** Copy of all pertinent RFP documents.
- **4.2.3 Evaluation Committee.** The Agency anticipates that it will select a minimum of a three-person committee to evaluate each of the responsive "hard copy" and electronic proposals submitted in response to this RFP. PLEASE NOTE:

No proposer shall be informed at any time during or after the RFP process as to the identity of any evaluation committee member. If, by chance, a proposer does become aware of the identity of such person(s), he/she <u>SHALL NOT</u> make any attempt to contact or discuss with such person anything related to this RFP. As detailed within Section 3.5 of this document, the designated Procurement contract is the only person at the Agency that the proposers shall contact pertaining to this RFP. Failure to abide by this requirement may (and most likely will) cause such proposer(s) to be eliminated from consideration for award.

- **4.2.4 Evaluation.** The Procurement staff will evaluate and award points pertaining to Evaluation Factor Nos. 6 (the "Objective" Factors). The appointed evaluation committee, independent of Procurement or any other person at the Agency, shall evaluate the responsive proposals submitted and award points pertaining to Evaluation Factors Nos. 1 through 5 (the "Subjective" Factors). Upon final completion of the proposal evaluation process, the evaluation committee will forward the completed evaluations to Procurement.
  - **4.2.4.1 Points Awarded Range.** Pertaining to the Subjective Factors, please note the following range of points awarded (points pertaining to this RFP are shaded—please also see the Evaluation Factors detailed within the preceding Section 4.1):

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Points Awarded Range						
Classification*	Rating	%	10	20	30	100**
Acceptable	Excellent	95%/+	10	19-20	29-30	95-100
Acceptable	Very Good	90%/+	9	18	27-28	90-94
Potentially Acceptable	Good	80%/+	8	16-17	24-26	80-89
Potentially Acceptable	Average	70%/+	7	14-15	21-23	70-79
Unacceptable	Poor	<70%	0-6	0-13	0-20	0-69
*Pursuant to Section 7.2.N.3 of HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2.						
**Total available points to be awarded, including cost points, minus preference points.						

**4.2.5 Potential "Competitive Range" or "Best and Finals" Negotiations.** The Agency reserves the right to, as detailed within Section 7.2.N through Section 7.2.R of HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2, conduct a "Best and Finals" Negotiation, which may include oral interviews, with all firms deemed to be in the competitive range.

- **4.2.6 Determination of Top-ranked Proposer.** Typically, the subjective points awarded by the evaluation committee will be combined with the objective points awarded by Procurement to determine the final rankings, which is typically forwarded by the Executive Directorfor approval. If the evaluation was performed to the satisfaction of the ED, the final rankings may be forwarded to the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners (BOC) at a scheduled meeting for approval. Contract negotiations may, at the Agency's option, be conducted prior to or after the BOC approval.
  - **4.2.6.1 Minimum Evaluation Results.** To be considered to receive an award a proposer must receive a total calculated average of at least 70 points (of the 100 total possible points detailed within Section 4.1 herein).
  - **4.2.6.2 Ties.** In the case of a tie in points awarded, the award shall be decided as detailed within Section 6.12.C of HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2, by "drawing lots or other random means of selection."
- **4.2.7 Notice of Results of Evaluation.** If an award is completed, all proposers will receive by e-mail a Notice of Results of Evaluation. Such notice shall inform all proposers of:
  - **4.2.7.1** Which proposer received the award;
  - **4.2.7.2** Where each proposer placed in the process as a result of the evaluation of the proposals received;
  - **4.2.7.3** The cost or financial offers received from each proposer;
  - **4.2.7.4** Each proposer's right to a debriefing and to protest.
- **4.2.8 Restrictions.** All persons having familial (including in-laws) and/or employment relationships (past or current) with principals and/or employees of a proposer entity will be excluded from participation on the Agency evaluation committee. Similarly, all persons having ownership interest in and/or contract with a proposer entity will be excluded from participation on the Agency evaluation committee.

#### 5.0 CONTRACT AWARD.

- **5.1 Contract Award Procedure.** If a contract is awarded pursuant to this RFP, the following detailed procedures will be followed:
  - **5.1.1** By completing, executing and submitting a proposal, the "proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions pertaining to this RFP as issued by the Agency," including the contract clauses already attached as

Attachments F, each attached hereto. Accordingly, the Agency has no responsibility to conduct after the submittal deadline any negotiations pertaining to the contract clauses already published.

- **5.2 Contract Conditions.** The following provisions are considered mandatory conditions of any contract award made by HANO pursuant to this RFP:
  - 5.2.1 **Contract Form.** The Agency will not execute a contract on the Contractor's form – contracts will only be executed on the Agency form (please see Sample Contract, Attachments G and G-1 through G-4 each attached hereto), and by submitting a proposal the Contractor agrees to do so (please note that HANO reserves the right to amend this form as the Agency deems necessary). However, the Agency will during the RFP process (prior to the posted question deadline) consider any contract clauses that the proposer wishes to include therein and submits in writing a request for the Agency to do so; but the failure of the Agency to include such clauses does not give the Contractor the right to refuse to execute the Agency's contract form. It is the responsibility of each prospective proposer to notify the Agency, in writing, prior to submitting a proposal, of any contract clause that he/she is not willing to include in the final executed contract and abide by. The Agency will consider and respond to such written correspondence, and if the prospective proposer is not willing to abide by the Agency's response (decision), then that prospective proposer shall be deemed ineligible to submit a proposal.
    - **5.2.1.1 Mandatory HUD Forms.** Please note that HANO has no legal right or ability to (and will not) at any time negotiate any clauses contained within ANY of the HUD forms included as a part of this RFP.
    - **5.2.1.2 E-Verify Affidavit.** The Contractor must certify compliance with Louisiana's E-Verify requirements, in that the Contractor is registered, uses, and will continue to use the E-Verify, Federal Work Authorization Program throughout the contract period. This Form must be fully completed and executed where provided thereon by the successful proposer and will be a part of the ensuing contract (NOTE: It is NOT necessary to complete and submit this form as a part of the proposal submittal—only the awarded proposer(s) will be required to do so as a part of the contract execution).
  - **5.2.2 Assignment of Personnel.** HANO shall retain the right to demand and receive a change in personnel assigned to the work if HANO believes that such change is in the best interest of HANO and the completion of the contracted work.

- **5.2.3 Unauthorized Sub-ccontracting Prohibited.** The Contractor shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this RFP (including, but not limited to, selling or transferring the contract) without the prior written consent of HANO. Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of HANO shall be void and may result in the cancellation of the contract with the Agency, or may result in the full or partial forfeiture of funds paid to the Contractor as a result of the proposed contract; either as determined by HANO.
- **5.3 Contract Period.** The Agency anticipates that it will award a contract for the initial period of **1** year with an option to extend for **4** years.
- **5.4 Licensing and Insurance Requirements.** Prior to award (but not as a part of the proposal submission) the *Contractor* will be required to provide:
  - **5.4.1 Workers Compensation Insurance.** An original certificate evidencing the proposer's current industrial (worker's compensation) insurance carrier and coverage amount not less than \$100,000.00 (NOTE: Workers Compensation Insurance will be required of any Contractor that has employees other than just the owner working on-site to provide the services);
  - **5.4.2 General Liability Insurance.** An original certificate evidencing General Liability coverage, naming HANO as an additional insured, together with the appropriate endorsement to said policy reflecting the addition of HANO as an additional insured under said policy (minimum of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, general aggregate minimum limit of \$1,000,000, together with damage to premises and fire damage of \$50,000 and medical expenses any one person of \$5,000), with a commercially reasonable deductible (i.e., "commercially reasonable," meaning at least 1% of the "general aggregate minimum" of the policy, with a maximum deductible amount of \$50,000);
  - **5.4.3 Professional Liability Insurance (and/or Errors & Omissions).** An original certificate showing the proposer's professional liability and/or "errors and omissions" coverage (minimum of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, general aggregate minimum limit of \$1,000,000), with a commercially reasonable deductible (i.e., "commercially reasonable," meaning at least 1% of the "general aggregate minimum" of the policy, with a maximum deductible amount of \$50,000);
  - **5.4.4 Automobile Insurance.** An original certificate showing the proposer's automobile insurance coverage in a combined single limit of \$500,000. For every vehicle utilized during the term of this program, when not owned by the entity, each vehicle must have evidence of automobile insurance coverage with limits of no less than \$100,000/\$300,000 and medical pay of \$5,000.

- **5.4.5 City/County/State Business License.** If applicable, a copy of the proposer's business license allowing that entity to provide such services within the City of New Orleans, Orleans Parish, and/or the State of Louisiana.
- 5.4.6 Certificates/Profile of Firm Form. Pertaining to the aforementioned (within Sections 5.4.1 through 5.4.5) insurance certificates and licenses, each proposer is required to enter related information where provided for on the Profile of Firm Form (do not attach or submit copies of the insurance certificates or licenses within the proposal submittal—we will garner the necessary documents from the successful proposer prior to contract execution).
- **5.5 Contract Service Standards.** All work performed pursuant to this RFP must conform and comply with all applicable local, state and federal codes, statutes, laws, and regulations.
- **5.6 Prompt Return of Contract Documents.** Any and all documents required to complete the contract, including contract signature by the successful proposers, shall be provided to the Agency within <u>10 workdays</u> of notification by the Agency.

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#### "NO BID" RESPONSE FORM

If you do not wish to bid/submit a proposal on this solicitation, please provide written notification of your decision. Your responses assist with planning future solicitations. Please indicate below in the appropriate area the reason(s) for your decision and return this page. Responses do not prohibit you from receiving future opportunities unless you request to be removed from future communications. This form may be returned to the address listed below, emailed to procurement@hano.org, or faxed to 504-286-8224.

#### Check all that apply:

- I am submitting a "No Bid" at this time.
   Please keep my name on the Agency's Bidder's List.
  - Too busy at this time
  - o Job too small
  - o Job too large
  - Territory too large to cover
  - o Cannot meet delivery requirements
  - o I cannot meet the Terms and Conditions of the solicitation because:
  - o I do not provide products/services of this nature.
  - Insufficient time to respond to solicitation
  - o Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements
  - o Specifications too restrictive. Please explain:
  - o Specifications unclear. Please explain:
  - o Other:\_\_\_
- Please remove my name from this product/service category. I wish to submit a revised Vendor Registration Form. You may receive a copy by email by contacting Procurement at procurement@hano.org.
- □ I no longer wish to do business with Housing Authority of New Orleans. Please remove my name from the Agency's Source List(s).

Name of Company	Date Phone Number	
Printed Name of Authorized Representative		
Signature of Authorized Representative	Email	
Please re	turn this completed form to:	
Housing	g Authority of New Orleans	
Procurem	nent & Contracts Department	
	4100 Touro St.	
N	ew Orleans, LA 70122	
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# RFP Attachment A (Form of Proposal)



### FORM OF PROPOSAL

(ATTACHMENT A)

(This Form must be fully completed and placed under Tab No. 1 of the "hard copy" tabbed proposal submittal.)

Instructions: Unless otherwise specifically required, the items listed below must be completed and included in the proposal submittal. Please complete this form by marking an "X," where provided, to verify that the referenced completed form or information has been included within the "hard copy" proposal submittal submitted by the proposer. Also, complete the Section 3 Statement and the Proposer's Statement as noted below:

X=ITEM INCLUDED	SUBMITTAL ITEMS (One original and Three copies of each proposal,		
	including one with original signatures)		
	Tab 1   Form of Proposal (Attachment A)		
	Tab 2   Form HUD-5369-C (Attachment G)		
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#### SECTION 3 STATEMENT

Are you claiming a Section 3 business preference? YES\_\_\_\_ or NO\_\_\_\_. If "YES," pursuant to the Section 3 portion within the Conditions and Specifications, and pursuant to the documentation justifying such submitted under Tab No. 7, which priority are you claiming? \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### PROPOSER'S STATEMENT

The undersigned proposer hereby states that by completing and submitting this Form and all other documents within this proposal submittal, he/she is verifying that all information provided herein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, true and accurate, and that if the HA discovers that any information entered herein to be false, such shall entitle the HA to not consider or make award or to cancel any award with the undersigned party. Further, by completing and submitting the proposal submittal, and by entering and submitting the costs where provided within the noted Internet System, the undersigned proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions pertaining to this RFP as issued by the HA, either in hard copy or on the noted Internet System, including an agreement to execute the attached Sample Contract form. Pursuant to all RFP Documents, this Form of Proposal, and all attachments, and pursuant to all completed Documents submitted, including these forms and all attachments, the undersigned proposes to supply the HA with the services described herein for the fee(s) entered within the areas provided within the noted Internet System pertaining to this RFP.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Company

# RFP Attachment B (Profile of Firm Form)



#### **PROFILE OF FIRM FORM**

#### (Attachment B)

(This Form must be fully completed and placed under Tab No. 3 of the "hard copy" tabbed proposal submittal.)

(1) Prime \_\_\_\_\_ Sub-contractor \_\_\_\_\_ (This form must be completed by and for each).

(2) Name of Firm:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone:\_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Street Address, City, State, Zip:\_\_\_\_\_

(4) Please attach a brief biography/resume of the company, including the following information:

(a) Year Firm Established; (b) Year Firm Established in [JURISDICTION]; (c) Former Name and Year Established (if applicable); (d) Name of Parent Company and Date Acquired (if applicable).

(5) Identify Principals/Partners in Firm (submit under Tab No. 5 a brief professional resume for each):

NAME	TITLE	% OF OWNERSHIP

(6) Identify the individual(s) that will act as project manager and any other supervisory personnel that will work on project; please submit under Tab No. 5 a brief resume for each. (Do not duplicate any resumes required above):

NAME	TITLE

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

	□ Public-Held	Government	🗆 Non-Profit
American (Male)	Corporation	Agency	Organization
%	%	%	%

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

Resident-	$\Box$ African	□**Native	$\Box$ Hispanic	□Asian/Pacific	$\Box$ Hasidic	$\Box$ Asian/Indian
Owned*	American	American	American	American	Jew	American
%	%	%	%	%	%	%
□Woman-O <sup>•</sup>	wned 🗆 Wo	man-Owned	$\Box$ Disabled	□Other (Specify)	):	
(MBE)	(Cauca	isian)	Veteran			
%		%	%	%		
WMBE Certification Number (if known):						
Certified by (A	Agency):					
Signature	]	Date	Printed Nam	ne C	Company	

<u>PROFILE OF FIRM FORM</u> ( <u>Attachment B)</u> (This Form must be fully completed and placed under Tab No. 3 of the "hard copy" tabbed pro submittal.)	roposal
(8) Federal Tax ID No.:	
(9) [APPROPRIATE JURISDICTION] Business License No.:	_
(10) State of License Type and No.:	
(11)Worker's Compensation Insurance Carrier: Policy No.: Expiration Date:	
(12) General Liability Insurance Carrier: Policy No Expiration Date:	
(13) Professional Liability Insurance Carrier: Policy No Expiration Date:	
<ul> <li>(14) Debarred Statement: Has this firm, or any principal(s) ever been debarred from providing ar by the Federal Government, any state government, the State of, or any local government within or without the State of? Yes □ No □</li> <li>If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances and current state</li> </ul>	nent agency
(15) Disclosure Statement: Does this firm or any principals thereof have any current, past personal or pr relationship with any Commissioner or Officer of the HA? Yes D No D If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances and current stat	
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- (16) Non-Collusive Affidavit: The undersigned party submitting this proposal hereby certifies that such proposal is genuine and not collusive and that said proposer entity has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any proposer or person, to put in a sham proposal or to refrain from proposing, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the proposal price of affiant or of any other proposer, to fix overhead, profit or cost element of said proposal price, or that of any other proposer or to secure any advantage against the HA or any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in said proposal are true.
- (17) Verification Statement: The undersigned proposer hereby states that by completing and submitting this form he/she is verifying that all information provided herein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, true and accurate, and agrees that if the HA discovers that any information entered herein is false, that shall entitle the HA to not consider nor make award or to cancel any award with the undersigned party.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Company

# RFP Attachment C Supplemental Conditions



#### SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS

The following supplements modify "HUD Form 5370-C Section I, General Contract Conditions – Non-Construction:

#### **Contract Period**

The contract shall be for an initial period of one (1) year, with an option to extend for four (4) additional years. The Contract extension will not be automatic and must be approved by HANO. HANO reserves the right to negotiate fees prior to execution of a contract extension.

#### **Contract** Type

The contract resulting from this RFP shall be an indefinite quantity type contract to provide legal services on behalf of HANO, on an on-call basis, with no minimum guaranteed assignment of work. HANO reserves the right to assign work under this contract, in accordance with its needs, to the contracted firm who it believes will provide the most benefit to the Authority.

Legal services shall be paid at fixed hourly rates, in accordance with the Offerors Fee Proposal, pending HUD Funding.

If the dollar value of the contract meets or exceeds the Threshold amount of \$100,000.00, the Employment, Training and Contracting Policy shall apply.

#### **Task Orders**

Work shall be assigned through the issuance of task orders. Each task order will be assigned to the firm determined to be best suited to perform the scope of the task. The estimated cost shall be based on the contracted fee schedule. Task orders issued shall serve as the Notice to Proceed. The estimated timeframe for completion of each task order shall be indicated in each task order. All task Orders placed prior to, but not completed by the expiration of the contract must be completed in accordance with all provisions of the contract still in force.

HANO reserves the right to assign work under this contract, in accordance with its needs, to the contracted attorney/firm whom it believes will provide the most benefit to the Authority.

#### **Overtime Hours**

HANO will not pay special rates for overtime hours or holiday hours worked.

#### Invoicing

Invoices shall be submitted monthly to the Department of Finance with a copy to the Modernization and Development Department. The invoice shall provide an invoice number, service dates, purchase order number, Task Order number, and a description of services provided and the name/title of employee who rendered the services. Invoices shall be submitted on the contractor's own invoice form.

#### Payments

All vendors should submit invoices to the Finance Department on or before the days listed below. All vendor invoices are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Invoice payments are as follows:

- Invoices received on the 16<sup>th</sup> of the current month thru the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the next month will be paid on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the following month.
- Example: An invoice received on August 27<sup>th</sup> will be processed commencing September 1<sup>st</sup> and paid on October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Invoices received on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of the current month thru the 15<sup>th</sup> of the current month will be paid on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month.
- Example: An invoice received on August 4<sup>th</sup> will be processed commencing August 15<sup>th</sup> and paid on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Request for Taxpayer Number and Certification (W-9)

The respondent(s) shall provide a copy of its Request for Taxpayer Number and Certification (W-9) at the time and date specified by the Authority.

#### Public Access to Procurement Information/Confidentiality

All information submitted in response to a solicitation issued by the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) shall remain confidential until after final approval by HANO's Board of Commissioners and/or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HANO's policy regarding public access is in strict accordance with the guidelines set forth in its Procurement Policy, Section 5.3.4, HUD Handbook 7460.8 REV 2, Section 1.6, Public Access to Procurement Information and Section 7.2 (J) Confidentiality. Furthermore, pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 40:526(8), HANO shall not disclose information submitted to HANO in confidence in response t this RFP, and not otherwise required by law to be submitted, where such information should reasonably be considered confidential.

#### Indemnification

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

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

### Preview of Documents and Correspondence

All documents, research, and correspondence shall be submitted to HANO's Legal Department for review and approval prior to taking any action(s) with regard to such documents, research, and correspondence.

# **Client Contact**

HANO's Legal Department serves as the Client Contact for all matters relating to this contract. All communications required with other departments at HANO shall be coordinated through the Legal Department. Only HANO's Executive Director and/or Legal Department has the authority to retain legal services and commit to or authorize legal actions or positions.

# Attorney-Client and Work-Product Privilege

No aspects of any case assigned pursuant to the contract shall be discussed without prior authorization from HANO's Executive Director and/or Legal Department/General Counsel.

### Rights, Use, and Ownership of Assessment Materials

Assessment materials generated as a result of performing the Scope of Services contained in this contract shall be confidential and proprietary, and shall be for the exclusive use and ownership of The Housing Authority of New Orleans. Such materials shall include, but not be limited to data, cost estimates, and reports generated that contain descriptive and/or identifying information regarding individual properties owned by HANO and/or HANO's portfolio of properties. Such materials shall not be shared, signed, sold or disclosed to parties other than those named on the contract without the express written permission of the Housing Authority of New Orleans' Contracting Officer. Any violations of this provision shall be considered a breach of, and grounds for immediate termination in accordance with the "Termination for Convenience and Default" clause.

# **Ethics Policy**

The selected Respondent shall abide by the applicable provisions of the Housing Authority of New Orleans' Ethics Policy and State of Louisiana Ethics Code.

# Third Party Claims on Software

HANO shall be held harmless from any third-party legal claims involving the use by HANO of any software product or technique provided by the selected Respondent.

The successful Respondent shall possess all of the required State and Local licenses and certifications required to perform work of the type required by this contract in the City of New Orleans. In addition, the Respondent shall comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the services contemplated herein. Respondents are presumed to be familiar with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations that may in any way affect the delivery of services.

# **Contractual Obligations**

At any time, should the proposed services require the use of products or services of another company, such services shall be disclosed, and HANO will hold the selected respondent(s) responsible for the proposed services.

# **Certification of Legal Entity**

Prior to execution of the Contract Agreement, the Respondent shall certify that joint ventures, partnerships, team agreements, new corporations or other entities that either exist or will be formally structured are, or will be legal and binding under Louisiana law.

# Certifications

In submitting the proposal, the Respondent is indicating a willingness to comply with all terms and conditions of the RFP, including but not limited to those set forth in the attached HUD Forms and these Supplemental Conditions.

# Personnel

In submitting their proposals, Respondents are representing that the personnel described in their proposals shall be available to perform the services described for the duration of the contract period, barring illness, accident or other unforeseeable events of a similar nature in which cases the Respondent must be able to provide a qualified replacement. Such representation shall be valid for a minimum of <u>120</u> calendar days after the proposal due date and time. Furthermore, all personnel shall be considered to be, at all times, the sole employees of the Respondent under its sole direction, and not employees or agents of HANO.

# **Respondent Status**

The successful Respondent will be held to be an independent Consultant, and will not be an employee of HANO.

# Assignment

The successful Respondent shall not enter into any subcontracts, retain consultants, or assign, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise delegate its obligations under the contract resulting from this RFP, or any of its rights, title or interest therein, or its power to execute such contract to any person, company or corporation without the prior written consent and approval of the HANO.

### Advertising

In submitting a proposal, the successful Respondent agrees not to use the results from it as a part of any commercial advertising. HANO does not permit law firms to advertise or promote the fact of their relationship with HANO in the course of marketing efforts, unless HANO specifically agrees otherwise.

### **Media Relations**

The Contractor shall not make public comment on HANO matters without express written approval from HANO's Director of Communications. All media inquiries shall be referred to the Director of Communications.

# RFP Attachment D Acknowledgment of Addenda



# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA (ATTACHMENT D)

Respondent has received the following Addenda, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged:

Addendum Number:	Date Received:
Addendum Number:	Date Received:

(Company Name)

(Signature)

(Printed or Typed Name)

# RFP Attachment E Certification of Contractor Non-Exclusion



# CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR NON-EXCLUSION

This certification applies to a sole proprietor or any bidding entity or any individual partner, incorporator, director, manager, officer, organizer, or member, who has at least 10% ownership in the bidding entity, for consideration for award of contracts, in accordance with LA R.S. 38:2227.

A conviction of or plea of guilty or no contest to the following state crimes or equivalent federal crimes shall permanently bar any person or the bidding entity from bidding on public projects:

- (a) Public bribery
- (b) Corrupt Influencing
- (c) Extortion
- (d) Money laundering

A conviction of or plea of guilty or no contest to the following state crimes or equivalent federal crimes shall bar any person or the bidding entity from bidding on public projects for a period of five years from the date of conviction or from the date of the entrance of the plea of guilty or no contest:

- (a) Theft
- (b) Identity theft
- (c) Theft of a business record
- (d) False accounting
- (e) Issuing worthless checks
- (f) Bank fraud
- (g) Forgery
- (h) Contractors; misapplication of payments
- (i) Malfeasance in office

The five-year prohibition shall apply only if the crime was committed during the solicitation or execution of a contract or bid awarded pursuant to the provisions of LA R.S. Title 38, Chapter 10 – Public Contracts.

Should information be discovered about a bidding entity that would be cause for debarment, suspension, exclusion, or determination of ineligibility for award of a contract, HANO shall report and submit supporting documentation to the applicable regulatory agency.

I hereby attest that I have not been convicted of, or have not entered a plea of guilty or nolo contender to any of the crimes listed above or equivalent crimes.

(Print)

(Date)

(Signature)

# Attachment F HUD-5369-C



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

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

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#### 1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are: (Check the block applicable to you)

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

# 3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

- (a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—
  - The prices in this bid/offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder/offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid/offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
  - (2) The prices in this bid/offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder/offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
  - (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder/ offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid/offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the bid/offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:
  - (1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
  - (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above (insert full name of person(s) in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder/offeror's organization);

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

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

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

# 4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

> (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage;

> (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired; or

> (iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award he or she discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the HA which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the Contract for the convenience of HA if it would be in the best interest of HA.
- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this Contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the HA, the HA may terminate the Contract for default.
- (d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

# 5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

# 6. Conflict of Interest

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

# 7. Offeror's Signature

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

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title:

# Attachment G HUD-5370-C



# General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

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

# U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing Office of Labor Relations OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (excl. 11/30/2023)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and an applicant is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

- 1) Non-construction contracts (without maintenance) greater than \$250,000 use Section I;
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.100) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$250,000 - use Section II; and
   Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine
- maintenance ), greater than \$250,000 use Sections I and II.

# Section I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$250,000

#### 1. Definitions

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

#### 2. Changes

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

proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.

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

#### 3. Termination for Convenience and Default

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

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

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

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- (b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.
- (c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:
  - (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
  - (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from
  - the performance of this contract; or,

(iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

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

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

#### 6. Energy Efficiency

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

#### 7. Disputes

- (a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, <u>except for disputes arising under clauses contained in</u> <u>Section 111, Labor Standards Provisions,</u> including any claims for damages for the alleged breach there of which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause.
- (b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.
- (c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.
- (d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA.

#### 8. Contract Termination; Debarment

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

#### 9. Assignment of Contract

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

#### 10. Certificate and Release

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

#### 11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

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

#### 12. Inspection and Acceptance

(a) The HA has the right to review, require correction, if necessary, and accept the work products produced by the Contractor. Such review(s) shall be carried out within 30 days so as to not impede the work of the Contractor. Any product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.

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

#### 13. Interest of Members of Congress

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

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

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

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

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

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

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

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

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

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

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action. "Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government

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

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

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

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

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

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

(i) Section

- (i) Section 1352 of title 31, U.S.C. provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension,
  - continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(v) The prohibition does not apply as follows:

(1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(2) Professional and technical services.

- (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-
  - (i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.
  - (i) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a

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

- (b) For purposes of subdivision (b)(ii)(2)(a) of clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline.
- (c) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation, or reasonably expected to be required by law or regulation, and any other requirements in the actual award documents.
- (d) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(ii)(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section are permitted under this clause.
- (iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.
- (c) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply to the following selling activities before an agency by independent sales representatives, provided such activities are prior to formal solicitation by an agency and are specifically limited to the merits of the matter:
  - Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstration) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and
  - (ii) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.
- (d) Agreement. In accepting any contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or loan resulting from this solicitation, the person submitting the offer agrees not to make any payment prohibited by this clause.
- (e) Penalties. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (b) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.
- (f) Cost Allowability. Nothing in this clause is to be interpreted to make allowable or reasonable any costs which would be unallowable or unreasonable in accordance with Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), or OMB Circulars dealing with cost allowability for recipients of assistance agreements. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any of the provisions of FAR Part 31 or the relevant OMB Circulars.

#### 16. Equal Employment Opportunity

During the performance of this contract, the

Contractor/Seller agrees as follows:

(a)The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any emplo yee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin. The

[contractor/seller] will take affirmative action to ensure that appli cants are employed, and that employees are treated during employm ent, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin. Such action shall in dude, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The [contractor/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(b)The [contractor/seller] will, in all solicitations or advertisement s for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employ ment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin.

(c)The [contractor/seller] will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instance s in which an employee who has access to the compensation inform ation of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other em ployees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have acces s to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a form al complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the emplo yer, or is consistent with the [contractor/seller]'s legal duty to furnish information.

(d)The [contractor/seller] will send to each labor union or representat ive of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or oth er contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contr acting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the [contractor/seller] 's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in cons picuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(e)The [contractor/seller] will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

f)The [contractor/seller] will furnish all information and reports re quired by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(g)In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rule s, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the [contractor/seller] may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies in yoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(g)In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the [contractor/seller] may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in acc ordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law. (h) The [contractor/seller] will include the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (h) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exe mpted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each sub[contractor/seller] or vendor. The [contractor/seller] will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the [contractor/seller] becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the [contractor/ seller] may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

#### 17. Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

1. The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any e mployee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental disability in regard to any position for which the employee or applican t for employment is qualified. The [contractor/seller] agrees to take aff irmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals wit h disabilities, and to treat qualified individuals without discrimination o n the basis of their physical or mental disability in all employment practices, including the following:

i.Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures;

ii.Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring;

iii.Rates of pay or any other form of compensation and chan ges in compensation;

iv.Job assignments, job classifications, organizational struct ures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists;

v.Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave;

vi.Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment, whether or not administered by the [contractor/seller];

vii.Selection and financial support for training, including app renticeship, professional meetings, conferences, and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training;

viii.Activities sponsored by the [contractor/seller] including social or recreational programs; and

ix.Any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.

2. The [contractor/seller] agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.

3.In the event of the [contractor/seller] noncompliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for noncompliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.

4. The [contractor/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices in a form to be prescribed by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, provided by or through the contracting officer. Such notices shall state the rights of applicants and employees as well as the [contractor/seller] 's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified employees and applicants with disabilities.

The [contractor/seller] must ensure that applicants or employees with disabilities are provided the notice in a form that is accessible and understandable to the individual applicant or employee (e.g., providing Brail or large print versions of the notice, or posting a copy of the notice at a lower height for easy viewing by a person using a wheelchair). With respect to employees who do not work at a physical location of the [contractor/seller], a [contractor/seller] will satisfy its posting obligations by posting such notices in an electronic format, provided that the [contractor/seller] provides computers, or access to computers, that can access the electronic posting to such employees, or the [contractor/seller] has actual know ledge that such employees otherwise are able to access the electronically posted notices. Electronic notices for employees must be post ed in a conspicuous location and format on the company's intranet or sent by electronic mail to employees. An electronic posting must be used by the [contractor/seller] to notify job applicants of their rights if the [contractor/seller] utilizes an electronic application process. Such electronic applicant notice must be conspicuously stored with, or as part of, the electronic application.

5. The [contractor/seller] will notify each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the [contractor/ seller] is bound by the terms of section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment, and shall not discriminate against, individuals with physical or mental disabilities.

6. The [contractor/seller] will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$ 10,000, unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to section 503 of the act, as amended, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.

7.The [contractor/seller] must, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment and will not be discriminated against on the basis of disability.

#### 18. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

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

#### 19. Contractor's Status

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

#### 20. Other Contractors

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

#### 21. Liens

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

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

- (a) The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- (b) The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Part 75 regulations.
- (c) The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 prioritization requirements, and shall state the minimum percentages of labor hour requirements established in the Benchmark Notice (FR-6085-N-04)..
- (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75.
- (e) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 75 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts
- (f) Contracts, subcontracts, grants, or subgrants subject to Section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5307(b)) or subject to tribal preference requirements as authorized under 101(k) of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (25 U.S.C. 4111(k)) must provide preferences in employment, training, and business opportunities to Indians and Indian organizations, and are therefore not subject to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 75.

#### 23. Procurement of Recovered Materials

(a) In accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Contractor shall procure items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered

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materials practicable consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition. The Contractor shall procure items designated in the EPA guidelines that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable unless the Contractor determines that such items: (1) are not reasonably available in a reasonable period of time; (2) fail to meet reasonable performance standards, which shall be determined on the basis of the guidelines of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, if applicable to the item; or (3) are only available at an unreasonable price.

(b) Paragraph (a) of this clause shall apply to items purchased under this contract where: (1) the Contractor purchases in excess of \$10,000 of the item under this contract; or (2) during the preceding Federal fiscal year, the Contractor: (i) purchased any amount of the items for use under a contract that was funded with Federal appropriations and was with a Federal agency or a State agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State; and (ii) purchased a total of in excess of \$10,000 of the item both under and outside that contract

# General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

#### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing Office of Labor Relations OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 11/30/2023)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions,s earching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and an applicant is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

- 1) Non-construction contracts (*without* maintenance) greater than \$250,000 use Section I;
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.200) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$250,000 - use Section II; and
- 3) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$250,000 – use Sections I and II.

#### Section II – Labor Standard Provisions for all Maintenance Contracts greater than \$2,000

#### 1. Minimum Wages

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- (a) All maintenance laborers and mechanics employed under this Contract in the operation of the project(s) shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than semi-monthly, and without subsequent deduction (except as otherwise provided by law or regulations), the full amount of wages due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein; provided, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination, including any additional classifications and wage rates approved by HUD under subparagraph 1(b), shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.
- (b) (i) Any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the Contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate only when the following criteria have been met:
  - The work to be performed by the classification required is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;
  - (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the industry; and
  - (3) The proposed wage rate bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
  - The wage rate determined pursuant to this paragraph shall be paid to all workers performing work

in the classification under this Contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

#### 2. Withholding of funds

The Contracting Officer, upon his/her own action or upon request of HUD, shall withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this Contract or any other contract subject to HUD-determined wage rates, with the same prime Contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by this clause. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic employed under this Contract all or part of the wages required under this Contract, the Contracting Officer or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment or advance until such violations have ceased. The Public Housing Agency or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for and on account of the Contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due.

#### 3. Records

- (a) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make and maintain for three (3) years from the completion of the work records containing the following for each laborer and mechanic:
  - (i) Name, address and Social Security Number;
  - (ii) Correct work classification or classifications;
  - (iii) Hourly rate or rates of monetary wages paid;
  - (iv) Rate or rates of any fringe benefits provided;
  - (v) Number of daily and weekly hours worked;
  - (vi) Gross wages earned;
  - (vii) Any deductions made; and
  - (viii) Actual wages paid.
- (b) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3(a) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or the HA and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or any subcontractor fails to make the required records available, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance or guarantee of funds.

#### 4. Apprentices and Trainees

- (a) Apprentices and trainees will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in:
  - (i) A bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of

Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services (OATELS), or with a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS, or if a person is employed in his/her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by OATELS or a state apprenticeship agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice; A

- (ii) trainee program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, ETA; or
- (iii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD.
- (b) Each apprentice or trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered or approved program for the apprentice's/trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices and trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the registered or approved program. If the program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices/trainees must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification.
- (c) The allowable ratio of apprentices or trainees to journeyman on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the employer as to the entire work force under the approved program.
- (d) Any worker employed at an apprentice or trainee wage rate who is not registered in an approved program, and any apprentice or trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the approved program, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed.
- (e) In the event OATELS, a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS or ETA, or HUD, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship or trainee program, the employer will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices/trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

#### 5. Disputes concerning labor standards

- (a) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions contained in Section II of this form HUD-5370-C, other than those in Paragraph 6, shall be subject to the following procedures. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, or HUD, or the employees or their representatives, concerning payment of prevailing wage rates or proper classification. The procedures in this section may be initiated upon HUD's own motion, upon referral of the HA, or upon request of the Contractor or subcontractor(s).
  - (i) A Contractor and/or subcontractor or other interested party desiring reconsideration of findings of violation by the HA or HUD relating to the payment of straight-time prevailing wages or classification of work shall request such reconsideration by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days of the date of notice of findings issued by the HA or HUD. The request shall set

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD). The HA

or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings of violation. The written decision on reconsideration shall contain instructions that any appeal of the decision shall be addressed to the Regional Labor Relations Officer by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days after the date of the decision. In the event that the Regional Labor Relations Officer was the deciding official on reconsideration, the appeal shall be directed to the Director. Office of Labor Relations (HUD). Any appeal must set forth the aspects of the decision that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The Regional Labor

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- (iii) Relations Officer shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the decision on reconsideration) after receipt of a timely appeal, issue a written decision on the findings. A decision of the Regional Labor Relations Officer may be appealed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations, by letter postmarked within 30 days of the Regional Labor Relations Officer's decision. Any appeal to the Director must set forth the aspects of the prior decision(s) that are in dispute and the reasons. The decision of the Director, Office of Labor Relations, shall be final.
- (b) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of paragraph 6 shall not be subject to paragraph 5(a) of this form HUD-5370C. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the U.S. Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6 and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph 5(b) include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, HUD, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

#### 6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

The provisions of this paragraph 6 are applicable only where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" includes watchmen and guards.

- (a) Overtime requirements. No Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the Contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of 40 hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in such workweek.
- (b) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph 6(a), the Contractor and any

subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to the District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of 40 hours without payment of the overtime wages required by provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause.

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

#### 7. Subcontracts

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts all the provisions contained in this Section II and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these provisions in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the provisions contained in these clauses.

#### 8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

Any prevailing wage rate (including basic hourly rate and any fringe benefits), determined under state law to be prevailing, with respect to any employee in any trade or position employed under the Contract, is inapplicable to the contract and shall not be enforced against the Contractor or any subcontractor, with respect to employees engaged under the contract whenever such non-Federal prevailing wage rate, exclusive of any fringe benefits, exceeds the applicable wage rate determined by the Secretary of HUD to be prevailing in the locality with respect to such trade or position.

# Attachment H HUD-5369-B





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#### 1. Preparation of Offers

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

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

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

#### 2. Submission of Offers

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

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

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

#### 3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

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

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

#### 4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

#### 5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### 7. Contract Award

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

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

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

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

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

#### 8. Service of Protest

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

#### 9. Offer Submission

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

# Attachment I Corporate Resolution



(name),

#### CORPORATE RESOLUTION

Ι,	,	the	undersigned	Secretary	of
	(The	"Corpor	ration") hereby	certifies that:	The
Corporation is duly organized and existing under the la	aws of	the Stat	e of		and
the following is true, accurate and complete transcript of a resolution contained in the minute book of the					
Board of Directors of said Corporation duly held on th	e	da	y of		,
at which meeting there was present and acting the	rougho	out a quo	rum authorized	to transact bus	iness
hereinafter described, and that the proceedings of said meeting were in accordance with the charter and					
by-laws of said Corporation and that said resolutions h	nave no	ot been a	mended or revo	oked and are in	ı full

force and effect: Resolved, that

(title) of the Corporation, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents on behalf of said Corporation, and to take such steps, and do such other acts and things, as in his or her judgment may be necessary, appropriate or desirable in connection with any proposal submitted to, or any contract entered into with the City of Austin: and,

Resolved, that any and all transactions by and of the officers of representatives of the Corporation, in its name and for its account, with the City of Austin prior to the adoption of these resolutions be, and they are hereby, ratified and approved for all purposes.

Witness my hand and seal of the Corporation this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_,202\_.

(Corporate Seal)

Secretary-Treasurer

# Attachment J E-Verification Affidavit



### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS

Solicitation: RFP 24-906-11 On-Call Legal Services

# **E-VERIFICATION AFFIDAVIT**

(Employer)				
STATE OF				
I,(Authorized Signatory)	Being duly sworn, attests and says that:			

\_\_\_\_\_a private organization,

(Name of Private Company/Employer)

duly registered in the aforementioned state, and contracted to perform work within the State of Louisiana, herein attests that I/we (the employer) are in compliance with the United States Department of Homeland Security's "E-Verify" program, which is mandated pursuant to La RS 38:2212.10. I further attest that I/we are registered in a status verification system to verify that all new employees in my/our (the employer) employ are legal citizens of the United States, or are legal aliens. Further, I/we shall continue to utilize a status verification system to confirm the legal status of all new employees assigned to this project during the term of this contract. In further compliance with the Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 administrated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, I/we shall require all subcontractors to submit to me/us (the employer) a sworn affidavit verifying its compliance with the Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324(a).

Signature of

(Authorized Signatory)

(Printed Name/Title of Authorized Signatory)

Sworn to and Subscribed before me:

This \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Notary Public

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

# Attachment K Vendor Registration





# **VENDOR SETUP FORM**

Company Name:					
Physical Address: _					
City: _	State:Zip:				
Owner/President: _					
Remit To Address:					
City: _	State: Zip:				
Contact Name:	Authorized Signature:				
Contact Number:	Contact Fax:				
Contact Email:	Company Website:				
Banking Informatio	n (Required for EFT Payment, if applicable):				
Bank Name:	Name on Bank Account:				
Routing Number:					
Account Number:					
Required: Taxpayer	Identification Number:				
Type of Operation (Check all that apply): Individual Corporation Manufacturer Partnership Distributor Sole Proprietorship Retail Dealer Agent/Broker Limited Liability					
PLEASE ATTACH ANY REVISED INFORMATION INCLUDING W9 AND/OR BANKING UPDATED INFORMATION, AS REQUIRED					
Requisition #:	or N/A (Direct pay items do not require a requisition #)				
Approvals:					
Requestor/Departm	nent:Date:Date:				
Finance Approval:	Date: 1099? Y N				
Procurement Appro	val: Date:				
Date Entered:	Entered By:				

*	Attach	Documentation	(If	<b>Provided</b> )
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# Select All Applicable Products/Service in Each Category:

#### Voice Services & Products:

- □ Call Accounting
- □ Calling Cards
- Local Services
- Voice Bridging
- VoIP Solutions
- Call Center
- □ Telephone Equipment
- Long Distance Services
- Voice Systems
- □ Wireless/Cellular
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Network/Internet Services & Products:**

- Converged Network Provider
- Internet Access
- Virtual Learning
- □ Custom Network/Internet Solutions
- Network Equipment
- Wireless LAN/MAN/WAN
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Video Services & Products:

- □ Audio/Visual Equipment
- □ Interactive Video & Multimedia Equipment
- □ Video Bridging
- Integration Services
- Network Access
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### e-Learning Solutions:

- Course/Learning Management Application
- □ Training/Certification
- □ Course Content Provider
- Hosting ASP Services
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### **Computer Services & Products:**

□ Application Software (Microsoft, Adobe, Lotus, etc.)

- E-mail Applications
- Network Devices
- SAN, Enterprise, Etc.
- □ Web & Application Hosting/IT Services
- □ Computers, Servers & Add-On Components
- □ Internet Content Filtering Applications &

Devices

- Peripheral Equipment
- **Storage Systems**
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Additional Services & Products:

Auditors

Electrical Generators & Power Suppression Equip

- Office Furniture
- □ Consulting
- □ Library Supplies, Equipment & Furniture
- □ Office Supplies & Equipment
- □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle all that Apply: (DBE) (WBE) (MBE) (Section 3) (Small Business)

Required: (Attach a copy of your certification for all items circled above)

Check one: \_\_ African American \_\_ Hispanic\_\_ Native American \_\_ Asian\_\_\_ Caucasian \_\_\_Other

# **Definitions:**

**Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)** – A business enterprise that is 51% or more owned, controlled, and actively operated by one or more persons who are classified as members of a racial minority group, such as African American, Hispanic American, Asian Pacific American, Asian Indian American, Native American, Aleuts or Hasidic Jewish Americans.

**Woman Business Enterprise (WBE)** - A business enterprise that is 51% or more owned, controlled, and actively operated by one or more women.

Section 3 Business - A business that meets one of the following:

- 1. 51% or more owned and controlled by a resident of any HANO Housing site or whose full-time permanent workforce includes 30% of HANO residents of any housing site;
- 2. Hud Youthbuild Program in Orleans Parish;
- 3. Business concerns that are 51% or more owned and controlled by HANO residents or are low or very low-income Orleans Parish Residents or whose full-time permanent workforce includes 30% of HANO residents or low/very low-income Orleans Parish residents;
- 4. Business that subcontracts in excess of 25% of the total amount of subcontracts to business concerns identified in the preferences above.

**Small Business Enterprise (SBE)** — A business concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated and is not dominant in the field of operation for which it is bidding and qualifies as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR Part 121 (see FAR 19.102).

# **DECLARATION BY VENDOR**

### I confirm that:

- i) Neither I nor any employee of \_\_\_\_\_\_ is in any way connected to the Housing Authority of New Orleans or its employees or an immediate family member of any Housing Authority of New Orleans employee.
- ii) For each relationship, I will include a brief statement describing the relationship.
- iii) The information furnished is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Printed Name of Authorized Signatory

Signature

Form WL-9 (Rev. October 2018) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line, do not leave this line blank.		
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above		
page 3.	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only following seven boxes.	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):	
uo și	Individual/sole proprietor or C Corporation S Corporation Partnership I The single-member LLC	130 031010	Exempt payee code (if any)
Specific Instructions	<ul> <li>Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶</li> <li>Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-membine is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.</li> <li>Other (see instructions) ▶</li> </ul>	(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)	
s Spe	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. Reques	ster's name a	and address (optional)
See	6 City, state, and ZIP code		
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)		
Pa	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)		
nter acki sidi ntiti IN, 1	your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid up withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a ent alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other as, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a ater. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and ber To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.	or	r identification number

#### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3.1 am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and

4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ≽	Date >

# **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

#### Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)

- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- · Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct ŢIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

#### Form W-9 (Rev. 10-2018)

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;

 A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;

An estate (other than a foreign estate); or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States.

 In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;

 In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and

 In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

 The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.

Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article. **Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

#### Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,

2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See Exempt payee code, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships, earlier.

#### What is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

#### Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

#### Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

# **Specific Instructions**

#### Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; do not leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. Individual. Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note: ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. Sole proprietor or single-member LLC. Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. Other entities. Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. Disregarded entity. For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the owner that is not disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the J. The disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner first owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner first owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner first owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner first owner first owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner first owner first owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner first owner first owner foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

#### Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

#### Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n)	THEN check the box for
Corporation	Corporation
<ul> <li>Individual</li> <li>Sole proprietorship, or</li> <li>Single-member limited liability company (LLC) owned by an individual and disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.</li> </ul>	Individual/sole proprietor or single- member LLC
<ul> <li>LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes,</li> <li>LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, or</li> <li>LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner but the owner is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.</li> </ul>	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification. (P= Partnership; C= C corporation; or S= S corporation)
Partnership	Partnership
Trust/estate	Trust/estate

#### Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

#### Exempt payee code.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.

 Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.

 Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1--An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

4-A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

#### 5-A corporation

6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

7-A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8-A real estate investment trust

9-An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11-A financial institution

12-A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

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The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 <sup>2</sup>
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E-A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G-A real estate investment trust

H--A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J-A bank as defined in section 581

K-A broker

L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

#### Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

#### Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

#### Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See What Name and Number To Give the Requester, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.SSA.gov.* You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/Businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. Go to *www.irs.gov/Forms* to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to *www.irs.gov/OrderForms* to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

#### Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

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1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

#### What Name and Number To Give the Requester

1. Individual       The individual         2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI       The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup> 3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)       Each holder of the account         4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)       The individual         5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)       The grantor trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law         6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual       The grantor*         7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)() (A))       The owner*         6. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual       The owner         9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust       Legal entity <sup>4</sup> 10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553       The corporation or		Give name and SSN of:
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11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax- exempt organization	For this type of account: 8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual 9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust 10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or	The owner Legal entity <sup>4</sup>
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC The partnership	For this type of account: 8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual 9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust 10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553 11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-	The owner Legal entity <sup>4</sup> The corporation
13. A broker or registered nominee The broker or nominee	<ul> <li>For this type of account:</li> <li>8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual</li> <li>9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust</li> <li>10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553</li> <li>11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other taxexempt organization</li> </ul>	The owner Legal entity <sup>4</sup> The corporation The organization The partnership

:	Give name and EIN of:
of blic	The public entity

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(0)(2)(WBI)	The trust

<sup>1</sup> List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

3 You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see Special rules for partnerships, earlier.

\*Note: The grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

#### Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

Protect your SSN,

- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

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The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to *phishing@irs.gov*. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at *spam@uce.gov* or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.identityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Visit www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

#### **Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property, the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) No. 24-906-19: Insurance and Risk Management for HANO

# Attachment L Section 3 Business Preference



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS, LA

### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS

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#### INTERNAL PROCEDURES, INSTRUCTIONS, AND FORMS

This packet is designed to comply with the New HUD Section 3 Final Rule issued September 29, 2020, and became effective November 30, 2020. Therefore, these documents and instructions are related to the "Hours Worked Benchmarks" as called for in the 24 CFR Part 75 regulation. Every contractor and sub-contractor (except for professional services) are required to work toward meeting the prescribed benchmarks as indicated on the bottom of page 10 of this packet. There is no specific hiring or contracting goals under this new rule.

Most importantly, the rule does not require the hiring or contracting of any person or business that is not fully qualified to perform the work as would be charged. However, the rule makes clear that HUD is intent on ensuring Section 3 persons employed under the new rule receive measurable and sustainable employment. Therefore, Section 3 employees can be counted for up to five full years from the date of certification or hire respectively. HUD is expected to issue continued guidance on the new rule in the future so these documents may change in accordance with the rule.

If you should have any questions on this packet, please contact our Compliance Consultant:

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#### GOVERNING PARTS OF THE SECTION 3 FINAL RULE SPECIFIC TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS

The Final Rule is at 24 CFR Part 75

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#### **SECTION 3 BACKGROUND**

#### Applicable to all expenditures and agreements regardless of the dollar amount

Background - Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-448, approved August 1, 1968) (Section 3) was enacted to bring economic opportunities generated by certain HUD financial assistance expenditures, to the greatest extent feasible, to low- and very low-income persons residing in communities where the financial assistance is expended. Section 3 recognizes that HUD funds are often one of the largest sources of Federal funds expended in low-and very low-income communities and, where such funds are spent on activities such as construction and rehabilitation of housing and other public facilities, the expenditure results in economic opportunities. By directing HUD-funded economic opportunities to residents and businesses in the community where the funds are expended, the expenditure can have the dual benefit of creating new or rehabilitated housing and other facilities while providing opportunities for employment and training for the residents of these communities.

The Section 3 statute establishes priorities for employment and contracting for public housing programs and for other programs that provide housing and community development assistance. For example, the prioritization as it relates to public housing assistance places an emphasis on public housing residents, in contrast to the prioritization as it relates to housing and community development assistance, which places more emphasis on residents of the neighborhood or service area in which the investment is being made.

#### INTERNAL PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULE

#### Housing Authority of New Orleans Internal Hiring Procedure

For all positions at the authority, the human resources staff will include the Section 3 Individual Low-Income Person Self Certification form with the applications (virtually and paper) allowing each applicant to identify themselves accordingly. The completion of the form will remain voluntary and at the applicant's discretion.

Once all applications have been received and reviewed, the most desirous and qualified candidate will be progressed through the hiring process. The Section 3 status of the applicant will be considered only after the "Most Qualified" candidate has been determined. If there are multiple and equally qualified persons, the Section 3 status and category of the applicant will be considered. The candidate with the highest Section 3 priority based on the 24CFR Part 75.9(a)(2) will be offered the position. All advertisements for positions with the authority will carry this wording:

"This opportunity is covered under Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968"

#### Housing Authority of New Orleans Contractor Hiring Notice

For all advertised contracts let by the authority, the responsible staff will include the Section 3 Business Self Certification form and the Section 3 Individual Low-Income Self Certification form with the bid package (virtually and paper) allowing each respondent to identify themselves and their business accordingly. The completion of the forms will remain voluntary and at the respondent's discretion.

Once all responses have been received and reviewed, the most desirous and qualified business will be progressed through the contracting process. The Section 3 status of the respondent will be considered only after the "Most Qualified and Advantageous" respondent has been determined.

If there are multiple and equally qualified businesses, the Section 3 status and category of the business will be considered. The business with the highest Section 3 priority, based on the 24CFR Part 75.9 (b)(2) will be awarded the contract. All other applicable procurement laws will be adhered to relative to contracting amounts. All advertisements for contracts with the authority will carry this wording:

"This opportunity is covered under Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968"

#### Housing Authority of New Orleans Contracting Procedure

For all advertised and non-advertised contracts let by the authority, the responsible staff will include the Section 3 Business Self Certification form and the Section 3 Individual Low-Income Self Certification form (with no income limit area) with the solicitation/bid package (virtually and paper) allowing each respondent to identify themselves and their business accordingly. The completion of the forms will remain voluntary at the respondent's discretion.

Once all responses have been received and reviewed, the most desirous and qualified business will be progressed through the contracting process. The Section 3 status of the respondent will be considered only after the "Most Qualified and Advantageous" respondent has been determined. We encourage contractors to recruit, train, and hire as many Housing Authority of New Orleans residents and voucher holders as possible. At minimum, contractors are required to provide an opportunity notice the Section 3 coordinator so some outreach can be executed for any created or available employment opportunities.

If there are multiple and equally qualified businesses, the Section 3 status and category of the business will be considered. The business with the highest Section 3 priority, based on the 24CFR Part 75.9 (b)(2) will be awarded the contract. All other applicable procurement laws will be adhered to relative to contracting amounts. All advertisements for contracts with the authority or its contractors, and sub-contractors will carry this wording:

"This opportunity is covered under Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968"

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#### Housing Authority of New Orleans Internal <u>Resident Training</u> Procedure

For all resident training offered by Housing Authority of New Orleans and its contractors, the staff will include the Section 3 Individual Low-Income Person Self Certification form with the training notice or upon the first day of training (virtually and paper) allowing each prospective trainee to identify themselves accordingly as public housing or Section 8. The completion of the form will NOT be voluntary as the prospective trainees will be allowed to attend based on their prioritization in the 24CFR Part 75.9(a)(2).

If the training is being paid for with HUD Public Housing financial assistance, the training will be limited to residents and potentially voucher holders only.

All advertisements for training will carry this wording:

"This opportunity is covered under Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968"

#### Key Rule Components

Note: Where a portion of a Section specifically spoke to areas not related to Public Housing Assistance, those pieces were intentionally removed. There is no need to feel something important is not included.

#### § 75.1 Purpose.

This part establishes the requirements to be followed to ensure the objectives of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) (Section 3) are met. The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that economic opportunities, most importantly employment, generated by certain HUD financial assistance shall be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing or residents of the community in which the Federal assistance is spent.

#### § 75.3 Applicability.

(a) General applicability. Section 3 applies to public housing financial assistance and Section 3 projects, as follows:

(1) Public housing financial assistance. Public housing financial assistance means:

(i) Development assistance provided pursuant to section 5 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (the 1937 Act);

(ii) Operations and management assistance provided pursuant to section 9(e) of the 1937 Act;

(iv) The entirety of a mixed-finance development project as described in 24 CFR 905.604, regardless of whether the project is fully or partially assisted with public housing financial assistance as defined in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) through (iii) of this section.

(iii) The requirements in this part apply to an entire Section 3 project, regardless of whether the project is fully or partially assisted under HUD programs that provide housing and community development financial assistance.

(b) Contracts for materials. Section 3 requirements do not apply to material supply contracts.

(d) Other HUD assistance and other Federal assistance. Recipients that are not subject to Section 3 are encouraged to consider ways to support the purpose of Section 3.

#### § 75.5 Core Definitions Only.

The terms HUD, Public housing, Public Housing Agency (PHA), and are defined in 24 CFR part 5. The also apply to this part: 1937 Act means the United States Housing Act of 1937, 42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq. Contractor means any entity entering into a contract with:

- (1) A recipient to perform work in connection with the expenditure of public housing financial assistance or for work in connection with a Section 3 project; or
- (2) A subrecipient for work in connection with a Section 3 project.

Labor hours means the number of paid hours worked by persons on a Section 3 project or by persons employed with funds that include public housing financial assistance.

Low-income person means a person as defined in Section 3(b)(2) of the 1937 Act.

Material supply contracts means contracts for the purchase of products and materials, including, but not limited to, lumber, drywall, wiring, concrete, pipes, toilets, sinks, carpets, and office supplies.

**Professional services** means non-construction services that require an advanced degree or professional licensing, including, but not limited to, contracts for legal services, financial consulting, accounting services, environmental assessment, architectural services, and civil engineering services.

Public housing financial assistance means assistance as defined in § 75.3(a)(1).

Public housing project is defined in 24 CFR 905.108.

**Recipient** means any entity that receives directly from HUD public housing financial assistance or housing and community development assistance that funds Section 3 projects, including, but not

limited to, any State, local government, instrumentality, PHA, or other public agency, public or private nonprofit organization.

**Section 3** means Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701u).

#### Section 3 business concern means:

(1) A business concern meeting at least one of the following criteria, documented within the last sixmonth period:

(i) It is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons;(ii) Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three- month period are performed by Section 3 workers; or

(iii) It is a business at least 51 percent owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.

(2) The status of a Section 3 business concern shall not be negatively affected by a prior arrest or conviction of its owner(s) or employees.

(3) Nothing in this part shall be construed to require the contracting or subcontracting of a Section 3 business concern. Section 3 business concerns are not exempt from meeting the specifications of the contract.

#### Section 3 worker means:

(1) Any worker who currently fits or when hired within the past five years fit at least one of the following categories, as documented:

(i) The worker's income for the previous or annualized calendar year is below the income limit established by HUD.

- (ii) The worker is employed by a Section 3 business concern.
- (iii) The worker is a YouthBuild participant.

(2) The status of a Section 3 worker shall not be negatively affected by a prior arrest or conviction.

(3) Nothing in this part shall be construed to require the employment of someone who meets this definition of a Section 3 worker. Section 3 workers are not exempt from meeting the qualifications of the position to be filled.

**Section 8-assisted housing** refers to housing receiving project-based rental assistance or tenant-based assistance under Section 8 of the 1937 Act.

**Subcontractor** means any entity that has a contract with a contractor to undertake a portion of the contractor's obligation to perform work in connection with the expenditure of public housing financial assistance or for a Section 3 project.

**Targeted Section 3 worker** has the meanings provided in §§ 75.11, 75.21, or 75.29, and does not exclude an individual that has a prior arrest or conviction.

Very low-income person means the definition for this term set forth in section 3(b)(2) of the 1937 Act.

**YouthBuild programs** refers to YouthBuild programs receiving assistance under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3226).

#### § 75.9 Requirements

#### (a) Employment and Training.

<u>Consistent with existing Federal, state, and local laws and regulations</u>, PHAs or other recipients receiving public housing financial assistance, and their contractors and subcontractors, must make their <u>best efforts</u> to provide employment and training opportunities generated by the public housing financial assistance to Section 3 workers.

(2) PHAs or other recipients, and their contractors and subcontractors, must make their best efforts described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section in the following order of priority:

(i) To residents of the public housing projects for which the public housing financial assistance is expended;

(ii) To residents of other public housing projects managed by the PHA that is providing the assistance or for residents of Section 8-assisted housing managed by the PHA;

(iii) To participants in YouthBuild programs; and

(iv) To low- and very low-income persons residing within the metropolitan area (or nonmetropolitan county) in which the assistance is expended.

#### (b) Contracting.

(1) Consistent with existing Federal, state, and local laws and regulations, PHAs and other recipients of public housing financial assistance, and their contractors and subcontractors, must make their <u>best efforts to award</u> contracts and subcontracts to business concerns that provide economic opportunities to Section 3 workers.

(2) PHAs and other recipients, and their contractors and subcontractors, must make their best efforts described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section in the following order of priority:

(ii) To Section 3 business concerns that provide economic opportunities for residents of the public housing projects for which the assistance is provided;

(ii) To Section 3 business concerns that provide economic opportunities for residents of other public housing projects or Section-8 assisted housing managed by the PHA that is providing the assistance;

(iii) To YouthBuild programs; and

(iv) To Section 3 business concerns that provide economic opportunities to Section 3 workers residing within the metropolitan area (or nonmetropolitan county) in which the assistance is provided.

§ 75.11 Targeted Section 3 worker for Public Housing Financial Assistance.

(a) Targeted Section 3 worker. A Targeted Section 3 worker for public housing financial assistance means a Section 3 worker who is:

(1) A worker employed by a Section 3 business concern; or

(2) A worker who currently fits or when hired fit at least one of the following categories, as documented within the past five years:

(i) A resident of public housing or Section 8-assisted housing;

(ii) A resident of other public housing projects or Section 8-assisted housing managed by the PHA that is providing the assistance; or

(iii) A YouthBuild participant.

#### § 75.13 Section 3 Safe Harbor. (See Benchmarks on page 13)

(a) General. Recipients will be considered to have complied with requirements in this part, in the absence of evidence to the contrary if they:

- (2) Certify that they have followed the prioritization of effort in § 75.9; and
- (3) (2) Meet or exceed the applicable Section 3 benchmark as described in paragraph (b) of this section.

#### § 75.15 Reporting. (See Benchmarks on page 13)

- (a) Reporting of labor hours. (1) For public housing financial assistance, PHAs and other recipients must report in a manner prescribed by HUD:
  - (i) The total number of labor hours worked;
  - (ii) The total number of labor hours worked by Section 3 workers; and
  - (iii) The total number of labor hours worked by Targeted Section 3 workers.

(2) Section 3 workers' and Targeted Section 3 workers' labor hours may be counted for five years from when their status as a Section 3 worker or Targeted Section 3 worker is established pursuant to § 75.31.

(5) PHAs and other recipients may report on the labor hours of the PHA, the recipient, a contractor, or a subcontractor based on the employer's good faith assessment of the labor hours of a full-time or part-time employee informed by the employer's existing salary or time and attendance based payroll systems, unless the project or activity is otherwise subject to requirements specifying time and attendance reporting.

#### (b) Additional reporting if Section 3 benchmarks are not met.

If the PHA's or other recipient's reporting under paragraph (a) of this section indicates that the PHA or other recipient has not met the Section 3 benchmarks described in § 75.13, the PHA or other recipient must report in a form prescribed by HUD on the qualitative nature of its Section 3 compliance activities and those of its contractors and subcontractors. Such *qualitative efforts may, for example*, include but are not limited to the following:

(1) Engaged in outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Targeted Section 3 workers. Etc.

(2) of the (c) Reporting frequency. Unless otherwise provided, PHAs or other recipients must report annually to HUD under paragraph (a) of this section, and, where required, under paragraph (b) of this section, in a manner consistent with reporting requirements for the applicable HUD program.

#### § 75.17 Contract Provisions.

(a) PHAs or other recipients must include language in any agreement or contract to apply Section 3 to contractors.

(b) PHAs or other recipients must require contractors to include language in any contract or agreement to apply Section 3 to subcontractors.

(c) PHAs or other recipients must require all contractors and subcontractors to meet the requirements of § 75.9, regardless of whether Section 3 language is included in contracts.

#### § 75.29 Multiple Funding Sources.

(a) If a housing rehabilitation, housing construction or other public construction project is subject to Section 3 pursuant to § 75.3(a)(1) and (2), the recipient must follow subpart B of this part for the public housing financial assistance and may follow either subpart B or C of this part for the housing and community development financial assistance. For such a project, the following applies:

(2) The recipients of both sources of funding shall report on the housing rehabilitation, housing construction, or other public construction project as a whole and shall identify the multiple associated recipients. PHAs and other recipients must report the following information:

- (i) The Total number of labor hours worked on the project;
- (ii) The total number of labor hours worked by Section 3 workers on the project, and;
- (iii) The total number of labor hours worked by Targeted Section 3 workers on the project.

§ 75.31 Recordkeeping.

(b) <u>Recipients must maintain documentation, or ensure that a subrecipient, contractor, or</u> <u>subcontractor that employs the worker maintains documentation, to ensure that workers meet the</u> <u>definition of a Section 3 worker or Targeted Section 3 worker, at the time of hire or the first reporting</u> <u>period, as follows:</u>

(1) For a worker to qualify as a Section 3 worker, one of the following must be maintained:

(i) A worker's self-certification that their income is below the income limit from the prior calendar year;

(ii) A worker's self-certification of participation in a means-tested program such as public housing or Section 8-assisted housing;

(iii) Certification from a PHA, or the owner or property manager of project-based Section 8assisted housing, or the administrator of tenant-based Section 8-assisted housing that the worker is a participant in one of their programs;

(iv) An employer's certification that the worker's income from that employer is below the income limit when based on an employer's calculation of what the worker's wage rate would translate to if annualized on a full-time basis; or

(v) An employer's certification that the worker is employed by a Section 3 business concern.

(2) For a worker to qualify as a Targeted Section 3 worker, one of the following must be maintained:

(i) For a worker to qualify as a Targeted Section 3 worker under subpart B of this part:

(A) A worker's self-certification of participation in public housing or Section 8-assisted housing programs;

(B) Certification from a PHA, or the owner or property manager of project-based Section 8-assisted housing, or the administrator of tenant-based Section 8-assisted housing that the worker is a participant in one of their programs;

(C) An employer's certification that the worker is employed by a Section 3 business concern; or

(D) A worker's certification that the worker is a YouthBuild participant.

#### **Benchmarks**

For Public Housing Financial Assistance, the proposed benchmark notification set the benchmarks for the recipient's fiscal year. The proposed benchmark notification provided that recipients would meet the safe harbor in the new §75.13 by certifying to the prioritization of effort in the new §75.9 and meeting or exceeding Section 3 benchmarks for total number of labor hours worked by Section 3 workers and by Targeted Section 3 workers. The benchmark for Section 3 workers was set at 20 percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers paid with public housing financial assistance. The benchmark for Targeted Section 3 workers was set at 5 percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers was set at 5 percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers was set at 5 percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers was set at 5 percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers was set at 5 percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers was set at 5 percent or more of the total number of labor hours workers paid with public housing financial assistance.

Simply stated, the recipient needs to meet these two benchmarks annually in order to achieve Safe Harbor.

Section 3 Workers Labor Hours = 20%

Total Labor Hours for the Recipient

<u>Section 3 Targeted Workers Labor Hours = 5%</u> Total Labor Hours for the Recipient

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#### -CONTRACT COMPLIANCE FORMS PACKAGE-

## HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS SECTION 3 NEW RULE 24 CFR Part 75

On November 30, 2020, HUD put into effect a New and Final Section 3 Rule for all recipients. This rule is drastically different from the old rule and therefore, we want everyone to know these requirements and plan accordingly.

#### <u>Every contractor must ensure this package is included in their sub-contracts</u>. <u>Every</u> <u>sub-contractor must include this package in their lower-tiered sub-contracts</u>.

This new rule exempts all material and supply only agreements. The rule applies to all service-related contracts/agreements despite the dollar amount or project duration, except CPA's, Attorneys, Engineers, and Architects.

There is an Order of Priority for employment that needs to be followed in the event there are multiple "equally" qualified persons for a job. Contracting is based on "Economic Opportunities" provided to Section 3 persons. Please ask if you desire to do any of these things.

Documents included in this package:

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#### The Acknowledgement and Affidavit must be executed and returned by Every Contractor.

- \* Twenty (20) percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers employed with public housing financial assistance in a HA's fiscal year are Section 3 workers; and
- \* Five (5) percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers employed with public housing financial assistance in a HA's fiscal year are Section 3 workers
- **\*\*** There are **No specific hiring or contracting goals** under this new rule.
- \*\* There is No Section 3 Business Preference under the new rule and No points awarded for being a Section 3 Business.

#### \* All person or business be fully qualified to perform the work.

#### The two new categories of Section 3 are now referred to as:

**\*\* Section 3 Worker** - Any low or very low-income persons residing in the Metropolitan area

**\*\* Targeted Section 3 Worker** - Public Housing, Voucher Holder, and YouthBuild participants

Contractors will provide these three (3) data sets to the Section 3 Consultant within 45 days of the month after the hours have been worked by EVERY person that worked directly on the contract. <u>No</u> back-office staff hours are counted:

- \*\* Total Hours Worked by all workers
- \* Total Hours Worked by Section 3 Workers (Individual Self-Certification Form Required)
- \* Total Hours worked by Targeted Section 3 Workers (Individual Self-Certification Form Required

#### There are new definitions of how to be a Section 3 Business Concern:

- It is at least 51 percent owned by low- or very low-income persons; with businesses at least 6 months old
- Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business are performed by low- or very low-income persons; or (Based on the prior 90 days of full business payrolls)
- It is a business at least 51 percent owned by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing, with businesses at least 6 months old.

#### STEP ONE

Enter your company name and the name of the contract or task you are performing in the appropriate lines at the top of the form.

#### STEP TWO

Determine which workers qualify as Section 3 by having each complete a **Section 3 Individual Low-Income Person Self-Certification Form**. This form is submitted once per Section 3 employee or those that believe they meet the definition of a Section 3 employee.

The form is to be completed by the individual and stress to the employee that the form is Voluntary:

- 1. Complete contact info section
- 2. Check the box that describes your situation
- 3. Sign and date the form
- 4. Complete the employer information
- 5. Return to your employer

#### STEP THREE

After determining which workers are Section 3, determine their classification based on what they check in the box on the form as Non-Targeted or Targeted:

Non-Targeted Workers are those low-income people who reside within the HANO metro area

**Targeted** Workers are those low-income people who are currently active HANO public housing , or Section 8 residents, and/or YouthBuild participants.

#### STEP FOUR

Enter the monthly dates of reporting on the first line, then proceed as follows:

- 1. Enter total hours worked by ALL contract or project level staff with exceptions as noted above\*
- 2. Enter total hours worked by all Section 3 staff Non-Targeted
- 3. Enter total hours worked by all Section 3 staff Targeted

List ONLY the individual names of the workers who have self-certified as Section 3 (Non-Targeted and Targeted) along with their total hours for this months report only.

#### STEP FIVE

Submit the Section 3 Hours Worked Reporting on a monthly basis in the electronic system provided by the Section 3 Consultant on a future communication.

## SECTION 3 BUSINESS Voluntary Self-Certification Form

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3 OF THE HUD ACT OF 1968 UPDATED 24 CFR PART 75 11/30/2020

The purpose of this form is to comply with Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968 Business Certification requirements. To count as a Section 3 Business your company/firm must meet one of the listed categories below. Each category will require additional documentation to support the election. You must provide that supporting documentation with this form properly completed to be confirmed as a Section 3 business. If this form is submitted without the required supplemental data, your certification will not be processed.

CATEGORY	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED	YOUR ELECTION	
a business at least 51 percent owned by low- or very low- income persons;	Proof of ownership showing all owners and their percentages and a completed Section 3 Individual Self-Certification form for all low- and very low-income owners		+
Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business are performed by low- or very low-income persons; or	Provide the last 90 days full payrolls for the entire company, make a list of the names from the payrolls of the Section 3 workers, and provide a completed Section 3 Individual Self- Certification for all low- and very low-income workers you list		
It is a business at least 51 percent owned by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.	Proof of ownership showing all owners and their percentages and a Section 3 Individual Self-Certification form for all public housing and/or Section 8 owners		

I hereby certify to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that all of the information on this form is true and correct. I attest under penalty of perjury that my business meets the elected definition and understand proof of this information may be requested. If found to be inaccurate, I understand that I may be disqualified as a certified Section 3 business.

Full Name:	
Company Name:	
Street Address:	
City:	State: Z ip:
Signature:	Date:

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#### SECTION 3 INDIVIDUAL LOW-INCOME PERSON

## **Voluntary Self-Certification Form** IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3 OF THE HUD ACT OF 1968 UPDATED 24 CFR PART 75 11/30/2020

The purpose of this form is to comply with Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968 self-certification income requirements. To count as a Section 3 individual, any legal resident of the United States annual income must not exceed the HUD income limits for the year before they were hired, or, the individual's current year income annualized for the year they are being confirmed as low-income.

Print Name			
Phone	Email		
Address			
City		State	Zip

To qualify as a Section 3 Person, you must meet one of the standards in the brackets below or your individual annual income must not exceed the number in the box below.

Check only one box below that describes your situation:	
I am a low or very low-income person residing in the HANO Metropolitan Area below	
My employer will certify that I am employed by a Section 3 business	
I reside in a HANO property	
I live in Section 8 housing administered by HANO	
I am a current YouthBuild participant	
My Individual Annual Income Does Not Exceed: \$45,950*	
Orleans Parish is part of the New Orleans-Metairie, LA HUD Metro FMR Area	

I hereby certify to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that all of the information on this form is true and correct. I attest under penalty of perjury that my total income does not exceed the one shown above, and that proof of this information may be requested. If found to be inaccurate, I understand that I may be disqualified as a certified Section 3 individual.

Signature:	Date:
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Income Limits website: https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il/il2023/select\_Geography.odn

#### SECTION 3 Required Hours Worked Reporting

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3 OF THE HUD ACT OF 1968 UPDATED 24 CFR PART 75 11/30/2020

The purpose of this form is to comply with Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968 tracking of hours worked by all person's employed on a <u>Housing Authority of New Orleans</u> contract, including those meeting the Section 3 income requirements as low- or very low-income.

#### Section 3 Employees are now defined to as:

**Section 3 Workers** - Any low or very low-income persons residing in the HANO Metropolitan Area (MSA)

**Targeted Section 3 Workers** - I reside in public housing or Section 8 housing managed by HANO or a current YouthBuild participants (If a program is active in the area)

If your company employs any person it believe is low income now or was when they were hired within the past five years, please have them complete the SECTION 3 INDIVIDUAL LOW-INCOME PERSON SELF-CERTIFICATION FORM" and return it with their first report of employment in the Hours Worked Reporting System.

All hours worked by everyone on the project must be reported monthly electronically or by email. If you have questions please contact the HANO Section 3 Contact:

Name:	Housing Authority of New Orleans Peter Do
Email:	section3@hano.org
Phone:	504-670-3266

\* Total Hours Worked by non-Section 3 staff

\* Total hours worked by all Non-targeted Section 3 employees

\* Total hours worked by all Targeted Section 3 employee

Housing Authority of New Orleans Section 3 New Rule Contractor Acknowledgement (*Return this form with your final contract*)

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract or Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Trade Work/Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that I have read all of the information in this policy package and agree to follow the requirements for complying with the order of prioritization in 75.9 and reporting of all labor hours associated with my contract as required. I further understand that failure to comply with these requirements will cause my payments to be held and not processed or not released until I come into full compliance with this policy.

<u>Monthly</u>, I will be required to provide these data points for all contract staff working directly on the contract <u>not including any back-office staff</u>:

Total Hours Worked by all employees (Section 3 and regular employees)

☐ Total Hours Worked by All Non-Targeted Section 3 employees (Low-Income persons residing in the HANO Metropolitan Area (MSA)

Total Hours Worked by All Targeted Section 3 employees (Public Housing, Section 8, YouthBuild)

You are required to enter the names and hours worked by each Section 3 employee individually.

Signature:	Print:	Date:
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) No. 24-906-19: Insurance and Risk Management for HANO

# Attachment M HANO ETC Policy



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS, LA



**EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING, AND CONTRACTING POLICY** 

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#### **A. Introduction and Summary**

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) has established a policy whereby any contractor that transacts business with HANO must meet the requirements of HANO's Section 3 and DBE/WBE policy as outlined in this document. This policy applies to all contracts valued at \$100,000 or greater. Contractors will: 1) offer Section 3 employment, training and employment skill building programs for eligible Section 3 residents and 2) provide Section 3 Business Concerns, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) as well as Woman Business Enterprises (WBEs) with the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts awarded by HANO. HANO will make a good faith effort to recruit as many Section 3 eligible residents and businesses as possible for employment and instructional positions and contract opportunities, in an effort to provide economic opportunities for area residents and area business concerns.

This document serves to fulfill two (2) main objectives: 1) it outlines the Section 3 & Section 3 Business Concerns/DBE/WBE policy and program compliance measures of HANO, and 2) it contains program definitions, requirements, required forms, information on program assistance provided by HANO, and other information related to HANO's Employment, Training and Contracting Policy. This document replaces all previous policies and is in immediate effect as of the HANO Board approval date.

#### **Summary of Requirements**

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These requirements apply to all prime and subcontractors where the value of the contract with HANO is \$100,000 or greater.

#### **B. Definitions**

**Labor Hours**: The number of paid hours worked by persons on a Section 3 project or by persons employed with funds that include public housing assistance.

**Professional Services**: Non-construction services that require an advanced degree or professional licensing, including, but not limited to, contract for legal services, financial consulting, accounting services, environmental services, architectural services, and civil engineering services.

Local Hire: Employee Residing within Orleans Parish.

**Low-Income Person**: A family (including single persons) whose income does not exceed 80% of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for smaller and larger families.

Very Low-Income Person: A family (including single persons) whose income does not exceed 50% of the median family income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for smaller and larger families.

**New Hires**: Full-time employees not previously employed on this contract for permanent, temporary or seasonal employment opportunities.

**Section 3 Worker**: Any worker who currently fits or, when hired within the past 5 year fit, at least one of the following categories, as documented:

- (1) The worker's income for the previous or annualized calendar year is below the income limit established by HUD, or
- (2) The worker is employed by a Section 3 Business Concern, or
- (3) The worker is a YouthBuild participant.

**Service area or the neighborhood of the project**: An area within one mile of the Section 3 project or, if fewer than 5,000 people live within one mile of a Section 3 project, within a circle centered on the Section 3 project that is sufficient to encompass a population of 5,000 people according to the most recent U.S. Census.

**Core Employees**: Persons listed and verified as employed with company before the contract execution date.

**Contractor**: Any entity which contracts for the performance of work generated by the expenditure of Section 3 covered assistance, or performing work in connection with a Section 3 covered project.

Housing Authority (HA): Public Housing Agency

**Housing Development**: Housing owned, developed, or operated by public housing agencies in accordance with HUD's public housing program regulations codified in 24 CFR Chapter IX.

**Employment Opportunities Generated by Section 3 Covered Assistance**: All employment opportunities generated by the expenditure of Section 3 covered public assistance (i.e., operating assistance, development assistance and modernization assistance, (as described in 24 CFR Section 135.3 (a) (1)). With respect to Section 3 covered housing and community development assistance, this term means all employment opportunities arising in connection with Section 3 covered projects (as described in Section 135.3 (a) (2)), including management and administrative jobs. Management and administrative jobs include architectural, engineering or related professional services required to prepare plans, drawings, specifications, or work write-ups; and jobs directly related to administrative support of these activities, e.g., construction manager, relocation specialist, payroll clerk, etc.

**HUD Youthbuild Programs**: Programs that receive assistance under subtitle D of Title IV of the National Affordable Housing Act, as amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 12899), and provide disadvantaged youth with opportunities for employment, education, leadership development, and training in the construction or rehabilitation of housing for homeless individuals and members of low- and very low-income families.

**Recipient**: Any entity which receives Section 3 covered assistance, directly from HUD or from another recipient and includes, but is not limited to, any State unit of local government, PHA, or other public body, public or private nonprofit organization, private agency or institution, mortgagor, developer, limited dividend sponsor, builder, property manager, community housing development organization, resident management corporation, resident council, or cooperative association. Recipient also includes any successor, assignee or transferee of any such entity, but does not include any ultimate beneficiary under the HUD program to which Section 3 applies and does not include contractors.

Section 3: Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701u).

#### Section 3 Business Concern:

(1) Business concerns that 51 percent (51%) owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing; or

(2) Business where over 75 percent (75%) of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 workers; or

(3) Business concerns that are at least 51 percent (51%) owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons.

Section 3 Covered Contracts: A contract or subcontract (including a professional service contract) awarded by a recipient or contractor for work generated by the expenditure of Section 3 covered assistance, or for work arising in connection with a Section 3 covered project. Section 3 covered contracts do not include contracts awarded under HUD's procurement program, which are governed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). Section 3 covered contracts also do not include contracts for the purchase of supplies and materials only. However,

whenever a contract for materials includes the installation of the materials, the contract constitutes a Section 3 covered contract

Section 3 Covered Project: The construction, reconstruction, conversion or rehabilitation of housing (including reduction and abatement of lead-based paint hazards), other public construction which includes buildings or improvements (regardless of ownership) assisted with housing or community development assistance.

**Small, Minority, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (SMDBE)**: A business enterprise that is 51% or more owned, controlled, and actively operated by one or more persons who experience some form of social or economic disadvantage. For the purposes of SMDBE identification, the factors for proving social or economic disadvantage include at least one objective distinguishing factor such as race, ethnic origin, gender or gender identification, physical handicap, service in the military, long-term residence in an environment isolated from the mainstream of society, or other similar causes not common to individuals who are not socially disadvantaged.

**Subcontractor**: Any entity (other than a person who is an employee of the contractor) which has a contract with a contractor to undertake a portion of the contractor's obligation for the performance of work generated by the expenditure of Section 3 covered assistance, or arising in connection with a Section 3 covered project.

Targeted Section 3 Worker: For public housing assistance, a Section 3 worker who is:

- (1) A worker employed by a Section 3 Business Concern; or
- (2) A worker who currently fit, or when hired within the past five (5) years fit, at least one of the following categories:
  - (i) A resident of public housing or Section 8-assisted housing; or
  - (ii) A resident of other public housing projects or Section 8-assisted housing managed by HANO; or

(iii) A YouthBuild participant.

**YouthBuild programs**: YouthBuild programs receiving assistance under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

U.S.C. 1701u).

Section 3 Final Rule: Section 3 Final Rule makes changes to the Section 3 regulations, now codified in 24 CFR Part 75 and is effective on November 30, 2020, designed to focus on economic opportunity outcomes while simultaneously reducing regulatory burden. These changes improve the effectiveness of Section 3, streamline some process that have not yielded significant benefits, and encourage HUD grantees to focus on sustained employment for low-and very low income individuals.

#### C. HANO Section 3 & DBE/WBE Policy Statements

#### Section 3 Policy Statement

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701, et seq.) (the "Act") requires the Housing Authority of New Orleans to ensure that employment and other economic and business opportunities generated by financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), are directed to public housing residents and other low income persons, particularly recipients of government housing assistance, and business concerns that provide economic opportunities to low and very low income persons.

With the Housing Authority of New Orleans' (HANO) Board Resolution Number 2021-18, HANO hereby reaffirms its commitment of ensuring that all contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract of \$100,000 or greater by HANO for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide meaningful, full-time, permanent employment and training to Section 3 residents. It is further reaffirmed that all vendor/contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide meaningful, full-time, permanent employment and training to Section 3 residents. It is further reaffirmed that all vendor/contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide contracting opportunities to Section 3 business concerns.

To comply with the Act and Board Resolution Number 2021-18, the requirements of this policy is to obtain a reasonable level of success in the recruitment, employment, and utilization of HANO residents and other eligible persons and/or businesses by contractors working on contracts partially or wholly funded with HUD monies. HANO shall examine and consider a contractor's potential for success in providing employment and business opportunities to those covered under Section 3 prior to acting on any proposed contract award.

In response to any Request for Proposals (RFP), Request for Qualifications (RFQ) or Invitation for Bids (IFB), HANO will require submission of the Section 3 Opportunities Plan, roster of Core Employees, and certification that the respondent will comply with the requirements of Section 3 and this policy.

HANO, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations including those published at 24 CFR Part 75 and effective on November 30, 2020, has established employment and training requirements that contractors and subcontractors are expected to meet in order to comply with Section 3 requirements.

HANO's Section 3 requirement is that Section 3 Workers must perform 20% of all labor hours on a covered contract, and that Targeted Section 3 Workers must perform 5% of all labor hours on a covered contract.

It is the contractor's responsibility to implement progressive efforts to attain Section 3 compliance. Failure to attain Section 3 compliance in accordance with their contract will subject contractors to penalties including, but not limited to, the withholding of payments.

Small, Minority, and Disadvantaged Business Policy Statement Consistent with Presidential Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432, and as promulgated in 2 CFR Part 200 and in the Housing Authority of New Orleans' (HANO) Board Resolution Number 2021-18, HANO hereby

modifies the numerical requirements relative to contracting with Small, Minority, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (SMBDE). HANO also reaffirms its commitment of ensuring that all contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide SMDBEs with the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts awarded by HANO.

HANO's SMDBE requirement is 30% of the value of the contract will be awarded to qualified SMDBEs. Small, Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements will be 25% of the value of the contract and Women Owned Business Enterprise requirements will be 5% of the value of the contract.

To comply with this requirement and Board Resolution Number 2021-18, the requirements of this policy is to obtain a reasonable level of success in the utilization of eligible businesses by contractors working on contracts partially or wholly funded with HUD monies. HANO shall examine and consider a contractor's potential for success in meeting these requirements prior to acting on any proposed contract award.

In response to any Request for Proposals (RFP), Request for Qualifications (RFQ) or Invitation for Bids (IFB), HANO will require submission of evidence and certification that the bidder will comply with the requirements of this policy.

#### **D. Section 3 New Hire & Contracting Requirements**

#### Section 3 Numerical Requirements and Order of Preference:

In accordance with Section 3, HANO requires that all contractors and any tier subcontractors shall provide training and employment opportunities to Section 3 residents to meet or exceed a numerical requirement of 25% of hours worked requirement. Which is 5% of hours worked for Targeted Section 3 Workers and 20% for Section 3 Workers. The priority list is:

- Priority 1: A resident of HANO housing site where the work is being done
- Priority 2: A resident of any HANO housing site
- Priority 3: A participant in HUD Youthbuild program in Orleans Parish
- Priority 4: A Section 8 assisted resident of Orleans Parish
- Priority 5: 5% Labor Hours Benchmark included within the 25% requirement

#### **Contracting Requirements**

In accordance with Section 3, HANO requires that all contractors and any tier subcontractors shall direct 10% of the contract value to Section 3 business concerns for construction contracts in the following order of priority:

- Priority 1: Business concerns that are 51% or more owned by residents of the HANO housing development or developments for which the Section 3 covered assistance is expended, or whose full-time, permanent workforce includes 30% of these persons as employees; or
- Priority 2: Business concerns that are 51% or more owned by residents of other HANO housing developments that is expending the Section 3 covered assistance, or

whose full-time, permanent workforce includes 30% of these persons as employees; or

- Priority 3: HUD Youthbuild programs in Orleans Parish; or
- Priority 4: Business concerns that are 51% or more owned by low or very-low income Section 3 residents, or whose permanent, full-time workforce includes no less than 30% Section 3 residents, or that subcontract in excess of 25% of the total amount of subcontracts to business concerns identified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this section.

Section 3 businesses seeking a contract or subcontract shall be responsible for submitting evidence, if requested, to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the contracting party that the business concern is responsible and has the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract.

Contractors must incorporate and enforce the provisions of the Section 3 policy and numerical requirements in any and all tier subcontracts. Requirements relative to employment and contracting with Section 3 residents and business concerns shall not apply to contracts less than \$100,000 and shall not apply to contracts for the purchase of supplies and materials unless the contract for materials includes installation.

In some instances, the requirements relative to contracting with Section 3 business concerns and DBEs/WBEs may overlap; however, *participation can only count toward one requirement*. For example, if a subcontract is let to a Section 3 business concern that also qualifies as a DBE, then the contractor may count the subcontract either towards its Section 3 contracting requirements or towards its DBE contracting requirements; the contractor shall not be allowed to count the participation towards both requirements.

#### **E. DBE/WBE Contract Requirements**

#### Numerical Requirements

HANO requires that all contractors and any tier subcontractors shall direct their subcontracting opportunities to DBEs/WBEs as follows:

- Disadvantaged Business Enterprises 20% of the total value of contract
- Woman Business Enterprises 5% of the total value of contract

DBE and WBE businesses seeking a contract or subcontract shall be responsible for submitting evidence, if requested, to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the contracting party that the business concern is responsible and has the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract.

Contractors must incorporate and enforce the provisions of this policy and numerical requirements in any and all tier subcontracts. HANO must receive a copy of all tier subcontracts.

In some instances, the requirements relative to contracting with Section 3 business concerns and DBEs/WBEs may overlap; however, an individual company's participation can only count toward one requirement on a contract. For example, if a subcontract is let to a WBE concern that also qualifies as a DBE, then the contractor may count the subcontract either towards its WBE contracting requirements or towards its DBE contracting requirements; the contractor shall not be allowed to count the participation towards both requirements.

Requirements relative to contracting with DBEs/WBEs shall not apply to contracts less than \$100,000 and shall not apply to contracts where the contractor is not subcontracting for any work, materials, supplies, services, etc, or when the sole source or specified items are not available from DBEs/WBEs.

100% of the participation of DBE/WBE suppliers shall count towards the requirements as long as the supplier maintains an inventory and/or significantly alters the product for distribution. In cases where the DBE/WBE supplier does not maintain an inventory and/or does not significantly alter products for distribution, only 25% of the DBE/WBE supplier's participation shall count toward the requirements.

#### A. Section 3 Contracting Requirements & Procedures

The procedures outlined herein shall apply to all contractors seeking contracting opportunities with the Housing Authority of New Orleans.

As part of the response to an IFB, RFP, RFQ, or other solicitation, respondents (prime) are required to submit a Section 3 Employment and Training Action Plan (SETAP) to identify overall projected employment by type and phase, Section 3 hiring, training and contracting requirements, objectives, and actions that will be implemented to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3. (See Section III for Section 3 Employment & Training Action Plan format).

The **HANO Section 3 Coordinator** will be responsible for coordinating with the Department of Procurement and Contracts to review the Section 3 Employment and Training Action Plan prior to the award of the contract. Upon selection, HANO will work with the selected firm to finalize the Section 3 Plan, including identification of HANO assistance to be provided (if any), timelines for action, and review of reporting and compliance requirements. The Section 3 Employment and Training plan is separate and apart from the Disadvantaged/Women Business Enterprise Plan and must be completed in addition to the DBE/WBE Plan.

**I. Prior to Bid/Pre Certification Process:** HANO Resident-Owned Businesses can Visit www.hano.org, to complete and submit a Section 3 Business Concerns Application.

**II. Bid/Proposal Phase:** Contractors submitting bids and/or proposals to HANO shall be required to complete and submit the following forms (Appendix):

- Section 3 Employment Action Plan
- Section 3 Training Action Plan
- Section 3 Contracting Action Plan
- Section 3 Employment and Training Schedule
- List of Core Employees (including date of hire for each core employee and address)
- Contracting Schedule
- Letter of Intent
- Statement of Understanding

**III. Pre-Award Phase:** Subsequent to the submission of bids/proposals, but prior to contract award, contractors may be requested to provide additional information regarding the submissions required in the Bid/Proposal Phase. Such requests may be made in instances where the contractor does not show sufficient detail in their required Action Plans, where the contractor's required Schedules do not reflect achievement of the minimum stated requirements, where the contractor has not identified the name of the Section 3 subcontractor(s) in the required Schedules and does not have signed Letters of Intent, or where it is deemed necessary by HANO's Section 3 Coordinator.

#### **IV. Contract Performance Phase:**

#### Section 3 Contract Performance Monitoring

HANO shall monitor and evaluate the contractor's Section 3 compliance towards achieving the numerical requirements relative to Section 3 employment, training, and contracting throughout the contract period. The contractor shall be responsible for providing the following reports to HANO, which shall be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., on the fifth business day of each month throughout the contract period (Appendix):

- Core Employee List Subcontractors / New Contracts
- Section 3 Employment and Training Compliance Reports
- Section 3 Labor/Manhour Report
- Contracting Compliance Report
- Section 3 Individual Income Verification Form
- Employer Paid Training Report

Upon HANO's request, the contractor and all tier level sub-contractors are required to provide supporting documentation and proof of previous employment of any and all core employees prior to working on a HANO project.

The contractor shall also ensure that for each Section 3 resident hired, a Section 3 Individual Income Verification Form is completed. The Section 3 Individual Income Verification Form shall be completed by the resident, and submitted to the contractor. This documentation should be included with the monthly reports submitted to HANO.

The contractor shall be responsible for monitoring the compliance of any tier subcontractors. In doing so, the contractor shall require monthly reports, in the formats provided, from its lower tier subcontractors.

#### **Determination of Compliance**

Contractors and their subcontractors are required to demonstrate compliance with the Section 3 employment and contracting requirements by meeting the numerical requirements set forth above. Contractors who do not meet the contracting numerical requirements must thoroughly document its inability to comply. In addition, HANO requires contractors that fail to meet the contracting requirements set forth in this policy use the alternative measures listed on page 15 to comply. Contractor's efforts shall be directed towards identifying methods to achieve success under this program through the following requirements:

Hiring:

- Target recruitment of Section 3 residents for training and employment by taking steps such as:
  - Prominently place a notice of commitments under Section 3 at the project site or other places where applications for training and employment are taken, advertise in the local media;

- Contact HANO, HANO resident councils, HANO resident management corporations, and HANO residents;
- Consider contracting with HANO Resident Councils and/or Resident Management Corporations;
- Contact HANO for a list of agencies which may be able to provide assistance regarding opportunities for training which can be utilized on this contract;
- Contact local job training centers, employment service agencies, and community organizations;
- Develop on-the-job training opportunities or participate in job training programs;
- Develop or participate in certified Pre-Apprenticeship/Apprenticeship Trainings Programs for construction trades on Construction Contracts and Paid Internship/Summer Employment Opportunities for Non-Construction Contracts.
- Keep a list of Section 3 area residents who apply on their own or by referral for available positions.
- Send to labor organizations or representatives of workers with whom the recipient, contractor, or subcontractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, a notice about contractual commitments under Section 3.
- Select Section 3 area residents, particularly HANO residents, for training and employment positions.
- Provide ongoing monitoring of the program by the contractor and its subcontractors to ensure compliance and to identify problems or difficulties in meeting the requirements, and implement strategies to overcome the problems. Where problems or difficulties in meeting the requirements are encountered, take aggressive efforts to rectify the matter. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, convening a meeting with HANO to advise it of the problems and proposed solutions. HANO will offer its assistance whenever possible.

Where feasible, adjust the initial Section 3 and DBE/WBE Action Plan to increase the use of Section 3 residents in categories where the Plan has been successful to compensate for those categories of lower success.

### **B. DBE/WBE Certification**

Businesses wishing to participate in HANO contracts as DBEs/WBEs must be certified by HANO's Section 3/DBE/WBE Coordinator, in the Development and Modernization Department. Businesses claiming DBE/WBE status must be certified in order to have their participation counted toward the contracting requirements stated herein. Interested businesses must initiate the certification process by submitting an application for certification to the Housing Authority. Applications for certification may be obtained by visiting HANO's website at www.hano.org.

### **Contracting Procedures:**

The procedures outlined herein shall apply to all contractors seeking contracting opportunities with the Housing Authority of New Orleans.

**I. Prior to Bid/Pre Certification Process:** If qualified, contractors can visit www.hano.org, to complete and submit a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Certification Application.

**II. Bid/Proposal Phase:** Contractors submitting bids and/or proposals to HANO shall be required to complete and submit the following forms (Appendix):

- A. DBE/WBE Contracting Action Plan
- B. Contracting Schedule
- C. Letter of Intent
- D. Statement of Understanding

**III. Pre-Award Phase:** Subsequent to the submission of bids/proposals, but prior to contract award, contractors may be requested to provide additional information regarding the submissions required in the Bid/Proposal Phase. Such requests may be made in instances where the contractor does not show sufficient detail in their required Action Plans, where the contractor's required Schedules do not reflect achievement of the minimum stated requirements, where the contractor has not identified the name of the DBE/WBE subcontractor(s) in the required Schedules and does not have signed Letters of Intent, or where it is deemed necessary by HANO's Compliance Officer.

**IV. Contract Performance Phase:** HANO shall monitor and evaluate the contractor's compliance towards achieving the numerical requirements relative to DBE/WBE contracting throughout the contract period. The contractor shall be responsible for providing the following reports to HANO, which shall be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., on the fifth business day of each month throughout the contract period:

Contracting Compliance Report

The contractor shall be responsible for monitoring the compliance of any tier subcontractors. In doing so, the contractor shall require monthly reports, in the formats provided, from its lower tier subcontractors.

### **Contracting:**

- Target recruitment of DBEs/WBEs by taking such steps as:
  - Contact DBEs/WBEs in the HANO's directory;
  - Prominently place a notice of commitment relative to DBE/WBE contracting at the project site and other appropriate places;
  - o Contact HANO for a list of certified firms;
  - Contact other organizations which might be helpful in identifying DBEs/WBEs and advertise in local media.

- Make every effort to use DBEs/WBEs included in HANO's directory of certified firms. Such efforts may include, but are not limited to:
  - o Dividing total work into smaller sub-tasks (i.e. by floor);
  - Using multiple firms for the same type of work (i.e. two drywall subcontractors or several plumbing suppliers);
  - Exercise flexibility in utilizing DBEs/WBEs in other or additional areas than initially proposed if necessary to meet the program objectives.
- Provide ongoing monitoring of the program by the contractor and its subcontractors to ensure compliance and to identify problems or difficulties in meeting the requirements, and implement strategies to overcome the problems. Where problems or difficulties in meeting the requirements are encountered, take aggressive efforts to rectify the matter. Such action shall include, but not be limited to convening a meeting with HANO to advise it of the problems and proposed solutions. HANO will offer its assistance whenever possible.
- Where feasible, adjust the initial DBE/WBE Contracting Action Plan to increase the use of Section 3 business concerns in categories where the Plan has been successful, to compensate for those categories of lower success.

### **C. Reporting Open Positions**

All HANO contractors and subcontractors are required to report all job openings in connection with a contract resulting from any solicitation on HANO's social media sites, by sending the job flyer to the Section 3 Coordinator, HANO's website and to the onsite/project Section 3 Coordinator as soon as the job becomes available. This will aid in fulfilling the dual requirements of the shared job database by connecting low-income residents in need of employment with contractors seeking to hire Section 3 employees. Noncompliance with HANO's requirement may result in sanctions, termination of the contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HANO contracts.

\* For Construction Projects – All new hires must go through the on-site hiring process with the Section 3 Coordinator

### **Compliance Requirements for Section 3/DBE/WBE Contracting**

If a contractor or subcontractor cannot meet the Section 3, DBE, WBE contracting requirements it must thoroughly document its inability to comply. In addition, HANO requires contractors that fail to meet the contracting requirements set forth in this policy use the following alternative measures to comply:

 Contractors must contribute to HANO's Section 3 Employment, Training and Contracting Fund (ETCF), which provides training and other economic opportunities for HANO residents:

### Trade, Construction and Rehab Contractors must contribute 2% of the total contract amount.

HANO will primarily use the Section 3 Employment, Training and Contracting Fund to pay for resident self-sufficiency programming through HANO's partnerships with Local Colleges, State Approved Trade Programs, paid Work Experience/Internship Programs, Youth Summer Employment Programs and various other employment and training programs for residents. The site in which the construction or project is occurring will receive a portion of funds generated from that respective site for programs and equipment related to resident training.

### **Compliance Requirement for Project Labor Agreements or Community Workforce Agreements**

HANO shall require that a Project Labor Agreement or Community Workforce Agreement be entered into between the trade unions and the developer, contractor, and subcontractors for all projects whose collective value under HANO contracts is \$25 million or more. The Project Labor Agreement or Community Workforce Agreement shall comply with all requirements of the HANO Section 3 and DBE/WBE Employment, Training, and Contracting Policy dated July 27, 2021. The unions, developers, contractors, and subcontractors shall consult with HANO, resident leaders, and community stakeholders on the terms of the agreement prior to its execution.

### **Training Requirements for Construction Contracts**

HANO requires all construction contracts that are greater than (\$100,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars in total construction cost and is anticipated to exceed 6 months of construction; to include a detailed and well defined plan on how they will provide a certified pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship training programs to at least (1) one Section 3 Resident in its priority order. (1) One additional Section 3 Resident in its priority order will be provided training for every additional (\$500,000) five hundred thousand to (\$1,000,000.00) one million dollars of the total contract value. The training plan and trainings must be aligned with the scope of work in the contract and approved by HANO. A training program participant can only count for (1) one training slot per total contract amount. Those who do not offer a certified pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship training program will contribute into the HANO Section 3 Training Fund as prescribed in the chart listed below.

### **Training Requirements for Non-Construction Contracts**

HANO requires that all non-Construction contracts that meet or exceed (\$100,00.00) one hundred thousand dollars in total contract value include a detailed and well defined plan to provide paid internship or summer employment opportunities to Section 3 Residents in its priority order. An internship/summer employment program participant can only count for (1) one internship/summer employment slot per total contract amount. Those who do not offer a HANO approved paid internship or summer employment opportunity will contribute into the HANO Section 3 Training Fund as prescribed in the chart listed below.

Total Contract Amount	Number of Section 3	Contribution to HANO Training Fund if
	Training / Internship	Training or Internship Slots Are not
	Slots	Available
At least \$100,000, but less than \$500,000	1	6% of the Total Contract Value up to
		\$25,000
At least \$500,000, but less than	2	5% of the Total Contract Value up to
\$1,000,000		\$40,000
At least \$1,000,000, but less than	3	4% of the Total Contract Value up to
\$2,000,000		\$60,000
At least \$2,000,000, but less than	4	3% of the Total Contract Value up to
\$4,000,000		\$80,000
At least \$4,000,000, but less than	10	2% of the Total Contract Value up to
\$7,000,000		\$105,000
\$7,000,000 or more	1 additional training	1.5% of that Total Contract Value, with
	slot for every	no dollar limit
	additional	
	\$500,000.00	

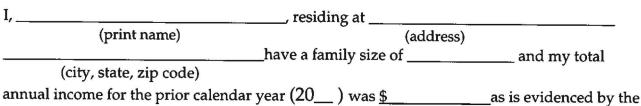
\* A Portion of All Funds Generated at A HANO Housing Site Will Remain At That Site for Resident Training Programs and Equipment



### Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) Section-3 Targeted Worker Individual Income Verification Form

### The following information will be used to verify your individual eligibility under the Section 3 Final Rule regulations as set forth in 24 CFR Part 75.

A Section 3 resident seeking the preference in training and employment provided by this part shall certify or submit evidence to HANO and/or recipient contractor/subcontractor, if requested, that the person is a Section 3 resident.



attached documentation.

### Proof of income and residency is a requirement for an individual to become Section-3 certified.

For proof of residency I have provided at least one of the following:

- Copy of lease
- 2-months of Utility Bills
- Notarized statement from an individual with at least one of the above documents in their name attesting that the person seeking Sec-3 Certification is living at their residence
- One of the acceptable proofs of income listed below that clearly indicates the applicant is a Orleans Parish resident
- Valid State ID

For proof of income I have provided at least one of the following:

- Copy of receipt of public assistance
- Copy of Evidence of participation in a public assistance program
- Proof of income (Check stub, W-2, Tax forms, 1099, employer letter on letterhead, etc.)
- Proof of Unemployed Status

I have voluntarily provided the above information in conjunction with employment on a HUD related project. I attest to the truthfulness of my statements fully understanding that this information is subject to verification by the appropriate federal agencies.

Signature	Date
Contact Phone:	

Title 18, Section 1001 of the U.S. Code states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willingly making false or fraudulent statements to any department of the United States Government.

Willful falsification of any of the above statements may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution. See Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 231 of Title 31 of the U.S. Code.



### Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) SECTION 3 REQUIREMENTS

Consistent with the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and with the Housing Authority of New Orleans' (HANO) Board Resolution Number 93-05, HANO hereby reaffirms its commitment of ensuring that all contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract in excess of \$100,000.00 by HANO for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide meaningful, full-time, permanent employment and training to Section 3 residents. It is further reaffirmed that all contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract in excess of \$100,000.00 by HANO for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide meaningful, full-time, permanent employment and training to Section 3 residents. It is further reaffirmed that all contractors and any tier subcontractors that are awarded a contract in excess of \$100,000.00 by HANO for work generated through the expenditure of HUD funding shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to provide business opportunities to Section 3 business concerns.

### **Definitions:**

### Low-Income Person:

An individual whose income does not exceed 80% of the median income for the area, as determined by the Secretary of the U.S. Housing and Urban Development.

### Hours Worked Requirement:

- 25% Section 3 Worker. Is a worker whose individual income is below the low-income limit of 80% AMI, or employed by a low income business concern or a worker who currently fits or when hired fit at least one of the Section 3 Worker and/or Resident categories.
- 2) 5% Targeted Section 3 Worker. Is a worker employed by a Section 3 business concern or a worker who currently fits or when hired fit at least one of the Section 3 Worker and/or Resident categories, as documented within the past 5 years

### Section 3 Worker and/or Resident:

- 3) A resident of HANO housing site where the work is being done; or
- 4) A resident of any HANO housing site; or
- 5) A participant in HUD Youthbuild program in Orleans Parish; or
- 6) An income-eligible resident of public housing or Section 8 assisted housing managed by HANO and providing assistance to resident of Orleans Parish; or
- 7) 5% Labor Hours Benchmark included within the 25% requirement.

### Statement of Numerical Goals and Order of Preference:

In accordance with Section 3, HANO requires that all contractors and any tier subcontractors shall, to the greatest extent feasible, provide training and employment opportunities to Section 3 residents to meet or exceed a numerical goal of 25% of all Section 3 Workers and 5% of Targeted Section 3 Workers for Hours Worked Requirement new hires in the following order of priority:

- Priority 1: A resident of HANO housing site where the work is being done
- Priority 2: A resident of any HANO housing site
- Priority 3: A participant in HUD Youthbuild program in Orleans Parish
- Priority 4: A Section 8 assisted resident of Orleans Parish
- Priority 5: 5% Labor Hours Benchmark included within the 25% requirement



# SECTION 3 ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL INCOME LIMITS 2021 **ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA**

Limits DO NOT apply to residents of HANO development sites

Orleans Parish Median Income: \$70, 100

\$39,300 \$44,900 \$50,500 **\$56,100** \$60,600 \$65,100 \$69,600 <sup>\$74,10</sup> Low (80%) Income Limits

**Definition of Section 3 Resident:** 

- A resident of HANO housing site where the work is being done; or
  - A resident of any HANO housing site; or
- A participant in HUD Youthbuild program in Orleans Parish; or
- An income-eligible resident of public housing or Section 8 assisted housing managed by HANO and providing assistance to low or very low-income resident of Orleans Parish; or. **7 2 6 4**

5% Labor Hours Benchmark included within the 25% requirement. ŝ

\*Source - HUD FY 2020 Income Limits Documentations System, FY 2021 Income Limits Documentation System -- Summary for Orleans Parish, Louisiana

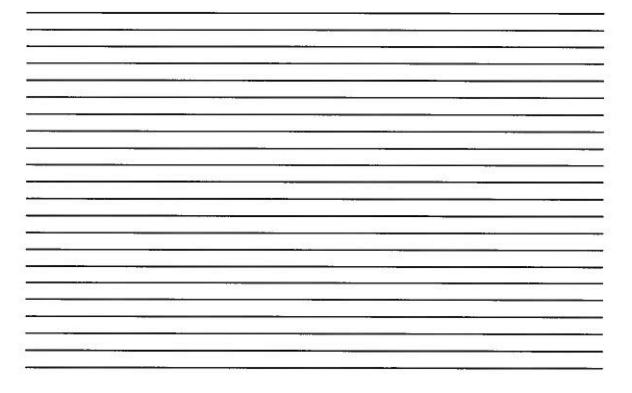
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### SECTION 3 EMPLOYMENT ACTION PLAN

### (Note: FINAL PLAN WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO CONTRACT, IF AWARDED.)

Provide a written Plan describing the process and steps that will be taken to ensure that the requirements relative to the hiring of Section 3 residents will be met. Include in the description what specific actions will be taken to ensure that subcontractors comply with the requirements. The description must outline specific steps to be taken and detail the program or strategy to be employed to achieve the requirements. For construction and related contracts where the General Contractor is unknown at the bid/proposal stage, Respondent must outline a process for meeting the stated requirements and commit to providing a detailed job projection within 30 days of contract execution. Complete attached Employment and Training Schedule outlining job projections by category and anticipated timeline.



NOTE: This plan shall incorporate actions to be taken by the bidder's/offeror's proposed subcontractors/suppliers.

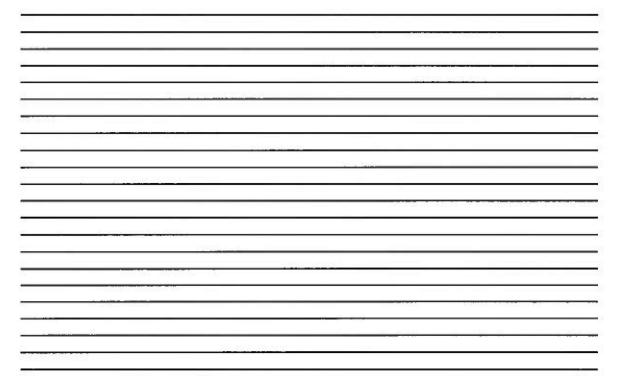
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### SECTION 3 TRAINING ACTION PLAN

### (Note: FINAL PLAN WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO CONTRACT, IF AWARDED.)

Provide a written Plan describing the process and steps that will be taken to ensure that the requirements relative to pre-apprenticeship training, apprenticeship training, paid and unpaid internships of Section 3 residents will be met. Include in the description what types of internships, trainings, trades and the specific actions that will be taken to ensure that subcontractors comply with the requirements. The description must outline specific steps to be taken and detail the program or strategy to be employed to achieve the requirements. For construction and related contracts where the General Contractor or subcontractors are unknown at the bid/proposal stage, Respondent must outline a process for meeting the stated requirements and commit to providing a detailed job projection within 30 days of contract execution. Complete attached Employment and Training Schedule outlining job projections by category, internships, pre-apprenticeship trainings, apprenticeship trainings and anticipated timeline.



NOTE: This plan shall incorporate actions to be taken by the bidder's/offeror's proposed subcontractors/suppliers.

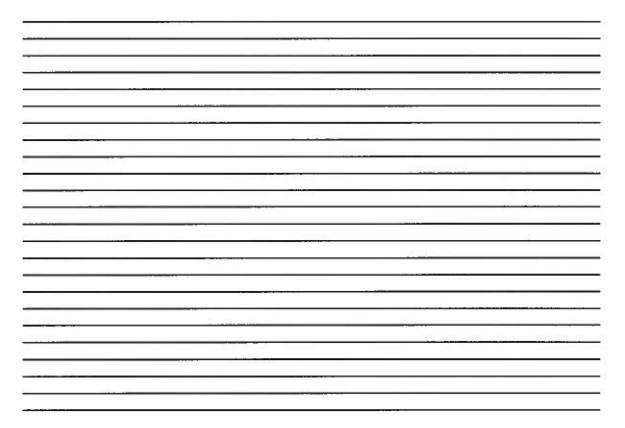
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### CONTRACTING ACTION PLAN FOR SECTION 3/DBE/WBE

### (FINAL PLAN WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO CONTRACT, IF AWARDED.)

Provide a written Plan describing the process and steps that will be taken to ensure that the requirements relative to contracting with Section 3 businesses, Minority and Women Business Enterprises will be met. Include in the description what specific actions will be taken to ensure that subcontractors comply with the requirements. The description must outline specific steps to be taken and detail the program or strategy to be employed to achieve the requirements. Provide an outline of the specific contracts that will be awarded to Section 3/DBE/WBE businesses, if known. Use additional sheets of paper, if necessary.



NOTE: This plan shall incorporate actions to be taken by the bidder's/offeror's proposed subcontractors/suppliers.

Name:	Title:	Date:



### LIST OF CORE EMPLOYEES

### CONTRACT EXECUTION DATE:

List all regular, permanent employees who are currently performing work, or who normally perform work for your company when work is available. Duplicate form if additional space is needed.

EMPLOYEE NAME/ADDRESS	DATE OF HIRE	JOB CLASSIFICATION
Example: John Doe 1515 Mockingbird Lane City, State	10/10/00	Plumber
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Core Employee:

Contractor's regular, permanent employee who normally performs work for the contractor when work is available.

Name:	Title:	Date:



### CONTRACTING SCHEDULE

Contracting Schedules that do not reflect a level of participation that meets or exceeds the stated requirements may cause the bid to be deemed non-responsive. Section 3, DBE, and WBE firms not certified by HANO shall not be included on this schedule and shall not be counted towards the participation requirements. Duplicate form if additional space is needed.

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### Summary:

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HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS SECTION 3

**EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SCHEDULE** 

IFB NO.

Employment and Training Schedules that do not reflect a level of participation that meets or exceeds the stated requirements may cause the bid to be deemed non-responsive. Duplicate form if additional space is needed. The Section 3 requirements set forth in this policy are

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Title:

Name:

Date:

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### LETTER OF INTENT - Subcontractor Commitment Form

To: Name of Prime Contractor	IFB#
The undersigned will enter into a signed agreement wi	ith the Prime Contractor listed above. Copies of agreements
including, but not limited to joint ventures, subcontra-	cts, supplier agreements or purchase orders referencing the IFB,
RFP, RFQ, or Purchase Order Number shall be forwa	arded to HANO at:
Housing Author	ity of New Orleans
4100 Touro Stre New Orleans, L	
	/DBE/WBE Coordinator
Name of Subcontractor	
Description of Work to Be Performed by Subcontrac	tor
Contract Value (inclusive of change orders) \$	
Term of Contract (include start and end dates)	
Subcontractor Status (Section 3, DBE, WBE)	
Bv:	
By: Prime Contract Signature	_
Printed or Typed Name	_
Title:	
Date:	_
If a corporate seal is not affixed, this document must	t be notarized. Provide Letter of Intent on Company Letterhead.
Subscribed and sworn to	(Notary Public)
before me thisday of	(Seal) , 20
My Commission expires:	
Date Executed:	



### STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

### IFB NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Under penalties of perjury, as prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001, the undersigned certifies that it:

- Has prepared and submitted its bid/proposal to HANO with a full understanding of HANO's requirements with respect to employment, training, and contracting with Section 3 residents, Section 3 business concerns, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), and Women Business Enterprises (WBEs); and
- Agrees to act in good faith to ensure that the specified requirements relative to employment, training, and contracting are met; and
- The representations contained in the Section 3 Employment and Training Action Plan submitted with the bid/proposal are true and correct as of this date; and
- Proposes to use the services of the Section 3 business concerns, DBEs, and WBEs listed in the Contracting Action Plan; and
- Will not alter the level of employment, training, and contracting with Section 3 residents, Section 3 business concerns, DBEs, and WBEs identified in the Section 3 Employment and Training Schedule and in the Contracting Schedule without prior written notice to HANO; and
- Agrees to provide regular compliance reports to HANO, at the intervals specified by HANO and in the format specified by HANO; and
- Will monitor, ensure, and report subcontractor compliance with respect to HANO's employment and contracting requirements;
- Will provide HANO with documentation in the format and timeframe requested by HANO, such as subcontractor certifications, employee income verifications, etc. to confirm eligibility of those employees, trainees, subcontractors claiming Section 3, DBE, and/or WBE status.

Bidder's/Offeror's Name	_
By: Signature	_
Printed or Typed Name	_
Title:	_
Date:	_
If a corporate seal is not affixed, this document must be	e notarized.
Subscribed and sworn to	(Notary Public)
before me thisday of	(Seal) , 20
My Commission expires:	
Date Executed:	

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	Project Name:	Total	Laborer	Craft/Trade
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			3	Tier 5 (a) Residents Hired
			0	Tier 5 (b) Residents Hired
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Training & Materials	Training Hours	<b>Training Dates</b>	<b>Training Provider</b>	Training Name/Description	Attendee Name

Page <b>3</b> of <b>5</b>					Revised 3.2020		HANO
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Total Man- hours	Termination Date	Hire Date	Number of Man-hours Worked This Period	Craft/Trade	Section 3 Category Preference	Address (City, State, Zip)	Name

\*\*Attach Section 3 Resident Certification Forms for each new hire reported.

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### Section 3 Employment and Training Assessment

This Assessment is designed to capture potential Section 3 Certified candidates' employment interest, work experience and training information. Information will be forwarded to employers based upon the skills required for the open positions. Applicants will be considered for positions without regard to race, color, religion, sex national origin, age or marital status.

### **Personal Information**

Name	[	Date
Address		
City	State	Zip
Home Telephone	Alt. Telephone	
Current Age	Date of Birth	
Do you reside at a HANO affordable hou If Yes, Which Site: Housing Choice Voucher Participant ( If Yes, Name of Individual	Name of Individual	
Do you reside at a federally supported h	ousing unit? ( ) YES	( ) NO
Are you a HUD Youth Build Participant?	( ) YES ( ) N	0
Education Highest Level of Education (Grade Com		
High School Diploma	GED	
College List Degree		
Name of last School Attend		CityState
Last Year Attended		
Employment		
1. Have you ever worked before? Yes	No	
2. Are you currently working? Yes	No Full Tir	ne Part Time
3. Current Job Title	Hourly Rat	e
4. Have you ever completed an occupa	tional skills training? If s	so, what, when and where.

- 5. Do you have an occupational skills credential/license? If so, what and expiration date.
- 6. Have you ever participated or completed work readiness training? If so, when.
- 7. Are there any problems or issues that may prevent you from working consistently? If so, explain.
- 8. What type of environment would you like to work in? \_\_\_\_Indoors \_\_\_\_Outdoors
- 9. What types of machinery/office equipment to you know how to operate?

### Employment History

Name of Employer Address/ City/State	Dates of Employment Start/End	Job Title	Beginning Hourly Rate Ending Hourly Rate	Reason For Leaving
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### Transportation

1. Do you have a valid driver's license? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ State\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Do you own a car or have access to reliable transportation to get to and from work? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ If yes, make /model/year of car.

If no vehicle or license, what is your primary means of transportation?

References: DO NOT	INCLUDE RELAT	TIVES.	
Name			Address
City			
Telephone	Positi	ion/Relationship	
Name			Address
City	State	Zip Code	
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### SKILLS ASSESSMENT

I. Place an (X) on the area(s) in which you have skills and list the number of years of experience.

Trade	# Of Years	Trade	# Of Years
	Experience		Experience
Carpentry		Drywall	
Form Carpentry		Painting	
Cement Forms Finisher		Drywall Hanger	
Rough Frame Carpentry		Drywall Finisher	
Finish Carpentry		"你有是这些错误就是是否必须感觉	a la construction de la construction de la construcción de la
Finish Interior Carpenter		Flooring	
Finish Exterior		Carpet Installation	
Door Installation		Tile Setting	
Window Installation		Wood Flooring Installation	
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Machine Operation		Misc. Items	
Forklift		Appliance Installation	
Boom/lift		Fencing	
Bob Cat		Landscaping	
Back Hoe		Plumbing	
Excavator		Plumbing Fixture Install	
Sweeper		Janitorial	
		HVAC	1
Electrical		Security	
Electrical (wiring)		General Labor	-
Electrical (Connection)		Other 1	
Electrical (Fixture Install)		Other 2	
		Other 3	
Concrete / Masonry		Other 4	
Cement			
Steel Setter			
Business	# Of Years Experience	List any Other Field	# Of Years Experience
Administrative Assistant	10		
Accountant			
Architect	·		
Engineer			
Social Service			
File Clerk			
Legal Aid Assistant		·····	
Receptionist			
Mail Clerks			
Clerical Assistant			
Customer Service Rep			
Project Assistant			
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### I. Please place an (X) by the area(s) in which you are interested in training.

Carpentry	Electrical	Painting
Carpet Installation	Cement / Masonry	Fencing
Drywall	Landscaping	Plumbing
Tile Setting	Wood Flooring installation	Iron Work
Machine Operation	HVAC	Appliance Installation
Bricklaying	Janitorial	General labor
Security	Window Installation	Door Installation
Fixtures Installation	Other	

HAZMAT	LIST OTHERS	
HAZWOPER		
Truck Driving		
OSHA		
Pipe laying		
Green Construction		

### II. Comments

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS #24-906-19 INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES

### NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

(Prime Bidder/Offeror)	
State of	
City/County of	
	Being duly sworn, deposes and says:
(Name)	
That he/she is	
(A partner or officer	of the firm of, etc.)

The party making the foregoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or sham: that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person to fix the bid price or affiant or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead profit or cost element of said bid price, or that any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against the Housing Authority of New Orleans or any personal interest in the proposed contracts; and that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature of

Offeror, if the bidder is an individual

Partner, if the bidder is a partnership

Subscribed and Sworn to before me

Officer, if the bidder is a corporation

This\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_

Notary Public

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