

RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 2897

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, SELECTING AND AWARDING AN AGREEMENT TO DRC EMERGENCY SERVICES, LLC FOR DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO RFP NO. 2022-03; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2022, the Town issued Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 2022-03 seeking qualified firms for disaster debris removal services (the “Services”); and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP, the Town received six proposals; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2022, the six proposals were evaluated and ranked by an Evaluation Committee, which scored the proposal by DRC Emergency Services, LLC (the “Contractor”) as the highest-ranked proposal; and

WHEREAS, based on the Evaluation Committee and Town Administration’s recommendation, the Town Commission wishes to select the Contractor’s proposal and award the Contractor an agreement for the Services in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A” (the “Agreement”), subject to final approval as to form and content by the Town Manager and legal sufficiency by the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the award of an Agreement for the Services to the Contractor and this Resolution are in the best interest and welfare of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above-stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Selection of Contractor and Award of Agreement. The Town Commission hereby selects the Contractor's proposal and awards the Contractor an Agreement for the Services, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Section 3. Authorization to Execute Agreement. The Town Manager is authorized to execute the Agreement, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A," with the Contractor on behalf of the Town, subject to the approval as to form and legal sufficiency by the Town Manager and Town Attorney.

Section 4. Implementation. That the Town Manager and Town Officials are hereby authorized to take any and all actions which are necessary to implement the Services, the Agreement for the Services, and the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of July, 2022.

Motion By: Commissioner Landsman

Second By: Vice Mayor Rose

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

Commissioner Fred Landsman Yes

Commissioner Marianne Meiseid Yes

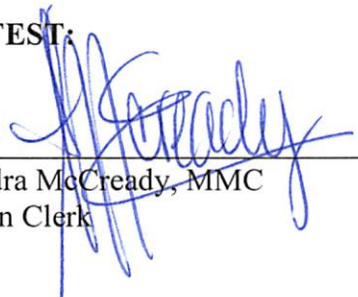
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez Absent

Vice Mayor Jeffrey Rose Yes

Mayor Shlomo Danzinger Yes



Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sandra McCready, MMC
Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE
AND BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:**



Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.
Town Attorney

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE
AND
[CONTRACTOR]**

THIS AGREEMENT (this “Agreement” or this “Contract”) is made effective as of the _____ day of _____, 2022 (the “Effective Date”), by and between the **TOWN OF SURFSIDE**, a Florida municipal corporation (hereinafter the “Town”), and _____, a Florida corporation (hereinafter, the “Contractor”).

WHEREAS, on July _____, 2022, the Town issued Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 2022-03 seeking qualified firms for Disaster Debris Removal Services, which RFP is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, Contractor submitted a proposal in response to the RFP for Disaster Debris Removal Services (the “Services”); and

WHEREAS, the Contractor and the Town, through mutual negotiation, have agreed upon Price Schedule for the Services; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to engage the Contractor to perform the Services, and to provide the deliverables as specified below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the Contractor and the Town agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services.

1.1. Contractor shall provide the Services set forth in the Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and the Disaster Debris Removal Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit “B,” both of which are incorporated herein by reference (the “Services”). In providing the Services, the Contractor shall also perform or assist the Town in performing the following eligibility tasks:

- (a) **Damage Categorization.** Contractor shall properly group all Disaster Debris Removal Services in accordance with FEMA’s damage categories.
- (b) **Eligibility Inspections.** Contractor and the Town or the Monitoring Team will inspect each load to verify that the contents are in accordance with the accepted definition of eligible Debris, as set out in the Disaster Debris Removal Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit “B.”
- (c) **Eligibility Determinations.** If any load is suspected to contain material that does not conform to the definition of eligible Debris, the load will be ordered to be deposited at another landfill, receiving facility or at a special location at the Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Site (“TDSRS”).

1.2. Contractor shall furnish all reports, documents, and information obtained pursuant to this Agreement, and recommendations during the term of this Agreement (hereinafter "Deliverables") to the Town.

2. Term/Commencement Date.

2.1. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and continue for five (5) years thereafter, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Paragraph 8. Additionally, the Town Manager, on his discretion, may renew this Agreement for three (3) additional one (1) year periods on the same terms as set forth herein upon written notice to the Contractor.

2.2. Contractor agrees that time is of the essence and Contractor shall complete the Services within the term of this Agreement, unless extended by the Town Manager.

3. Compensation and Payment.

3.1. **Compensation for Services.** Contractor will invoice the Town and be paid for this contracted service in accordance with the unit pricing and rates as set out in the Price Submittal Schedule Form for Disaster Debris Removal Services attached hereto as Exhibit "C."

- (a) **Unit Price for Debris.** The unit price per cubic yard or ton includes all costs for mobilization, loading, transportation, storage, reduction, disposal, overall project management and de-mobilization as may be directed by the Town. All eligible contracted Debris shall be invoiced in accordance with the Price Submittal Schedule Form for Disaster Debris Removal Services attached hereto as Exhibit "C."
- (b) **Unit Prices for Stumps.** The Town will determine the necessity and eligibility for ALL stump removal. The unit price of compensation for stump pulling, loading, transportation, storage, reduction and/or disposal shall be based on the stump size and corresponding unit pricing or rates invoiced in accordance with the Price Submittal Schedule Form for Disaster Debris Removal Services attached hereto as Exhibit "C."
- (c) **Billing Cycle.** Contractor shall invoice the Town on a bi-weekly basis as of the close of business on the last working day of the billing period. Serialized Debris reporting tickets and disposal site verification of the actual cubic yardage for each load of Debris or itemized stumps will support all invoices.
- (d) **Payment Responsibility.** The Town agrees to accept the Contractor's invoice(s) and supporting documentation showing performance of Disaster Debris Removal Services, as further set out under Exhibit "C," and process said invoices for payment within 30 days of receipt of the Contractor's invoice. Fees shall be paid in arrears each month, pursuant to Contractor's invoice. The Town shall pay the Contractor in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act after approval and acceptance of the Services by the Town Manager.

(e) **Specialized Services.** In connection with the performance of Disaster Debris Removal Services, the Contractor may invoice the Town for costs incurred to mobilize and demobilize specialized equipment required to perform services in addition to those specified under the Disaster Debris Removal Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit "B." Additional specialized services or equipment will only be performed or provided if/when directed by the Town. The rate for specialized mobilization and demobilization shall be fair and reasonable and in accordance with Exhibit "C."

3.2. Contractor shall deliver an invoice to Town no more often than once per month detailing Services completed and the amount due to Contractor under this Agreement. Fees shall be paid in arrears each month, pursuant to Contractor's invoice, which shall be based upon the percentage of work completed for each task invoiced. The Town shall pay the Contractor in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act after approval and acceptance of the Services by the Town Manager.

4. **Subcontractors.**

4.1. Contractor shall be responsible for all payments to any subcontractors and shall maintain responsibility for all work related to the Services.

4.2. Contractor may only utilize the services of a particular subcontractor with the prior written approval of the Town Manager, which approval may be granted or withheld in the Town Manager's sole and absolute discretion.

5. **Town's Responsibilities.**

5.1. Town shall make available any maps, plans, existing studies, reports, staff and representatives, and other data pertinent to the Services and in possession of the Town, and provide criteria requested by Contractor to assist Contractor in performing the Services.

5.2. Upon Contractor's request, Town shall reasonably cooperate in arranging access to public information that may be required for Contractor to perform the Services.

6. **Contractor's Responsibilities; Representations and Warranties.**

6.1. Contractor shall exercise the same degree of care, skill and diligence in the performance of the Services as is ordinarily provided by a Contractor under similar circumstances. If at any time during the term of this Agreement or within two (2) years from the completion of this Agreement, it is determined that the Contractor's Deliverables or Services are incorrect, not properly rendered, defective, or fail to conform to Town requests, the Contractor shall at Contractor's sole expense, immediately correct its Deliverables or Services.

6.2. Contractor hereby warrants and represents that at all times during the term of this Agreement it shall maintain in good standing all required licenses, certifications and permits required under Federal, State and local laws applicable to and necessary to perform the Services for

Town as an independent contractor of the Town. Contractor further warrants and represents that it has the required knowledge, expertise, and experience to perform the Services and carry out its obligations under this Agreement in a professional and first class manner.

6.3. Contractor represents that is an entity validly existing and in good standing under the laws of Florida. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by Contractor have been duly authorized, and this Agreement is binding on Contractor and enforceable against Contractor in accordance with its terms. No consent of any other person or entity to such execution, delivery and performance is required.

7. **Conflict of Interest.**

7.1. To avoid any conflict of interest or any appearance thereof, Contractor shall not, for the term of this Agreement, provide any services to any private sector entities (corporations, developers, real estate investors, etc.), with any current, or foreseeable, adversarial issues in the Town.

8. **Termination.**

8.1. The Town Manager, without cause, may terminate this Agreement upon five (5) calendar days written notice to the Contractor, or immediately with cause.

8.2. Upon receipt of the Town's written notice of termination, Contractor shall immediately stop work on the Services unless directed otherwise by the Town Manager.

8.3. In the event of termination by the Town, Contractor shall be paid for all Services accepted by the Town Manager up to the date of termination, provided that the Contractor has first complied with the provisions of Paragraph 8.4.

8.4. Contractor shall transfer all books, records, reports, working drafts, documents, maps, and data pertaining to the Services and the project to the Town, in a hard copy and electronic format within fourteen (14) days from the date of the written notice of termination or the date of expiration of this Agreement.

9. **Insurance.**

9.1. Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the duration of this Agreement insurance of such types and in such amounts not less than those specified below as satisfactory to Town, naming the Town as an Additional Insured, underwritten by a firm rated A-X or better by A.M. Best and qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance coverage shall be primary insurance with respect to the Town, its officials, employees, agents, and volunteers naming the Town as additional insured. Any insurance maintained by the Town shall be in excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute to the Contractor's insurance. The insurance coverages shall include at a minimum the amounts set forth in this section and may be increased by the Town as it deems necessary or prudent.

- (a) Commercial General Liability coverage with limits of liability of not less than a \$1,000,000 per Occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage. This Liability Insurance shall also include Completed Operations and Product Liability coverages and eliminate the exclusion with respect to property under the care, custody and control of Contractor. The General Aggregate Liability limit and the Products/Completed Operations Liability Aggregate limit shall be in the amount of \$2,000,000 each.
- (b) Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance, to apply for all employees for statutory limits as required by applicable State and Federal laws. The policy(ies) must include Employer's Liability with minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00 each accident. No employee, subcontractor or agent of the Contractor shall be allowed to provide Services pursuant to this Agreement who is not covered by Worker's Compensation insurance.
- (c) Business Automobile Liability with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage. Coverage must be afforded on a form no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Business Automobile Liability policy, without restrictive endorsements, as filed by the Insurance Service Office, and must include Owned, Hired, and Non-Owned Vehicles.
- (d) Professional Liability Insurance in an amount of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence, single limit.

9.2. Certificate of Insurance. Certificates of Insurance shall be provided to the Town, reflecting the Town as an Additional Insured (except with respect to Professional Liability Insurance and Worker's Compensation Insurance), no later than ten (10) days after award of this Agreement and prior to the execution of this Agreement by Town and prior to commencing Services. Each certificate shall include no less than (30) thirty-day advance written notice to Town prior to cancellation, termination, or material alteration of said policies or insurance. Contractor shall be responsible for assuring that the insurance certificates required by this Section remain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, including any extensions or renewals that may be granted by the Town. The Certificates of Insurance shall not only name the types of policy(ies) provided, but also shall refer specifically to this Agreement and shall state that such insurance is as required by this Agreement. The Town reserves the right to inspect and return a certified copy of such policies, upon written request by the Town. If a policy is due to expire prior to the completion of the Services, renewal Certificates of Insurance shall be furnished thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of their policy expiration. Each policy certificate shall be endorsed with a provision that not less than thirty (30) calendar days' written notice shall be provided to the Town before any policy or coverage is cancelled or restricted. Acceptance of the Certificate(s) is subject to approval of the Town.

9.3. Additional Insured. Except with respect to Professional Liability Insurance and Worker's Compensation Insurance, the Town is to be specifically included as an Additional Insured for the liability of the Town resulting from Services performed by or on behalf of the Contractor in performance of this Agreement. Contractor's insurance, including that

applicable to the Town as an Additional Insured, shall apply on a primary basis and any other insurance maintained by the Town shall be in excess of and shall not contribute to the Contractor's insurance. Contractor's insurance shall contain a severability of interest provision providing that, except with respect to the total limits of liability, the insurance shall apply to each Insured or Additional Insured (for applicable policies) in the same manner as if separate policies had been issued to each.

9.4. Deductibles. All deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and be reasonably approved by the Town. Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any deductible or self-insured retentions in the event of any claim.

9.5. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

10. Nondiscrimination. During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall not discriminate against any of its employees or applicants for employment because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, and to abide by all Federal and State laws regarding nondiscrimination.

11. Attorneys Fees and Waiver of Jury Trial.

11.1. In the event of any litigation arising out of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its attorneys' fees and costs, including the fees and expenses of any paralegals, law clerks and legal assistants, and including fees and expenses charged for representation at both the trial and all appellate levels.

11.2. IN THE EVENT OF ANY LITIGATION ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT, EACH PARTY HEREBY KNOWINGLY, IRREVOCABLY, VOLUNTARILY AND INTENTIONALLY WAIVES ITS RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY.

12. Indemnification.

12.1. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Town, its officers, agents and employees, from and against any and all demands, claims, losses, suits, liabilities, causes of action, judgment or damages, arising from Contractor's performance or non-performance of any provision of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, liabilities arising from contracts between the Contractor and third parties made pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall reimburse the Town for all its expenses including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in and about the defense of any such claim or investigation and for any judgment or damages arising from Contractor's performance or non-performance of this Agreement.

12.2. Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the Town nor shall anything included herein be construed as consent to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of this Agreement or any other contract. The Town is subject to section 768.28, Florida Statutes, as may be amended from time to time.

12.3. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

13. Notices/Authorized Representatives. Any notices required by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been properly given if transmitted by hand-delivery, by registered or certified mail with postage prepaid return receipt requested, or by a private postal service, addressed to the parties (or their successors) at the addresses listed on the signature page of this Agreement or such other address as the party may have designated by proper notice.

14. Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any proceedings arising out of this Agreement shall be proper exclusively in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

15. Entire Agreement/Modification/Amendment.

15.1. This writing contains the entire Agreement of the parties and supersedes any prior oral or written representations. No representations were made or relied upon by either party, other than those that are expressly set forth herein.

15.2. No agent, employee, or other representative of either party is empowered to modify or amend the terms of this Agreement, unless executed with the same formality as this document.

15.3. Notwithstanding the provisions above, the Town may be required to enter into agreements with federal and/or state agencies in connection with the provision of Emergency/Disaster Relief Services. Contractor shall be bound by the terms and conditions of such agreements. A copy of any such agreements or instructions shall be delivered to the Contractor, in writing, within seven (7) days of execution.

16. Ownership and Access to Records and Audits.

16.1. Contractor acknowledges that all inventions, innovations, improvements, developments, methods, designs, analyses, drawings, reports, compiled information, and all similar or related information (whether patentable or not) which relate to Services to the Town which are conceived, developed or made by Contractor during the term of this Agreement (“Work Product”) belong to the Town. Contractor shall promptly disclose such Work Product to the Town and perform all actions reasonably requested by the Town (whether during or after the term of this Agreement) to establish and confirm such ownership (including, without limitation, assignments, powers of attorney and other instruments).

16.2. Contractor agrees to keep and maintain public records in Contractor’s possession or control in connection with Contractor’s performance under this Agreement. The Town Manager or her designee shall, during the term of this Agreement and for a period of five (5) years from the date of termination of this Agreement, have access to and the right to examine and audit any records of the Contractor involving transactions related to this Agreement. Contractor additionally agrees to comply specifically with the provisions of Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes. Contractor shall ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not

disclosed, except as authorized by law, for the duration of the Agreement, and following completion of the Agreement until the records are transferred to the Town.

- 16.3. Upon request from the Town's custodian of public records, Contractor shall provide the Town with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided by Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 16.4. Unless otherwise provided by law, any and all records, including but not limited to reports, surveys, and other data and documents provided or created in connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of the Town.
- 16.5. Upon completion of this Agreement or in the event of termination by either party, any and all public records relating to the Agreement in the possession of the Contractor shall be delivered by the Contractor to the Town Manager, at no cost to the Town, within seven (7) days. All such records stored electronically by Contractor shall be delivered to the Town in a format that is compatible with the Town's information technology systems. Once the public records have been delivered upon completion or termination of this Agreement, the Contractor shall destroy any and all duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements.
- 16.6. Any compensation due to Contractor shall be withheld until all records are received as provided herein.
- 16.7. Contractor's failure or refusal to comply with the provisions of this section shall result in the immediate termination of this Agreement by the Town.
- 16.8. **Notice Pursuant to Section 119.0701(2)(a), Florida Statutes. IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS.**

Custodian of Records: Sandra McCready, MMC

**Mailing address: 9293 Harding Avenue
Surfside, FL 33154**

Telephone number: 305-861-4863

Email: smccready@townofsurfsidefl.gov

- 16.9. Contractor shall comply with the following FEMA records access requirements:
- (a) Contractor agrees to provide the Town, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent

to this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

- (b) Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (c) Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representative access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement.
- (d) In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the Town and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this Agreement is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

17. Nonassignability. This Agreement shall not be assignable by Contractor unless such assignment is first approved by the Town Manager. The Town is relying upon the apparent qualifications and expertise of the Contractor, and such firm's familiarity with the Town's area, circumstances and desires.

18. Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement shall to any extent be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each remaining term and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

19. Independent Contractor. Contractor and its employees, volunteers and agents shall be and remain an independent contractor and not an agent or employee of the Town with respect to all of the acts and services performed by and under the terms of this Agreement. This Agreement shall not in any way be construed to create a partnership, association or any other kind of joint undertaking, enterprise or venture between the parties.

20. Compliance with Laws.

20.1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities in carrying out Services under this Agreement, including federal, State of Florida, Miami-Dade County, the Town, and shall obtain all required permits from all jurisdictional agencies to perform the Services under this Agreement at its own expense. The Contractor shall provide the Services in compliance with Resolution No. 2019-2646, incorporated herein by this reference and made a part hereof, and Chapter 90, Article VIII, "Landscape Requirements" of the Town Code of Ordinances.

20.2. Contractor acknowledges that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of this Agreement. The Contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

21. Waiver. The failure of either party to this Agreement to object to or to take affirmative action with respect to any conduct of the other which is in violation of the terms of this Agreement

shall not be construed as a waiver of the violation or breach, or of any future violation, breach or wrongful conduct.

22. **Survival of Provisions.** Any terms or conditions of either this Agreement that require acts beyond the date of the term of the Agreement, shall survive termination of the Agreement, shall remain in full force and effect unless and until the terms or conditions are completed and shall be fully enforceable by either party.
23. **Prohibition of Contingency Fees.** Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Contractor, to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person(s), company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement.
24. **Public Entity Crimes Affidavit.** Contractor shall comply with Section 287.133, Florida Statutes (Public Entity Crimes Statute), notification of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference, including execution of any required affidavit.
25. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and such counterparts shall constitute one and the same instrument.
26. **Conflicts.** This document, without exhibits or attachments, is the “Base Agreement.” In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Base Agreement and any exhibits or attachments hereto, the terms of the Base Agreement shall control.

In the event of a conflict between the terms of any exhibits or attachments hereto, or any documents incorporated herein by reference, the conflict shall be resolved in the following order of priorities and the more stringent criteria for performance of the Services shall apply:

- (a) First Priority: This Agreement and all Attachments and Exhibits (except Exhibits “A” and “D”)
 - (b) Second Priority: Exhibit “D,” FHWA-1273;
 - (c) Third Priority: the RFP;
 - (d) Fourth Priority: Exhibit “A,” Contractor’s Proposal.
27. **Boycotts.** The Contractor is not currently engaged in, and will not engage in, a boycott, as defined in Section 3-1.1 of the Town of Surfside Code of Ordinances.
 28. **Bonding.** The Contractor shall furnish to the Town, within 72 hours of the issuance of a Notice to Proceed for Disaster Debris Removal Services, a Performance and Payment Bond executed by the Contractor, and surety company authorized to do business in the State of Florida, in an amount equal to the value established (including any contingency amounts) within an issued Notice to Proceed and/or work authorization, which bond shall be conditioned upon:

1. the successful completion of all work, labor, services, materials to be provided and furnished;
2. the payment of all subcontractors, materials and laborers; and
3. paying the Town all loss, damages, expenses, costs and attorneys' fees, including appellate proceedings, that Town sustains because of a default by Contractor under the Agreement.

If the value of the contracted work increases, the Contractor shall be required to provide an updated Performance and Payment Bond in an amount equal to the new value. The Town will only accept a Performance and Payment Bond issued by a firm with an A.M. Best rating of "A-" (Excellent) or better. Contractor shall provide a letter from the Contractor's bonding company that verifies the Contractor can comply with this requirement and is capable of having a bond issued in an amount equal to or exceeding \$10,000,000.00.

Contractor's failure to provide and maintain the Performance and Payment bond required by this Agreement shall be grounds for termination, and the Contractor shall be liable for all losses, damages, costs and expenses associated with the failure to maintain the required bond.

29. **Scrutinized Company Certification.** Contractor certifies that it and its subcontractors are not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List. Pursuant to Section 287.135, F.S., the Town may immediately terminate this Agreement at its sole option if the Contractor or its subcontractors are found to have submitted a false certification; or if the Contractor, or its subcontractors are placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in the boycott of Israel during the term of the Agreement.
30. **Drug-Free Workplace.** Contractor shall comply with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes, and accordingly shall take the following actions:
 - 30.18.1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
 - 30.18.2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
 - 30.18.3. Give each employee engaged in providing commodities or contractual services under this Agreement a copy of the statement specified in subsection
 - 30.18.4. Notify employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services under this Agreement, the employee must abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
 - 30.18.5. Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.

30.18.6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through the implementation of this section.

31. Federally Required Clauses – Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards Under 2 CFR Part 200. Contractor agrees to comply with the contract provisions listed under FHWA-1273 Form, attached hereto Exhibit “D” and incorporated herein by reference, and the following terms and provisions for all Disaster Debris Removal Services that are federally funded and reimbursable:

31.1. Equal Employment Opportunity. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

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

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

4) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

- 5) The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 6) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- 7) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 8) The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

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

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: *Provided*, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

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

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a Contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

31.2. Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- a. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The Contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
- b. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
- c. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

31.3. Compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- a. Contractor. The Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
- b. Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- c. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a Contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

31.4. Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- 31.4.1. Overtime requirements.** The Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall not require nor permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- 31.4.2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, the Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (a) of this section, 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 forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (a) of this section.
- 31.4.3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.** The Town shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the *Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act*, which is held by the same prime Contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b) of this section.
- 31.4.4. Subcontracts.** The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (a) through (d) of this section and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section.
- 31.5. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act.** As required by Federal program legislation, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following federal requirements:
- 31.5.1. Clean Air Act.**
- (a) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. (2)
 - (b) The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Town and understands and agrees that the Town will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the State of Florida, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

- (c) The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

31.5.2. Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- (a) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (b) The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Town and understands and agrees that the Town will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to The State of Florida, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (c) The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

31.6. Debarment and Suspension. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- 31.6.1.** This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the Contractor is required, and will, verify that neither Contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), nor its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- 31.6.2.** The Contractor will comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters.
- 31.6.3.** Contractor's certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Town. If it is later determined that the Contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to The State of Florida, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- 31.6.4.** The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C throughout the period this Agreement. The Contractor further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower-tier covered transactions.

31.7. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended). During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- 31.7.1.** The Contractor certifies to the Town that it has not and will not use Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. *The required Certification is attached to this Addendum to the Agreement.*

- 31.7.2.** Contractor will also ensure that each tier of subcontractor(s) shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures will be forwarded from tier-to-tier up to the OWNER.
- 31.8. Procurement of Recovered Materials.** As required by federal program legislation, Contractor agrees to the following:
- 31.8.1.** In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:
- (a) competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - (b) meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - (c) at a reasonable price.
- 31.8.2.** Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.
- 31.8.3.** The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.
- 31.9. DHS Seals, Logos, and Flags.** The Contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.
- 31.10. Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.** The Contractor acknowledges that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the contract only. The Contractor will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.
- 31.11. No Obligation by Federal Government.** Contractor acknowledges that the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.
- 31.12. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.** The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor actions pertaining to this Agreement.
- 31.13. Access to Records.**
- 31.13.1.** The Contractor agrees to provide the State of Florida, the Town, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- 31.13.2.** The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

31.13.3.The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract."

31.14. Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises.

31.14.1.Contractor shall comply with 2 C.F.R. § 200.321, "Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms."

31.14.2.If subcontracts are to be let, the Contractor is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

31.15. No Obligation by Federal Government. The Federal Government is not a party to this Agreement and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this Agreement.

31.16. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts. Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this Agreement.

31.17. Change or Modification. To be eligible for FEMA assistance under a FEMA grant or cooperative agreement, the cost of a change, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, within the scope of the grant or cooperative agreement, and reasonable for the completion of the project scope. Accordingly, the Contractor shall comply with the following:

31.17.1.Without invalidating the Agreement, Town reserves and shall have the right, from time to time to make such increases, decreases or other changes in the character or quantity of the work as may be considered necessary or desirable to fully and properly complete the project in a satisfactory manner in accordance with the scope of the FEMA grant or cooperative agreement. Any extra or additional work within the scope of this Agreement must be accomplished by means of appropriate Field Orders or Change Orders.

31.17.2.The Town shall have the right to approve and issue Field Orders setting forth written interpretations of the intent of the project documents and ordering minor changes in work execution, providing the Field Order involves no change in the Agreement Price or the Agreement Time.

31.17.3.Changes in the quantity or character of the Work or Services within the scope of the Project which are not properly the subject of Field Orders, including all changes resulting in changes in the Agreement Price, or the Agreement Time, shall be authorized only by Change Orders approved in advance and issued in accordance with the provisions of Town's Procurement Code, as amended from time to time.

31.18. Remedies.

31.18.1. In the event the Contractor defaults, as described below, the Contractor shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, including but not limited to:

- (a) Lost revenues;
- (b) The difference between the cost associated with procuring the Services and the amount actually expended by the Town for re-procurement of the Services, including procurement and administrative costs; and
- (c) Such other direct damages.

The Contractor shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Contractor's default. The Town may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

31.18.2. An event of default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor, which shall include, but not be limited to, the following instances:

- (a) The Contractor has not delivered Deliverables on a timely basis;
- (b) The Contractor has refused or failed to supply enough properly skilled staff personnel;
- (c) The Contractor has failed to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers for any Services;
- (d) The Contractor has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Contractor's creditors, or the Contractor has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Contractor's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
- (e) The Contractor has failed to obtain the approval of the Town where required by this Agreement;
- (f) The Contractor has failed to provide adequate assurances, as provided in Section 29.18.4.7 of this Agreement, to address the Town's reasonable grounds for believing the Contractor lacks the ability to perform the Services or any portion thereof; and
- (g) The Contractor has failed in the representation of any warranties in this Agreement.

31.18.3. When, in the opinion of the Town, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Contractor's ability to perform the Services or any portion thereof, the Town may request that the Contractor, within the timeframe set forth in the Town's request, provide adequate assurances to the Town, in writing, of the Contractor's ability to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Until the Town receives such assurances, the Town may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Contractor for portions of the Services which the Contractor has not performed. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide to the Town the requested assurances within the prescribed timeframe, the Town may:

- (a) treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement; and

(b) resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the Services or any part thereof either by itself or through another contractor or entity.

**[Remainder of page intentionally left blank.
Signature page and Certifications follow.]**

E-VERIFY AFFIDAVIT

In accordance with Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, the Town requires all contractors doing business with the Town to register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. The Town will not enter into a contract unless each party to the contract registers with and uses the E-Verify system.

The contracting entity must provide of its proof of enrollment in E-Verify. For instructions on how to provide proof of the contracting entity’s participation/enrollment in E-Verify, please visit: <https://www.e-verify.gov/faq/how-do-i-provide-proof-of-my-participationenrollment-in-e-verify>

By signing below, the contracting entity acknowledges that it has read Section 448.095, Florida Statutes and will comply with the E-Verify requirements imposed by it, including but not limited to obtaining E-Verify affidavits from subcontractors.

Check here to confirm proof of enrollment in E-Verify has been attached to this Affidavit.

In the presence of:

Signed, sealed and delivered by:

Witness #1 Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Witness #2 Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Entity Name: _____

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of Florida
County of _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (name of person) as _____ (type of authority) for _____ (name of party on behalf of whom instrument is executed).

Notary Public (Print, Stamp, or Type as
Commissioned)

- _____ Personally known to me; or
- _____ Produced identification (Type of Identification: _____)
- _____ Did take an oath; or
- _____ Did not take an oath

44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The undersigned, Custom Tree Care, Inc., certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form- LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Offeror, Custom Tree Care, Inc., certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Authorized Officer: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT "A"
CONTRACTOR'S PROPOSAL

The Proposal from _____ is incorporated by this reference and made a part hereof.

EXHIBIT "B"
DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL SCOPE OF SERVICES
[TO BE INSERTED FROM RFP]

EXHIBIT "C"
DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL SERVICES
PRICE SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE FORM
[INSERT CONTRACTOR'S PRICE SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE FORM]

EXHIBIT "D"

FHWA-1273

FHWA-1273 -- Revised May 1, 2012

REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

- I. General
- II. Nondiscrimination
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- IV. Davis-Bacon and Related Act Provisions
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- IX. Implementation of Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- X. Compliance with Governmentwide Suspension and Debarment Requirements
- XI. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying

ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under Title 23 (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in bid proposal or request for proposal documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors.

II. NONDISCRIMINATION

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR 60.29 CFR 1625-1627, Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR 60, and 29 CFR 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR 230, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

1. **Equal Employment Opportunity:** Equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (28 CFR 35, 29 CFR 1630, 29 CFR 1625-1627, 41 CFR 60 and 49 CFR 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140 shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under

this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR 35 and 29 CFR 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract.

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

2. **EEO Officer:** The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

3. **Dissemination of Policy:** All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

4. **Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

5. **Personnel Actions:** Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

6. **Training and Promotion:**

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are

applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities: The contractor must be familiar

with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established there under. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors and suppliers and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

10. Assurance Required by 49 CFR 26.13(b):

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's U.S. DOT-approved DBE program are incorporated by reference.

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

11. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women;

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on [Form FHWA-1391](#). The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor

will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more.

The contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location, under the contractor's control, where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size). The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. Contracting agencies may elect to apply these requirements to other projects.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

1. Minimum wages

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

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions

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

b.(1) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

(i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(3) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Wage and Hour Administrator for determination. The Wage and Hour Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or

will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs 1.b.(2) or 1.b.(3) of this section, 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.

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

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

2. Withholding

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

3. Payrolls and basic records

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-

Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b.(1) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the contracting agency. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm> or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the contracting agency for transmission to the State DOT, the FHWA or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the contracting agency..

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

(i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under §5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under §5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;

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

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

(3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(2) of this section.

(4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.

c. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3.a. of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the FHWA may, after written notice to the contractor, the contracting agency or the State DOT, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

4. Apprentices and trainees

a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeymen's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly

rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

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

d. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.

6. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert Form FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts and also require the subcontractors to include Form FHWA-1273 in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

7. Contract termination: debarment. A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

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

10. Certification of eligibility.

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

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

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

V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

The following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

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

2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, 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 forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section.

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

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

VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions:

- (1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
- (2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;
- (3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and
- (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract.

2. The contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. The contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is

evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.

5. The 30% self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements.

VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C.3704).

VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 1, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract, or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, or subcontractor, as appropriate, will be deemed to have stipulated as follows:

1. That any person who is or will be utilized in the performance of this contract is not prohibited from receiving an award due to a violation of Section 508 of the Clean Water Act or Section 306 of the Clean Air Act.
2. That the contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of paragraph (1) of this Section X in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements.

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

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200.

1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this

covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction.

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

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

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epls.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

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

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

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

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

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

2. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

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

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which

this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epis.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

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

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the

department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Participants:

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

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

XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000 (49 CFR 20).

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

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

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

**ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS
PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT
HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS
ROAD CONTRACTS**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above.

5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.