

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

FINANCIAL AUDIT SERVICES (RFP 2021-32)

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NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP 2021-32) Financial Audit Services

Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority ("Stan Regional") is inviting proposals from independent public accounting firms to perform an audit of Stan Regional's various programs for fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2023 with two one-year options for fiscal years ending September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2025.

Request for Proposals may be obtained at Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority website at www.stancoha.org.

Proposals shall be submitted with one (1) original and three (3) copies of their Proposal which addresses the Proposed Requirements described in the Scope of Work section. The proposals must be in our office no later than **Thursday**, **September 27**, **2021**, **at 3:00 P.M. (PST)**, at 1701 Robertson Road, Modesto, California 95351. The proposal must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked "**PROPOSAL FOR AUDIT TO BE OPENED September 27**, **2021**." **Please also include firm/individual name on outside of envelope.** Late submittals, postmarks, fax and e-mail proposals will not be accepted. All proposals will become property of the Stan Regional upon submission.

Deadline for questions regarding RFP is September 7, 2021 submit your questions to quotes@stancoha.org all questions and answers will be posted on our website www.stancoha.org

PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 3:00 PM (PST)
Thursday, September 27, 2021

Proposals should be addressed to:

Mary Ramirez

Asset Manager

Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority

Mailing Address: PO Box 581918, Modesto, CA 95358 Physical Address: 1701 Robertson Road, Modesto, California 95351

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority ("Stan Regional") is a public entity that was formed in 1949 to provide federally subsidized housing and housing assistance to low-income families within the County. The Stan Regional is headed by a CEO/Executive Director and is governed by a seven-person board of commissioners, and is subject to the requirements of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Though brought into existence by a Resolution of the County of Stanislaus, the Stan Regional is a separate entity from the County.

Stan Regional owns, operates and manages 647 units of Conventional Public Housing (HUD), 356 USDA Rural Development Farm Labor Housing and 317 units of other affordable housing, manages 213 units of Migrant Farm Worker Housing (OMS), administers up to 4,640 Housing Choice Vouchers, 111 VASH, 105 Mainstream and administers grant programs for the Modernization of Conventional Public Housing units (Capital Fund), Resident Opportunity and Supportive Services, Continuum of Care and Family Self Sufficiency Grant.

Regulations pertaining to federally assisted programs are promulgated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Other regulatory bodies include the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development, including its Office of Migrant Services (OMS).

Attachment 1 is a list of major federally assisted programs of Stan Regional.

The Authority's fiscal year begins on October 1st and ends on September 30th. The last audit was performed for the fiscal year that ended on September 30, 2020.

Stan Regional utilizes Yardi Software for housing and finance purposes. Each federally assisted program has its own separate books of account.

Stan Regional is awaiting HUD approval of a consortium agreement between Stan Regional and Housing Authority of the City of Riverbank, Housing Authority of the City of Madera and Housing Authority of the County of Kings. Stan Regional will be the Lead Agency.

Stan Regional also managed 90 Public Housing units and Capital Fund Program for Housing Authority of the City of Riverbank.

II. SCOPE OF WORK

A. Audit Standards

The audit shall be conducted in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing

Standards and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The audit and financial statements shall meet the requirements of federal single audit regulations as prescribed 2 CFR, Part 200, Subpart F, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, GASB-34 Basic Financial Statement's and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)=s Public and Indian Housing Compliance Supplement. The financial statements are to be prepared by the auditor in accordance with General Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and HUD=s timetable for submission. This includes assistance with electronically submitting Financial Data Schedule (FDS) via the internet as required by the Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC). It also included performing agreed upon procedures over the audited submission of the FDS.

- B. A financial statement and compliance audit of Stan Regional for fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, September 30, 2022, and September 30, 2023; with an option to renew for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 and the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025 performed in accordance with Section A "Audit Standards" above. The statement should include the following:
 - Statement of Net Positions
 - Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes to Net Positions
 - Statement of Cash Flows
 - Notes to Financial Statements
 - Combining Financial Statements (GAAP basis) by fund/program
 - Statement of Certification of Actual Capital Fund Costs Completed for the year
 - Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
 - Schedule of Pension Plan Contributions
 - Auditor will prepare a Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards.
 - Auditor will prepare an Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance
 - Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
 - Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (includes "summary of auditor's results" and findings in the current and prior year audits)
 - Report on Compliance with Applicable Laws, Regulations and Grant Agreements for:
 - Housing Choice Voucher Program, included FUP, and VASH
 - Conventional Public Housing Program
 - Capital Fund Program
 - Resident Opportunity and Supportive Services

- Continuum of Care Program
- Family Self-Sufficiency Program
- Mainstream
- Locally owned units, locally managed units and local funds

The above procedures should be performed in accordance with 2 CFR, Part 200, Subpart F and the Public and Indian Housing Compliance Supplement.

- Report on Internal Controls in accordance with 2 CFR, Part 200.
- Prepare Bureau of Census Data Collection form to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.
- C. Attestation by auditor on Financial Data System (FDS) data as to its "fair presentation in relation to audited basic financial statements" in accordance with the audit provisions of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No.29, "Reporting on Information Accompanying the Basic Financial Statements in Auditor-Submitted Documents."
- D. A separate attestation of agreed-upon procedures engagements under AICPA Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) No. 4. Agreed-Upon Procedures Engagements whereby the auditor compares the electronically submitted data in the REAC staging database to the hard copy of the audit report and Financial Data Schedule (FDS).
- E. Provide (basic) financial statements as described in the Guidelines for Public Housing Authorities and Independent Auditors under the Uniform Financial Reporting Standards (UFRS) Rule (SAS 29), in the appropriate format for electronic submission to REAC.
- F. Provide any needed technical assistance in the submission of the Financial Data Schedule (FDS).
- G. With the assistance of the Stan Regional, Auditor will draft the Notes to the Financial Statements.
- H. Auditor shall assist in draft preparation of the Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) and audit the Stan Regional completed MD&A.
- I. As part of the audit contract, the auditor must be available through the year to answer questions and provide accounting and compliance guidance.
- J. Technical assistance as needed for HUD multifamily Owner Certification.
- K. Financial Statements and auditor's report for the State of California Migrant Farm Worker Housing Program for the purpose of complying with the accounting requirements of the Office of Migrant Services (OMS) of the California Department

- of Housing and Community Development. Stan Regional requires the audit report to be submitted by January 31st each fiscal year.
- L. Financial statement and compliance audit of Conant Place Project for fiscal years ending September 30, 2021, September 30, 2022, and September 30, 2023; with an option to renew for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 and the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025 with a due date of 90 days after the project's fiscal year ending date. The audit must be performed in accordance with "Audited Financial Statements Handbook for Multifamily Rental Housing" published by the California Department of Housing and Community Development California Housing Finance Agency.
- M. A property utilizing No Place Like Homes Funds by the name of Kansas House was place in service on May, 2020. This property will complete its permanent loan conversion in the fourth quarter of 2021, which will result in the need for stand-alone audit in accordance with the requirement of California Housing and Community Development. The audit must be performed in accordance with "Audited Financial Statements Handbook for Multifamily Rental Housing", which is due 90 days after the end of each fiscal year. This property consists of 102 units and 1 manager unit.
- N. Complete Internal Revenue Service Form 990 and applicable Schedules for Great Valley Housing Development.
- O. Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 199 and applicable Schedules for Great Valley Housing Development.
- P. Complete the Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts Form RRF-1 for Great Valley Housing Development.
- Q. Complete Internal Revenue Service Form 990 and Schedules for Resources and Empower, Achieve and Changes Horizons (REACH), if applicable.
- R. Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 199 and Schedules for Resources and Empower, Achieve and Changes Horizons (REACH), if applicable.
- S. Complete the Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts Form RRF-1 for Resources and Empower, Achieve and Changes Horizons (REACH).
- T. Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 568 and coordinate the annual process with other CPA, whom prepares the partnership tax return for Oak Leaf LP tax return.
- U. If the need for other audit services arises concerning the fiscal year under audit, the Stan Regional expects to be able to negotiate with the selected auditor to obtain the additional services needed.

V. REPORTS

- 1. The report shall include twelve (12) bound copies and one PDF of the Stan Regional single audit report for period ending September 30 of the appropriate year covering all Stan Regional programs. Additionally, the audit report in electronic (PDF) format for the period ending June 30 of the appropriate year, of the State funded Migrant Program and audit report for the period ending September 30 of the appropriate year, of the Conant Place Program for California Housing Financing Agency (CalHFA). The Single Audit Act and REAC stipulate a submission requirement of no later than nine (9) months after the end of the audit period. However, the Stan Regional requires that the audit report shall be submitted within 240 days after the closing of the Stan Regional's fiscal year end.
- 2. One PDF and ten (12) bound copies of the Great Valley Housing Development audit report for period ending September 30.
- 3. One PDF and ten (12) bound copies of the Housing Authority of the City of Riverbank audit report for period ending September 30.
- 4. The auditor will be expected to provide a management letter to the CEO/Executive Director on the non-reportable conditions an im-material instances of non-compliance. This letter shall also include general recommendations on observations made during the audit that could be helpful to the management of the Stan Regional.
- 5. Certificate of Actual Modernization Cost Statements must be included in the audit reports as completed.
- 6. Preparation of the Data Collection Form for submission to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.
- 7. Any other reports as requested by Stan Regional and as required by HUD's Uniform Financial Reporting Standards (UFRS) for Public Housing Authorities.
- 8. Complete Internal Revenue Service Form 990 and Schedules for Great Valley Housing Development.
- Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 199 and Schedules for Great Valley Housing Development.
- 10. Complete Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts Form RRF-1 for Great Valley Housing Development.

- 11. Complete Internal Revenue Service Form 1065 and Schedules, Form 8825, Form 4562, Form 8586, Form 8609-A for Woodstone Associates.
- 12. Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 565 and Schedules, Form 3885P, Form 8825 for Woodstone Associates.
- 13. Complete Internal Revenue Service Form 990 and Schedule for Resources and Empower, Achieve and Changes Horizons (REACH) and, if applicable.
- 14. Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 199 and Schedule for Resources and Empower, Achieve and Changes Horizons (REACH), if applicable.
- 15. Complete Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts Form RRF-1 for Resources and Empower, Achieve and Changes Horizons (REACH).
- 16. Complete California Franchise Tax Board Form 568 and coordinate the annual process with other CPA, whom prepares the partnership tax return for Oak Leaf LP tax return.

III. EVALUATION OF AUDIT PROPOSALS

- A. Evaluation Committee Proposals received will be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee and will make a recommendation to the CEO/Executive Director.
- B. Review of Proposals The Evaluation Committee will use a four-step method.
 - **Step 1**. Proposals must meet certain mandatory criteria in order to qualify for further evaluation. Any "no" answer to the first two questions will disqualify the proposal. A "yes" answer to the third question will require a written explanation, and may disqualify the proposal.

1.	Is the firm properly licensed?	□ yes	□ no
2.	Is the firm independent?	□ yes	□ no
3.	Has disciplinary action been taken	□ yes	□ no
	or pending against the firm?		

- **Step 2**. Proposals will be scored using the following technical criteria. Points for each question will range from 0-15. The maximum technical score is 120 points. Proposals should address each question.
 - Does the firm have a quality control program to help ensure adherence to high professional standards? (0-10 points)
 - Does the firm subject itself to "Peer Review" in order to provide an independent review of its quality control policies and procedures? (0-5)

- □ Did the "Peer Review" cover the governmental auditing section and was the "Peer Review" opinion attached? (0-5)
- Does the proposal fully respond to the needs of Stan Regional with regard to this audit? (0-5)
- □ Will the firm be able to meet Stan Regional's deadlines? (0-10)
- Is the quality of the firms' professional personnel to be assigned to the engagement and quality of the firm's management support personnel available for technical consultation adequate? (0-15)
- □ Has the firm audited other Housing Authorities? If so, please list the Housing Authorities and indicate if we may contact them. What was the PHI/REAC rejection rate of these audits? (0-15)
- □ Will the field personnel to be assigned to the engagement have previous Housing Authority or local government experience? How experienced and credentialed are the staffs that will be involved in the audit? Are the "in-charge staff CPAs? (0-15)
- Does the proposal adequately describe in a clear, concise, and understandable manner the work to be performed including sampling techniques and analytical procedures to be used? (0-15)
- Does the proposal demonstrate the firm's familiarity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as they apply to Housing Authorities? (0-10)
- □ What has been the total amount of time spent on fieldwork on each Housing Authority audit you have done? (0-5)
- Has the firm's prior experiences with Stan Regional or another Housing Authority, if any, been acceptable? (0-10)
- **Step 3**. The maximum number of points relating to cost is 20. The score based on the cost of the proposal will be calculated by using the following formula:

Lowest Cost of All Bids X 20 points Cost Proposed by this firm

Step 4. The maximum number of points relating to presentation of Offeror's proposal is 20. Stan Regional, at their discretion; will invite up to three of the top ranked proposals to make a brief 20 minutes presentation on their firm's unique qualifications, and the contents of their proposal.

Additionally, each firm will have the opportunity to answer questions from the evaluation team.

C. Selection

The technical, cost and presentation scores will be combined to determine the score for each proposal. The maximum score possible is 160 points.

IV. PROPOSAL FORMAT AND REQUIREMENTS

In order to secure information in a form which will ensure that your proposal will be properly evaluated, you are asked to submit your proposal in the format listed below. Standard proposal formats are acceptable provided the following information is included:

- ➤ Title page should include the proposal subject, the firm's name, address, phone and fax numbers, email address, and contact person, date of the proposal, Federal I.D. number of the firm and firm's license number with the State Board of Accountancy.
- A Table of Contents with page numbers.
- A transmittal letter briefly stating the understanding of the work to be done, the commitment to perform the work within the time frame, a statement why the firm believes itself to be the best qualified to perform the engagement and that the proposal is an irrevocable offer for a stated period of time (minimum 90 days).
- Information about the firm. Is the firm local, national or regional? Include location of office(s), number of partners, managers, supervisors, senior and other professional staff. Identify the personnel from the office who will serve Stan Regional. Does the firm meet all CPA licensing and continued education requirements?
- Statement whether the firm independent with respect to Stan Regional.
- > Evidence that you are licensed and registered to conduct business in the State of California.
- ➤ Provide the results of the firm's last peer review. A copy of the opinion and State Society's acceptance of the review should be included for the engagement partner, manager and senior.
- ➤ Provide prior experience in auditing Housing Authorities, non-profit organizations and local governments from the local office audit team. Provide references of at least four Housing Authority, local government or non-profit clients (with phone numbers and contact persons). The clients listed should be those served by

members of the proposed audit team and/or local office who will be serving Stan Regional.

- Provide information as to the approach, timing and work program of the engagement team.
- Briefly discuss your audit approach as to consideration of laws and regulations.
- > Describe your experience with GASB regulations pertaining to CalPERS pensions and post-employment retirement benefits (OPEB).
- A proposed work plan and time schedule addressing the scope of work.
- A section identifying the staff that would be assigned to the project including their background and experience.
- Outline the level of support your firm will require of the Stan Regional staff.
- Please indicate the total estimated hours required by classification by the partner, manager, senior and staff.
- A section detailing the cost for the work including cost estimates for out-of-pocket expenses and a proposed payment schedule based on the work plan.
- Provide maximum fees (including all out-of-pocket expenses) for each of the years broken down in adequate detail so as to evaluate fee response, using the enclosed pricing form; completing one for each year of the contract period. Please provide a separate cost for Stan Regional single audit, Housing Authority of the City of Riverbank, REACH and Great Valley Housing Development.

V. AWARD BASIS

- 1. At the option of the Stan Regional, firms may be selected for a final round of negotiations; however, vendors are encouraged to present their best offers with their initial submission.
- 2. Stan Regional reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals, to waive any irregularities in any proposal process, and to make an award of contract in any manner in which Stan Regional, acting in the sole and exclusive exercise of its discretion, deems to be in Stan Regional's best interest. The award of the contract will not necessarily be made to the firm offering the lowest price.

VI. OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. WITHDRAWAL OF RFP

Proposals may be withdrawn before the RFP submittal deadline by submitting a written request to the Contact Person. Re-submittal before the RFP submittal deadline can be made; however, they may not be re-submitted after the deadline.

B. RFP COSTS

All costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of the RFP shall be completely absorbed by the responding party to the RFP. All documents submitted as part of the RFP will become property of the Stan Regional. Requests for specific material to be returned will be considered. Any material submitted that is confidential must be clearly marked as such.

C. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

The selected firm agrees to be bound by applicable Federal, State and Local laws, regulations and directives as they pertain to the performance of the audit contract.

D. CONTRACTUAL DEVELOPMENT

If a proposal is accepted, Stan Regional intends to enter into a contractual agreement with the selected bidder. Contract discussion and negotiation will follow the award selection. Bidders must be amenable to inclusion, in a contract, of any information provided whether herein or in response to this RFP, or developed subsequently during the selection process.

E. OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. INSURANCE

The successful bidder shall furnish proof of insurance to Stan Regional in the type and amount specified below before beginning work:

- a. Commercial General Liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 single limit.
- b. Comprehensive Automobile Liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 single limit.
- c. Errors and omission coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 single limit.
- d. Workers' Compensation as required by law.

2. LIABILITY

The successful bidder shall indemnify and hold harmless from any liability whatsoever; including wrongful death, based or asserted upon any act or omission of the bidder, its employees, sub-contractors and agents relating to or in any way connected with the accomplishment of the work or performance of service under this agreement. As part of the foregoing indemnity the

successful bidder agrees to carry General Liability insurance coverage of \$1,000,000 per each occurrence and naming Stan Regional as additional insured.

3. WORK PRODUCT

- a. All work papers prepared in connection with the contracted services will remain the property of the successful bidder. The work papers must be retained for a period of five years and be made available to Stan Regional upon request.
- b. All reports rendered to Stan Regional are the exclusive property of Stan Regional and subject to its use and control.

4. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The successful bidder and its agents, officers and employees shall act at all times in an independent capacity during the term of the agreement and in the performance of the services to be rendered hereunder, and shall not act as, and shall not be, and shall not in any manner be considered to be agents, officers or employees of Stan Regional.

5. ASSIGNMENT

The successful bidder thereof shall assign neither the agreement, nor any part without the prior written consent of Stan Regional.

F. CONTRACT TERMS

You are invited to submit a proposal for audit for a three-year base period with an option for two one-year extensions. The audit is for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2021, September 30, 2022, September 30, 2023; and two one-year options for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2025. The proposals for the Stan Regional audit must clearly state the cost of audit services for each of the five years, i.e. cost for 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

Stan Regional may terminate the audit contract upon written notice to the Contractor not less than sixty (60) days before the close of the fiscal year to be audited.

Stan Regional reserves the right to cancel the agreement if it is determined that the selected firm is not performing satisfactorily or is adversely affecting performance of Stan Regional's activities. Stan Regional will provide thirty (30) days written notice of termination.

Stan Regional also reserves the right to request changes in the selected firm's representation if, at our discretion, assigned personnel are not satisfying the needs of the Stan Regional.

G. PAYMENT TERMS

Stan Regional will make progress payment of the compensation for services, as included in the accepted proposal, up to fifty percent (50%) of the amount. The remaining fifty percent (50%) of the fee shall be payable after submission of the Audit Report and after acceptance and approved by HUD-REAC, as well as submission and acceptance of the Single Audit to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse (FAC).

H. INFRINGEMENT AND INDEMNIFICATION

The firm awarded this contract agrees to protect, defend and hold harmless Stan Regional against any demand for payment for use of any patented materials, process, article, or device that it may enter into the rendering of the necessary services. Furthermore, the selected firm agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Stan Regional, their Board of Commissioners and employees from suits or actions of every nature and description arising out of, or in connection with, the performance of this contract, or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by a party or parties by or from any act of the selected firm, or its agents.

I. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The Housing Authority emphasizes that all respondents will receive full consideration without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sex, disability, age or sexual orientation. Minority and women-owned firms are especially encouraged to respond to this RFP.

J. LIMITATIONS

Stan Regional reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals and to waive any informality in the solicitation process.

VI. PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS

By this Request for Proposals, the Stan Regional solicits proposals to be received by 3:00 PM (PST) on Thursday, September 27, 2021. Late submittals will not be accepted.

1. Proposals must be submitted by mail with one (1) signed original and three (3) copies.

2. Proposals shall be submitted by mail to:

Mary Ramirez, Asset Manager Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority Mailing Address: PO Box 581918

Modesto, CA 95358

Physical Address: 1701 Robertson Road

Modesto, CA 95351

The proposal must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked "PROPOSAL FOR AUDIT TO BE OPENED September 27, 2021." The proposals must be in our office no later than 3:00 P.M. (PST) September 27, 2021. Please also include firm/individual name on outside of envelope.

- 3. Facsimile Copies or emails will not be accepted. All Proposals will become property of the Stan Regional upon submission.
- 4. **Mandatory forms to be included with your proposal Submission.** The following forms must be executed and included in your submission. Any proposals which do not contain these forms will be deemed non-responsive and will be eliminated from further consideration.
 - Schedule of Estimated Hours and Costs, Attachment 3
 - Proposal Form, Attachment 4
 - Non-Collusive Affidavit Form, Attachment 5
 - Section 3 Clause and Plan, Attachment 7
 - HUD 5369-C Form, Certifications and Representations Offerors-Non-Construction Contract, Attachment 9

STANISLAUS REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Federal Grantor/			
Pass Through Grantor/	Federal CFDA		Federal
Program Title	Number		Expenditures 2020
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban			
<u>Development</u>			
Direct Programs:			
Section 8 Assistance Payments Special			
Allocation Program	14.195	\$	205,156
Continuum of Care Program	14.267		821,059
Public and Indian Housing	14.850		1,509,079
Public and Indian Housing CARES Act			
Funding	14.850		25,293
Resident Opportunity and Supportive			
Services	14.870		47,126
Housing Choice Vouchers Program	14.871		37,125,250
HCV CARES Act Funding	14.871		892,425
Public Housing Capital Fund Program	14.872		780,728
Mainstream Vouchers	14.879		55,979
PIH Family Self-Sufficiency Program	14.896		125,873
Total HUD	1	\$	41,587,968
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U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Direct Programs:			
Farm Labor Housing Loans and Grants	10.405	\$	1,145,365
Total Agriculture	10.403	\$	1,145,365
Total Agriculture		Ф	1,143,303
Dogg through may aroung forms.			
Pass-through programs form:			
Community Development Block Grant Program			
Pass through:	14 210	ф	2 521 172
City of Modesto	14.218	\$	2,531,172
Total Community Development Block		Ф	2 521 172
Grant Program		\$	2,531,172
W. 11 1 10 10 10 1			
Neighborhood Stabilization Program			
Pass through:	1.1.0.6.1	Φ.	717 06 2
County of Stanislaus	14.264	\$	515,863
Total Neighborhood Stabilization		_	
Program		\$	515,863



ATTACHMENT #2

1. SINGLE AUDIT ENTITIES:

The Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority was last audited at the fiscal year end September 30, 2020. The following programs are to be a part of this all-inclusive audit:

1 8	No. of
And Urban Development	<u>Units</u>
Conventional Public Housing	647
Capital Fund Program	
Housing Choice Voucher and VASH Program 4	1,898
Mainstream Voucher	105
Resident Opportunity and Supportive Services	
Continuum of Care	
Family Self Sufficiency Program	
USDA Rural Development	
Farm Labor Housing	356
California Department of Housing	
And Community Development	
Office of Migrant Services	218
Other Funds	
Conant Place	81
Pine Meadows	36
Randazzo	24
Porsche Strasse	3
Local	
Brighton Place	11
Valley Manor	48
Miller Point	16
Paramont	12
Village I Town Center	20
Palm Valley	40
NSP Program	27



ATTACHMENT #2 CONT.

	No. of
Other Funds (Continued)	<u>Units</u>
Meadow Glen	32
Edith Kirk Richards Senior Place	5
Downey Terrace	11
Leon	2
Tuolumne Hills	10
Grischott Bunkhouse	10
Glendale Annex	6
Kansas House	103

2. HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RIVERBANK:

Housing Authority of the City of Riverbank ("HACR") owns and operates 90 units Conventional Public Housing and administers Capital Fund Program. The HACR was last audited at the fiscal year end June 30, 2020. The Federal expenditures for last fiscal year end was \$290,476. HUD approved the fiscal year end change to September 30 on May 3, 2021.

3. **NON-PROFIT ENTITY:**

The Great Valley Housing Development Corporation was last audited at the fiscal year end September 30, 2020. The following programs are to be a part of this all-inclusive audit:

Las Palmas	24
Glendale Quarters	4
Woodstone Associates	56

Woodstone Associates is a tax credit project consisting of 56 units located in Modesto, California. The project is managed by a contracted property management company located in Fresno.

ATTACHMENT 3

SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED HOURS AND COSTS

2021	Level of Service	Rate Per Hours	Estimated Hours	Estimated Cost
	Partner	\$		\$
	Senior Staff	\$		\$
	Intermediate Staff	\$		\$
	Staff Assistant	\$		\$
	Support Staff	\$		\$
	Other Costs	\$		\$
	2021 Totals	4		\$
2022				
-	Partner	\$		\$
	Senior Staff	\$		\$
	Intermediate Staff	\$		\$
	Staff Assistant	\$		\$
	Support Staff	\$		\$
	Other Costs	\$		\$
	2022 Totals			\$
2023				
2025	Partner	\$		\$
	Senior Staff	\$		\$
	Intermediate Staff	\$		\$
	Staff Assistant	\$		\$
	Support Staff	\$		\$
	Other Costs	\$		\$
	2023 Totals	<u> </u>		\$
2024				
	Partner	\$		\$
	Senior Staff	\$		\$
	Intermediate Staff	\$		\$
	Staff Assistant	\$		\$
	Support Staff	\$		\$
	Other Costs	\$		\$
	2024 Totals	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$
2025				
2023	Partner	\$		\$
	Senior Staff	\$ \$		\$
	Intermediate Staff	\$ \$		\$ \$
	Staff Assistant	\$ \$		\$
	Support Staff	\$ \$		\$ \$
	Other Costs	\$ \$		\$ \$
	2025 Totals	Ψ		Ψ
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ATTACHMENT 4

FINANCIAL AUDIT SERVICES (RFP 2021-32) PROPOSAL FORM

PRICES TO BE LISTED PER THE FOLLOWING: Base Year 1, Fiscal Year End 2021 \$_____ Base Year 2, Fiscal Year End 2022 Base Year 3, Fiscal Year End 2023 \$ Option Year 1, Fiscal Year End 2024 Option Year 2, Fiscal Year End 2025 Grand Total: \$_____ Name (Printed): Title: Company Name: Address: Telephone Number: Signature: Date:

lease submit separate form for Stan Regional Single Audit, Housing Authority of the City of Riverbank, REACH and Great Valley Housing Development.

Contractors State License Number:

FORM OF NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT (To be modified if law requires other form)

AFFIDAVIT

(Prime Bidder)

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

State of California				
County of)			
	, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:			
sham; that said bidder has not co indirectly, with any bidder or pers has not in any manner, directly o communication or conference, w other bidder, or to fix any overhe any other bidder, or to secure an	the party making the uch proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or son, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or with any person, to fix the bid price of affiant or of any ad, profit or cost element of said bid price, or of that of any advantage against the Stanislaus Regional on interested in the proposed contract; and that all id are true.			
	Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of 20 Signature of:			
	Bidder, If the bidder is an Individual			
	Partner, If the bidder is a partnership:			
	Officer, If the bidder is a corporation.			
	Notary Public Signature			
Place Notary Seal and/or Stamp Above	My commission expires, 20			
	Other Required Information (Printed Name of Notary and commission date)			

INSURANCE REQUIREMENT FOR CONSULTANTS

Consultant shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

Minimum Scope of Insurance

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence form CG 00 01 11 88)
- 2. Insurance Services Office form number CA 00 01 06 92 covering Automobile Liability, code 1 (any auto).
- 3. Errors and Omissions liability insurance appropriate to the consultant's profession. Architects' and engineers' coverage is to be endorsed to include contractual liability.
- 4. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by State law and Employer's Liability Insurance.

Minimum Limits of Insurance

Consultant shall maintain limits no less than:

- 1. General Liability: \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. Employer's Liability: \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- 4. Errors and Omissions liability: \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- 5. Workers' Compensation: Statutory Limit.

Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority ("Stan Regional"). At the option of the Stan Regional, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Stan

Regional financial guarantee satisfactory to the Stan Regional guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.

Other insurance Provisions

The commercial general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- 1. The Stan Regional, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers are to be covered as insurers as respects: liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the consultant; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the Consultant.
- 2. For any claims related to this project, the Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Stan Regional, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Stan Regional, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- 3. Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be cancelled by either party, except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Stan Regional.

Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than B+:VI, unless otherwise acceptable to the Stan Regional.

Verification of Coverage

Consultant shall furnish the Stan Regional with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. The endorsements should be on forms provided by the Stan Regional or on other than the Stan Regional's forms provided those endorsements conform fully to Stan Regional requirements. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Stan Regional before work commences in sufficient time to permit contractor to remedy any deficiencies. The Stan Regional reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements effecting the coverage required by these specifications at any time.

Subcontractors

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insurers under its policies or seal furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor in a manner and in such time as to permit Authority to approve them before subcontractors' work begins. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.

SECTION 3 CLAUSE

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

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SECTION 3 PLAN

Section 3 is a provision of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 which requires that programs of direct financial assistance administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (State) provide, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for job training and employment to lower income residents in connection with projects in their neighborhoods. Further, to the greatest extent feasible, contracts in connection with these projects are to be awarded to local businesses. Section 3 is a tool for fostering local economic development, neighborhood economic improvement and individual self-sufficiency.

Statute: Section 3 of the Department of Labor Act of 1968, as amended Regulation: 24 CFR Part 135, "Employment Opportunities for Businesses and Lower Income Persons in Connection with Assisted Project" (Reserved)

This project is funded through the Housing and Urban development Act of 1968. Section 3 of that Act requires contractors and subcontractors (this includes Housing Authorities) to assure that:

- Lower income project area residents have the maximum opportunity for employment and training on this project; and
- Small businesses located in the project area, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the project area, will be utilized to the fullest extent possible as recipients of contracts.

To comply with this requirement, the lowest responsible bidder and applicable subcontractors must either adopt and file the attached approved Section 3 Affirmative Action Plan or develop and file their own section 3 Affirmative Action Plan with the County of Stanislaus. A Section 3 Plan shall be required for all contract awards. The Section 3 Plan shall be submitted from the prime contractor and be required of all contractors and subcontractors receiving direct or indirect federal funding under H.U.D. programs. Failure to adopt the Section 3 Plan is considered to be non-responsive and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid. Master section 3 Plans are based upon federal guidelines. Contractors and/or subcontractors who wish to develop their own section 3 Affirmative Action Plan may obtain the applicable federal guidelines from the Stanislaus County Planning & Community Development Department.

All Contractors and Subcontractors must sign the Section 3 Assurance which is included in the bid package, regardless of the amount of the contract or subcontract award. Failure to sign the Section 3 Assurance is considered to be non-responsive and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid.

SECTION 3 ASSURANCE

1.	We the undersigned		, as	official representative of
			(Representative) agree to comply with Sec	
	(Co	ntractor)	agree to comply with occ	tion o requirements for
	the	(Project)	It is understood that failur	e to comply may result
	in th		ancellation, termination, or	suspension in whole
	or ir	part of this contract.		
II.	1.	, ,	ill be needed on this projec	
	<u>Occ</u>	upational Categories: (Provide Detail in Attachme	nt A)
	2.	How many of these po	sitions will be filled by your	regular employees?
	3.	How many positions ar	e projected to be filled by l	low income area residents?
	4.	. How many subcontractors will be utilized for this project? (Provide Detail in Attachment B)		
	5.	Of these subcontractors, how many are Section 3 subcontractors? (Provide Detail in Attachment B)		
	6.	How many businesses	/suppliers will be utilized?	
	7.	Of these, how many ar	e Section 3 businesses?	
		Authorized Signature		Date:

SECTION 3 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN

S .	Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, and
the regulations pursuant to that Act.	
	(CONTRACTOR)

Agrees to comply with Section 3 of that Act by assuring that to the greatest extent feasible:

- Training and employment opportunities will be given to lower income residents of the project; and
- Contracts for work in connection with the project will be awarded to business concerns which are located in or owned insubstantial part by persons residing in the area of project.

(name of contractor) will initiate the following actions to insure utilization of lower income project residents as employees or trainees and to incorporate project area small businesses as subcontractors and suppliers:

- 1. The Contractor will establish and maintain a directory of service organizations, job referral agencies and manpower training programs operating within, or servicing, project area residents.
- 2. The Contractor will submit prior to the award of a contract, a signed assurance that it will comply with Section 3 regulations and requirements.
- 3. The Contractor will provide, prior to the signing of a contract, a Statement of work force needs, including trainee positions.
- The Contractor will notify Community based organizations of available employment opportunities, and shall maintain records of response from such organizations.
- The Contractor will make continuing personal recruitment efforts directed to such service organizations and to schools with lower income resident training programs with which he is familiar.
- 6. The Contractor will maintain a file of the names and addresses of each low income resident worker referred to him and that action was taken with respect to each such referred worker and, if the worker was not employed the reasons therefore. (attached).

- 7. The Contractor will include the Section 3 clause in every subcontract for work in connection with H.U.D. projects. (attached).
- 8. For each subcontract, the Prime Contractor will submit, prior to Contract award, the Section 3 Affirmative Action Plans of its subcontractors.
- 9. The Contractor will not attempt to circumvent Section 3 Provisions.
- 10. The Contractor will make a good faith effort to employ or fill training positions with lower income project area residents, it will, as a minimum, provide evidence of the following:
 - (a.) Attempts to recruit from the project area through local advertising media, community organizations, public and private agencies operating within or serving the project area, such as the Department of Labor Employment Department, and the Private Industry Council.
 - (b.) Maintain a list of all lower income area residents who have applied either on their own or on referral from any source, and that he has employed such persons if otherwise qualified and if an opening exists.
- 11. The Contractor will make good faith effort to incorporate project area businesses as Subcontractors and Suppliers.
- 12. The Contractor will provide the Section 3 workforce and business utilization reports required under this contract.

refusal to comply and give satisfactory assurate requirements of this Affirmative Action Plan stract; a determination of ineligibility or debarm federal program with respect to which the fail assurances of future compliance has been respect to the same assurances of same assurances.	shall be proper basis for any or all of the r suspension in whole or in part of the connent from any further contracts under any lure or refusal occurred until satisfactory
Authorized Signature	Date:

FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

Attacment A

ESTIMATED PROJECT WORKFORCE BREAKDOWN

lab	Total	No	Ni wala a r af	Number of Decitions
Job Category	Total Estimated	No. Positions	Number of Positions Not	Number of Positions To be filled with Sec-
3 ,	Positions	Occupied by	Occupied	tion 3 residents
	Needed for Project	Permanent Employees		
Supervisor	,	, ,		
Professional				
Technical				
Off/Clerical				
Others				
TRADE:				
Journeyman				
Apprentices				
Trainees				
Others				
TRADE:				
Journeyman				
Apprentices				
Trainees				
Others				
Section 2 Pecie	dont			
	within the Section 3 Ar		Company	
family income does not exceed 80% of the median income in the Metropolitan Statistical Area or the		a or the		
county if not within a MSA in which the Section covered project is located. See attached incom schedule.			Project Name	
NOTE: This document must be submitted with bid documents.		d with bid	Project Number	
Date			Person Completing	Form

FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

Attachment B

PROPOSED CONTRACTS/SUBCONTRACTS BREAKDOWN

Type of Con- tract (Business or Profession)	Total Number	Total Approx. Dollar Amount	Estimated No. of Contracts to Section 3 Busi- nesses	Estimated dollar a mount to Section 3 Businesses

Note:	
This document is to be submitted by the contractor with bid documents.	Company
contractor with bid documents.	Project Name
Date	Project Number
	Person Completing Form

SECTION 3 REPORT

Report must be completed and submitted by Contractor with each payment request.

ACTUAL PROJECT WORK FORCE BREAKDOWN

Job Category	Total Positions Needed for Project	No. Positions Occupied by Permanent Employees	Number of Positions Not Occupied	Number of Positions Actually Filled with Section 3 residents
Supervisor				
Professional				
Technical				
Off/Clerical				
Others				
TRADE:				
Journeyman				
Apprentices				
Trainees				
Others				
TRADE:				
Journeyman				
Apprentices				
Trainees				
Others				
	by certifies that the info n accurate report of its	Section 3	Company Project Name	
Date			Project Number	

Person Completing Form

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

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

1. Preparation of Offers

- (a) Offerors are expected to examine the statement of work, the proposed contract terms and conditions, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk.
- (b) Each offeror shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the cover sheet and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the HA.
- (c) Offers for services other than those specified will not be considered.

2. Submission of Offers

- (a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (1) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (2) showing the time specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror.
- (b) Telegraphic offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, offers may be modified by written or telegraphic notice.
- (c) Facsimile offers, modifications or withdrawals will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

3. Amendments to Solicitations

- (a) It this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.
- (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments to this solicitation by
 - (1) signing and returning the amendment;
 - (2) identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer,
 - (3) letter or telegram, or
 - (4)facsimile, if facsimile offers are authorized in the solicitation. The HA/HUD must receive the acknowledgment by the time specified for receipt of offers.

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

- (a) The HA shall award a contract only to a responsible prospective contractor who is able to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must -
 - Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them;
 - (2) Have a satisfactory performance record;

- (3) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of compliance with public policy . (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity); and
- (5) Not have been suspended, debarred, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for award of contracts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other agency of the U.S. Government. Current lists of ineligible contractors are available for inspection at the HA/HUD.
- (b) Before an offer is considered for award, the offeror may be requested by the HA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the foregoing requirements. Failure by the offeror to provide such additional information may render the offeror ineligible for award.

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

- (a) Any offer received at the place designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and it -
 - (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);
 - (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HAV HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HAVHUD after receipt at the HA;
 - (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term 'working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
 - (4) Is the only offer received.
- (b) Any modification of an offer, except a modification resulting from the HA's request for 'best and final" offer (if this solicitation is a request for proposals), is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this provision.
- (c) A modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer received after the time and date specified in the request will not be considered unless received before award and the late receipt is due solely to mishandling by the HA after receipt at the HA.
- (d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the offer, modification, or withdrawal shall be processed as if mailed late. "Postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's.-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.
- (e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the HA is the time/date stamp of HA on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the HA.
- (f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office

receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Off ice to Addressee" label and the postmark an both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

- (g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by a offeror or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an Invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

7. Contract Award

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

(b) The HA may

- (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
- (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
- (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and
- (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.
- (c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute a rejection or counter offer by the HA.

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

8. Service of Protest

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

9. Offer Submission

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

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

Please note that additional conditions, specifications and instructions pertaining to this RFP are contained within the RFP document issued, which this document is Attachment F thereto.

(d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals,

form HUD-5369-B (8/93) ref. Handbook 7460.8

Certifications and Representations of Offerors

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Non-Construction Contract

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

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

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

- (a) The bidder/offeror represents and certifies as part of its bid/ offer that, except for full-time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder/offeror, the bidder/offeror:
 - (1) has, has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and
 - has, [] has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.
- (b) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a) (2) above is affirmative, the bidder/offeror shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA Contracting Officer.
- (c) Any misrepresentation by the bidder/offeror shall give the PHA the right to (1) terminate the resultant contract; (2) at its discretion, to deduct from contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

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

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

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

For the purpose of this def	finition, minority group members are:
(Check the block applicable	e to you)
[] Dlogle Amoricons	[] Asian Dagifia Americans

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

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

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

- (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
- (c) If the bidder/offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid/offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

6. Conflict of Interest

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

7. Offeror's Signature

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

Signature & Date:		
Typed or Printed Name:		
Title:		

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and UrbanDev elopment

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

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

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

- Non-construction contracts (without maintenance) greater than \$150,000 - use Section I;
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.100) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$150,000 - use Section II; and
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$150,000 – use Sections I and II.

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

1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

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

2. Changes

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

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

3. Termination for Convenience and Default

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

4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

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

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

5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

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

6. Energy Efficiency

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

7. Disputes

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

8. Contract Termination; Debarment

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

9. Assignment of Contract

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

10. Certificate and Release

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

11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

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

12. Inspection and Acceptance

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

- product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.
- (b) The Contractor shall make any required corrections promptly at no additional charge and return a revised copy of the product to the HA within 7 days of notification or a later date if extended by the HA.
- (c) Failure by the Contractor to proceed with reasonable promptness to make necessary corrections shall be a default. If the Contractor's submission of corrected work remains unacceptable, the HA may terminate this contract (or the task order involved) or reduce the contract price or cost to reflect the reduced value of services received.

13. Interest of Members of Congress

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

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

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

15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(b) Prohibition.

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

- Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.
 - (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in paragraph (i) of this section, does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, if the payment is for agency and legislative activities not directly related to a covered Federal
 - (b) For purposes of paragraph (b)(i)(1)(a) of this clause, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.
 - (c) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted at any time only where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:
 - (1) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstrations) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and,
 - (2) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.
 - (d) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:
 - (1) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;
 - (2) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission; and
 - (3) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507 and other subsequent amendments.
 - (e) Only those activities expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(ii)(1)(a) of this clause are permitted under this clause.
- (2) Professional and technical services.
 - (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-
 - (i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.
 - (ii) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a

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

16. Equal Employment Opportunity

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

17. Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

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

i.Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures; ii.Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring;

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

iv. Job assignments, job classifications, organizational struct ures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists; v.Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- **5**.The [contractor/seller] will notify each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the [contractor/seller] is bound by the terms of section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment, and shall not discriminate against, individuals with physical or mental disabilities.
- **6.**The [contractor/seller] will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$ 10,000, unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to section 503 of the act, as amended, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.
- **7.**The [contractor/seller] must, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment and will not be discriminated against on the basis of disability.

18. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

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

19. Contractor's Status

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

20. Other Contractors

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

21. Liens

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

- 22. Training and Employment Opportunities for Residents in the Project Area (Section 3, HUD Act of 1968; 24 CFR 135)
 - (a) The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
 - (b) The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Part 135 regulations.
 - (c) The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
 - (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135.
 - (e) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts
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22. Procurement of Recovered Materials

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

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

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Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

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Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.				
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above				
page 3.	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of following seven boxes.	certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):			
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Print or type. Specific Instructions on page	Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not cl LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LL another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes.	C is code (if any)			
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	7 List account number(s) here (optional)				
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	If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and er To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.	loyer identification number			
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Part	II Certification				
Under	penalties of perjury, I certify that:				
2. I am Serv	number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to I not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not be vice (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, onger subject to backup withholding; and	een notified by the Internal Revenue			
3. I am	a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and				

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

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid

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	or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual renterest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide	0 (// 0)/ 1		
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise

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

Purpose of Form

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

• Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

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

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

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

By signing the filled-out form, you:

- 1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
 - 2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
- 4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

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

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

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- · An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

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

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

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

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

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

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

- 1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
 - 2. The treaty article addressing the income.
- 3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
- 4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
- 5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

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

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

Backup Withholding

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

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

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

- 1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
- 2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),
 - 3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
- 4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
- 5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

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

Also see Special rules for partnerships, earlier.

What is FATCA Reporting?

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

Updating Your Information

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

Penalties

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

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

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

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

Specific Instructions

Line 1

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

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

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

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

- b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.
- c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.
- d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.
- e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

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

Line 3

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

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

Line 4, Exemptions

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

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

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

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5-A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8-A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11-A financial institution
- 12-A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

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

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

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

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

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)
 - B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state
 - G-A real estate investment trust
- H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
 - I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)
 - J-A bank as defined in section 581
 - K-A broker
- L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

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

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

Line 5

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

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part II. Certification

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

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

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

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

- 1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.
- 2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.
- **3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.
- **4. Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).
- 5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

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

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

- ¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.
- ² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.
- ³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.
- ⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

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

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

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

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

To reduce your risk:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Privacy Act Notice

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

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