



INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

AS NEEDED PLASTERING SERVICES

ISSUE DATE:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 06, 2024

BID DUE DATE:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 04, 2024
BY 2:00 PM EST.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Housing Authority of the City of Providence Rhode Island is accepting sealed bids from qualified vendors for **As Needed Plastering Servies** located in Providence, RI. Detailed information regarding the work encompassed under this project is provided in the Scope of Work section of this Invitation for Bids.

A Pre-bid meeting is scheduled to be held **on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 10:00 AM**, at the **Facilities Management Building, 40 Laurel Hill Ave. Providence, RI 02909**.

Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend Pre-Bid Meeting and Site Visit. The authority believes vendors who attended the Pre-Bid Meeting are more likely to submit more responsible / responsive Bids.

Address all pre-bid questions or requests for information pertaining to this project and bid documents to **Jeffrey Bent, Sr. Project Manager** at jbent@provhousing.org. All RFIs must be submitted in writing no later than **Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at 10:00 AM**, prior to when bids are due and no RFI's will be addressed after this deadline. The RFI Response(s) will be posted to the PHA website for all potential bidders to review prior to submitting a bid.

Bids will be received until **2:00 PM EST on December 04, 2024**, at the Facilities Management Department of the Providence Housing Authority. Bidders must deliver submissions in a sealed envelope, marked **"AS NEEDED PLASTERING SERVICES"** and addressed to the attention of:

Providence Housing Authority
Facilities Management Department
40 Laurel Hill Avenue
Providence, RI 02909
ATTN: **JEFFREY BENT**

It shall be the responsibility of any and all bidders to consult the Providence Housing website (<https://provhousing.org/working-with-pha/vendors/>) for the complete Invitation for Bids, to be aware of and to abide by all dates, times, conditions, requirements, and specifications set forth in this IFB and any addendum, RFI response, Pre-bid meeting agenda and notes issued by the Authority.

By virtue of completing, signing, and submitting the completed documents, the bidder is stating his/her agreement to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth within those documents. The Authority:

- Will not accept bids submitted by fax or email.
- Will not be responsible for the receipt of bids not properly submitted.
- Will not accept bids received after the above deadline.

Minority and Woman-Owned Businesses are encouraged to submit bids. Bidders will be required to make positive efforts to use small and minority-owned businesses and to offer employment, training, and contracting opportunities in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Individuals requiring interpreter services for the hearing-impaired should notify the Facilities Management Department by calling (401) 709-2201 seventy-two (72) hours prior to any event.

The Housing Authority of the City of Providence, Rhode Island

Jeffrey Bent, SR. PROJECT MANAGER

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PROVIDENCE HOUSING BACKGROUND

Founded in 1939, the Providence Housing Authority (PHA) provides and develops quality and safe affordable housing opportunities and services to address the needs of Rhode Island residents. We are committed to the core values of excellence, accountability, innovation, respect, and equity in all that we do.

Today, the PHA provides affordable housing to more than 12,000 residents in the City of Providence. We administer 2,606 public housing units that are home to about 5,613 residents – making us one of the largest landlords in the State. Units are designated as elderly/disabled, family, and scattered sites developments. We also oversee the administration of more than 2,700 tenant-based and project-based Section 8 vouchers, most of which allow low-income families to rent in the private market and host a variety of support programs to help our residents and participants meet their wellness, financial, and employment goals no matter what their age or ability. In addition to in-house services, the PHA provides a wide array of referrals to partners across the state.

The PHA is a quasi-governmental organization, governed by a Board of Commissioners appointed by the Mayor and Providence City Council, and an Executive Director who reports to the Board.

Vision Statement: PHA, working with its residents, will be a best-in-class leader in creating safe, vibrant communities that promote pathways to opportunities and will be a place where people are proud to live and work.

Mission Statement: PHA provides and develops quality and safe affordable housing opportunities and services to address the needs of Rhode Island Residents.

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SCOPE OF WORK

Summary:

The Providence Housing Authority (PHA) is seeking an outside company to support our staff regarding plastering and drywall finishers.

Generally, the plasterers will perform repair work. This involves assessing and addressing issues such as cracks, water damage, or deterioration in existing plastered surfaces. Plasterers will work mainly in a residential apartment setting or high-rise location collaborating with facility management teams or tenants to achieve the desired outcomes.

In addition to plasterers, drywall finishers, also known as drywall tapers/finishers, specialize in working with gypsum board (drywall) to create seamless and smooth surfaces that are paint ready. In these applications they apply joint compound, also known as mud, to cover and conceal the joints between drywall panels, as well as nail or screw indentations. Drywall finishers carefully sand and feather the compound to achieve a flawless finish ready for painting or other wall treatments.

The contract will be on an "as needed" basis when support is needed. The billing of the work will be by square footage for repairs and proposal for extensive sheetrock replacement. For special circumstance repair will simply be an hourly rate plus any markup on material plus profit and overhead, since it is unknown what the scope of work may be for any one site at this time.

Process:

The Sr. Project Manager (SPM) notifies the contact person of the winning bidder. The winning bidder: through a list of contacts for each building/ family park, will coordinate a date and time with the Building Supervisor of the PHA **within 3 days**. The bidder will coordinate a time to enter the apartment, assess the work, and build a timeline with the Building Supervisor to generate a proposal. Some exploratory work may need to take place to identify damage beyond the plaster. This will be done through collaboration with the Building Supervisor. The proposal which will be sent to the Sr. Project Manager for approval should match the prices identified in the contract with any additional work being added and explained in the proposal. A timeframe for completion is also added and what support if any from the PHA identified.

Once the SPM approves the proposal, the estimated start and completion date will be coordinated with the Building Supervisor and the tenant. After the work has been completed, an invoice will be sent to the SPM. The SPM will have the work approved by the Building Supervisor and once said work is approved as paint ready, will send the invoice to finance for payment. **All invoices must be submitted to the PHA within 10 days of work completion.**

Bidders are responsible for submitting a bid price **inclusive of all requirements** noted in this IFB, including amendments, if any.

Color and Finishes:

- Interior painting will not be part of this bid and will be coordinated and completed by PHA employees.

Material Quality:

- The winning bidder is responsible for all materials used.
- Caulk / adhesive to be suitable for the job and determined by the winning bidder and backed up by the warrantee. They should also be low or no VOC.
- Joints to be tapped and sealed.
- Any repair needed around the interior of a possible on-site window will consist of a non-rotting material or PVC product such as Azak or equivalent with caulk.

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CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

General:

- Work is to be performed in accordance with this IFB, scope of work, specifications, and amendments, if any.
- **The Authority only recognizes one contractor as party to this contract.**
- The Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes of the State and local governments, and shall commit no trespass on any public or private property in performing any of the work embraced by this Contract.
- The contractor shall not make any substitutions for materials without prior written authorization from The Authority.
- The Contractor shall be responsible for all their material, equipment, and other items onsite.
- Storage of materials in public, common or private areas within the project is prohibited.
- The Contractor shall notify the Authority of any long lead time items that may impact completion dates.

Personnel:

- All employees of the Contractor, or other representatives shall be skilled in the type of work for which they are employed on the project and shall work under the direction of a competent superintendent.
- All employees of the Contractor, and/or other representatives shall be licensed as required by local, state, and/or federal regulations to perform the type of work for which they are employed on the project.
- All employees of the Contractor, or other representatives shall be legally able to work in the United States.
- The Contractor is responsible for all personnel involved in the work, including those of his direct employ, and suppliers of materials and equipment and/or labor.
- The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among employees.
- Should the Authority deem anyone employed in the work incompetent or unfit for their duties, the Contractor shall remove such employee from the work and shall not re-employ them for work within the Authority on this project or any other project without prior written permission from the Authority. The Contractor shall select and employ the replacement personnel.
- The Contractor, its employees, and/or other representatives shall wear identifying company uniform and employee badge while working on the Authority properties.
- The Contractor must submit a sample of their ID badge if requested.
- All personnel shall be neat in appearance and shall conduct their work in a professional manner.
- The Contractor shall not park their vehicles on grassy areas of the properties without prior written authorization from the Authority.

Site Safety & Precautions:

- The Contractor shall follow all OSHA safety requirements.
- The Contractor shall not, at any time, leave work in an unsafe condition or any conditions that might cause personal injury or property damage, but shall continue to work until work is in a safe space to stop.
- The contractor shall keep the working area sufficiently clear of equipment, material, and implements of service to prevent endangering persons and damage to the Authority property and to avoid an unsightly condition. Removal of such items shall be performed promptly upon completion of work.

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- The contractor shall ensure that clear, safe, passage remains available for access of tenants in the building if applicable.
- The Contractor shall secure work site at the end of each day to reduce risk of trespass and to ensure safety.

Damage to the Authority Property:

- The contractor shall be responsible for repair of any damage to the Authority property and restoration of any area disturbed by contractors or subcontractor's work to the satisfaction of the Authority's Authorized Representative prior to final payment.
- Any repair and/or restoration of the damaged area shall be performed at no cost to the Authority.

Debris Removal:

- The Contractor shall be responsible for the physical removal and lawful disposal of all debris generated during construction of this project in accordance with all local, state, and federal requirements. These costs shall be factored into the pricing submitted by the Contractor.
- The Contractor shall not use the Authority facilities for disposal of debris and waste material, whether hazardous or non-hazardous. The trash receptacles on site are not to be used for disposal of construction debris.

Sub-Contracting:

- Unauthorized sub-contracting is prohibited. The successful proposer shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this IFB (including, but not limited to, selling, or transferring the contract) without the prior written consent of the Authority.
- Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of the Authority shall be void and may result in the cancellation of the contract or may result in the full or partial forfeiture of funds paid to the successful proposer as a result of the proposed contract.

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PHA INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Project Name:

- **AS NEEDED PLASTERING SERVICES**

Project Location:

- **PHA PROPERTIES - AUTHORITY WIDE (AW) IN THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE**

Pre-Bid Meeting:

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 10:00 AM EST

- Address: Providence Housing Authority
Facilities Management Building
40 Laurel Hill Avenue
Providence, RI 02909
- Pre-Bid meeting Notes will be posted to the PHA website, <https://provhousing.org/working-with-pha/vendors/>
- Nothing said at the pre-bid meeting will change the IFB requirements UNLESS an addendum is issued.

RFI Deadline and Procedures:

Wednesday, November 27, 2024, by 10:00 AM EST

- Address all pre-bid questions or requests for information pertaining to this project and bid documents to **Jeffrey Bent, Sr. Project Manager** at jbent@provhousing.org.
- Allow a minimum of seventy-two (72) hours for a response to any RFI's.
- No RFI's will be addressed after the above deadline.
- RFI responses will be posted to PHA website & emailed to attendees of Pre-bid meeting.

Bids Due Date:

Wednesday, December 04, 2024, prior to 2:00 PM EST

- All bids must be received before the above deadline.
- The Authority will not be responsible for the receipt of bids not properly submitted.
- Bidders must deliver submissions in a sealed envelope, marked "**AS NEEDED PLASTERING SERVICES**" and addressed to the attention of:

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Work Schedule:

- Daily Schedule: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Staging can begin at 7:30 AM each morning

Logistics:

- Occupied Apartment Buildings: Monday – Friday
- Limited space for vehicles, storage, construction equipment
- Staging area will be determined at pre-construction meeting

Estimated Contract Period:

- Estimated TIME for project
 - Tentative Start Date: TBD
 - Tentative Substantial Completion Date: 2 years from start date.
- The exact start of the project has yet to be defined. However, it will be as soon as is practicable after the bid opening.
- Exact dates will be specified in "Notice to Proceed"

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BID PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS

The Providence Housing Authority is seeking qualified vendors for **AS NEEDED PLASTERING SERVICES** located in Providence, RI.

The selected contractor shall provide all labor and materials needed to complete the project in a workmanlike manner. Work shall be done in strict accordance with terms and conditions in this Invitation for Bids (IFB).

On call plastering service provides repair of plaster area sometimes requiring wood or metal backing, compound/ mud and sanded to a paint ready finish.

Since the Authority will not be aware of all who may submit bids, it is the responsibility of all bidders to inquire after any amendment(s) issued to this bid solicitation prior to their bid submittal. Bidders are responsible for reviewing in-depth the entire bid package, scope of work, plans and specifications, amendments (if any), and any other information contained in the Invitation for Bids. **All bids are considered final and must be submitted before the deadline.**

The bid package, as submitted, shall include the following documents (as listed below). The Authority will not be responsible for the receipt of bids not properly submitted.

1. Bid Submission Form (Notarized Original)
2. Company Profile Form
3. Non-Collusive Affidavit (Notarized Original)
4. Vendor Disclosure Agreement
5. Copy of RI Contractor's License

By completing, executing, and submitting a bid, the "bidder is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions pertaining to this IFB as issued by the Authority, including the contract Terms and Conditions included in Appendix C. Accordingly, the Agency has no responsibility to conduct after the submittal deadline any negotiations pertaining to the contract clauses already published.

Additional forms to be submitted by lowest responsible and responsive bidder for further evaluation by the Authority prior to contract award:

1. Client References Form, Minimum of three (3) references of similar projects
2. List of all Subcontractors (All subcontractors subject to review and approval by the Authority)
3. Fair Employment Practice Statement (Notarized original)

Additional Bidder Credentials:

- Company must be registered on Sam.gov (<https://sam.gov/content/home>).
- Company must not be barred from doing business with HUD / receiving Federal Funds.

Insurance:

- The winning bidder will be required to **name the Authority as an additional insured** and maintain the insurance for the duration of the Contract.
- The winning bidder will be required to provide a certificate of comprehensive liability / auto / workers compensation insurance.

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- The liability coverage shall be a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence.
- The winning bidder shall furnish the Authority a Certificate of Insurance evidencing that, Builder's Risk (Fire and Extended Coverage) Insurance on all work in place and / or materials stored at the construction site, including foundations, and building equipment, is in force.
- Proof of such coverage must be presented to the Authority upon request.
- Failure to maintain insurance as required during the term(s) of this Contract shall constitute a material breach thereof.
- The Contractor is responsible for the full cost of any loss.

Licensees & Permits:

- **The Authority is exempt from the payment of any and all taxes and fees to the State of Rhode Island and City of Providence.**

Wage Requirements:

- Failure to abide by PHA wage requirements shall constitute a material breach of contract.
- All employees performing labor at the project jobsite(s) must be paid wages no lower than:
 - **Rate of pay \$29.49/hr.**
 - **Benefits = 45% of hourly rate of pay or a cash value of \$13.27/hr.**
 - **Increased by 5 % at the end of each Calander year after contract starts.**

Minimum Plaster's Hourly Rate of Pay = \$42.76/hr. if benefits are included in hourly rate.

Labor Violations:

- Contractors submitting a bid shall provide with the bid on the company letterhead a list of any work practice and/or labor violations received by OSHA, EPA, Dept. of Labor, within the last five years, for **all** States where the Contractor is registered.
- Contractors failing to disclose violations with the bid will have their bid rejected.
- The Authority reserves the right to reject any bid based on the severity and number of violations received.

Cost Incurred in Responding:

- All costs directly or indirectly related to preparation of a response to this Invitation for Bids, or any oral presentation required to supplement and/or clarify the submittal which may be required by the Authority shall be the sole responsibility of and shall be borne by the Offeror.
- Each firm, by submitting its bid, waives any claim for liability against the Authority as to loss, injury and costs or expenses, which may be incurred as a consequence of its response to this document.

Contract Compliance Statement:

- The Bidder shall state their compliance with all applicable rules and regulations of Federal, State and Local governing entities and that they are not excluded from Federal procurement programs. Bidders must state compliance with the terms of this Invitation for Bids (see attachments).
- The Bidder must demonstrate that the bid meets **all** applicable rules, regulations, permitting, registration, and licensing requirements, whether Local, State or Federal. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to determine the applicability of any rule, regulation, or other requirement.

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Equal Employment Opportunity:

- The Bidder shall affirm that it does not have or subscribe to any personnel policy which permits or allows for discrimination in the employment promotion, demotion, dismissal or laying off of any individual due to his/her race, creed, color, national origin, age, gender, gender identity, disability, or any other protected class, and that it has not been charged or found guilty of such discriminatory practices.

Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Requirements:

Consistent with Presidential Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432, the bidder shall make efforts to ensure that minority, women, and small business enterprises are utilized whenever possible. Efforts to achieve minority, women and small business participation shall include, but shall not be limited to:

- Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists.
- Ensuring that small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.
- Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises.
- Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirements of the contract permit, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises.
- Using the services and assistance of the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Minority Business Development Agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and State and local governmental small business agencies.

The Authority's Reservation of Rights:

The Providence Housing Authority reserves the right:

- To reject any or all bids, to waive informality in the IFB process, or to terminate the process at any time, if deemed to be in its best interest.
- Not to award a contract pursuant to this IFB.
- To terminate a contract award pursuant to this IFB, at any time at its convenience upon ten (10) days written notice to the successful bidder(s).
- To determine days, hours, and locations that the bidder(s) shall provide services called for in this IFB.
- To retain all bids submitted in response to this IFB, and no firm shall be allowed to withdraw said bid for a period of Ninety (90) days after the deadline for receiving bids without the written consent of the Authority's Contracting Officer (CO).
- To negotiate the fees proposed by the bidding entity.
- To reject and not consider any bid that does not meet the requirements of this IFB, including but not limited to incomplete bid and/or bids offering alternate or non-requested services.

Breach of Agreement:

- If the Contractor fails to fulfill any obligation under a contract in a timely and proper manner or if it shall violate any of the terms of a contract, the Authority shall have the right to immediately terminate such contract and withhold payments in excess of fair compensation for work completed. The term "breach of agreement" specifically includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with any applicable Federal, State or Local laws or regulations.

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Termination:

- The Authority shall have the right to terminate a contract at any time and reserves the right to terminate a contract for its convenience or in the event it shall abandon or indefinitely postpone the program. Such termination shall be accomplished by written notice delivered to the Contractor. Payment to the Contractor shall be made for work performed prior to receipt of the termination notice, together with the Contractor's reasonable, subject to Authority approval, cost for closing down its work, and the Contractor shall have no claim for loss of anticipated profits or any additional compensation.
- Despite the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the Authority for damages sustained by virtue of any breach by the Contractor.

Termination of Contract for Cause:

- If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in timely and proper manner any obligation under this Contract, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Contract, the Authority shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, and reports prepared by the Contractor under this Contract shall, at the option of the Authority, become its property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents.
- Despite the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the Authority for damages sustained by the Authority by virtue of any breach of the Contract by the Contractor, and the Authority may withhold any payments to the Contractor for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due the Authority from the Contractor is determined.

Termination of Convenience by Authority:

- The Authority may terminate this Contract at any time by a notice in writing from the Authority to the Contractor. If the Contract is terminated by the Authority for Convenience, the Contractor will be paid an amount that bears the same ratio to the total compensation as the services actually performed bear to the total services covered by this Contract, less payments of compensation previously made: Provided, however, that if less than sixty per cent (60%) of the services covered by this Contract have been performed upon the effective date of such termination, the Contractor may be reimbursed for that portion of the actual out-of-pocket expenses (not otherwise reimbursed under this Contract) incurred by the Contractor during the Contract period that are directly attributable to the uncompleted portion of the services covered by this Contract. If this Contract is terminated due to the fault of the Contractor, Termination for Cause or Convenience will be determined by the Authority in its sole discretion.
- Termination of this contract can be for other reasons, as noted in HUD 5370 {attached}.

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BID EVALUATION

All bids received by the date and time of receipt specified in this solicitation will be publicly opened and read aloud by the **Sr. Project Manager**. The time and place of opening will be as specified in this solicitation. Bidders and other interested people may be present.

- At the bid opening day the Authority will only disclose company name of each bidder; and calculated total bid amount.
- A copy of the bid tabulation or recap recorded will be made available to each member of the public attending such opening and to anyone who requests such afterwards.
- The bids will not be made available for inspection by anyone at this time. The Authority will, at a later time, review all bids in detail and will, in a timely manner (typically within 5 days), notify all bidders of any bidder that is, as a result of the more detailed inspection of bids submitted, ruled to be non-responsive or not-responsible.
- Bids will be available for inspection by the public after the award has been completed.
- Award of a contract will be to the lowest **responsible** and **responsive** bidder.
 - **The Authority believes vendors who attended the Pre-Bid Meeting are more likely to submit to the Authority more responsible / responsive Bids.**
 - **Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend Pre-Bid Meeting and Site Visit.**
- Bidders must meet the qualifications stated in the bid package and scope of work.
- Bidders will be required to demonstrate their ability to perform the work based on their **understanding of the project's requirements**, prior work history, previous experience, satisfactory references, technical proficiency, and ability to provide **qualified manpower**.
- The Authority reserves the right to reject the low bid price, if, in the opinion of the Authority, that bidder is determined not to be the best-qualified bidder or to be deficient in experience, **understanding of the project's requirements**, technical proficiency or unable to provide qualified manpower to meet the specification.
- The Authority may waive any informalities in the bids and may reject any or all bids.
- All prices are considered firm.
- No bid may be withdrawn within 90 days after the date of the bid opening.
- The final determination of the winning bidder will be at the sole discretion of the Authority.
- Any and all persons having ownership interest in a bidder entity or familial (including in-laws) and/or employment relationships (past or current) with principals and/or employees of a bidder entity will be excluded from participation in the evaluation of the bid.
- Depending on the amount of the award, it is possible that the Authority may take such contract award to the Authority's Board of Commissioners (BOC) for approval of the award prior to executing a contract with the apparent successful bidder.

Responsive Evaluation:

After the public opening the "hard copy" bid submittals received will be evaluated in private for responsiveness (i.e., meets the minimum of the requirements). Firms not meeting the minimum that are deemed to be non-responsive will be notified of such in writing by the Authority in a timely manner (in any case, in no less than 5 days after such determination is made).

Responsible Evaluation:

The Authority will evaluate each bid submitted as to responsibility (i.e., a firm that is qualified, responsible and able to provide to the Authority the required services). If the Authority ascertains that

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such firm has the required ability, capability, experience, knowledge, licensing, insurance and resources to provide the required services, the Authority may proceed with award.

If the Authority determines that such firm is deemed to be not responsible, such firm will be notified of such in writing by the Authority in a timely manner (in any case, in no less than 5 days after such determination is made); in such case the Authority may proceed with the noted Responsive and Responsible Evaluations with the next lowest bidder.

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

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



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1. Preparation of Offers

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

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

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

2. Submission of Offers

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

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

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

3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

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

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

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

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

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

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

- (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 HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/ HUD after receipt at the HA;
- (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
- (4) Is the only offer received.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Contract Award

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

(b) The HA may

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

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

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

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

8. Service of Protest

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

9. Offer Submission

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 11/30/2023)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, 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-5370C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

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

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

1. Minimum Wages

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

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

2. Withholding of funds

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

3. Records

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

4. Apprentices and Trainees

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

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

- (ii) A trainee program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, ETA; or
- (iii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD.

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

5. Disputes concerning labor standards

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

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD). The HA or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings of violation. The written decision on reconsideration shall contain instructions that any appeal of the decision shall be addressed to the Regional Labor Relations Officer by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days after the date of the decision. In the event that the Regional Labor Relations Officer was the deciding official on reconsideration, the appeal shall be directed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations (HUD). Any appeal must set forth the aspects of the decision that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The Regional Labor Relations Officer shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the decision on reconsideration) after receipt of a timely appeal, issue a written decision on the findings. A decision of the Regional Labor Relations Officer may be appealed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations, by letter postmarked within 30 days of the Regional Labor Relations Officer's decision. Any appeal to the Director must set forth the aspects of the prior decision(s) that are in dispute and the reasons. The decision of the Director, Office of Labor Relations, shall be final.

- (b) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of paragraph 6 shall not be subject to paragraph 5(a) of this form HUD-5370C. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the U.S. Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6 and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph 5(b) include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, HUD, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

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

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

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

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

7. Subcontracts

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

8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

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

APPENDIX A

FORMS TO BE SUBMITTED TO PHA WITH THE BID PACKAGE

- BID SUBMISSION FORM
- COMPANY PROFILE FORM
- NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT
- VENDOR DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT
- CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOAN AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
- CONTINGENT FEES STATEMENT
- HUD 5369-C: CERTIFICATIONS & REPRESENTATIONS OF OFFERORS FOR NON-CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

BID SUBMISSION FORM

Project: **As Needed Plastering Services**

Bid Due: **Wednesday, December 04, 2024, by 2:00 PM EST**

Date: _____

Contractor: _____

Owner / Officer – Title: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

To:
Providence Housing Authority
Facilities Management Department
40 Laurel Hill Avenue
Providence, RI 02909

(1.) The undersigned, having become familiar with the local conditions affecting the cost of the work and project requirements for the **AS NEEDED PLASTERING SERVICES** at Authority's properties located in Providence, Rhode Island, including Bidding Requirements, Contract Documents, Drawings, Technical Specifications and Amendments, if any thereto, and on file at the office of the Authority, hereby proposes to furnish all labor, materials, equipment and services required to complete the work, all in accordance therewith for the following sums of money.

Notes:

- * Providence Housing Authority is Tax Exempt.
- * Bids shall be both written in words and shown in figures.

TOTAL PER MAN HOUR (PMH) BID ITEM "C" NEXT PAGE {from project cost breakdown next page}:

\$

Words

Figures

**This is an on call, as needed 2-year contract with an option to renew in 3rd year
Not To Exceed (N.T.E) \$300,000.**

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Project Cost Breakdown

This is a union prevailing wage project; the winning bidder must pay all employees working on this project as plasters at least the Authority's minimum rate of pay:

Providence Housing Authority's minimum plasters hourly rate of pay:

- Rate of pay \$29.49/hr.
- Benefits = 45% of hourly rate of pay or a cash value of \$13.27/hr.

Minimum Plaster's Hourly Rate of Pay = \$42.76/hr. if benefits are included in hourly rate.

A) Plastering Dollars Per Man Hour (PMH):

Plasters hourly pay (1 person, 1 hour, 1st-year rate):

\$ _____ hr Year 1
(Includes both hourly rate and value of benefits)

DOLLARS PER MAN HOUR % increase YEAR 2:	DOLLARS PER MAN HOUR YEAR 3:
_____ % (minimum of a 5% increase from year 1)	_____ % (minimum of a 5% increase from year 2)

B) Overhead and Profit:

Percent markup on hourly rate(A):

_____ %
(not to exceed 10%)

C). Total Project Cost:

Hourly Plasters Rate + Profit and Overhead (A+B):

\$ _____ hr Year 1

Materials:

Percent markup on materials:

_____ %
(if zero, indicate zero)

Note:

On site interviews will be conducted to validate wages.

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Bidder acknowledges below, by number and date, the receipt of Amendments to this solicitation of bids.

- (2.) In submitting this bid, it is understood that the right is reserved by the Authority to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. If written notice of the acceptance of this bid is mailed, telegraphed or delivered to the undersigned within 90 days after the opening thereof, or at any time thereafter before this bid is withdrawn, the undersigned agrees to execute and deliver a contract in the prescribed form and furnish the required bond and certificates of required insurance within seven (7) days after the contract is awarded to him.

- (3.) Attached hereto is an Affidavit in proof that the undersigned has not entered into any collusion with any person in respect to this bid or any other bid or the submitting of bids for the contract for which this bid is submitted.

- (4.) The bidder represents that he () **has**, () **has not** participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause prescribed by Executive Orders 10923, 1114, or 11246 or the Secretary of Labor: that he () **has**, () **has not**, filed all required compliance reports; and that representations indicating submission of required compliance reports, signed by proposed subcontractors, will be obtained prior to subcontract awards. The above representation need be submitted only in connection with contracts or subcontracts exceeding \$10,000.00.

- (5.) Certification of Non-segregated Facilities. By signing this bid, the bidder certifies that he does not maintain or provide for his employees any segregated facilities at any of his establishments, and that he does not permit his employees to perform their services at a location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. He certified further that he will not maintain or provide for his employees any segregated facilities at any of his establishments, and that he will not permit his employees to perform their services at any location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The bidder agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity Clause in this contract. As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities, provided for employees which are segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin, because of habit, local custom or otherwise. He further agrees that (except where he has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) he will obtain identical certifications from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000.00; that he will retain such certifications in his files; and that he will forward a notice to his proposed subcontractors as provided in the instructions to bidders.

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

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Vendor Address:

Telephone:

Federal ID Number:

Contractor Registration Number:

MBE/WMBE Registration Number:

Vendor Name:

By:

Title:

Signature and Date:

Owner, if bidder is an individual.

Partner, if bidder is a partnership.

Officer, if bidder is a corporation, affix seal.

{Corporate Seal}



Subscribed and sworn to before me this

___ day of _____, 20___.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires _____, 20___.

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

COMPANY PROFILE FORM

Company: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

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

- a) Year Firm Established;
- b) Year Firm Established in RI, if applicable;
- c) Former Name and Year Established, if applicable;
- d) Name of Parent Company and Date Acquired, if applicable;

Identify Principals/Partners in the Firm:

Name	Title	% Of Ownership

Identify the individual(s) that will act as project manager(s) and any other supervisory personnel that will work on the project and submit a brief resume for each.

Name	Title

Please mark all of the following that apply to the ownership of this firm and enter where provided the correct percentage (%) of ownership of each:

- Partnership _____% Corporation _____%
- Limited Liability Company _____% Sole Proprietorship _____%

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) or Woman-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) qualifies by virtue of fifty-one percent (51%) or more of ownership and active management by one or more of the following:

- African American _____% Native American _____%
- Hispanic American _____% Asian/Indian American _____%
- Asian/Pacific American _____% Caucasian _____%
- Hasidic Jew _____% Woman-Owned (WBE) _____%
- Other (Specify) _____%

WMBE Certification Number: _____

Certified By: _____

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

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Does your company qualify as a Section 3 Vendor under HUD's Section 3 Act of 1968? Yes No

Please visit <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/section-3/> for details on HUD's Section 3 program.

Federal Tax ID Number: _____

State of RI License Type and Number: _____

Worker's Compensation Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

General Liability Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Professional Liability Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

FELONY DISCLOSURE:

Has any principal(s) or any person(s) proposed to perform the work ever been convicted of a felony?

Yes () / No ()

If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances, and current status.

PLEASE NOTE: The Agency reserves the right to not make award to any proposer that has staff who has been convicted of a felony if the Agency feels that doing such is in its best interests.

DEBARRED STATEMENT:

Has this firm or any principal(s) ever been debarred from providing any services by the Federal Government, any state government, the State of Rhode Island, or any local government agency? **Yes () / No ()**

If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances, and current status.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Does this firm or any principal(s) have any current / past personal or professional relationship with any Officer or Commissioner of the Providence Housing Authority? **Yes () / No ()**

If "Yes," please attach a full detailed explanation, including dates, circumstances, and current status.

The undersigned bidder hereby states that by completing and submitting this form, he / she is verifying that all information provided herein is, to the best of his / her knowledge, true and accurate, and agrees that if the Providence Housing Authority discovers that any information entered herein is false, that shall entitle the Providence Housing Authority to not consider, make award, or cancel any award with the undersigned party.

Company: _____

Address: _____

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____

County of _____

_____ being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That (he / she) is (the owner / partner / officer) of the firm of:

the party making the foregoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the bid price of affiant or of any other bidder, to fix overhead, profit, or cost element of said bid price, or that of any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against the Housing Authority of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, or any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature & Title:

Owner: if the bidder is an individual
Partner: if the bidder is a partnership
Officer: if the bidder is a corporation

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

____ day of _____, 20____.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires _____, 20____.

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

VENDOR DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

Entity Completing Form: _____
Address: _____
Company Contact Name: _____
Telephone: _____

The Providence Housing Authority requires the following written disclosure prior to award:

Every contractor, union, or vendor that is seeking or has previously obtained a contract, change order, or individual transactions in an aggregate of \$3,000.00, shall provide to the Procurement Office a written disclosure of any conflicts of interest that may exist.

Relationship to a Providence Housing Authority employee, Board Member, or Agent* involved in making the award. A relationship can be defined as: father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother, or half-sister; a partner; or an organization which employs, is negotiating to employ, or has an arrangement concerning prospective employment of any of the above.

* Agent is defined as the Providence Housing Authority legal counsel

- I certify that I am not related to a Providence Housing Authority employee, Board member, or Agent
- I am not aware of any relatives being employed by the Providence Housing Authority
- I am related to an individual and disclose the following information:

Name(s) of Individual(s):
Address(es) of Individual(s):

I certify that all the information above is true and complete. I also understand that if my situation changes during any contractual period, that I will disclose the change in writing to the Procurement Officer at the PHA>

Signature

Date

PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOAN, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

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

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

Executed this ____ day of _____, 20__

By: _____
(Signature of Authorized Official)

(Printed Name of Authorized Official)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

_____ day of _____, 20__.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires _____, 20__

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CONTINGENT FEES STATEMENT

State of _____

County of _____

In accordance with the Providence Housing Authority's policy, it is a breach of ethical standards for a person to be retained, or to upon an agreement or understanding for a contingent commission, percentage, or brokerage fee, except for retention of bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial selling agencies for the purpose of securing business. After being first duly sworn according to law, the undersigned (affiant) states that he/she is the _____, of _____ (Offeror) and that the Offeror has not retained anyone in violation of the foregoing.

And further Affiant sayeth not.

By: _____

Title: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

_____ day of _____, 20__.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires _____, 20__

Certifications and Representations of Offerors

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

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

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

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

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

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

For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(Check the block applicable to you)

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> 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:

APPENDIX B

FORMS TO BE SUBMITTED BEFORE AWARD OF A CONTRACT

- CLIENT REFERENCES FORM
- FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE STATEMENT

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FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE STATEMENT

State of _____

County of _____

After being first duly sworn according to law, the undersigned (Affiant) states that he / she is _____ of _____ (Bidder) and that by its employment policy, standards, and practices, the Bidder does not subscribe to any personnel policy which permits or allows for the promotion, demotion, employment, dismissal of, or laying off of any individual due to his / her race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, or any other protected class.

Signature

Type / Print Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

____ day of _____, 20____.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires _____, 20____.

APPENDIX C

SAMPLE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- PHA AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES {SAMPLE}
- PART II – TERMS & CONDITIONS

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SAMPLE PHA AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

Contract No. XX-XXX

THIS AGREEMENT, is made and entered into this **Month, Day, Year** by and between **Vendor Name** located at **Address** a (State of incorporation) Corporation, hereinafter called the "**Contractor**" and **The Housing Authority of the City of Providence, Rhode Island**, a public body and a body corporate and politic existing under the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, hereinafter called the "**Authority**":

WITNESS, that the Contractor and the Authority for the consideration stated herein mutually agree:

ARTICLE 1. Statement of Work:

The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, and services to perform **Name of Project** for the Authority at **XXX** location(s) throughout the City of Providence in accordance with: all applicable HUD rules and regulations, the Authority's Invitation for Bids, dated **XX/XX/XXXX**, Part II – Terms and Conditions, and the Contractor's Bid, dated **XX/XX/XXXX**, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.

The specific deliverables are:

ARTICLE 2. The Contract Price:

The Authority shall pay the Contractor for the performance of this entire contract, in current funds, subject to additions and deductions as provided herein, the **XXXX and 00/100 Dollars (\$XX,XXX.00)**.

ARTICLE 3. Method of Payment:

Portions of the contract price, as stated in ARTICLE 2., shall be paid within thirty (30) days after receipt of an approved invoice. If the delivery of any services and/or material purchased under this contract is provided in stages, then, for each of the agreed stages, a partial payment will be made. The Contractor is issued **Contract Number XX-XXX** by the Authority. This number must be indicated on all invoices in order to be processed for payment.

Billing Address: Attn: Finance Department
Providence Housing Authority
100 Broad Street
Providence, RI 02903

Email invoices to: Finance@provhousing.org

ARTICLE 4. Time of Performance:

This Contract/Project will commence on or about **XX/XX/XXXX** and shall be completed on or before **XX/XX/XXXX**.

ARTICLE 5. Contract Documents:

The Contract shall consist of the following component parts:

- a. This Instrument
- b. Part II – Additional Terms and Conditions
- c. Invitation for Bids, Dated **XX/XX/XXXX**
- d. Contractor's Bid, Dated **XX/XX/XXXX**
- e. Addendum # **XX** (if applicable) Dated **XX/XX/XXXX**

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- f. PHA and HUD required forms
- g. State of RI required forms

ARTICLE 6. Additional Compliance:

Contractor shall comply with all pertinent Federal, state, and municipal laws and regulations, and all pertinent Amendments thereto, including but not limited to:

- Federal and State Confidentiality, Privacy and Data Security;
- Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- The Pregnancy Discrimination Act;
- The Equal Pay Act of 1963;
- The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967;
- Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;
- Sections 102 and 103 of the Civil Rights Act of 1991;
- Sections 501 and 505 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;
- The Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008; and
- Executive Order 11246 as Amended, including Parts I through IV.

Vendors, Non-Affiliated Third Parties, and Contractors shall implement and maintain reasonable data security procedures and practices appropriate to the size and scope of the organization, the nature of the information, and the purpose for which the information was collected to protect the Personal Information (PI) from Unauthorized Access, Use, Modification, Destruction, or Disclosure.

THIS INSTRUMENT, together with all documents enumerated in ARTICLE 5. and / or those included in said RFP are fully a part of this Contract as if hereto attached, constitute the entire agreement between the parties, and shall not be modified except in writing signed by both parties to this Agreement. If any provision in any component part of these Contract documents conflicts with any provision of any other component part, the provision required by HUD, and/or that is most beneficial to the Authority, shall govern.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed in two (2) original counterparts on the day and year first written on page one of **Contract Number XX-XXX**, all of which, when taken together, constitute one and the same agreement.

Witness

Witness

The Providence Housing Authority

Melissa Sanzaro,
Executive Director
100 Broad Street
Providence, RI 02903

Vendor

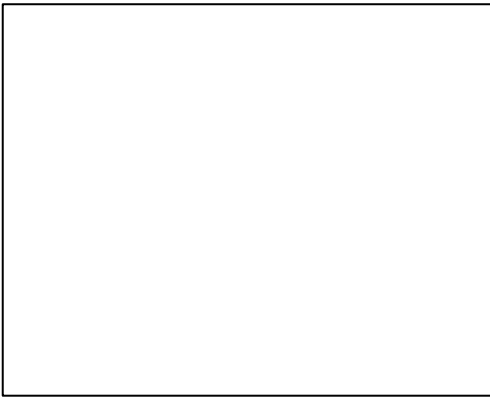
TITLE
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE ZIP

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CERTIFICATION

I, _____, certify that I am the _____ of the corporation named as Contractor herein, that _____ who signed this contract on behalf of the Contractor, was then Vice President of said corporation, that said Contract was duly signed for and in behalf of said corporation by authority of its governing body, and is within the scope of its corporate powers:

[Corporate Seal]



By: _____

{THIS AREA INTENTIONALLY BLANK}

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PART II - TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Breach of Agreement:

If the Contractor fails to fulfill any obligation under this contract in a timely and proper manner or if it shall violate any of the term(s) of this contract, the PHA shall have the right to immediately terminate such contract and withhold payments in excess of fair compensation for work completed. The term "breach of agreement" specifically includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with any contract terms, applicable Federal, State or Local laws or regulations.

2. Termination:

The PHA shall have the right to terminate this contract at any time and reserves the right to terminate this contract for its convenience or in the event it shall abandon or indefinitely postpone the program. Such termination shall be accomplished by written notice delivered to the Contractor. Payment to the Contractor shall be made for work performed prior to issuance of the termination notice, together with the Contractor's reasonable, subject to PHA prior written approval, cost for closing down its work, and the Contractor shall have no claim for loss of anticipated profits or any additional compensation.

Despite the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the PHA for damages sustained by virtue of any breach by the Contractor and/or its subcontractor(s).

3. Termination of Contract for Cause:

If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in timely and proper manner the obligations under this Contract, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Contract, the Authority shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five days before the effective date of such termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, and reports prepared by the Contractor under this Contract shall, at the option of the Authority, become its property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents.

Despite the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the Authority for damages sustained by the Authority by virtue of any breach of the Contract by the Contractor, and the Authority may withhold any payments to the Contractor for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due the Authority from the Contractor is determined.

4. Termination for Convenience of Authority:

The Authority may terminate this Contract any time by a notice in writing from the Authority to the Contractor. If the Contract is terminated by the Authority for Convenience, the Contractor will be paid an amount that bears the same ratio to the total compensation as the services actually performed bear to the total services covered by this Contract, less payments of compensation previously made. If this Contract is terminated due to the fault of the Contractor, Termination for Cause or Convenience will be determined by the Authority in its sole discretion.

5. Changes:

The Authority may, from time to time, request changes in the Scope of Services from the Contractor to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the Contractor's compensation, shall only be effective if prior written agreement by the Authority's Contracting Officer is obtained. Such agreement(s) shall be considered written amendments to this Contract.

6. Personnel:

a. The Contractor represents that they have, or will secure at their own expense, all personnel required in performing the services under this Contract. Such personnel shall not be employees of or have any contractual relationship with the Authority.

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- b. All the services required hereunder will be performed by the Contractor or under their supervision and all personnel engaged in the work shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under State and local law to perform such services.
- c. No person who is serving sentence in a penal or correctional institution shall be employed on work under this Contract.

7. Anti-Kickback Rules:

Salaries of architects, draftsmen, technical engineers, and technicians performing work under this Contract shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a month without deduction or rebate on any account except only such payroll deductions as are mandatory by law or permitted by the applicable regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the "Anti-Kickback Act" of June 13, 1934 (48 Stat. 948; 62 Stat. 740; 63 Stat. 108; title 18 U.S.C., section 874; and title 40 U.S.C., section 276c). The Contractor shall comply with all applicable "Anti-Kickback" regulations and shall insert appropriate provisions in all subcontracts covering work under this Contract to ensure compliance by subcontractors with such regulations and shall be responsible for the submission of affidavits required of subcontractors thereunder except as the Secretary of Labor may specifically provide for variations of or exemptions from the requirements thereof.

8. Equal Employment Opportunity:

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees:

- a. The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or any protected class. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin or protected class. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Authority setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- b. The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants shall receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.
- c. The Contractor shall cause the foregoing provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts for any work covered by this Contract so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor, provided that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to contracts or subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials.

9. Discrimination Because of Certain Labor Matters:

No person employed on the work covered by this Contract shall be discharged or in any way discriminated against because they have filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding or have testified or are about to testify in any proceeding under or relating to the labor standards applicable hereunder to their employer.

10. Compliance with Local, State, and Federal Laws:

The Contractor / Contractor's firm shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes of Federal, State, and local governments, including but not limited to all discrimination laws.

11. Subcontracting Assignability:

None of the services covered by this Contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written consent of the Authority. The Contractor shall be fully responsible to the Authority for the acts and omissions of their subcontractors, and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by said contractors.

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Unauthorized sub-contracting is prohibited. The successful proposer shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this RFP (including, but not limited to, selling, or transferring the contract) without the prior written consent of the PHA. Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of the PHA, shall be void and may result in the cancellation of the contract with the PHA or may result in the full or partial forfeiture of funds paid to the successful proposer as a result of the proposed contract.

12. Assignability:

The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this Contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation) without the prior written approval of the Authority: Provided, however, that claims for money due or to become due the Contractor from the Authority under this Contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution, or to a Trustee in Bankruptcy, without such approval. Notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the Authority.

13. Interest of Members of Authority:

No member of the governing body of the Authority, and no other officer, employee, or agent of the Authority who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the carrying out of the duties to which this Contract pertains, shall have any personal interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract.

14. Interest of Other Local Public Officials:

No member of the governing body of the locality in which this contract's scope is situated, and no other public official of such locality, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or approval of the carrying out of the duties of this Contract, shall have any personal interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract.

15. Interest of Certain Federal Officials:

No member of or Delegate to the Congress of the United States, and no Resident Commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this Contract or to any benefit to arise herefrom.

16. Interest of Contractor:

The Contractor covenants that they presently have no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in the above-described Project Area or any parcels therein or any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of their services hereunder. The Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Contract no person having any such interest shall be employed.

17. Findings Confidential:

All of the reports, information, work product, advice, data, etc., prepared or assembled by the Contractor under this Contract are confidential and the Contractor agrees that they shall not be made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the Authority.

18. Royalties and Patents:

The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees. It shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent rights and shall save the Authority harmless from loss on account thereof; except that the Authority shall be responsible for all such loss when a particular design, process or the product of a particular manufacturer or manufacturers is specified and the Contractor has no reason to believe that the specified design, process, or product is an infringement. If, however, the Contractor has any reason to believe that any design, process or product specified is an infringement of a patent, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer. Failure to give such notice shall make the Contractor responsible for resultant loss.

19. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records:

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

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- b. The Contractor shall 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 (1) appeals, (2) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, or (3) costs and expenses of this contract to which the Authority, 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.

20. Warranty of Title:

The Contractor warrants good title to all materials, supplies, and equipment incorporated in the work and agrees to deliver the premises together with all improvements thereon or any material delivered under this contract free from any claims, liens or charges, and agrees further that neither it nor any other person, firm or corporation shall have any right to a lien upon the premises or anything appurtenant thereto.

21. Insurance:

The Contractor is required to obtain an endorsement to the comprehensive general liability policy to include owners' and contractors' protective liability coverage to protect the Authority from any claims arising from the contractor's operations. Before beginning this contract's engagement, the Contractor and each subcontractor shall furnish the Authority with Certificates of Insurance showing that the following insurance is in force and will insure all deliverables under the contract. All insurance shall be carried with companies that are financially responsible and authorized to do business in Rhode Island.

- a. **Workers' Compensation** in accordance with Rhode Island Worker's Compensation Laws for all employees engaged under this contract.
- b. **Professional Liability Insurance.** Professional liability insurance coverage of at least \$1,000,000.
- c. **Commercial General Liability** which is comprehensive general Liability insurance with bodily injury and property damage. The minimum amount of required coverage is \$500,000 per occurrence; \$1,000,000 aggregate. The policy shall cover all operations of the contractor in connection with the project. and Contractor shall hold PHA harmless for any injuries to persons and/or property on site.
- d. **Automobile Liability** on owned, non-owned and hired motor vehicles used on or in connection with the site(s) for a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of not less than \$500,000 per occurrence.
- e. The Certificates of Insurance noted in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) shall indicate that the policy holder has added the Authority as an Additional Insured. Within ten (10) days of Award of work, Contractor shall provide the PHA with a copy of the actual Insurer's policy endorsement evidencing it has added the PHA as an Additional Insured on Contractor's policy(ies).
- f. **Hold Harmless and Indemnification.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to mean that Providence the Housing Authority assumes any liability for damages or otherwise on account of accidents to persons or property, including but not limited to accidents arising or resulting from Contractor's operations. Contractor shall be solely responsible for supervising all its own, and its sub-contractors, and operations, including but not limited to losses arising from the willful and/or negligent actions of its own and/or its sub-contracted staff and all personal injuries occurring due to the execution of this contract's duties.
- g. **Indemnification.** Except to the extent caused by the negligence of the Housing Authority, Contractor shall indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Housing Authority to the fullest extent permitted by law from and against all liabilities, costs (including reasonable attorney fees), losses and claims of any kind or nature imposed on, incurred by, or asserted against the Housing Authority arising out of the active or passive

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negligence or willful actions of Contractor, and/or its sub-contractors, in any way connected with the completion of the work and its/their operations. Contractor shall, at its own expense, pay all expenses and provide attorneys reasonably acceptable to the Housing Authority to defend and/or seek enforcement of the provisions hereof on behalf of the Housing Authority in matters regarding the indemnity contained herein. The terms and conditions of this provision shall survive the term/period of performance of this Agreement.

22. Additional Provisions:

- a. **Prohibition Against Gratuities:** It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any person to offer, give or agree to give any employee or former employee, or for any employee or former employee to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement of a contract or subcontract or to any solicitation or proposal therefore.
- b. **Prohibition Against Kickbacks:** It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any payment gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a sub consultant under a contract to the prime contractor or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.
- c. **Assignment-Consent Required:** The provisions of a contract shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the respective successors and assignees of the parties hereto. Such contract nor any of the rights and obligations of the Contractor hereunder shall not be assigned, subcontracted or transferred in whole or in part without the prior written consent of the PHA. Any such assignment transfer or subcontract shall not release the Contractor from its obligation hereunder. Any approved assignee shall assume each and every obligation of the Contractor hereunder and PHA may contract with or reimburse any such assignee without waiving any of its rights against the Contractor.
- d. **Entire Contract:** Such contract shall set forth the entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall govern the respective duties and obligations of the parties until and unless a more formal Agreement is entered into between the parties.
- e. **Force Majeure:** No party to such contract shall have any liability to the other hereunder by reason of any delay or failure to perform any obligation or covenant if the delay or failure to perform is occasioned by any act of God, force majeure, storm, fire, casualty, civil disturbance, riot, war, national emergency, act of Government, act of public enemy or other cause of similar nature beyond its control.
- f. **Ownership of Documents:** All data and records prepared or obtained under this Agreement shall be made available, upon request, to the PHA without restriction or limitation on their use.
- g. **Access to Records:** The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence directly pertinent to performance of work under this Agreement in accordance with accepted professional practice and appropriate accounting procedures and practices. Audits conducted pursuant to this provision shall be in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and formally established audit regulations, procedures and guidelines of the reviewing or audit agency.

The PHA shall have exclusive ownership of all proprietary interest in, and the right to full and exclusive possession of all data, information, materials, and documents obtained, discovered, or produced by Contractor pursuant to the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to reports, memoranda, letters, or other correspondence and materials obtained during the performance of services or tasks under this Contract.

- h. **Personally Identifiable Information (PII) and Findings Confidential:** Contractor shall comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 (the Act) and all laws, rules, and regulations issued pursuant to it in the collection and use of protected Personally Identifiable Information. All reports, information, data, etc., prepared or assembled by or for the Contractor and/or PHA under this Agreement containing private or confidential data (except as may be expressly authorized) or any other such protected information shall not be made available to any individual or organization other than the PHA without the prior written approval of the PHA.

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Contractor shall comply with the RI Identity Theft Protection Act and all other pertinent data security and cyber security: laws, HUD regulations and commercially reasonable best practices.

- i. Modification of Contract:** Such Contract may be modified only by written amendment executed by all parties.
- j. Partnerships/Joint Ventures:** Such Agreement shall not in any way be construed or intended to create a partnership or joint venture between the parties or among any of the parties. None of the parties of a contract shall hold itself out in a manner contrary to the terms of this Contract. No party shall become liable for any representation, act, or omission of any other party contrary to the terms of this Contract.
- k. Waiver:** No waiver of any provision of such contract shall affect the right of the PHA thereafter to enforce such provision or to exercise any right or remedy available to it in the event of any other default.
- l. Conflict:**
If any term of any contract and/or document in this matter conflicts with any term of any other contract and/or document in this matter, the term(s) most favorable to the PHA shall prevail.

APPENDIX D

- STANDARD FEDERAL E.E.O. (EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246)
- LAWS ENFORCED BY E.E.O.C.

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STANDARD FEDERAL E.E.O. (Executive Order 11246, as Amended)

Executive Order 11246 — Equal Employment Opportunity

SOURCE: The provisions of Executive Order 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, appear at 30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR, 1964–1965 Comp., p.339, unless otherwise noted.

Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and statutes of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

PART I — NONDISCRIMINATION IN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT

[Part I superseded by EO 11478 of Aug. 8, 1969, 34 FR 12985, 3 CFR, 1966–1970 Comp., p. 803]

PART II - NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT BY GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS

1. As used in these specifications:
 - a. "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
 - b. "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
 - c. "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
 - d. "Minority" includes:
 - i. Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
 - ii. Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - iii. Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
 - iv. American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).
2. Whenever the Contractor, or any Subcontractor (if applicable, though this procurement does not permit subcontractors – for this reason, all references to subcontractors are not applicable) at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation, and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this contract resulted.
3. If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60–4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each Contractor or Subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other Contractors or Subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or Subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.
4. The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7 a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area.
5. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

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6. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
7. In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.
8. The Contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:
 - a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
 - b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
 - c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
 - d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
 - e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
 - f. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.
 - g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination, or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with onsite supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.
 - h. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and

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- discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other Contractors and Subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
- i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female, and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the Contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.
 - j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a contractor's work force.
 - k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR part 60-3.
 - l. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.
 - m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.
 - n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are nonsegregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
 - o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
 - p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.
9. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through p of these Specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.
10. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).
11. The Contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
12. The Contractor shall not enter into any contract or Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.
13. The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may

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be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any Contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.

14. The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.

Subpart A – Duties of the Secretary of Labor

SEC. 201

The Secretary of Labor shall be responsible for the administration and enforcement of Parts II and III of this Order. The Secretary shall adopt such rules and regulations and issue such orders as are deemed necessary and appropriate to achieve the purposes of Parts II and III of this Order.

[Sec. 201 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

Subpart B – Contractors' Agreements

SEC. 202

Except in contracts exempted in accordance with Section 204 of this Order, all Government contracting agencies shall include in every Government contract hereafter entered into the following provisions:

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

1. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
2. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advancements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
3. The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
4. The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under Section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
5. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

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6. The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 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.
7. In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order No. 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
8. The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as 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 becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

[Sec. 202 amended by EO 11375 of Oct. 13, 1967, 32 FR 14303, 3 CFR, 1966-1970 Comp., p. 684, EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230, EO 13665 of April 8, 2014, 79 FR 20749, EO 13672 of July 21, 2014, 79 FR 42971]

SEC. 203

1. Each contractor having a contract containing the provisions prescribed in Section 202 shall file, and shall cause each of his subcontractors to file, Compliance Reports with the contracting agency or the Secretary of Labor as may be directed. Compliance Reports shall be filed within such times and shall contain such information as to the practices, policies, programs, and employment policies, programs, and employment statistics of the contractor and each subcontractor, and shall be in such form, as the Secretary of Labor may prescribe.
2. Bidders or prospective contractors or subcontractors may be required to state whether they have participated in any previous contract subject to the provisions of this Order, or any preceding similar Executive order, and in that event to submit, on behalf of themselves and their proposed subcontractors, Compliance Reports prior to or as an initial part of their bid or negotiation of a contract.
3. Whenever the contractor or subcontractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding with a labor union or an agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or training for such workers, the Compliance Report shall include such information as to such labor union's or agency's practices and policies affecting compliance as the Secretary of Labor may prescribe: Provided, that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of a labor union or an agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or training and such labor union or agency shall refuse to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the Secretary of Labor as part of its Compliance Report and shall set forth what efforts he has made to obtain such information.
4. The Secretary of Labor may direct that any bidder or prospective contractor or subcontractor shall submit, as part of his Compliance Report, a statement in writing, signed by an authorized officer or agent on behalf of any labor union or any agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or other training, with which the bidder or prospective contractor deals, with supporting information, to the effect that the signer's practices and policies do not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin, and that the signer either will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the policy and provisions of this Order or that it consents and agrees that recruitment, employment, and the terms and conditions of employment under the proposed contract shall be in accordance with the purposes and provisions of the order. In the event that the union, or the agency shall refuse to execute such a statement, the Compliance Report shall so certify and set forth what efforts have

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been made to secure such a statement and such additional factual material as the Secretary of Labor may require.

[Sec. 203 amended by EO 11375 of Oct. 13, 1967, 32 FR 14303, 3 CFR, 1966–1970 Comp., p. 684; EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230, EO 13672 of July 21, 2104, 79 FR 42971]

SEC. 204

1. The Secretary of Labor may, when the Secretary deems that special circumstances in the national interest so require, exempt a contracting agency from the requirement of including any or all of the provisions of Section 202 of this Order in any specific contract, subcontract, or purchase order.
2. The Secretary of Labor may, by rule or regulation, exempt certain classes of contracts, subcontracts, or purchase orders (1) whenever work is to be or has been performed outside the United States and no recruitment of workers within the limits of the United States is involved; (2) for standard commercial supplies or raw materials; (3) involving less than specified amounts of money or specified numbers of workers; or (4) to the extent that they involve subcontracts below a specified tier.
3. Section 202 of this Order shall not apply to a Government contractor or subcontractor that is a religious corporation, association, educational institution, or society, with respect to the employment of individuals of a particular religion to perform work connected with the carrying on by such corporation, association, educational institution, or society of its activities. Such contractors and subcontractors are not exempted or excused from complying with the other requirements contained in this Order.
4. The Secretary of Labor may also provide, by rule, regulation, or order, for the exemption of facilities of a contractor that are in all respects separate and distinct from activities of the contractor related to the performance of the contract: provided, that such an exemption will not interfere with or impede the effectuation of the purposes of this Order: and provided further, that in the absence of such an exemption all facilities shall be covered by the provisions of this Order.

[Sec. 204 amended by EO 13279 of Dec. 16, 2002, 67 FR 77141, 3 CFR, 2002 Comp., p. 77141 – 77144]

Subpart C – Powers and Duties of the Secretary of Labor and the Contracting Agencies

SEC. 205

The Secretary of Labor shall be responsible for securing compliance by all Government contractors and subcontractors with this Order and any implementing rules or regulations. All contracting agencies shall comply with the terms of this Order and any implementing rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor. Contracting agencies shall cooperate with the Secretary of Labor and shall furnish such information and assistance as the Secretary may require.

[Sec. 205 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

SEC. 206

- a. The Secretary of Labor may investigate the employment practices of any Government contractor or subcontractor to determine whether or not the contractual provisions specified in Section 202 of this Order have been violated. Such investigation shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures established by the Secretary of Labor.
- b. The Secretary of Labor may receive and investigate complaints by employees or prospective employees of a Government contractor or subcontractor which allege discrimination contrary to the contractual provisions specified in Section 202 of this Order.

[Sec. 206 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

SEC. 207

The Secretary of Labor shall use his/her best efforts, directly and through interested Federal, State, and local agencies, contractors, and all other available instrumentalities to cause any labor union engaged in work under Government contracts or any agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or training for or in the course of such work to cooperate in the implementation of the purposes of this Order. The Secretary of

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Labor shall, in appropriate cases, notify the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Department of Justice, or other appropriate Federal agencies whenever it has reason to believe that the practices of any such labor organization or agency violate Title VI or Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 or other provision of Federal law.

[Sec. 207 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

SEC. 208

- a. The Secretary of Labor, or any agency, officer, or employee in the executive branch of the Government designated by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary, may hold such hearings, public or private, as the Secretary may deem advisable for compliance, enforcement, or educational purposes.
- b. The Secretary of Labor may hold, or cause to be held, hearings in accordance with Subsection of this Section prior to imposing, ordering, or recommending the imposition of penalties and sanctions under this Order. No order for debarment of any contractor from further Government contracts under Section 209(6) shall be made without affording the contractor an opportunity for a hearing.

Subpart D – Sanctions and Penalties

SEC. 209

In accordance with such rules, regulations, or orders as the Secretary of Labor may issue or adopt, the Secretary may:

1. Publish, or cause to be published, the names of contractors or unions which it has concluded have complied or have failed to comply with the provisions of this Order or of the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.
2. Recommend to the Department of Justice that, in cases in which there is substantial or material violation or the threat of substantial or material violation of the contractual provisions set forth in Section 202 of this Order, appropriate proceedings be brought to enforce those provisions, including the enjoining, within the limitations of applicable law, of organizations, individuals, or groups who prevent directly or indirectly, or seek to prevent directly or indirectly, compliance with the provisions of this Order.
3. Recommend to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or the Department of Justice that appropriate proceedings be instituted under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
4. Recommend to the Department of Justice that criminal proceedings be brought for the furnishing of false information to any contracting agency or to the Secretary of Labor as the case may be.
5. After consulting with the contracting agency, direct the contracting agency to cancel, terminate, suspend, or cause to be cancelled, terminated, or suspended, any contract, or any portion or portions thereof, for failure of the contractor or subcontractor to comply with equal employment opportunity provisions of the contract. Contracts may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended absolutely or continuance of contracts may be conditioned upon a program for future compliance approved by the Secretary of Labor.
6. Provide that any contracting agency shall refrain from entering into further contracts, or extensions or other modifications of existing contracts, with any noncomplying contractor, until such contractor has satisfied the Secretary of Labor that such contractor has established and will carry out personnel and employment policies in compliance with the provisions of this Order.

Pursuant to rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary shall make reasonable efforts, within a reasonable time limitation, to secure compliance with the contract provisions of this Order by methods of conference, conciliation, mediation, and persuasion before proceedings shall be instituted under subsection (a)(2) of this Section, or before a contract shall be cancelled or terminated in whole or in part under subsection (a)(5) of this Section.

[Sec. 209 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

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SEC. 210

Whenever the Secretary of Labor makes a determination under Section 209, the Secretary shall promptly notify the appropriate agency. The agency shall take the action directed by the Secretary and shall report the results of the action it has taken to the Secretary of Labor within such time as the Secretary shall specify. If the contracting agency fails to take the action directed within thirty days, the Secretary may take the action directly.

[Sec. 210 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p 230]

SEC. 211

If the Secretary shall so direct, contracting agencies shall not enter into contracts with any bidder or prospective contractor unless the bidder or prospective contractor has satisfactorily complied with the provisions of this Order or submits a program for compliance acceptable to the Secretary of Labor.

[Sec. 211 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

SEC. 212

When a contract has been cancelled or terminated under Section 209(a)(5) or a contractor has been debarred from further Government contracts under Section 209(a)(6) of this Order, because of noncompliance with the contract provisions specified in Section 202 of this Order, the Secretary of Labor shall promptly notify the Comptroller General of the United States.

[Sec. 212 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

Subpart E – Certificates of Merit

SEC. 213

The Secretary of Labor may provide for issuance of a United States Government Certificate of Merit to employers or labor unions, or other agencies which are or may hereafter be engaged in work under Government contracts, if the Secretary is satisfied that the personnel and employment practices of the employer, or that the personnel, training, apprenticeship, membership, grievance and representation, upgrading, and other practices and policies of the labor union or other agency conform to the purposes and provisions of this Order.

SEC. 214

Any Certificate of Merit may at any time be suspended or revoked by the Secretary of Labor if the holder thereof, in the judgment of the Secretary, has failed to comply with the provisions of this Order.

SEC. 215

The Secretary of Labor may provide for the exemption of any employer, labor union, or other agency from any reporting requirements imposed under or pursuant to this Order if such employer, labor union, or other agency has been awarded a Certificate of Merit which has not been suspended or revoked.

Part IV – Miscellaneous

SEC. 401

The Secretary of Labor may delegate to any officer, agency, or employee in the Executive branch of the Government, any function or duty of the Secretary under Parts II and III of this Order.

[Sec. 401 amended by EO 12086 of Oct. 5, 1978, 43 FR 46501, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230]

SEC. 402

The Secretary of Labor shall provide administrative support for the execution of the program known as the "Plans for Progress."

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LAWS ENFORCED BY E.E.O.C

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII)

This law makes it illegal to discriminate against someone on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex. The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit. The law also requires that employers reasonably accommodate applicants' and employees' sincerely held religious practices, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the employer's business.

The Pregnancy Discrimination Act

This law amended Title VII to make it illegal to discriminate against a woman because of pregnancy, childbirth, or a medical condition related to pregnancy or childbirth. The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit.

The Equal Pay Act of 1963 (EPA)

This law makes it illegal to pay different wages to men and women if they perform equal work in the same workplace. The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit.

The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (ADEA)

This law protects people who are 40 or older from discrimination because of age. The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit.

Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)

This law makes it illegal to discriminate against a qualified person with a disability in the private sector and in state and local governments. The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit. The law also requires that employers reasonably accommodate the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the employer's business.

Sections 102 and 103 of the Civil Rights Act of 1991

Among other things, this law amends Title VII and the ADA to permit jury trials and compensatory and punitive damage awards in intentional discrimination cases.

Sections 501 and 505 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

This law makes it illegal to discriminate against a qualified person with a disability in the federal government. The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit. The law also requires that employers reasonably accommodate the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the employer's business.

The Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (GINA)

Effective – November 21, 2009. This law makes it illegal to discriminate against employees or applicants because of genetic information. Genetic information includes information about an individual's genetic tests and the genetic tests of an individual's family members, as well as information about any disease, disorder or condition of an individual's family members (i.e. an individual's family medical history). The law also makes it illegal to retaliate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit.