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#### **SECTION B**

# CONTRACT TYPE, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICE

#### **B.1 GENERAL INFORMATION**

The District of Columbia Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Office of Contracts, on behalf of Office of Tax & Revenue (OTR) (the "District") is awarding an Overflow Call Center provider to provide experienced call center services, at its facility, for year-round call center support to the OTR Customer Service Administration (CSA), to ensure a transparent and timely service experience for all taxpayers engaging and communicating with the OTR.

# **B.2 CONTRACT TYPE**

The District awards a Requirements Contract with Firm Fixed unit pricing.

# **B.3** ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING

The stated Price Per Unit for each Contract Line Item Number (CLIN) shall be fixed, inclusive of all of the Contractor's direct cost, indirect cost, and profit; including travel, material, and delivery costs. The price shall include all cost associated with the services described in and required by the Contract. The Total Estimated Price shall represent the price ceiling, fixed fee, or not to exceed amount of the Contract.

#### **B.4** REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT

The District will purchase its requirements of the services included herein from the Contractor. The estimated quantities stated herein reflect the best estimates available. The estimate shall not be construed as a representation that the estimated quantity will be required or that conditions affecting requirements will be stable. The estimated quantities shall not be construed to limit the quantities which may be required from the Contractor by the District or to relieve the Contractor of its obligation to fill all such requirements.

# **B.5** PRICE SCHEDULE – REQUIREMENTS

#### **B.5.1 BASE YEAR**

CLIN	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
CLIN 001	Overflow Call Center Services	\$ <u>5.99</u> per answered call	41,000 answered calls	\$ <u>245,590.00</u>

# **B.5.2 OPTION YEAR 1**

CLIN	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
CLIN 101	Overflow Call Center Services	\$ <u>6.17</u> per answered call	41,000 answered calls	\$ <u>252,970.00</u>

# **B.5.3 OPTION YEAR 2**

CLIN	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
CLIN 201	Overflow Call Center Services	\$ <u>6.35</u> per answered call	41,000 answered calls	\$ <u>260,350.00</u>

# **B.5.4 OPTION YEAR 3**

CLIN	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
CLIN 301	Overflow Call Center Services	\$ <u>6.55</u> per answered call	41,000 answered calls	\$ <u>268,550.00</u>

# **B.5.5 OPTION YEAR 4**

CLIN	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
CLIN 401	Overflow Call Center Services	\$ <u>6.74</u> per answered call	41,000 answered calls	\$ <u>276,340.00</u>

#### **SECTION C**

#### DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

#### C.1 SCOPE

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#### C.2 BACKGROUND

# **C.2.1 OTR**

- 1. The OCFO mission is to support vital City infrastructure and services by maximizing revenue collections while providing superior customer service.
- 2. The OTR administers and enforces the District of Columbia Tax Code in an efficient and courteous manner. The OTR is responsible for processing, assessing and collecting individual income taxes, corporate and unincorporated franchise taxes, fiduciary, employer withholding and sales and use taxes. Real property taxes together with various miscellaneous taxes and fees are assessed and collected by the OTR.
- 3. The CSA is responsible for responding to taxpayer inquiries timely and efficiently, educating individuals and businesses in meeting their tax obligations and informing them of the basis of all enforcement actions. The CSA is accountable for providing accurate information, administering a positive taxpayer experience and ensuring that citizens know their rights as taxpayers.
- 4. The CSA has a recurring need for support to meet the demands of increased call volumes during usual and high-volume events especially during tax return processing and real property tax billing periods.

#### **C.2.2 CALL CENTER**

1. CSA service information for the first eight months of fiscal year 2021 (October 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021) reports 230,486 inbound calls with 86,731 answered responses to inquiries and questions regarding individual income and real property tax bills, tax exemptions, benefit inquiries, penalty and interest concerns, tax payments and refunds, individual identity quiz assistance and other supports as appropriate. Call volumes generally increase during individual income and business tax filing periods (February, May) and property assessment billing periods (March, April, September, October). The CSA Call Center reported 288,895 inbound calls in fiscal year 2019 (October 2018 through September 2019) and 234,547 inbound calls in fiscal year 2020 (October 2019 through September 2020). The annual projection of overflow calls is

- 1,000 calls per week for a period of five months (January through May) and 750 calls per week for seven months.
- 2. The OCFO currently operates an on-premises Aspect Unified IP ACD (automatic call distribution) system. The ACD routes incoming calls to the next available customer service representative during the designated Call Center hours of operation.
- 3. The OCFO also currently operates an Aspect IVR (interactive voice response) system. The IVR controls the operation of inbound phone call processing in a menu-driven format that allows customers to access a live operator during the normal Call Center hours of operation. The IVR services nine business units within the OCFO and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. With nine business units served, inbound calls are received from the:
  - 1. OTR Customer Service Administration (CSA)
  - 2. OTR Return Integrity Unit (RIU)
  - 3. OTR Real Property Tax Administration (RPTA)
- 4. The Call Center's hours of operation are Monday Friday from 8:15 am to 5:30 pm. All telephone calls remaining in the queue beyond 5:30 pm are answered by a live agent, generally requiring staffing beyond 5:30 pm. The ACD is operational during designated business hours. The Customer Service Call Center is reached by dialing (202) 727-4TAX (4829).

#### C.3 CONTRACTOR TASKS AND RESPONSIBILIES

- C.3.1 All Call Center services under this contract shall be performed within the continental borders of the United States. Call Center management and staff must be located in the United States. The Contractor is prohibited from accessing the OCFO telephony system, the Integrated Tax System (MITS) and other resources outside the United States. This provision also applies to work performed by subcontractors at all tiers.
- C.3.2 The Contractor shall operate the call center in accordance with all applicable federal, state and District of Columbia laws and regulations governing the operation of a business in the Contractors State or District. The Contractor's facility, processes, and staff shall meet and remain in compliance with the standards found in IRS Publication 1075, Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies <a href="https://www.irs.gov/privacy-disclosure/safeguards-program">https://www.irs.gov/privacy-disclosure/safeguards-program</a>. Utilizing District issued devices, is merely a component of maintaining the security for IRS Publication 1075. Additional areas include patch management/vulnerability management at end points, account passwords, and onboarding and offboarding of resources. Having District issued devices, ensures the VPN client is patched and provides access to District systems such as Aspect and MITS. The Contractor will have additional responsibilities to ensure IRS Publication 1075 compliance, such as ensuring staff is in a facility that is behind two barriers, agree to the cyber-Hygiene, destroy any print outs, conduct proper background checks of staff, and understand the disclosure of the data rules and penalties associated with IRS Publication 1075.

- C.3.3 The Contractor shall have all necessary licenses, consents, approvals, permits, certifications, and authorizations as may be required by legislative enactments and regulations to perform the services.
- C.3.4 The Contractor shall provide a full-service operation to include, but not limited to, staffing, facilities, equipment that includes noise-canceling telephone headsets with a USB port, staff training, setup, testing, and access to a high-speed internet connection for each CSR.
  - C.3.4.1 The Contractor shall equip and train a minimum of ten (10) agents initially, exclusive of supervisors, and to utilize these agents on a part-time basis. Using this model, Contractor can provide a core group of personnel covering all operating hours, with additional trained and ready resources on-call and available at a moment's notice to respond to times of higher demand. The District will support this operating model, including supporting the Contractor's needs for equipment, licenses, and enabling "train-the-trainer" capabilities so that the Contractor can be in the best position to meet the District's needs.
- C.3.5 The Contractor shall be responsible for the installation of any required equipment at any of its facilities.
- C.3.6 The Contractor shall provide technical support personnel to facilitate day to day operations between the Contractor and the OCFO. The technician(s) shall be available for performance tracking and business equipment servicing during the normal business hours, 8:00am 6:30pm.
- C.3.7 The Contractor shall, under guidance of the District of Columbia Office of Chief Information Officer (OCIO), Tax Systems Group (TSG), provide the following technical services:
  - C.3.7.1 Desktop Applications Support: Perform basic support functions including installation of Soft Phones, setting up mobile phones, software installation and updates. Diagnose and correct desktop applications, headphone issues, connectivity problems, mobile phones and laptop configurations under the direction of the OCIO.
  - C.3.7.2The Contractor shall be responsible for the completion and submission of the Setup/Modification requests for all incoming/outgoing staff. The District Service Desk will process all approved requests for LAN Accounts, VPN Accounts, Laptop Deployment requests, Mobile Phone requests and Aspect Account creation requests.
  - C.3.7.3 The Contractor shall maintain, monitor, and manage OCFO hardware and software during business hours when requested by the OCFO.

- C.3.7.4Provide Antivirus and Anti Spyware updates to equipment issued to the Contractor when requested by the OCFO's Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)
- C.3.7.5 The Contractor shall track, receive, and maintain an inventory record of equipment provided to the Contractor by the OCFO. The Contractor must provide the TSG, biannually, hardware inventory reports and records of OCFO provided equipment.
- C.3.7.6The Contractor shall return OCFO provided equipment when the equipment is ready for disposal, when equipment is no longer needed by the Contractor, or when the return of equipment is requested by the OCFO. The District will pay for shipping costs of sending equipment to the Contractor. The Contract shall be responsible for all packaging and shipping costs to return equipment back to the OCFO. The Contractor shall pack and ship equipment in the same method and manner as the equipment was received by the Contractor from the District.
- C.3.8 The Contractor shall have the capability to provide call center services Monday Friday between the hours of 8:15 am and 6:00 pm using live Customer Service Representatives.
- C.3.9 The Contractor shall be responsible for all work performed by subcontractors.
- C.3.10 The Contractor shall present itself to all customers and taxpayers as an agent for the District of Columbia, Office of Tax and Revenue and not as a private contractor.
- C.3.11 The Contractor must directly provide customer service support to individuals with Limited English Proficiency by accessing the Districts LEP service line, dialing 1-800-874-9426, entering a District provided access code, and remaining on the line to continue assisting the caller.
- C.3.12 The Contractor shall provide the following call center services, including but not limited to:
  - C.3.12.1 Inbound live operator services.
  - C.3.12.2 Service or product information including responses to inquiries and questions regarding individual income and property tax bills, tax exemptions, tax benefits, penalty and interest concerns, tax payments and refunds, assistance with the taxpayer identity quiz and other supports as appropriate.
  - C.3.12.3 Utilizing the technologies provided to the Contractor by the OTR and OCIO including laptops, mobile phones and a secure VPN connection.
  - C.3.12.4 Provide to callers or coordinate with other call center representatives thru encrypted channels, updates on tax account specific issues.

- C.3.13 The Contractor shall provide basic technical troubleshooting for the Contractors call center representatives and managers. The troubleshooting requirements and responsibilities of the Contractor are:
  - C.3.13.1 The Contractor shall provide general troubleshooting of the call module in the areas of contact center user accounts and call reports.
- C.3.14 The Contractor shall work together with the OCFO in the lead, to develop a formal process for call escalations. The process developed will outline the specific requirements including necessary documentation. All complaints or actions that requires the CSA to perform a higher level of review or handling, or that are outside the Contractor's scope of authority, will be escalated. Issues expected to be escalated may include the following:
  - 1. Media request
  - 2. Legal/attorney escalations
  - 3. Payment extension request
  - 4. Management hold request
  - 5. Waiver/payment adjustment request
  - 6. Complex billing disputes
  - 7. Follow-up on previous request for special examination, reviewed by the OTR
  - 8. Issues that require the review/reconsideration of property assessments
  - 9. Payment discrepancies, such as missing or misapplied payments
  - 10. Municipal Code or other legal interpretations
  - 11. Processing of liens and lien releases
  - 12. Processing of foreclosures or bankruptcies
  - 13. Tax sale inquiries
  - 14. Billing disputes
  - 15. Customer specific legal issues
  - 16. Processing of refund request, referring to corrective action
  - 17. Other types of questions that cannot be resolved by the Contractor based on the information maintained in MITS.
- C.3.15 The Contractor shall, at the written request of the COTR, provide the following call center service information no later than 30 calendar days from the request, unless otherwise extended by the COTR:
  - 1. Personnel dedicated to the Contract
  - 2. Inbound live operator services information and directives disseminated to dedicated personnel
  - 3. Services and equipment dissemination plans
  - 4. Scripted information dissemination plans
  - 5. Data entry of information into the OTR and Contractor databases
  - 6. Staffing plan
  - 7. Training plan
  - 8. System troubleshooting plan

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- 9. Performance standard implementation plan
- 10. Performance standard failure remediation plan
- 11. Transition in and out plans
- 12. Reporting procedures
- C.3.16 The Contractor shall present itself to all customers/taxpayers as an agent for the District of Columbia, Office of Tax and Revenue, and not as a private contractor.
- C.3.17 Verification of Personally Identifiable Information (full name, address, social security number, date of birth, wage information as an example) shall be required on every phone call before discussing any information with the caller.
- C.3.18 The District will provide Dell laptop computers and mobile phones (Apple iPhone12) to Contractor staff assigned to deliver services under the Contract. The Contractor shall comply with all requirements, in their entirety, as described in the Title 27 District of Columbia Municipal Regulations Chapter: 27-41 USE OF DISTRICT PROPERTY AND SOURCES BY CONTRACTORS policies, standards and procedures: <a href="https://www.dcregs.dc.gov/Common/DCMR/RuleList.aspx?ChapterNum=27-41">https://www.dcregs.dc.gov/Common/DCMR/RuleList.aspx?ChapterNum=27-41</a>.
- C.3.19 The Contractor shall fully transition into answering all calls transferred to the Contractor no later than five (5) business days after the completion of the OTR initial trainings.

#### C.4 CUSTOMER SERVICE PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

- C.4.0.1 The Contractor must provide the necessary staffing and job skills required to meet or exceed all Service Level Requirements (SLR). The Contractor is required to provide additional resources as may be needed during planned and unplanned events to meet the SLRs.
- C.4.0.2The Contractor shall designate one or more managers responsible for the day-to-day operations, management and coordination of the services being provided. A Service Delivery Manager shall coordinate with the appropriate resources to ensure optimal service delivery and issue resolution in a timely and effective manner. The Service Delivery Manager will serve as the point of contact for the CSA.

# C.4.1 CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (CSR) MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

C.4.1.0The Contractor shall institute hiring and screening practices for all CSRs. The Contractor shall obtain a criminal history check as required by IRS Pub. 1075, Background Investigation Minimum Requirements from an appropriate law enforcement agency. A background investigation shall be conducted for any individual granted access to Federal Tax Information (FTI) and must include FBI fingerprinting (FD-258) which allows the agency to check the applicant's criminal history in all 50 states. The Contractor shall ensure that all background investigations are completed, provided to the OCFO, and approved by the OCFO prior to any Contractor personnel viewing or accessing information obtained from the OTR under this Contract. This requirement also extends to any new, substitute, contract or temporary Contractor personnel who may view or access information obtained from the OTR.

- C.4.1.1 The Contractor agrees that during the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be required to provide such information, including signed releases, about the Contractors officers, principals, owners, employees or other associates including any subcontractor officers, principals, owners, employees or Contractors, or any other associates of the Contractor and subcontractor it deems appropriate.
- C.4.1.2 The Contractor shall fully cooperate with official inquiries by responding to questions truthfully, under oath if required, whether orally or in writing and provide documents and other information of official interest
- C.4.1.3 The Contractor shall provide the CSR with general basic customer service training using industry standards and customer service instruction. A description of the separate OTR specific training can be found in Section C.6.
- C.4.1.4 The Contractor shall maintain and provide to the OTR, bi-weekly and when requested by the CSA, records of monitoring activities including the name of the CSR, the nature of the call, and an evaluation of the CSRs performance. Contractor reports shall be automated and system generated.

#### C.4.2 CUSTOMER SERVICE OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- C.4.2.0 Customer Service Operations and Administration Services are the activities associated with providing a stable Customer Service environment to ensure the Districts SLR targets and requirements are met. The Contractor shall:
  - C.4.2.1 RESERVED
  - C.4.2.2 Maintain and provide escalation contact lists for all services.
  - C.4.2.3 Issue broadcast or other notices to the Contractor employee base providing status updates for planned and unplanned daily events.
  - C.4.2.4 Perform operational planning for Customer Service capacity and performance purposes necessary for meeting performance goals.
  - C.4.2.5 Maintain and provide current Customer Service documentation (i.e., standards and procedures).
  - C.4.2.6 Identify and recommend Customer Service solutions that best meet the OTRs business needs and Service Level Agreement expectations.
  - C.4.2.7 The Contractor shall expressly provide permission to the OCFO to monitor and record any call under this contract. The OTR Customer Service Director, Customer Service Deputy Director and the OTR training staff shall have access to the Contractor screen data displaying real call center phone activities (all volume, number of calls in the queue, waiting time, available staff, etc.).

C.4.2.8 The Contractor shall provide leadership staff to participate in daily meetings via Microsoft TEAMS with CSA staff to discuss business trends, issues or other relevant information affecting daily operations.

# C.5 SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- C.5.0 Performance standards as established in this Contract and best industry practices must be maintained by the Contractor throughout the term of the contract. The performance standards will be calculated and reported monthly by the COTR. The COTR, as a regular business practice, will generate real-time, daily or multiple daily reports to measure the Contractor performance. Performance standards are identified below:
  - C.5.0.1 Monthly Average Service Level (SVL) of 90% of calls answered in 30 seconds or less if not dropped by IVR.
  - C.5.0.2 Monthly Average Abandon rate of less than or equal to 5%.
  - C.5.0.3 Monthly Average Call Quality of 95% or greater, after the first 90 days of the Contractor staff taking calls on the phone. The CSA Quality Assurance Team, using a quality monitoring scorecard, will measure the call quality of the Contractors live operator and recorded calls based on the following:
    - 1. Call opening / greeting
    - 2. Caller verification / authorization
    - 3. Accuracy of the information presented
    - 4. Communication skills
    - 5. Customer service
    - 6. Closing / exit
    - 7. Account notations
  - C.5.0.4 A required 100% in proper use and documentation of calls in the MITS shall be maintained.
  - C.5.0.5 Callers shall not be placed on hold longer than one hundred twenty (120) seconds.
  - C.5.0.6 In addition to the Monthly Average SVL, meet 90% SVL for identified key dates. The OTR will provide notification to the Contractor of key dates 30 days in advance.
  - C.5.0.7 The number of caller complaints about the Contractor call center shall be 2% or less of all incoming calls. Copies of the complaints and their resolution shall be sent to the OTR Customer Service Administration director within one week of the day the complaint was made.

- C.5.0.8 Seventy five percent (75%) of calls shall be resolved without a transfer, second call or a return call.
- C.5.0.9 The Contractor shall evaluate no less than weekly the sufficiency of the number of active CSRs and staff schedules to ensure maximum coverage and efficiency. The Contractor shall have the ability to increase service capacity as needed to ensure performance SLRs are achieved. Additionally, the Contractor shall be able to adjust staffing levels at the same rate as business grow.
- C.5.1 The COTR will monthly report and monitor performance under the Contract and measure the Contractor against the performance standards of Section C.5.0.1-C.5.0.8. Calculations shall be based in the month the performance is completed.
  - C.5.1.1 These required performance standards produce eight metrics each month
  - C.5.1.2 Each month, if the Contractor fails to meet the eight metrics for the month, the Contractor shall reduce its invoice for the month as follows:

Number of Metrics that Met Performance Standard in the Month	Reduction of the Invoice for the Month
8	0%
7	10%
5-6	25%
4-3	50%
2-1	75%
0	100%

C.5.1.3 In the event that call volumes exceed operational forecasts by 15% or more, the Contractor will not be penalized for failure to meet SLR performance targets. Regardless of volumes, circumstances, or the applicability of financial penalties, the Contractor shall maintain good faith efforts to achieve high levels of performance at all times.

#### C.6 TRAINING

- C.6.1 All training costs, except those specifically identified, are the responsibility of the Contractor. OTR will not accept any separate invoicing for training and associated expenses.
- C.6.2 The Contractor and its staff will have direct access to the District of Columbia's Modernized Integrated Tax System (MITS), will be providing assistance to taxpayers regarding various tax types and will be updating account level information in MITS. The OTR, CSA will provide initial training up to six (6)

weeks virtually, using Microsoft TEAMS, including resources and support. Initial training will include the following:

- 1. Tax and Revenue Customer Service Training
- 2. Computer Base Training (CBT) through the OCFO Learning Manager
- 3. MITS Basic training
- 4. Real Property Core training
- 5. Individual Income Tax training
- 6. Identity Quiz (RUI) basics and Core training
- 7. UNAX Federal Compliance training
- 8. Cybersecurity training
- C.6.3 Contractor employed trainers (Train the Trainers) instruction will occur prior to and concurrent with the initial training sessions.
- C.6.4 Additional training will be provided by the CSA for special event-based requirements.
- C.6.5 The OTR will provide refresher and updated training prior to major events (new tax filing season, changes to assessment and billing processes). Ongoing training for new hires will be the responsibility of the Contractor. Specifically, only the OCFO can provide cybersecurity and the federal UNAX training.
- C.6.6 The Contractor shall train and manage staff assigned to the Contractors call center as follows:
  - C.6.6.1 Develop, conduct and maintain a comprehensive and continuous training program providing trainers and staff with the appropriate knowledge and current information to perform the services required by the OTR. Examples include basic customer service training, reinforcement of the training provided by the OTR and new employee training on OTR business systems.
  - C.6.6.2 Ensure that all staff are trained in federal, District of Columbia and OTR policies, procedures and operations. Initial requirements, policies and procedure training will be provided by the OTR. Requirements and procedures will be updated as needed by the OTR.
  - C.6.6.3 Develop and update Contractor in-house training manuals and records of the employee continuous training for the OTR to review.
  - C.6.6.4 Implement a procedure for ongoing refreshers, updates or retraining by the Contractor in-house trainers.

C.6.6.5 Provide security, safety and call center workplace conduct training.

#### C.7 CONFIDENTIALITY OF TAXPAYER INFORMATION

- C.7.1 During the term of the Contract, if the Contractor changes the personnel working on the contract, the Contractor, and all of its employees, subcontractors, or any agent who may receive taxpayer information in connection with the contract shall execute a statement, per Section H.12 of the Contract, certifying that they understand and shall adhere to the applicable laws regarding the confidentiality of tax return information and understand the penalties for an unauthorized disclosure.
- C.7.2 The Contractor shall always assure the confidentiality of tax information.
- C.7.3 The Contractor shall provide its remote, work from home policies to the OTR for approval before permitting staff to telework.

#### C.8 RESERVED

#### SECTION D

#### PACKAGING AND MARKING

# D.1 PACKAGING

All reports and deliverables that are in "hard copy" and physically transported through the U.S. mail or private courier services are to be securely packaged using the Contractor's best practices.

#### D.2 MARKING

- D.2.1 Unless otherwise specified herein, all reports and deliverables delivered under this contract must be plainly marked, stating the Contractor's name, contract number and addressed to the recipient, including the name of the office or floor, and the recipient's office telephone number as noted in the contract.
- D.2.2 In case of carload lots, the Contractor shall tag the car, stating Contractor's name and contract number. Any failure to comply with these instructions will place the material at the Contractor's risk.
- D.2.3 Deliveries by rail, water, truck or otherwise, must be within the working hours and in ample time to allow for unloading and if necessary, the storing of the materials or supplies before closing time. Deliveries at any other time will not be accepted unless specific arrangements have been previously made with the contact person identified in the contract at the delivery point.

#### **SECTION E**

#### INSPECTION, ACCEPTANCE AND WARRANTY OF SERVICES

#### E.1 <u>INSPECTION</u>

E.1.1 All supplies and services provided by the Contractor under this contract shall be subject to inspection by the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative ("COTR") identified in Section G.1 (b).

# E.1.2 Inspection of Supplies

- (a) <u>Definition</u>. "Supplies," as used in this clause, includes, but is not limited to raw materials, components, intermediate assemblies, end products, and lots of supplies.
- (b) The Contractor shall be responsible for the materials or supplies covered by this contract until they are delivered at the designated point, but the Contractor shall bear all risk on rejected materials or supplies after notification of rejection. Upon the Contractor's failure to cure within ten (10) days after date of notification, the District may return the rejected materials or supplies to the Contractor at the Contractor's risk and expense.
- (c) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the District covering supplies under this contract and shall tender to the District for acceptance only supplies that have been inspected in accordance with the inspection system and have been found by the Contractor to be in conformity with contract requirements. As part of the system, the Contractor shall prepare records evidencing all inspections made under the system and the outcome. These records shall be kept complete and made available to the District during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires. The District may perform reviews and evaluations as reasonably necessary to ascertain compliance with this paragraph. These reviews and evaluations shall be conducted in a manner that will not unduly delay the contract work. The right of review, whether exercised or not, does not relieve the Contractor of the obligations under this contract.
- (d) The District has the right to inspect and test all supplies called for by the contract, to the extent practicable, at all places and times, including the period of manufacture, and in any event before acceptance. The District will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work. The District assumes no contractual obligation to perform any inspection and test for the benefit of the Contractor unless specifically set forth elsewhere in the contract.
- (e) If the District performs inspection or test on the premises of the Contractor or subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties. Except as otherwise provided in the contract, the District will bear the expense of District inspections or tests made at other than Contractor's or subcontractor's premises; provided, that in case of rejection, the District will not be liable for any reduction in the value of inspection or test samples.
  - (1) When supplies are not ready at the time specified by the Contractor for

- inspection or test, the Contracting Officer may charge to the Contractor the additional cost of inspection or test.
- (2) Contracting Officer may also charge the Contractor for any additional cost of inspection or test when prior rejection makes re-inspection or retest.
- (f) The District has the right either to reject or to require correction of nonconforming supplies. Supplies are nonconforming when they are defective in material or workmanship or otherwise not in conformity with contract requirements. The District may reject nonconforming supplies with or without disposition instructions.
- (g) The Contractor shall remove supplies rejected or required to be corrected. However, the Contracting Officer may require or permit correction in place, promptly after notice, by and at the expense of the Contractor. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance corrected or rejected supplies without disclosing the former rejection or requirement for correction, and when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken.
- (h) If the Contractor fails to remove, replace, or correct rejected supplies that are required to be replaced or corrected within ten (10) days, the District may either (1) by contract or otherwise, remove, replace or correct the supplies and charge the cost to the Contractor or (2) terminate the contract for default. Unless the Contractor corrects or replaces the supplies within the delivery schedule, the Contracting Officer may require their delivery and make an equitable price reduction. Failure to agree to a price reduction shall be a dispute.
- (i) If this contract provides for the performance of District quality assurance at source, and if requested by the District, the Contractor shall furnish advance notification of the time (i) when Contractor inspection or tests will be performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, and (ii) when the supplies will be ready for District inspection.
- (j) The District request shall specify the period and method of the advance notification and the District representative to whom it shall be furnished. Requests shall not require more than 2 business days of advance notification if the District representative is in residence in the Contractor's plant, nor more than 7 business days in other instances.
- (k) The District will accept or reject supplies as promptly as practicable after delivery, unless otherwise provided in the contract. District failure to inspect and accept or reject the supplies shall not relieve the Contractor from responsibility, nor impose liability upon the District, for non-conforming supplies.
- (1) Inspections and tests by the District do not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for defects or other failures to meet contract requirements discovered before acceptance. Acceptance shall be conclusive, except for latent defects, fraud, gross mistakes amounting to fraud, or as otherwise provided in the contract.
- (m) If acceptance is not conclusive for any of the reasons in subparagraph (l) hereof, the District, in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law, or under provisions of this contract, shall have the right to require the Contractor (1) at no increase in contract price, to correct or replace the defective or nonconforming supplies at the original point of delivery or at the Contractor's plant at the Contracting Officer's election, and in accordance with a reasonable delivery schedule as may be agreed upon between the Contractor and the Contracting Officer; provided, that the Contracting Officer may require a reduction in contract price if the Contractor fails to meet such delivery schedule, or (2) within a reasonable time after receipt by the Contractor of notice of defects or noncompliance, to repay such portion of the contract as is equitable

under the circumstances if the Contracting Officer elects not to require correction or replacement. When supplies are returned to the Contractor, the Contractor shall bear the transportation cost from the original point of delivery to the Contractor's plant and return to the original point when that point is not the Contractor's plant. If the Contractor fails to perform or act as required in (1) or (2) above and does not cure such failure within a period of 10 days (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the Contracting Officer specifying such failure, the District will have the right to return the rejected materials at Contractor's risk and expense or contract or otherwise to replace or correct such supplies and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned the District thereby.

# E.1.3 Inspection of Services

- (a) Definition. "Services" as used in this clause includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.
- (b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the District covering the services under this contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the District during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires.
- (c) The District has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the contract, to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the contract. The District will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- (d) If the District performs inspections or tests on the premises of the Contractor or subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safety and convenient performance of these duties.
- (e) If any of the services do not conform to the contract requirements, the District may require the Contractor to perform these services again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in contract amount. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by performance, the District may require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements and reduce the contract price to reflect value of services performed. If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the services again or take the necessary action to ensure future performance in conformity to contract requirements, the District may (1) by contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge the Contractor any cost incurred by the District that is directly related to the performance of such services, or (2) terminate the contract for default.

# **E.2 ACCEPTANCE**

Acceptance of all products and services provided under this contract shall be performed by the COTR. Acceptance means approval by the COTR of specific services as partial or complete performance of the contract.

# **E.3** WARRANTY OF SERVICES

E.3.1 The time period for this warranty provision is the life of the contract plus all active options and extensions.

# E.3.2 Warranty Provision:

- (a) Notwithstanding inspection and acceptance by the District or any provision concerning the conclusiveness thereof, the Contractor warrants that all services performed under this contract will, at the time of acceptance, be free from defects in workmanship and conform to the requirements of this contract. The Contracting Officer shall give written notice of any defect or nonconformance to the Contractor within 30 days from the date of discovery. This notice shall state either:
  - (1) That the Contractor shall correct or re-perform any defective or nonconforming services; or
  - (2) That the District does not require correction or reperformance.
- (b) If the Contractor is required to correct or reperform, it shall be at no cost to the District, and any services corrected or reperformed by the Contractor shall be subject to this clause to the same extent as work initially performed. If the Contractor fails or refuses to correct or reperform, the Contracting Officer may, by contract or otherwise, correct or replace with similar services and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned to the District thereby, or make an equitable adjustment in the contract price.
- (c) If the District does not require correction or reperformance, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price.

#### **SECTION F**

#### PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERABLES

# F.1 TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of the contract shall be for a period of one year from the Contract Effective Date.

# F.2 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT

- F.2.1 The District may extend the term of this contract for a period of four (4), one (1) year option periods, or successive fractions thereof, by written notice to the Contractor before the expiration of the contract; provided that the District will give the Contractor preliminary written notice of its intent to extend before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the District to an extension. The exercise of this option is subject to the availability of funds at the time of the exercise of this option.
- F.2.2 If the District exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option provision.
- F.2.3 The price for the option period shall be as specified in the Section B of the contract.

#### F.3 <u>DELIVERABLES</u>

- F.3.1 The Contractor shall perform the activities required to successfully complete the District's requirements and submit each deliverable to the COTR identified in Section G in accordance with Section C.
- F.3.2 The Contractor shall submit to the District, as a deliverable, the report described in Section I.31 that is required by the 51% District Residents New Hires Requirements and First Source Employment Agreement. If the Contractor does not submit the report as part of the deliverables, final payment to the Contractor shall not be paid pursuant to Section G.6.

#### SECTION G

#### CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

#### **G.1 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATORS**

#### (a) **Contracting Officer**

The Contracting Officer (or "CO") for this contract is:

**Drakus Wiggins Contracting Officer** Office of the Chief Financial Officer 1100 4th St. SW Suite E620 Washington, DC 20024 Telephone: (202) 442-7121

Fax: 202-442-6454

E-mail address: drakus.wiggins@dc.gov

- ii. The Contracting Officer is the only official authorized to legally bind the District and make changes to the requirements, terms and conditions of this contract. Only the Contracting Officer can increase, decrease, extend or terminate this contract. All other changes are unauthorized.
- iii. The Contractor shall not comply with any order, directive or request that changes or modifies the requirements of this contract, unless issued in writing and signed by the Contracting Officer.
- iv. In the event the Contractor effects any change at the instruction or request of any person other than the Contracting Officer, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made in the contract price to cover any cost increase incurred as a result thereof.

#### **(b) Contracting Officer Technical Representative (COTR)**

The COTR for this contract is:

Edith Lanum Contracting Officer Technical Representative (COTR) Office of Tax & Revenue (OTR) 1101 4th St. SW Washington, DC 20024

Telephone: (202) 442-6384

Email address: edith.lanum@dc.gov

ii. The COTR is responsible for general administration of the contract and advising the Contracting Officer as to the Contractor's compliance or noncompliance with the

contract. The COTR has the responsibility of ensuring the work conforms to the requirements of the contract and such other responsibilities and authorities as may be specified in the contract. These include:

- a. Keeping the Contracting Officer fully informed of any technical or contractual difficulties encountered during the performance period and advising the Contracting Officer of any potential problem areas under the contract;
- b. Coordinating site entry for Contractor personnel, if applicable;
- c. Reviewing invoices for completed work and approving invoices if the Contractor's costs are consistent with the negotiated amounts and progress is satisfactory and commensurate with the rate of expenditure;
- d. Reviewing and approving invoices for deliverables to ensure receipt of goods and services.
- e. Timely processing of invoices and vouchers in accordance with the District's payment provisions; and
- f. Maintaining a file that includes all contract correspondence, modifications, records of inspections and invoice or vouchers.
- iii. The COTR does NOT have the authority to:
  - a. Award, agree to, or sign any contract, delivery order or task order. Only the Contracting Officer shall make contractual agreements, commitments or modifications;
  - b. Grant deviations from or waive any of the terms and conditions of the contract;
  - c. Increase the dollar limit of the contract or authorize work beyond the dollar limit of the contract,
  - d. Authorize the expenditure of funds by the Contractor;
  - e. Change the period of performance; or
  - f. Authorize the use of District property, except as specified under the contract.
- iv. The Contractor will be fully responsible for any changes not authorized in advance, in writing, by the Contracting Officer; may be denied compensation or other relief for any additional work performed that is not so authorized; and may also be required, at no additional cost to the District, to take all corrective action necessitated by reason of the unauthorized changes.

#### **G.2 INVOICE PAYMENT**

G.2.1 The District will make payments to the Contractor, upon the submission of proper invoices, at the prices stipulated in this contract, for supplies delivered and accepted or services performed and accepted, less any discounts, allowances or adjustments provided for in this contract.

- G.2.2 The District will pay the Contractor on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day after receiving a proper invoice from the Contractor. The District reserves the right to conduct post payment reviews or audits.
- G.2.3 Unless otherwise specified in this contract, and with presentation of a properly executed invoice:
  - a) Payment will be made on completion and acceptance of each item for which the price is stated in the Pricing Schedule in Section B,
  - b) Payment will be made on completion and acceptance of each percentage or milestone of work in accordance with the prices stated in the Pricing Schedule in Section B, or
  - c) Payment may be made on partial deliveries of goods and services accepted by the District if the Contractor requests it and the amount due on the deliveries warrants it as determined by the District.

# G.3 <u>INVOICE SUBMITTAL</u>

- **G.3.1** The Contractor shall create and submit payment requests in an electronic format through the DC Vendor Portal, <a href="https://vendorportal.dc.gov">https://vendorportal.dc.gov</a>
- **G.3.2** The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis or as otherwise specified in Section G.4.
- **G.3.3** To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall enter all required information into the Portal after selecting the applicable purchase order number which is listed on the Contractor's profile.

# G.4 THE QUICK PAYMENT ACT

#### **G.4.1** Interest Penalties to Contractors

- G.4.1.1 The District will pay interest penalties on amounts due to the Contractor under the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-221.01 *et seq.*, as amended, for the period beginning on the day after the required payment date and ending on the date on which payment of the amount is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of at least 1% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the required payment date. The required payment date shall be:
- G.4.1.1.1 The date on which payment is due under the terms of this contract;
- G.4.1.1.2 Not later than 7 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of meat or meat food products;
- G.4.1.1.3 Not later than 10 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of a perishable agricultural commodity; or

- G.4.1.1.4 30 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after receipt of a proper invoice for the amount of the payment due.
- G.4.1.2 No interest penalty shall be due to the Contractor if payment for the completed delivery of goods or services is made on or before:
- G.4.1.2.1 3<sup>rd</sup> day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product;
- G.4.1.2.2 5th day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- G.4.1.2.3 15<sup>th</sup> day after any other required payment date.
- G.4.1.3 Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.

# **G.4.2** Payments to Subcontractors

- G.4.2.1 The Contractor shall take one of the following actions within seven (7) days of receipt of any amount paid to the Contractor by the District for work performed by any subcontractor under the contract:
- G.4.2.1.1 Pay the subcontractor(s) for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the District that is attributable to the subcontractor(s) for work performed under the contract; or
- G.4.2.1.2 Notify the CO and the subcontractor(s), in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or part of the subcontractor's payment and state the reason for the nonpayment.
- G.4.2.2 The Contractor shall pay subcontractors or suppliers interest penalties on amounts due to the subcontractor or supplier beginning on the day after the payment is due and ending on the date on which the payment is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of at least 1% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid on the following if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the:
- G.4.2.2.1 3<sup>rd</sup> day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product;
- G.4.2.2.2 5th day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- G.4.2.2.3 15<sup>th</sup> day after any other required payment date.
- G.4.2.3 Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid by the Contractor at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt to the subcontractor and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.
- G.4.2.4 A dispute between the Contractor and subcontractor relating to the amounts or entitlement of a subcontractor to a payment or a late payment interest penalty under the Quick Payment

Act does not constitute a dispute to which the District is a party. The District may not be interpleaded in any judicial or administrative proceeding involving such a dispute.

## **G.4.3** Subcontract requirements

- G.4.3.1 The Contractor shall include in each subcontract under this contract a provision requiring the subcontractor to include in its contract with any lower-tier subcontractor or supplier the payment and interest clauses required under paragraphs (1) and (2) of D.C. Official Code § 2-221.02(d).
- G.4.3.2 The Contractor shall include in each subcontract under this contract a provision that obligates the Contractor, at the election of the subcontractor, to participate in negotiation or mediation as an alternative to administrative or judicial resolution of a dispute between them.

# G.5 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT PAYMENTS

- G. 5.1 The Contractor may assign funds due or to become due as a result of the performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution.
- G.5.2 Any assignment shall cover all unpaid amounts payable under this contract, and shall not be made to more than one party.
- G.5.3 Notwithstanding an assignment of contract payments, the Contractor, not the assignee, is required to prepare invoices. Where such an assignment has been made, the original copy of the invoice must refer to the assignment and must show that payment of the invoice is to be made directly to the assignee as follows:

"Pursuant to the instrument of assignment dated	, make payment of this invoice to
(name and address of assignee)."	

# G.6 FIRST SOURCE AGREEMENT REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT

- G.6.1 For contracts subject to the 51% District Residents New Hires Requirement and First Source Employment Agreement, final requests for payment shall be accompanied by the report or a waiver of compliance pursuant to Section I.31.
- G.6.2 No final payment shall be made to the Contractor until the CFO has received the Contracting Officer's final determination or approval of waiver of the Contractor's compliance with 51% District Residents New Hires Requirement and First Source Employment Agreement requirements.

#### **SECTION H**

## SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

# H.1 STAFFING

The Contractor shall not employ or permit the employment of any unfit or unqualified person or persons not skilled in the tasks assigned to them by the contractor. The Contractor shall at all times employ sufficient labor to carry out functions and services in the manner and time prescribed by the Contract. The Contractor shall be responsible to the District for all acts and omissions of the Contractor's employees, agents and subcontractors and the Contractor shall enforce strict discipline among the Contractor's employees, agents and subcontractors performing the services under the Contract. Any person employed by the Contractor shall, at the written request of the District, and within the District's sole discretion, be removed immediately by the Contractor from work relating to the Contract.

#### H.2 SUBCONTRACTS

The Contractor hereunder shall not subcontract any of the Contractor's work or services to any subcontractor without the prior, written consent of the Contracting Officer in consultation with the COTR. Any such subcontract shall specify that the Contractor and the subcontractor shall be subject to every provision of this Contract. Notwithstanding any such subcontract approved by the District, the Contractor shall remain liable to the District for all Contractor's work and services required hereunder, including any work conducted by a subcontractor.

#### H.3 CERTIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE SUBCONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS

- H.3.1 Beneficiaries of all non-construction contracts for government-assisted projects in excess of \$250,000 during a period when there is no COVID-19 emergency (as later defined in Section H.3.16(c)(3), unless a waiver has been approved by the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development in accordance with D.C. Code §2-218.51, are required to:
  - (a) Subcontract at least 35% of the dollar volume to small business enterprises, as defined in D.C. Code §2-218.32; or
  - (b) If there are insufficient qualified small business enterprises to completely fulfill the requirement set forth in H.3.1(a), then the subcontracting requirement may be satisfied by subcontracting 35% of the dollar volume to any qualified certified business enterprises, as defined in D.C. Code §§2-218.31-39a; provided, that all reasonable efforts shall be made to ensure that qualified small business enterprises are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.
  - (c) For each government-assisted project for which a certified business enterprise is utilized to meet the subcontracting requirements set forth above in H.3.1(a) or H.3.1(b), the certified business enterprise shall perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources.

(d) Beneficiaries certified as a small business enterprise, local business enterprise, or disadvantaged business enterprise shall not have to comply with Sections H.3.1(a) or H.3.1(b).

#### H.3.2

- (a) For each government-assisted project for which a certified business enterprise is selected as a Beneficiary and is granted points or a price reduction pursuant to D.C. Code §2-218.43 or is selected through a set-aside program, the certified business enterprise shall perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracted effort shall be with certified business enterprises. A certified business enterprise prime contractor that performs less than 35% of the contracting effort shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.
- (b) For each government-assisted project for which a certified joint venture is selected as a Beneficiary and is granted points or a price reduction pursuant to D.C. Code §2-218.43 or is selected through a set-aside program, the certified business enterprise shall perform at least 50% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracted effort shall be with certified business enterprises. If the certified business enterprise member of the certified joint venture prime contractor performs less than 50% of the contracting effort, the certified joint venture shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.
- (c) For each government-assisted project of \$1 million or less for which a certified business enterprise is selected as a Beneficiary and is granted points or a price reduction pursuant to D.C. Code \$2-218.43 or is selected through a set-aside program, the certified business enterprise shall perform at least 50% of the on-site work with its own workforce.
- H.3.3 Bids or proposals responding to a solicitation, including an open market solicitation, shall be deemed nonresponsive and shall be rejected if a subcontracting plan is required by law and the Beneficiary fails to submit a subcontracting plan as part of its bid or proposal. The subcontracting plan required shall be provided before the District accepts the submission of the bid or proposal.
- H.3.4 A Beneficiary's subcontracting plan shall specify all of the following:
  - (a) The name and address of the subcontractor;
  - (b) A current certification number of the small or certified business enterprise;
  - (c) The scope of work to be performed by the subcontractor; and
  - (d) The price to be paid by the Beneficiary to the subcontractor.
- H.3.5 No Beneficiary shall be allowed to amend the subcontracting plan filed as part of its bid or proposal except with the consent of the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development. Any reduction in the dollar volume of the subcontracted portion resulting from such amendment of the plan shall inure to the benefit of the District.
- H.3.6 No multiyear contracts or extended contracts, which are not in compliance with D.C. Code §2-218.46 or this Section H.3 at the time of the contemplated exercise of the option or extension, shall be renewed or extended, and any such option or extension shall be void.

- H.3.7 A Beneficiary shall submit to the Contracting Officer, project manager, and the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development (at <a href="mailto:compliance.enforcement@dc.gov">compliance.enforcement@dc.gov</a>) copies of the executed contracts with the subcontracts identified in the subcontracting plan. Failure to submit copies of the executed contracts shall render the underlying contract voidable by the District.
- H.3.8 The Beneficiary shall provide written notice to the Department of Small and Local Business Development upon the initiation and completion of a project.
- H.3.9 Within 15 days after the end of each quarter, the Beneficiary shall provide a quarterly report to the Department of Small and Local Business Development (at <a href="mailto:compliance.enforcement@dc.gov">compliance.enforcement@dc.gov</a>), the Contracting Officer, and the project manager which shall include a list of each subcontractor identified in the subcontracting plan and for each subcontract:
  - (a) The price to be paid by the contractor to the subcontractor;
  - (b) A description of the goods procured or the services contracted for;
  - (c) The amount paid by the contractor to the subcontractor under the subcontract; and
  - (d) A copy of the fully executed subcontract, if it was not provided in a prior quarterly report. If not included, the Beneficiary shall not receive credit toward the subcontracting requirements of this section for that subcontract.

The Beneficiary shall go to <a href="https://dslbd.dc.gov">https://dslbd.dc.gov</a> → Scroll down to SBE Forms under the section 'Stay in Compliance' → Click on that link & select 'District Agency Compliance' in order to access the DSLBD forms for beneficiaries to use for reporting requirements. The Beneficiary may further contact DSLBD at (202) 727-3900 for instructions on SBE Forms.

- H.3.10 The Beneficiary shall meet on an annual basis with the Department of Small and Local Business Development, the Contracting Officer, and the project manager to provide an update of the subcontracting plan for utilization of small business enterprises and certified business enterprises. The Department of Small and Local Business development shall provide the Beneficiary with a 30-day written notice of the meeting.
- H.3.11 A Beneficiary and/or certified business enterprise subject to this section, that fails to meet the requirements of this section shall be subject to penalties set forth in D.C. Code §2-218.63.

#### H.3.12 Waiver of Subcontracting Requirements

- (a) The Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development may waive the subcontracting requirements only if there is insufficient market capacity for the goods and services that comprise the project and such lack of capacity leaves the contractor commercially incapable of achieving the subcontracting requirements.
- (b) The Beneficiary may request a waiver of the subcontracting requirements by timely filing a written request to the attention of the Contracting Officer detailing the reasons justifying a waiver, including the Beneficiary's efforts to secure involvement by Certified Business

Enterprises. The Contracting Officer will, in turn, use the Beneficiary's information to submit a waiver request to the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development.

- (c) The Contracting Officer will provide written notice of the waiver determination to the Beneficiary prior to the acceptance of bids or proposals and upon a decision of the waiver by the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development.
- (d) The Beneficiary should provide the following information in its waiver request to the Contracting Officer to demonstrate the Beneficiary's good faith efforts to secure involvement by a Certified Business Enterprise:
  - i. Whether the Beneficiary advertised in general circulation, trade association, or other media outlets concerning the subcontracting opportunity;
  - ii. Whether the Beneficiary provided written notice to a reasonable number of certified business enterprises that their interest in the subcontracting opportunity was being solicited:
  - iii. Whether the Beneficiary conducted any pre-solicitation or pre-bid conferences to inform certified business enterprises of the subcontracting opportunity;
  - iv. Whether the Beneficiary provided sufficient time to allow certified business enterprises to participate effectively in its efforts to secure involvement by a certified business enterprise;
  - v. Whether the Beneficiary followed up responses of interest by conducting negotiations with certified business enterprises;
  - vi. Whether rejections by the Beneficiary of certified business enterprises as being unqualified were based on sound reasoning and thorough investigation of their capabilities;
  - vii. Whether the Beneficiary made efforts to assist interested certified business enterprises in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance required by the Beneficiary;
  - viii. Whether the Beneficiary effectively used the services of the Department of Small and Local Business Development, (202) 727-3900 and http://dslbd.dc.gov, in recruiting qualified certified business enterprises; and
  - ix. Whether bids submitted by certified business enterprises were excessive or noncompetitive based upon a review of prevailing market conditions.
- (e) While the information described in (d) above will assist the Director of the Department of Small and Local Business Development in reviewing the waiver request, it does not guarantee that a waiver will, in fact, be approved. Additional factors may be considered and additional information may be requested from the Beneficiary to support the waiver request.
- H.3.13 In additional to the information provided by the Beneficiary, the Contracting Officer will include the following information in its written request for a waiver:
  - (a) The number of certified business enterprises, if any, qualified to perform the elements of the work that comprise the project;
  - (b) A summary of the market research or outreach conducted to analyze the relevant market; and

(c) The consideration given to alternate methods for acquiring the work to be subcontracted in order to make the work more amenable to being performed by certified business enterprises.

# H.3.14 For purposes of this Section H.3, the term:

- (a) "Beneficiary" means a business enterprise that is the prime contractor or developer on a government-assisted project.
- (b) "Government-assisted project" means:
  - i. A contract executed by an agency on behalf of the District or pursuant to statutory authority that involves District funds or, to the extent not prohibited by federal law, funds that the District administers in accordance with a federal grant or otherwise;
  - ii. A project funded in whole or in part by District funds;
- iii. A project that receives a loan or grant from a District agency;
- iv. A project that receives bonds or notes or the proceeds thereof issued by a District agency, including tax increment financing or payment in lieu of tax bonds and notes, or industrial revenue bonds;
- v. A project that receives District tax exemptions or abatements that are specific to the project and not to the nature of the entity undertaking the project, such as a religious institution or nonprofit corporation; or
- vi. A development project conducted pursuant to a disposition under section 1 of An Act Authorizing the sale of certain real estate in the District of Columbia no longer required for public purposes, approved August 5, 1939 (53 Stat. 1211; D.C. Official Code § 10-801).
- H.3.15 Notwithstanding the requirements set forth in this Section H.3, a Beneficiary, and any other certified business enterprise subject to this section, shall fully comply with the requirements set forth in D.C. Code §§ 2-218.46, 2-218.51. If there is a conflict between the requirements set forth in this Section H.3 and D.C. Code §§ 2-218.46, 2-218.51, the requirements set forth in D.C. Code §§ 2-218.46, 2-218.51 shall govern.

#### H.3.16

- (a) Notwithstanding the requirements set forth in this Section H.3, D.C. Code §§ 2-218.01 2-218.82 or any other provision of District law or regulation, during the period of the COVID-19 emergency, any contract for a government-assisted project in excess of \$250,000 that is unrelated to the District's response to the COVID-19 emergency but entered into during the COVID-19 emergency, absent a waiver pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-218.51, shall provide that:
  - (1) At least 50% of the dollar volume of the contract be subcontracted to small business enterprises; or
  - (2) If there are insufficient qualified small business enterprises to meet the requirement of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the subcontracting requirement may be satisfied by

subcontracting 50% of the dollar volume ("CBE minimum expenditure") to any qualified certified business enterprises; provided, that best efforts shall be made to ensure that qualified small business enterprises are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.

- (a-1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a certified business enterprise awarded a contract for a government-assisted project in excess of \$250,000 that is unrelated to the District's response to the COVID-19 emergency but entered into during the COVID-19 emergency shall:
  - (1) Perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources if the certified business enterprise is granted points or a price reduction pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-218.43 or selected through a set-aside program; and
  - (2) If the certified business enterprise subcontracts, ensure that 50% of the dollar volume of the subcontracted effort be with certified business enterprises unless a waiver is granted pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-218.51.
- (a-2) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a certified joint venture awarded a contract for a government-assisted project in excess of \$250,000 that is unrelated to the District's response to the COVID-19 emergency but entered into during the COVID-19 emergency shall:
  - (1) Perform at least 50% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources if the certified joint venture is granted points or a price reduction pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-218.43 or selected through a set-aside program; and
  - (2) If the certified joint venture subcontracts, 50% of the dollar volume of the subcontracted effort shall be with certified business enterprises unless a waiver is granted pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-218.51.
- (b) (1) For every dollar expended by a beneficiary with a resident-owned business, the beneficiary shall receive a credit for \$1.10 against the CBE minimum expenditure.
  - (2) For every dollar expended by a beneficiary with a disadvantaged business enterprise, the beneficiary shall receive a credit for \$1.25 against the CBE minimum expenditure.
  - (3) For every dollar expended by a beneficiary that uses a company designated as both a disadvantaged business enterprise under D.C. Code § 2-218.33 and as a resident-owned business under D.C. Code § 2-218.02(15), the beneficiary shall receive a maximum credit for \$1.30 against the CBE minimum expenditure.
- (c) For the purposes of this section, the term:
  - (1) "Beneficiary" has the same meaning as set forth in D.C. Code § 2-218.02(1B).
  - (2) "Best efforts" means that a beneficiary is obligated to make its best attempt to accomplish the agreed-to goal, even when there is uncertainty or difficulty.
  - (3) "COVID-19 emergency" means the emergencies declared in the Declaration of Public Emergency (Mayor's Order 2020-045) together with the Declaration of Public Health Emergency (Mayor's Order 2020-046), declared on March 11, 2020, including any extension of those declared emergencies.
  - (4) "Disadvantaged business enterprise" has the same meaning as set forth in D.C. Code § 2-218.33.
  - (5) "Government-assisted project" has the same meaning as set forth in D.C. Code § 2-218.02(9A).

- (6) "Longtime resident business" has the same meaning as set forth in D.C. Code § 2-218.02(13).
- (7) "Resident-owned business" has the same meaning as set forth in D.C. Code § 2-218.02(15).
- (8) "Small Business Enterprises" has the same meaning as set forth in D.C. Code § 2-218.32.

# H.4 WARRANTIES

- H.4.1 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it is lawfully organized and constituted under all federal, state and local laws, ordinances and other authorities of its domicile and is otherwise in full compliance with all legal requirements of its domicile.
- H.4.2 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it is of legal authority and capacity to enter into and perform under the Contract, and that it has the financial ability to perform its obligations under such Contract.
- H.4.3 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it has been duly authorized to operate and do business in all places where it will be required to do business under the Contract that it has obtained or will obtain all necessary licenses and permits required in connection with such Contract; and that it will fully comply with all laws, decrees, labor standards and regulations of its domicile and wherever performance occurs during the term of such Contract.
- H.4.4 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it has no present interest and shall not acquire any interest which would conflict in any manner with its duties and obligations under the Contract.
- H.4.5 The Contractor warrants and agrees that all systems analysis, systems design and programming pursuant to the Contract or for use in its performance there under has been and shall be prepared or done in a high quality, professional and competent manner using only qualified personnel.
- H.4.6 The Contractor further represents and warrants that all programs implemented in its performance under the contract shall meet the performance standards required there under and shall correctly and accurately perform their intended functions on the equipment supplied by the District or Contractor.
- H.4.7 The Contractor warrants and agrees that all services provided by it under the Contract shall be performed in a prompt, high quality, professional and competent manner using only qualified personnel.
- H.4.8 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it will not take any action inconsistent with any of the terms, conditions, agreements, or covenants set forth in this Contract without the express written consent of the District.
- H.4.9 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it shall keep all equipment in good condition and repair, and shall not permit anything to be done that may materially impair the value thereof.
   The Contractor shall use such equipment only in the ordinary course of its performance under

the Contract and shall not permit such equipment to be used in violation of any applicable law, regulation or policy of insurance. The Contractor agrees to develop a maintenance and replacement schedule subject to approval by the District and agrees to comply with that schedule.

H.4.10 The Contractor warrants and agrees that it shall not sell, assign, lease, transfer, pledge, hypothecate, or otherwise dispose of any component of any goods, system proposed in the Contract or any interest therein, or permit any of it to become a fixture or accession to other goods or property without the prior written consent of the District.

#### H.5 <u>DISCLOSURE OF LITIGATION</u>

The Contractor shall provide complete disclosure of any material civil or criminal litigation or indictment either threatened or pending involving the Contractor. The Contractor shall also disclose any material litigation threatened or pending for subcontractors, consultants, and/or lobbyists. For purposes of this section, material refers to any action or pending action that a reasonable person knowledgeable in the industry would consider relevant or any development such a person would want to be aware of in order to stay fully apprised of the total mix of information relevant to the industry and its operations. This is a continuing disclosure requirement; any litigation commencing after submission of a response to a solicitation or execution of a contract shall be disclosed in a written statement within fifteen (15) days of its occurrence. The Contractor shall be required to file with the District comprehensive monthly reports regarding all threatened or pending litigation involving the Contractor's District of Columbia operations and all threatened or pending litigation that may be considered material to the overall operations of the Contractor.

#### H.6 CONTINUITY OF SERVICES

The Contractor recognizes that the services provided under this contract are vital to the District of Columbia and must be continued without interruption and that, upon contract expiration or termination, a successor, either the District Government or another Contractor, at the District's option, may continue to provide these services. If another Contractor is awarded a future contract for performance of the required services, the original Contractor shall cooperate fully with the District and the new Contractor in any transition activities that the Contracting Officer deems necessary during the term of the contract. To that end, the Contractor agrees to exercise its best efforts and cooperation to affect an orderly and efficient transition to a successor.

# H.7 BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER INTEGRITY REQUIREMENTS

- H.7.1 The District may initiate investigations into the backgrounds of any of the Contractor's officers, principals, investors, owners, employees, vendors, subcontractors, or subcontractors' officers, principals, owners, employees or vendors, or any other associates of the Contractor(s) it deems appropriate. Such background investigations may include the completion of certain documents, and fingerprint identification by appropriate law enforcement agencies.
- H.7.2 The Contractor agrees that, during the term of the Contract and any renewal thereof, it shall be obligated to provide such information about its officers, directors, employees and owners, as

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well as all information about its subcontractors' officers, directors, employees and owners, as the District may prescribe. The Contractor also agrees that the District may conduct background investigations of such persons.

- H.7.3 The District may also require that contractors (1) fully cooperate with official inquiries by responding to questions truthfully and under oath when required, whether orally or in writing, (2) provide documents and other information of official interest, and (3) attend integrity training.
- H.7.4 To advise Contractor individuals of the high expectation of integrity, in addition to Attachment J.2, Doing Business with Integrity, all Contractor personnel, including direct or indirect employees and any employed by a subcontractor, assigned to the Contract shall be subject to annually attend the OCFO/OIO Integrity and Ethics Training at the District's direction. The training may be in-person and last up to four hours or may be web-based and last up to two hours.

#### H.8 DIVERSION, REASSIGNMENT AND REPLACEMENT OF KEY PERSONNEL

The key personnel specified in the contract are considered to be essential to the work being performed hereunder. Prior to diverting any of the specified key personnel for any reason, the Contractor shall notify the CO at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance and shall submit justification, including proposed substitutions, in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact upon the contract. The Contractor shall obtain written approval of the CO for any proposed substitution of key personnel.

#### H.9 ADVISORY AND ASSISTANCE SERVICES

This contract is a "non-personal services contract". The Contractor and the Contractor's employees: (1) shall perform the services specified herein as independent contractors, not as employees of the government; (2) shall be responsible for their own management and administration of the work required and bear sole responsibility for complying with any and all technical, schedule, financial requirements or constraints attendant to the performance of this contract; (3) shall be free from supervision or control by any government employee with respect to the manner or method of performance of the service specified; but (4) shall, pursuant to the government's right and obligation to inspect, accept or reject work, comply with such general direction of the CO, or the duly authorized representative of the CO as is necessary to ensure accomplishment of the contract objectives.

#### H.10 OCFO/OCIO CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS TRAINING

In the OCFO's ongoing effort to protect OCFO data, networks and computers against cyber attackers all Contractor personnel, including direct or indirect employees and any employed by a subcontractor, assigned to the Contract shall take and must pass the OCFO/OCIO Cybersecurity Awareness Training at the District's direction. The training is web-based, designed to heighten cybersecurity awareness so that the OCFO is less likely to become a victim of cybercrimes. The training is typically completed in one to two hours. The training

shall be taken and must be passed annually by all Contractor personnel, during the term of the Contract.

## H.11 SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY

- H.11.1 The Contractor is required to comply with Mayor's Order 2021-099, COVID-19 Vaccination Certification Requirement for District Government Employees, Contractors, Interns, and Grantees, dated August 10, 2021, and all substantially similar vaccine requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded. At the request of the District government, Contractors may be asked to provide certification of compliance with this requirement and/or documents and records in support of this certification. Find and view the complete Mayor's Order here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3iX1RVM">https://bit.ly/3iX1RVM</a>
- H.11.2 The Contractor is required to comply with City Administrator's Order 2021-4, Resumption of Requirement for All Persons to Wear a Mask Inside District Government Buildings and While on Duty as a District Government Employee or Contractor, dated July 30, 2021, and all substantially similar mask requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded. Find and view the complete City Administrator's Order here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3lvnHBk">https://bit.ly/3lvnHBk</a>
- H.11.3 The Contractor can contact <u>vendor.relations@dc.gov</u> for additional information regarding these provisions.

# H.12 CONFIDENTIALITY AND NONDISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

The Contractor shall provide a completed Attachment J.4, Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit and Attachment J.5, Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit Acknowledgment Form prior to commencement of service under the Contract to attest to the Contractor's safeguards of District and Federal tax information (FTI) in compliance with the U.S. Internal Revenue Services (IRS) Publication 1075.

#### **SECTION I**

#### **CONTRACT CLAUSES**

# I.1 LAWS AND REGULATIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

To the extent applicable, the provisions of the following acts, together with the provisions of applicable regulations made pursuant to said acts are hereby incorporated by reference into this contract; together with the laws and regulations of the District of Columbia:

- A. Contract Work Standards Act of August 13, 1962, also known as the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act of 1962, 76 Stat. 357-360.
- B. Buy American Act, Act of March 3, 1983, c.212, Title III, 47 Stat. 1520, as amended.
- C. Walsh-Healy Public Contracts Act, Act of June 30, 1936, c.881, 49 Stat. 2036, as amended. (Applies only when contract is \$10,000 or more).
- D. Mayor's Order 85-85, dated June 10, 1985, as amended, entitled: "Compliance with Equal Opportunity Obligations in Contracts."
- E. Public Law 93-112, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, as amended.
- F. Mayor's Order 83-265, dated November 9, 1983 entitled: Employment Agreement Goals and Objectives for all District of Columbia Projects."
- G. D.C. Law 5-93, dated May 9, 1984, the First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984.
- H. Protecting Pregnant Workers Fairness Act of 2016, D.C. Official Code § 32-1231.01 et seq. (PPWF Act)
- I. Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act of 2012, D.C. Official Code § 32-1361 et seq.
- J. Fair Criminal Record Screening Amendment Act of 2014, effective December 17, 2014 (D.C. Law 20-152)
- K. Title I of the Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-118, D.C. Official Code §2-220.01 et seq.), as amended, ("Living Wage Act of 2006") which applies to all contracts for services in the amount \$100,000 or more in a 12-month period. The current living wage rate, the Living Wage Act Fact Sheet which includes exemption information, and the Living Wage Act Poster may be found at <a href="https://does.dc.gov/service/office-wage-hour-compliance-0">https://does.dc.gov/service/office-wage-hour-compliance-0</a> or contact the Department of Employment Services at (202) 724-7000.

## I.2 WAIVER

The waiver of any breach of the contract will not constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach thereof, or a waiver of the contract.

#### I.3 <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

- I.3.1 The Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers, agencies, departments, agents, and employees (collectively the "District") from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities, penalties, fines, forfeitures, demands, causes of action, suits, costs and expenses incidental thereto (including cost of defense and attorneys' fees), resulting from, arising out of, or in any way connected to activities or work performed by the Contractor, Contractor's officers, employees, agents, servants, subcontractors, or any other person acting for or by permission of the Contractor in performance of this Contract. The Contractor assumes all risks for direct and indirect damage or injury to the property or persons used or employed in performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall also repair or replace any District property that is damaged by the Contractor, Contractor's officers, employees, agents, servants, subcontractors, or any other person acting for or by permission of the Contractor while performing work hereunder.
- I.3.2 The indemnification obligation under this section shall not be limited by the existence of any insurance policy or by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for Contractor or any subcontractor, and shall survive the termination of this Contract. The District agrees to give Contractor written notice of any claim of indemnity under this section. Additionally, Contractor shall have the right and sole authority to control the defense or settlement of such claim, provided that no contribution or action by the District is required in connection with the settlement. Monies due or to become due the Contractor under the contract may be retained by the District as necessary to satisfy any outstanding claim which the District may have against the Contractor.

#### I.4 TRANSFER

No contract or any interest therein shall be transferred by the parties to whom the award is made; such transfer will be null and void and will be cause to annul the contract.

## I.5 TAXES

- (a) The Government of the District of Columbia is exempt from and will not pay Federal Excise Tax, Transportation Tax, and the District of Columbia Sales and Use Taxes.
- (b) Tax exemption certificates are no longer issued by the District for Federal Excise Tax. The following statement may be used by the supplier when claiming tax deductions for Federal Excise Tax exempt items sold to the District.

"The District of Columbia Government is Exempt from Federal Excise Tax – Registration No. 52-73-0206-K, Internal Revenue Service, Baltimore, Maryland."

Exempt from Maryland Sales Tax, Registered with The Comptroller of The Treasury – Exemption No. 09339

"The District of Columbia Government is Exempt from Sales and Use Tax – Registration No. 53-600, The District of Columbia Office of Tax and Revenue."

## I.6 OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT

- I.6.1 Unless a determination is made as provided herein, no officer or employee of the District will be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, and any contract made by the Contracting Officer or any District employee authorized to execute contracts in which they or an employee of the District will be personally interested shall be void, and no payment shall be made thereon by the District or any officer thereof, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit. A District employee shall not be a party to a contract with the District and will not knowingly cause or allow a business concern or other organization owned or substantially owned or controlled by the employee to be a party to such a contract, unless a written determination has been made by the head of the procuring agency that there is a compelling reason for contracting with the employee, such as when the District's needs cannot reasonably otherwise be met. (Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, D.C. Law 18-0371, D.C. Official Code, section 2-359.10, and Chapter 18 of the DC Personnel Regulations)
- I.6.2 The Contractor represents and covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. The Contractor further covenants not to employ any person having such known interests in the performance of the contract.

#### I.7 <u>DISPUTES</u>

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

- (a) Claims by a Contractor against the District: Claim, as used in paragraph (a) of this clause, means a written assertion by the Contractor seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to this contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.
  - (1) All claims by a Contractor against the District arising under or relating to a contract shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer for a decision. The Contractor's claim shall contain at least the following:
    - (i) A description of the claim and the amount in dispute;
    - (ii) Data or other information in support of the claim;
    - (iii) A brief description of the Contractor's efforts to resolve the dispute prior to filing the claim; and

- (iv) The Contractor's request for relief or other action by the Contracting Officer.
- (2) The Contracting Officer may meet with the Contractor in a further attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.
- (3) The Contracting Officer shall issue a decision on any claim within 120 calendar days after receipt of the claim. Whenever possible, the CO shall take into account factors such as the size and complexity of the claim and the adequacy of the information in support of the claim provided by the Contractor.
- (4) The Contracting Officer's written decision shall do the following:
  - (i) Provide a description of the claim or dispute;
  - (ii) Refer to the pertinent contract terms;
  - (iii) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement;
  - (iv) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding;
  - (v) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted;
  - (vi) Indicate that the written document is the contracting officer's final decision; and
  - (vii) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
- (5) Failure by the Contracting Officer to issue a decision on a contract claim within 120 days of receipt of the claim will be deemed to be a denial of the claim, and will authorize the commencement of an appeal to the Contract Appeals Board as authorized by D.C. Official Code § 2-360.04.
- (6) If a Contractor is unable to support any part of his or her claim and it is determined that the inability is attributable to a material misrepresentation of fact or fraud on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be liable to the District for an amount equal to the unsupported part of the claim in addition to all costs to the District attributable to the cost of reviewing that part of the Contractor's claim. Liability this paragraph (a)(6) shall be determined within six (6) years of the commission of the misrepresentation of fact or fraud.
- (7) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, a Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.
- (b) Claims by the District against a Contractor: Claim as used in paragraph (b) of this clause, means a written demand or written assertion by the District seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment of contract terms, or

other relief arising under or relating to this contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.

- (1) The Contracting Officer shall decide all claims by the District against a Contractor arising under or relating to a contract.
- (2) The Contracting Officer shall send written notice of the claim to the Contractor. The Contracting Officer's written decision shall do the following:
  - (i) Provide a description of the claim or dispute;
  - (ii) Refer to the pertinent contract terms;
  - (iii) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement;
  - (iv) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding;
  - (v) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted;
  - (vi) Indicate that the written document is the Contracting Officer's final decision; and
  - (vii) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
  - (3) The Contracting Officer shall support the decision by reasons and shall inform the Contractor of its rights as provided herein.
  - (4) Before or after issuing the decision, the CO may meet with the Contractor to attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.
  - (5) The authority contained in this paragraph (b) shall not apply to a claim or dispute for penalties or forfeitures prescribed by statute or regulation which another District agency is specifically authorized to administer, settle, or determine.
  - (6) This paragraph shall not authorize the Contracting Officer to settle, compromise, pay, or otherwise adjust any claim involving fraud.
- (c) Decisions of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the Contractor as authorized by D.C. Official Code §2-360.04.
- (d) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.

# I.8 <u>CHANGES</u>

- (a) The CO may, at any time, by written order, and without notice to the surety, if any, make changes in the contract within the general scope hereof. If such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of performance of the contract, or in the time required for performance, an equitable adjustment shall be made. Any claim for adjustment for a change within the general scope must be asserted within ten (10) days from the date the change is ordered; provided, however, that the CO, if he or she determines that the facts justify such action, may receive, consider, and adjust any such claim asserted at any time prior to the date of final settlement of the contract. If the parties fail to agree upon the adjustment to be made, the dispute shall be determined as provided in **Section I.7 Disputes**.
- (b) The District shall not require the Contractor, and the Contractor shall not require a subcontractor, to undertake any work that is beyond the original scope of the contract or subcontract, including work under a District-issued change order, when the additional work increases the contract price beyond the not-to-exceed price or negotiated maximum price of the contract, unless the CO:
  - (1) Agrees with the Contractor, and if applicable the subcontractor, on a price for the additional work;
  - (2) Obtains a certification of funding to pay for the additional work;
  - (3) Makes a written, binding commitment with the Contractor to pay for the additional work within thirty (30) days after the Contractor submits a proper invoice; and
  - (4) Provides the Contractor with written notice of the funding certification.
- (c) The Contractor shall include in its subcontracts a clause that requires the Contractor to:
  - (1) Within five (5) business days of its receipt of notice of the approved additional funding, provide the subcontractor with notice of the amount to be paid to the subcontractor for the additional work to be performed by the subcontractor;
  - (2) Pay the subcontractor any undisputed amount to which the subcontractor is entitled for the additional work within ten (10) days of receipt of payment from the District; and
  - (3) Notify the subcontractor and CO in writing of the reason(s) the Contractor withholds any payment from a subcontractor for the additional work.
- (d) Neither the District, Contractor, nor any subcontractor may declare another party to be in default, or assess, claim, or pursue damages for delays until the parties agree on a price for the additional work.

#### I.9 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

A. The District may, subject to the provisions of paragraph C., below, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this contract in any one of the following circumstances: (i) If the Contractor fails to make delivery of the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified within the project work plan or any extension

- thereof; or (ii) If the Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of this contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this contract in accordance with its terms and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of ten (10) days (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the Contracting Officer specifying such failure.
- B. In the event the District terminates this contract in whole or part as provided in paragraph A. above, the District may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the Contracting Officer may deem appropriate, supplies or service similar to those so terminated; and the Contractor shall be liable to the District for any excess costs for similar supplies or services. Provided, that the Contractor shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated under provisions of this clause. The Contractor shall work with any subsequent contractor to ensure a smooth transfer of information for a period of sixty (60) days.
- C. Except with respect to defaults of subcontractors, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor. Such causes may include, but are not restricted to, acts of God or of public enemy, acts of the District or Federal Government in either their sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of the subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess cost for failure to perform, unless the supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.
- D. If this contract is terminated as provided in paragraph A., above, the District in addition to any other rights provided in this clause, may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the District, in the manner and to the extent directed by the Contracting Officer, (i) completed supplies, (ii) such partially completed supplies and materials, information, and contract rights (herein after called "manufacturing materials") as the Contractor has specifically produced or specifically produced or specifically acquired for the performance being terminated; and the Contractor, shall, upon direction of the Contracting Officer, protect and preserve property in possession of the Contractor in which the District has an interest. Payment for completed supplies delivered to and accepted by the District shall be at the contract price. Payment for manufacturing materials delivered to and agreed upon by the Contractor and Contacting Officer; failure to agree to such amount shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact. The District may withhold from amounts otherwise due the Contractor for such completed supplies or manufacturing materials such sums as the Contracting Office determines to be necessary to protect the District against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.
- E. If, after notice of termination of this contract under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default under the provision of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, the rights and

obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for a termination for convenience be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to such clause. Section I.10 "Termination for Convenience."

- F. The rights and remedies of the District provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.
- G. As used in paragraph C., above, the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" means subcontractor(s) at any tier.

#### I.10 <u>TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE</u>

- (a) The District may terminate performance of work under this contract in whole or, from time to time, in part if the Contracting Officer determines that a termination is in the District's interest. The Contracting Officer shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the extent of termination and effective date.
- (b) After receipt of a Notice of Termination, and except as directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall immediately proceed with the following obligations, regardless of any delay in determining or adjusting any amounts due under this clause:
  - (1) Stop work as specified in the notice.
  - (2) Place no further subcontracts or orders (referred to as subcontracts in this clause) for materials, services, or facilities, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the contract.
  - (3) Terminate all contracts to the extent they relate to the work terminated.
  - (4) Assign to the District, as directed by the Contracting Officer, all rights, title and interest of the Contractor under the subcontracts terminated, in which case the District will have the right to settle or pay any termination settlement proposal arising out of those terminations.
  - (5) With approval or ratification to the extent required by the Contracting Officer, settle all outstanding liabilities and termination settlement proposals arising from the termination of subcontracts. The approval or ratification will be final for purposes of this clause.
  - (6) As directed by the Contracting Officer, transfer title and deliver to the District (i) the fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in process, completed work, supplies, and other materials produced or acquired for the work terminated, and (ii) the completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property that, if the contract has been completed, would be required to be furnished to the District.
  - (7) Complete performance of the work not terminated.

- (8) Take any action that may be necessary, or that the Contracting Officer may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this contract that is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the District has or may acquire an interest.
- (9) Use its best efforts to sell, as directed or authorized by the Contracting Officer, any property of the types referred to in subparagraph (6) above; provided, however, that the Contractor (i) is not required to extend credit to any purchaser and (ii) may acquire the property under the conditions prescribed by, and at prices approved by, the Contracting Officer. The proceeds of any transfer or disposition will be applied to reduce any payments to be made by the District under this contract, credited to the price or cost of the work, or paid in any other manner directed by the Contracting Officer.
- (c) After the expiration of ninety (90) days (or such longer period as may be agreed to) after receipt by the Contracting Officer of acceptable inventory schedules, the Contractor may submit to the Contracting Officer a list, certified as to quantity and quality of termination inventory not previously disposed of excluding items authorized for disposition by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may request the District to remove those items or enter into an agreement for their storage. Within fifteen (15) days, the District will accept title to those items and remove them or enter into a storage agreement. The Contracting Officer may verify the list upon removal of the items, or if stored, within forty-five (45) days from submission of the list, and shall correct the list, as necessary, before final settlement.
- (d) After termination, the Contractor shall submit a final termination settlement proposal to the Contracting Officer in the form and with the certification prescribed by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall submit the proposal promptly, but no later than one year from the effective date of termination, unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer upon written request of the Contractor within this one-year period. However, if the Contracting Officer determines that the facts justify it, a termination settlement proposal may be received and acted on after one year or any extension. If the Contractor fails to submit the proposal within the time allowed, the Contracting Officer may determine, on the basis of information available, the amount, if any, due to the Contractor because of the termination and shall pay the amount determined.
- (e) Subject to paragraph (d) above, the Contractor and the Contracting Officer may agree upon the whole or any part of the amount to be paid because of the termination. The amount may include a reasonable allowance for profit on work done. However, the agreed amount, whether under this paragraph (e) or paragraph (f) below, exclusive of costs shown in subparagraph (f)(3) below, may not exceed the total contract price as reduced by (1) the amount of payment previously made and (2) the contract price of work not terminated. The contract shall be amended, and the Contractor paid the agreed amount. Paragraph (f) below shall not limit, restrict, or affect the amount that may be agreed upon to be paid under this paragraph.
- (f) If the Contractor and the Contracting Officer fail to agree on the whole amount to be paid because of the termination work, the Contracting Officer shall pay the Contractor the amounts determined by the Contracting Officer as follows, but without duplication of any amounts agreed on under paragraph (e) above:

(1) The contract price for completed supplies or services accepted by the District (or sold or acquired under subparagraph (b)(9) above) not previously paid for, adjusted for any saving of freight and other charges.

## (2) The total of:

- (i) The costs incurred in the performance of the work terminated, including initial costs and preparatory expense allocable thereto, but excluding any costs attributable to supplies or services paid or to be paid under subparagraph (f)(1) above;
- (ii) The cost of settling and paying termination settlement proposals under terminated subcontracts that are properly chargeable to the terminated portion of the contract if not included in subparagraph (f)(1) above; and
- (iii) A sum, as profit on subparagraph f(1) above, determined by the Contracting Officer to be fair and reasonable; however, if it appears that the Contractor would have sustained a loss on the entire contract had it been completed, the Contracting Officer shall allow no profit under this subparagraph (iii) and shall reduce the settlement to reflect the indicated rate of loss.
- (3) The reasonable cost of settlement of the work terminated, including-
  - (i) Accounting, legal, clerical, and other expenses reasonably necessary for the preparation of termination settlement proposals and supporting data;
  - (ii) The termination and settlement of subcontractors (excluding the amounts of such settlements); and
  - (iii) Storage, transportation, and other costs incurred, reasonably necessary for the preservation, protection, or disposition of the termination inventory.
- (g) Except for normal spoilage, and except to the extent that the District expressly assumed the risk of loss, the Contracting Officer shall exclude from the amounts payable to the Contractor under paragraph (f) above, the fair value as determined by the Contracting Officer, of property that is destroyed, lost, stolen, or damaged so as to become undeliverable to the District or to a buyer.
- (h) The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under the Disputes clause, from any determination made by the Contracting Officer under paragraphs (d), (f) or (j), except that if the Contractor failed to submit the termination settlement proposal within the time provided in paragraph (d) or (j), and failed to request a time extension, there is no right of appeal. If the Contracting Officer has made a determination of the amount due under paragraph (d), (f) or (j), the District will pay the Contractor (1) the amount determined by the Contracting Officer if there

is no right of appeal or if no timely appeal has been taken, or (2) the amount finally determined on an appeal.

- (i) In arriving at the amount due the Contractor under this clause, there shall be deducted:
  - (1) All unliquidated advances or other payments to the Contractor under the termination portion of the contract;
  - (2) Any claim which the District has against the Contractor under this contract; and
  - (3) The agreed price for, or the proceeds of sale of, materials, supplies, or other things acquired by the Contractor or sold under the provisions of this clause and not recovered by or credited to the District.
- (j) If the termination is partial, the Contractor may file a proposal with the Contracting Officer for an equitable adjustment of the price(s) of the continued portion of the contract. The Contracting Officer shall make any equitable adjustment agreed upon. Any proposal by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment under this clause shall be requested within ninety (90) days from the effective date of termination unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer.
- (k) (1) The District may, under the terms and conditions it prescribes, make partial payments and payments against costs incurred by the Contractor for the terminated portion of the contract, if the Contracting Officer believes the total of these payments will not exceed the amount to which the Contractor shall be entitled.
  - (2) If the total payments exceed the amount finally determined to be due, the Contractor shall repay the excess to the District upon demand together with interest computed at the rate of 10 percent (10%) per year. Interest shall be computed for the period from the date the excess payment is received by the Contractor to the date the excess payment is repaid. Interest shall not be charged on any excess payment due to a reduction in the Contractor's termination settlement proposal because of retention or other disposition of termination inventory until 10 days after the date of the retention or disposition, or a later date determined by the Contracting Officer because of the circumstances.
- (l) Unless otherwise provided in this contract or by statute, the Contractor shall maintain all records and documents relating to the terminated portion of this contract for 3 years after final settlement. This includes all books and other evidence bearing on the Contractor's costs and expenses under this contract. The Contractor shall make these records and documents available to the District, at the Contractor's office, at all reasonable times, without any direct charge. If approved by the Contracting Officer, photographs, micrographs, or other authentic reproductions may be maintained instead of original records and documents.

#### I.11 TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS FOR CERTAIN CRIMES AND VIOLATIONS

A. The District may terminate without liability any contract and may deduct from the contract price or otherwise recover the full amount of any fee, commission, percentage,

gift, or consideration paid in violation of this title if:

- (1) the Contractor has been convicted of a crime arising out of or in connection with the procurement of any work to be done or any payment made under this contract.
- (2) There has been any breach or violation of:
  - (A) Any provision of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code §§ 2-351.01, et seq., or
  - (B) The contract provision against contingent fees.
- B. If a contract is terminated pursuant to this section, the Contractor: (i) May be paid only the actual costs of the work performed to the date of termination, plus termination costs, if any; and (ii) shall refund all profits or fixed fees realized under the contract.
- C. The rights and remedies contained in this Clause are in addition to any other rights or remedies provided by law, and the exercise of any of them is not a waiver of any other right or remedy provided by law.

#### I.12 EXAMINATION OF THE BOOKS

- I.12.1 The Contractor shall establish and maintain books, records, and documents (including electronic storage media) in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices which sufficiently and properly reflect all revenues and expenditures of funds provided by the District under the contract that results from this solicitation. The Contractor shall retain all records, financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents (including electronic storage media) pertinent to the contract for a period of three (3) years after termination of the contract, or if an audit has been initiated and audit findings have not been resolved at the end of three (3) years, the records shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings or any litigation which may be based on the terms of the contract. The Contractor shall assure that these records shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review, or audit by Federal, District, or other personnel duly authorized by the Contracting Officer.
- I.12.2 The Contracting Officer, the DC Inspector General, OCFO, and the District of Columbia Auditor, and/or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until three years after final payment, have the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor involving transactions related to the contract.

## I.13 NON-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE

(a) The Contractor shall not discriminate in any manner against any employee or applicant for employment that would constitute a violation of the District of Columbia Human Rights Act, approved December 13, 1977, as amended (D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code §2-1402.11) (2001 Ed.) ("Act" as used in this Section). The Contractor shall include a similar clause in all subcontracts, except subcontracts for standard commercial

supplies or raw materials. In addition, Contractor agrees and any subcontractor shall agree to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notice setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause as provided in Section 251 of the Act.

- (b) Pursuant to rules of the Office of Human Rights, published on August 15, 1986 in the D.C. Register, Mayor's Order 2002-175 (10/23/02), 49 DCR 9883 and Mayor's Order 2006-151 (11/17/06), 52 DCR 9351, the following clauses apply to this contract:
  - (1) The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, family responsibilities, disability, matriculation, political affiliation, genetic information, source of income, or place of residence or business. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above protected categories is prohibited by the Act.
  - (2) The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, family responsibilities, disability, matriculation, political affiliation, genetic information, source of income, or place of residence or business.

The affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- (a) employment, upgrading or transfer;
- (b) recruitment or recruitment advertising;
- (c) demotion, layoff, or termination;
- (d) rates of pay, or other forms of compensation; and
- (e) selection for training and apprenticeship.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Contracting Agency, setting forth the provisions in subsections (b)(1) and (b)(2) concerning non-discrimination and affirmative action.
- (4) The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment pursuant to the non-discrimination requirements set forth in subsection (b)(2).

- (5) The Contractor agrees to 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 contracting agency, advising the said labor union or workers' representative of that contractor's commitments under this nondiscrimination clause and the Act, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (6) The Contractor agrees to permit access to his books, records and accounts pertaining to its employment practices, by the Chief Procurement Officer or designee, or the Director of Human Rights or designee, for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with this chapter, and to require under the terms of any subcontractor agreement each subcontractor to permit access of such subcontractor's books, records, and accounts for such purposes.
- (7) The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of this chapter and with all guidelines for equal employment opportunity applicable in the District of Columbia adopted by the Director of the Office of Human Rights, or any authorized official.
- (8) The Contractor shall include in every subcontract the equal opportunity clauses, subsections (b)(1) through (b)(9) of this section, so that such provisions shall be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- (9) The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the Contracting Officer may direct as a means of enforcing these provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or Contractor as a result of such direction by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor may request the District to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the District.

## I.14 SERVICE CONTRACT ACT OF 1965

#### **Definitions:**

"Act", as used in this clause, means the Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended (41 U.S.C. 351-358). "Contractor" as used in this clause, means the prime Contractor or any subcontractor at any tier. "Service employee" as used in this clause, means any person (other than a person employed in a bona fide executive, administrative, or professional capacity as defined in 29 CFR 541) engaged in performing a Government contract nor exempted under 41 U.S.C. 356, the principal purpose of which is to furnish services in the United States as defined in section 22.1001 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation. It includes all such persons regardless of the actual or alleged contractual relationship between them and a contractor.

- A. **Applicability.** To the extent that the Act applies, this contract is subject to the following provisions and to all other applicable provisions of the Act and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (29CFR 4). All interpretations of the Act in Subpart C of 29 CFR 4 are incorporated in this contract by reference. This clause does not apply to contracts or subcontracts administratively exempted by the Secretary of Labor or exempted by 41 U.S.C. 356, as interpreted in Subpart C, 29 CFR 4.
- В. **Compensation**: (i) The Contractor shall pay not less than the minimum wage and shall furnish fringe benefits to each service employee under this contract in accordance with wages and benefits determined by the Secretary of Labor or the Secretary's authorized representative, as specified in any attachments to this contract; (ii) If there is an attachment, the Contractor shall classify any class of service employees not listed in it, but to be employed under this contract. The classification shall provide a reasonable relationship to those listed in the attachment. The Contractor shall pay that class wages and fringe benefits determined by agreement of the interested parties: The contracting agency, the Contractor, and the employees who will perform the contract or their representatives. If the interested parties do not agree, the Contracting Officer shall submit the question, with a recommendation for final determination to the Office of Government Contract Wage Standards, Wage and Hour Division Employment Standards Administration (ESA), and the Department of Labor. Failure to pay such employees the compensation agreed upon by the interested parties or finally determined by ESA is a contract violation. (iii) If the term of this contract is more than one (1) year, the minimum wages and fringe benefits required for service employees under this contract shall be subject to adjustment after 1 year and not less often than once every two (2) years under wage determinations issued by ESA.
- C. **Minimum Wage**. In the absence of a minimum wage attachment for this contract, the Contractor shall not pay any service or other employees performing this contract less than the minimum wage specified by section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended (29 U.S.C. 206). Nothing in this clause shall relieve the Contractor of any other legal or contractual obligations to pay a higher wage to any employee.
- D. Successor Contracts. If this contract succeeds a contract subject to the Act under which substantially the same services were furnished and service employees were paid wages and fringe benefits provided for in a collective bargaining agreement, then, in the absence of a minimum wage attachment to this contract, the Contractor may not pay any service employee performing this contract less than the wages and benefits, including those accrued and any prospective increases, provided for under that agreement. No Contractor may be relieved of this obligation unless the limitations of 29 CFR 4.1c (b) apply or unless the Secretary of Labor or the Secretary's authorized representative (i) Determines that the agreement under the predecessor was not the result of arms-length negotiations, or (ii) Finds, after a hearing under 29 CFR 4.10, that the wages and benefits provided for by that agreement vary substantially from those prevailing for similar services in the locality.
- E. **Notification to Employees**. The Contractor shall notify each service employee commencing work on this contract of the minimum wage and any fringe benefits

required to be paid, or shall post a notice of these wages and benefits in a prominent and accessible place at the work site, using such poster as may be provided by the Department of Labor.

- F. **Safe and sanitary working conditions**. The Contractor shall not permit services called for by this contract to be performed in building or surroundings or under working conditions provided by or under the control or supervision of the Contractor that are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to the health or safety of service employees. The Contractor shall comply with the health standards applied under 29 CFR Part 1925.
- G. **Records**. The Contractor shall maintain for three (3) years from the completion of the work, and make available for inspection and transcription by authorized ESA representatives, a record of the following:
  - (i) For each employee subject to the Act
    - (a) Name and address;
    - (b) Work classification or classifications, rate or rates of wages and fringe benefits provided;
    - (c) Rate or rates of payments in lieu of fringe benefits, and total daily and weekly compensation;
    - (d) Daily and weekly hours worked; and
    - (e) Any deductions, rebates, or refunds from total daily and weekly compensation.
  - (ii) For those classes of service employees not included in any wage determination attached to this contract, wage rates or fringe benefits determined by the interested parties or by ESA under the terms of paragraph (B)(iii) of this clause. A copy of the report required by paragraph (D) of this clause will fulfill this requirement.
- H. Withholding of Payments and Termination of Contract: The Contracting Officer shall withhold from the prime contractor under this or any other government contract with the prime contractor any sums the Contracting Officer, or an appropriate officer of the Labor Department, decides may be necessary to pay underpaid employees. Additionally, any failure to comply with the requirements of this clause may be grounds for termination for default.
- I. Contractor's Report: (i) If there is a wage determination attachment to this contract and any classes of service employees not listed on it are to be employed under the contract, the Contractor shall report promptly to the Contracting Officer the wages to be paid and the fringe benefits to be provided each of these classes, when determined under paragraph C. of this clause. (ii) If wages to be paid or fringe benefits to be

furnished any service employee(s) under the contract are covered in collective bargaining agreement effective at any time when the contract is being performed, the prime Contractor shall provide to the Contracting Officer a copy of the agreement and full information on the application and accrual of wages and benefits (including any prospective increases) to service employees working on the contract. The prime Contractor shall report when contract performance begins, in the case of agreements then in effect, and shall report subsequently effective agreements, provisions, or amendments promptly after they are negotiated.

J. Variations, tolerances, and exemptions involving employment: Notwithstanding any of the provisions in this clause, the following employees may be employed in accordance with the following variations, tolerances, and exemptions authorized by the Secretary of Labor: (i) In accordance with regulations issued under Section 14, of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 by the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, ESA(29 CFR 520, 521, 524 and 525), apprentices, student learners, and workers whose earning capacity is impaired by age or by physical or mental deficiency or injury, may be employed at wages lower than the minimum wages otherwise required by section 2(a)(1) or 2(b)(1) of the Service Contract Act, without diminishing any fringe benefits or payments in lieu of these benefits required under section 2(a)(2) of the Act. (ii) The Administrator will issue certificates under the Act for employing apprentices, and student learners, disabled persons, or disabled clients of sheltered workshops not subject to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, or subject to different minimum rates of minimum wages, but without changing requirements concerning fringe benefits for supplementary cash payments in lieu of these benefits; (iii) The Administrator may also withdraw, annul, or cancel such certificates under 29 CFR 525 and 528; and (iv) an employee engaged in an occupation in which the employee customarily and regularly receives more than \$30 a month in tips credited by the employer against the minimum wage required by section 2(a)(1) of the Act or section 2(b)(1) of the Act, in accordance with regulations in 29 CFR 531. However, the amount of credit shall not exceed 40 percent of the minimum rate specified in section 6(a) (1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended.

#### I.15 RECOVERY OF DEBTS OWED THE DISTRICT

The Contractor hereby agrees that the District may use all or any portion of any consideration or refund due the Contractor under the present contract to satisfy in whole or part, any debt due the District.

#### I.16 NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

- A. The Contractor shall maintain as confidential, and shall not disclose to third parties without the District's prior written consent, any District information including, but not limited to, the District's business activities, practices, systems, conditions, products, services, public information and education plans and related materials, and game and marketing plans.
- B. The Contractor shall at all times obtain the prior written approval from the Contracting Officer before it, any of its officers, agents, employees or subcontractors, either during or

after expiration or termination of the contract, make any statement, or issue any material, for publication through any medium of communication, bearing on the work performed or data collected under this contract.

- C. No information regarding the Contractor's performance of the contract shall be disclosed by the Contractor to anyone other than District Government officials unless written approval is obtained in advance from the Contracting Officer.
- D. The District shall ensure that its personnel do not disclose to any non-District person or organization information concerning the process the Contractor uses to provide services under the awarded contract.

# I.17 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

Contractor use of Government property shall be governed by Chapter 41 of Title 27 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations.

## I.18 RIGHTS IN DATA

#### A. Definitions

- 1. "Products" A deliverable under any contract that may include commodities, services and/or technology furnished by or through Contractor, including existing and custom Products, such as, but not limited to: a) recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded; b) document research; c) experimental, developmental, or engineering work; d) licensed software; e) components of the hardware environment; f) printed materials (including but not limited to training manuals, system and user documentation, reports, drawings); g) third party software; h) modifications, customizations, custom programs, program listings, programming tools, data, modules, components; and i) any intellectual property embodied therein, whether in tangible or intangible form, including but not limited to utilities, interfaces, templates, subroutines, algorithms, formulas, source code, and object code.
- 2. "<u>Existing Products</u>" Tangible Products and intangible licensed Products that exist prior to the commencement of work under the contract. Existing Products must be identified on the Product prior to commencement of work or else will be presumed to be Custom Products.
- 3. "Custom Products" Products, preliminary, final or otherwise, which are created or developed by Contractor, its subcontractors, partners, employees, resellers or agents for the District under the contract.
- 4. "District" The District of Columbia and its agencies.

## B. Title to Project Deliverables

The Contractor acknowledges that it is commissioned by the District to perform services detailed in the contract. The District shall have ownership and rights for the duration set forth in the contract to use, copy, modify, distribute, or adapt Products as follows:

- 1. Existing Products: Title to all Existing Licensed Product(s), whether or not embedded in, delivered or operating in conjunction with hardware or Custom Products, shall: (1) remain with Contractor or third party proprietary owner, who retains all rights, title and interest (including patent, trademark or copyrights). Effective upon payment, the District is granted an irrevocable, non-exclusive, worldwide, paid-up license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, adapt (unless Contractor advises the District as part of Contractor's proposal that adaptation will violate existing agreements or statutes and Contractor demonstrates such to the District's satisfaction) and distribute Existing Product to District users up to the license capacity stated in the contract with all license rights necessary to fully effect the general business purpose(s) of the project or work plan or contract; and (2) be licensed in the name of the District. The District agrees to reproduce the copyright notice and any other legend of ownership on any copies authorized under this paragraph.
- 2. <u>Custom Products</u>: Effective upon Product creation, Contractor hereby conveys, assigns, and transfers to the District the sole and exclusive rights, title and interest in Custom Product(s), whether preliminary, final or otherwise, including all patent, trademark and copyrights. Contractor hereby agrees to take all necessary and appropriate steps to ensure that the Custom Products are protected against unauthorized copying, reproduction and marketing by or through Contractor.

#### C. Transfers or Assignments of Existing or Custom Products by the District

The District may transfer or assign Existing or Custom Products and the licenses thereunder to another District agency. Nothing herein shall preclude the Contractor from otherwise using the related or underlying general knowledge, skills, ideas, concepts, techniques and experience developed under a project or work plan in the course of Contractor's business.

#### D. Subcontractor Rights

Whenever any data, including computer software, are to be obtained from a subcontractor under the contract, the Contractor shall use this clause, **Rights in Data**, in the subcontract, without alteration, and no other clause shall be used to enlarge or diminish the District's or the Contractor's rights in that subcontractor data or computer software which is required for the District.

#### E. Source Code Escrow

- 1. For all computer software furnished to the District with the rights specified in section B.2, the Contractor shall furnish to the District, a copy of the source code with such rights of the scope as specified in section B.2 of this clause. For all computer software furnished to the District with the restricted rights specified in section B.1 of this clause, the District, if the Contractor either directly or through a successor or affiliate shall cease to provide the maintenance or warranty services provided the District under the contract or any paid-up maintenance agreement, or if the Contractor should be declared insolvent by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall have the right to obtain, for its own and sole use only, a single copy of the current version of the source code supplied under the contract, and a single copy of the documentation associated therewith, upon payment to the person in control of the source code the reasonable cost of making each copy.
- 2. If the Contractor or Product manufacturer/developer of software furnished to the District with the rights specified in section B.1 of this clause offers the source code or source code escrow to any other commercial customers, the Contractor shall either: (1) provide the District with the source code for the Product; (2) place the source code in a third party escrow arrangement with a designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the District, and who shall be directed to release the deposited source code in accordance with a standard escrow arrangement acceptable to the District; or (3) will certify to the District that the Product manufacturer/ developer has named the District as a named beneficiary of an established escrow arrangement with its designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the District, and who shall be directed to release the deposited source code in accordance with the terms of escrow.
- 3. The Contractor shall update the source code, as well as any corrections or enhancements to the source code, for each new release of the Product in the same manner as provided above, and certify such updating of escrow to the District in writing.

#### F. Indemnification and Limitation of Liability

The Contractor shall indemnify and save and hold harmless the District, its officers, agents and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, (i) for violation of proprietary rights, copyrights, or rights of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use or disposition of any data furnished under this contract, or (ii) based upon any data furnished under this contract, or based upon libelous or other unlawful matter contained in such data.

#### I.19 PATENTS

The Contractor shall hold and save the District, its officers, agents, servants and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including costs, expenses, for or on account of any patented or unpatented invention, article, process, or appliance, manufactured or use in the

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performance of this contract, including their use by the District, unless otherwise specifically stipulated in this contract.

#### I.20 RESEVED

## I.21 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

The District's liability under this contract is contingent upon the future availability of appropriated monies with which to make payment for the contract purposes. The legal liability on the part of the District for payment of any money shall not arise unless and until such monies shall have been provided. The District's obligation to pay under this contract is subject to the provisions of (i) the federal Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. §§1341, 1342, 1349, 1351; (ii) the District of Columbia Anti-Deficiency Act, D.C. Official Code §§ 47-355.01 – 355.08 (2001); (iii) D.C. Official Code § 47-105 (2001); and (iv) D.C. Official Code § 1-204.46 (2001), as the foregoing statutes may be amended from time to time. Any expenditures under the contract in excess of the encumbered budget authority are subject to appropriation or additional budget authority.

## I.22 MULTIYEAR CONTRACT

If funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available for the continued performance in a subsequent year of a multiyear contract, the contract for the subsequent year shall be terminated, either automatically or in accordance with the termination clause of this contract. Unless otherwise provided for in this contract, the effect of termination is to discharge both the District and the Contractor from future performance of the Contract, but not from their existing obligations. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any nonrecurring costs incurred, but not amortized in the price of the supplies or services delivered under the Contract.

#### I.23 RESERVED

## I.24 CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF \$1 MILLION DOLLARS

Any contract in excess of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) within a 12-month period shall not be binding or give rise to any claim or demand against the District unless first approved by the Council of the District of Columbia and signed by the Contracting Officer.

# I.25 CONTRACTS THAT CROSS FISCAL YEARS

Continuation of this contract beyond the current fiscal year is contingent upon future fiscal appropriations.

#### I.26 RESERVED

## I.27 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 ("ADA")

During the performance of the contract, the Contractor and any of its subcontractors shall comply with the ADA. The ADA makes it unlawful to discriminate in employment against a qualified individual with a disability. See 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.

## I.28 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT ("FOIA")

The District of Columbia's Freedom of Information Act, at D.C. Official Code § 2-532 (a)(3), requires the District to make available for inspection and copying any record produced or collected pursuant to a District contract with a private contractor to perform a public function, to the same extent as if the record were maintained by the agency on whose behalf the contract is made. If the Contractor receives a request for such information, the Contractor shall immediately send the request to the COTR designated in subsection G.1 who will provide the request to the FOIA Officer for the agency with programmatic responsibility in accordance with the D.C. Freedom of Information Act. If the agency with programmatic responsibility receives a request for a record maintained by the Contractor pursuant to the contract, the COTR will forward a copy to the Contractor. In either event, the Contractor is required by law to provide all responsive records to the COTR within the timeframe designated by the COTR. The FOIA Officer for the agency with programmatic responsibility will determine the releasability of the records. The District will reimburse the Contractor for the costs of searching and copying the records in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-532 and Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the *D.C. Municipal Regulations*.

# I.29 <u>RESERVED</u>

#### I.30 INSURANCE

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. The Contractor at its sole expense shall procure and maintain, during the entire period of performance under this contract, the types of insurance specified below. The Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit a Certificate of Insurance to the CO giving evidence of the required coverage prior to commencing performance under this contract. In no event shall any work be performed until the required Certificates of Insurance signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s) have been provided to, and accepted by, the CO. All insurance shall be written with financially responsible companies authorized to do business in the District of Columbia or in the jurisdiction where the work is to be performed and have an A.M. Best Company rating of A-/VII or higher. The Contractor shall require all of its subcontractors to carry the same insurance required herein.

All required policies shall contain a waiver of subrogation provision in favor of the Government of the District of Columbia.

The Government of the District of Columbia shall be included in all policies required hereunder to be maintained by the Contractor and its subcontractors (except for workers' compensation, professional liability and crime) as an additional insureds for claims against The Government of the District of Columbia relating to this contract, with the understanding that any affirmative

obligation imposed upon the insured Contractor or its subcontractors (including without limitation the liability to pay premiums) shall be the sole obligation of the Contractor or its subcontractors, and not the additional insured. The additional insured status under the Contractor's and its subcontractors' Commercial General Liability insurance policies shall be effected using the ISO Additional Insured Endorsement form CG 20 10 11 85 (or CG 20 10 07 04 and CG 20 37 07 04) or such other endorsement or combination of endorsements providing coverage at least as broad and approved by the CO in writing. The Contractor and its subcontractors' liability policies (except for workers' compensation, professional liability, and crime) shall be endorsed using ISO form CG 20 01 04 13 or its equivalent so as to indicate that such policies provide primary coverage (without any right of contribution by any other insurance, reinsurance or self-insurance, including any deductible or retention, maintained by an Additional Insured) for all claims against the additional insured arising out of the performance of this Statement of Work by the Contractor or its subcontractors, or anyone for whom the Contractor or its subcontractors may be liable. These policies shall include a separation of insureds clause applicable to the additional insured.

If the Contractor and/or its subcontractors maintain broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown below, the District requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the Grantee and subcontractors.

- 1. Commercial General Liability Insurance ("CGL") The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO with respect to the services performed that it carries a CGL policy, written on an occurrence (not claims-made) basis, on Insurance Services Office, Inc. ("ISO") form CG 00 01 04 13 (or another occurrence-based form with coverage at least as broad and approved by the CO in writing), covering liability for all ongoing and completed operations of the Contractor, including ongoing and completed operations under all subcontracts, and covering claims for bodily injury, including without limitation sickness, disease or death of any persons, injury to or destruction of property, including loss of use resulting therefrom, personal and advertising injury, and including coverage for liability arising out of an Insured Contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a contract) and acts of terrorism (whether caused by a foreign or domestic source). Such coverage shall have limits of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence, a \$2,000,000 general aggregate (including a per location or per project aggregate limit endorsement, if applicable) limit, a \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury limit, and a \$2,000,000 products-completed operations aggregate limit.
- 2. <u>Automobile Liability Insurance</u> The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of commercial (business) automobile liability insurance written on ISO form CA 00 01 10 13 (or another form with coverage at least as broad and approved by the CO in writing) including coverage for all owned, hired, borrowed and non-owned vehicles and equipment used by the Contractor, with minimum per accident limits equal to the greater of (i) the limits set forth in the Contractor's commercial automobile liability policy or (ii) \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. i) <u>Workers' Compensation Insurance</u> The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of Workers' Compensation insurance in accordance with the statutory mandates of the District of Columbia or the jurisdiction in which the contract is performed.

- ii) <u>Employer's Liability Insurance</u> The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of employer's liability insurance as follows: \$500,000 per accident for injury; \$500,000 per employee for disease; and \$500,000 for policy disease limit.
- iii) All insurance required by this paragraph 3 shall include a waiver of subrogation endorsement for the benefit of Government of the District of Columbia.
- 4. <u>Crime Insurance (3rd Party Indemnity)</u> The Contractor shall provide a Crime policy including 3<sup>rd</sup> party fidelity to cover the dishonest acts of Contractor, its employees and/or volunteers which result in a loss to the District. The policy shall provide a limit of \$100,000 per occurrence.
- 5. Cyber Liability Insurance The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Contracting Officer of Cyber Liability Insurance, with limits not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$5,000,000 aggregate. Coverage shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as is undertaken by Contractor in this agreement and shall include, but not limited to, claims involving infringement of intellectual property, including but not limited to infringement of copyright, trademark, trade dress, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations. This insurance requirement will be considered met if the general liability insurance includes an affirmative cyber endorsement for the required amounts and coverages. Shared limits with the Professional Liability coverage will be acceptable.
- 6. Employment Practices Liability The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Contracting Officer with respect to the operations performed to cover the defense of claims arising from employment related wrongful acts including but not limited to: Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, Wrongful Termination, or Workplace Torts, whether between employees of contractor or against third parties. Employment Practices Liability coverage must specifically state Third Party Liability coverage is included. Contractor will indemnify and defend the District of Columbia should it be named co-defendant or be subject to or party of any claim. Coverage shall also extend to Temporary Help Firms and Independent Contractors hired by Contractor. The policy shall provide limits of not less than \$1,000,000 for each wrongful act and \$2,000,000 annual aggregate for each wrongful act.
- 7. <u>Installation Floater Insurance</u> For projects involving District property being installed, fabricated or erected by a contractor, the contractor shall provide an installation floater policy with a limit equal to the full contract value. The policy shall cover property while located at the project site, at temporary locations, or in transit; deductibles will be the sole responsibility of the contractor.
- 8. <u>Professional Liability Insurance (Errors & Omissions)</u> The Contractor shall provide Professional Liability Insurance (Errors and Omissions) to cover liability resulting from any error or omission in the performance of professional services under this Contract. The

policy shall provide limits of \$5,000,000 per claim or per occurrence for each wrongful act and \$5,000,000 annual aggregate. The Contractor warrants that any applicable retroactive date precedes the date the Contractor first performed any professional services for the Government of the District of Columbia and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended reporting period will be exercised for a period of at least ten years after the completion of the professional services. Shared limits with the Cyber Liability coverage will be acceptable.

9. Commercial Umbrella or Excess Liability - The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of commercial umbrella or excess liability insurance with minimum limits equal to the greater of (i) the limits set forth in the Contractor's umbrella or excess liability policy or (ii) \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 in the annual aggregate, following the form and in excess of all liability policies. All liability coverages must be scheduled under the umbrella and/or excess policy. The insurance required under this paragraph shall be written in a form that annually reinstates all required limits. Coverage shall be primary to any insurance, self-insurance or reinsurance maintained by the District and the "other insurance" provision must be amended in accordance with this requirement and principles of vertical exhaustion.

#### B. PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE.

The insurance required herein shall be primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance, reinsurance or self-insurance including any deductible or retention, maintained by the Government of the District of Columbia.

- C. DURATION. The Contractor shall carry all required insurance until all contract work is accepted by the District of Columbia and shall carry listed coverages for ten years for construction projects following final acceptance of the work performed under this contract and two years for non-construction related contracts.
- D. LIABILITY. These are the required minimum insurance requirements established by the District of Columbia. HOWEVER, THE REQUIRED MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED ABOVE WILL NOT IN ANY WAY LIMIT THE CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY UNDER THIS CONTRACT.
- E. CONTRACTOR'S PROPERTY. Contractor and subcontractors are solely responsible for any loss or damage to their personal property, including but not limited to tools and equipment, scaffolding and temporary structures, rented machinery, or owned and leased equipment. A waiver of subrogation shall apply in favor of the District of Columbia.
- F. MEASURE OF PAYMENT. The District shall not make any separate measure or payment for the cost of insurance and bonds. The Contractor shall include all of the costs of insurance and bonds in the contract price.
- G. NOTIFICATION. The Contractor shall ensure that all policies provide that the CO shall be given thirty (30) days prior written notice in the event of coverage and / or limit changes or if the policy is canceled prior to the expiration date shown on the certificate. The Contractor shall

provide the CO with ten (10) days prior written notice in the event of non-payment of premium. The Contractor will also provide the CO with an updated Certificate of Insurance should its insurance coverages renew during the contract.

H. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE. The Contractor shall submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverage as specified in this section prior to commencing work. Certificates of insurance must reference the corresponding contract number. Evidence of insurance shall be submitted to:

#### The Government of the District of Columbia

And mailed to the attention of: (Name of Contracting Officer/Agency) (Address) (Phone Number) (E-mail Address)

The CO may request and the Contractor shall promptly deliver updated certificates of insurance, endorsements indicating the required coverages, and/or other evidence of the insurance policies. If the insurance initially obtained by the Contractor expires prior to completion of the contract, renewal certificates of insurance and additional insured and other endorsements shall be furnished to the CO prior to the date of expiration of all such initial insurance. For all coverage required to be maintained after completion, an additional certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage shall be submitted to the CO on an annual basis as the coverage is renewed (or replaced).

- I. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION. The Contractor agrees that the District may disclose the name and contact information of its insurers to any third party which presents a claim against the District for any damages or claims resulting from or arising out of work performed by the Contractor, its agents, employees, servants or subcontractors in the performance of this contract.
- J. CARRIER RATINGS. All Contractor's and its subcontractors' insurance required in connection with this contract shall be written by insurance companies with an A.M. Best Insurance Guide rating of at least A- VII (or the equivalent by any other rating agency) and licensed in the in the District.

# I.31 <u>51% DISTRICT RESIDENTS NEW HIRES REQUIREMENTS AND FIRST SOURCE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT</u>

- I.31.1 For contracts for services in the amount of \$300,000 or more, the Contractor shall comply with the First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984, as amended, D.C. Official Code § 2-219.01 et seq. (First Source Act).
- I.31.2 The Contractor shall enter into and maintain during the term of the contract, a First Source Employment Agreement (Employment Agreement) with the District of Columbia Department of Employment Service's (DOES), in which the Contractor shall agree that:

- (a) The first source for finding employees to fill all jobs created in order to perform the contract shall be the First Source Register; and
- (b) The first source for finding employees to fill any vacancy occurring in all jobs covered by the Employment Agreement shall be the First Source Register.
- I.31.3 The Contractor shall not begin performance of the contract until its Employment Agreement has been accepted by DOES. Once approved, the Employment Agreement shall not be amended except with the approval of DOES.
- I.31.4 The Contractor agrees that at least 51% of the new employees hired to perform the contract shall be District residents.
- I.31.5 The Contractor's hiring and reporting requirements under the First Source Act and any rules promulgated thereunder shall continue for the term of the contract.
- I.31.6 The CO may impose penalties, including monetary fines of 5% of the total amount of the direct and indirect labor costs of the contract, for a willful breach of the Employment Agreement, failure to submit the required hiring compliance reports, or deliberate submission of falsified data.
- I.31.7 If the Contractor does not receive a good faith waiver, the CO may also impose an additional penalty equal to 1/8 of 1% of the total amount of the direct and indirect labor costs of the contract for each percentage by which the Contractor fails to meet its hiring requirements.
- I.31.8 Any contractor which violates, more than once within a 10-year timeframe, the hiring or reporting requirements of the First Source Act shall be referred for debarment for not more than five (5) years.
- I.31.9 The contractor may appeal any decision of the CO pursuant to this clause to the D.C. Contract Appeals Board as provided in Section I.7.
- I.31.10 The provisions of the First Source Act do not apply to nonprofit organizations which employ 50 employees or less.
- I.31.11The provisions of the First Source Act do not apply to nonprofit organizations which employ 50 employees or less.

# I.32 COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

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

## I.33 HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS

Items delivered under this contract shall conform to all requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended ("OSHA"), and Department of Labor Regulations under OSHA, and all Federal requirements in effect at time of bid opening/proposal submission.

## I.34 FORCE MAJEURE

Neither the Contractor nor the District shall be deemed in default or otherwise liable hereunder due to either party's inability to perform by reason of any fire, earthquake, flood, epidemic, accident, explosion, casualty, strike, lockout, labor controversy, riot, civil disturbance, act of public enemy, embargo, war, act of God, or any municipal, county, state or national ordinance or law, or any executive, administrative or judicial orders (which judicial orders are not the result of any act or omission to act which would constitute a default hereunder), or any failure or delay of any transportation, power or other essential thing required, or similar causes beyond the parties control.

# I.35 GOVERNING LAW

This contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the District of Columbia, including, but not limited to, the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code §§ 2-351.01, et seq. and D.C. Mun. Regs. tit. 27.

## I.36 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

A conflict in language shall be resolved by giving precedence to the document in the highest order of priority that contains language addressing the issue in question. The following documents are incorporated into the contract by reference and made a part of the contract in the following order of precedence:

- (1) Contract
- (2) Contract Attachments
- (3) Contractor Proposal dated March 17, 2022

# **SECTION J**

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

The following Attachments are hereby incorporated:

- J.1 U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination No. 2015-4281, Revision 23, Dated 4/28/2022
- J.2 RESERVED
- J.3 Doing Business with Integrity
- J.4 Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit
- J.5 Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit Acknowledgment Form

#### **SECTION K**

## REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

## K.1 <u>AUTHORIZED OFFICERS</u>

**K.3** 

The Contractor shall list the names of persons authorized to negotiate on the Contractor's behalf in connection with this solicitation (list names, titles, and telephone numbers of the authorized negotiators):

Chad Wilson, President   585-237-7037	Michael Maier, Vice President   302-283-8300
Kerry Trahan, Vice President   703-984-6669	Eric Kiss, Treasurer   703-984-5678
Kurt Slawson, Secretary   703-984-6737	Stephen Caso, Assistant Secretary   703-984-5678

# K.2 PENDING LEGAL CLAIMS AGAINST THE DISTRICT

The Offeror must disclose any pending legal claims against the District. Pending legal claims includes, but is not limited to, Federal and District court litigation, administrative actions such as contract appeals or protests, claims for money damages from the District, and any other type of action (court or administrative) against the District. Offerors with pending legal claims against the District are not automatically precluded from contract award. If Offerors does not have any pending legal claims against the District, please indicate this below.

Not applicable. Navient B.P.O.	, LLC does not have any pe	ending legal claims against the District.
•	tifies that the informat	tion provided above is true, correct and
Chal Wilson	February 8, 2022	President
Signature	Date	Title
•	tifies that it has read, it conditions as set fort	ION  understands, acknowledges and agrees to h in this solicitation/contract/resultant
Signature	February 8, 2022 Date	President Title

"REGISTER OF WAGE DETERMINATIONS UNDER U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION THE SERVICE CONTRACT ACT

By direction of the Secretary of Labor

WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION WASHINGTON D.C. 20210

Wage Determination No.: 2015-4281

Revision No.: 20

Daniel W. Simms Division of Director Wage Determinations Date Of Last Revision: 10/20/2021

Note: Under Executive Order (EO) 13658 an hourly minimum wage of \$10.95 for calendar year 2021 applies to all contracts subject to the Service Contract Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least \$10.95 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in calendar year 2021. The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

States: District of Columbia Maryland Virginia

Area: District of Columbia Statewide

Maryland Counties of Calvert Charles Prince George's

Virginia Counties of Alexandria Arlington Fairfax Falls Church Fauquier Loudoun Manassas Manassas Park Prince William Stafford

\*\*Fringe Benefits Required Follow the Occupational Listing\*\*

OCCUPATION CODE - TITLE	FOOTNOTE	RATE
01000 - Administrative Support And Clerical Occupations		
01011 - Accounting Clerk I		19.39
01012 - Accounting Clerk II		21.79
01013 - Accounting Clerk III		24.36
01020 - Administrative Assistant		35.58
01035 - Court Reporter		26.42
01041 - Customer Service Representative I		15.75
01042 - Customer Service Representative II		17.18
01043 - Customer Service Representative III		19.30
01051 - Data Entry Operator I		16.64
01052 - Data Entry Operator II		18.16
01060 - Dispatcher Motor Vehicle		22.02
01070 - Document Preparation Clerk		18.04
01090 - Duplicating Machine Operator		18.04
01111 - General Clerk I		15.92
01112 - General Clerk II		17.38
01113 - General Clerk III		19.52
01120 - Housing Referral Assistant		25.29
01141 - Messenger Courier		19.79
01191 - Order Clerk I		15.29
01192 - Order Clerk II		16.68
01261 - Personnel Assistant (Employment) I		19.76
01262 - Personnel Assistant (Employment) II		22.10
01263 - Personnel Assistant (Employment) III		24.63
01270 - Production Control Clerk		26.81

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01290	- Rental Clerk	18.17
01300	- Scheduler Maintenance	18.61
01311	- Secretary I	18.61
	- Secretary II	20.81
	- Secretary III	25.29
	- Service Order Dispatcher	19.69
	- Supply Technician	35.58
	- Survey Worker	20.03
	- Switchboard Operator/Receptionist	16.94
	- Travel Clerk I	17.63
	- Travel Clerk II	19.21
	- Travel Clerk III	20.67
	- Word Processor I	18.62
	- Word Processor II	20.92
	- Word Processor III	23.39
	Automotive Service Occupations	
	- Automobile Body Repairer Fiberglass	28.60
	- Automotive Electrician	25.03
	- Automotive Glass Installer	23.58
	- Automotive Worker	23.58
	- Mobile Equipment Servicer	20.28
	- Motor Equipment Metal Mechanic	26.36
	- Motor Equipment Metal Worker	23.58
	- Motor Vehicle Mechanic	26.36
	- Motor Vehicle Mechanic Helper	18.55
	- Motor Vehicle Upholstery Worker	22.01
	- Motor Vehicle Wrecker	23.58
	- Painter Automotive	25.03
	- Radiator Repair Specialist	23.58
	- Tire Repairer	14.44
	- Transmission Repair Specialist	26.36
	Food Preparation And Service Occupations	20.30
	- Baker	15.74
	- Cook I	16.93
	- Cook II	19.68
	- Dishwasher	13.37
	- Food Service Worker	13.51
	- Meat Cutter	20.41
	- Waiter/Waitress	12.84
	Furniture Maintenance And Repair Occupations	12.04
	- Electrostatic Spray Painter	21.85
	- Furniture Handler	14.06
	- Furniture Refinisher	20.23
	- Furniture Refinisher Helper	15.52
	- Furniture Repairer Minor	17.94
	- Upholsterer	19.86
	General Services And Support Occupations	15.80
	- Cleaner Vehicles	13.02
	- Elevator Operator	15.40
	- Gardener	21.24
	- Housekeeping Aide	15.40
	- Janitor	15.40
	- Laborer Grounds Maintenance	
	- Maid or Houseman	15.85 14.58
	- Pruner	14.58
	- Tractor Operator	19.43
	- Trail Maintenance Worker	15.45
	- Window Cleaner	16.42
	Health Occupations	10.42
	- Ambulance Driver	23.71
	- Breath Alcohol Technician	23.71
	- Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant	33.40
	- Certified Physical Therapist Assistant	27.29
	- Dental Assistant	27.29
12025	- Dental Hygienist	50.57

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12030 - EKG Technician		34.67
12035 - Electroneurodiagnostic Technologist		34.67
12040 - Emergency Medical Technician		23.71
12071 - Licensed Practical Nurse I		20.72
12072 - Licensed Practical Nurse II		23.16
12073 - Licensed Practical Nurse III		25.82
12100 - Medical Assistant		18.95
12130 - Medical Laboratory Technician		27.80
12160 - Medical Record Clerk		20.86
12190 - Medical Record Technician		24.60
12195 - Medical Transcriptionist		20.72
12210 - Nuclear Medicine Technologist		42.47
12221 - Nursing Assistant I		12.61
12222 - Nursing Assistant II		14.17
12223 - Nursing Assistant III		15.46
12224 - Nursing Assistant IV		17.37
12235 - Optical Dispenser		25.02
12236 - Optical Technician		21.03
12250 - Pharmacy Technician		18.40
12280 - Phlebotomist		19.43
12305 - Radiologic Technologist		36.21
12311 - Registered Nurse I		30.40
12312 - Registered Nurse II		36.78
12313 - Registered Nurse II Specialist		36.78
12314 - Registered Nurse III		44.14
12315 - Registered Nurse III Anesthetist		44.14
12316 - Registered Nurse IV		52.91
12317 - Scheduler (Drug and Alcohol Testing)		29.37
12320 - Substance Abuse Treatment Counselor		27.59
13000 - Information And Arts Occupations		
13011 - Exhibits Specialist I		24.30
13012 - Exhibits Specialist II		30.10
13013 - Exhibits Specialist III		36.82
13041 - Illustrator I		22.26
13042 - Illustrator II		27.57
13043 - Illustrator III		33.73
13047 - Librarian		42.46
13050 - Library Aide/Clerk		17.04
13054 - Library Information Technology Systems		38.33
Administrator		
13058 - Library Technician		23.10
13061 - Media Specialist I		27.67
13062 - Media Specialist II		30.94
13063 - Media Specialist III		34.50
13071 - Photographer I		18.45
13072 - Photographer II		20.79
13073 - Photographer III		26.04
13074 - Photographer IV		31.52
13075 - Photographer V		37.84
13090 - Technical Order Library Clerk		21.40
13110 - Video Teleconference Technician		28.01
14000 - Information Technology Occupations		
14041 - Computer Operator I		20.81
14042 - Computer Operator II		23.30
14043 - Computer Operator III		25.96
14044 - Computer Operator IV		28.84
14045 - Computer Operator V		31.96
14071 - Computer Programmer I	(see 1)	26.76
14072 - Computer Programmer II	(see 1)	
14073 - Computer Programmer III	(see 1)	
14074 - Computer Programmer IV	(see 1)	
14101 - Computer Systems Analyst I	(see 1)	
14102 - Computer Systems Analyst II	(see 1)	
14103 - Computer Systems Analyst III	(see 1)	
14150 - Peripheral Equipment Operator	()	20.81
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	- Personal Computer Support Technician	28.84
	- System Support Specialist	38.69
	Instructional Occupations	
	- Aircrew Training Devices Instructor (Non-Rated)	
	<ul><li>Aircrew Training Devices Instructor (Rated)</li><li>Air Crew Training Devices Instructor (Pilot)</li></ul>	44.06
	<ul> <li>Air Crew Training Devices Instructor (P110t)</li> <li>Computer Based Training Specialist / Instructor</li> </ul>	52.81 36.47
	- Educational Technologist	43.31
	- Flight Instructor (Pilot)	52.81
	- Graphic Artist	35.88
	- Maintenance Test Pilot Fixed Jet/Prop	51.76
15086	- Maintenance Test Pilot Rotary Wing	51.76
15088	- Non-Maintenance Test/Co-Pilot	51.76
	- Technical Instructor	31.61
	- Technical Instructor/Course Developer	38.67
	- Test Proctor	25.52
	- Tutor	25.52
	Laundry Dry-Cleaning Pressing And Related Occupat - Assembler	16.58
	- Counter Attendant	16.58
	- Dry Cleaner	18.94
	- Finisher Flatwork Machine	16.58
	- Presser Hand	16.58
16110	- Presser Machine Drycleaning	16.58
16130	- Presser Machine Shirts	16.58
	- Presser Machine Wearing Apparel Laundry	16.58
	- Sewing Machine Operator	19.73
	- Tailor	20.52
	- Washer Machine	17.37
	Machine Tool Operation And Repair Occupations - Machine-Tool Operator (Tool Room)	28.82
	- Tool And Die Maker	35.01
	Materials Handling And Packing Occupations	33.01
	- Forklift Operator	20.95
	- Material Coordinator	26.81
	- Material Expediter	26.81
21050	- Material Handling Laborer	<b>14.</b> 53
	- Order Filler	16.60
	- Production Line Worker (Food Processing)	20.95
	- Shipping Packer	18.17
	- Shipping/Receiving Clerk	18.17
	- Store Worker I - Stock Clerk	15.79 19.69
	- Tools And Parts Attendant	20.95
	- Warehouse Specialist	20.95
	Mechanics And Maintenance And Repair Occupations	20.33
	- Aerospace Structural Welder	40.71
23019	- Aircraft Logs and Records Technician	32.27
23021	- Aircraft Mechanic I	38.65
	- Aircraft Mechanic II	40.71
	- Aircraft Mechanic III	42.69
	- Aircraft Mechanic Helper	27.20
	- Aircraft Painter - Aircraft Servicer	36.70 32.27
	- Aircraft Servicer - Aircraft Survival Flight Equipment Technician	32.27 36.70
	- Aircraft Worker	34.57
	- Aircrew Life Support Equipment (ALSE) Mechanic	34.57
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	- Aircrew Life Support Equipment (ALSE) Mechanic	38.65
II 23110	- Appliance Mechanic	21.75
	- Appliance Mechanic - Bicycle Repairer	16.73
	- Cable Splicer	34.63
	- Carpenter Maintenance	24.81
	- Carpet Layer	20.49

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23160 - Electrician Maintenance	29.95
23181 - Electronics Technician Maintenance I	30.70
23182 - Electronics Technician Maintenance II	32.60
23183 - Electronics Technician Maintenance III	34.33
23260 - Fabric Worker	25.34
23290 - Fire Alarm System Mechanic	29.84
23310 - Fire Extinguisher Repairer	23.35
23311 - Fuel Distribution System Mechanic	36.27
23312 - Fuel Distribution System Operator	27.91
23370 - General Maintenance Worker	23.48
23380 - Ground Support Equipment Mechanic	38.65
23381 - Ground Support Equipment Servicer	32.27
23382 - Ground Support Equipment Worker	34.57
23391 - Gunsmith I	23.35
23392 - Gunsmith II	27.15
23393 - Gunsmith III	30.35
23410 - Heating Ventilation And Air-Conditioning	30.17
Mechanic	
23411 - Heating Ventilation And Air Contidioning	31.78
Mechanic (Research Facility)	
23430 - Heavy Equipment Mechanic	28.46
23440 - Heavy Equipment Operator	24.69
23460 - Instrument Mechanic	33.14
23465 - Laboratory/Shelter Mechanic	28.82
23470 - Laborer	14.98
23510 - Locksmith	32.72
23530 - Machinery Maintenance Mechanic	30.29
23550 - Machinist Maintenance	27.42
23580 - Maintenance Trades Helper	18.27
23591 - Metrology Technician I	33.14
23592 - Metrology Technician II	34.91
23593 - Metrology Technician III	36.61
23640 - Millwright	28.19
23710 - Office Appliance Repairer	22.96
23760 - Painter Maintenance	21.75
23790 - Pipefitter Maintenance	28.84
23810 - Plumber Maintenance	27.39
23820 - Pneudraulic Systems Mechanic	30.35
23850 - Rigger	28.23
23870 - Scale Mechanic	27.15
23890 - Sheet-Metal Worker Maintenance	29.04
23910 - Small Engine Mechanic	22.69
23931 - Telecommunications Mechanic I	37.06
23932 - Telecommunications Mechanic II	39.03
23950 - Telephone Lineman	35.40
23960 - Welder Combination Maintenance	25.07
23965 - Well Driller	25.57
23970 - Woodcraft Worker	30.35
23980 - Woodworker	23.35
24000 - Personal Needs Occupations	
24550 - Case Manager	20.05
24570 - Child Care Attendant	15.17
24580 - Child Care Center Clerk	18.91
24610 - Chore Aide	14.29
24620 - Family Readiness And Support Services	20.05
Coordinator	
24630 - Homemaker	20.05
25000 - Plant And System Operations Occupations	
25010 - Boiler Tender	35.53
25040 - Sewage Plant Operator	28.29
25070 - Stationary Engineer	35.53
25190 - Ventilation Equipment Tender	25.01
25210 - Water Treatment Plant Operator	28.29
27000 - Protective Service Occupations	
27004 - Alarm Monitor	23.83

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27007	- Baggage Inspector	1	.8.06
	- Corrections Officer		9.35
	- Court Security Officer		0.66
	- Detection Dog Handler		20.57
	- Detention Officer - Firefighter		9.35 1.96
	- Guard I		8.06
	- Guard II		0.57
	- Police Officer I		2.66
27132	- Police Officer II	3	6.30
28000 -	Recreation Occupations		
	- Carnival Equipment Operator		.5.37
	- Carnival Equipment Repairer		6.80
	- Carnival Worker		1.76
	- Gate Attendant/Gate Tender		7.09
	- Lifeguard - Park Attendant (Aide)		.1.59 .9.11
	- Recreation Aide/Health Facility Attendant		.3.94
	- Recreation Specialist		3.67
	- Sports Official		5.21
	- Swimming Pool Operator		9.53
	Stevedoring/Longshoremen Occupational Services		
	- Blocker And Bracer	3	4.82
29020	- Hatch Tender	3	4.82
29030	- Line Handler	3	4.82
	- Stevedore I		2.51
	- Stevedore II	3	6.97
	Technical Occupations		
	- Air Traffic Control Specialist Center (HFO)		3.33
	- Air Traffic Control Specialist Station (HFO)		26
	<ul><li>Air Traffic Control Specialist Terminal (HFO)</li><li>Archeological Technician I</li></ul>	· ·	.43 .0.86
	- Archeological Technician II		23.34
	- Archeological Technician III		8.90
	- Cartographic Technician		8.90
	- Civil Engineering Technician		2.88
	- Cryogenic Technician I		2.01
	- Cryogenic Technician II		5.36
30061	- Drafter/CAD Operator I	2	.0.86
	- Drafter/CAD Operator II	2	3.34
	- Drafter/CAD Operator III		6.01
	- Drafter/CAD Operator IV		2.01
	- Engineering Technician I		2.92
	- Engineering Technician II		5.72
	- Engineering Technician III		8.79
	- Engineering Technician IV - Engineering Technician V		5.64 3.61
	- Engineering Technician VI		52.76
	- Environmental Technician		8.90
	- Evidence Control Specialist		8.90
	- Laboratory Technician		7.47
	- Latent Fingerprint Technician I		7.63
	- Latent Fingerprint Technician II	4	1.56
30240	- Mathematical Technician	3	1.83
	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant I		1.36
	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant II		6.47
	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant III		2.36
	- Paralegal/Legal Assistant IV		9.16
	- Petroleum Supply Specialist		5.36
	- Photo-Optics Technician		8.90
	- Radiation Control Technician - Technical Writer I		5.36 8.83
	- Technical Writer I		5.27
	- Technical Writer III		2.68
	- Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Technician I		8.81
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30492 - Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Technician II		34.86
30493 - Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Technician III		41.78
30494 - Unexploded (UXO) Safety Escort		28.81
30495 - Unexploded (UXO) Sweep Personnel		28.81
30501 - Weather Forecaster I		32.01
30502 - Weather Forecaster II		38.93
30620 - Weather Observer Combined Upper Air Or	(see 2)	26.01
Surface Programs		
30621 - Weather Observer Senior	(see 2)	28.90
31000 - Transportation/Mobile Equipment Operation Occ	upations	
31010 - Airplane Pilot		34.86
31020 - Bus Aide		14.84
31030 - Bus Driver		21.58
31043 - Driver Courier		18.86
31260 - Parking and Lot Attendant		14.50
31290 - Shuttle Bus Driver		19.93
31310 - Taxi Driver		17.71
31361 - Truckdriver Light		20.62
31362 - Truckdriver Medium		22.39
31363 - Truckdriver Heavy		23.78
31364 - Truckdriver Tractor-Trailer		23.78
99000 - Miscellaneous Occupations		47.00
99020 - Cabin Safety Specialist		17.00
99030 - Cashier		12.54
99050 - Desk Clerk		14.61
99095 - Embalmer		34.10
99130 - Flight Follower		28.81
99251 - Laboratory Animal Caretaker I		14.86
99252 - Laboratory Animal Caretaker II		16.25
99260 - Marketing Analyst 99310 - Mortician		35.57 34.10
99410 - Pest Controller		21.89
99510 - Photofinishing Worker		17.97
99710 - Recycling Laborer		22.98
99711 - Recycling Specialist		28.16
99730 - Refuse Collector		20.81
99810 - Sales Clerk		13.71
99820 - School Crossing Guard		16.38
99830 - Survey Party Chief		31.00
99831 - Surveying Aide		19.26
99832 - Surveying Technician		29.45
99840 - Vending Machine Attendant		15.48
99841 - Vending Machine Repairer		19.67
99842 - Vending Machine Repairer Helper		15.48

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706 Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the Service Contract Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness injury or other health-related needs including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill injured or has other health-related needs including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is the victim of domestic violence sexual assault or

stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

ALL OCCUPATIONS LISTED ABOVE RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:

HEALTH & WELFARE: \$4.60 per hour up to 40 hours per week or \$184.00 per week or \$797.33 per month

HEALTH & WELFARE EO 13706: \$4.23 per hour up to 40 hours per week or \$169.20 per week or \$733.20 per month\*

\*This rate is to be used only when compensating employees for performance on an SCA-covered contract also covered by EO 13706 Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors. A contractor may not receive credit toward its SCA obligations for any paid sick leave provided pursuant to EO 13706.

VACATION: 2 weeks paid vacation after 1 year of service with a contractor or successor 3 weeks after 5 years and 4 weeks after 15 years. Length of service includes the whole span of continuous service with the present contractor or successor wherever employed and with the predecessor contractors in the performance of similar work at the same Federal facility. (Reg. 29 CFR 4.173)

HOLIDAYS: A minimum of eleven paid holidays per year: New Year's Day Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Washington's Birthday Memorial Day Juneteenth National Independence Day Independence Day Labor Day Columbus Day Veterans' Day Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. (A contractor may substitute for any of the named holidays another day off with pay in accordance with a plan communicated to the employees involved.) (See 29 CFR 4.174)

THE OCCUPATIONS WHICH HAVE NUMBERED FOOTNOTES IN PARENTHESES RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING:

1) COMPUTER EMPLOYEES: Under the SCA at section 8(b) this wage determination does not apply to any employee who individually qualifies as a bona fide executive administrative or professional employee as defined in 29 C.F.R. Part 541. Because most Computer System Analysts and Computer Programmers who are compensated at a rate not less than \$27.63 (or on a salary or fee basis at a rate not less than \$455 per week) an hour would likely qualify as exempt computer professionals (29 C.F.R. 541. 400) wage rates may not be listed on this wage determination for all occupations within those job families. In addition because this wage determination may not list a wage rate for some or all occupations within those job families if the survey data indicates that the prevailing wage rate for the occupation equals or exceeds \$27.63 per hour conformances may be necessary for certain nonexempt employees. For example if an individual employee is nonexempt but nevertheless performs duties within the scope of one of the Computer Systems Analyst or Computer Programmer occupations for which this wage determination does not specify an SCA wage rate

then the wage rate for that employee must be conformed in accordance with the conformance procedures described in the conformance note included on this wage determination.

Additionally because job titles vary widely and change quickly in the computer industry job titles are not determinative of the application of the computer professional exemption. Therefore the exemption applies only to computer employees who satisfy the compensation requirements and whose primary duty consists of:

- (1) The application of systems analysis techniques and procedures including consulting with users to determine hardware software or system functional specifications;
- (2) The design development documentation analysis creation testing or modification of computer systems or programs including prototypes based on and related to user or system design specifications;
- (3) The design documentation testing creation or modification of computer programs related to machine operating systems; or
- (4) A combination of the aforementioned duties the performance of which requires the same level of skills. (29 C.F.R. 541.400).
- 2) AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS AND WEATHER OBSERVERS NIGHT PAY & SUNDAY PAY: If you work at night as part of a regular tour of duty you will earn a night differential and receive an additional 10% of basic pay for any hours worked between 6pm and 6am. If you are a full-time employed (40 hours a week) and Sunday is part of your regularly scheduled workweek you are paid at your rate of basic pay plus a Sunday premium of 25% of your basic rate for each hour of Sunday work which is not overtime (i.e. occasional work on Sunday outside the normal tour of duty is considered overtime work).

#### \*\* HAZARDOUS PAY DIFFERENTIAL \*\*

An 8 percent differential is applicable to employees employed in a position that represents a high degree of hazard when working with or in close proximity to ordnance explosives and incendiary materials. This includes work such as screening blending dying mixing and pressing of sensitive ordnance explosives and pyrotechnic compositions such as lead azide black powder and photoflash powder. All dry-house activities involving propellants or explosives. Demilitarization modification renovation demolition and maintenance operations on sensitive ordnance explosives and incendiary materials. All operations involving re-grading and cleaning of artillery ranges.

A 4 percent differential is applicable to employees employed in a position that represents a low degree of hazard when working with or in close proximity to ordnance (or employees possibly adjacent to) explosives and incendiary materials which involves potential injury such as laceration of hands face or arms of the employee engaged in the operation irritation of the skin minor burns and the like; minimal damage to immediate or adjacent work area or equipment being used. All operations involving unloading storage and hauling of ordnance explosive and incendiary ordnance material other than small arms ammunition. These differentials are only applicable to work that has been specifically designated by the agency for

ordnance explosives and incendiary material differential pay.

\*\* UNIFORM ALLOWANCE \*\*

If employees are required to wear uniforms in the performance of this contract (either by the terms of the Government contract by the employer by the state or local law etc.) the cost of furnishing such uniforms and maintaining (by laundering or dry cleaning) such uniforms is an expense that may not be borne by an employee where such cost reduces the hourly rate below that required by the wage determination. The Department of Labor will accept payment in accordance with the following standards as compliance:

The contractor or subcontractor is required to furnish all employees with an adequate number of uniforms without cost or to reimburse employees for the actual cost of the uniforms. In addition where uniform cleaning and maintenance is made the responsibility of the employee all contractors and subcontractors subject to this wage determination shall (in the absence of a bona fide collective bargaining agreement providing for a different amount or the furnishing of contrary affirmative proof as to the actual cost) reimburse all employees for such cleaning and maintenance at a rate of \$3.35 per week (or \$.67 cents per day). However in those instances where the uniforms furnished are made of ""wash and wear"" materials may be routinely washed and dried with other personal garments and do not require any special treatment such as dry cleaning daily washing or commercial laundering in order to meet the cleanliness or appearance standards set by the terms of the Government contract by the contractor by law or by the nature of the work there is no requirement that employees be reimbursed for uniform maintenance costs.

\*\* SERVICE CONTRACT ACT DIRECTORY OF OCCUPATIONS \*\*

The duties of employees under job titles listed are those described in the ""Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations"" Fifth Edition (Revision 1) dated September 2015 unless otherwise indicated.

\*\* REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION AND WAGE RATE Standard Form 1444 (SF-1444) \*\*

Conformance Process:

The contracting officer shall require that any class of service employee which is not listed herein and which is to be employed under the contract (i.e. the work to be performed is not performed by any classification listed in the wage determination) be classified by the contractor so as to provide a reasonable relationship (i.e. appropriate level of skill comparison) between such unlisted classifications and the classifications listed in the wage determination (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(i)). Such conforming procedures shall be initiated by the contractor prior to the performance of contract work by such unlisted class(es) of employees (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(ii)). The Wage and Hour Division shall make a final determination of conformed classification wage rate and/or fringe benefits which shall be paid to all employees performing in the classification from the first day

of work on which contract work is performed by them in the classification. Failure to pay such unlisted employees the compensation agreed upon by the interested parties and/or fully determined by the Wage and Hour Division retroactive to the date such class of employees commenced contract work shall be a violation of the Act and this contract. (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(v)). When multiple wage determinations are included in a contract a separate SF-1444 should be prepared for each wage determination to which a class(es) is to be conformed.

The process for preparing a conformance request is as follows:

- 1) When preparing the bid the contractor identifies the need for a conformed occupation(s) and computes a proposed rate(s).
- 2) After contract award the contractor prepares a written report listing in order the proposed classification title(s) a Federal grade equivalency (FGE) for each proposed classification(s) job description(s) and rationale for proposed wage rate(s) including information regarding the agreement or disagreement of the authorized representative of the employees involved or where there is no authorized representative the employees themselves. This report should be submitted to the contracting officer no later than 30 days after such unlisted class(es) of employees performs any contract work.
- 3) The contracting officer reviews the proposed action and promptly submits a report of the action together with the agency's recommendations and pertinent information including the position of the contractor and the employees to the U.S. Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division for review (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(ii)).
- 4) Within 30 days of receipt the Wage and Hour Division approves modifies or disapproves the action via transmittal to the agency contracting officer or notifies the contracting officer that additional time will be required to process the request.
- 5) The contracting officer transmits the Wage and Hour Division's decision to the contractor.
- 6) Each affected employee shall be furnished by the contractor with a written copy of such determination or it shall be posted as a part of the wage determination (See 29 CFR 4.6(b)(2)(iii)).

Information required by the Regulations must be submitted on SF-1444 or bond paper.

When preparing a conformance request the ""Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations"" should be used to compare job definitions to ensure that duties requested are not performed by a classification already listed in the wage determination. Remember it is not the job title but the required tasks that determine whether a class is included in an established wage determination. Conformances may not be used to artificially split combine or subdivide

classifications listed in the wage determination (See 29 CFR 4.152(c)(1))."



# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

# **DOING BUSINESS WITH INTEGRITY**

#### Introduction

You are receiving this because you are a contractor or a vendor who does repeated business with the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), Government of the District of Columbia, or you are an organization or individual outside the OCFO with whom we frequently interact.

Our purpose is to advise you of the high expectation of integrity that we strive to bring to bear in all of our business relationships.

#### Environment of Trust

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer is committed to maintaining working relationships that are founded on fair and honest exchanges in all of our business interactions. Our employees are held to high standards of ethical behavior in the conduct of their official business.

We want to share these expectations of ethical business practices with you to ensure that our business relationships are conducted with the highest level of honesty and integrity.

#### OCFO Code of Conduct for Employees

The OCFO Code of Conduct imparts three fundamental values for employees:

- Employees should conduct themselves in such a manner as to maintain and enhance the integrity and professional reputation of the OCFO organization
- Employees should not use their position to secure unwarranted privileges, awards, or exemptions for themselves or others
- Employees should avoid real or perceived conflicts of interest between the employee's private interest and the employee's official duties.

For your reference, the OCFO Code of Conduct can be accessed electronically at <a href="https://www.cfo.dc.gov">www.cfo.dc.gov</a>. Go to Information, click on Integrity and Oversight, then click on Integrity Documents to reach the Code of Conduct.

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# Confidentiality of Financial and Other Information

We expect our employees to maintain absolute confidentiality concerning all information that they obtain, observe, or create relating to the financial affairs of those we do business with. We vigorously investigate any compromise of confidentiality by employees or any attempts to improperly obtain such information by private parties or businesses.

### Bribery and Conflict of Interest

In addition to our standards of conduct, there are certain criminal statutes in the federal criminal code relating to bribery and conflict of interest that apply not only to employees of the federal government, but also to employees of the District of Columbia.

- The offer of anything of value in expectation of specific performance by a government employee is a crime, and even the appearance of such activity should be avoided.
- Employees may not accept anything of value (other than their government salaries) for the performance of their duties. This is outlined below under Gratuities and Other Gift Rules.
- Our employees are required to report all offers of bribes and gratuities to us, and we ensure that these matters are investigated and addressed. Likewise, we encourage anyone who believes they may have been solicited for a bribe or gratuity by an OCFO employee to report the matter immediately, as indicated at the end of this document.
- We also expect our employees to avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest. A particularly sensitive issue for government employees is the offer of employment with a company doing business with the OCFO. At any point when a government employee is considering employment with a private company that has a business relationship with the government, that employee must discontinue work on any assignment involving that company or face the very real possibility of violating conflict of interest statutes. This could also jeopardize the company's eligibility to be awarded government contracts.
- Employees are also expressly forbidden from performing official duties in situations involving friends, relatives or persons or businesses with whom they, or their family members, have a financial relationship. At any point where such a relationship is discovered or develops, the employee must discontinue their involvement in the official matter. For the employee and the business entity to continue to conduct official business after such a conflict is evident, would be inappropriate and possibly illegal.

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#### Gratuities

It is always gratifying to hear that our staff has provided exemplary service to those with whom we do business. Sometimes, however, the expression of appreciation is made in a form that is inappropriate for government employees to accept.

OCFO employees are prohibited by law from accepting money or other things of value as an appreciation for a job well done. Sometimes even the mere offer of something of value may violate bribery and gratuity statutes. A more appropriate expression of gratitude for the service rendered is a letter to the employee's supervisor. If you don't know who that is, you may simply send your letter to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, and it will be routed to the proper official.

#### Other Gift Rules

Gifts of food and/or beverages, even during holiday seasons and other celebratory occasions, are not acceptable if the giver has a business relationship of any kind with the D.C. Government. Such offers, while well-intentioned, tend to give the impression of a special relationship between the giver and the government employee.

This rule does not apply to the offer and acceptance of an insignificant item, such as a soft drink, coffee, donuts and other modest items of food and refreshments when not offered as part of a meal. Additional information on gift rules and exceptions is contained in OCFO Code of Conduct, which can be accessed electronically at <a href="https://www.cfo.dc.gov">www.cfo.dc.gov</a>. Go to Information, click on Integrity and Oversight, then click on Integrity Documents to reach the Code of Conduct.

#### Compliance with Contracting Rules and Regulations

Ensuring compliance with the provisions of contracts is an important expectation of government employees. Even so, we have seen examples where the rules were not followed, usually based on the "need to get the job done." Such behavior puts both the government employee and the contractor in jeopardy.

If modifications to existing contracts are necessary, they should be formally pursued in accordance with OCFO contracting rules and regulations. No work outside the specifications of a contract should be performed without an approved contract modification. Performing work outside of contract specifications or beyond authorized funding, could result in a default for the contractor and denial of payment for such work. In the more extreme cases, failure to comply with contracting regulations could be considered fraud and may be investigated as a criminal violation.

# Reporting Misconduct, Fraud, Waste and Abuse

The OCFO has a zero tolerance policy for fraud and misconduct involving its employees and programs. Similarly, we do not tolerate attempts to corrupt our employees.

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The Office of Integrity and Oversight is an independent entity of the OCFO with responsibility for protecting the integrity of the OCFO and preventing fraud and other misconduct in OCFO programs. OIO conducts investigations of alleged employee misconduct and works closely with federal and District law enforcement agencies in investigating criminal offenses affecting the integrity of the OCFO.

We all want the government's business to be conducted fairly, impartially, and with the highest degree of integrity. The best way to ensure this is to report any indication that illegal acts or administrative misconduct may have occurred. Here is how you can report such matters, by telephone, in person, mail, or electronically:

# OCFO Office of Integrity and Oversight

1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.; Suite 750-E Washington, DC 20024 (202) 442-6433

In addition to receiving your report, investigators are available to discuss any questions or concerns you may have about the matter. Reporting can also be done electronically at the OCFO website: <a href="www.cfo.dc.gov">www.cfo.dc.gov</a>. Under Information, click on the Integrity and Oversight link, and then click on Reporting Incidents and Concerns.

#### **OCFO** Confidential Hotline

In order to address any concern about reporting anonymously, the OCFO has contracted with an independent, third-party organization that provides a confidential hotline service. This hotline is available for reporting allegations of OCFO employee misconduct, and fraud, waste and abuse involving OCFO programs.

Reports can be made by telephone to this toll-free hotline, which is staffed 24 hours a day, at 1-877-252-8805, or it can be accessed at <a href="https://www.ocfo.ethicspoint.com">www.ocfo.ethicspoint.com</a>.

#### District of Columbia Office of the Inspector General

Reports of fraud, waste and abuse may be reported to the Office of the Inspector General by telephone at 1-800-521-1639, or electronically at <a href="https://www.oig.dc.gov">www.oig.dc.gov</a>.

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# Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit

This Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit ("Affidavit") is entered into by <u>Navient B.P.O., LLC</u> ("Contractor").

- 1. The Contractor and the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia ("OCFO") have entered into contract CFOPD-22-C-014, as amended (the "Contract").
- 2. In performing these activities, Contractor understands that all information provided to it by the OCFO, including, but not limited to, the Office of Tax and Revenue ("OTR") or any other agency within the OCFO is confidential (1) which are District tax returns or return information (2) which is identified as confidential at the time of disclosure or (3) which is such that a reasonable person would consider, from the nature of the information and circumstances of disclosure, is confidential, with the exception of information that is shown to have been:
  - (a) Rightfully in the possession of Contractor prior to the date of disclosure of such information to Contractor, as evidenced by written documents; or
  - (b) In the public domain prior to the date of disclosure to Contractor; or
  - (c) Supplied to Contractor by a third party who is under no obligation to the OCFO to maintain such information in confidence; or
  - (d) Developed by or for Contractor independently of the disclosure made under this Affidavit.
- 3. Any Federal tax returns or return information (hereafter referred to as returns or return information) made available shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of the Contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone other than an officer or employee of the contractor is prohibited.
- 4. In order to safeguard District and Federal confidential information from unauthorized disclosure by Contractor in performance of its tasks under the Contract, Contractor agrees to comply with and assume responsibility for compliance by its employees of the following requirements:
  - (a) All work will be done under the supervision of Contractor or Contractor employees.
  - (b) The Contractor and the Contractor's employees with access to or who use FTI must meet the background check requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075.
  - (c) Any such confidential information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Contract.

- (d) Such confidential information will be treated as confidential and will not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of the Contract or as may be required by law, regulation or legal process. Thus, Contractor shall limit disclosure of such information within its own organization to only its partners, directors, officers, principals, or employees having a need to know, or partners, directors, officers, principals, or employees of affiliated entities or subcontractors having a need to know. Any personal or tax information protected by law from disclosure inadvertently given to Contractor by the OCFO, OTR, or any other department within the OCFO is protected tax information and is not to be disclosed under the confidentiality provisions of sections 820.01(d)(1) and (3), 821(d)(2), 1805.04, 2018, 2210, 3719, 4406 of the Title 47 of the D.C. Official Code, sections 508.1 and 608.1 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, and I.R.C. § 6103.
- (e) Disclosure to anyone other than such directors, officers, or employees, of Contractor, or other than an OCFO official involved in review and evaluation of the functions of the OCFO, is prohibited.
- (f) All such confidential information will be accounted for upon receipt and properly stored before, during, and after processing.
- (g) In addition, all related output will be given the same level of protection as required for the source tax information material. All returns and return information will be accounted for upon receipt and properly stored before, during, and after processing. No work involving returns and return information furnished under the Contract will be subcontracted without prior written approval of the IRS.
- (h) All computer systems processing, storing and transmitting confidential information must meet or exceed reasonable computer access protection controls. To meet these requirements, the operating security features of the system must have the following minimum requirements: a security policy, accountability procedures and documentation. Reasonable security features must be activated to protect against unauthorized use of and access to confidential information.
- (i) In addition, all computer systems receiving, processing, storing or transmitting Federal Tax Information must meet the requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075. To meet functional and assurance requirements, the security features of the environment must provide for the managerial, operational, and technical controls. All security features must be available and activated to protect against unauthorized use of and access to Federal Tax Information.
- (j) Contractor agrees that, at the time the work is completed, at the request of the OCFO, any such confidential information processed during the performance of the Contract will be completely purged from all data storage components of Contractor's computer facilities, and no output will be retained by Contractor; provided, however, Contractor may retain a copy of such information to the extent required by professional standards, Contractor's policies or in connection with computer system backups. If immediate purging of all information storage components is not possible, Contractor certifies that any such information, including any

- Federal Tax Information, remaining in any storage component will be safeguarded to prevent unauthorized disclosures.
- (k) Contractor will be responsible for the destruction of spoilage or any known intermediate hard copy printouts related to the confidential information, and will provide the OTR or representative designated by the OCFO with a statement containing the date of destruction, description of material destroyed, and the method used. Contractor may retain a copy of such information to the extent required by professional standards or Contractor's policies. However, any Federal Tax Information processed, as described above in this paragraph, will be given to the OCFO or his or her designee. If this is not possible, Contractor will be responsible for the destruction of the spoilage or any intermediate hard copy printouts, and will provide the above-referenced statement to the OCFO or his or her designee.
- (l) Contractor will maintain a list of employees authorized access to such information. Contractor will provide this list to, OTR, or the designated OCFO agency and provide updates of any changes to that list promptly after they occur. Such list will be provided upon request to the IRS reviewing office. No work involving Federal Tax Information furnished under this contract will be subcontracted without prior written approval of the IRS. Contractor shall include with each list and update an Affidavit Acknowledgment Form (enclosed) signed by each employee authorized to access to such information.
- (m) This Affidavit shall not be construed as creating, conveying, transferring, granting or conferring upon Contractor or any other person any rights, license or authority in or to the information exchanged, except the limited right to use such information for the purposes specified in the Contract.
- (n) No license or conveyance of any intellectual or property rights is granted or implied by this Affidavit or the Contract.
- (o) Neither the OCFO nor its representative agencies has an obligation under this Affidavit to purchase any service, goods, or intangibles from Contractor or any other person.
- (p) Furthermore, Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the exchange of information under the Contract shall not commit or bind the District or its representative agencies and/or employees to any present or future contractual relationship (except as specifically stated herein), nor shall the exchange of information be construed as an inducement to act or not to act in any given manner.
- (q) No specification in this Affidavit of any particular remedy shall be construed as a waiver or prohibition of any other remedies in the event of a breach, or threatened breach of this Affidavit.
- (r) This Affidavit is made under and shall be construed according to the laws of the District. In the event that this Affidavit, is breached, any and all disputes must be settled in a court of competent jurisdiction in the District of Columbia. The parties agree to waive any right to a trial by jury.

- (s) If any of the provisions of this Affidavit are found to be unenforceable, the remainder shall be enforced as fully as possible and the unenforceable provision(s) shall be deemed modified to the limited extent required to permit enforcement of the Contract as a whole.
- (t) The OCFO will have the right to void the contract if the Contractor fails to provide the safeguards described above.
- 5. **INSPECTION**. The IRS and the OCFO, with 24 hour notice, shall have the right to send its inspectors into the offices and plants of the Contractor to inspect facilities and operations performing any work with FTI under this contract for compliance with requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075. The IRS' right of inspection shall include the use of manual and/or automated scanning tools to perform compliance and vulnerability assessments of information technology (IT) assets that access, store, process or transmit FTI. On the basis of such inspection, corrective actions may be required in cases where the contractor is found to be noncompliant with contract safeguards.

#### 6. CRIMINAL/CIVIL SANCTIONS

- (a) Each officer or employee of any person (including Contractor) to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that returns or return information disclosed to such officer or employee can be used only for a purpose and to the extent authorized herein, and that further disclosure of any such returns or return information for a purpose or to an extent unauthorized herein constitutes a felony punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as \$5,000 or imprisonment for as long as five years, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized future disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount not less than \$1,000 with respect to each instance of unauthorized disclosure. These penalties are prescribed by IRCs 7213 and 7431 and set forth at 26 CFR 301.6103(n)-1.
- (b) Each officer or employee of any person (including Contractor) to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that any return or return information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone without an official need-to-know constitutes a criminal misdemeanor punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for as long as 1 year, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized inspection or disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount equal to the sum of the greater of \$1,000.00 for each act of unauthorized inspection or disclosure with respect to which such defendant is found liable or the sum of the actual damages sustained by the plaintiff as a result of such unauthorized inspection or disclosure plus in the case of a willful inspection or disclosure which is the result of gross negligence, punitive damages, plus the costs of the action. The penalties are prescribed by IRCs 7213A and 7431.

- (c) Additionally, it is incumbent upon the Contractor to inform its officers and employees of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a(i)(1), which is made applicable to contractors by 5 U.S.C. 552a(m)(1), provides that any officer or employee of a contractor, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position, has possession of or access to agency records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is so prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.
- (d) Contractor will participate in safeguard awareness training, provided by OTR, prior to accessing and/or handling Federal Tax Information. Contractor hereby certifies that each individual understands the OCFO's security policy and procedures for safeguarding IRS information. Contractor will maintain their authorization to access Federal Tax Information through annual recertification. The initial certification and recertification will be documented and placed in the OCFO's files for review. As part of the certification and at least annually afterwards, Contractors will be advised by the OCFO of the provisions of IRCs 7431, 7213, and 7213A. The training provided by the OCFO before the initial certification and annually thereafter will also cover the incident response policy and procedure for reporting unauthorized disclosures and data breaches. For both the initial certification and the annual certification, Contractor will sign, either with ink or electronic signature, a confidentiality statement certifying their understanding of the security requirements.

WHEREFORE, Contractor acknowledges that they have read and understand this Affidavit and voluntarily accept the duties and obligations set forth herein.

CONTRACTOR:	
By: Chad Wilson	Date: _ <sup>08/22/2022</sup>
Name: Chad Wilson	
Title: President	

# ATTACHMENT J.5 Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit Acknowledgment Form

for

The Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit understood and agreed to by <u>Navient B.P.O.</u>, <u>LLC</u> ("Contractor") related to the Contract No. <u>CFOPD-22-C-014</u>, entered into between the Contractor and the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia ("OCFO")

WHEREFORE, as an employee, or as a subcontractor, of the Contractor, I, solely and individually, acknowledge:

- 1) HEREBY, I have received the Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit,
- 2) HEREBY, I have read and understand the Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Affidavit, and
- 3) WHEREAS, I voluntarily accept the duties and obligations and shall comply with the policies set forth therein and any revisions made thereto.

Signature:	
Name:	
Title:	
Name of Employer:	
Date:	