Request for Proposal (RFP) for Full Service Fee Accountant Services

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RFP Document

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INTRODUCTION

The Madison Housing Authority (The Agency) requests proposals (RFP) from qualified Public Housing Specialized Accounting firms to perform fee accounting services for Madison Housing Authority (MHA). The Agency's fiscal year end is December 31st and the agency maintains contractual arrangements with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to manage and operate its Low-Income Public Housing (LIPH) program which includes Capital Fund programs. MHA operates 50 public housing units located in one community.

MHA's LIPH program has an annual budget of approximately \$320,000 in operating subsidy and tenant rents and the annual Capital Fund program grants are approximately \$170,000.

RFP INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

[Table No. 2]

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HA CONTACT PERSON	Miguel Acosta, Telephone 336-917-6085 Email: Macosta@haws.org
HOW TO OBTAIN THE RFP DOCUMENTS ON THE APPLICABLE INTERNET SITE	 Access www.haws.org. Click on the "Bids" tab in the upper right side. Follow the listed directions. If you have any problems in accessing the system, please call Miguel Acosta at the above listed number.
HOW TO FULLY RESPOND TO THIS RFP BY SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL	As instructed within Section 3.0 of the RFP document, Submit 3 copies of your "hard copy" proposal to the Housing Authority of Winston-Salem office.
LAST DAY FOR QUESTIONS (IN WRITING ONLY!)	Tuesday, April 30, 2024
	Macosta@haws.org
PROPOSAL SUBMITAL RETURN & DEADLINE	Tuesday, May 21, 2024 500 W 4 th St, Suite 300, Winston-Salem, NC 27101 *The proposal must be received in-hand and time-stamped by the HA by no later than 2:00 PM on this date.

1.0 HA'S RESERVATION OF RIGHTS:

- 1.1 The HA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality in the RFP process, or to terminate the RFP process at any time, if deemed by the HA to be in its best interests.
- 1.2 The HA reserves the right not to award a contract pursuant to this RFP.
- 1.3 The HA reserves the right to terminate a contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, at any time for its convenience upon 10 days written notice to the successful proposer(s).
- 1.4 The HA reserves the right to determine the days, hours and locations that the successful proposer(s) shall provide the services called for in this RFP.
- 1.5 The HA reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and not permit withdrawal for a period of 60 days subsequent to the deadline for receiving proposals without the written consent of the HA Procurement Manager (PM).
- 1.6 The HA reserves the right to negotiate the fees proposed by the proposer entity.
- 1.7 The HA reserves the right to reject and not consider any proposal that does not meet the requirements of this RFP, including but not necessarily limited to incomplete proposals and/or proposals offering alternate or non-requested services.
- 1.8 The HA shall have no obligation to compensate any proposer for any costs incurred in responding to this RFP.
- 1.9 The HA shall reserve the right to at any time during the RFP or contract process to prohibit any further participation by a proposer or reject any proposal submitted that does not conform to any of the requirements detailed herein. Each prospective proposer is agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions listed within this document, and further agrees that he/she will inform the PM in writing within 5 days of the discovery of any item listed herein or of any item that is issued thereafter by the HA that he/she feels needs to be addressed. Failure to abide by this time frame shall relieve the HA, but not the prospective proposer, of any responsibility pertaining to such issue.
- 2.0 SCOPE OF WORK/TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS. MHA seeks proposals from qualified and experienced firms to provide full service general fee accounting services, software services and advice for financial planning and daily fiscal operations to the agency. It is expected that the fee accounting services will be performed in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and offers must have thorough knowledge and experience with HUD rules and regulations as they pertain to financial matters. Additional accounting services may be requested. The Fee Accounting firm shall perform all the necessary services provided under this contract under all terms and conditions as specified by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), State of North Carolina and local agencies to keep the Agency compliant and consistent with all rules, regulations and laws. The firm shall perform and carry out, in a satisfactory, timely and proper manner, as determined by the Agency, the following:

- 2.1 Prepare, review and maintain accurate updated books, records, and accounts of the Agency in accordance with the procedures outlined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the state of North Carolina and local governments and grantors.
- 2.2 Prepare, review and ensure accuracy of journal entries as required monthly for the programs, including proposing correcting entries where necessary and implementing documented policies and processes to ensure continued General Ledger accuracy.
- 2.3 Handle all accounts payable functions and processes for MHA.
- 2.4 Provide the necessary assistance with required accurate regulatory and mandated filings on a timely manner. Filings include and are not limited to Schedule of Expenditure of Federal Awards (SEFA), Financial Data Schedules (FDS), etc.
- 2.5 Perform the monthly, quarterly and year end close for the fiscal year (12/31), to include but not limited to reviewing and producing final trial balances, reconciliation of all balance sheet accounts, reconciling bank statements, creation of all necessary work-paper schedules and roll forwards, year-end entries, complete year-end tasks required by the programs and funders, audit prep, reconciliation of inter-fund and cash accounts and transmission of the FDS.
- 2.6 Review existing Capital Fund program and budgets for the purpose of determining eligible activities under the Capital program. Reconcile Capital Funds GL to HUD online system and Agency documents monthly.
- 2.7 Prepare timely, analyze, and submit after MHA review, FDS (audited & unaudited), HUD Capital budgets/budget revisions and other HUD or funder related reporting required for the programs based on deadlines set by HUD/Funders.
- **2.8** Establish and maintain subsidiary books of account and records for the Agency in accordance with the procedures outlined by HUD.
- **2.9** Maintain and reconcile MHA's ELOCCS accounts in HUD system.
- **2.10** Prepare, in coordination with the Agency Executive Director, the annual operating budgets and present to the MHA Board.
- **2.11** Be available and serve as a consultant on accounting and fiscal matters.
- **2.12** Provide internal auditing/review services as may be requested by the Agency.
- **2.13** Attend meetings of the Agency when requested by the Agency.
- **2.14** Prepare other fiscal reports and statements when requested by the Agency.
- **2.15** Perform such other accounting and fiscal services when requested by the Agency.
- **2.16** Perform all the services and comply with all the terms and conditions, as set forth in the agreement for Accounting Services.

- **2.17** Review all program related documents and make any suggestions to management to ensure a clean audit.
- **2.18** Prepare all audit schedules, reconciliations and documentation requested and work with external auditors on the annual audit.
- 2.19 Maintain Agency's property ledger in accordance with HUD rules and regulations.
- **2.20** Perform all accounting functions required by the MHA.
- **2.21** Inform MHA Executive Director and Board of required and proposed applicable rules and regulations.
- **2.22** Prepare and process MHA payroll on schedule as required by the Agency, including all applicable reporting requirements.
- 2.23 Provide or help MHA obtain public housing operational and accounting software.
- 2.24 Qualifications and Experience
 - Both the firm and the personnel assigned to MHA shall have:
 - Experience and knowledge of HUD accounting, regulations and requirements,
 GAAP accounting practices as well as applicable Federal, State and Local rules, regulations and laws.
 - Experience as Public and Affordable Housing accountant, with at least 5 years of experience with Public Housing Authorities (PHAs).

3.0 PROPOSAL FORMAT:

Tabbed Proposal Submittal: The HA intends to retain the successful proposer pursuant to a "Best Value" basis, not a "Low Proposal" basis ("Best Value," in that the HA will, as detailed within the following Section 4.0, consider factors other than just cost in making the award decision). Therefore, so that the HA can properly evaluate the offers received, all proposals submitted in response to this RFP must be formatted in accordance with the sequence noted following. Each category must be separated by numbered index dividers (which number extends so that each tab can be located without opening the proposal) and labeled with the corresponding tab reference also noted below. None of the proposed services may conflict with any requirement the HA has published herein or has issued by addendum.

[Table No. 3]

RFP	Tab	
Section	No.	Description
3.1.1	1	Form of Proposal: This Form is attached hereto as Attachment B to this RFP document. This 1-page Form must be fully completed, executed where provided thereon and submitted under this tab as a part of the proposal submittal.
3.1.2	2	Form HUD-5369-C (8/93), Certifications and Representations of Offerors, Non-Construction Contract: This Form is attached hereto as Attachment H to this RFP document. This 2-page Form must be fully completed, executed where provided thereon and submitted under this tab as a part of the proposal submittal.
3.1.3	3	Profile of Firm Form: The Profile of Firm Form is attached hereto as Attachment D to this RFP document. This 2-page Form must be fully completed executed and submitted under this tab as a part of the proposal submittal.
3.1.4	4	Proposed Services: As more fully detailed within Section 2.0, Scope of Work/Technical Specifications, of this document, the proposer shall, at a minimum, clearly detail within the information submitted under this tab documentation showing:
3.1.4.1		As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 2, herein, the proposer's Demonstrated Understanding of the HA's Requirements.
3.1.4.2		As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 3, herein, the proposer's Technical Approach (including, if appropriate, labor categories, estimated hours and skill mix) and the proposer's proposed Work Plan to provide the required services.
3.1.4.3		As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 4, herein, the proposer's Technical Capabilities (in terms of personnel,

		equipment and materials) and Management Plan (including staffing of key positions, method of assigning work and procedures
		for maintaining level of service, etc.).
3.1.4.4		As detailed within Section 4.1, Evaluation Factor No. 5, herein,
		the proposer's Demonstrated Experience in performing similar
		work and the proposer's Demonstrated Successful Past
		Performance (including meeting costs, schedules and
		performance requirements) of contract work substantially similar
		to that required by this solicitation.
3.1.4.5		If appropriate, how staff are retained, screened, trained and monitored;
3.1.4.6		The proposed quality control program;
3.1.4.7		An explanation and copies of forms that will be used and reports
		that will be submitted and the method of such reports (i.e.
		written; fax; internet; etc.);
3.1.4.8		A complete description of the products and services the firms
		provides.
3.1.5	5	Managerial Capacity/Financial Viability: The proposer entity
		must submit under this tab a concise description of its managerial
		and financial capacity to deliver the proposed services, including
		brief professional resumes for the persons identified within areas
		(5) and (6) of Attachment D, Profile of Firm Form. Such
		information shall include the proposer's qualifications to provide
		the services; a description of the background and current
2.4.6		organization of the firm.
3.1.6	6	Client Information: The proposer shall submit a listing of former
		or current clients, including the Public Housing Authorities, for whom the proposer has performed similar or like services to those
		being proposed herein. The listing shall, at a minimum, include:
3.1.6.1		The client's name;
3.1.6.2		The client's contact name;
3.1.6.3		The client's telephone number;
3.1.6.4		A brief description and scope of the service(s) and the dates the
		services were provided;
3.1.7	7	Equal Employment Opportunity: The proposer must submit
	_	under this tab a copy of its Equal Opportunity Employment Policy.
3.1.8	8	Section 3 Business Preference Documentation (Optional Item):
		For any proposer claiming a Section 3 Business Preference, he/she
		shall under this tab include the fully completed and executed
		Section 3 Business Preference Certification Form attached hereto
		as Attachment C and any documentation required by that form.
3.1.9	9	Other Information (Optional Item): The proposer may include
		hereunder any other general information that the proposer
		believes is appropriate to assist the HA in its evaluation.

- If no information is to be placed under any of the above noted tabs (especially the Optional" tabs), please place there under a statement such as
- "NO INFORMATION IS BEING PLACED UNDER THIS TAB" or "THIS TAB LEFT INTENTIONALLY BLANK."
- <u>DO NOT</u> eliminate any of the tabs.

- **3.2 Proposal Submittal Binding Method:** It is preferable and recommended that the proposer bind the proposal submittals in such a manner that the HA can, if needed, remove the binding (i.e. "comb-type;" etc.) or remove the pages from the cover (i.e. 3-ring binder; etc.) to make copies then conveniently return the proposal submittal to its original condition.
- 3.3 Entry of Proposed Fees: The proposed fees shall be submitted by the proposer and received by the HA where provided on the Bid Form (Attachment B.) Unless otherwise stated, the proposed fees are all-inclusive of all related costs that the successful proposer will incur to provide the noted services, including, but not limited to: employee wages and benefits; clerical support; overhead; profit; licensing; insurance; materials; supplies; tools; equipment; long distance telephone calls; document copying not specifically agreed to by the HA; etc. No costs for the travel required by the contractor will be allowed, and must be included in and covered by the service costs.
- 3.4 Additional Information Pertaining to the Pricing Items:
 - **3.4.1 Quantities:** All quantities entered by the HA herein are for calculating purposes only. As may be further detailed herein, the HA does not guarantee any minimum or maximum amount of work as a result of any award ensuing from this RFP, as the ensuing contract will be a Requirements Contract, in that the HA shall retain one contractor only and shall retain the right to order from that contractor (successful proposer), on a task order basis, any amount of services the HA requires.
 - **3.4.2 Price Escalation:** At the discretion of the PM, at the end of the first one-year contract period (and at the end of any ensuing extended contract period), there may be an escalation of labor costs allowed, in the amount of any escalation that occurs pertaining to the corresponding federal government cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase per annual period.
 - 3.4.2.1 Notification Must Be Received From Contractor: The Contractor must notify the PM, in writing, of such desired escalation at least 60 days prior to the end of the noted contract period(s). Such escalations may occur no more than once in any 12-month period without the express written consent of the PM.
- 3.5 Proposal Submission: All proposals must be submitted and time-stamped received in the designated HA office by no later than the submittal deadline stated herein (or within any ensuing addendum). A total of 1 original signature copy (marked "ORIGINAL") and 2 exact copies (each of the 3 separate proposal submittals shall have a cover and extending tabs) of the proposal submittal, shall be placed unfolded in a sealed package and addressed to:

Attention: Miguel Acosta, Procurement Manager Housing Authority of Winston-Salem 500 W 4th St, Suite 300 Winston-Salem, NC 27101 The package exterior must clearly denote the above noted RFP number and must have the proposer's name and return address. Proposals received after the published deadline will not be accepted.

- 3.5.1 Submission Conditions: DO NOT FOLD OR MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL MARKS, NOTATIONS OR REQUIREMENTS ON THE DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED! Proposers are not allowed to change any requirements or forms contained herein, either by making or entering onto these documents or the documents submitted any revisions or additions; and if any such additional marks, notations or requirements are entered on any of the documents that are submitted to the HA by the proposer, such may invalidate that proposal. If, after accepting such a proposal, the HA decides that any such entry has not changed the intent of the proposal that the HA intended to receive, the HA may accept the proposal and the proposal shall be considered by the HA as if those additional marks, notations or requirements were not entered on such. By using and submitting these documents, each prospective proposer that does so is thereby agreeing to confirm all notices that the HA delivers to him/her as instructed, and by submitting a proposal, the proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions published herein and by addendum pertaining to this RFP.
- 3.5.2 Submission Responsibilities: It shall be the responsibility of each proposer to be aware of and to abide by all dates, times, conditions, requirements and specifications set forth within all applicable documents issued by the HA, including the RFP document, the documents listed within the following Section 3.8, and any addenda and required attachments submitted by the proposer. By virtue of completing, signing and submitting the completed documents, the proposer is stating his/her agreement to comply with the all conditions and requirements set forth within those documents. Written notice from the proposer not authorized in writing by the PM to exclude any of the HA requirements contained within the documents may cause that proposer to not be considered for award.
- 3.6 Proposer's Responsibilities--Contact With the HA: It is the responsibility of the proposer to address all communication and correspondence pertaining to this RFP process to the PM only. Proposers must not make inquiry or communicate with any other HA staff member or official (including members of the Board of Commissioners) pertaining to this RFP. Failure to abide by this requirement may be cause for the HA to not consider a proposal submittal received from any proposer who may has not abided by this directive.
 - 3.6.1 Addendums: All questions and requests for information must be addressed in writing to the PM by 3:00 PM Tuesday, April 30, 2024. The PM will respond to all such inquiries in writing by addendum to all prospective proposers (i.e. firms or individuals that have obtained the RFP Documents). During the RFP solicitation process, the PM will NOT conduct any *ex parte* (a substantive conversation—"substantive" meaning, when decisions pertaining to the RFP are made—between the HA and a prospective proposer when other prospective proposers are not present) conversations that may give one prospective proposer an advantage over other prospective proposers. This does not mean that prospective proposers may not call the PM—it simply

means that, other than making replies to direct the prospective proposer where his/her answer has already been issued within the solicitation documents, the PO may not respond to the prospective proposer's inquiries but will direct him/her to submit such inquiry in writing so that the PM may more fairly respond to all prospective proposers in writing by addendum.

3.7 Proposer's Responsibilities - Equal Employment Opportunity and Supplier Diversity:
Both the Contractor and the Agency have, pursuant to HUD regulation, certain responsibilities pertaining to the hiring and retention of personnel and subcontractors.

Within 2 CFR §200.321 it states:

Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. The non-federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

Affirmative steps must include:

- (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
- (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

Within HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2 it states:

Section 15.5.A, Required Efforts. Consistent with Presidential Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432, the [Agency] shall make every effort to ensure that small businesses, MBEs, WBEs, and labor surplus area businesses participate in [Agency] contracting.

Section 15.5.B, Goals. [The Agency] is encouraged to establish goals by which they can measure the effectiveness of their efforts in implementing programs in support of contracting with disadvantaged firms. It is important to ensure that the means used to establish these goals do not have the effect of limiting competition and should not be used as mandatory set-aside or quota, except as may otherwise be expressly authorized in regulation or statute. Some localities have adopted minority

contracting set-aside policies or geographic limitations, which may be in conflict with Federal requirements for full and open competition.

Within our Agency Procurement Policy it states that our Agency will: Assistance to Small and Other Business, Required Efforts:

- (1) Including such firms, when qualified, on solicitation mailing lists;
- (2) Encouraging their participation through direct solicitation of bids or bids whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by such firms;
- (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by such firms;
- (5) Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce;
- (7) Including in contracts, to the greatest extent feasible, a clause requiring contractors, to provide opportunities for training and employment for Section 3 workers and to award subcontracts for work in connection with the project to business concerns which provide opportunities to low-income residents, as described in 24 CFR Part 75 (so-called Section 3 firms);
- (8) Requiring prime contractors, when subcontracting is anticipated, to take the positive steps listed above and
- (9) Section 3 efforts to ensure that employment, training, contracting and other economic opportunities generated by certain HUD financial assistance are directed to low and very low income persons, particularly those who receive government assistance for housing and for business to provide economic opportunities to low and very low income persons.
 - Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are targeted Section 3 workers;
 - Direct on-the-job training (including apprenticeships);
 - Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for or paying tuition for, off-site training technical assistance to help Section 3 workers; and
 - Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.
- **Recap of Attachments:** It is the responsibility of each proposer to verify that he/she has downloaded the following attachments pertaining to this RFP, which are hereby by reference included as a part of this RFP:

[Table No. 4]

RFP Section	Attachment	Attachment Description
3.8.1	Α	Annual Audit Report FYE 12/31/2022
3.8.2	В	Form of Proposal
3.8.3	С	Section 3 Forms, including explanation
3.8.4	D	Profile of Firm Form

3.8.5	E	Iran Divestment Act Certification
3.8.6	F	Non-Collusive Affidavit Form
3.8.7	G	Form HUD-5369-B (8/93), Instructions to Offerors, Non- Construction
3.8.8	Н	Form HUD-5369-C (8/93), Certifications and Representations of Offerors, Non-Construction Contract
3.8.9	I	Form HUD-5370-CI and CII (1/14), General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts Section I (With or without Maintenance Work)
3.8.10	J	HAWS Sample Contract Form (please note that this contract is being given as a sample onlythe HA reserves the right to revise any clause herein and/or to include within the ensuing contract any additional clauses that the HA feels it is in its best interests to do so)

4.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION:

4.1 Evaluation Factors: The following factors will be utilized by the HA to evaluate each proposal submittal received; award of points for each listed factor will be based upon the documentation that the proposer submits within his/her proposal submittal:

[Table No. 5] NO. MAX POINT **FACTOR VALUE TYPE FACTOR DESCRIPTION** The PROPOSED COSTS the proposer proposes to charge the HA to 1 15 points Objective complete the required work. 2 10 points Subjective The proposer's **DEMONSTRATED UNDERSTANDING of the** (Technical) REQUIREMENT; 3 Subjective The APPROPRIATENESS of the TECHNICAL APPROACH 20 points (Technical) (including labor categories, estimated hours and skill mix) and the QUALITY of the WORK PLAN. Subjective 4 The proposer's TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES (in terms of personnel, 20 points (Technical) equipment and materials) and the MANAGEMENT PLAN (including staffing of key positions, method of assigning work and procedures for maintaining level of service, etc.). 5 Subjective The proposer's **DEMONSTRATED EXPERIENCE** in performing similar 25 points work and the proposer's **DEMONSTRATED SUCCESSFUL PAST** (Technical) **PERFORMANCE** (including meeting costs, schedules and performance requirements) of contract work substantially similar to that required by this solicitation as supported by references included or other means. Subjective 10 points The OVERALL QUALITY AND PROFESSIONAL APPEARANCE OF (Technical) THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED, based upon the opinion of the evaluators. 100 points 100 points Total Points (other than preference points)

4.1.2 Preference Evaluation Factor: The following factors will be utilized by the PM to evaluate each proposal submittal received:

[Table No. 6]

NO.	MAX POINT VALUE	FACTOR TYPE	FACTOR DESCRIPTION
7		Objective	SECTION 3 BUSINESS PREFERENCE PARTICIPATION: A firm
			may qualify for Section 3 status as detailed within Attachment C (NOTE: A max of 5 points awarded).
7a	15 points		Priority I: As detailed on page 5 of Attachment C.
7b	12 points		Priority II: As detailed on page 5 of Attachment C.
7c	9 points		Priority III: As detailed on page 5 of Attachment C.
7d	6 points		Priority IV: As detailed on page 5 of Attachment C.
7e	3 points		Priority V/VI: As detailed on page 5 of Attachment C.
	15 points		Maximum Preference Points (Additional)

115 points Total Possible Points	
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4.2 Evaluation Method:

- **4.2.1 Initial Evaluation for Responsiveness:** Each proposal received will first be evaluated for responsiveness (e.g., meets the minimum of the published requirements). The HA reserves the right to reject any proposals deemed by the HA not minimally responsive (the HA will notify such firms in writing of any such rejection.)
- **4.2.2 Evaluation Packet for Proposals Deemed Responsive:** Internally, an evaluation packet will be prepared for each evaluator, including the following documents:
 - **4.2.2.1** Instructions to Evaluators;
 - **4.2.2.2** Proposal Tabulation Form;
 - **4.2.2.3** Written Narrative Justification Form for each proposer;
 - **4.2.2.4** Recap of each proposer's responsiveness;
 - **4.2.2.5** Copy of all pertinent RFP documents.
- **4.2.3 Evaluation Committee:** The HA anticipates that it will select a minimum of a three-person committee to evaluate each of the responsive "hard copy" proposals submitted in response to this RFP. PLEASE NOTE: No proposer shall be informed at any time during or after the RFP process as to the identity of any evaluation committee member. If, by chance, a proposer does become aware of the identity of such person(s), he/she <u>SHALL NOT</u> make any attempt to contact or discuss with such person anything related to this RFP. As detailed within Section 3.6 of this document, the designated PM is the only person at the HA that the proposers shall contact pertaining to this RFP. Failure to abide by this requirement may (and most likely will) cause such proposer(s) to be eliminated from consideration for award.

- **4.2.4 Evaluation:** The PM will evaluate and award points pertaining to Evaluation Factors No. 1 and 7 (the "Objective" Factors). The appointed evaluation committee, independent of the PM or any other person at the HA, shall evaluate the responsive proposals submitted and award points pertaining to Evaluation Factors No. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 (the "Subjective" Factors). Upon final completion of the proposal evaluation process, the evaluation committee will forward the completed evaluations to the PM.
- 4.2.5 Potential "Competitive Range" or "Best and Finals" Negotiations: The HA reserves the right to, as detailed within Section 7.2.N through Section 7.2.R of HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2, conduct a "Best and Finals" Negotiation, which may include oral interviews, with all firms deemed to be in the competitive range. Any firm deemed not to be in the competitive range shall be notified of such in writing by the HA in a timely manner as possible, but in any case within no longer than 5 days after the beginning of such negotiations with the firms deemed to be in the competitive range.
- **4.2.6 Determination of Top-ranked Proposer:** Typically, the subjective points awarded by the evaluation committee will be combined with the objective points awarded by the PM to determine the final rankings, which is typically forwarded by the PM to the ED for approval. If the evaluation was performed to the satisfaction of the ED, the final rankings may be forwarded to the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners (BOC) at a scheduled meeting for approval. Contract negotiations may, at the HA's option, be conducted prior to or after the BOC approval.
 - **4.2.6.1 Minimum Evaluation Results:** To be considered to receive an award a proposer must receive a total calculated average of at least 70 points (of the 115 total possible points detailed within Section 4.1 herein).
 - **4.2.6.2 Ties:** In the case of a tie in points awarded, the award shall be decided as detailed within Section 6.12.C of HUD Procurement Handbook 7460.8 REV 2, by "drawing lots or other random means of selection."
- **4.2.7 Notice of Results of Evaluation:** If an award is completed, all proposers will receive by e-mail a Notice of Results of Evaluation. Such notice shall inform all proposers of:
 - **4.2.7.1** Which proposer received the award;
 - **4.2.7.2** Where each proposer placed in the process as a result of the evaluation of the proposals received;
 - **4.2.7.3** The cost or financial offers received from each proposer;
 - **4.2.7.4** Each proposer's right to a debriefing and to protest.

4.2.8 Restrictions: All persons having familial (including in-laws) and/or employment relationships (past or current) with principals and/or employees of a proposer entity will be excluded from participation on the HA evaluation committee. Similarly, all persons having ownership interest in and/or contract with a proposer entity will be excluded from participation on the HA evaluation committee.

5.0 CONTRACT AWARD:

- **5.1 Contract Award Procedure:** If a contract is awarded pursuant to this RFP, the following detailed procedures will be followed:
 - By completing, executing and submitting the Form of Proposal, Attachment B, the "proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions pertaining to this RFP as issued by the HA, including the contract clauses already attached as Attachment J. Accordingly, the HA has no responsibility to conduct after the submittal deadline any negotiations pertaining to the contract clauses already published.
- **5.2 Contract Conditions:** The following provisions are considered mandatory conditions of any contract award made by the HA pursuant to this RFP:
 - 5.2.1 Contract Form: The HA will execute a contract on the HA form (please see Sample Contract, Attachments J), and by submitting a proposal the successful proposer agrees to do so (please note that the HA reserves the right to amend this form as the HA deems necessary). However, the HA will consider any contract clauses, attachments, forms, etc. that the proposer wishes to include therein and submits in writing a request for the HA to do so; but the failure of the HA to include such clauses does not give the successful proposer the right to refuse to execute the HA's contract form. It is the responsibility of each prospective proposer to notify the HA, in writing, prior to submitting a proposal, of any contract clause that he/she is not willing to include in the final executed contract and abide by. The HA will consider and respond to such written correspondence, and if the prospective proposer is not willing to abide by the HA's response (decision), then that prospective proposer shall be deemed ineligible to submit a proposal.
 - **5.2.1.1** Please note that the HA has no legal right or ability to (and will not) at any time negotiate any clauses contained within ANY of the HUD forms included as a part of this RFP.
 - **5.2.2** Assignment of Personnel: The HA shall retain the right to demand and receive a change in personnel assigned to the work if the HA believes that such change is in the best interest of the HA and the completion of the contracted work.

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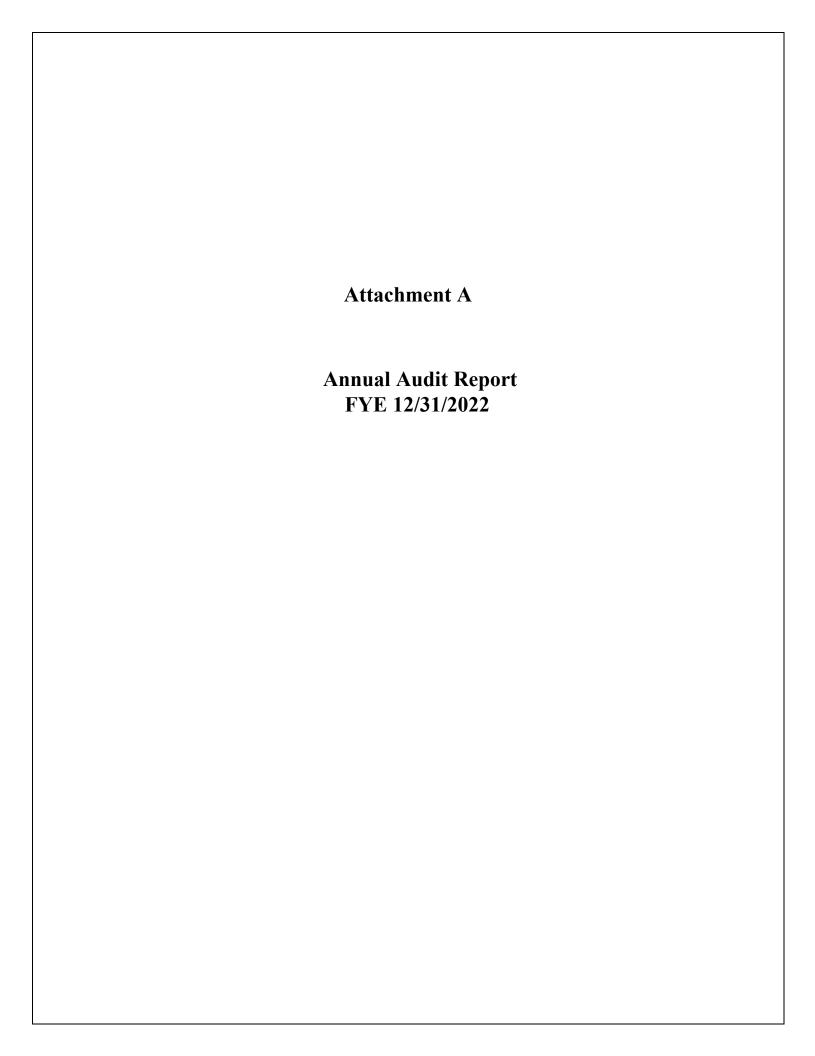
- 5.2.3 Unauthorized Sub-Contracting Prohibited: The successful proposer shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this RFP (including, but not limited to, selling or transferring the contract) without the prior written consent of the PM. Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of the PM shall be void and may result in the cancellation of the contract with the HA, or may result in the full or partial forfeiture of funds paid to the successful proposer as a result of the proposed contract; either as determined by the PM.
- **5.3 Contract Period:** The HA anticipates that it will initially award a contract for the period of 1 year and will continue with (4) annual option years, unless terminated at the HA's sole discretion.
- **5.4** Licensing and Insurance Requirements: Prior to award (but not as a part of the proposal submission) the *successful proposer* will be required to provide:
 - 5.4.1 An original certificate evidencing the proposer's current industrial (worker's compensation) insurance carrier and coverage amount;
 - An original certificate evidencing General Liability coverage, naming the HA as an additional insured, together with the appropriate endorsement to said policy reflecting the addition of the HA as an additional insured under said policy (minimum of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, general aggregate minimum limit of \$5,000,000, together with damage to premises and fire damage of \$50,000 and medical expenses any one person of \$5,000), with a deductible of not greater than \$1,000;
 - An original certificate showing the proposer's professional liability and/or "errors and omissions" coverage (minimum of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, general aggregate minimum limit of \$5,000,000), with a deductible of not greater than \$1,000;
 - An original certificate showing the proposer's automobile insurance coverage in a combined single limit of \$1,000,000. For every vehicle utilized during the term of this program, when not owned by the entity, each vehicle must have evidence of automobile insurance coverage with limits of no less than \$50,000/\$100,000 and medical pay of \$5,000.
 - 5.4.5 A copy of the proposer's business license allowing that entity to provide such services within the County of Forsyth and the City of Winston-Salem, NC;
 - **5.4.6** If applicable, a copy of the proposer's license issued by the State of NC licensing authority allowing the proposer to provide the services detailed herein.
 - The requested related information shall also be entered where provided for on the Profile of Firm Form (DO NOT ATTACH SUBMIT COPIES WITHIN THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL--we will garner the necessary certificates from the successful proposer prior to contract execution).

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- 5.5 Right To Negotiate Final Fees: The HA shall retain the right to negotiate the amount of fees that are paid to the successful proposer, meaning the fees proposed by the top-rated proposer may, at the HA's options, be the basis for the beginning of negotiations. Such negotiations shall begin after the HA has chosen a top-rated proposer. If such negotiations are not, in the opinion of the PM successfully concluded within 5 business days, the HA shall retain the right to end such negotiations and begin negotiations with the next-rated proposer. The HA shall also retain the right to negotiate with and make an award to more than one proposer, as long as such negotiation(s) and/or award(s) are addressed in the above manner (i.e. top-rated first, then next-rated following until a successful negotiation is reached).
- **5.6 Contract Service Standards:** All work performed pursuant to this RFP must conform and comply with all applicable local, state and federal codes, statutes, laws and regulations.

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(With Supplementary Information)
and Independent Auditor's Report

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Commissioners Madison Housing Authority

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Madison Housing Authority as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Madison Housing Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the Madison Housing Authority, as of December 31, 2022, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Madison Housing Authority and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Madison Housing Authority's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Madison Housing Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
 to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
 in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of Madison Housing Authority's internal control. Accordingly, no
 such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Madison Housing Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 to 7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Madison Housing Authority's basic financial statements. The HUD financial data schedule is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR") Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.



The HUD financial data schedule and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the HUD financial data schedule and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 25, 2023, on our consideration of the Madison Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Madison Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Madison Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Charlotte, North Carolina

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August 25, 2023

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) December 31, 2022

The management of the Madison Housing Authority (the "Authority") offers a narrative overview and analysis of its audited financial statements for fiscal year ended December 31, 2022.

This management discussion and analysis is presented in accordance with the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement #34. We have made every effort to provide the reader with adequate understanding of the Authority's annual operating results and financial position as of December 31, 2022.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the Authority exceeded its liabilities at December 31, 2022 by \$864,890 as opposed to \$767,544 for the prior fiscal period.
- The Authority's unrestricted cash and restricted cash as of December 31, 2022 was \$464,596 representing an increase of approximately \$154,236 or 49.7% from December 31, 2021.
- The Authority's total revenues and grants were approximately \$490,487 and total expenses were approximately \$393,141 for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The following outline describes the integral parts of this financial presentation and is a guideline for understanding its components:

- MD&A: Serves as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements
- II. Basic financial statements
- III. Notes to the financial statements
- IV. Supplementary information

The financial statements in this report are those of a special purpose government entity engaged in a business type activity. The following statements are included:

- Statement of Net Position presents information about the Authority's assets and liabilities. The Statement of Net Position reports all financial and capital resources for the Authority. The statement is presented in the format where assets, minus liabilities, equal "Net Position," formerly known as equity or net assets. Assets and liabilities are presented in the order of liquidity and are classified as "current" (convertible to cash within one year), and "non-current." Increases and decreases in net position will serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.
- Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position reports the Authority's revenues by source and type and expenses by category to substantiate the changes in net position for the fiscal year.
- Statement of Cash Flows discloses net cash provided by, or used for operating activities, investing activities, non-capital financing activities, and capital related financing activities.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) December 31, 2022

Statement of Net Position

The following table represents the condensed Statements of Net Position as of December 31, 2022 and 2021:

		2022	 2021
Assets Current assets Capital assets	\$	467,556 442,230	\$ 324,092 488,810
Total Assets	\$	909,786	\$ 812,902
Liabilities Current liabilities	_\$	44,896	\$ 45,358
Total Liabilities		44,896	45,358
Net Position Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted net position		442,230 422,660	488,810 278,734
Total Net Position		864,890	767,544
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$	909,786	\$ 812,902

Cash and restricted cash increased by approximately \$154,236 (49.7%) from the previous year.

Current Liabilities have decreased by approximately \$462 (1%) at December 31, 2022 from the previous year.

The Authority's net position increased by approximately \$97,346 (12.7%) at December 31, 2022 from the previous year.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) December 31, 2022

Statement of revenues and expenses

The following table represents the condensed Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	2022		2021	
Net tenant rental revenue HUD operating grants Other revenue	\$	93,055 395,928 1,504	\$	92,737 355,391 426
Total Revenue		490,487		448,554
Operating expenses Depreciation expense		346,561 46,580		373,259 47,367
Total Expenses		393,141		420,626
Change in Net Position		97,346		27,928
Net Position, beginning of year		767,544		739,616
Net Position, end of year	\$	864,890	\$	767,544

Total Revenue has increased by approximately \$41,933 (9.4%) from the previous year.

Operating Grants increased by approximately \$40,537 (11.4%) from the previous year.

Capital Assets

As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Authority's investment in capital assets was \$442,230 and \$488,810 (net of accumulated depreciation), respectively.

Additional information on the Authority's capital assets can be found in Note 3 of this report.

Economic Factors and Budgetary Highlights

The Authority is primarily dependent upon HUD for the funding of operations; therefore, the Authority is affected more by both the Federal budget and local economic conditions.

Contacting the Authority's Financial Management

Our financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and creditors with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to show the Authority's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or wish to request additional financial information contact Nancy Thomas, CFO, Housing Authority of the City of Winston-Salem, Managing Agent, 500 West 4th St., Suite 300, Winston-Salem, NC 27101 (336) 917-6066.

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2022

<u>Assets</u>

Current Assets	
Cash - unrestricted	\$ 454,997
Accounts receivable - tenants, net	2,316
Prepaid expenses and other	644_
Total Current Assets	457,957
Restricted Assets	
Cash - restricted	9,599
Total Restricted Assets	9,599
Capital Assets	
Land	36,063
Buildings and improvements	2,654,268
Furniture and equipment	20,376
	2,710,707
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(2,268,477)
Total Capital Assets	442,230_
Total Assets	\$ 909,786

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2022

Liabilities and Net Position

Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 26,963
Tenant security deposits	9,599
Accrued expenses	8,110
Unearned revenue	224_
Total Current Liabilities	44,896_
Total Liabilities	44.906
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Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	442,230
Unrestricted net position	422,660
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Total Net Position	864,890_
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 909,786

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Year Ended December 31, 2022

Operating Revenue	
Net tenant rental revenue	\$ 93,055
HUD operating subsidy and grant revenue	395,928
Other income	168
Total Operating Revenue	489,151
Operating Expenses	
Administrative	71,696
Utilities	42,039
Maintenance and operations	127,466
General	105,360
Depreciation	46,580
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Total Operating Expense	393,141
Operating Income (Loss)	96,010
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	
Interest income	1,336
Total Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	1,336
Total Non-Operating Nevertue (Expenses)	
Change in Net Position	97,346
Net Position - Beginning	767,544
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Net position - Ending	\$ 864,890

Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 2022

Cash flows from operating activities	
Dwelling rent receipts	\$ 94,499
Operating subsidy and grant receipts	395,928
Other income receipts	 168
Total receipts	490,595
Payments to vendors	(324,178)
Payments to employees	`(13,517)
Total disbursements	 (337,695)
Net cash provided by operating activities	152,900
Cash flows from investing activities	
Interest income	1,336
Net cash provided by investing activities	1,336
Net increase in cash	154,236
Cash, beginning	310,360
Cash, ending	\$ 464,596
Reconciliation to Statement of Net Position:	
Cash - unrestricted	\$ 454,997
Cash - restricted	 9,599
Total	\$ 464,596
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Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 2022

Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities Operating income (loss)	\$	96,010
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by	<u> </u>	30,010
operating activities		
Depreciation		46,580
Changes in asset and liability accounts		
(Increase) decrease in assets		
Accounts receivable - tenants		847
Prepaid expenses and other assets		9,925
Increase (decrease) in liabilities		
Accounts payable		(2,478)
Accrued expenses		1,419
Unearned revenue		7
Tenant security deposits		590
Total adjustments		56,890
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	152,900

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2022

Note 1 - Organization and summary of significant accounting policies

Organization

The Madison Housing Authority ("MHA" or the "Authority") is a public body and a body corporate and politic created under the Authority of Chapter 157 of the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina. The Authority was created for the purpose of providing safe and sanitary housing for the citizens of the City of Madison, North Carolina (the "City").

The Authority is a related organization to the City of Madison in view of the fact that the Authority's Board of Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Madison and the City of Madison has the ability to remove the appointed board members for cause. However, the Authority is not a component unit of the financial reporting entity of the City of Madison since it designates its own management, approves its own budget, and maintains its own accounting system. In addition, the City provides no financial support to the Authority and is not obligated for the Authority's debts or entitled to any surpluses of the Authority. The City is not financially accountable for the Authority since it cannot impose its will on the Authority and there is no potential for the Authority to provide financial benefit to, or impose financial burdens on, the City of Madison. On the basis of the application of these criteria, the Authority is a legally separate entity that is fiscally independent of other governments and there are no other entities that are to be reported as component units of the Authority. Also, the Authority is not included in the City of Madison's financial reports. Therefore, the Authority reports independently.

Reporting entity

In determining how to define the reporting entity, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34.* These criteria include manifestation of oversight responsibility including financial accountability, appointment of voting majority, imposition of will, financial benefit to or burden on a primary organization, financial accountability as a result of fiscal dependency, potential for dual inclusion, and organizations included in the reporting entity although the primary organization is not financially accountable. Based upon the application of these criteria, the reporting entity does not have any component units.

Basis of presentation and accounting

In accordance with uniform financial reporting standards for United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") housing programs, the financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). The GASB is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Based upon compelling reasons offered by HUD, the Authority reports under the proprietary fund type (enterprise fund), which uses the accrual basis of accounting. The enterprise fund emphasizes the flow of economic resources as a measurement focus. In this fund, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time the liabilities are incurred.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2022

The enterprise method is used to account for those operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business, or where the Board has decided that the determination of revenues earned, costs incurred, and/or net income necessary for management accountability is appropriate. The intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses including depreciation) of providing services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through funding from HUD and charges to residents for rent and other fees.

The Authority's programs are accounted for as one business-type activity reported in a single enterprise fund and are as follows:

Low-Income Public Housing - The objective of the program is to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing and related facilities for eligible low-income families and the elderly.

Capital Fund Program - The objective of this program is to upgrade and modernize current housing stock and improve operations and management.

Basis of accounting and measurement focus

The basis of accounting for the enterprise fund used by the Authority is determined by measurement focus. The flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting are used to account for the Authority's enterprise fund. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. All assets and liabilities associated with the operation of the enterprise fund are included in the Statement of Net Position.

Budgets

The Authority adopts budgets on the basis of accounting consistent with the basis of accounting for the program to which the budget applies. The Authority prepares annual operating budgets, which are formally adopted by its governing Board of Commissioners. The budgets for programs funded by HUD form the basis of the Federal Financial Assistance received through HUD.

Use of estimates in preparing financial statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. These estimates may change over time.

Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable consists of payments due from HUD, rent payments due from tenants, and other miscellaneous receivables arising from the normal course of operations. A reserve for uncollectible accounts is established based on management's estimates.

Capital assets

Capital assets includes property under development, operating properties, and capital assets used in operations that cost \$1,000 or more and have an estimated useful life of at least one year. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value on the date received.

The Authority capitalizes costs associated with properties under development, including interest costs during the construction period. The carrying amount of such properties does not exceed the estimated net realizable value.

Capital assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed under the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives.

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The estimated useful lives for each major class of depreciable capital assets are as follows:

Buildings 30 years
Leasehold improvements 10 years
Furniture and fixtures 5 years

Proceeds from the disposal of capital assets are recognized in the period received. Proceeds from the sale of property acquired or significantly improved with HUD or other government funds may be required to be refunded to HUD or the other government.

Compensated absences

Compensated absences are absences for which employees will be paid, i.e., sick leave, vacation, and other approved leaves. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*, the Authority accrues the liability for those absences that the employee has earned the rights to the benefits. Accrued amounts are based on the current salary rates. Full-time, permanent employees are granted vacation and sick leave benefits in varying amounts to specified maximums depending on tenure with the Authority. Vacation and sick pay is recorded as an expense and related liability in the year earned by employees.

Operating revenues and expenses

Operating revenues and expenses consist of revenue earned and expenses incurred as a result of the principal operations of the Authority. Operating revenue results from exchange transactions associated with providing housing and related services, and federal operating subsidies and housing assistance payments that are directly related to the Authority's mission. Non-operating revenue includes capital and noncapital federal grants, interest revenue, and other revenues not meeting the definition of operating revenues. Operating expenses consist of all expenses incurred to provide housing services.

Impairment of long-lived assets

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 42, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Impairment of Capital Assets and for Insurance Recoveries, prominent events or changes in circumstances affecting capital assets are required to be evaluated to determine whether impairment of a capital asset has occurred. Impaired capital assets that will no longer be used should be reported at the lower of carrying value or fair value. Impairment of capital assets with physical damage generally should be measured using the restoration cost approach, which uses the estimated cost to restore the capital asset to identify the portion of the historical cost of the capital asset that should be written off. No such impairment loss was incurred during the year.

Rental income

Dwelling rent income is recognized as operating income for apartment rentals as they accrue. Amounts received in advance of the period in which it is earned is recorded as a liability as unearned revenue.

Prepaid items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond the fiscal year end are recorded as prepaid items.

Net investment in capital assets

Net investment in capital assets is recorded in an amount equal to capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by any debt attributable to the acquisition of those assets.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2022

Restricted assets

Certain assets may be classified as restricted assets on the statement of net position because their use is restricted by contracts or agreements with outside third parties and lending institutions.

Restricted net position

Net position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments imposed by law through constitutional provisions; or enabling legislation.

Application of restricted resources

The Authority will first apply restricted resources when an expense incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

Annual contribution contracts

The Authority has entered into annual contribution contracts with HUD to be the administrator of the housing and housing related programs described herein.

Income taxes

The Authority is not subject to Federal or State income taxes and is not required to file Federal or State income tax returns.

New accounting updates

The GASB issued Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs). This statement is effective for financial statements beginning after June 15, 2022. Management is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this standard.

The GASB issued statement No. 96, *Subscription - Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This statement is effective for financial statements beginning after June 15, 2022. Management is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this standard.

This GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The standard establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principal that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. This statement is effective for financial statements beginning after June 15, 2021. This standard was implemented during the year ended December 31, 2022 and had no effect.

Note 2 - Cash and investments

Cash

HUD requires that deposits of HUD program funds be fully collateralized at all times. Acceptable collateralization includes FDIC/FSLIC insurance and the market value of securities purchased and pledged to the political subdivision. Pursuant to HUD restrictions, obligations of the United States are allowed as security for deposits. Obligations furnished as security must be held by the Authority or with an unaffiliated bank or trust company for the account of the Authority.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2022

Investments

At times, the Authority has investments in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, and money market accounts. As of December 31, 2022, the Authority had no such investments.

Interest rate risk

Fair value fluctuates with interest rates, and increasing interest rates could cause fair value to decline below original cost. The Authority's investment policy does not specifically address the exposure to this risk but the Authority generally manages this risk by holding short-term investments with maturities of less than one year. As of December 31, 2022, the Authority had no such investments.

Credit risk

The Authority's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk. Credit risk is generally evaluated based on the credit ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations.

Custodial credit risk

This is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits and investments may not be returned to it. As of December 31, 2022, \$214,596 of the Authority's deposits were exposed to this risk because the amounts were in excess of FDIC insurance limits but the amounts were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution in the Authority's name.

Cash is reported on the statement of net position as follows:

Cash - unrestricted	\$ 454,997
Cash - restricted - tenant security deposits	9,599
	_
Total	\$ 464,596

Note 3 - Capital assets

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	De	Balance ecember 31, 2021	 Additions	trar	dditions, eletions	De	Balance ecember 31, 2022
Land	\$	36,063	\$ -	\$	-	\$	36,063
Buildings and improvements		2,654,268	-		-		2,654,268
Furniture and equipment		20,376	-				20,376
		2,710,707	-		-		2,710,707
Accumulated depreciation		(2,221,897)	(46,580)				(2,268,477)
Total	\$	488,810	\$ (46,580)	\$	-	\$	442,230

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2022

Note 4 - Contingencies

The Authority is subject to possible examinations made by federal regulators who determine compliance with terms, conditions, laws and regulations governing grants given to the Authority in the current and prior years. These examinations may result in required refunds by the Authority to federal grantors and/or program beneficiaries.

Note 5 - Economic dependency

The Authority received approximately 80% of its revenues from the federal government in the fiscal year. The grant amounts are appropriated each year at the federal level. Future reductions would be likely to have an adverse impact on operations.

Note 6 - Management fee

The Authority is managed by the Housing Authority of the City of Winston-Salem ("HAWS") under a contract dated January 10, 2018. In that capacity, HAWS performs administrative and accounting functions for the Authority and receives management, bookkeeping, and asset management fees. In accordance with the Management Agreement, fees totaling \$46,216 were charged during 2022 based on HUD-approved rates of \$63.07, \$7.50, and \$10.00 per unit month for management, bookkeeping, and asset management fees, respectively.

Note 7 - Subsequent events

Events that occur after the date of the statement of net position but before the financial statements were available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the statement of net position are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events, which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the date of the statement of net position, require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management evaluated the activity of MHA through August 25, 2023 (the date the financial statements were available to be issued) and concluded that no subsequent events have occurred that would require recognition in the financial statements or disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.



Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

To the Board of Commissioners Madison Housing Authority

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Madison Housing Authority as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Madison Housing Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 25, 2023.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Madison Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Madison Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Madison Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Madison Housing Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.



Purpose of this Report

This purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control over financial reporting and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Charlotte, North Carolina

CohnReynickZIF

August 25, 2023

Schedule of Findings, Questioned Costs, and Recommendations December 31, 2022

Our audit disclosed no findings that are required to be reported herein.



Supplementary Information

Line Item				
No.	Description	Pre	oject Totals	Total
111	Cash-unrestricted	\$	454,997 \$	454,997
114	Cash-tenant security deposits		9,599	9,599
100	Total Cash		464,596	464,596
126	Accounts receivable - tenants		9,266	9,266
126.1	Allowance for doubtful accounts - tenants		(6,950)	(6,950)
120	Total receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts		2,316	2,316
142	Prepaid expenses and other assets		644	644
150	Total Current Assets		467,556	467,556
161	Land		36,063	36,063
162	Buildings		2,325,789	2,325,789
163	Furniture, equipment and machinery - dwellings		1,413	1,413
164	Furniture, equipment and machinery - administration		18,963	18,963
165	Leasehold improvements		328,479	328,479
166	Accumulated depreciation		(2,268,477)	(2,268,477)
160	Total capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		442,230	442,230
180	Total Non-current Assets		442,230	442,230
290	Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources	\$	909,786 \$	909,786

Supplementary Information

Line Item No.	Description	Pro	ject Totals	Total
312	Accounts payable <= 90 days	\$	21,621	\$ 21,621
333	Accounts payable - other government		5,342	5,342
341	Tenant security deposits		9,599	9,599
342	Unearned revenue		224	224
346	Accrued liabilities - other		8,110	8,110
310	Total Current Liabilities		44,896	44,896
300	Total Liabilities	,	44,896	44,896
508.4	Net investment in capital assets		442,230	442,230
512.4	Unrestricted net position		422,660	422,660
513	Total Equity/Net Position		864,890	864,890
600	Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Equity/Net Position	\$	909,786	\$ 909,786

Supplementary Information

Line Item			
No.	Description	Project Totals	Total
70300	Net tenant rental revenue	\$ 87,912	\$ 87,912
70400	Tenant revenue - other	5,143	5,143
70500	Total Tenant Revenue	93,055	93,055
70600	HUD PHA operating grants	395,928	395,928
71100	Investment income - unrestricted	1,336	1,336
71500	Other revenue	168	168
70000	Total Revenue	490,487	490,487
91200	Auditing fees	8,875	8,875
91300	Management fee	46,216	46,216
91400	Advertising and marketing	116	116
91600	Office expenses	10,801	10,801
91700	Legal expense	410	410
91800	Travel	93	93
91900	Other	5,185	5,185
91000	Total Operating-Administrative	71,696	71,696
93100	Water	33,963	33,963
93200	Electricity	5,982	5,982
93300	Gas	2,094	2,094
93000	Total Utilities	42,039	42,039
94100	Ordinary maintenance and operations - labor	13,517	13,517
94200	Ordinary maintenance and operations - materials and other	19,948	19,948
94300	Ordinary maintenance and operations contracts	92,691	92,691
94500	Employee benefit contribution - ordinary maintenance	1,310	1,310
94000	Total Maintenance	127,466	127,466

Supplementary Information

Line Item No.	Description	Pro	ject Totals	Total
96110	Property insurance		8,322	8,322
96120	Liability Insurance		1,150	1,150
96130	Workmen's compensation		546	546
96100	Total Insurance Premiums		10,018	10,018
96200	Other general expenses		88,693	88,693
96300	Payments in lieu of taxes		6,649	6,649
96000	Total Other General Expenses		95,342	95,342
96900	Total Operating Expenses		346,561	346,561
97000	Excess Revenue Over Operating Expenses		143,926	143,926
97400	Depreciation expense		46,580	46,580
90000	Total Expenses		393,141	393,141
10010	Operating transfer in		166,232	166,232
10020	Operating transfer out		(166,232)	(166,232)
10100	Total other financing sources (uses)		-	
10000	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Over (Under) Expenses	\$	97,346 \$	97,346
11030	Beginning equity	\$	767,544 \$	767,544
11190	Unit months available		599	599
11210	Unit months leased		588	588

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year Ended December 31, 2022

Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal ALN	Ex	penditures	Thro	ts Passed ough to ecipients
Direct Awards					
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development					
Public and Indian Housing	14.850	\$	229,696	\$	-
Public Housing Capital Fund Program	14.872		166,232		-
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			395,928		
Total Direct Federal Awards			395,928		-
Total Federal Awards		\$	395,928	\$	-

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards December 31, 2022

Note 1 - Basis of presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the Madison Housing Authority, under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2022. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance"). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Madison Housing Authority, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Madison Housing Authority.

Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized in accordance with the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance. The Madison Housing Authority has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.



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Attachment B
Form of Proposal

FORM OF PROPOSAL

RE: FEE ACCOUNTING SERVICES	
SCHEDULE OF SALARIES	
Hourly Rate:	
Partner	\$
Senior Accountant	\$
funior Accountant	\$
Clerical Staff Other	\$
specify)	\$

Hourly rate for this proposal shall include all necessary labor, overhead, materials, equipment, tools, travel time and expenses for the successful performance of this contract.

All payments shall require written invoice from the service provider. Invoices shall be made no more frequently than on a monthly basis. This Authority shall review the invoice and, if the work is in conformance, make payment within thirty days of the owner's receipt of the invoice.

CONTRACT PERIOD AND AMOUNT

Contract will be in effect for a period of one (1) year from the Notice to Proceed. An upset limit of \$42,000.00 shall be set on this contract. Should this amount be attained prior to the end of the contract period, a new RFP will be required.

Attachment C
Section 3 Forms

Section 3 Business Preference Submittal Form

CERTIFICATION FOR BUSINESS CONCERNS SEEKING SECTION 3 BUSINESS PREFERENCE IN CONTRACTING AND DEMONSTRATION OF CAPABILITY

Name of Business:		
Address of Business:		
Type of Business: Corporation P	Partnership	Sole Proprietorship Joint Venture
Attached is the following documentation as evi Not claiming Section 3 business preference (skip		stions and pages of the form and sign below)
For business claiming status as a Section 3 re Copy of resident lease Other evidence	_	terprise: participation in a public assistance program
For the business entity as applicable: Copy of Articles of Incorporation		Certificate of Good Standing
Assumed Business Name Certificate		Partnership Agreement
List of owners/stockholder and % of each		Corporation Annual Report
Latest Board minutes appointing officers		Additional documentation
Organization chart with names and titles and b	rief functional state	ment
For business claiming Section 3 status by subcont business: List of subcontracted Section 3 business and sul amount	Ū	dollar awarded to qualified Section 3
For business claiming Section 3 status, claiming a residents or were Section 3 eligible residents with List of all current full time employees	hin 3 years of date	
PHA Residential lease (less than 3 years from date of employment)		idence of Section 3 status (less than3 years e of employment)
Evidence of ability to perform successfully under Current financial statement		ditions of the proposed contract: vned equipment
Statement of ability to comply	List of all	contracts for the past 2 years with public policy
Corporate Seal		
Authorizing Name and Signature	_	Notary
	_ My term expires:	
Title		
Signature	Date	Printed Name

SUGGESTED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN FOR UTILIZATION OF PROJECT AREA BUSINESSES

Number Of All Contracts Proposed	:		
lame Of Company:			
Dollar Value Of All Contracts Propo	osed:		
Project:			
o The Greatest Extent Feasible, Co oject Area Businesses.	ontracts Will Be Award	ded Through Negotiation Or E	Bid To Qualified
Goal of ²	These Contracts for P	roject Area Businesses:	
PROPOSED TYPE OF CONTRACT	APPROX. COST	PROPOSED TYPE OF CONTRACT	APPROX. COST
OTE: To Complete The Affirmativ	ve Action Plan, Follo	w Steps Outlines In Attached	d Exhibit.
OTE: To Complete The Affirmativ			d Exhibit.

SUGGESTED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN FOR UTILIZATION OF PROJECT AREA BUSINESSES (con'd)

SUGGESTED SECTION 3 PRELIMINARY WORKFORCE STATEMENT UTILIZATION OF LOWER INCOME PROJECT AREA RESIDENTS AS REGULAR, PERMANENT EMPLOYEES, TRAINEES, APPRENTICES.

COMPANY NAME:			
Address:			
Project:			
	PRESENT PERMANENT EMPLOYEES (At Time of Contract Signing)	SECTION 3 WORKFORCE PROJECTION (Residents)	TOTAL PROJECTED WORKFORCE INCREASE
TRAINEES	3.g.m.g)	(residents)	
APPRENTICES			
Journeypersons			
LABORERS			
SUPERVISORY			
SUPERINTENDENT			
Professional			
CLERICAL			
	OSE LOWER INCOME PROJECT AR		
Signature	Date	9	Printed Name

SECTION 3 BUSINESS PREFERENCE CLAUSE

This contract is subject to the following conditions under Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3).

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

PREFERENCE FOR SECTION 3 BUSINESS CONCERNS IN CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES

The HA has established the following priority for preference when providing contracting opportunities to Section 3 Businesses:

Priority I

Category 1a Business

Business concerns that are 51 percent or more owned by residents of the housing development or developments for which the Section 3-covered assistance is expended.

Priority II

Category 1b Business

Business concerns whose workforce includes 30 percent of residents of the housing development for which the Section 3-covered assistance is expended, or within three (3) years of the date of first employment with the business concern, were residents of the Section 3-covered housing development.

Priority III

Category 2a Business

Business concerns that are 51 percent or more owned by residents of any other housing development or developments.

Priority IV

Category 2b Business

Business concerns whose workforce includes 30 percent of residents of any other public housing development or developments, or within three (3) years of the date of first employment with the business concern, were "Section 3" residents of any other public housing development.

Priority V

Category 3 Business

Business concerns participating in HUD Youth-build programs being carried out in the metropolitan area in which the Section 3-covered assistance is expended.

Priority VI

Category 4a Business

Business concerns that are 51 percent or more owned by Section 3 residents in the metropolitan area, or whose permanent, full-time workforce includes no less than 30 percent of Section 3 residents in the metropolitan area, or within three (3) years of the date of employment with the business concern, were Section 3 residents in the metropolitan area.

Priority VII

Category 4b Business

Business concerns that subcontract in excess of 25 percent of the total amount of subcontracts to Section 3 business concerns.

Eligibility for Preference

A business concern seeking to qualify for a Section 3 contracting preference shall certify or submit evidence that the business concern is a Section business concern.

HUD directs within 24 CFR 135 that the HA may make award to qualified Section 3 business concern with the highest priority ranking and with the lowest responsive bid if that bid is:

- (a) within the maximum total contract price established by the HA; or
- (b) not more than "X" higher than the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any responsible bidder. "X" is determined as follows:

	"X" = LESSOR OF:
When the lowest responsive bid is less than	
\$100,000	10% of that bid, or \$9,000.00
When the lowest responsive bid is at least:	
\$100,000.00, but less than \$200,000.00	9% of that bid, or \$16,000.00
\$200,000.00, but less than \$300,000.00	8% of that bid, or \$21,000.00
\$300,000.00, but less than \$400,000.00	7% of that bid, or \$24,000.00
\$400,000.00, but less than \$500,000.00	6% of that bid, or \$25,000.00
\$500,000.00, but less than \$1,000,000.00	5% of that bid, or \$40,000.00
\$1,000,000.00, but less than \$2,000,000.00	4% of that bid, or \$60,000.00
\$2,000,000.00, but less than \$4,000,000.00	3% of that bid, or \$80,000.00
\$4,000,000.00, but less than \$7,000,000.00	2% of that bid, or \$105,000.00
\$7,000,000.00, or more	1.5% of the lowest responsive and
	responsible bid with no dollar limit

Atta	chment D
Profi	le of Firm

Attachment D

	P	ROFILE OF FIRM FORM	1	
(This Form must be	fully completed and	placed under Tab No. 3 of the	e "hard copy" tabbe	d proposal submittal.)
(1) PrimeSub-co	ontractor(This form must be compl	eted by and for ea	ach).
(2) Name of Firm:		Telephone:	Fa	ax:
(3) Street Address, Ci	ity, State, Zip:			
(a) Year Firm Esta	ablished; (b) Year	resume of the company, Firm Established in [JUR) Name of Parent Compar	ISDICTION]; (c) Fo	rmer Name and
(5) Identify Principals each):	/Partners in Firm	n (submit under Tab No. 5	a brief profession	nal resume for
NAME		TITLE		% OF OWNERSHIP
will work on projec resumes required al NAME		nder Tab No. 5 a brief resum	ie for each. (Do not	duplicate any
	ovided the correct — Public-I Corporatio		p of each: nt Non-P	·
or more ownership Resident- Afi		ın American America	following: Pacific Hasidic	ies by virtue of 51% ☐Asian/Indian American%
	(Caucasian) % Number:	Disabled □Other (Specify) Veteran _%%	: (MBE)	
Certified by (Agency (NOTE: A CERTIFICA	/):_ .TION/NUMBER NOT	required to propose - E	NTER IF AVAILABLE)	<u> </u>
Signature	Date	Printed Name	Company	

PROFILE OF FIRM FORM

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

Printed Name

Company

Signature

Date

Attachment E
Iran Divestment Act Certification

Name of Company:			
IRAN DIVESTMENT REQUIRED BY N.C.	ACT CERTIFICATION G.S. 143C-6A-5(a)		
As of the date listed below, the e State Treasurer pursuant to N.C.	ntity listed above is not listed on the Final Di G.S. 143-6A-4.	vestment List created by the	
The undersigned hereby certifies foregoing statement.	that he or she is authorized by the entity list	ted above to make the	
Signature	Dat	e	
Printed Name	Title	 ə	

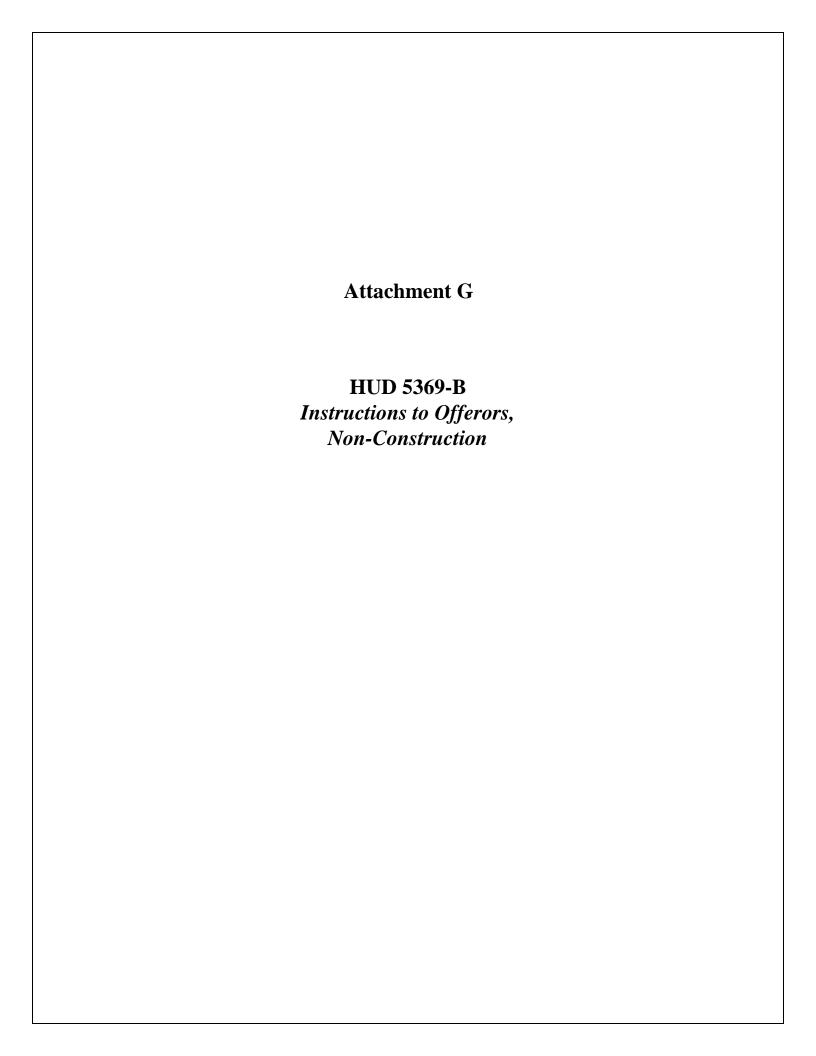
Attachment F
Attachment F
Non-Collusive Affidavit Form

Non-Collusive Affidavit Form

Procurement Department

Below is an affidavit and will provide evidentiary proof the undersigned QUOTER agrees and certifies they have NOT entered into any collusion with any other individual or other QUOTER submitting a response for the RFP. The undersigned QUOTER further agrees and certifies, they are NOT in collusion with the Madison Housing Authority, its employees, representatives, agents or any member of the Board of Commissioners.

State of	
County of	
	, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:
That he is	(Legal Name of the Bidder)
collusive or; that said bidder has no indirectly, with any bidder or perso not in any manner, directly or indir conference, with any person, to fix overhead, profit to cost element of	oposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not be colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or on, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has rectly sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or the bid price of affiant or of any other bidder, to fix is said bid price, or that of any other or to secure any sing Authority or any person interested in the proposed in said proposal or bid are true.
	Signature of:
	(Bidder, if the bidder is an Individual)
	(Partner, if the bidder is a Partnership)
	(Officer, if the bidder is a Corporation)
Subscribed and sworn to before me	
this day	
of, 20	
My Commission Expires: (Date)	
	(Signature of the Notary Public)



Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of P blic and Indian Housing



1. Preparation of Offers

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

2. Submission of Offers

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

3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

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

- (f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee isthe date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerers should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.
- (g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA wilt be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by a offerer or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal Is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an Invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

7. Contract Award

- (a) The HA will award acontract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offerer whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be mostadvantageous totheHA,costorpriceand otherfactors,specified elsewhere in this solicitation, considered.
- (b) The HA may
 - (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
 - (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
 - (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.
- (c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offers hould contain the offerer's bestterms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

- (d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offerer within the time for acceptance specified in the otter shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals, before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations afterits receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute are jection or counteroffer by the HA.
- (e) Neitherfinancial data submitted with an offer, nor representations concerning facilities or financing, will form a part of the resulting contract.

8. Service of Protest

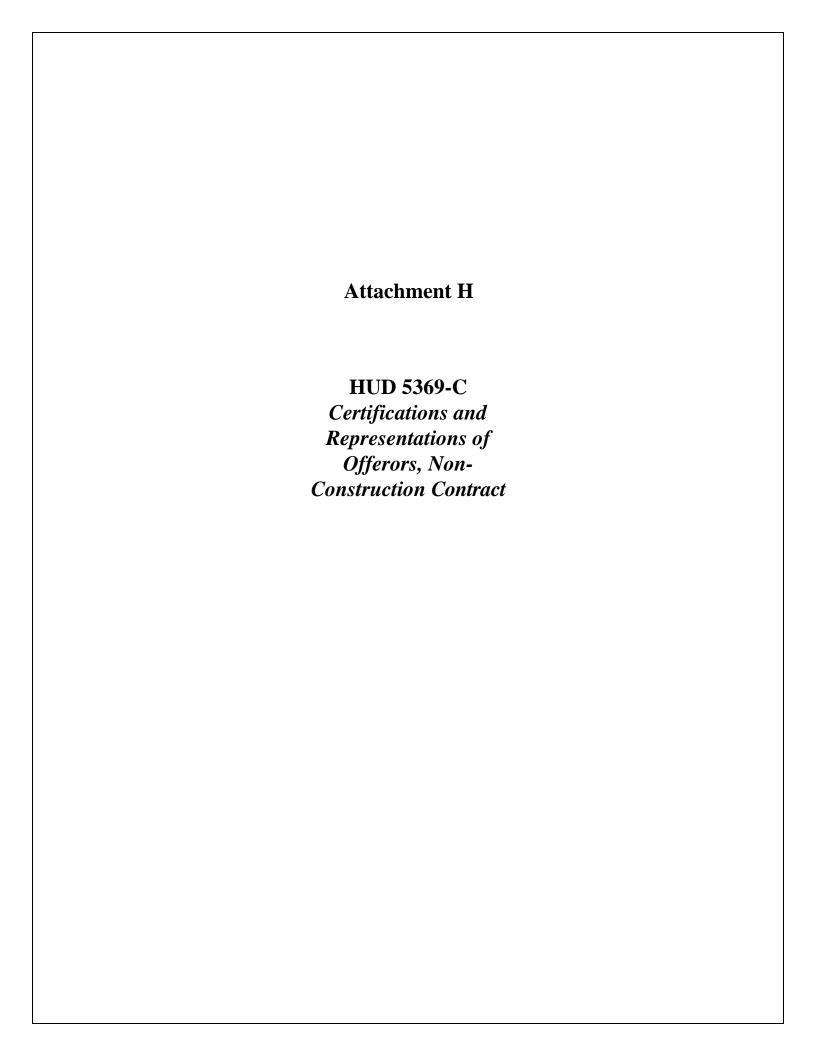
Anyprotest against theaward of acontractpursuant tothissolicitation shall beserved on the HA by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the HA at the address shown on the cover of this solicitation. The determination of the HA with regard to such protest or to proceed to award notwithstanding such protest shall be final unless appealed by the protester.

9. Offer Submission

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:}



Certifications and Representations of Offerors

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

0MB Approval No: 25TT-0180 (exp. 7/30/96)

Non-Construction Contract

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

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

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

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

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

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

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

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

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

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

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

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

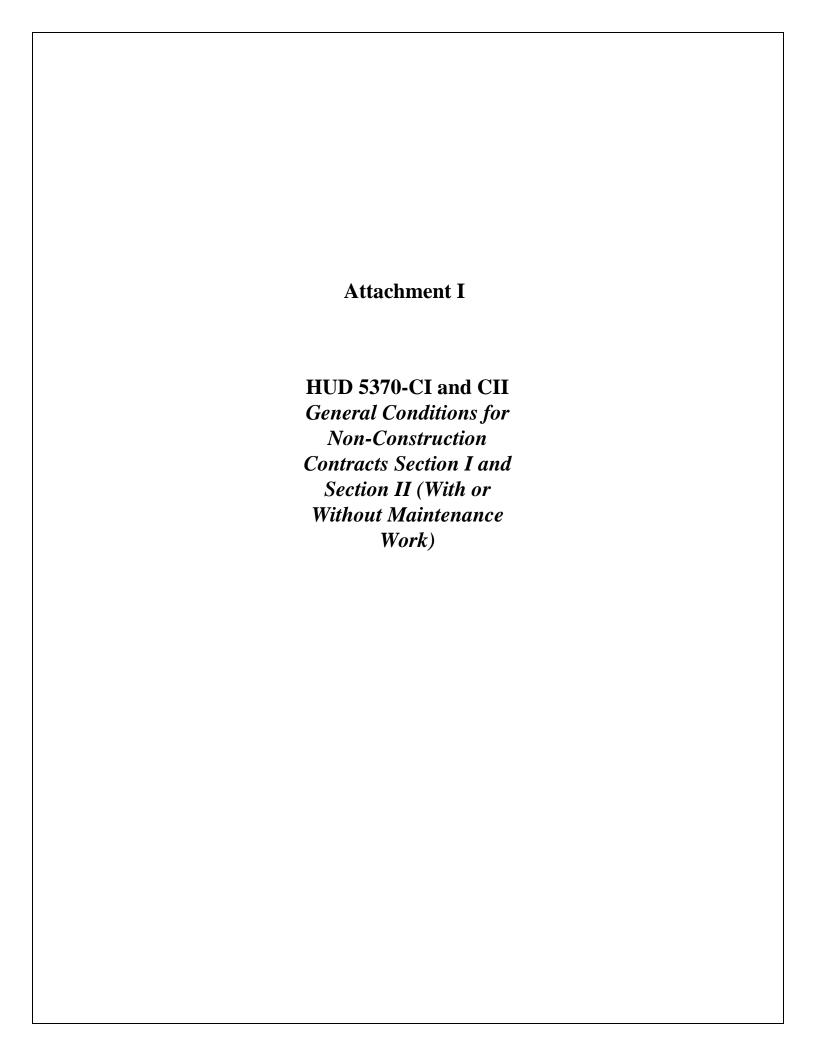
6. Conflict of Interest

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

7. Offeror's Signature

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

Signature & Date:		
Typed or Printed Name:		
Title:		



Department of Urban Housing Development

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

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

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

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

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

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

1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

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

2. Changes

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

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

3. Termination for Convenience and Default

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

4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

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

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

5. Rights in Data (Ownership and ProprietaryInterest)

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

6. Energy Efficiency

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

7. Disputes

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

8. Contract Termination; Debarment

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

9. Assignment of Contract

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

10. Certificate and Release

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

11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

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

12. Inspection and Acceptance

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

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

13. Interest of Members of Congress

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

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

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

15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- (i) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under title 5, U.S.C., including a position under a temporary appointment:
- (ii) A member of the uniformed services as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.;
- (iii) A special Government employee as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.; and,
- (iv) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, title 5, appendix2.

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

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

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

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

(b) Prohibition.

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

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

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

16. Equal Employment Opportunity

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

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

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

- (b) The [contractor/seller] will, in all solicitations or advertisement s for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employ ment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin.
- (c) The [contractor/seller] will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instance s in which an employee who has access to the compensation inform ation of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a form al complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the emplo yer, or is consistent with the [contractor/seller]'s legal duty to furnish information.
- (d) The [contractor/seller] will send to each labor union or representat ive of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or oth er contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the [contractor/seller] 's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in cons picuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (e) The [contractor/seller] will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- f)The [contractor/seller] will furnish all information and reports re quired by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (g)In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rule s, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the [contractor/seller] may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies in voked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

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

17. Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

- 1. The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any e mployee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental disability in regard to any position for which the employee or applican t for employment is qualified. The [contractor/seller] agrees to take aff irmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals with disabilities, and to treat qualified individuals without discrimination on the basis of their physical or mental disability in all employment practices, including the following:
 - i.Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures;
 ii.Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion,

transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring;

- iii.Rates of pay or any other form of compensation and chan ges in compensation;
- iv. Job assignments, job classifications, organizational struct ures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists;
 - v. Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave;
- vi.Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment, whether or not administered by the [contractor/seller];
- vii. Selection and financial support for training, including app renticeship, professional meetings, conferences, and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training;
- viii. Activities sponsored by the [contractor/seller]including social or recreational programs; and
 - ix. Any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.
- 2. The [contractor/seller] agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act
- 3. In the event of the [contractor/seller] noncompliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for noncompliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.
- 4. The [contractor/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices in a form to be prescribed by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, provided by or through the contractingofficer. Such notices shall state the rights of applicants and employees as well as the [contractor/seller] 's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified employees and applicants with disabilities.

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

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

18. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

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

19. Contractor's Status

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

20. Other Contractors

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

21. Liens

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

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

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

22. Procurement of Recovered Materials

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

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

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

Development

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

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

- Non-construction contracts (without maintenance) greater than \$150,000 - use Section I:
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.200) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$150.000 - use Section II: and
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$150,000 – use Sections I and II.

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

1. Minimum Wages

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

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

2. Withholding of funds

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

3. Records

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

4. Apprentices and Trainees

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

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

U.S. Department of Labor, ETA; or

(iii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD.

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

5. Disputes concerning labor standards

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

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

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

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6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

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

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

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

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

7. Subcontracts

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

8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

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

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

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- (iii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD.
- (b) Each apprentice or trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered or approved program for the apprentice's/trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices and trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the registered or approved program. If the program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices/trainees must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification.
- (c) The allowable ratio of apprentices or trainees to journeyman on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the employer as to the entire work force under the approved program.
- (d) Any worker employed at an apprentice or trainee wage rate who is not registered in an approved program, and any apprentice or trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the approved program, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually

performed.

(e) In the event OATELS, a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS or ETA, or HUD, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship or trainee program, the employer will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices/trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

5. Disputes concerning labor standards

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

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD). The HA or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings ofviolation. The written decision on reconsideration shall

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

contain instructions that any appeal of the decision

final.

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

Labor Relations, shall be

6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

issued by the HA or HUD. The request shall set

\$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" includes watchmen and guards.

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

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

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

7. Subcontracts

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

8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

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

Attachment J			
MHA Sample Contract			

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MADISON HOUSING AUTHORITY AND CONTRACTOR (SAMPLE)

This contract (the "Contract") is made this	day of	, 2024, by
and between	_, (hereinafter, the "	Contractor") and the Madison
Housing Authority (hereinafter, "MHA" or th	e"Authority").	
SCOPE OF CONTRACT: The parties to the		
documents comprising the "Request For Propo		
issued	by MHA on	, 2024 and identified as
(RFP No. 24-XXXX) are hereby incorporated i	into this Contract by:	reference and are made a part of
this Contract as if fully set forth herein (hereinaf	ter said documents to	be collectively referred to as the
"Contract Documents"). The Contractor here	by warrants that it	has read and is familiar with
all of the Contract Documents; and the Co	ontractor agrees to	be bound by the terms of the
Contract Documents, specifically and expres	0	· ·
Clauses for Small Purchases Other than Cons	•	· ·
for Non-Construction Contracts Section I (V	Vith or Without Mai	intenance Work).
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SECTION 1. General Scope of Work:

The Contractor shall furnish all labor, material, equipment and services required to construct and complete the Scope of Work described in (RFP No. 24-XXXX) and the Contractor shall do so in full and strict accordance with all of the specifications, plans, and requirements cited therein.

SECTION 2. Contract Amount:

A MHA shall pay the Contractor for the performance of the Contract, in current funds, subject to additions and deductions only as provided for by the Table 5.1 Mandatory Contract Clauses for Small Purchases Other than Construction and the HUD 5370-C General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts Section I (With or Without Maintenance Work), which document is incorporated into the Contract by reference as if fully set forth herein. The total not-to-exceed value of the Contract (the "Contract Amount") is:

(Narrative dollar amount) DOLLARS AND XX/CENTS (\$XXX,XXX.XX).

B. The Contract Amount is derived from the proposed fee schedule (the "Fee Schedule") submitted by the Contractor in response to RFP No. 24-XXXX, which Fee Schedule shall apply throughout the duration of the Contract unless amended by agreement of the parties.

SECTION 3. Invoices and Payments:

A. MHA will make progress payments pursuant to an approved HUD 51001, Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment submitted by the contractor. These payments will be determined by the contractor's submission of the HUD 51000, Schedule of Amounts for Contract Payments. **N/A**

B. Invoices and payment requests shall be submitted to:

Madison Housing Authority 925 Fern Street Madison, NC, 27025

SECTION 4. Contract Term:

This contract shall commence on the date first stated above and shall continue for (1) year with (4) option years exercised unless terminated by the Authority in its sole discretion.

SECTION 5. Notices:

A. Any notices, claims, requests, or similar communications made for the purpose of providing material information to MHA, requesting Contract modification, or raising a dispute under the Contract must be submitted in writing to:

Madison Housing Authority 925 Fern Street Madison, NC, 27025

B. Any notices, claims, requests, or similar communications made for the purpose of providing material information to the Contractor, requesting Contract modification, or raising or responding to a dispute under the Contract must be submitted in writingto:

Contractors Name, Representative Name & Address

SECTION 6. Warranties:

Any express warranties provided by the Contractor, including those recited in the Contract Documents, shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any and all warranties inuring to the benefit of MHA, be they express or implied, under North Carolina law. The provision by the Contractor of any express warranties does not waive or abdicate in any way MHA's protection under any and all implied warranties.

SECTION 7. Compliance:

A. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that all goods and services provided under the Contract conform to all local, state, and federal laws concerning health, safety, and environmental conditions. The Contractor hereby agrees to be responsible for all costs

incurred in complying with any such laws. No time extensions will be granted or financial consideration given by MHA to the Contractor for time or monies lost due to violations of any such laws. The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless MHA from any costs (including fines) incurred by MHA as a result of the Contractor's violations of any such laws.

B. The Contractor understands and agrees that MHA has made no representation regarding the presence or absence of any hazardous materials on, in, or around the job site. Furthermore, the Contractor agrees that MHA had made no representation or assessment regarding the need for environmental testing or abatement on, in, or around the job site. The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless MHA from any costs (including fines) incurred by MHA as a result of the Contractor's failure to conduct any required environmental testing and/or abatement in the performance of the Contract.

SECTION 8. Indemnification:

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold MHA (including its Commissioners, officers, and employees) harmless from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, suits, actions, decrees, judgments, attorney's fees, court costs, and other expenses of any kind and character, which are caused by, arise out of, or occur due to any action or failure to act by the Contractor, including the failure of the Contractor to abide by the applicable professional standards within its industry or to comply with the terms, conditions, or covenants of this Contract. It is expressly agreed that the Contractor shall, at its own expense, defend MHA (including its Commissioners, officers, and employees) against any and all claims, suits, or actions brought against it as a result of, by reason of, arising out of, on account of, or in consequence of any action or failure to act by the Contractor, including the failure of the Contractor to abide by the applicable professional standards within its industry or to comply with the terms, conditions, or covenants of this Contract.

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold MHA (including its Commissioners, officers, and employees) harmless from and against any and all claims of lien filed by any subcontractor of any tier, which claims of lien arise out of work performed under the Contract.

Any money due to the Contractor under this Contract, which MHA believes must be withheld from the Contractor to protect MHA, may be retained by MHA so long as it is reasonably necessary to ensure MHA's protection; or, either in addition or in the alternative, at MHA's sole discretion, the Contractor's surety may be held.

SECTION 9. Miscellaneous:

A. This Contract shall be governed and determined by the laws of the United States and the State of North Carolina.

- B. Any action or proceeding related to or arising out of this Contract shall be resolved only in a court of competent jurisdiction in the City of Madison, North Carolina (or the court of competent jurisdiction closest to the City of Madison if no court of competent jurisdiction resides in the City of Madison, NC), and the parties expressly waive any right they may have to cause any such action or proceeding to be brought or tried elsewhere.
- C. The invalidity of any provision of this Contract, as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction and/or HUD, shall in no way affect the validity of any other provision herein.
- D. It is agreed by and between MHA and the Contractor that in no event shall any individual (or group of) Commissioners, official, officer, or employee of MHA be personally liable or responsible for any covenant or agreement contained in the Contract Documents. Contractor hereby waives any right to pursue any claim or cause of action against any individual (or group of) Commissioner, official, officer, or employee of MHA for any action or failure to act regarding this Contract.
- E. A waiver by either party of any term or condition of the Contract Documents in any one instance shall not be deemed or construed as a waiver of any such term or condition in any other instances.
- F. In no event shall MHA be liable to the Contractor for any indirect, incidental, consequential, or exemplary damages.
- G. Signature page continued on next page.

THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH PARTY HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES BY SIGNATURE BELOW THAT THEY HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THEIR RESPECTIVE OBLIGATIONS:

MADISON HOUSING AUTHORITY ("MHA")

By:	(SEAL)
Print Name:	
Title:	
Date:	
("Contractor")	
By:	(SEAL)
Print Name:	
Title:	
Date:	