



**OAKLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY (OHA)**  
**Contract Compliance & General Services**  
 1801 Harrison Street, Oakland CA 94612  
 510-587-2166 / 510-587-2124 Fax

**QUOTE 16-013**

**DATE:** October 17, 2016 **Type of Purchase:**  
**ATTENTION TO:** All Potential Bidders  Non-Construction  
 Construction/Maintenance  
 Materials Only  
**FROM:** Kimberly Low **PHONE/EMAIL:** 510-587-2166/ Email: klow@oakha.org

**SUBJECT:** Request Written Quote for Unlawful Detainer Services Qualified List

**PROJECT NAME:** Qualified List for Unlawful Detainer Services

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Please review the documents, which are listed in the order of the bid package.

1. Scope of Work
2. Quote Form
3. Terms and Conditions
4. Insurance Requirements for Consultants
5. Certifications and Representations of Offerors – Non-Construction Contracts (HUD 5369-C)
6. General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts - Section I (HUD 5370-C)

To bid, please email or fax your quote and the following documents to the above contact staff:

1. Quote Form
2. Certifications and Representations of Offerors – Non-Construction Contracts (HUD 5369-C)

**Questions** to Kimberly Low @ klow@oakha.org or fax: 510-587-2124

**Questions:** **Due By:**  
 October 24, 2016 12:00 PM  
 Date

**DEADLINE:** **Due By:**  
 November 7, 2016 10:00 AM  
 Date Time



If selected, the following documents and requirements must be met:

- General Liability Insurance (naming OHA as additionally insured) and Workmen's Compensation Insurance certificates.
- Form W-9
- Other required forms as applicable.





## **SCOPE OF WORK**

**for**

### **Qualified List for Unlawful Detainer Services**

The Oakland Housing Authority (the "Authority") is seeking to develop a list of qualified attorneys and/or law firms ("Attorney") to provide legal services in the area of unlawful detainers and other related landlord – tenant issues.

The Authority intends to use this request for quotes to establish a qualified list of law firms to provide unlawful detainer legal services. All respondents that meet the Minimum Qualifications described in the Scope of Work, and whose rates are within the competitive range will be placed on the qualified list. When the need for unlawful detainer legal services arises, the Authority will select, at its sole discretion, an attorney from the qualified list. No firm will be awarded more than \$100,000 of work through this request for quotes.

The qualified list will be used for 12 months, and the Authority may elect to issue a Request for Proposal for further unlawful detainer legal services within a year.

#### **Scope of Services**

The attorney shall provide, on an as-needed basis, comprehensive legal advice, opinions, interpretation, representation, and other services, including but not limited to the following:

##### **Non-Payment of Rent Cases**

1. Review of "Notice to Quit" for legal validity;
2. Client consultation regarding particular matter presented;
3. Prepare unlawful detainer pleadings;
4. File and serve summons and complaint;
5. Perform all required actions from initiation of the unlawful detainer action to final disposition, including responding to motions and demurrers, responding to and promulgating discovery; performing any necessary research and drafting of court documents, and appearing in court on behalf of the Authority;
6. Appear and represent the Authority in routine litigation; when the legal counsel is of the opinion that litigation is non-routine, the Authority shall be notified promptly;
7. Provide weekly status reports to the Authority;
8. Perform related tasks as assigned by the Authority.



## **"For Cause" Cases**

1. Advise staff on preparation of pre-notices under Oakland's Measure EE;
2. Prepare Measure EE pre-notices when required by law;
3. Advise staff if cases are not sufficiently documented;
4. Prepare and serve notices for "For Cause" lease violations;
5. Prepare unlawful detainer pleadings;
6. File and serve the summons and complaint;
7. Perform all required actions from initiation of the unlawful detainer action to final disposition, including responding to motions and demurrers, responding to and promulgating discovery; performing any research and drafting of court documents, and appearing in court on behalf of the Authority;
8. Appear and represent the Authority in routine litigation. When the legal counsel is of the opinion that litigation is non-routine, the Authority shall be notified;
9. Provide weekly status reports to the Authority;
10. Perform related tasks as assigned by the Authority.

## **Related Actions and Complex Unlawful Detainer Actions**

1. Perform all required actions for complex unlawful detainer cases and related actions, such as writs and appeals.

## **Minimum Qualifications**

1. The attorney(s) and the law firm must have five years post-Bar experience representing multifamily property owners in evictions and unlawful detainer proceedings, and other landlord-tenant legal disputes. This experience must include cases in the City of Oakland which have required compliance with the Just Cause Ordinance (Measure EE).
2. The attorney(s) must have handled at least 20 unlawful detainer actions in Alameda County, including but not limited to settlements, bench trials, jury trials, and retrial settlements.
3. The attorney(s) must have experience working on cases with tenants in government subsidized housing programs.
4. The attorney(s) must have experience with working on cases with tenants represented by tenant advocacy organizations.
5. The attorney(s) must have experience working on cases involving housing-related claims under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).
6. The attorney(s) must have experience with reasonable accommodation cases under the American Disabilities Act (ADA).
7. The attorney(s) providing legal services to the Authority must be licensed to practice law in the State of California and be members in good standing (no records of discipline and administrative actions) with California State Bar for a minimum of five years.
8. The law firm must have the technical infrastructure to communicate with the Authority, including internet capabilities and Microsoft applications.



## **Other Requirements**

1. Pursuant to the State Bar Act, California Business and Professions Code Section 6000 et seq. and the California State Bar Rules of Professional Conduct, the attorney/law firm must disclose any conflicts of interest which would prevent it from representing the Authority, or which might prevent it from representing the Authority without the Authority's informed written consent.
2. The Authority's services are largely funded by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds and therefore any documents generated by the attorney/law firm selected must comply with all applicable HUD regulations, including, but not limited to those specified in HUD 5370 – C, General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts. The attorney must also comply with all Oakland Housing Authority requirements.





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**QUOTE FORM**

**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR QUOTE FORM TO [klow@oakha.org](mailto:klow@oakha.org) or 510-587-2124.**

<b>ATTENTION TO:</b>	Kimberly Low – Contract Specialist
<b>Quote:</b>	Qualified List for Unlawful Detainer Services
<b>Due Date:</b>	November 7, 2016 10:00 AM PDT

**Qualifications.** Complete the table below listing the names and respective California State Bar license numbers of staff proposed to provide the unlawful detainer legal services:

Name	California State Bar License Number

**Minimum Qualifications.** Complete the table below regarding minimum qualifications. Answering “No” will disqualify the attorney(s)/law firm.

	YES	NO	If yes, please list relevant experience, programs, or agencies.
Worked on Oakland cases involving Just Cause Ordinance (Measure EE)?			
Managed a minimum of 20 unlawful detainer actions in Alameda County?			
Worked with government subsidized housing programs?			
Worked on cases with tenants represented by tenant advocacy organizations?			



	YES	NO	If yes, please list relevant experience, programs, or agencies.
Experience with Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) cases?			
Experience with American Disabilities Act (ADA) reasonable accommodation cases?			

**Experience.** Complete the table below listing at least five (5) years of post-Bar experience providing services similar to those listed in the scope of work. The Authority will contact clients to verify work and service dates. Please attach additional contact and service information on a separate sheet if needed.

Client Contact Name Telephone # Email	Dates of Service	Description of Services	Staff who provided services



**Proposed Cost.** Complete the fee schedule below. Fees that are not specifically identified below (administrative support, copying, etc.) should be itemized on a separate sheet. Hourly fees for other staff not shown in the table below should also be listed on a separate sheet. The fees for work performed as a result of this solicitation will be based on the hourly rates identified below, as well as any additional fees itemized on a separate sheet. The Authority will not pay for travel costs.

Position	Hourly Rate
Partner	
Associate/Attorney	
Paralegal	

The undersigned having examined the Scope of Work and being familiar with all of the conditions surrounding services of the proposed project, hereby proposes to furnish all labor, material, and supplies to perform all work required, in strict accordance with Authority specifications and contract requirements.

The undersigned also certifies that the information provided herein is true and sufficiently complete so as not to be misleading. Upon request, the undersigned shall provide documentation to verify that the firm meets the required qualifications and/or provide contact information for clients or other individuals (in addition to those listed above) who can provide such verification.

**Proposer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorized Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_





## **TERMS & CONDITIONS – REQUEST FOR QUOTES (For Construction & Non-Construction)**

*(Forms and documents referenced may also be downloaded from OHA website at [www.oakha.net/Select Business Opportunities/Select Procurement](http://www.oakha.net/Select Business Opportunities/Select Procurement))*

**PROCEDURE: Bidders must submit proposed pricing where provided for on the Request for Quote form.**

**OHA = Oakland Housing Authority**

- 1.0 OHA CONTACT: All questions pertaining to this quote shall be addressed to the person indicated on the Quote form.
- 2.0 APPLICABILITY: By submitting a quote (hereinafter referred to as "bid") to OHA, the firm or individual doing so (hereinafter, "the bidder") is automatically agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions listed herein, including those terms and conditions within the HUD document, *Table 5.1 Mandatory Contract Clauses for Small Purchases Other Than Construction*, which will be included in the Purchase Order if selected and may be provided if requested.
- 3.0 OHA RESERVATION OF RIGHTS: OHA reserves the right to:
  - 3.1 Reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in the Solicitation process, or to terminate the Solicitation process at any time, if deemed by OHA to be in the best interest of OHA;
  - 3.2 Terminate a contract awarded pursuant to this Solicitation at any time for its convenience upon delivery of a 10-day written notice to the apparent or successful bidder;
  - 3.3 Determine the days, hours and locations that the successful bidder shall provide the items or services called for in this Solicitation;
  - 3.4 Reject and not consider any bid that does not, in the opinion of the OHA Buyer, meet the requirements of this Solicitation, including but not necessarily limited to incomplete bids and/or bids offering alternate (not including "or equal" items) or non-requested items or services;
  - 3.5 For non-construction related work, negotiate the amount that is paid to or by the successful bidder, meaning the amount quoted by the apparent successful bidder may, at the OHA's discretion, be the basis for the beginning of negotiations.
- 4.0 BIDDER'S RESPONSIBILITY: Each bidder must carefully review and comply with all instructions provided herein, provided within any named attachments and those provided within the Request for Quote Form.
- 5.0 DEADLINE: Each bidder shall submit his/her proposed costs, prior to the posted deadline, where provided within the form. Whereas this is an informal solicitation process, the OHA reserves the right to extend the posted deadline at any time prior to the deadline, if, in the opinion of the OHA Buyer, it is in the best interests of the OHA to do so.
- 6.0 HOLD PRICES/NON-ESCALATION: By submitting a bid, each bidder thereby agrees to "hold" or not increase the proposed bid prices for the contract period if selected, with no escalation. If quantities are listed, they are for the purpose of determining best pricing per line item.
- 7.0 PURCHASE ORDER (PO): OHA will procure the applicable goods or services by issuance of a PO (which shall have the same meaning as a "contract"). PO's will be issued on an as-needed basis only. By submitting a bid, the successful bidder thereby agrees to confirm receipt of the PO in the manner directed by OHA.
- 8.0 AWARD CRITERIA: If an award is completed pursuant to this Solicitation, and unless otherwise instructed by OHA, award shall be made to the responsive and responsible bidder that submits the lowest cost. For non-construction, if an award is completed pursuant to this Solicitation, and unless otherwise instructed by OHA, award shall be made to the responsive and responsible bidder that submits the lowest cost (as detailed within 8.1 – 8.2 following). However, unless otherwise stated, the OHA reserves the right to (in addition to the Reservation of Rights Notice, Section 3.0 of this document):
  - 8.1 To make award to the same bidder (aggregate) for all items; or,
  - 8.2 To make award to multiple bidders for the same or different items.
- 9.0 INVALID OR ALTERNATE BIDS: Failure to complete and submit all required information, or to add any additional requirements not acceptable to OHA, may invalidate the bid submitted. Furthermore, OHA shall reserve the right to reject, without consideration, alternate bids, meaning those that do not meet the requirements of this Solicitation. PLEASE NOTE: An allowed "or equal" bid does not constitute an "alternate" bid—"or equal" means that the proposed "equal" item is substantially "equal" to the item specified by OHA.
- 10.0 BID COSTS: There shall be no obligation for OHA to compensate any bidder or prospective bidder for any costs that he/she may incur in responding to this Solicitation.
- 11.0 SHIPPING COSTS: Each bid sum submitted shall include delivery of the items to the specified OHA site or location, as specified within the Solicitation or on the PO issued.
- 12.0 ASSIGNMENT OF PERSONNEL: OHA shall retain the right to demand and receive a change in personnel assigned by the successful bidder to provide services to OHA if OHA believes that such change is in the best interest of OHA and the completion of the work or provision of the items.
- 13.0 UNAUTHORIZED SUB-CONTRACTING PROHIBITED: The successful bidder shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this Solicitation (including, but not limited to, selling or transferring the ensuing PO or contract) without the prior written consent of the OHA Buyer. Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of the OHA Buyer shall be void and may result in the cancellation of the PO or contract with OHA.



- 14.0 LICENSING AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: By submitting a bid the successful bidder thereby certifies that he/she possess and will, upon request by OHA, present to OHA, proof and/certification of the following:
- 14.1 Local business license issued by [NAME OF APPLICABLE CITY OR COUNTY] (does not apply to bidders who ship goods in from out-of-town);
  - 14.2 If applicable, a copy of the bidder's license issued by the State of [NAME THE STATE] licensing authority allowing the bidder to provide the services or products as detailed herein (does not apply to bidders who ship goods in from out-of-state).
  - 14.3 Insurance Requirements - insurance coverage (naming OHA as an additional insured, along with the applicable endorsement), automobile insurance coverage, in amounts designated by OHA, which will be included in the Purchase Order if selected and may be provided if requested.



## ***INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSULTANTS***

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

### ***Minimum Scope of Insurance***

Coverage shall be as least as board as:

1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence Form CG 0001).
2. Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering Automobile Liability, Code 1 (any auto).
3. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the State of California and Employer's Liability Insurance.
4. Errors and Omissions or Professional Liability insurance appropriate to the consultant's profession. Architects' and engineers' coverage is to be endorsed to include contractual liability.

### ***Minimum Limits of Insurance***

Consultant shall maintain limits no less than:

1. General Liability: **\$1,000,000** per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial (Including operations, products and completed operations, as applicable.) General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. Automobile Liability: **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability: **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
4. Errors and Omissions Liability: **\$1,000,000** per occurrence.
5. Professional Liability Insurance: **\$1,000,000** per occurrence.

### ***Deductible and Self-Insured Retentions***

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Authority. At the option of the Authority, either; the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Authority, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers; or the Consultant shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the Authority guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.



### ***Other Insurance Provisions***

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

1. The Authority, its commissioners, members, officers, agents, employees and volunteers are to be covered as insureds as respects: liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Consultant; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the Consultant.
2. For any claims related to this project, the Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Authority, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Authority, its commissioners, members, officers, agents, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
3. Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled by either party, except after (30) days' prior written notice by certified mail, returned receipt requested, has been given to the Authority.
4. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the Authority, its commissioners, members, officers, agents, employees and volunteers.
5. Coverage shall not extend to any indemnity coverage for the active negligence of the additional insured in any case where an agreement to indemnify the additional insured would be invalid under Subdivision (b) of Section 2782 of the Civil Code.

Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Coverage. Insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the Authority and its respective commissioners, members, officers, agents and employees for losses arising from work performed by Contractor or for the Authority.

Claims Made Coverage. If General Liability and/or Errors and Omissions coverage are written on a claims-made form:

1. The "Retro Date" must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract work.
3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a "Retro Date" prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
4. A Copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the Authority for review.

Subcontractors. Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insured under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverage for subcontractors shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein.

### ***Acceptability of Insurers***

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VI, unless otherwise acceptable to the Authority. Exception may be made for the State Compensation Insurance Fund when not specially rated.



### *Verification of Coverage*

Consultant shall furnish the Authority with certificates of insurance and with original endorsements evidencing coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Authority before work commences. The Authority reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by these specifications at any time.



**Certifications and Representations of Offerors**  
**Non-Construction Contract**

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

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 affirmative, the bidder/offeror shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA Contracting Officer.

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

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

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

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

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

(Check the block applicable to you)

- Black Americans                       Asian Pacific Americans
- Hispanic Americans                       Asian Indian Americans
- Native Americans                       Hasidic Jewish Americans

**3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination**

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

- (1) The prices in this bid/offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder/offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid/offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
- (2) The prices in this bid/offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder/offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder/offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid/offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the bid/offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:

- (1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
- (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above (insert full name of person(s) in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder/offeror's organization);  
(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and



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

#### 4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

#### 5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

#### 6. Conflict of Interest

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

#### 7. Offeror's Signature

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature & Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed or Printed Name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title:



# General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

## Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban  
Development  
Office of Public and Indian Housing  
Office of Labor Relations  
OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 1/31/2017)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.08 hours 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. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Reports Management Officer, Office of Information Policies and Systems, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C. 20410-3600; and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (2577-0157), Washington, D.C. 20503. Do not send this completed form to either of these addressees.

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

- 1) **Non-construction contracts** (*without* maintenance) **greater than \$100,000 - use Section I;**
- 2) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 968.105) **greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$100,000 - use Section II;** and
- 3) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance), **greater than \$100,000 – use Sections I and II.**

### Section I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$100,000

#### 1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

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

#### 2. Changes

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

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

#### 3. Termination for Convenience and Default

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

#### 4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

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



(b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.

(c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:

- (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
- (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract; or,
- (iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

#### 5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

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

#### 6. Energy Efficiency

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

#### 7. Disputes

(a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, *except for disputes arising under clauses contained in Section III, Labor Standards Provisions*, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach there of which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause.

(b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.

(c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.

(d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA.

#### 8. Contract Termination; Debarment

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

#### 9. Assignment of Contract

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

#### 10. Certificate and Release

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

#### 11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

(a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and a contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:

(i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or

(ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.

(b) The Contractor agrees that if after award it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract or any task/delivery order under the contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the contract or task/delivery order for the convenience of the HA if it would be in the best interest of the HA.

(c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the HA may terminate the contract for default.

(d) The terms of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime Contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

#### 12. Inspection and Acceptance

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



product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.

- (b) The Contractor shall make any required corrections promptly at no additional charge and return a revised copy of the product to the HA within 7 days of notification or a later date if extended by the HA.
- (c) Failure by the Contractor to proceed with reasonable promptness to make necessary corrections shall be a default. If the Contractor's submission of corrected work remains unacceptable, the HA may terminate this contract (or the task order involved) or reduce the contract price or cost to reflect the reduced value of services received.

### 13. Interest of Members of Congress

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

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

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

### 15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

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

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

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

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

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

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action.

"Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government.

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

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

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

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

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

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

(b) Prohibition.

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



(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 a covered 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 time only where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:

(1) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstrations) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and,

(2) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(d) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:

(1) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;

(2) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission; and

(3) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507 and other subsequent amendments.

(e) Only those activities expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(ii)(1)(a) of this clause are permitted under this clause.

(2) Professional and technical services.

(a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-

(i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.

(ii) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a

person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.

(b) For purposes of subdivision (b)(ii)(2)(a) of clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline.

(c) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation, or reasonably expected to be required by law or regulation, and any other requirements in the actual award documents.

(d) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(ii)(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section are permitted under this clause.

(iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.

(c) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply to the following selling activities before an agency by independent sales representatives, provided such activities are prior to formal solicitation by an agency and are specifically limited to the merits of the matter:

(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 agrees as follows:

- (a) The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (b) The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to (1) employment; (2) upgrading; (3) demotion; (4) transfer; (5) recruitment or recruitment advertising; (6) layoff or termination; (7) rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and (8) selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- (c) The Contractor shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment the notices to be provided by the Contracting Officer that explain this clause.
- (d) The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (e) The Contractor shall send, to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, the notice to be provided by the Contracting Officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this clause, and post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (f) The Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (g) The Contractor shall furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246, as amended and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto. The Contractor shall permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (h) In the event of a determination that the Contractor is not in compliance with this clause or any rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts, or federally assisted construction contracts under the procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246, as amended. In addition, sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked against the Contractor as provided in Executive Order 11246, as amended, the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (i) The Contractor shall include the terms and conditions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued under Executive Order 11246, as amended, so that these terms and conditions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor or purchase order as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or the Secretary of Labor may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; provided that if the

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

## 17. 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.

## 18. 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.

## 19. 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.

## 20. Liens

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

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

- (a) The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- (b) The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Part 135 regulations.
- (c) The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of



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apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.

- (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135.
- (e) The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR Part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR Part 135.
- (f) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

## **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.