

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

**2023-11**

Sealed proposals will be received at the offices of the Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority (BMTA) at 1510 N. Johnson Street, Bay City, MI, until 2:00 PM, Local Time, on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at which time and place said proposals shall be opened for the following item:

### **Removal and Replacement of RPZ Valves**

All offerors must use the proposal form provided in the procurement package, which may be acquired from the Purchasing department at the above address.

BMTA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for sound documented business reasons, waive any defects or irregularities, and to accept the proposal which is most advantageous to Bay Metro Transit.

Minority owned and Female owned firms are encouraged to respond to this Proposal solicitation.

INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL

PROPOSAL NUMBER 2023-11

PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL AND DUE DATE

Cost must be submitted on your company form. Place the Cost form in a sealed envelope within your proposal package.

All envelopes must be sealed and marked "Request for Proposal –RPZ VALVES"

The B.M.T.A. is not responsible for any proposal not marked as such.

Return proposal to

Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
1510 North Johnson Street  
Bay City, MI 48708

The deadline for submitting proposal is 2:00 PM Local Time, on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at which time proposals will be opened. *Under Federal Transit Administration regulations, the opening is not open to the public.* Proposals received after that time will not be considered for award or opened.

FAXED PROPOSALS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

Procurement Schedule  
2023-11

The following schedule represents B.M.T.A.'s commitment to expedite this procurement.

<u>Tuesday, February 28</u> , 2023	RFPs notice sent to potential offerors. RFP Advertised on BMT web site
<u>Wednesday, March 15</u> , 2023	Pre-proposal Meeting 10:00 AM. **SEE NOTE
<u>Wednesday April 5</u> , 2023	Proposals opened ( <i>Not open to the public</i> )-2:00PM.
<u>Wednesday, April 19</u> , 2023	Recommendation for contract award presented to B.M.T.A.'s Board of Directors for approval or disapproval.
<u>Thursday, April 20</u> , 2023	Winner notified.

\*\* The Pre-proposal meeting will be held at the Bay Metro Transportation offices located at, 1510 N Johnson Street, Bay City, Michigan 48708

The BMTA and the successful offeror shall mutually agree when it is necessary to make changes in, additions to, or deductions from the work performed or the material to be furnished, pursuant to the provisions of the contract documents.

## STATEMENT OF NO BID

NOTE: if you do not intend to make a bid on this item, please detach and return this form immediately.

Purchasing Department, BMTA  
1510 N. Johnson Street  
Bay City, MI 48708

We, the undersigned, have declined to make a proposal on your bid .(BID 2023-11),  
(RPZ's) for the following reason(s):

\_\_\_\_\_ Specifications too restrictive, i.e., geared toward one brand or manufacturer only  
(explain below) Insufficient time to respond to the Request Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ We do not offer this product or service

\_\_\_\_\_ Our schedule would not permit us to perform

\_\_\_\_\_ Unable to meet specifications

\_\_\_\_\_ Unable to meet bond requirement

\_\_\_\_\_ Specifications unclear (explain below)

\_\_\_\_\_ Unable to meet insurance requirements

\_\_\_\_\_ Remove us from your Vendor list altogether

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## NO CONDITIONAL BIDS

This Request for Proposals calls for proposals that are responsive to the specifications, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A". Conditional bids, or those which take exception to the specifications, will be considered non-responsive and will be rejected unless specific approval from BMTA is requested in writing by at least 10 days prior to bid due date. All other eligible bidders or offerors are to be notified of any approved exceptions to the specifications.

## APPROVED EQUALS AND DEVIATIONS FROM SPECIFICATIONS:

If the offeror or bidder proposes to submit a bid containing "approved equals" or "deviations" from the specific requirements of these specifications, the offeror or bidder must obtain such approval, confirmed in writing, prior to the date of bid opening.

Requests for "approved equals" and clarification must be received by the BMTA in writing no less than 10 days before date of bid opening. Any request for approved equal must be fully supported with technical data, test results or other pertinent information as evidence that the substitute offered is equal to, or better than, the specification requirements. Any unapproved deviations, exceptions, substitutions, alternates, or conditional qualifications contained in a bid may be cause for its rejection.

The BMTA reserves the right to postpone the proposal opening or receipt of bids for its own convenience.

Changes to the specifications will be made by addendum only and issued by the BMTA's Purchasing Agent in writing.

Prime Contractors and subcontractors may make appointments to discuss project specifications. This, however, does not relieve them from providing written documented requests.

Request for approved equal (if required) or clarification of specifications by a bidder or offeror must be received in writing by the BMTA's Purchasing Agent not less than ten (10) working days before the date of the scheduled bid opening or closing date for receipt of bids. All requests for approved equals or clarification of specifications should be addressed to:

ATT'N: Purchasing Agent  
Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
1510 N. Johnson Street  
Bay City, MI 48708

The BMTA's Purchasing Agent shall reply to all requests for approved equals or clarification of specifications within eight (8) days after receipt of the request. A copy of the response shall be sent to the requestor and all contractors and subcontractors who requested a copy of the original solicitation.

## PROTEST PROCEDURE

Protest of restrictive specifications or improprieties in the solicitation, by an interested party, must be received by BMTA's General Manager in writing not less than ten (10) working days before the date of the scheduled bid opening or closing date for receipt of bids. [An "interested party" is defined as any bidder or offeror, or subcontractor or supplier, provided they have a substantial economic interest in a portion of the RFB or RFP in question.] All protests should be hand-delivered, or sent via registered or express mail, to:

ATTN: General Manager  
Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
1510 N. Johnson Street  
Bay City, MI 48708

Any protest of the specifications shall state the name of the submitter/protestor, a description of the project or solicitation number, and a statement of grounds for the protest. If any of the information is omitted or incomplete, BMTA will notify the protestor immediately in writing that the specified information must be submitted within a specified time period if the protest is to be further considered.

Upon receipt of a written protest BMTA shall immediately determine if the date for the bid opening or closing date for receipt of bids should be postponed. If the bid opening or bid closing date is postponed, BMTA will contact all contractors and subcontractors who were furnished a copy of the specifications by BMTA that an appeal has been filed and that the bid opening or receipt of bids is postponed until a decision has been issued. Notice of the postponement will be made in writing by addendum.

Representatives of the BMTA and the protestor shall meet within twenty-four (24) hours after BMTA's receipt of the protest, or at a mutually agreed-upon time, to discuss all substantive issues raised in the protest. Upon completion of discussions between the BMTA and the protestor, the BMTA's General Manager will transmit a final decision in writing to the protestor within five (5) working days. The final decision will address, in detail, each substantive issue raised in the protest. If the written decision cannot be issued within this time period, the protestor will be notified in writing of the time extension. Upon issuance of the written decision, the BMTA will then issue appropriate addenda to cover any changes to the RFP or RFB or extension of bid due date, if required.

Protests by any adversely affected person for reasons other than for restrictive specifications or alleged improprieties in the solicitation must be made in writing and received by BMTA's General Manager not more than seventy-two (72) hours after announcement of award to the participating bidders or offerors. Upon receipt of a protest after contract award, the BMTA shall immediately determine if work on the protested project should be suspended until such time as the protest is resolved.

Representatives of BMTA and the protestor shall meet within twenty-four (24) hours after receipt of the protest, or at such time as mutually agreed to by both parties to discuss the protest. Upon completion of discussions between BMTA representatives and the protestor, BMTA will issue a written decision to the protestor within five (5) working days. If the written decision cannot be issued within this time period, the protestor will be notified in writing of the time extension.

Except as noted below, BMTA will not open bids, receive bids or award a contract if a formal written protest has been received and no final decision in response to it has been issued by BMTA's General Manager. After the issuance of a final decision, BMTA will wait a minimum of five (5) working days before opening bids or before awarding a contract for a project.

BMTA may open bids, receive bids, or award a contract for a project while a protest is pending final disposition if BMTA's General Manager determines that:

- (1) The items to be procured are urgently required;
- (2) Delivery or performance will be unduly delayed by failure to make an award promptly; or
- (3) Failure to make a prompt award will otherwise cause undue harm to the BMTA or the Federal Government

A protestor may request reconsideration after a final decision has been issued by BMTA's General Manager, if new data or information becomes available that was not previously known, or there has been an error of law or regulation.

## ***REFERENCE TO 4220 HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM THIS SECTION***

Violations of Federal law or regulation will be handled by the complaint process stated within that law or regulation. Violations of State or local law or regulations are under the jurisdiction of State or local authorities.

Any appeal or protest may be withdrawn at any time.

### WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

Proposals may be withdrawn upon written request received by BMTA prior to the time fixed for proposal due date. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days after the time set herein for due date.

### PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION:

BMTA reserves the right to accept any proposals, or to reject any or all proposals or postpone due date or to contract on such basis as BMTA deems to be in its best interest.

### BASIS OF AWARD:

The successful bidder shall be the most responsible contractor possessing the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of a proposed agreement. Consideration shall be given to such matters as contractor integrity, compliance with public policy, record of past performance, and financial and technical resources.

Proposals shall be evaluated and prioritized as follows: First – qualifications of the firm; second – technical proposal; and third – value. Only proposals deemed acceptable under the first step will be evaluated in the second step. Only those proposals deemed acceptable under the first and second steps will be evaluated for value.

#### SINGLE BID

In the event a single bid or proposal is received, BMTA will conduct a price and/or cost analysis of the bid. A price analysis is the process of examining the bid and evaluating the separate cost elements. It should be recognized that a price analysis, through comparison with other similar procurements, must be based on an established or competitive price of the elements used in the comparison.

The comparison must be made to a purchase of similar quantity and quality, involving similar specifications. Where a difference exists, a detailed analysis must be made of this difference and costs attached thereto.

Where it is impossible to obtain a valid price analysis, it may be necessary for BMTA to conduct a cost analysis of the price.

#### LIMITATIONS:

This Request for Proposals (“RFP”) does not commit BMTA to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of a bid to this RFP, to negotiate with all qualified bidders or offerors, or to preclude BMTA from canceling, in part or in its entirety, this RFP if it is in the best interest of BMTA.

#### WRITTEN AGREEMENT:

Upon acceptance by BMTA of a bid, a contract will be awarded for furnishing the items described in the bid in strict conformity with the specifications, these instructions, and the contract bid. **After the execution of the written agreement**, a “Notice to Proceed” will be issued by BMTA for the services.

#### CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:

The successful bidder will execute a written agreement, a sample of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “B”.

**Bay Metro Transit Prohibits and will not enter into “Cost plus Contracts”**



## *BONDING REQUIREMENTS*

### A. Performance Bonds

For construction projects over \$25,000, successful bidders will be required to post a performance bond, after the award is made by the board of Directors, equal to the value of the work to be done.

### B. Payment Bonds

#### 1. Construction projects between \$25,000 and \$1,000,000

Successful bidders/proposers must post a payment bond, after the award by the Board of Directors, guaranteeing payment to subcontractor[s] that will perform work valued at 50% or more of the total project cost.

#### 2. Construction projects between \$1,000,000 and \$5,000,000

Successful bidders/proposers must post a payment bond, after the award by the Board of Directors, guaranteeing payment to subcontractor[s] when the subcontractor[s] will perform work valued at 40% or more of the total project cost.

#### 3. Construction projects over \$5,000,000

Successful bidders/proposers must post a payment bond, after the award by the Board of Directors, guaranteeing payment to subcontractor[s] when the subcontractor[s] will perform work valued at 40% or more of the total project cost, or \$2,500,000, whichever is less..

BID AS CONTRACT:

Each bid will be submitted with the understanding that acceptance in writing by BMTA of the offer to furnish the equipment or services described therein shall constitute a contract between the successful bidder or offeror and BMTA, which shall bind the bidder or offeror to furnish and deliver the equipment or services at the bid price in accordance with the bid specifications, general conditions and general requirements detailed in the bid specification package or subsequently added or made a part thereof.

BID DISCLOSURE:

All information on a submitter's bid, except proprietary financial information and responsibility, is subject to disclosure under the provisions of Public Act NO. 442 of 1976 known as the "Freedom of Information Act". This act also provides for the complete disclosure of contracts and attachments thereto.

Bids may be inspected at the office of the Purchasing Agent after award is completed. Inspections will be during office hours and within specified time limits as directed by the Purchasing Agent.

Information available for inspection shall include the tabulated price bids and copies of the bid documents subject to the exceptions listed above and proprietary legal constraints.

POINT OF CONTACT:

All communications, contracted items, contracts, documentation submittals, and correspondence shall take place between the bidder or offeror and:

Purchasing Agent  
Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
1510 North Johnson Street, Bay City, MI 48708.  
FAX (989) 894-2621.

Telephone contact with the BMTA's Purchasing Agent can be made at (989) 922-3710 Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 PM. Email inquiries can be sent to BMTA's Purchasing Agent at [tdominowski@baymetro.com](mailto:tdominowski@baymetro.com)

**THE FOLLOWING PAGES MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED**  
**WITH YOUR PROPOSAL OR YOUR PROPOSAL WILL BE REJECTED AS**  
**NON-RESPONSIVE**

Access to Records  
EEO Certificate-Federal  
EEO Certificate-State  
Comprehension Certificate  
Bid Certificate Statement

## **ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS 49 U.S.C. 5325/18 CFR 18.36 (i)/49 CFR 633.17**

The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract: (1) Where the Purchaser is not a State but a local government and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 18.36(i), the Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. (2) Where the Purchaser is a State and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 633.17, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a major capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000 for grants executed after 12/26/14. (3) Where the Purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 19.48, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives with access to any books, documents, papers and record of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. (4) Where any Purchaser which is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the Purchaser, the Secretary of Transportation and the Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection. (5) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed. (6) The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i)(11). (7) FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

The Contractor, \_\_\_\_\_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

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Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

## PROHIBITION OF DISCRIMINATION IN FEDERAL CONTRACTS

BMTA hereby notifies its Contractors and their subcontractors of the federal equal opportunity requirements specified in Title 41 CFR Chapter 60-1.4.

1. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and the 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 the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
2. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or 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.
3. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers representative of the Contractor's commitments under Section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
4. The Contractor 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.
5. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required 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.
6. In the event of the Contractor's non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 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 rules, regulations or orders of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
7. The Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with

litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the contracting agency, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the United States.

#### REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Contractors/consultants required to file EEO Reports and other EEO information with the Federal Government are those who:

- (a) have 50 or more employees; and
- (b) are prime Contractor or subcontractor; and
- (c) have a contract, subcontract or purchase order amounting to \$50,000 or more.

If your firm meets the "Reporting Requirements," sign below stating that your firm agrees to the conditions described in "Prohibition of Discrimination in Federal Contracts."

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Authorized Signee

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Title

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Date

## **PROHIBITION OF DISCRIMINATION IN STATE CONTRACTS**

In connection with the performance of work under this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

1. In accordance with Public Act 453 of 1976 (Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act), the contractor shall not discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, treatment, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment or a matter directly or indirectly related to employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status. A breach of this covenant will be regarded as a material breach of this contract. Further, in accordance with Public Act 220 of 1976 (Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act), as amended by Public Act 478 of 1980, the contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment or a matter directly or indirectly related to employment because of a disability that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position. A breach of the above covenants will be regarded as a material breach of this contract.
2. The contractor hereby agrees that any and all subcontracts to this contract, whereby a portion of the work set forth in this contract is to be performed, shall contain a covenant the same as hereinabove set forth in Section 1 of this Appendix.
3. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants for employment and employees are treated without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, or any disability that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment; treatment; upgrading; demotion or transfer; recruitment; advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
4. The contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, or disability that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position.
5. The contractor or its collective bargaining representative shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding a notice advising such labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this Appendix.
6. The contractor shall comply with all relevant published rules, regulations, directives, and orders of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission that may be in effect prior to the taking of bids for any individual state project.
7. The contractor shall furnish and file compliance reports within such time and upon such forms as provided by the Michigan Civil Rights Commission; said forms may also elicit information as to the practices, policies, program, and employment statistics of each subcontractor, as well as the contractor itself, and said contractor shall permit access to the contractor's books, records, and accounts by the Michigan Civil Rights Commission and/or its agent for the purposes of

investigation to ascertain compliance under this contract and relevant rules, regulations, and orders of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission.

8. In the event that the Michigan Civil Rights Commission finds, after a hearing held pursuant to its rules, that a contractor has not complied with the contractual obligations under this contract, the Michigan Civil Rights Commission may, as a part of its order based upon such findings, certify said findings to the State Administrative Board of the State of Michigan, which State Administrative Board may order the cancellation of the contract found to have been violated and/or declare the contractor ineligible for future contracts with the state and its political and civil subdivisions, departments, and officers, including the governing boards of institutions of higher education, until the contractor complies with said order of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission. Notice of said declaration of future ineligibility may be given to any or all of the persons with whom the contractor is declared ineligible to contract as a contracting party in future contracts. In any case before the Michigan Civil Rights Commission in which cancellation of an existing contract is a possibility, the contracting agency shall be notified of such possible remedy and shall be given the option by the Michigan Civil Rights Commission to participate in such proceedings.

9. The contractor shall include or incorporate by reference, the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission; all subcontracts and purchase orders will also state that said provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or supplier.

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Authorized Signee

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Title

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Date



## COMPREHENSION CERTIFICATION

This is certification that I have read the entire bid package and understand the requirements.

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Authorized Signee

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Title

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Date

## BID CERTIFICATE STATEMENT

Please fill out entire certificate and return with your bid.

1. If the bidder or offeror is not the parent company, insert below the name and main office address of the parent company. (A parent company is one that owns at least a majority, fifty-one (51%) percent of the voting rights and/or assets in that company.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
name of parent company

\_\_\_\_\_  
main address

I, \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_  
(authorized official) (title)

for \_\_\_\_\_, the bidder or offeror, attest to the  
(company)

authority of \_\_\_\_\_ to submit  
(executing agent)

this bid on behalf of the bidder or offeror and the parent company if other than the bidder or offeror.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(authorized official-signature)

2. The offeror hereby certifies that they are not included on the United States Comptroller General's list of persons or firms currently debarred for violations of various public contracts incorporating labor standard provisions.
3. By submission of this bid, each bidder or offeror and each person signing on behalf of any bidder or offeror certifies, and in the case of a joint bid , each party certifies, as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of knowledge and behalf:
  - a) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting completion as to any other matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or offeror or with any other competitor.
  - b) Unless otherwise required by Law, the prices which have been quoted in this have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder or offeror prior to any competitor; and,
  - c) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder or offeror to induce any other person, partnership, or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

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(authorized official)

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(title)

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(company)

**THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL CLAUSES AS PROVIDED BY MDOT  
FOR  
CONSTRUCTION LESS THAN \$150,000 APPLY TO THIS PROCUREMENT**

**CONSTRUCTION LESS THAN \$150,000****GOVERNMENT WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NON PROCUREMENT)**

Applicability – all contracts more than \$25,000.

The Recipient agrees to the following:

1. It will comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as adopted and supplemented by U.S. DOT regulations at 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which include the following: (a) It will not enter into any arrangement to participate in the development or implementation of the Project with any Third Party Participant that is debarred or suspended except as authorized by: 1 U.S. DOT regulations, "Non-procurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, 2 U.S. OMB, "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180, including any amendments thereto, and 3 Executive Orders Nos. 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension," 31 U.S.C. § 6101 note, (b) It will review the U.S. GSA "System for Award Management," <https://www.sam.gov.proxy1.semalt.design> if required by U.S. DOT regulations, 2 C.F.R. part 1200, and (c) It will include, and require each of its Third Party Participants to include, a similar provision in each lower tier covered transaction, ensuring that each lower tier Third Party Participant: 1 Will comply with Federal debarment and suspension requirements, and 2 Reviews the "System for Award Management" at <https://www.sam.gov.proxy1.semalt.design> if necessary to comply with U.S. DOT regulations, 2 C.F.R. part 1200.
2. If the Recipient suspends, debar, or takes any similar action against a Third Party Participant or individual, the Recipient will provide immediate written notice to the: (a) FTA Regional Counsel for the Region in which the Recipient is located or implements the Project, (b) FTA Project Manager if the Project is administered by an FTA Headquarters Office, or (c) FTA Chief Counsel.

CONTRACTOR / COMPANY NAME
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**NAME, TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL:**

TYPE OR PRINT NAME	TITLE
SIGNATURE	DATE

**SEISMIC SAFETY**

Applicability – construction of new buildings or additions to existing buildings. These requirements do not apply to micro purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts of more than \$2,000).

Contractor agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards required in USDOT Seismic Safety Regulations 49 CFR 41 and shall certify compliance to the extent required by the regulation. Contractor shall also ensure that all work performed under this contract, including work performed by subcontractors, complies with the standards required by 49 CFR 41 and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

**DAVIS-BACON AND COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACTS**

Applicability – construction contracts and subcontracts, including actual construction, alteration and/or repair, including decorating and painting, of more than \$2,000.

1. Minimum wages - (i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual

relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) (iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR Part 5.5(a)(4). 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 conformed under paragraph (1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) 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.

(ii)(A) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, 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. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met: (1) Except with respect to helpers as defined as 29 CFR 5.2(n)(4), the work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination; and (4) With respect to helpers as defined in 29 CFR 5.2(n)(4), such a classification prevails in the area in which the work is performed. (B) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (C) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii) (B) or (C) of this section, 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. (iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof. (iv) If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program. Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program. (v)(A) The contracting officer shall require that 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. The contracting officer shall approve an

additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefor only when the following criteria have been met: (1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination. (B) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (C) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination with 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary. (D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(v) (B) or (C) of this section, 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 - The recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), all or part of the wages required by the contract, the grantee may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.
3. Payrolls and basic records - (i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937, or under the Housing Act of 1949, in the construction or development of the project). Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b) (2) (B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs. (ii)(A) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the recipient for transmission to the Federal Transit Administration. The payrolls

submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under section 5.5(a) (3) (i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5. This information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose and may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents (Federal Stock Number 029-005-00014-1), U.S. Government Printing Office, and Washington, DC 20402. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. (B) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following: (1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be maintained under section 5.5(a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5 and that such information is correct and complete; (2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3; (3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract. (C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B) of this section. (D) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code. (iii) The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the Federal Transit Administration or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

4. Apprentices and trainees - (i) Apprentices - Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Bureau, or if a person is employed in his or 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 the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor determines that



a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Bureau, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved. (ii) Trainees - Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved. (iii) Equal employment opportunity - The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements - The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.
6. Subcontracts - The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the Federal Transit Administration may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.
7. Contract termination: debarment - A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.
8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements - All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.
9. Disputes concerning labor standards - Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.
10. Certification of Eligibility - (i) By entering into this contract, contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1). (ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1). (iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in 18 USC 1001.

**FLY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS**

Applicability – all contracts involving transportation of persons or property, by air between the U.S. and/or places outside the U.S. These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

Contractor shall comply with 49 USC 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with General Services Administration regulations 41 CFR 301-10, stating that recipients and subrecipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use US Flag air carriers for US Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a US flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. Contractor shall include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

**CARGO PREFERENCE**

Applicability – all contracts involving equipment, materials or commodities which may be transported by ocean vessels. These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

Contractor shall: a. use privately owned US-Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50% of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material or commodities pursuant to the underlying contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for US flag commercial vessels; b. furnish within 20 working days following the loading date of shipments originating within the US or within 30 working days following the loading date of shipments originating outside the US, a legible copy of a rated, "on-board" commercial bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described herein to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to the recipient (through contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill-of-lading.); c. include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract when the subcontract involves the transport of equipment, material or commodities by ocean vessel.

**ENERGY CONSERVATION**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

Contractor shall comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, stated in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy & Conservation Act.

**ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS**

Applicability – as shown below. These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Where the purchaser is not a State but a local government and is an FTA recipient or a sub grantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 CFR 18.36(i), contractor shall provide the purchaser, the FTA, the US Comptroller General or their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and contractor records which are pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor shall also, pursuant to 49 CFR 633.17, provide authorized FTA representatives, including any PMO contractor, access to contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a capital project, defined at 49 USC 5302(a)(1), which is receiving FTA assistance through the programs described at 49 USC 5307, 5309 or 5311.
2. Where the purchaser is a State and is an FTA recipient or a sub grantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 CFR 633.17, contractor shall provide the purchaser, authorized FTA representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a capital project, defined at 49 USC 5302(a)(1), which receives FTA assistance

through the programs described at 49 USC 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000.

3. Where the purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is an FTA recipient or a sub grantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 CFR 19.48, contractor shall provide the purchaser, the FTA, the US Comptroller General or their authorized representatives, access to any books, documents, papers and record of the contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.
4. Where a purchaser which is an FTA recipient or a sub grantee of FTA recipient in accordance with 49 USC 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 USC 5302(a) (1) through other than competitive bidding, contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the purchaser, the Secretary of USDOT and the US Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.
5. Contractor shall permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
6. Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case contractor agrees to maintain same until the recipient, FTA Administrator, US Comptroller General, or any of their authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Re: 49 CFR 18.39(i) (11). FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

#### **FEDERAL CHANGES**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

Contractor shall comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between the purchaser and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of the contract. Contractor's failure to comply shall constitute a material breach of the contract.

#### **RECYCLED PRODUCTS**

Applicability – all contracts for items designated by the EPA, when the purchaser or contractor procures \$10,000 or more of one of these items during the current or previous fiscal year using Federal funds. The contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

#### **NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

1. The recipient and contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the US. Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the US Government, the US Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the recipient, the contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.
2. Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

**PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

1. Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 USC 3801 et seq. and USDOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submittal, or certification, the US Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act (1986) on contractor to the extent the US Government deems appropriate.
2. If contractor makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submittal, or certification to the US Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance under the authority of 49 USC 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 USC 1001 and 49 USC 5307(n) (1) on contractor, to the extent the US Government deems appropriate.
3. Contractor shall include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with FTA assistance. The clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

**TERMINATION**

Applicability – all contracts more than \$10,000, except contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher learning, where the threshold is \$150,000.

- a. Termination for Convenience (General Provision) the recipient may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to contractor when it is in the recipient's best interest. Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract close-out costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the recipient. If contractor is in possession of any of the recipient's property, contractor shall account for same, and dispose of it as the recipient directs.
- b. Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision) If contractor does not deliver items in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or, if the contract is for services, and contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a notice of termination to contractor setting forth the manner in which contractor is in default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract. If it is later determined by the recipient that contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of contractor, the recipient, after setting up a new delivery or performance schedule, may allow contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.
- c. Opportunity to Cure (General Provision) the recipient in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow contractor an appropriately short period of time in which to cure the defect. In such case, the notice of termination shall state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions. If contractor fails to remedy to the recipient's satisfaction the breach or default or any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within ten (10) days after receipt by contractor or written notice from the recipient setting forth the nature of said breach or default, the recipient shall have the right to terminate the Contract without any further obligation to contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude the recipient from also pursuing all available remedies against contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.
- d. Waiver of Remedies for any Breach In the event that the recipient elects to waive its remedies for any breach by contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, such waiver by the

recipient shall not limit its remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract.

- e. Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts) the recipient, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the recipient's interest. If the contract is terminated, the recipient shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.
- f. Termination for Default (Supplies and Service) If contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if the contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- g. Termination for Default (Transportation Services) if contractor fails to pick up the commodities or to perform the services, including delivery services, within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. Contractor shall only be paid the contract price for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract. If this contract is terminated while contractor has possession of the recipient goods, contractor shall, as directed by the recipient, protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the recipient or its agent. Contractor and the recipient shall agree on payment for the preservation and protection of goods. Failure to agree on an amount shall be resolved under the Dispute clause. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- h. Termination for Default (Construction) If contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will insure its completion within the time specified, or any extension, or fails to complete the work within this time, or if contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the recipient may terminate this contract for default. the recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination specifying the nature of default. In this event, the recipient may take over the work and complete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the recipient resulting from contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within specified time, whether or not contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the recipient in completing the work. Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor shall contractor be charged with damages under this clause if:
  - I. Delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of contractor. Examples of such causes include: acts of God, acts of the recipient, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the recipient, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and
  - II. Contractor, within 10 days from the beginning of any delay, notifies the recipient in writing of the causes of delay. If in the recipient's judgment, delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The recipient's judgment shall be final and conclusive on the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clauses. If, after termination of contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- i. Termination for Convenience or Default (Architect & Engineering) the recipient may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the recipient's convenience or because of contractor's failure to fulfill contract obligations. The recipient shall terminate by delivering to contractor a notice of termination

specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of termination. Upon receipt of the notice, contractor shall

- I. Immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and
  - II. Deliver to the recipient all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process. If termination is for the recipient's convenience, it shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price but shall allow no anticipated profit on unperformed services. If termination is for contractor's failure to fulfill contract obligations, the recipient may complete the work by contract or otherwise and contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the recipient. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if termination had been issued for the recipient's convenience.
- j. Termination for Convenience or Default (Cost-Type Contracts) the recipient may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a notice of termination on contractor. The notice shall state whether termination is for convenience of the recipient or for default of contractor. If termination is for default, the notice shall state the manner in which contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from the recipient, or property supplied to contractor by the recipient. If termination is for default, the recipient may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid to contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the recipient and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid to contractor. If termination is for the recipient's convenience, contractor shall be paid its contract closeout costs, and a fee, if the contract provided for payment of a fee, in proportion to the work performed up to the time of termination. If, after serving a notice of termination for default, the recipient determines that contractor has an excusable reason for not performing, such as strike, fire, flood, events which are not the fault of and are beyond the control of contractor, the recipient, after setting up a new work schedule, may allow contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.

#### **CONTRACTS INVOLVING FEDERAL PRIVACY ACT REQUIREMENTS**

Applicability – when a grantee maintains files on drug and alcohol enforcement activities for FTA, and those files are organized so that information could be retrieved by personal identifier, the Privacy Act requirements apply to all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000) The following requirements apply to the Contractor and its employees that administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government under any contract:

1. The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the Federal Government before the Contractor or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of the Federal Government. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to those individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying contract.
2. The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract to administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

#### **CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

The following requirements apply to the underlying contract: The Recipient understands and agrees that it must comply with applicable Federal civil rights laws and regulations, and follow applicable Federal guidance, except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing. Therefore, unless a Recipient

or Program, including an Indian Tribe or the Tribal Transit Program, is specifically exempted from a civil rights statute, FTA requires compliance with that civil rights statute, including compliance with equity in service:

- a. **Nondiscrimination in Federal Public Transportation Programs.** The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will, comply with Federal transit law, 49 U.S.C. § 5332 (FTA's "Nondiscrimination" statute): (1) FTA's "Nondiscrimination" statute prohibits discrimination on the basis of: (a) Race, (b) Color, (c) Religion, (d) National origin, (e) Sex, (f) Disability, (g) Age, or (h) Gender identity and (2) The FTA "Nondiscrimination" statute's prohibition against discrimination includes: (a) Exclusion from participation, (b) Denial of program benefits, or (c) Discrimination, including discrimination in employment or business opportunity, (3) Except as FTA determines otherwise in writing: (a) General. Follow: 1 The most recent edition of FTA Circular 4702.1, "Title VI Requirements and Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," to the extent consistent with applicable Federal laws, regulations, and guidance, and 2 Other applicable Federal guidance that may be issued, but (b) Exception for the Tribal Transit Program. FTA does not require an Indian Tribe to comply with FTA program-specific guidelines for Title VI when administering its projects funded under the Tribal Transit Program.
- b. **Nondiscrimination – Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.** The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will: (1) Prohibit discrimination based on: (a) Race, (b) Color, or (c) National origin, (2) Comply with: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation – Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," 49 C.F.R. part 21, and (c) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in the preceding section a, and (3) Except as FTA determines otherwise in writing, follow: (a) The most recent edition of FTA Circular 4702.1, "Title VI and Title VI-Dependent Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," to the extent consistent with applicable Federal laws, regulations, and guidance. (b) U.S. DOJ, "Guidelines for the enforcement of Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964," 28 C.F.R. § 50.3, and (c) Other applicable Federal guidance that may be issued.
- c. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** (1) **Federal Requirements and Guidance.** The Recipient agrees to, and assures that each Third Party Participant will, prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, and: (a) Comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., (b) Facilitate compliance with Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order No. 11246, Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note, (c) Comply with Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, and (d) Comply with other applicable EEO laws and regulations, as provided in Federal guidance, including laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, (2) **General.** The Recipient agrees to: (a) Ensure that applicants for employment are employed and employees are treated during employment without discrimination on the basis of their: 1 Race, 2 Color, 3 Religion, 4 Sex, 5 Disability, 6 Age, or 7 National origin, (b) Take affirmative action that includes, but is not limited to: 1 Recruitment advertising, 2 Recruitment, 3 Employment, 4 Rates of pay, 5 Other forms of compensation, 6 Selection for training, including apprenticeship, 7 Upgrading, 8 Transfers, 9 Demotions, 10 Layoffs, and 11 Terminations, but (b) Indian Tribe. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, exempts Indian Tribes under the definition of "Employer". (3) **Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements for Construction Activities.** In addition to the foregoing, when undertaking "construction" as recognized by the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL), the Recipient agrees to comply, and assures the compliance of each Third Party Participant, with: (a) U.S. DOL regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, and (b) Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order No. 11246, Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note.
- d. **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise.** To the extent authorized by applicable Federal law, the Recipient agrees to facilitate, and assures that each Third Party Participant will facilitate, participation by small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, also referred to as "Disadvantaged Business Enterprises" (DBEs), in the Project as follows: 1) **Requirements.** The Recipient agrees to comply with: (a) Section 1101(b)



of MAP-21, 23 U.S.C. § 101 note, (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs," 49 C.F.R. part 26, and (c) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a, (2) Assurance. As required by 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(a), (b) DBE Program Requirements. Recipients receiving planning, capital and/or operating assistance that will award prime third party contracts exceeding \$250,000 in a Federal fiscal year must: 1 Have a DBE program meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, 2 implement a DBE program approved by FTA, and 3 establish an annual DBE participation goal, (c) Special Requirements for a Transit Vehicle Manufacturer. The Recipient understands and agrees that each transit vehicle manufacturer, as a condition of being authorized to bid or propose on FTA-assisted transit vehicle procurements, must certify that it has complied with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26, (d) the Recipient provides assurance that: The Recipient shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any DOT-assisted contract or in the administration of its DBE program or the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26. The Recipient shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 C.F.R. part 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. The Recipient's DBE program, as required by 49 C.F.R. part 26 and as approved by DOT, is incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of this program is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to the Recipient of its failure to carry out its approved program, the Department may impose sanctions as provided for under 49 C.F.R. part 26 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., (2) Exception for the Tribal Transit Program. FTA exempts Indian tribes from the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise regulations at 49 C.F.R. part 26 under MAP-21 and previous legislation.

- e. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex. The Recipient agrees to comply with Federal prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sex, including: (1) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq., (2) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 25, and (3) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a.
- f. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age. The Recipient agrees to comply with Federal prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age, including: (1) The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), 29 U.S.C. §§ 621 – 634, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, (2) U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, which implements the ADEA, (3) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., which prohibits discrimination against individuals on the basis of age in the administration of programs or activities receiving Federal funds, (4) U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, which implements the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and (5) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, as stated in section a.
- g. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability. The Recipient agrees to comply with the following Federal prohibitions pertaining to discrimination against seniors or individuals with disabilities: (1) Federal laws, including: (a) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in the administration of federally funded programs or activities, (b) The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to individuals with disabilities, 1 General. Titles I, II, and III of the ADA apply to FTA Recipients, but 2 Indian Tribes. While Titles II and III of the ADA apply to Indian Tribes, Title I of the ADA exempts Indian Tribes from the definition of "employer," (c) The Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to individuals with disabilities, (d) Federal transit law, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5332, which now includes disability as a prohibited basis for discrimination, and (e) Other applicable laws and amendments pertaining to access for elderly individuals or individuals with disabilities, (2) Federal regulations, including: (a) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA)," 49 C.F.R. part 37, (b) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial



Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 27, (c) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation for Individuals with Disabilities: Passenger Vessels," 49 C.F.R. part 39, (d) Joint U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (U.S. ATBCB) and U.S. DOT regulations, "Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Accessibility Specifications for Transportation Vehicles," 36 C.F.R. part 1192 and 49 C.F.R. part 38, (e) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services," 28 C.F.R. part 35, (f) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities," 28 C.F.R. part 36, (g) U.S. EEOC, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1630, (h) U.S. Federal Communications Commission regulations, "Telecommunications Relay Services and Related Customer Premises Equipment for Persons with Disabilities," 47 C.F.R. part 64, Subpart F, (i) U.S. ATBCB regulations, "Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards," 36 C.F.R. part 1194, and (j) FTA regulations, "Transportation for Elderly and Handicapped Persons," 49 C.F.R. part 609, and (3) Other applicable Federal civil rights and nondiscrimination guidance.

- h. Drug or Alcohol Abuse - Confidentiality and Other Civil Rights Protections. The Recipient agrees to comply with the confidentiality and civil rights protections of: (1) The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, 21 U.S.C. § 1101 et seq., (2) The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4541 et seq., and (3) The Public Health Service Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 290dd-290dd-2.
- i. Access to Services for People with Limited English Proficiency. Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to promote accessibility of public transportation services to people whose understanding of English is limited by following: 1) Executive Order No. 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," August 11, 2000, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-1 note, and (2) U.S. DOT Notice, "DOT Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients' Responsibilities to Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Persons," 70 Fed. Reg. 74087, December 14, 2005.
- j. Other Nondiscrimination Laws. Except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing, the Recipient agrees to: (1) Comply with other applicable Federal nondiscrimination laws and regulations, and (2) Follow Federal guidance prohibiting discrimination.
- k. Remedies. Remedies for failure to comply with applicable Federal Civil Rights laws and Federal regulations may be enforced as provided in those Federal laws or Federal regulations.

#### **DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE**

Applicability – contracts over \$10,000 awarded on the basis of a bid or proposal offering to use DBEs:

- a. This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, and Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs. The national goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) is 10%. The recipient's overall goal for DBE participation is listed elsewhere. If a separate contract goal for DBE participation has been established for this procurement, it is listed elsewhere.
- b. The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this contract. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the municipal corporation deems appropriate. Each subcontract the contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (see 49 CFR 26.13(b)).
- c. If a separate contract goal has been established, Bidders/offerors are required to document sufficient DBE participation to meet these goals or, alternatively, document adequate good faith efforts to do so, as provided for in 49 CFR 26.53.
- d. If no separate contract goal has been established, the successful bidder/offeror will be required to report its DBE participation obtained through race-neutral means throughout the period of performance.
- e. The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment

for that work from the recipient. In addition, the contractor may not hold retainage from its subcontractors or must return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed or must return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after incremental acceptance of the subcontractor's work by the recipient and contractor's receipt of the partial retainage payment related to the subcontractor's work.

- f. The contractor must promptly notify the recipient whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of the recipient.

#### **PROMPT PAYMENT**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

The prime contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 30 days from the receipt of each payment the prime contract receives from the Recipient. The prime contractor agrees further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within 30 days after the subcontractors work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of the Recipient. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontracts.

#### **INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS**

Applicability – all contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).

The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms & Conditions required by USDOT, whether or not expressly stated in the preceding contract provisions. All USDOT-required contractual provisions, as stated in FTA Circular 4220.1F, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any request that would cause the recipient to be in violation of FTA terms and conditions.

# EXHIBIT

# A

Evaluation Criteria

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Specifications

## **Evaluation of Proposals**

2023-11

All Proposals will be evaluated for responsiveness, Responsibility of Vendor, and evaluation of listed Criteria. Proposals must meet the requirements of stage one and two listed below to have Proposal criteria evaluated.

### **Responsiveness (stage one)**

All Proposals must include the requested information and documents as outlined in the RFP to move to the Vendor Responsibility stage.

### **Vendor Responsibility (stage two)**

- A. Vendor must demonstrate the ability to do the proposed project in a timely matter.
- B. Vendor must provide proof of appropriate financial, facility, equipment, Licenses, and personnel to satisfy proposal.
- C. Vendor must not be debarred or suspended on epls list (<http://www.sam.gov>).
- D. Vendor must provide Name and contact information for 3 references for similar product.

### **Proposal Criteria (stage three)**

After successfully passing stage one and stage two the Proposals will be evaluated on the following Criteria with equal weights placed on each category.

- A. Project timeline
- B. Disruption of day-to-day operation
- C. Technical Proposal
- D. Materials to be used.
- E. Warranty, Guarantee
- F. Price (Price will be evaluated using the following formula)  
Low price / proposed price x points given to price criteria.

# Facility Plumbing/RPZ's

## Specifications

### Scope of Work:

Remove five (5) RPZ backflow preventers, ball valves and inline filter assemblies and replace with new units of the same size and functionality.

### RPZ Replacement

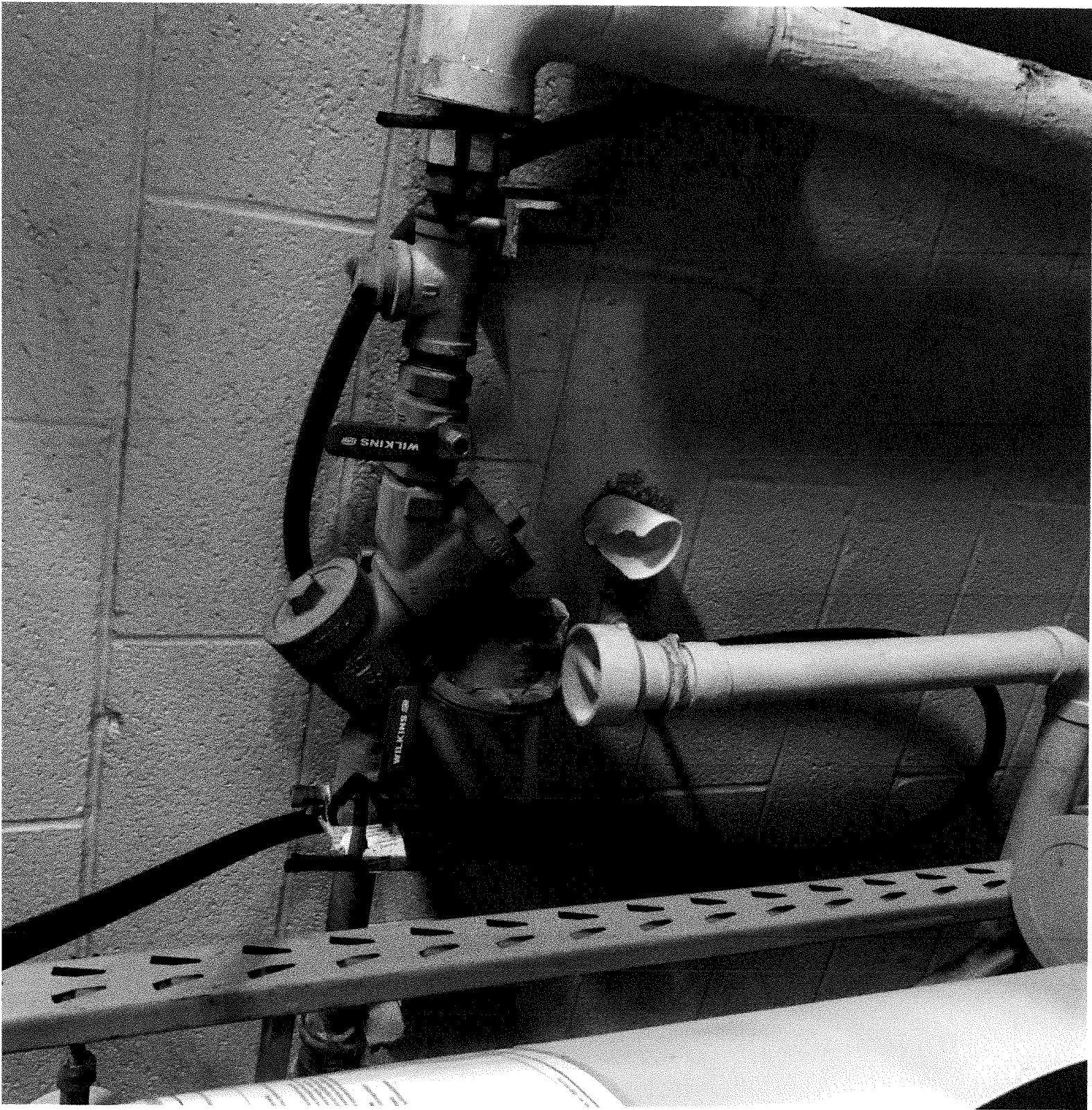
- Remove and replace all **three (3) of the 2" RPZ** backflow preventers located in the main water supply room at the North end of the body shop.
  - Remove and replace the inline strainer/filter assemblies.
  - Remove and replace the 2" ball valves on either side of the RPZ's.
  - Remove and replace piping back to Union on main lines as marked in picture.
- Remove and replace the **one (1) 1 ½" RPZ** backflow preventer which supplies the trench drains, located in the bus storage garage.
  - Remove and replace the inline strainer/filter assembly
  - Remove and replace the 1 1/2" ball valves on either side of the RPZ's
- Remove and replace the **one (1) 1" RPZ** backflow preventer in the boiler room located up near the ceiling by the expansion tank.
  - Remove and replace the inline strainer/filter assembly's
  - Remove and replace the 1" ball valves on either side of the RPZ's.
- Test water sprinkler RPZ backflow preventer (new in 2020) to ensure compliance with annual testing requirements.

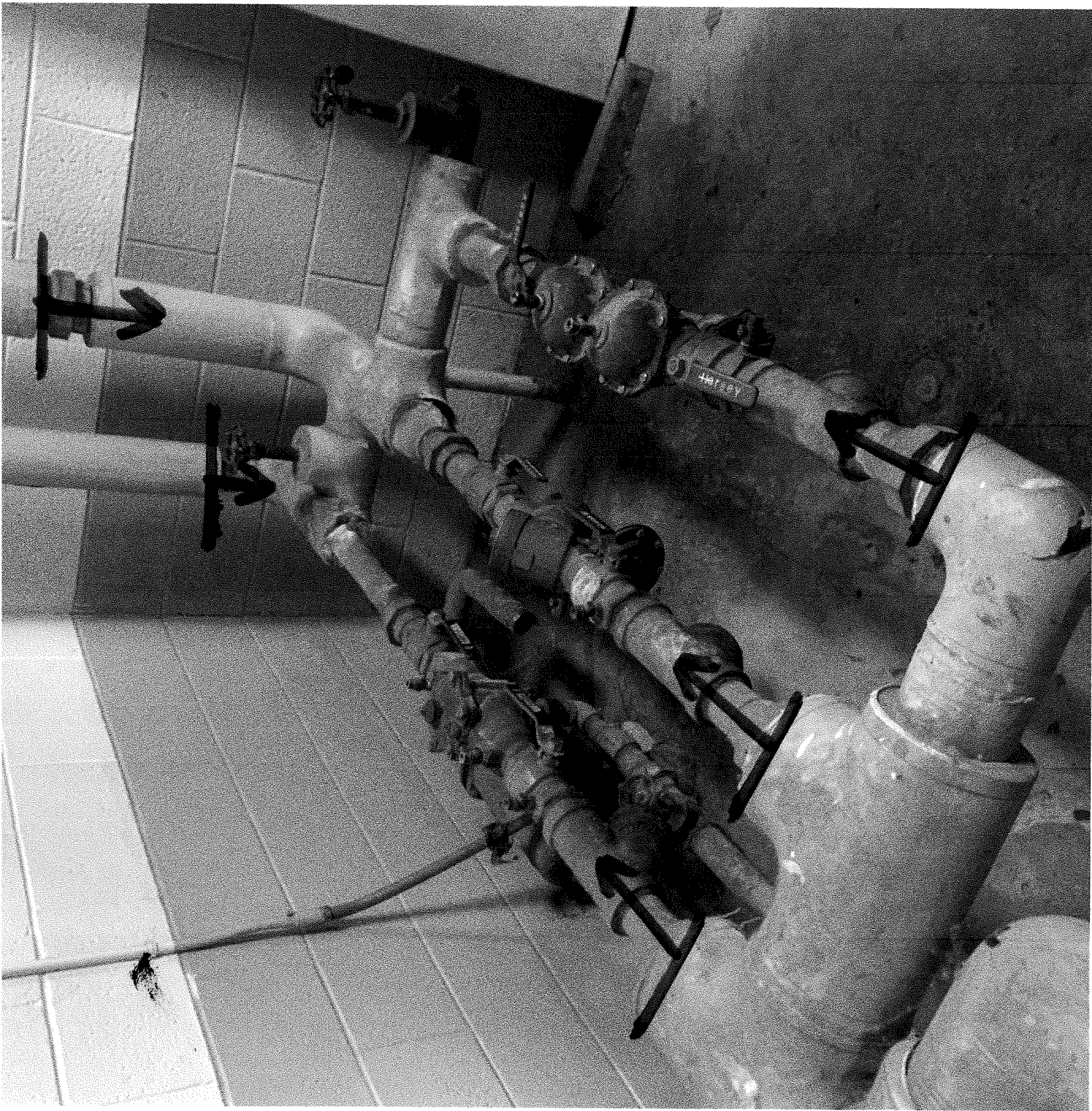
### Contractor Responsibility:

- Contractor to supply all new equipment for installation.
- All connections should be completed in compliance with local and State codes.
- Replacement of RPZ equipment should be done in a manner that will cause the least amount of disruption as possible to daily business activity.
- Removal of all waste material and equipment is the responsibility of the contractor.
- Contractor to supply written documentation for submittal of annual inspection compliance for 2023 RPZ testing after completion of installation.
- To secure all permits required and furnish a copy to BMTA when granted.











# EXHIBIT

## B

3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY CONTRACT  
EXAMPLE

## AGREEMENT

*THIS AGREEMENT* dated XXXXXX, 20XX, by and between BAY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (“BMTA”), a Michigan statutory authority, with offices at 1510 North Johnson Street, Bay City, Michigan and XXXXXXXXXXXXX of XXXXXXXX Street, XXXXX Michigan.

*NOW THEREFORE*, BMTA and Contractor agree:

**1. BMTA RFP No. 2023-11.** The full and complete terms and conditions as outlined in BMTA RFP No. 2023-11 and incorporated into this Agreement by reference herein.

**2. Description of Work.** The Contractor shall supply the materials and labor more fully described in detail in the “specifications”, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “A”. This work shall be generally described as the “RPZ Replacement”.

**3. Davis-Bacon.** Prevailing Wages which are attached hereto apply and are incorporated herein as Exhibit “B”.

**4. Price and Terms.** BMTA agrees to pay the Contractor \$ XXXXXXXX (hereinafter the “contract price”) in the following manner: (1) BMTA shall pay Contractor the contract price within a net thirty (30) days after completion and acceptance by a Bay Metro representative. To allow time for processing of payment, invoice should be received by Bay Metro Transit at least ten (10) days before payment is due.

**5. Commencement and Completion.** Contractor shall commence the project on or before XXXXX, 2021 and shall complete the project no later than XXXXX XX,XXXX.

**6. Warranty.** Contractor shall conduct all work in a reasonable and workmanlike manner, and shall provide BMTA with all warranties. Contractor shall indemnify BMTA for any and all costs associated with enforcing warranties.

**7. Notices.** Until endorsed on this contract to the contrary, each of the parties agrees that notices required in this Contract may be sent to:

BMTA: 1510 North Johnson Street, Bay City, MI 48708;

XXXXXXXXXXXX: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

and when mailed first class, postage prepaid, to the address, shall be binding and conclusively presumed to be served upon said parties. The parties further agree that this clause specifically applies to any action required to enforce this Agreement, including service required under MCR 2.105, unless endorsed on this Agreement to the contrary.

8. **Default.** In the event that a party defaults in the performance of this Agreement, the other party may elect to specifically enforce the obligations herein or take other such action as may be permitted by law.

9. **Attorney's Fees.** Contractor agrees to pay the attorney's fees and costs incurred by BMTA in enforcing any provision of this Agreement.

10. **Enforcement of Agreement.** The failure by BMTA to enforce at any time any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provision or of the right of BMTA thereafter to enforce each and every provision.

11. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior oral or written agreements, commitments, or understandings. The parties acknowledge and agree that none of them has made any representations with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement except such representations as are specifically set forth herein. No amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be valid or binding unless set forth in writing duly executed by all parties.

12. **Successor.** Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

13. **Severability.** The terms of this Agreement are severable so that if any term or condition is invalid or unenforceable, that term will be modified to make it valid and enforceable, or deleted if incapable of being modified, and the rest of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

14. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan, the rules and regulations of the Federal Transportation Administration and the rules and regulations of the Michigan Department of Transportation.

15. **Forum.** Except as otherwise herein provided, the parties agree that any action brought by either party shall be brought exclusively in the Bay County Circuit or District Court or the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (in such division serving Bay County, Michigan), if jurisdiction exists in such courts. The parties consent to the jurisdiction of such courts and waive all questions of jurisdiction or venue. Each party specifically waives the right to a jury trial.

16. **Period of Limitation.** Contractor agrees that any action or suit against the BMTA arising out of this Agreement must be brought within One Hundred Eighty (180) days of the event giving rise to the claims or be forever barred. Contractor specifically waives any limitation periods to the contrary.

17. **Third Party Disclaimer.** The parties to this Agreement are undertaking this Agreement solely for the benefit of the parties, and neither party intends to directly benefit any third party, whether specific or potential, nor any class of third parties, whether specific or potential. Any and all third party liability is expressly disclaimed by the parties.

**18. Notification of Current of prospective legal matters that may affect the Federal Government.**

The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the FTA Master Agreement, Section 39(b), apply to its actions pertaining to this project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms that if a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government emerges, the Contractor must notify the Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority. (1) The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason. (2) Matters that may affect the Federal Government include, but are not limited to, the Federal Government's interest in the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto, or the Federal Government's administration or enforcement of federal laws, regulations, and requirements.

**The Contractor agrees to include the above clause or similar clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.**

**19. Conflict.** In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of the subcontract and the prime contract (2022-0016/P5), the prime contract prevails.

**20. Captions.** The captions contained herein are for convenience only, and shall not be used to define, explain, modify or aid in the interpretation or construction of the contents hereof.

**21. Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in counter-parts, each of which shall be treated as an original, but all of which, collectively, shall constitute a single instrument. Facsimile and/or electronic signatures shall be effective as original signatures.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties do hereby declare and acknowledge that they have carefully read this Agreement, understand its contents, and have signed same as their free act of will.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

BAY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION  
AUTHORITY ("BMTA")

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Robert J. Redmond

Its: Board Chairman

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Thomas Boetefuer

Its: Board Secretary

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Sprague, General Manager

CONTRACTOR

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Its:

## NOTIFICATION OF DAVIS / BACON

### PREVAILING WAGE

This project is funded with Federal dollars and is subject to prevailing wages.

In order to keep compliant with the Federal wages Bay Metro Transit will use the services of Michigan Fair Contracting to monitor projects for compliance.

All vendors and agents of vendors or subcontractors must assist and provide all requested information to Michigan Fair Contracting as requested. Failure to comply will result in the cancellation of the project.

Certified payrolls must be furnished prior to Bay Metro Transit paying any invoices for the project.

The most recent published rates as of 02/24/2023 are attached as Exhibit C.

# EXHIBIT

## C

PREVAILING WAGES RATES

"General Decision Number: MI20230077 02/24/2023

Superseded General Decision Number: MI20220077

State: Michigan

Construction Type: Building

County: Bay County in Michigan.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include single family homes or apartments up to and including 4 stories).

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60).

If the contract is entered into on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>. Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract.</li> <li>. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$16.20 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in 2023.</li> </ul>
If the contract was awarded on or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>. Executive Order 13658 generally applies to the contract.</li> <li>. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$12.15 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on that contract in 2023.</li> </ul>

The applicable Executive Order minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. If this contract is covered by one of the Executive Orders and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must still submit a conformance request.

Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the Executive Orders is available at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts>.

Modification Number	Publication Date
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ASBE0047-002 07/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
ASBESTOS WORKER/HEAT & FROST INSULATOR.....	\$ 34.62	18.58

BOIL0169-001 01/01/2021

	Rates	Fringes
BOILERMAKER.....	\$ 35.95	34.52

BRMI0009-030 08/01/2020

	Rates	Fringes
BRICKLAYER.....	\$ 30.00	21.24
TILE FINISHER.....	\$ 22.80	17.54
TILE SETTER.....	\$ 29.82	15.35

## FOOTNOTE:

Paid Holiday: Fourth of July, if the worker is employed by the contractor in any period of seven working days before said holiday within the current calendar year.

CARP0706-002 06/01/2020

	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER, Includes Acoustical Ceiling Installation, Drywall Hanging, Form Work, and Metal Stud Installation.....	\$ 27.61	21.84

CARP1045-003 06/01/2013

	Rates	Fringes
LATHER.....	\$ 24.29	13.66

ELEC0692-001 06/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
ELECTRICIAN Excludes Low Voltage Wiring.	\$ 35.31	38.03%+9.25

ENGI0324-001 06/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
OPERATOR: Power Equipment		
GROUP 1.....	\$ 44.13	24.85
GROUP 2.....	\$ 40.83	24.85
GROUP 3.....	\$ 38.18	24.85
GROUP 4.....	\$ 36.47	24.85
GROUP 5.....	\$ 36.47	24.85
GROUP 6.....	\$ 30.61	24.85
GROUP 7.....	\$ 28.13	24.85

## FOOTNOTES:

Crane operator with main boom and jib 300' or longer: \$1.50 per hour above the group 1 rate. Crane operator with main boom and jib 400' or longer: \$3.00 per hour above the group 1 rate.

PAID HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

## POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Crane operator with main boom and jib 400', 300', or 220' or longer.

GROUP 2: Crane operator with main boom and jib 140' or longer, tower crane, gantry crane, whirley derrick

GROUP 3: Bulldozer; Concrete Pump; Crane; Grader/Blade; Highlift; Hoist; Roller; Scraper; Stiff Leg derrick; Trencher

GROUP 4: Bobcat/Skid Loader; Broom/Sweeper; Fork Truck (over 20' lift)

GROUP 5: Boom Truck (non-swinging)

GROUP 6: Fork Truck (20' lift and under for masonry work)

GROUP 7: Oiler

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IRON0025-019 06/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
IRONWORKER		
REINFORCING.....	\$ 31.43	34.77
STRUCTURAL.....	\$ 34.50	38.44

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LAB00334-010 06/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
LABORER: Landscape and Irrigation		
GROUP 1.....	\$ 23.82	7.60
GROUP 2.....	\$ 21.60	7.60

## CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Landscape specialist, including air, gas and diesel equipment operator, lawn sprinkler installer and skidsteer (or equivalent)

GROUP 2: Landscape laborer: small power tool operator, material mover, truck driver and lawn sprinkler installer tender

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LAB01098-009 07/01/2021

	Rates	Fringes
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## LABORER

Common or General; Grade  
Checker; Mason Tender -  
Brick/Cement/Concrete;

Pipelayer.....	\$ 22.67	12.90
Sandblaster.....	\$ 23.72	12.90

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PAIN1803-001 06/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
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PAINTER: Brush, Roller and Spray.....	\$ 26.27	20.17
PAINTER: Drywall Finishing/Taping.....	\$ 26.27	20.17

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PLAS0016-012 04/01/2014

	Rates	Fringes
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CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...	\$ 25.47	12.38
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\* PLUM0085-003 05/04/2022

	Rates	Fringes
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PIPEFITTER, Includes HVAC Pipe and Unit Installation.....	\$ 41.00	22.39
PLUMBER, Excludes HVAC Pipe and Unit Installation.....	\$ 38.25	21.07

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ROOF0149-003 06/01/2020

	Rates	Fringes
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ROOFER.....	\$ 29.58	18.33
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SFMI0669-001 04/01/2022

	Rates	Fringes
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SPRINKLER FITTER (Fire Sprinklers).....	\$ 38.69	25.22
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SHEE0007-009 05/01/2018

	Rates	Fringes
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SHEET METAL WORKER (Including HVAC Duct Installation; Excluding HVAC System Installation).....	\$ 26.83	23.78
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\* SUMI2011-002 02/01/2011

	Rates	Fringes
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ELECTRICIAN (Low Voltage Wiring).....	\$ 17.47	3.10
IRONWORKER, ORNAMENTAL.....	\$ 18.48	7.93
OPERATOR: Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe.....	\$ 18.57	6.40

OPERATOR: Tractor.....\$ 19.10	8.48
OPERATOR: Loader.....\$ 15.93 **	8.10
TRUCK DRIVER, Includes Dump and Tandem Truck.....\$ 12.00 **	0.00
TRUCK DRIVER: Tractor Haul Truck.....\$ 13.57 **	1.18

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WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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\*\* Workers in this classification may be entitled to a higher minimum wage under Executive Order 14026 (\$16.20) or 13658 (\$12.15). Please see the Note at the top of the wage determination for more information.

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

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

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The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of ""identifiers"" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate).

#### Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than ""SU"" or ""UAVG"" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of

the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

#### Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the "SU" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

#### Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

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#### WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- \* an existing published wage determination
- \* a survey underlying a wage determination
- \* a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- \* a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour National Office because National Office has responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations  
Wage and Hour Division  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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