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Palatka Housing Authority

PROCUREMENT and CONTRACTS

2025

PHA2025-IFB/CS-07

CLEANING SERVICE

BID PACKAGE

Due By: 11:00 AM, on Wednesday November 19, 2025

Striving for Excellence

**INVITATION FOR BID
OFFICE/BUILDING CLEANING SERVICES AND JOB TRAINING
PALATKA HOUSING AUTHORITY**

The Palatka Housing Authority is looking for Professional Office Cleaning Companies to partner with for our hands-on staff training program. The PHA plans to issue an IFB on **November 19, 2025** for **Buildings and Office Cleaning Services and Training opportunities**.

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Palatka Housing Authority (PHA), located at 400 N. 15th St., Palatka, FL 32177 until **11:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 19, 2025.** at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials and performing all work necessary and incidental to the following project:

Cleaning Areas

- **PHA Main Offices/Warehouse/bathrooms**
- **2 Community Buildings/with offices/bathrooms**

Partnership Training

- **Mentorship Program:** Pairing new cleaners with seasoned professionals to learn on the job.
- **Standardized Checklists:** Detailed, task-specific checklists are followed to ensure a consistently high level of service.
- **Ongoing Education:** The team receives regular training updates on new products and techniques.
- **Quality Assurance Inspections:** Routine checks are conducted to ensure every clean meets exacting standards.

Bids must be submitted to the Attn.: Ms. Willie Mae Thomas, Procurement Officer, in a sealed envelope bearing on the outside the: name of the firm, address and designated as bid for 'Cleaning Services' PHA2025-IFB/CS-07. Faxed bids will not be considered.

*****Note: If you send your bid packet in via FED EX or UPS, please make certain that the bid # PHA2025-IFB/CS-007 is labeled on the outside of the Air mail envelope.**

Bid specifications and information packet will be available at the PHA office for pickup ***October 16, 2025 and available on the PHA website at: www.palatkahaha.org***. Please

ensure all checklist documents are filled out properly for submission. The point of contact is Mrs. Willie Mae Thomas at (386) 329-0132, ext 215.

A **pre-bid conference, (non-mandatory attendance) but highly recommended**, will be held on **Tuesday October 28, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.** at PHA main office located at **400 N. 15th Street, Palatka, FL.** Final questions to IFB will be **November 11, 2025**. Please email questions to wmthomas@palatkakha.org for reply.

The PHA reserves the right to waive informalities in the bids received and to accept any which we consider to be in our best interest and to reject any and all bids. The PHA is an EOE/DFW.

The PHA has a goal and policies encouraging participation of small, minority, and women owned businesses in the provision of goods and services.



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BID DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

EACH BIDDER SHALL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS IN THEIR BID:

- CERTIFICATE OR COPY OF THEIR CONTRACTOR'S/BUSINESS LICENSE
- CURRENT COPY OF THEIR CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE AND WORKMAN'S COMP INSURANCE
- HUD FORM 5369 REPRESENTATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS
- HUD FORM 2530 PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION FORM
- NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT (Requires Notary)
- DAVIS-BACON WAGE RATE FORM
- PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME SWORN STATEMENT (Requires Notary)
- BID PRICE PROPOSAL FORM (Signed and Dated)



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**BID PROPOSAL FORM
CLEANING SERVICES**

THE PROPOSED BID IS SUBMITTED TO: Willie Mae Thomas, CONTRACT OFFICER

ADDRESS: Palatka Housing Authority
400 North 15th Street
Palatka, Florida 32177

BID DUE DATE: November 19, 2025 @11:00 a.m.

SCOPE OF WORK BID CONTRACT

SCOPE: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FURNISH ALL LABOR AND MATERIALS AND PERFORM ALL WORK NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL TO CLEANING SERVICES AT PHA MAIN OFFICE.

Note****tissue paper, hand soap, trash bags are furnished by PHA.

LOCATION	MONTHLY AMOUNT	
Dr. James A Long Community Bldg		
Rosa K. Ragsdale Community Bldg		
PHA Main offices and bathroom/warehouse bathrooms		
ANNUAL TOTAL AMT \$		

Annual amount must be provided.

NAME OF BIDDER/COMPANY : _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____/EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____



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**SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 287.133(3)(A),
FLORIDA STATUTES ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

(To be signed in the presence of a notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths)

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____, who, being
by me first duly sworn, made the following statement:

1. The business address of _____ (name of bidder or
contractor) is

_____.

2. My relationship to _____ (name of bidder or contractor) is

_____.

(relationship such as sole proprietor, partner, president, vice president)

3. I understand that a public entity crime as defined in Section 287.133 of the Florida Statutes includes a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity in Florida or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including, but not limited to, any bid, or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or such an agency or political subdivision and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.

4. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" is defined by the statute to mean a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, non-jury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

5. I understand that "affiliate" is defined by the statute to mean (1) a predecessor or successor of a person

or a corporation convicted of a public entity crime, or (2) an entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime, or (3) those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate, or (4) a person or corporation who knowingly entered into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months.

6. Neither the bidder or contractor nor any officer, director, executive, partner, shareholder, employee, member, or agent who is active in the management of the bidder or contractor nor any affiliate of the bidder or contractor has been convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

(Draw a line through paragraph 6 if paragraph 7 below applies)

7. There has been a conviction of a public entity crime by the bidder or contractor, or an officer, director, executive, partner, shareholder, employee, member, or agent of the bidder or contractor who is active in the management of the bidder or contractor or an affiliate of the bidder or the contractor. A determination has been made pursuant to Section 287.133(3) by order of the Division of Administrative Hearings that it is not in the public interest for the name of the convicted person or affiliate to appear on the convicted vendor list. The name of the convicted person or affiliate is _____. A copy of the order of the Division of Administrative Hearings is attached to this statement.

(Draw a line through paragraph 7 if paragraph 6 above applies)

Sworn to and subscribed before me in the state and county first mentioned above on the _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

DAVIS-BACON WAGE RATE FORM

I, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND WILL ADHERE TO ALL FEDERAL WAGE AND PAY RATE GUIDELINES FOUND IN THE ATTACHED DAVIS-BACON WAGE RATE DOCUMENT.

FIRM: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____



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"General Decision Number: FL20250047 01/03/2025

Superseded General Decision Number: FL20240047

State: Florida

Construction Type: Residential

County: Putnam County in Florida.

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (consisting of single family homes and 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)(1).

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:	Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$17.75 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 2025.
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If the contract was awarded on	Executive Order 13658
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or between January 1, 2015 and	generally applies to the
January 29, 2022, and the	contract.
contract is not renewed or	. The contractor must pay all
extended on or after January	covered workers at least
30, 2022:	\$13.30 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 2025.

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>.

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PAIN0078-001 07/01/2024

	Rates	Fringes
GLAZIER.....	\$ 27.36	14.18

SUFL2009-086 06/08/2009		

	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER, Excludes Drywall		
Hanging.....	\$ 13.29 **	0.00
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...\$ 10.89 ** 0.00		



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DRYWALL FINISHER/TAPER.....\$ 10.00 ** 0.00

DRYWALL HANGER.....\$ 12.35 ** 0.00

ELECTRICIAN.....\$ 10.89 ** 0.00

HVAC MECHANIC (HVAC Duct
Installation Only).....\$ 10.30 ** 0.00

INSULATOR: Batt and Blown.....\$ 14.70 ** 0.00

LABORER: Common or General.....\$ 10.31 ** 0.00

LABORER: Mason Tender -
Cement/Concrete.....\$ 9.00 ** 0.00

LABORER: Pipelayer.....\$ 14.19 ** 0.00

OPERATOR: Backhoe.....\$ 13.92 ** 0.00

OPERATOR: Loader.....\$ 12.00 ** 0.00

PAINTER, Includes Brush,
Roller and Spray (Excludes
Drywall Finishing/Taping).....\$ 10.35 ** 0.00

PLUMBER.....\$ 13.00 ** 0.00

ROOFER, Includes Built Up,
and Shake & Shingle Roofs.....\$ 11.64 ** 0.00

TRUCK DRIVER.....\$ 10.00 ** 0.00

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



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minimum wage under Executive Order 14026 (\$17.75) or 13658 (\$13.30). Please see the Note at the top of the wage determination for more information. Please also note that the minimum wage requirements of Executive Order 14026 are not currently being enforced as to any contract or subcontract to which the states of Texas, Louisiana, or Mississippi, including their agencies, are a party.

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) (iii)).

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



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rate, a weighted union average rate, a state adopted rate, or a supplemental classification rate.

Union Rate Identifiers

A four-letter identifier beginning with characters other than ""SU"", ""UAVG"", ?SA?, or ?SC? denotes that a union rate was prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2024. PLUM is an identifier of the union whose collectively bargained rate 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. The date, 07/01/2024 in the example, is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all changes over time that are reported to WHD in the rates in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing the classification.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

The UAVG identifier indicates that no single rate prevailed for those classifications, but that 100% of the data reported for the classifications reflected union rates. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 01/01/2024. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the State of Ohio. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 01/01/2024 in the example, indicates the date the wage determination was updated to reflect the most current union average rate.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January, to reflect a weighted average of the current rates in the collective bargaining agreements on which the rate is based.

Survey Rate Identifiers



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The ""SU"" identifier indicates that either a single non-union rate prevailed (as defined in 29 CFR 1.2) for this classification in the survey or that the rate was derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As a weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SUFL2022-007 6/27/2024. SU indicates the rate is a single non-union prevailing rate or a weighted average of survey data for that classification. FL indicates the State of Florida. 2022 is the year of the 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. The date, 6/27/2024 in the example, indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

?SU? wage rates typically remain in effect until a new survey is conducted. However, the Wage and Hour Division (WHD) has the discretion to update such rates under 29 CFR 1.6(c)(1).

State Adopted Rate Identifiers

The ""SA"" identifier indicates that the classifications and prevailing wage rates set by a state (or local) government were adopted under 29 C.F.R 1.3(g)-(h). Example: SAME2023-007 01/03/2024. SA reflects that the rates are state adopted. ME refers to the State of Maine. 2023 is the year during which the state completed the survey on which the listed classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 01/03/2024 in the example, reflects the date on which the classifications and rates under the ?SA? identifier took effect under state law in the state from which the rates were adopted.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

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



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- a) a survey underlying a wage determination
- b) an existing published wage determination
- c) an initial WHD letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- d) an initial conformance (additional classification and rate) determination

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be directed to the WHD Branch of Wage Surveys. Requests can be submitted via email to davisbaconinfo@dol.gov or by mail to:

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

Regarding any other wage determination matter such as conformance decisions, requests for initial decisions should be directed to the WHD Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Requests can be submitted via email to BCWD-Office@dol.gov or by mail 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 an initial decision has been issued, then any interested party (those affected by the action) that disagrees with the decision can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Requests for review and reconsideration can be submitted via email to dba.reconsideration@dol.gov or by mail to:

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



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The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and 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.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION"



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NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

_____, Being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he/she is _____

(A partner or officer of the firm of, etc.)

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

Signature of:

Bidder, if bidder is an individual

Partner, if the bidder is a partnership

Officer, if the bidder is a corporation

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: _____



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INSURANCE, LICENSE, TAX REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall take out and maintain throughout the contract period insurance in the following **minimum** requirements.

GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE: Shall be maintained with limits for bodily injury or death of not less than \$1,000,000.00 aggregate per policy, and with limits for property damage of not less than \$250,000.00 per occurrence and not less than \$1,000,000.00 aggregate for the policy.

AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE: All motor vehicles used in connection with the contract whether owned, non-owned, or hired, shall have limits for bodily injury or death of not less than \$50,000.00 per person and not less than \$50,000.00 for each occurrence, and not less than \$250,000.00 per aggregate.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS LIABILITY INSURANCE: All employees including owner or partners shall be covered by the following minimum limits. However partners or owner that qualifies for exemption under the workman compensation law can submit the proper exemption certificate. Listed below are the minimum limits of insurance.

1. Bodily injury by accident, \$100,000.00 each accident.
2. Bodily injury by disease, \$100,000.00 each person.
3. Policy limit \$500,000.00

The Contractor shall furnish to the Palatka Housing Authority a Certificate of Insurance showing the name of **the insurance company, type of insurance**, amount of coverage, policy number, effective date and expiration date of the policy. This certificate must be signed by a representative of the insurance company and must include the provision that no change in, or cancellation of any policy listed in the certificate will be made prior to written notice to the owner. The Contractor shall furnish to the Palatka Housing Authority the Certificate of Insurance before the commencement of work.

TAXES

FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL PAYROLL TAXES

No Federal, State, local income tax or payroll tax of any kind shall be withheld or paid by the Local Authority on behalf of the Contractor or the employees of the Contractor. The Contractor shall not be treated as an employee with respect to the services performed hereunder for Federal, State, or local tax purposes.

The Contractor understands that the Contractor is responsible to pay, according to law, the Contractor's income taxes. If the Contractor is not a corporation, the Contractor further understands that the Contractor may be liable for self-employment (social security) tax, to be paid by the Contractor according to law.

HUD REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor agrees to abide by all applicable HUD regulations as well as Federal, State, and Local Laws and regulations that may apply to the work or services provided. The Contractor has reviewed and agrees to follow the State of Florida, current Davis-Bacon Wage Determination Rate for all employees. The Contractor is responsible for obtaining any and all permits or regulatory authorizations prior to commencement of the work or Contract.



CLEANING WORK SCOPE

**PHA MAIN OFFICE BUILDING/WAREHOUSE/COMMUNITY CENTERS
AND COMMUNITY ROOMS**

OFFICE/BUILDING INVENTORY

PHA Main Office

- 17 offices
- 8 bathrooms/2 showers
- 1 Conference Room
- 2 Lobbies
- Hallways

James A. Long Community Center

- 4 bathrooms/ 1 shower
- 3 offices
- Main Foyer area/sink countertop
- Kitchen
- Library/meeting room

Rosa K. Ragsdale Center

- 5 bathrooms/ 1 shower
- Counters/sinks tops
- Main Foyer area/sink counter top
- Meeting room
- 3 ½ offices
- Training space

Westover Manor Community Room

- 1 bathroom
- 1 large room

Madison Court Community Room

- 1 bathroom
- 1 large room

REQUIRED DUTES

- Sweeping all floors (trash, debris, dirt)
- Mopping all floors (dirt, scuff mark, gum)
- Dusting (all desks where visible, computers, cabinets, office furniture)
- Trash removal (all trash cans and liners replaced)
- Cleaning all interior window glass in offices, and interior window sills
- Wipe down all (baseboards, file cabinets, etc)
- Polish desk (where visible) and tables (spills, stains)
- Wipe chair and tables (stains, etc)
- Clean all walls (dirt/grime/fingerprints/food)
- Wipe down all baseboards (dust/dirt)
- Clean all doors (knobs and handles)
- -side door glass (interior and exterior)
- Bathroom cleaning (commodes inside and out, mirrors, sinks, showers)
- Tissue/paper towels/hand soap refills
- Clean coffee bar
- Clean Counter tops/cabinets
- Wipe down water cooler
- Kitchen (sink, cabinets, counter tops, tables, top of stove, refrigerator)
- Wipe down visible Hot water heaters
- Waxing of floor (Community rooms only, except Ragsdale)
- Cleaning of blinds (where available)

1. The Contractor will clean the PHA Main Offices Monday through Thursday (office is closed on Friday's).
2. The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, tools and equipment necessary for the cleaning of the Main Office/Warehouse, Community Centers and Community rooms of the PHA.
3. The Palatka Housing Authority shall provide bacterial hand cleaner, Toilet tissue, paper hand towels, and garbage bags and disinfectant hand sanitizer solution for sprayer.
4. The contractor encouraged to used high resolution cleaning products for disinfecting, sanitizing and deodorizing when cleaning floors, glass, countertops, walls and bathrooms.
5. Contractor shall ensure all paper towels, toilet tissue and soap dispensers are supplied at all times.
6. The contractor will maintain a signed daily, monthly and quarterly log sheet of duties performed according to spec below. This log sheet will be monitored by PHA representative. **THIS LOG SHEET SHOULD BE POSTED WITHIN THE CLEANER CAGE AT THE PHA FOR REVIEW.**

DAILY SCHEDULE OF DUTIES

Lobby

- Sweep all lobby floors of debris, sand, dirt (mop if necessary to remove stain or spills)
- Maintain removal of any gum or scuff marks off floors
- sweep or vacuum entry mats
- Wipe down lobby chairs
- Wipe down counter tops
- Empty all trash cans and reline (where applicable)

Offices

- Empty ALL trash can liners and reline
- Sweep floors from daily debris sand, dirt (mop if necessary to remove stains or spills)
- Dust top of desk (where visible)

HALLWAYS/COPIER ROOM

- Sweep all hallway floors of debris, sand, dirt (mop if necessary to remove stain or spills)
- Maintain removal of any gum or scuff marks off floors
- Empty ALL trash can liners and reline (where applicable)
- Wipe down countertops
- Wipe down water fountains (disinfectant)

BATHROOMS

- Clean and swipe down all toilets seats and lids inside and outside (disinfect)
- Wipe down all bathroom sinks and mirrors
- Maintain soap, paper towel and toilet tissue dispensers (as needed)
- Sweep all bathroom floors (mop if needed)
- Empty all trash cans and reline

KITCHEN

- Wipe down table, counter top and sink
- Sweep floors (mop if needed)
- Maintain hand soap and paper towels
- Empty all trash cans and reline

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF DUTIES

LOBBY

- Sweep all lobby floors of debris, sand, dirt
- Mop all lobby floors
- Maintain removal of any gum or scuff marks off floors
- sweep or vacuum entry mats
- clean glass interior and exterior doors and side glass interior
- Clean interior office glass
- Wipe down lobby table

- Wipe down countertops in front of office glass
- Wipe down all hallway doors and knobs
- Empty all trash cans and reline (where applicable)
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OFFICES

- Empty ALL trash can liners and reline
- Sweep floors (debris sand, dirt, spills)
- Polish desks (where visible)
- Mop all office floors
- Wipe doors and knobs
- Wipe down office chairs
- Dust computers and cabinets
- Wipe down counter tops
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HALLWAYS/COPIER ROOM

- Wipe/clean water fountains (as needed) with sanitizer
- Sweep all hallway floors of debris, sand, dirt (mop if necessary to remove stain or spills)
- Maintain removal of any gum or scuff marks off floors
- Empty ALL trash can liners and reline (where applicable)
- Wipe down counter tops

BATHROOMS

- Clean and swipe down all toilets seats and lids inside and outside (disinfect)
- Wipe down all bathroom sinks and mirrors
- Clean all showers as needed
- Refill paper soap, towel and toilet tissue dispensers (as needed)
- Mop all bathroom floors
- Wipe down all bathroom doors and knobs
- Wipe down all bathrooms walls for removal any dirt/grime (front/back)
- Empty all trash cans and reline

KITCHEN

- Wipe down table and chairs
- Wipe down countertops/sinks/cabinets
- Sweep and mop floors
- Wipe down walls (debris, food)
- Wipe down stove and Refrigerator (**outside**)
- Maintain hand soap/paper towels

- Clean glass windows interior
- Clean Microwave (inside and out)
- Empty all trash cans and reline

MONTHLY SCHEDULE: (in addition to weekly cleaning)

- Clean out refrigerator interior (post notice in advance on the outside of refrigerator for upcoming interior cleaning, or inform Mrs. Thomas when cleaning will take place, thereby giving staff a chance to remove personal food items. Only condiments should remain in refrigerator and any unused food items should be discarded.
- Clean all visible base boards (as needed)

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE: in addition to monthly cleaning

- Wipe down visible fire extinguishers
- Clean outside fluorescent light reflector shields by entry doors
- Clean windows inside of offices (not barricaded by furniture or screens) and window sills
- Provide any other necessary cleaning, that helps to keep the office cleaned, sanitize and healthy

The Palatka Housing Authority shall provide bacterial hand soap, bath tissue, hand towels and garbage bags.

FYI; *Square footage of Main Office/Warehouse estimate is as follows:

Main Office/Warehouse – Approximately 4,560 sq. ft.

It is suggested that contactors take their own measurements accuracy

COMMUNITY CENTERS AND ROOMS

DAILY

- Sweep all office floors, bay area and entry way exterior (mop if needed)
- Clean all bathrooms (mirrors, toilets)
- Remove any cuff marks and gum (as needed)
- Refill paper towels and tissue paper dispensers (as needed)
- Sweep entryway exterior

WEEKLY

- Mop all bath rooms floors and open bay floor
- Mop computer labs and non regular used offices (if needed)
- Wipe down Kitchen Island (sink and countertop) where available, as needed
- Wipe clean microwave and refrigerator exterior and interior (where available) if needed

MONTHLY

Swipe down interior walls of open bay (as needed)
Clean interior windows

QUARTERLY

- Clean interior windows and sills
- Sweep down entryway of exterior foyer ceiling

SEMI ANNUAL

- Strip tile for buildup (if needed), mop and clean thoroughly with good cleaner, and wipe down baseboards (where visible)
- Provide wax schedule, to provide staff an opportunity to remove any furniture, supplies (James A. Long, Westover Manor and Madison Court)
- **NO WAXING AT ROSA K. RAGSDALE** (Clean floors only with simple solution floor cleaner on tile floor)

Previous Participation Certification

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(Exp. 05/31/2019)

US Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Housing/Federal Housing Commissioner

US Department of Agriculture Farmers Home Administration

Part I to be completed by Principals of Multifamily Projects (See instructions)

Reason for submission:

1. Agency name and City where the application is filed

3. Loan or Contract amount \$

4. Number of Units or Beds

5. Section of Act

6. Type of Project (check one)
☐ Existing ☐ Rehabilitation ☐ Proposed (New)

2. Project Name, Project Number, City and Zip Code

For HUD HQ/FmHA use only

7. List all proposed Principals and attach organization chart for all organizations

Name and address of Principals and Affiliates (Name: Last, First, Middle Initial) proposing to participate

8 Role of Each Principal in Project	9. SSN or IRS Employer Number

Certifications: The principal(s) listed above hereby apply to HUD or USDA FmHA, as the case maybe, for approval to participate as principal(s) in the role(s) and project listed above. The principal(s) each certify that all the statements made on this form are true, complete and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief and are made in good faith, including any Exhibits attached to this form. **Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. The principal(s) further certify that to the best of their knowledge and belief:**

1. Schedule A contains a listing, for the last ten years, of every project assisted or insured by HUD, USDA FmHA and/or State and local government housing finance agencies in which the principal(s) have participated or are now participating.

2. For the period beginning 10 years prior to the date of this certification, and except as shown on the certification:

a. No mortgage on a project listed has ever been in default, assigned to the Government or foreclosed, nor has it received mortgage relief from the mortgagee;

b. The principals have no defaults or noncompliance under any Conventional Contract or Turnkey Contract of Sale in connection with a public housing project;

c. There are no known unresolved findings as a result of HUD audits, management reviews or other Governmental investigations concerning the principals or their projects;

d. There has not been a suspension or termination of payments under any HUD assistance contract due to the principal's fault or negligence;

e. The principals have not been convicted of a felony and are not presently the subject of a complaint or indictment charging a felony. (A felony is defined as any offense punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, but does not include any offense classified as a misdemeanor under the laws of a State and punishable by imprisonment of two years or less);

f. The principals have not been suspended, debarred or otherwise restricted by any Department or Agency of the Federal Government or of a State Government from doing business with such Department or Agency;

g. The principals have not defaulted on an obligation covered by a surety or performance bond and have not been the subject of a claim under an employee fidelity bond;

3. All the names of the principals who propose to participate in this project are listed above.

4. None of the principals is a HUD/FmHA employee or a member of a HUD/FmHA employee's immediate household as defined in Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch in 5 C.F.R. Part 2635 (57 FR 35006) and HUD's Standard of Conduct in 24 C.F.R. Part 0 and USDA's Standard of Conduct in 7 C.F.R. Part 0 Subpart B.

5. None of the principals is a participant in an assisted or insured project as of this date on which construction has stopped for a period in excess of 20 days or which has been substantially completed for more than 90 days and documents for closing, including final cost certification, have not been filed with HUD or FmHA.

6. None of the principals have been found by HUD or FmHA to be in noncompliance with any applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements in 24 CFR 5.105(a). (If any principals or affiliates have been found to be in noncompliance with any requirements, attach a signed statement explaining the relevant facts, circumstances, and resolution, if any).

7. None of the principals is a Member of Congress or a Resident Commissioner nor otherwise prohibited or limited by law from contracting with the Government of the United States of America.

8. Statements above (if any) to which the principal(s) cannot certify have been deleted by striking through the words with a pen, and the relevant principal(s) have initiated each deletion (if any) and have attached a true and accurate signed statement (if applicable) to explain the facts and circumstances.

Name of Principal

Signature of Principal

Certification Date(mm/dd/yyyy)

Area Code and Tel. No.

This form prepared by (print name)

Area Code and Tel. No.

Previous editions are obsolete

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1. Principals Name (Last, First)

2. List of previous projects (Project name, project ID and, Govt. agency involved)

3. List Principals' Role(s)
(indicate dates participant
fee or identity of interest
participant)

**4. Status of loan
(current, defaulted,
assigned, foreclosed)**

5. Was the Project ever in default during your participation

6. Last MOR rating and Physical Insp. Score and date

Received and checked by me for accuracy and completeness; recommend approval or refer to Headquarters after checking appropriate box.

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Tel No. and area code

Staff

Processing and Control

☐ A. No adverse information; form HUD-2530 approval recommended.

☐ **C. Disclosure or Certification problem**

☐ B. Name match in system

☐ D. Other (attach memorandum)

Supervisor

Director of Housing/Director, Multifamily Division

Approved _____

☐ Yes ☐ No

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Instructions for Completing the Previous Participation Certificate, form HUD-2530

Carefully read these instructions and the applicable regulations. A copy of those regulations published at 24 C.F.R. 200.210 to 200.245 can be obtained from the Multifamily Housing Representative at any HUD Office. Type or print neatly in ink when filling out this form. Mark answers in all blocks of the form. If the form is not filled completely, it will delay approval of your application.

Attach extra sheets as you need them. Be sure to indicate "Continued on Attachments" wherever appropriate. Sign each additional page that you attach if it refers to you or your record.

Carefully read the certification before you sign it. Any questions regarding the form or how to complete it can be answered by your HUD Office Multifamily Housing Representative.

Purpose: This form provides HUD with a certified report of all previous participation in HUD multifamily housing projects by those parties making application. The information requested in this form is used by HUD to determine if you meet the standards established to ensure that all principal participants in HUD projects will honor their legal, financial and contractual obligations and are acceptable risks from the underwriting standpoint of an insurer, lender or governmental agency. HUD requires that you certify your record of previous participation in HUD/USDA-FmHA, State and Local Housing Finance Agency projects by completing and signing this form, before your project application or participation can be approved.

HUD approval of your certification is a necessary precondition for your participation in the project and in the capacity that you propose. If you do not file this certification, do not furnish the information requested accurately, or do not meet established standards, HUD will not approve your certification.

Note that approval of your certification does not obligate HUD to approve your project application, and it does not satisfy all other HUD program requirements relative to your qualifications.

Who Must Sign and File Form HUD-2530:

Form HUD-2530 must be completed and signed by all principals applying to participate in HUD multifamily housing projects, including those who have no previous participation. The form must be signed and filed by all principals and their affiliates who propose participating in the HUD project. Use a separate form for each role in the project unless there is an identity of interest.

Principals include all individuals, joint ventures,

partnerships, corporations, trusts, non-profit organizations, any other public or private entity that will participate in the proposed project as a sponsor, owner, prime contractor, turnkey developer, managing agent, nursing home administrator or operator, packager, or consultant. Architects and attorneys who have any interest in the project other than an arm's length fee arrangement for professional services are also considered principals by HUD.

In the case of partnerships, all general partners regardless of their percentage interest and limited partners having a 25 percent or more interest in the partnership are considered principals. In the case of public or private corporations or governmental entities, principals include the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and all other executive officers who are directly responsible to the board of directors, or any equivalent governing body, as well as all directors and each stockholder having a 10 percent or more interest in the corporation.

Affiliates are defined as any person or business concern that directly or indirectly controls the policy of a principal or has the power to do so. A holding or parent corporation would be an example of an affiliate if one of its subsidiaries is a principal.

Exception for Corporations - All principals and affiliates must personally sign the certificate except in the following situation. When a corporation is a principal, all of its officers, directors, trustees and stockholders with 10 percent or more of the common (voting) stock need not sign personally if they all have the same record to report. The officer who is authorized to sign for the corporation or agency will list the names and title of those who elect not to sign. However, any person who has a record of participation in HUD projects that is separate from that of his or her organization must report that activity on this form and sign his or her name. The objective is full disclosure.

Exceptions - The names of the following parties do not need to be listed on form HUD-2530: Public Housing Agencies, tenants, owners of less than five condominium or cooperative units and all others whose interests were acquired by inheritance or court order.

Where and When Form HUD-2530 Must Be Filed:

The original of this form must be submitted to the HUD Office where your project application will be processed at the same time you file your initial project application. This form must be filed with applications for projects, or when otherwise required in the situations listed below:

- Projects to be financed with mortgages insured under the National Housing Act (FHA).
- Projects to be financed according to Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (Elderly and

Handicapped)

- Projects in which 20 percent or more of the units are to receive a subsidy as described in 24 C.F.R. 200.213.

- Purchase of a project subject to a mortgage insured or held by the Secretary of HUD.
- Purchase of a Secretary-owned project.

- Proposed substitution or addition of a principal or principal participation in a different capacity from that previously approved for the same project.

- Proposed acquisition by an existing limited partner of an additional interest in a project resulting in a total interest of 25 percent or more or proposed acquisition by a corporate stockholder of an additional interest in a project resulting in a total interest of 10 percent or more.

- Projects with U.S.D.A., Farmers Home Administration, or with state or local government housing finance agencies that include rental assistance under Section 8 of the Housing Act of 1937. For projects of this type, form HUD-2530 should be filed with the appropriate applications directly to those agencies.

Review of Adverse Determination: If approval of your participation in a HUD project is denied, withheld, or conditionally granted on the basis of your record of previous participation, you will be notified by the HUD Office. You may request reconsideration by the HUD Review Committee. Alternatively, you may request a hearing before a Hearing Officer. Either request must be made in writing within 30 days from your receipt of the notice of determination.

If you do request reconsideration by the Review Committee and the reconsideration results in an adverse determination, you may then request a hearing before a Hearing Officer. The Hearing Officer will issue a report to the Review Committee. You will be notified of the final ruling by certified mail.

Specific Line Instructions:

Reason for submitting this Certification: e.g., refinancing, change in ownership, change in management agent, transfer of physical assets, etc.

Block 1: Fill in the name of the agency to which you are applying. For example: HUD Office, Farmers Home Administration District office, or the name of a State or local housing finance agency. Below that, fill in the name of the city where the office is located.

Block 2: Fill in the name of the project, such as "Greenwood Apts." If the name has not yet been selected, write "Name unknown." Below that, enter the HUD contract or project identification number, the Farmers Home Administration project number, or the State or local housing finance agency project or contract number. Include all project or contract

identification numbers that are relevant to the project. Also enter the name of the city in which the project is located, and the ZIP Code.

Block 3: Fill in the dollar amount requested in the proposed mortgage, or the annual amount of rental assistance requested.

Block 4: Fill in the number of apartment units proposed, such as "40 units." For hospital projects or nursing homes, fill in the number of beds proposed, such as "100 beds."

Block 5: Fill in the section of the Housing Act under which the application is filed.

Block 7: Definitions of all those who are considered principals and affiliates are given above in the section titled "Who Must Sign and File..."

Block 8: Beside the name of each principal, fill in the appropriate role. The following are examples of possible roles that the principals may assume: Owner/Mortgagor, Managing Agent, Sponsor, Developer, General Contractor, Packager, Consultant, Nursing Home Administrator etc.

Block 9: Fill in the Social Security Number or IRS employer number of every principal listed, including affiliates.

Instructions for Completing Schedule A:

Be sure that Schedule A is filled-in completely, accurately and the certification is properly dated and signed, because it will serve as a legal record of your previous experience. All Multifamily Housing projects involving HUD/FmHA, and State and local Housing Finance Agencies in which you have previously participated must be listed. Applicants are reminded that previous participation pertains to the individual principal within an entity as well as the entity itself. A newly formed company may not have previous participation, but the principals within the company may have had extensive participation and disclosure of that activity is required.

Column 2. All previous projects must be listed or your certification cannot be processed. Include the name of all projects, project number, city where it is located and the governmental agency (HUD, USDA-FmHA or state or local housing finance agency) that was involved.

Column 3. List the role(s) as a principal, dates participated and if fee or identity of interest (IOI) with owners.

Column 4. Indicate the current status of the loan. Except for current loan, the date associated with the status is required. Loans under a workout arrangement are considered assigned. For all noncurrent loans, an explanation of the status is required.

Column 5. Explain any project defaults during your participation.

Column 6. Provide the latest Management Review (MOR) rating and Physical Inspection score.

Certification: After you have completed all other parts of

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect this information by law (42 U.S.C. 3535(d) and 24 C.F.R. 200.217) and by regulation at 24 CFR 200.210. This information is needed so that principals applying to participate in multifamily programs can become HUD-approved participants. The information you provide will enable HUD to evaluate your record with respect to established standards of performance, responsibility and eligibility. Without prior approval, a principal may not participate in a proposed or existing multifamily project. HUD uses this information to evaluate whether or not principals pose an unsatisfactory underwriting risk. The information is used to evaluate the potential principals and approve only individuals and organizations that will honor their legal, financial and contractual obligations.

Privacy Act Statement: The Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3543 requires persons applying for a Federally-insured or guaranteed loan to furnish his/her Social Security Number (SSN). HUD must have your SSN for identification of your records. HUD may use your SSN for automated processing of your records and to make requests for information about you and your previous records with other public agencies and private sector sources. HUD may disclose certain information to Federal, State and local agencies when relevant to civil, criminal, or regulatory investigations and prosecutions. It will not be otherwise disclosed or released outside of HUD, except as required and permitted by law. You must provide all of the information requested in this application, including your SSN.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

A response is mandatory. Failure to provide any of the information will result in your disapproval of participation in this HUD program.

form HUD-2530, including schedule A, read the Certification carefully. In the box below the statement of the certification, fill in the names of all principals and affiliates as listed in block 7. Each principal should sign the certification with the exception in some cases of individuals associated with a corporation (see "Exception for Corporations" in the section of the instructions titled "Who Must Sign and File Form HUD-2530). Principal who is signing on behalf of the entity should attach signature authority document. Each principal who signs the form should fill in the date of the signature and

a telephone number. By providing a telephone number, HUD can reach you in the event of any questions.

If you cannot certify and sign the certification as it is printed because some statements do not correctly describe your record, use a pen to strike through those parts that differ with your record, and then sign and certify. Attach a signed statement of explanation of the items you have struck out on the certification. Item 2a, relates to felony convictions within the past 10 years. If you are convicted of

a felony within the past 10 years, strike out 2c, and attach statement of explanation. A felony conviction will not necessarily cause your participation to be disapproved unless there is a criminal record or other evidence that your previous conduct or method of doing business has been such that your participation in the project would make it an unacceptable risk from the underwriting stand point of an insurer, lender or governmental agency.

Certifications and Representations of Offerors Non-Construction Contract

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

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

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

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) The bidder/offeror represents and certifies as part of its bid/offer that, except for full-time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder/offeror, the bidder/offeror:

(1) ☐ has, ☐ has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and

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

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

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

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

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

(a) ☐ is, ☐ is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.

(b) ☐ is, ☐ is not a women-owned small business concern. "Women-owned," as used in this provision, means a small business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.

(c) ☐ is, ☐ is not a minority enterprise which, pursuant to Executive Order 11625, is defined as a business which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals.

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

(Check the block applicable to you)

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

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

(1) The prices in this bid/offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder/offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid/offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;

(2) The prices in this bid/offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder/offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder/offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid/offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

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

(1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or

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

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

- (c) If the bidder/offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid/offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

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

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

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

(iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

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

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

- (d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

6. Conflict of Interest

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

7. Offeror's Signature

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

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title:

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

**Instructions to Bidders for Contracts
Public and Indian Housing Programs**

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1. Bid Preparation and Submission

(a) Bidders are expected to examine the specifications, drawings, all instructions, and, if applicable, the construction site (see also the contract clause entitled **Site Investigation and Conditions Affecting the Work** of the *General Conditions of the Contract for Construction*). Failure to do so will be at the bidders' risk.

(b) All bids must be submitted on the forms provided by the Public Housing Agency/Indian Housing Authority (PHA/IHA). Bidders shall furnish all the information required by the solicitation. Bids must be signed and the bidder's name typed or printed on the bid sheet and each continuation sheet which requires the entry of information by the bidder. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the bid. Bids signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority. (Bidders should retain a copy of their bid for their records.)

(c) Bidders must submit as part of their bid a completed form HUD-5369-A, "Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders."

(d) All bid documents shall be sealed in an envelope which shall be clearly marked with the words "Bid Documents," the Invitation for Bids (IFB) number, any project or other identifying number, the bidder's name, and the date and time for receipt of bids.

(e) If this solicitation requires bidding on all items, failure to do so will disqualify the bid. If bidding on all items is not required, bidders should insert the words "No Bid" in the space provided for any item on which no price is submitted.

(f) Unless expressly authorized elsewhere in this solicitation, alternate bids will not be considered.

(g) Unless expressly authorized elsewhere in this solicitation, bids submitted by telegraph or facsimile (fax) machines will not be considered.

(h) If the proposed contract is for a Mutual Help project (as described in 24 CFR Part 905, Subpart E) that involves Mutual Help contributions of work, material, or equipment, supplemental information regarding the bid advertisement is provided as an attachment to this solicitation.

2. Explanations and Interpretations to Prospective Bidders

(a) Any prospective bidder desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, specifications, drawings, etc., must request it at least 7 days before the scheduled time for bid opening. Requests may be oral or written. Oral requests must be confirmed in writing. The only oral clarifications that will be provided will be those clearly related to solicitation procedures, i.e., not substantive technical information. No other oral explanation or interpretation will be provided. Any information given a prospective bidder concerning this solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective bidders as a written amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting bids, or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective bidders.

(b) Any information obtained by, or provided to, a bidder other than by formal amendment to the solicitation shall not constitute a change to the solicitation.

3. Amendments to Invitations for Bids

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

(b) Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date on the bid form, or (3) by letter, telegram, or facsimile, if those methods are authorized in the solicitation. The PHA/IHA must receive acknowledgement by the time and at the place specified for receipt of bids. Bids which fail to acknowledge the bidder's receipt of any amendment will result in the rejection of the bid if the amendment(s) contained information which substantively changed the PHA's/IHA's requirements.

(c) Amendments will be on file in the offices of the PHA/IHA and the Architect at least 7 days before bid opening.

4. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

(a) The PHA/IHA will award contracts only to responsible prospective contractors who have the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. In determining the responsibility of a bidder, the PHA/IHA will consider such matters as the bidder's:

- (1) Integrity;
- (2) Compliance with public policy;
- (3) Record of past performance; and
- (4) Financial and technical resources (including construction and technical equipment).

(b) Before a bid is considered for award, the bidder may be requested by the PHA/IHA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the items in paragraph (a) above. Failure by the bidder to provide such additional information shall render the bidder nonresponsible and ineligible for award.

5. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Bids

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

(1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);

(2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the PHA/IHA that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the PHA/IHA after receipt at the PHA/IHA; or

(3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and observed holidays.

(b) Any modification or withdrawal of a bid is subject to the same conditions as in paragraph (a) of this provision.

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

(d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the PHA/IHA is the time/date stamp of PHA/IHA on the proposal wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the PHA/IHA.

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

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

(g) Bids may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before the exact time set for opening of bids; provided that written confirmation of telegraphic or facsimile withdrawals over the signature of the bidder is mailed and postmarked prior to the specified bid opening time. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening of bids, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid.

6. Bid Opening

All bids received by the date and time of receipt specified in the solicitation will be publicly opened and read. The time and place of opening will be as specified in the solicitation. Bidders and other interested persons may be present.

7. Service of Protest

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Interested party" means an actual or prospective bidder whose direct economic interest would be affected by the award of the contract.

"Protest" means a written objection by an interested party to this solicitation or to a proposed or actual award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation.

(b) Protests shall be served on the Contracting Officer by obtaining written and dated acknowledgement from —

[Contracting Officer designate the official or location where a protest may be served on the Contracting Officer]

(c) All protests shall be resolved in accordance with the PHA's/IHA's protest policy and procedures, copies of which are maintained at the PHA/IHA.

8. Contract Award

(a) The PHA/IHA will evaluate bids in response to this solicitation without discussions and will award a contract to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the solicitation, will be most advantageous to the PHA/IHA considering only price and any price-related factors specified in the solicitation.

(b) If the apparent low bid received in response to this solicitation exceeds the PHA's/IHA's available funding for the proposed contract work, the PHA/IHA may either accept separately priced items (see 8(e) below) or use the following procedure to determine contract award. The PHA/IHA shall apply in turn to each bid (proceeding in order from the apparent low bid to the high bid) each of the separately priced bid deductible items, if any, in their priority order set forth in this solicitation. If upon the application of the first deductible item to all initial bids, a new low bid is within the PHA's/IHA's available funding, then award shall be made to that bidder. If no bid is within the available funding amount, then the PHA/IHA shall apply the second deductible item. The PHA/IHA shall continue this process until an evaluated low bid, if any, is within the PHA's/IHA's available funding. If upon the application of all deductibles, no bid is within the PHA's/IHA's available funding, or if the solicitation does not request separately priced deductibles, the PHA/IHA shall follow its written policy and procedures in making any award under this solicitation.

(c) In the case of tie low bids, award shall be made in accordance with the PHA's/IHA's written policy and procedures.

(d) The PHA/IHA may reject any and all bids, accept other than the lowest bid (e.g., the apparent low bid is unreasonably low), and waive informalities or minor irregularities in bids received, in accordance with the PHA's/IHA's written policy and procedures.

(e) Unless precluded elsewhere in the solicitation, the PHA/IHA may accept any item or combination of items bid.

(f) The PHA/IHA may reject any bid as nonresponsive if it is materially unbalanced as to the prices for the various items of work to be performed. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated for other work.

(g) A written award shall be furnished to the successful bidder within the period for acceptance specified in the bid and shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

9. Bid Guarantee (applicable to construction and equipment contracts exceeding \$25,000)

All bids must be accompanied by a negotiable bid guarantee which shall not be less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. The bid guarantee may be a certified check, bank draft, U.S. Government Bonds at par value, or a bid bond secured by a surety company acceptable to the U.S. Government and authorized to do business in the state where the work is to be performed. In the case where the work under the contract will be performed on an Indian reservation area, the bid guarantee may also be an irrevocable Letter of Credit (see provision 10, Assurance of Completion, below). Certified checks and bank drafts must be made payable to the order of the PHA/IHA. The bid guarantee shall insure the execution of the contract and the furnishing of a method of assurance of completion by the successful bidder as required by the solicitation. Failure to submit a bid guarantee with the bid shall result in the rejection of the bid. Bid guarantees submitted by unsuccessful bidders will be returned as soon as practicable after bid opening.

10. Assurance of Completion

(a) Unless otherwise provided in State law, the successful bidder shall furnish an assurance of completion prior to the execution of any contract under this solicitation. This assurance may be [Contracting Officer check applicable items] —

[] (1) a performance and payment bond in a penal sum of 100 percent of the contract price; or, as may be required or permitted by State law;

[] (2) separate performance and payment bonds, each for 50 percent or more of the contract price;

[] (3) a 20 percent cash escrow;

[] (4) a 25 percent irrevocable letter of credit; or,

[] (5) an irrevocable letter of credit for 10 percent of the total contract price with a monitoring and disbursements agreement with the IHA (applicable only to contracts awarded by an IHA under the Indian Housing Program).

(b) Bonds must be obtained from guarantee or surety companies acceptable to the U.S. Government and authorized to do business in the state where the work is to be performed. Individual sureties will not be considered. U.S. Treasury Circular Number 570, published annually in the Federal Register, lists companies approved to act as sureties on bonds securing Government contracts, the maximum underwriting limits on each contract bonded, and the States in which the company is licensed to do business. Use of companies listed in this circular is mandatory. Copies of the circular may be downloaded on the U.S. Department of Treasury website <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html>, or ordered for a minimum fee by contacting the Government Printing Office at (202) 512-2168.

(c) Each bond shall clearly state the rate of premium and the total amount of premium charged. The current power of attorney for the person who signs for the surety company must be attached to the bond. The effective date of the power of attorney shall not precede the date of the bond. The effective date of the bond shall be on or after the execution date of the contract.

(d) Failure by the successful bidder to obtain the required assurance of completion within the time specified, or within such extended period as the PHA/IHA may grant based upon reasons determined adequate by the PHA/IHA, shall render the bidder ineligible for award. The PHA/IHA may then either award the contract to the next lowest responsible bidder or solicit new bids. The PHA/IHA may retain the ineligible bidder's bid guarantee.

11. Preconstruction Conference (applicable to construction contracts)

After award of a contract under this solicitation and prior to the start of work, the successful bidder will be required to attend a preconstruction conference with representatives of the PHA/IHA and its architect/engineer, and other interested parties convened by the PHA/IHA. The conference will serve to acquaint the participants with the general plan of the construction operation and all other requirements of the contract (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity, Labor Standards). The PHA/IHA will provide the successful bidder with the date, time, and place of the conference.

12. Indian Preference Requirements (applicable only if this solicitation is for a contract to be performed on a project for an Indian Housing Authority)

(a) HUD has determined that the contract awarded under this solicitation is subject to the requirements of section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b)). Section 7(b) requires that any contract or subcontract entered into for the benefit of Indians shall require that, to the greatest extent feasible

(1) Preferences and opportunities for training and employment (other than core crew positions; see paragraph (h) below) in connection with the administration of such contracts or subcontracts be given to qualified "Indians." The Act defines "Indians" to mean persons who are members of an Indian tribe and defines "Indian tribe" to mean any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including any Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians; and,

(2) Preference in the award of contracts or subcontracts in connection with the administration of contracts be given to Indian organizations and to Indian-owned economic enterprises, as defined in section 3 of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 1452). That Act defines "economic enterprise" to mean any Indian-owned commercial, industrial, or business activity established or organized for the purpose of profit, except that the Indian ownership must constitute not less than 51 percent of the enterprise; "Indian organization" to mean the governing body of any Indian tribe or entity established or recognized by such governing body; "Indian" to mean any person who is a member of any tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and any "Native" as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; and Indian "tribe" to mean any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community including Native villages and Native groups (including

corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

(b) (1) The successful Contractor under this solicitation shall comply with the requirements of this provision in awarding all subcontracts under the contract and in providing training and employment opportunities.

(2) A finding by the IHA that the contractor, either (i) awarded a subcontract without using the procedure required by the IHA, (ii) falsely represented that subcontracts would be awarded to Indian enterprises or organizations; or, (iii) failed to comply with the contractor's employment and training preference bid statement shall be grounds for termination of the contract or for the assessment of penalties or other remedies.

(c) If specified elsewhere in this solicitation, the IHA may restrict the solicitation to qualified Indian-owned enterprises and Indian organizations. If two or more (or a greater number as specified elsewhere in the solicitation) qualified Indian-owned enterprises or organizations submit responsive bids, award shall be made to the qualified enterprise or organization with the lowest responsive bid. If fewer than the minimum required number of qualified Indian-owned enterprises or organizations submit responsive bids, the IHA shall reject all bids and readvertise the solicitation in accordance with paragraph (d) below.

(d) If the IHA prefers not to restrict the solicitation as described in paragraph (c) above, or if after having restricted a solicitation an insufficient number of qualified Indian enterprises or organizations submit bids, the IHA may advertise for bids from non-Indian as well as Indian-owned enterprises and Indian organizations. Award shall be made to the qualified Indian enterprise or organization with the lowest responsive bid if that bid is -

(1) Within the maximum HUD-approved budget amount established for the specific project or activity for which bids are being solicited; and

(2) No more than the percentage specified in 24 CFR 905.175(c) higher than the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any qualified bidder. If no responsive bid by a qualified Indian-owned economic enterprise or organization is within the stated range of the total bid price of the lowest responsive bid from any qualified enterprise, award shall be made to the bidder with the lowest bid.

(e) Bidders seeking to qualify for preference in contracting or subcontracting shall submit proof of Indian ownership with their bids. Proof of Indian ownership shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Certification by a tribe or other evidence that the bidder is an Indian. The IHA shall accept the certification of a tribe that an individual is a member.

(2) Evidence such as stock ownership, structure, management, control, financing and salary or profit sharing arrangements of the enterprise.

(f) (1) All bidders must submit with their bids a statement describing how they will provide Indian preference in the award of subcontracts. The specific requirements of that statement and the factors to be used by the IHA in determining the statement's adequacy are included as an attachment to this solicitation. Any bid that fails to include the required statement shall be rejected as nonresponsive. The IHA may require that comparable statements be provided by subcontractors to the successful Contractor, and may require the Contractor to reject any bid or proposal by a subcontractor that fails to include the statement.

(2) Bidders and prospective subcontractors shall submit a certification (supported by credible evidence) to the IHA in any instance where the bidder or subcontractor believes it is infeasible to provide Indian preference in subcontracting. The acceptance or rejection by the IHA of the certification shall be final. Rejection shall disqualify the bid from further consideration.

(g) All bidders must submit with their bids a statement detailing their employment and training opportunities and their plans to provide preference to Indians in implementing the contract; and the number or percentage of Indians anticipated to be employed and trained. Comparable statements from all proposed subcontractors must be submitted. The criteria to be used by the IHA in determining the statement(s)'s adequacy are included as an attachment to this solicitation. Any bid that fails to include the required statement(s), or that includes a statement that does not meet minimum standards required by the IHA shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

(h) Core crew employees. A core crew employee is an individual who is a bona fide employee of the contractor at the time the bid is submitted; or an individual who was not employed by the bidder at the time the bid was submitted, but who is regularly employed by the bidder in a supervisory or other key skilled position when work is available. Bidders shall submit with their bids a list of all core crew employees.

(i) Preference in contracting, subcontracting, employment, and training shall apply not only on-site, on the reservation, or within the IHA's jurisdiction, but also to contracts with firms that operate outside these areas (e.g., employment in modular or manufactured housing construction facilities).

(j) Bidders should contact the IHA to determine if any additional local preference requirements are applicable to this solicitation.

(k) The IHA [] does [] does not [Contracting Officer check applicable box] maintain lists of Indian-owned economic enterprises and Indian organizations by specialty (e.g., plumbing, electrical, foundations), which are available to bidders to assist them in meeting their responsibility to provide preference in connection with the administration of contracts and subcontracts.

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

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



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1. Preparation of Offers

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

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

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

2. Submission of Offers

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

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

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

3. Amendments to Solicitations

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

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

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

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

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

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

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

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

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

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

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

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

- (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);
- (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/ HUD after receipt at the HA;
- (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
- (4) Is the only offer received.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Contract Award

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

(b) The HA may

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

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

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

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

8. Service of Protest

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

9. Offer Submission

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

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

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here.]