

A. SOLICITATION, OFFER, AND AWARD			1. Caption Outside Legal Counsel			Page of Pages 1 of 80			
2. Contract Number		3. Solicitation Number DCKA-2015-R-0056		4. Type of Solicitation <input type="checkbox"/> Sealed Bid (IFB) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sealed Proposals (RFP) <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Source <input type="checkbox"/> Human Care Agreements <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency		5. Date Issued 9-4-15		6. Type of Market <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Set Aside <input type="checkbox"/> Open with Sub-Contracting Set Aside	
7. Issued By: District Department of Transportation Office of Contracting and Procurement 55 M Street, SE – Suite 700S Washington, DC 20003				8. Address Offer to: Department of Transportation Office of Contracting and Procurement 55 M Street, SE Bid Room, 4 th Floor Washington, DC 20003					
NOTE: In sealed bid solicitations "offer" and "offeror" means "bid" and "bidder"									
SOLICITATION									
9. Sealed offers in original and <u>5</u> copies for furnishing the supplies or services in the Schedule will be received at the address in section 8 above until 2:00 pm local time on 9/18/2015									
CAUTION: Late Submissions, Modifications and Withdrawals: See 27 DCMR chapters 15 & 16 as applicable. All offers are subject to all terms & conditions contained in this solicitation.									
10. For Information Contact		A. Name Carl E. Brown, Contract Officer		B. Telephone (Area Code) 202 (Number) 671-2278 (Ext)			C. E-mail Address carl.brown@dc.gov		
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OFFER									
12. In compliance with the above, the undersigned agrees, if this offer is accepted within <u>270</u> calendar days from the date for receipt of offers specified above, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified herein.									
13. Not Applicable									
14. Acknowledgement of Amendments (The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the SOLICITATION):		Amendment Number		Date		Amendment Number		Date	
15A. Name and Address of Offeror				16. Name and Title of Person Authorized to Sign Offer/Contract					
15B. Telephone (Area Code) (Number) (Ext)			15 C. Check if remittance address is different from above - Refer to Section G			17. Signature		18. Offer Date	
AWARD (TO BE COMPLETED BY GOVERNMENT)									
19. Accepted as to Items Numbered			20. Amount		21. Accounting and Appropriation				
22. Name of Contracting Officer (Type or Print) Government of the District of Columbia				23. Signature of Contracting Officer (District of Columbia) Office of Contracting & Procurement			24. Award Date		

SECTION B: CONTRACT TYPE, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICE/COST

B.1 The District of Columbia Office of Contracting and Procurement (“OCP”) on behalf of the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) is seeking proposals from law firms to provide legal advice and assistance in the preparation of procurement documents for its South Capitol Street Corridor Project. The attorney/s will work collaboratively with the DDOT Program and Project Managers, OCP, Office of the Attorney General (“OAG”) and other DDOT consultants to review and provide guidance on procurement documents, such as requests for qualifications (“RFQ”), requests for proposals (“RFP”), Design Build Manuals, and Project Labor Agreements for the South Capitol Street Project (“Project”). This project is located in Washington, DC.

B.2 The District contemplates award of a base period of eight months of a Labor Hour contract with three, four (4) month option periods. The base period of eight (8) months will have a maximum ceiling amount of \$245,000.00.

B.3 Price Schedule

B.3.1 BASE (8) MONTHS

Contract Line Item No. (CLIN)	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
0001	Partner	\$___ per hour ¹	200	\$_____
0002	Associate	\$___ per hour ¹	450	\$_____
0003	Paralegal	\$___ per hour ¹	250	\$_____
Grand Total for B.3.1				\$_____

B.3.2 OPTION ONE – FOUR MONTHS

Contract Line Item No. (CLIN)	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
1001	Partner	\$___ per hour ¹	100	\$_____

¹ The amounts shall be computed by multiplying the appropriate hourly rates prescribed in the Schedule by the number of direct labor hours performed. The rates shall include wages, indirect costs, general and administrative expenses, and profit. Fractional parts of an hour shall be payable on a prorated basis.

1002	Associate	\$___ per hour¹	225	\$_____
1003	Paralegal	\$___ per hour¹	125	\$_____
Grand Total for B.3.2				\$_____

B.3.2 OPTION TWO – FOUR MONTHS

Contract Line Item No. (CLIN)	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
2001	Partner	\$___ per hour¹	100	\$_____
2002	Associate	\$___ per hour¹	225	\$_____
2003	Paralegal	\$___ per hour¹	125	\$_____
Grand Total for B.3.2				\$_____

B.3.3 OPTION THREE – FOUR MONTHS

Contract Line Item No. (CLIN)	Item Description	Price Per Unit	Estimated Quantity	Total Estimated Price
3001	Partner	\$___ per hour¹	100	\$_____
3002	Associate	\$___ per hour¹	225	\$_____
3003	Paralegal	\$___ per hour¹	125	\$_____
Grand Total for B.3.3				\$_____

SECTION C: SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

C.1 SCOPE

The District of Columbia Department of Transportation is seeking proposals from law firms to provide legal assistance in the preparation of procurement documents for its South Capitol Street Corridor Project (“Project”). The attorney(s) will act in a supporting and collaborative role to DDOT personnel, OCP and OAG in the preparation of these procurement documents. Work assignments will be provided by OAG. Specific documents include, but are not limited to, RFQs, RFPs, Design Build Agreement, Visual Quality Manual, Design Build Manual, Project Labor Agreement and related regulations. The South Capitol Street Corridor Project calls for the design and replacement of the Frederick Douglas Memorial Bridge (“FDMB”), demolition and removal of the existing bridge, design and construction of access roads to the bridge on both sides of the Anacostia River, and transforming related sections of the urban freeway into a scenic boulevard that will increase pedestrian and vehicular safety, improve multi-model transportation options, increase community accessibility and support economic development on both sides of the Anacostia River.

C.2 POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

Partner

A Partner should have a minimum of 15 years of experience in government construction contracts, design-build construction contracts and construction procurement law. A Partner should have experience working on projects valued from \$500 million to in excess of \$700 million. The work will involve the reviewing and supervising the drafting of the RFP/IFB/RFQ/RFI, and reviewing and supervising the drafting and negotiation of construction-related contracts for the Project. Experience should include advising on all aspects of design-build procurements and design-build agreements. Experience should also include all aspects of construction management including competitive sealed bid construction contracts and design-build construction contracts, and government requirements for sub-contractors. Experience representing government agencies, and owners is preferred. Experience defending construction claims litigation, arbitrations, bid protests, mechanics liens, contract drafting and negotiations is helpful. Additional consideration will be given to applicants who demonstrate consistent and progressively responsible experience with procurements and contracts for infrastructure projects for public-agencies, federal aid infrastructure projects, design-build projects, design-build highway projects, and projects in the District. Must be licensed in Washington, DC.

Associate Attorney

An Associate Attorney should have a minimum of 5 years of experience in government construction contracts, design-build construction contracts and construction procurement law. The work will involve the researching issues related to the Project, drafting and reviewing of the RFP/IFB/RFQ/RFI, and Project construction-related contracts. Background in engineering, architecture or construction is preferred. Experience in government

construction contracts, bid/solicitation procedures, construction claims and litigation, and conducting due diligence on prospective contractors is preferred. Must be licensed in Washington, DC.

Paralegal

The Paralegal performs a variety of legal assistance duties in an office providing legal assistance to the attorneys. The Paralegal should have experience conducting research for the preparation of government construction contracts, legal opinions on matters of interest; performing substantive legal analysis of requests for proposal, bids, qualifications or information; or other similar legal support functions which require discretion and independent judgment in the application of specialized knowledge of government contracts, laws, precedent decisions, regulations, agency policies, and judicial or administrative proceedings.

C.3 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The following documents are applicable to this procurement and are hereby incorporated by this reference:

Item No.	Document Type	Title	Date
1) 23 CFR Part 636	Code of Federal Regulation	Design Build Contracting	April 1, 2011
2) PPRA	Codification, District of Columbia Official Code	Procurement Practices Reform Act	2001 Edition 2011 Summer Supp.

C.4 ACRONYMS

These terms when used in this RFP have the following meanings:

- OAG – The District of Columbia Government, Office of Attorney General.
- OCP – The District of Columbia Government, Office of Contracting and Procurement.
- DDOT – The District of Columbia Government, Department of Transportation.
- VCQ - Visual Quality Concepts.
- ATC - Alternate Technical Concepts.

C.5 REQUIREMENTS

C.5.1 The Contractor shall assist the DDOT personnel, the Contracting Officer and OAG in the preparation of procurement documents, such as RFPs, RFQs and RFIs, for the South Capitol Street Project. DDOT, after consultation with OAG, will assign each specific task, which shall include, but not be limited to, advising, reviewing, and drafting.

C.5.2 The Contractor shall review, in coordination with DDOT, OCP and OAG applicable federal and District statutes and regulations and relevant case law to determine whether RFPs, RFQs, and RFIs prepared for the South Capitol Street Project are legally sufficient. DDOT, after consultation with OAG, will assign each specific task.

C.5.3 The Contractor shall provide DDOT, OCP and OAG with a written assessment regarding its review of the assigned procurement documents and the assessment shall include documentation of risks that may arise that the Contractor identifies. The Contractor shall provide suggested revisions to mitigate such risks.

C.5.4 The Contractor shall have experience in drafting, advising, and litigating in connection with solicitations for design/build construction projects, where the solicitation includes the use of a Visual Quality Concepts ("VCQ") submission and evaluation process and an Alternate Technical Concepts ("ATC") submission and evaluation process.

C.5.5 The Contractor shall attend and participate in weekly task force meetings regarding the project.

C.5.6 The Contractor shall provide DDOT with weekly reports concerning its progress.

C.5.7 The Contractor shall provide the contract administrator with PDF/Electronic copies of all correspondence related to the procurement on a timely basis.

C.5.8 The Contractor shall meet with DDOT project staff, OCP and OAG, as required.

SECTION D: PACKAGING AND MARKING

D.1 Not applicable

SECTION E: INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

E.1 The District will review all services and deliverables to determine acceptability. If neither the services nor deliverables conform to the contract requirements or District standards, the District may require the Contractor to repeat these services at no increase in the contract amount. When defects in services or deliverables cannot be corrected by performance, the District may require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements. If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the services again or take the necessary action to ensure future performance in conformity to contract requirements, the District may (1) by contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge the Contractor any cost incurred, or (2) terminate the contract for default.

SECTION F: PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERABLES

F.1 TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of the contract shall be for a period of eight months from date of award.

F.2 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT

F.2.1 The District may extend the term of this contract for three (3), four (4) month option periods, or successive fractions thereof, by written notice to the Contractor before the expiration of the contract; provided that the District will give the Contractor preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least thirty (30) days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the District to an extension. The exercise of this option is subject to the availability of funds at the time of the exercise of this option. The Contractor may waive the thirty (30) day preliminary notice requirement by providing a written waiver to the Contracting Officer prior to expiration of the contract.

F.2.2 If the District exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option provision.

F.2.3 The price for the option period shall be as specified in the Section B of the contract.

F.2.4 The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed five (5) years.

F.3 DELIVERABLES

The Contractor shall perform the activities required to successfully complete the District’s requirements and submit each deliverable to the CA identified in section G.9 in accordance with the following:

CLIN	Deliverable	Quantity	Format/Method of Delivery	Due Date
0001, 0002,	Draft and review project documents as assigned. Research project legal issues as assigned. Provide a written assessment of assigned procurement documents, identifying any risks that may arise. Legal briefs and memorandum’s on issues related to procurement or in support of procurement as needed.	1	PDF/Electronic	As requested.

	(See Section C.4.3)			
0001, 0002,	Attend and participate in weekly task force meetings. (See Section C.4.5)	1	On-site	On a weekly basis after award date.
0001, 0002,	Provide written progress reports to DDOT. (See Section C.4.6)	1	PDF/Electronic	On a weekly basis after award date.
0001, 0002,	Meet with DDOT project staff, OCP and OAG and as required. (See Section C.4.8)	1	On-site	As requested.

SECTION G: CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

G.1 INVOICE PAYMENT

G.1.1 The District will make payments to the Contractor based upon the submission of properly formatted invoices.

G.1.2 The District will pay the Contractor on or before the 30th day after receiving a proper detailed description of services performed and the corresponding invoice.

G.2 INVOICE SUBMITTAL

G.2.1 The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis or as otherwise specified in Section G.4. Invoices shall be prepared in duplicate and submitted to the agency Chief Financial Officer (CFO) with concurrent copies sent to the Contracting Administrator (CA) specified in Section G.8 below. The address of the CFO is:

Name: Office of the Controller/Agency CFO
Address: 55 M. St., SE
 7th Floor
 Washington, DC 20003
Telephone: (202) 671-2270

G.2.2 To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall submit the following information on the invoice:

- a. Contractor's name, federal tax ID and invoice date (Contractors shall date invoices as of the date of mailing or transmittal);
- b. Contract number and invoice number;
- c. Purchase order number on each invoice;
- d. Description, price, quantity and the date(s) that the supplies or services were delivered or performed;
- e. Other supporting documentation or information, as required by the Contracting Officer;
- f. Name, title, telephone number and complete mailing address of the responsible official to whom payment is to be sent;
- g. Name, title, phone number of person preparing the invoice;
- h. Name, title, phone number and mailing address of person (if different from the person identified in G.2.2.6 above) to be notified in the event of a defective invoice; and
- i. An authorized signature.

G.3 PAYMENT

The District will pay the Contractor based on the actual hours worked by the Contractor.

G.3.1 The District will pay the Contractor a loaded fixed hourly rate for the services set forth in Section B.3.1. The loaded fixed hourly rate must include a rate for all personnel categories identified in Section C.2. The Contractor shall provide a loaded fixed hourly rate for the contract period.

G.3.1.1 The Contract Administrator will authorize payment based on actual hours worked by the Contractor.

G.3.2 The Contractor overhead costs will be subject to review and audit by DDOT and/or FHWA for the life of the Contract. If such an audit finds that the accepted overhead rate (the rate applied to the direct labor cost in calculating the loaded fixed hourly rates for this contract) is unjustified, the loaded fixed hourly rates for the Contract will be recalculated using the overhead rate supported by the audit and the amounts payable under this contract will be changed accordingly. Hourly billing rates consist of the sum of approved direct labor cost, overhead and profit or fixed fee for each classified employee.

G.4 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT PAYMENTS

G.4.1 In accordance with 27 DCMR 3250, the Contractor may assign funds due or to become due as a result of the performance of this contract aggregating one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more to a bank, trust company, or other financing institutions.

G.4.2 Any assignment shall cover all unpaid amounts payable under this contract, and shall not be made to more than one party.

G.4.3 Notwithstanding an assignment of contract payments, the Contractor, not the assignee, is required to prepare invoices. Where such an assignment has been made, the original copy of the invoice must refer to the assignment and must show that payment of the invoice is to be made directly to the assignee as follows:

Pursuant to the instrument of assignment dated _____, make payment of this invoice to _____.

G.5 THE QUICK PAYMENT CLAUSE

G.5.1 Interest Penalties to Contractors

G.5.1.1 The District will pay interest penalties on amounts due to the Contractor under the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code §2-221.01 et seq., for the period beginning on the day after the required payment date and ending on the date on which payment of the amount is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of 1% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before:

- a. the 3rd day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product;
- b. the 5th day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- c. the 15th day after the required payment date for any other item.

G.5.1.2 Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.

G.6 CONTRACTING OFFICER (CO)

Contracts will be entered into and signed on behalf of the District only by contracting officers. The name, address and telephone number of the Contracting Officer is:

Name: Carl E. Brown, Jr.
Title: Contracting Officer
Agency: District Department of Transportation
Office of Contracting and Procurement
Address: 55 M. St., SE 7th floor
Washington, DC 20003
Telephone: (202) 671-2278

G.7 AUTHORIZED CHANGES BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER

G.7.1 The Contracting Officer is the only person authorized to approve changes in any of the requirements of this contract.

G.7.2 The Contractor shall not comply with any order, directive or request that changes or modifies the requirements of this contract, unless issued in writing and signed by the Contracting Officer.

G.7.3 In the event the Contractor effects any change at the instruction or request of any person other than the Contracting Officer, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made in the contract price to cover any cost increase incurred as a result thereof.

G.8 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR (CA)

G.8.1 The CA is responsible for general administration of the contract and advising the Contracting Officer as to the Contractor's compliance or noncompliance with the contract. In addition, the CA is responsible for the day-to-day monitoring and supervision of the contract, of ensuring that the work conforms to the requirements of this contract and such other responsibilities and authorities as may be specified in the contract.

The CA for this contract is:

Name: Margaret Crane
Title: Assistant General Counsel
Agency: District Department of Transportation
Address: 55 M St., SE, 7th floor
Washington, DC 20003
Telephone: 202-671-0477

G.8.2 The CA shall not have authority to make any changes in the specifications or scope of work or terms and conditions of the contract.

G.8.3 The Contractor may be held fully responsible for any changes not authorized in advance, in writing, by the Contracting Officer; may be denied compensation or other relief for any additional work performed that is not so authorized; and may also be required, at no additional cost to the District, to take all corrective action necessitated by reason of the unauthorized changes.

G.9 ORDERING CLAUSE

G.9.1 All hours for each labor category will be detailed in delivery orders or task orders issued by the Contracting Officer. Such orders may be issued during the term of this contract.

G.9.2 All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of a conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control. If mailed, a delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when the District

deposits the order in the mail. Orders may be issued by facsimile or by electronic commerce methods.

SECTION H: SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

H.1 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR - WAGE DETERMINATIONS

The Contractor shall be bound by the Wage Determination No. 2005-2103 revision no. 16 date of revision 7/8/2015 issued by the U.S. Department of Labor in accordance with the Service Contract Act, 41 U.S.C. §351 *et seq.*, and incorporated herein as Section J.2. The Contractor shall be bound by the wage rates for the term of the contract subject to revision as stated herein and in accordance with Section 24 of the SCP. If an option is exercised, the Contractor shall be bound by the applicable wage rates at the time of the option. If the option is exercised and the CO obtains a revised wage determination, the revised wage determination is applicable for the option periods and the Contractor may be entitled to an equitable adjustment.

H.2 PUBLICITY

The Contractor shall at all times obtain the prior written approval from the CO before it, any of its officers, agents, employees or subcontractors, either during or after expiration or termination of the contract, make any statement, or issue any material, for publication through any medium of communication, bearing on the work performed or data collected under this contract.

H.3 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

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

SECTION I: CONTRACT CLAUSES

I.1 APPLICABILITY OF STANDARD CONTRACT PROVISIONS

The Standard Contract Provisions for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts dated March 2007 (“SCP”) are incorporated as part of the contract.

I.2 CONTRACTS THAT CROSS FISCAL YEARS

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

I.3 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

The Contractor shall keep all information relating to any employee or customer of the District in absolute confidence and shall not use the information in connection with any other matters; nor shall it disclose any such information to any other person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the District and federal laws governing the confidentiality of records.

I.4 TIME

Time, if stated in a number of days, will include Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, unless otherwise stated herein.

I.5 RIGHTS IN DATA

I.5.1 “Data,” as used herein, means recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded. The term includes technical data and computer software. The term does not include information incidental to contract administration, such as financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management information.

I.5.2 The term “Technical Data”, as used herein, means recorded information, regardless of form or characteristic, of a scientific or technical nature. It may, for example, document research, experimental, developmental or engineering work, or be usable or used to define a design or process or to procure, produce, support, maintain, or operate material. The data may be graphic or pictorial delineations in media such as drawings or photographs, text in specifications or related performance or design type documents or computer printouts. Examples of technical data include research and engineering data, engineering drawings and associated lists, specifications, standards, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information, and computer software documentation. Technical data does not include computer software or financial, administrative, cost and pricing, and management data or other information incidental to contract administration.

- I.5.3** The term “Computer Software”, as used herein means computer programs and computer databases. “Computer Programs”, as used herein means a series of instructions or statements in a form acceptable to a computer, designed to cause the computer to execute an operation or operations. "Computer Programs" include operating systems, assemblers, compilers, interpreters, data management systems, utility programs, sort merge programs, and automated data processing equipment maintenance diagnostic programs, as well as applications programs such as payroll, inventory control and engineering analysis programs. Computer programs may be either machine-dependent or machine-independent, and may be general purpose in nature or designed to satisfy the requirements of a particular user.
- I.5.4** The term "computer databases", as used herein, means a collection of data in a form capable of being processed and operated on by a computer.
- I.5.5** All data first produced in the performance of this Contract shall be the sole property of the District. The Contractor hereby acknowledges that all data, including, without limitation, computer program codes, produced by Contractor for the District under this Contract, are works made for hire and are the sole property of the District; but, to the extent any such data may not, by operation of law, be works made for hire, Contractor hereby transfers and assigns to the District the ownership of copyright in such works, whether published or unpublished. The Contractor agrees to give the District all assistance reasonably necessary to perfect such rights including, but not limited to, the works and supporting documentation and the execution of any instrument required to register copyrights. The Contractor agrees not to assert any rights in common law or in equity in such data. The Contractor shall not publish or reproduce such data in whole or in part or in any manner or form, or authorize others to do so, without written consent of the District until such time as the District may have released such data to the public.
- I.5.6** The District will have restricted rights in data, including computer software and all accompanying documentation, manuals and instructional materials, listed or described in a license or agreement made a part of this contract, which the parties have agreed will be furnished with restricted rights, provided however, notwithstanding any contrary provision in any such license or agreement, such restricted rights shall include, as a minimum the right to:
- I.5.6.1** Use the computer software and all accompanying documentation and manuals or instructional materials with the computer for which or with which it was acquired, including use at any District installation to which the computer may be transferred by the District;
- I.5.6.2** Use the computer software and all accompanying documentation and manuals or instructional materials with a backup computer if the computer for which or with which it was acquired is inoperative;
- I.5.6.3** Copy computer programs for safekeeping (archives) or backup purposes; and modify the computer software and all accompanying documentation and manuals or instructional materials, or combine it with other software, subject to the provision that the modified portions shall remain subject to these restrictions.

I.5.7 The restricted rights set forth in section I.5.6 are of no effect unless

- (i) the data is marked by the Contractor with the following legend:

RESTRICTED RIGHTS LEGEND

Use, duplication, or disclosure is subject to restrictions stated in Contract No. _____ with (Contractor's Name); and

- (ii) If the data is computer software, the related computer software documentation includes a prominent statement of the restrictions applicable to the computer software. The Contractor may not place any legend on the computer software indicating restrictions on the District's rights in such software unless the restrictions are set forth in a license or agreement made a part of the contract prior to the delivery date of the software. Failure of the Contractor to apply a restricted rights legend to such computer software shall relieve the District of liability with respect to such unmarked software.

I.5.8 In addition to the rights granted in Section I.5.6 above, the Contractor hereby grants to the District a nonexclusive, paid-up license throughout the world, of the same scope as restricted rights set forth in Section I.5.6 above, under any copyright owned by the Contractor, in any work of authorship prepared for or acquired by the District under this contract. Unless written approval of the CO is obtained, the Contractor shall not include in technical data or computer software prepared for or acquired by the District under this contract any works of authorship in which copyright is not owned by the Contractor without acquiring for the District any rights necessary to perfect a copyright license of the scope specified in the first sentence of this paragraph.

I.5.9 Whenever any data, including computer software, are to be obtained from a subcontractor under this contract, the Contractor shall use this clause, I.5, Rights in Data, in the subcontract, without alteration, and no other clause shall be used to enlarge or diminish the District's or the Contractor's rights in that subcontractor data or computer software which is required for the District.

I.5.10 For all computer software furnished to the District with the rights specified in Section I.5.5, the Contractor shall furnish to the District, a copy of the source code with such rights of the scope specified in Section I.5.5. For all computer software furnished to the District with the restricted rights specified in Section I.5.6, the District, if the Contractor, either directly or through a successor or affiliate shall cease to provide the maintenance or warranty services provided the District under this contract or any paid-up maintenance agreement, or if Contractor should be declared bankrupt or insolvent by a court

of competent jurisdiction, shall have the right to obtain, for its own and sole use only, a single copy of the then current version of the source code supplied under this contract, and a single copy of the documentation associated therewith, upon payment to the person in control of the source code the reasonable cost of making each copy.

- I.5.11** The Contractor shall indemnify and save and hold harmless the District, its officers, agents and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, (i) for violation of proprietary rights, copyrights, or rights of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use or disposition of any data furnished under this contract, or (ii) based upon any data furnished under this contract, or based upon libelous or other unlawful matter contained in such data.
- I.5.12** Nothing contained in this clause shall imply a license to the District under any patent, or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the District under any patent.
- I.5.13** Paragraphs I.5.6, I.5.7, I.5.8, I.5.11 and I.5.12 above are not applicable to material furnished to the Contractor by the District and incorporated in the work furnished under contract, provided that such incorporated material is identified by the Contractor at the time of delivery of such work.

I.6 OTHER CONTRACTORS

The Contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by another District contractor or by any District employee.

I.7 SUBCONTRACTS

The Contractor hereunder shall not subcontract any of the Contractor's work or services to any subcontractor.

I.8 INSURANCE

- A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.** The Contractor shall procure and maintain, during the entire period of performance under this contract, the types of insurance specified below. The Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit a Certificate of Insurance to the CO giving evidence of the required coverage prior to commencing performance under this contract. In no event shall any work be performed until the required Certificates of Insurance signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s) have been provided to, and accepted by, the CO. All insurance shall be written with financially responsible companies authorized to do business in the District of Columbia or in the jurisdiction where the work is to be performed and have an A.M. Best Company rating of A-VIII or higher. The Contractor shall require all of its subcontractors to carry the same insurance required herein. The Contractor shall ensure that all policies provide that the CO shall be given thirty (30) days prior written notice in the event the stated limit in the

declarations page of the policy is reduced via endorsement or the policy is canceled prior to the expiration date shown on the certificate. The Contractor shall provide the CO with ten (10) days prior written notice in the event of non-payment of premium.

1. Commercial General Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO with respect to the services performed that it carries \$1,000,000 per occurrence limits; \$2,000,000 aggregate; Bodily Injury and Property Damage including, but not limited to: premises-operations; broad form property damage; Products and Completed Operations; Personal and Advertising Injury; contractual liability and independent contractors. The policy coverage shall include the District of Columbia as an additional insured, shall be primary and non-contributory with any other insurance maintained by the District of Columbia, and shall contain a waiver of subrogation. The Contractor shall maintain Completed Operations coverage for five (5) years following final acceptance of the work performed under this contract.
2. Automobile Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall provide automobile liability insurance to cover all owned, hired or non-owned motor vehicles used in conjunction with the performance of this contract. The policy shall provide a \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage.
3. Workers' Compensation Insurance. The Contractor shall provide Workers' Compensation insurance in accordance with the statutory mandates of the District of Columbia or the jurisdiction in which the contract is performed.
4. Employer's Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall provide employer's liability insurance as follows: \$500,000 per accident for injury; \$500,000 per employee for disease; and \$500,000 for policy disease limit.
5. Copy of Professional Liability Insurance (Malpractice).

B. DURATION. The Contractor shall carry all required insurance until all contract work is accepted by the District, and shall carry the required General Liability; any required Professional Liability; and any required Employment Practices Liability insurance for five (5) years following final acceptance of the work performed under this contract.

C. LIABILITY. These are the required minimum insurance requirements established by the District of Columbia. **HOWEVER, THE REQUIRED MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED ABOVE WILL NOT IN ANY WAY LIMIT THE CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY UNDER THIS CONTRACT.**

D. CONTRACTOR'S PROPERTY. Contractor and subcontractors are solely responsible for any loss or damage to their personal property, including but not limited to tools and equipment, scaffolding and temporary structures, rented machinery, or owned and leased equipment. A waiver of subrogation

shall apply in favor of the District of Columbia.

- E. MEASURE OF PAYMENT. The District shall not make any separate measure or payment for the cost of insurance and bonds. The Contractor shall include all of the costs of insurance and bonds in the contract price.
- F. NOTIFICATION. The Contractor shall immediately provide the CO with written notice in the event that its insurance coverage has or will be substantially changed, canceled or not renewed, and provide an updated certificate of insurance to the CO.
- G. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE. The Contractor shall submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverage as specified in this section prior to commencing work. Evidence of insurance shall be submitted to:

Carl E. Brown, Jr.
55 M St., SE. 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20003
202-671-2278
carl.brown@dc.gov

- H. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION. The Contractor agrees that the District may disclose the name and contact information of its insurers to any third party which presents a claim against the District for any damages or claims resulting from or arising out of work performed by the Contractor, its agents, employees, servants or subcontractors in the performance of this contract.

I.9 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

In accordance with the District of Columbia Administrative Issuance System, Mayor's Order 85-85 dated June 10, 1985, the forms for completion of the Equal Employment Opportunity Information Report are incorporated herein as Section J.9. An award cannot be made to any offeror who has not satisfied the equal employment requirements.

I.10 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

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

- (1) An applicable Court Order, if any
- (2) Contract document
- (3) Standard Contract Provisions
- (4) Contract attachments other than the Standard Contract Provisions

- (5) Solicitation No.:DCKA-2015-R-0056,as amended
- (6) Contractor’s Proposal

I.11 CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS

Any contract in excess of \$1,000,000 shall not be binding or give rise to any claim or demand against the District until approved by the Council of the District of Columbia and signed by the CO.

I.12 GOVERNING LAW

This contract, and any disputes arising out of or related to this contract, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the District of Columbia.

SECTION J. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment Number	Document
J.1	Government of the District of Columbia Standard Contract Provisions for Use with the Supplies and Services Contracts (March 2007) Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on “Required Solicitation Documents”
J.2	U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination-WD No., 2005-2103 Rev. 16 Date of Revision 7/8/2015 Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on “Required Solicitation Documents”
J.3	Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006 - Living Wage Notice Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on “Required Solicitation Documents”
J.4	Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006 - Living Wage Fact Sheet Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on “Required Solicitation Documents”
J.5	Tax Certification Affidavit Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on “Required Solicitation Documents”

Attachment Number	Document
J.6	Bidder/Offeror Certifications Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.7	Contractor Experience Questionnaire Form Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.8	Past Performance Evaluation Forms Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.9	EEO Information and Mayor's Order April 2015 Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.10	Attachment A GENERAL PROVISIONS for Federally Funded Agreements February 19, 1981, Revised March 2, 2001
J.11	Attachment B Certification for Lobbying
J.12	Attachment C Certification of Contractor Regarding Segregated Facilities
J.13	Attachment D Certification Regarding Debarment
J.14	Attachment E Non-Collusion Affidavit
J.15	Attachment F Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

SECTION K: REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

K.1 CERTIFICATION REGARDING A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (JULY 1990)

K.1.1 Definitions. As used in this provision:

K.1.1.1 Controlled substance: means a controlled substance in schedules I through V of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. § 812) and as further defined in regulation at 21 CFR 1308.11 - 1308.15.

K.1.1.2 Conviction: means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the federal or state criminal drug statutes.

K.1.1.3 Criminal drug statute: means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of any controlled substance.

K.1.1.4 Drug-free workplace: means the site(s) for the performance of work done by the Contractor in connection with a specific contract at which employees of the Contractor are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance.

K.1.1.5 Employee: means an employee of a contractor directly engaged in the performance of work under a District contract. "Directly engaged" is defined to include all direct cost employees and any other contractor employee who has other than a minimal impact or involvement in contract performance.

K.1.1.6 Individual: means an offeror/contractor that has no more than one employee including the offeror/contractor.

K.1.2 The Contractor, if other than an individual, shall within 30 days after award (unless a longer period is agreed to in writing for contracts of 30 days or more performance duration), or as soon as possible for contracts of less than 30 days performance duration:

- (1) Publish a statement notifying its employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition;
- (2) Establish an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform such employees about:
 - a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - b. The Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - d. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.
- (3) Provide all employees engaged in performance of the contract with a copy of the statement required by section K.1.2(1) of this clause;
- (4) Notify such employees in writing in the statement required by section K.1.2(1) of this clause that, as a condition of continued employment on this contract, the employee will:
 - a. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - b. Notify the employer in writing of the employee's conviction under a criminal drug statute for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than 5 days after such conviction.

- (5) Notify the Contracting Officer in writing within 10 days after receiving notice under section K.1.2(4)(b) of this clause, from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. The notice shall include the position title of the employee;
- (6) Within 30 days after receiving notice under section K.1.2(4)(b) of this clause of a conviction, take one of the following actions with respect to any employee who is convicted of a drug abuse violation occurring in the workplace:
 - a. Take appropriate personnel action against such employee, up to and including termination; or
 - b. Require such employee to satisfactorily participate in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a federal, state, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; and
- (7) Make a good faith effort to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of section K.1.2(1) through K.1.2(6) of this clause.

K.1.3 The Contractor, if an individual, agrees by award of the contract or acceptance of a purchase order, not to engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance while performing this contract.

K.1.4 In addition to other remedies available to the District, the Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of sections K.1.2 or K.1.3 of this clause may render the Contractor subject to suspension of contract payments, termination of the contract for default, and suspension or debarment.

K.2 Bidder/Offeror Certification Form

Available at www.ocp.dc.gov click on "Required Solicitation Documents"

SECTION L: INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

L.1 CONTRACT AWARD

L.1.1 Most Advantageous to the District

The District intends to award single contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the District, price, technical and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation considered.

L.1.2 Initial Offers

The District may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussion. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a standpoint price, technical and other factors.

L.2 PROPOSAL FORM, ORGANIZATION AND CONTENT

One original, one electronic copy on a flash drive and five (5) hard **copies** of the written proposals shall be submitted in two parts, titled "Technical Proposal" and "Price Proposal". Proposals shall be typewritten in 12 point font size on 8.5" by 11" bond paper. Telephonic, telegraphic, and facsimile proposals will not be accepted. Each proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope conspicuously marked: ***"Proposal in Response to Solicitation No. DCKA-2015-R-0056, Outside Legal Counsel, Offeror Name"***

Offerors are directed to the specific proposal evaluation criteria found in Section M of this solicitation, Evaluation Factors. The offeror shall respond to each factor in a way that will allow the District to evaluate the offeror's response. The offeror shall submit information in a clear, concise, factual and logical manner providing a comprehensive description of program supplies and services and delivery thereof. The information requested below for the technical proposal shall facilitate evaluation for all proposals. The technical proposal must contain sufficient detail to provide a clear and concise response fully reflecting the manner in which the offeror proposes to fully meet the requirements in Section C.

L.2.1 Proposal Instructions

L.2.1.1 Technical Proposal

The Proposal shall include all information outlined in this Section.

L.2.1.1.1 Letter of Submittal

The Offeror's Letter of Submittal shall be on the Offeror's letterhead and include the following supporting documentation;

- A.** The Offeror's expression of interest in being selected for the Project and brief summary of Qualifications.
- B.** Designation of the individual who will serve as the Offeror's Point of Contact (POC), including the POC's title, address, phone and email address.
- C.** The signature of the authorized representative of the Offeror's organization. All signatures shall be original and signed in ink.
- D.** A statement of the commitment of the key personnel identified in the proposal to the extent required to meet DDOT's schedule and quality expectations.
- E.** Completed Tax Certification Affidavit (Attachment J.5) and Bidder/Offeror Certification Form (Attachment J.6)

L.2.1.1.2 Project Understanding and Management Plan

- A. Provide a general discussion of its understanding of the tasks involved in the Project and demonstrate comprehension of the context of the entire Project concept, as it relates to the Master Plan for the South Capitol Street Bridge replacement. Offerors should identify three (3) most critical potential issues on the Project. Illustrate clearly and concisely the technical and institutional elements that must be addressed by the design-build agreement, design build contractor, DDOT, and Offeror to achieve a successful completion of the Project. The Master Plan may be obtained using the following link: <https://www.anacostiawaterfront.org/awi-transportation-projects/south-capitol-street-corridor/>.

L.2.1.1.3 Outside Legal Counsel Team Qualifications

- A. Identify and provide information about the Key Personnel listed below.
- B. The Offeror must include each key personnel’s education information, certifications & registration relevant to this project, possess the minimum years’ of experience on similar projects stating job title and roles and responsibilities on those projects, and references for the project should include a contact name, current address & telephone number for each project listed. Resumes for individuals **who are not** identified as Key Personnel **should not** be included in the Proposal.
- C. The following key personnel are considered to be part of the Offeror’s team:

Partner
Associate Attorney
Paralegal

The Offeror should identify one individual from its firm in each labor category to be considered as key personnel who may be assigned to this contract.

If additional individuals beyond the three individuals designated as key personnel are required, the Offeror should contact the Contracting Officer for permission to add an individual. Such individual will not be added to the Contract until a purchase or task order for that individual’s work hours has been issued by the Contracting Officer.

L.2.1.1.3 Past Performance and Prior Experience:

- A. The Offeror should provide key examples and a description of key personnel's experience in advising clients and drafting solicitations for design/build construction contracts. In particular, offerors shall provide examples and descriptions of design/build construction contracts its key personnel worked on that included the use of a VQC submission and evaluation process and an ATC submission and evaluation process.
- B. The offeror should detail its experiences in advising clients and drafting procurement documents in connection with a procurement project of a similar size, dollar value, and complexity as the South Capitol Street Corridor Project. The information shall include project size, budget inclusive of change orders, and role of the firm.
- C. The offeror should detail its experiences in advising government clients, such as the District of Columbia or other jurisdictions and working collaboratively with such jurisdictions.
- D. Three references the can speak to the key personnel's past performance in achieving a high degree of customer satisfaction of offeror's performance on projects of comparable size, technical nature, and complexity.
- E. Information should be submitted on the Contractor Experience Questionnaire Form (Attachment J.7). A narrative description may accompany the Contractor Experience Questionnaire Form for each project; narrative should be limited to one page per project.

L.3 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DATE AND TIME, AND LATE SUBMISSIONS, LATE MODIFICATIONS, WITHDRAWAL OR MODIFICATION OF PROPOSALS AND LATE PROPOSALS

L.3.1 Proposal Submission

Proposals must be submitted no later than **2:00pm on Friday September 18, 2015**. Proposals, modifications to proposals, or requests for withdrawals that are received in the designated District office after the exact local time specified above, are "late" and shall be considered only if they are received before the award is made and one (1) or more of the following circumstances apply:

- (a) The proposal or modification was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth (5th) day before the date specified for receipt of offers;
- (b) The proposal or modification was sent by mail and it is determined by the Contracting Officer that the late receipt at the location specified in the solicitation was caused by mishandling by the District, or
- (c) The proposal is the only proposal received.

L.3.2 Withdrawal or Modification of Proposals

An offeror may modify or withdraw its proposal upon written, telegraphic notice, or facsimile transmission if received at the location designated in the solicitation for submission of proposals, but not later than the closing date for receipt of proposals.

L.3.3 Postmarks

The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of a late proposal, late modification or late withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail shall be a U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark on the wrapper or on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. If neither postmark shows a legible date, the proposal, modification or request for withdrawal shall be deemed to have been mailed late. When the postmark shows the date but not the hour, the time is presumed to be the last minute of the date shown. If no date is shown on the postmark, the proposal shall be considered late unless the offeror can furnish evidence from the postal authorities of timely mailing.

L.3.4 Late Modifications

A late modification of a successful proposal, which makes its terms more favorable to the District, shall be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

L.3.5 Late Proposals

A late proposal, late modification or late request for withdrawal of an offer that is not considered shall be held unopened, unless opened for identification, until after award and then retained with unsuccessful offers resulting from this solicitation.

L.4 EXPLANATION TO PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS

If a prospective offeror has any questions relative to this solicitation, the prospective offeror shall submit the question in writing to the contact person, identified on page one. The prospective offeror shall submit questions no later than **two (2) days** prior to the closing date and time indicated for this solicitation. The District will not consider any questions received less than **two (2) days** before the date set for submission of proposals. The District will furnish responses promptly to all other prospective offerors. An amendment to the solicitation will be issued if that information is necessary in submitting offers, or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective offerors. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract will not be binding.

L.5 FAILURE TO SUBMIT OFFERS

Recipients of this solicitation not responding with an offer should not return this solicitation. Instead, they should advise the Carl E. Brown, Jr., Contracting Officer, DDOT, 55 M Street, SE, Suite 700S, Washington, DC 20003, by letter or postcard whether they want to receive future solicitations for similar requirements. It is also requested that such recipients advise the Contracting Officer, DDOT of the reason for not submitting a proposal in response to this solicitation. If a recipient does not submit

an offer and does not notify the Contracting Officer, DDOT that future solicitations are desired, the recipient's name may be removed from the applicable mailing list.

L.6 RESTRICTION ON DISCLOSURE AND USE OF DATA

L.6.1 Offerors who include in their proposal data that they do not want disclosed to the public or used by the District except for use in the procurement process shall mark the title page with the following legend:

"This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the District and shall not be duplicated, used or disclosed in whole or in part for any purpose except for use in the procurement process.

If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of or in connection with the submission of this data, the District will have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent consistent with the District's needs in the procurement process. This restriction does not limit the District's rights to use, without restriction, information contained in this proposal if it is obtained from another source. The data subject to this restriction are contained in sheets (insert page numbers or other identification of sheets)."

L.6.2 Mark each sheet of data it wishes to restrict with the following legend:

"Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal."

L.7 PROPOSALS WITH OPTION YEARS

The offeror shall include option year prices in its price/cost proposal. An offer may be determined to be unacceptable if it fails to include pricing for the option year(s).

L.8 PROPOSAL PROTESTS

Any actual or prospective offeror or contractor, who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract, must file with the D.C. Contract Appeals Board (Board) a protest no later than ten (10) business days after the basis of protest is known or should have been known, whichever is earlier. A protest based on alleged improprieties in a solicitation which are apparent at the time set for receipt of initial proposals shall be filed with the Board prior to the time set for receipt of initial proposals. In procurements in which proposals are requested, alleged improprieties which do not exist in the initial solicitation, but which are subsequently incorporated into the solicitation, must be protested no later than the next closing time for receipt of proposals following the incorporation. The protest shall be filed in writing, with the Contract Appeals Board, 717 14th Street, N.W., Suite 430, Washington, D.C.

20004. The aggrieved person shall also mail a copy of the protest to the Contracting Officer for the solicitation.

L.9 SIGNING OF OFFERS

The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the Solicitation, Offer and Award form of this solicitation. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the Contracting Officer.

L.10 UNNECESSARILY ELABORATE PROPOSALS

Unnecessarily elaborate brochures or other presentations beyond those sufficient to present a complete and effective response to this solicitation are not desired and may be construed as an indication of the offeror's lack of cost consciousness. Elaborate artwork, expensive paper and bindings, and expensive visual and other presentation aids are neither necessary nor desired.

L.11 RETENTION OF PROPOSALS

All proposal documents will be the property of the District and retained by the District, and therefore will not be returned to the offerors.

L.12 PROPOSAL COSTS

The District is not liable for any costs incurred by the offerors in submitting proposals in response to this solicitation.

L.13 ELECTRONIC COPY OF PROPOSALS FOR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUESTS

In addition to other proposal submission requirements, the offeror must submit an electronic copy of its proposal, redacted in accordance with any applicable exemptions from disclosure in D.C. Official Code §2-534, in order for the District to comply with §2-536(b) that requires the District to make available electronically copies of records that must be made public. The District's policy is to release documents relating to District proposals following award of the contract, subject to applicable FOIA exemption under §2-534(a)(1).

L.14 CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Prior to commencing work, the Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverages as specified in Section I.8 to:

Name: Carl E. Brown, Jr.
Title: Contracting Officer
Agency: District Department of Transportation
Office of Contracting and Procurement

Address: 55 M Street S.E., 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20003
Telephone: (202) 671-2278

L.15 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS

The offeror shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (a) by signing and returning the amendment; (b) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose in Section A, Solicitation, Offer and Award form; or (c) by letter, telegram or e-mail from an authorized negotiator. The District must receive the acknowledgment by the date and time specified for receipt of proposals. An offeror's failure to acknowledge an amendment may result in rejection of its offer.

L.16 BEST AND FINAL OFFERS

If, subsequent to receiving original proposals, negotiations are conducted, all offerors within the competitive range will be so notified and will be provided an opportunity to submit written best and final offers at the designated date and time. Best and final offers will be subject to the Late Submissions, Late Modifications and Late Withdrawals of Proposals provisions of the solicitation. After receipt of best and final offers, no discussions will be reopened unless the CO determines that it is clearly in the District's best interest to do so, e.g., it is clear that information available at that time is inadequate to reasonably justify contractor selection and award based on the best and final offers received. If discussions are reopened, the CO shall issue an additional request for best and final offers to all offerors still within the competitive range.

L.17 LEGAL STATUS OF OFFEROR

Each proposal must provide the following information:

L.17.1 Name, address, telephone number and federal tax identification number of offeror;

L.17.2 A copy of each District of Columbia license, registration or certification that the offeror is required by law to obtain. This mandate also requires the offeror to provide a copy of the executed "Clean Hands Certification" that is referenced in D.C. Official Code §47-2862, if the offeror is required by law to make such certification. If the offeror is a corporation or partnership and does not provide a copy of its license, registration or certification to transact business in the District of Columbia, the offer shall certify its intent to obtain the necessary license, registration or certification prior to contract award or its exemption from such requirements; and

L.17.3 If the offeror is a partnership or joint venture, the names and addresses of the general partners or individual members of the joint venture, and copies of any joint venture or teaming agreements.

L.18 FAMILIARIZATION WITH CONDITIONS

Offerors shall thoroughly familiarize themselves with the terms and conditions of this solicitation, acquainting themselves with all available information regarding difficulties which may be encountered, and the conditions under which the work is to be accomplished. Contractors will not be relieved from assuming all responsibility for properly estimating the difficulties and the cost of performing the services required herein due to their failure to investigate the conditions or to become acquainted with all information, schedules and liability concerning the services to be performed.

L.19 GENERAL STANDARDS OF RESPONSIBILITY

The prospective contractor must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the District its capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements; therefore, the prospective contractor must submit the documentation listed below, within five (5) days of the request by the District.

- L.19.1** Evidence of adequate financial resources, credit or the ability to obtain such resources as required during the performance of the contract.
- L.19.2** Evidence of the ability to comply with the required or proposed delivery or performance schedule, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments.
- L.19.3** Evidence of the necessary organization, experience, accounting and operational control, technical skills or the ability to obtain them.
- L.19.4** Evidence of compliance with the applicable District licensing and tax laws and regulations.
- L.19.5** Evidence of a satisfactory performance record, record of integrity and business ethics.
- L.19.6** Evidence of the necessary production, construction and technical equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them.
- L.19.7** Evidence of other qualifications and eligibility criteria necessary to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.
- L.19.8** *If the prospective contractor fails to supply the information requested, the CO shall make the determination of responsibility or nonresponsibility based upon available information. If the available information is insufficient to make a determination of responsibility, the CO shall determine the prospective contractor to be nonresponsible.*

L.20 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

A pre-proposal conference will not be held for this project.

L.21 DIVERSION, REASSIGNMENT AND REPLACEMENT OF KEY PERSONNEL

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

L.21.1 ADVISORY AND ASSISTANCE SERVICES

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

L.21.2 ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS AND LEGAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

L.21.3 An attorney-client relationship will exist between the District and any attorney who performs work under the contract, as well as between the District and the firm of any attorney who performs work under the contract. The D.C. Rules of Professional Conduct (RPC) and the ethical rules of any other jurisdiction in which work is performed are binding on the Contractor. The parties agree that the District may have a contractual cause of action based on violation of such rules, in addition to any other remedies available.

L.21.4 In addition to the prohibitions contained in the RPC and the ethical rules of any other jurisdiction in which work is performed, the Contractor agrees that it shall recognize that in the performance of the contract it may receive certain information submitted to the District government on a proprietary basis by third parties, information which relates to potential or actual claims against the District government, or information which relates to matters in dispute or litigation. Unless the District consents to a particular disclosure, the Contractor shall use such information exclusively in the performance of the contract and shall forever hold inviolate and protect from disclosure all such information, except disclosures required by applicable law or court order. The Contractor also agrees that, to the extent it is permitted to disclose such information, it will make such disclosures only to those individuals who need to know such information in order to perform required tasks in their official capacity and will restrict access to such information to such individuals.

L.21.5 Before any contractor can be retained to perform legal services under the contract, on behalf of the District government, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia must review and waive all actual or potential direct and indirect conflicts of interest pursuant to RPC 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 1.9 and 1.10. After

notice of its selection, each prospective contractor shall provide the Attorney General with the following: (1) a written statement that there exists no Rule 1.7(a) direct conflict of interest regarding the work to be performed under the contract; (2) a written description of all actual or potential conflicts of interest regarding the work to be performed under the contract that require waiver pursuant to Rule 1.7(b) because the contractor represents another client in a matter adverse to any of the following: (i) the District government agency or instrumentality to be represented under the contract; (ii) the District government as a whole; or (iii) any other agency or instrumentality of the District government (for this purpose, under D.C. Bar Legal Ethics Committee Opinion No. 268, a representation of a private client against a discrete government agency or instrumentality can have government-wide implications and thus constitute a representation adverse to the government as a whole pursuant to the RPC); and (3) a written description of all representations of clients who are or will be adverse to the District government with regard to the work to be performed under the contract, whether or not such representations are related to the matter for which the work is to be performed under the contract.

L.21.6 The Attorney General generally does not grant prospective conflict of interest waivers, except in certain *pro bono* matters. Thus, in addition to the prohibitions contained in the RPC and the ethical rules of any other jurisdiction in which work is performed under the contract, without the consent of the Attorney General, the Contractor shall not represent any party other than the District in any disputes, negotiations, proceedings or litigation adverse to any agency or instrumentality of the District government or the District government as a whole, including, but not limited to, matters related to the work to be performed under the Contract. The Contractor shall notify the Attorney General immediately, in writing, of any potential conflicts of interest (as defined in the RPC) that arise during the period that the Contractor is performing work under the contract. The Attorney General makes every attempt to be reasonable in deciding whether or not to consent to a conflict of interest and usually makes this decision promptly after receiving notice and sufficient information regarding the conflict. If the Attorney General does not waive a conflict of interest, the Contractor shall undertake immediate action to eliminate the source of any such conflict of interest.

L.21.7 Before any contractor can be retained pursuant to the contract, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia must review all actual, direct and potential conflicts of interest on behalf of the District government in light of D.C. Bar Rules of Professional Conduct (“RPC”) 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 1.9 and 1.10. Each prospective contractor shall provide the Attorney General with written notice of all actual or potential direct and indirect conflicts of interest in which the Contractor represents (or may represent) another client with interests adverse to the District government agency to be represented as well as against the District government as a whole. For this purpose, under D.C. Bar Legal Ethics Committee Opinion No. 268, hereto, a representation of a private client against a discrete government agency can have government-wide implications and thus qualify under the RPC as being against the government as a whole, including the individual agency that the private firm represents. In that situation, the private firm would be required to notify the Attorney General of the existence of a conflict under RPC 1.7 and obtain consent to such representation and waiver of the conflict. The Attorney General makes every attempt to be reasonable in deciding whether or not to consent to a conflict and usually makes this decision promptly after receiving notice of the conflict.

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS**M.1 EVALUATION FOR AWARD**

The contract will be awarded to the responsible offeror whose offer is most advantageous to the District, based upon the evaluation criteria specified below. Thus, while the points in the evaluation criteria indicate their relative importance, the total scores will not necessarily be determinative of the award. Rather, the total scores will guide the District in making an intelligent award decision based upon the evaluation criteria.

M.2 TECHNICAL RATING

M.2.1 The Technical Rating Scale is as follows:

<u>Numeric Rating</u>	<u>Adjective</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	Unacceptable	Fails to meet minimum requirements; e.g., no demonstrated capacity, major deficiencies which are not correctable; offeror did not address the factor.
1	Poor	Marginally meets minimum requirements; major deficiencies which may be correctable.
2	Minimally Acceptable	Marginally meets minimum requirements; minor deficiencies which may be correctable.
3	Acceptable	Meets requirements; no deficiencies.
4	Good	Meets requirements and exceeds some requirements; no deficiencies.
5	Excellent	Exceeds most, if not all requirements; no deficiencies.

M.2.2 The technical rating is a weighting mechanism that will be applied to the point value for each evaluation factor to determine the offeror's score for each factor. The offeror's total technical score will be determined by adding the offeror's score in each evaluation factor. For example, if an evaluation factor has a point value range of zero (0) to forty (40) points, using the Technical Rating Scale above, if the District evaluates the offeror's response as "Good," then the score for that evaluation factor is 4/5 of 40 or 32.

If subfactors are applied, the offeror's total technical score will be determined by adding the offeror's score for each subfactor. For example, if an evaluation factor has a point value range of zero (0) to forty (40) points, with two subfactors of twenty (20) points each, using the Technical Rating Scale above, if the District evaluates the offeror's response as "Good" for the first subfactor and "Poor" for the second subfactor, then the total score for that evaluation factor is 4/5 of 20 or 16 for the first subfactor plus 1/5 of 20 or 4 for the second subfactor, for a total of 20 for the entire factor.

M.3 EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following evaluation factors in the manner described below:

M.3.1 TECHNICAL CRITERIA (85 Points Maximum)

Factor A – Past Performance and Experience (45 Points maximum)

M.3.1.1a The Offeror's experience in advising clients and drafting procurement documents in connection with solicitations for design/build construction projects, where the solicitation included the use of a VQC submission and evaluation process and an ATC submission and evaluation process. **(20 Points)**

M.3.1.1b The Offeror's experience in advising clients and drafting procurement documents in connection with a procurement project of a similar size, dollar value, and complexity level as the South Capitol Street Corridor Project. **(10 Points)**

M.3.1.1c The Offeror's experience in advising government clients, such as the District or other jurisdictions and working collaboratively with such jurisdictions. **(5 Points)**

M.3.1.1d The Offeror's past performance within the last five (5) years, in achieving a high degree of customer satisfaction. Evaluation of this factor will be based on the quantity and quality of Offeror's performance on projects of comparable size, highly technical nature, and complexity. The currency and relevance of the information, source of information, context of the data, and general trends in Offeror's performance shall be considered. **(5 Points)**

M.3.1.1e **The Offeror's representative experience base with respect to design/build construction procurement. (5 Points)**

Factor B – Proposed Project Team (40 Points maximum)

M.3.1.2a The education, experience, knowledge, past performance, necessary skills and expertise of the proposed attorneys assigned to the contract. **(15 Points)**

M.3.1.2b The specific skill sets of the proposed attorneys, particularly in the areas of advising clients in connection with solicitations for design/build construction projects. **(25 Points)**

M.3.2 PRICE CRITERION (15 Points Maximum)

The price evaluation will be objective. The offeror with the lowest price per position description will receive the maximum price points (5 points per position). All other proposals will receive a proportionately lower total score. The following formula will be used to determine each offeror's evaluated price score:

Lowest price proposal

$$\text{-----} \times \text{weight} = \text{Evaluated price score}$$

Price of proposal being evaluated

M.3.3 TOTAL POINTS (100 Points Maximum)

Total points shall be the cumulative total of the offeror's technical criteria points, price criterion points and preference points, if any.

M3.4 EVALUATION OF OPTION PERIODS

The District will evaluate offers for award purposes by evaluating the total price for all options as well as the base period. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the District to exercise them. The total District's requirements may change during the option months. Quantities to be awarded will be determined at the time each option is exercised.

M.4 EVALUATION OF PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT

M.4.1 Prompt payment discounts shall not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any discount offered will form a part of the award and will be taken by the District if payment is made within the discount period specified by the offeror.

M.4.2 In connection with any discount offered, time will be computed from the date of delivery of the supplies to carrier when delivery and acceptance are at point of origin, or from date of delivery at destination when delivery, installation and acceptance are at that, or from the date correct invoice or voucher is received in the office specified by the District, if the latter date is later than date of delivery. Payment is deemed to be made for the purpose of earning the discount on the date of mailing of the District check.

M.5 UNBALANCED PRICING

The District may determine that a proposal is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced between line items or sub-line and/or between base and option period quantities. Unbalanced pricing exists when a proposal is based on prices that are significantly below costs for some line items, and significantly above costs for others.

J.10 - ATTACHMENT A

GENERAL PROVISIONS

(Federally Funded Agreements)

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. DEFINITIONS:

The terms "Mayor" and "Contract Appeals Board" shall mean the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Contract Appeals Board of the District of Columbia. The term "Contracting Officer" shall mean the contracting Officer of the District of Columbia District Department of Transportation or his Authorized Representative. The term "DC DDOT" shall mean the District of Columbia District Department of Transportation. The term "U.S. DOT" shall mean the United States Department of Transportation. The term "FHWA" shall mean the Federal Highway Administration of the U.S. DOT. The term "Consultant" shall mean, the Consultant, an individual, association, joint venture, corporation or any other like term, and its heirs, its executors and its administrators or successors.

2. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS:

A. PATENT RIGHTS: The parties to this Agreement agree that all rights accruing from discoveries or inventions resulting from work described herein shall be the sole property of the Consultant. The Consultant agrees and hereby grants to the District, all state highway departments and the United States an irrevocable, non-exclusive, non-transferable and royalty-free license to practice each invention in the manufacture, use and disposition of any article, material or method that may be developed as a part of the work under this Agreement.

B. COPYRIGHTS: Copyrights resulting from work described herein shall be the sole property of the Consultant. The Consultant agrees and does hereby grant to the District, all state highway departments and United States a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish or otherwise use and to authorize others to use the work for Government purposes.

3. PATENTS AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT:

The Consultant shall hold and save the District, its officers, agents, servants and employees harmless from liability or claims of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses, for or on account of any patented or unpatented invention, copyright, article, process or appliance manufactured or used in the performance of this Agreement, including their use by the District, unless otherwise specifically stipulated in this Agreement.

4. CHANGES:

The Contracting Officer may, at any time by a written order and without notice to the sureties, make changes in the work and services to be performed under this Agreement and within the general scope thereof. If such changes cause an increase or decrease in the cost of performing the work and services under this Agreement or in the time required for its performance, an equitable adjustment shall be made and this Agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly. Any claim under this Provision must be made in writing to the Contracting Officer within ten (10) consecutive calendar days from the date the change is ordered. Provided, however, the Contracting Officer, if he determines that the facts justify such action, may receive, consider and adjust any such claim made at any time prior to the date of final settlement of this Agreement. If the parties fail to agree upon the adjustment to be made, the dispute shall be determined as provided in Provision 14 hereof.

Nothing provided in this Provision shall excuse the Consultant from proceeding with the prosecution of the work so changed.

5. INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT:

The District shall have an absolute right of indemnity against any and all claims or liability arising from or based on, or as a consequence or result of, any negligent act, error, omission or fault of the Consultant, its employees, or its subconsultants, in the performance of, or in connection with any services required, contemplated or performed under the contract; any and all claims or liability arising from or based on, or as a consequence or result of, any act of approval, inspection, supervision, or acceptance, or any failure to approve, inspect, supervise, or accept, by the District and any of its officers, agents, servants and employees, where such act or failure to act causes or contributes to any negligent act, error, omission or fault of the Consultant, its employees, or its subconsultants, in the performance of, or in connection with any services required, contemplated or performed under the contract. Monies due or to become due the Consultant under this contract, may be retained by the District as necessary to satisfy any outstanding claim which the District may have against the Consultant.

6. APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY:

A. The Consultant shall designate and appoint a person, located within the District, whether the Consultant himself, an individual, a partnership or corporation or member thereof, an attorney, attorney-in-fact, agent, or representative, who shall receive service of all notices and process issued by any court or agency of the District and all pleadings or other papers related to any legal action or proceedings arising out of, or pertaining to, this Agreement or the work required by, or performed hereunder.

B. The Consultant expressly agrees that the validity of any service upon the person or entity designated pursuant to Section 1 hereof shall not be affected either by the fact that the said Consultant was personally within the District and otherwise subject to personal service at the time of such service upon the designated person or entity or by the fact that the Consultant failed to receive a copy of such process, notice, pleading or other paper so served upon the designated person or entity.

C. The Consultant shall immediately inform the Contracting Officer in writing of any change in the designation required by Section 1 hereof, whether such change is in the designee, the address or telephone numbers.

7. EMPLOYMENT OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEES:

The Consultant shall not, without written permission from the Contracting Officer, engage the services of any person or persons in the employment of the District for any work required by the terms of this Agreement for the period of this Agreement.

8. POST-GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A. Pursuant to Public Law 95-521, as amended, no former employee of the United States or Government of the District of Columbia:

1. Shall knowingly represent the Consultant before any Government agency through personal appearance or communication in connection with a matter involving specific parties to this Agreement where the former Government employee participated personally and substantially in the matter while in Government employ.

2. Shall, within two (2) years after terminating Government employment, knowingly represent the Consultant before any Government agency through personal appearance or communication in connection with a matter involving specific parties to this Agreement, where the matter was pending under the official responsibility of the former employee within one (1) year prior to termination of Government service.

B. Pursuant to Public Law 95-591, as amended, no former senior level officer or former senior level employee of the United States Government or the District of Columbia Government, named in or designated by the Director of the Office of Government Ethics under Section 207(d) of Title 18 USC:

1. Shall, within two (2) years after terminating Government employment, knowingly represent or aid, counsel, advise, consult or assist in representing any other person by personal presence at any formal or informal appearance before any Government agency in connection with a matter involving specific parties, where the former employee participated personally and substantially in that matter while in Government employ.

2. Shall, within one (1) year after terminating Government employment, knowingly act as an agent or attorney for or otherwise represent anyone in any formal or informal appearance before or, with the intent to influence, make any written or oral communication on behalf of anyone to (1) his or her former Department or agency or any of its officers or employees, or (2) in connection with any particular Government matter, whether or not involving a specific party, which is pending before such Department or agency or in which it has a direct and substantial interest.

9. LAWS TO BE OBSERVED:

The Consultant at all times shall observe and comply with all laws, regulations, orders and decrees of the United States and of the District, and shall indemnify and save harmless the District and all of its officers, agents and servants against any and all claims or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such law, regulation, order or decree, whether by the Consultant or any employee or agent of the Consultant associated with him, including any person, firm or corporation having the status of an independent contractor engaged by the Consultant in the performance of, or in connection with the work required by this Agreement.

10. WAIVER:

No action or non-action of the District shall be construed as a waiver of any provision or any breach of this Agreement unless the same has been expressly declared and recognized as a waiver by the Contracting Officer in writing. No waiver so declared and recognized as such in writing by the Contracting Officer shall operate as a waiver of any other provision of subsequent breaches of the same or other provisions of this Agreement.

11. PERFORMANCE BY THE CONSULTANT:

Except as otherwise expressly provided In this Agreement, none of the work or services required by this Agreement to be performed by the Consultant shall be performed by anyone other than Consultant or regular salaried employees of the Consultant, including subconsultants, without express written consent of the Contracting officer, and any violation of this Provision shall entitle

the Contracting Officer to reduce the compensation otherwise payable to the Consultant whether or not the Contracting Officer terminates this Agreement or any part hereof for violation of this Provision or for any other reason.

12. TERMINATION FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT:

The District reserves the right to terminate this contract in whole or In part, for the convenience of the Government in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 37 of the D.C. Procurement Regulations, Title 27 DCMR (July, 1988).

13. AUTHORITY OF THE CONTRACTING OFFICER:

The Contracting Officer represents that he or she has the authority to take any action provided for herein on behalf of the District, including approval, certification, acceptance and changes within the scope of the work.

14. DISPUTES:

- A. All disputes arising under or relating to this contract shall be resolved as provided herein.
- B. Claims by a Contractor against the District.

Claim, as used in Section B of this clause, means a written assertion by the Contractor seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to this contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.

- (a) All claims by a Contractor against the District arising under or relating to a contract shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer for a decision. The contractor's claim shall contain at least the following:
 - (1) A description of the claim and the amount in dispute;
 - (2) Any data or other information in support of the claim;
 - (3) A brief description of the Contractor's efforts to resolve the dispute prior to filing the claim; and
 - (4) The Contractor's request for relief or other action by the contracting officer.
- (b) The Contracting Officer may meet with the contractor in a further attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.
- (c) For any claim of \$50,000 or less, the Contracting Officer shall issue a decision within sixty (60) calendar days from receipt of a written request from a Contractor that a decision be rendered within that period.
- (d) For any claim over \$50,000, the Contracting Officer shall issue a decision within ninety (90) calendar days of receipt of the claim. Whenever possible, the

Contracting Officer shall take into account factors such as the size and complexity of the claim and the adequacy of the information in support of the claim provided by the Contractor.

- (e) The Contracting Officer's written decision shall do the following:
 - (1) Provide a description of the claim or dispute;
 - (2) Refer to the pertinent contract terms;
 - (3) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement;
 - (4) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding;
 - (5) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted;
 - (6) Indicate that the written document is the contracting officer's final decision; and
 - (7) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
- (f) Any failure by the Contracting Officer to issue a decision on a contract claim within the required time period will be deemed to be a denial of the claim, and will authorize the commencement of an appeal to the Contract Appeals Board as authorized by D.C. Official Code § 2-309.04.
- (g) (1) If a Contractor is unable to support any part of his or her claim and it is determined that the inability is attributable to a material misrepresentation of fact or fraud on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be liable to the District for an amount equal to the unsupported part of the claim in addition to all costs to the District attributable to the cost of reviewing that part of the Contractor's claim.
 - (2) Liability under this paragraph (f) shall be determined within six (6) years of the commission of the misrepresentation of fact or fraud.
- (h) The decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the Contractor as authorized by D. C. Official Code § 2-309.04.
- (i) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, a Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.

C. Claims by the District against a Contractor

- (a) Claim as used in Section C of this clause, means a written demand or written assertion by the District seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment of contract terms, or other relief arising under or

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

- (b) (1) All claims by the District against a Contractor arising under or relating to a contract shall be decided by the Contracting Officer.
- (2) The Contracting Officer shall send written notice of the claim to the Contractor. The Contracting Officer's written decision shall do the following:
 - (a) Provide a description of the claim or dispute;
 - (b) Refer to the pertinent contract terms;
 - (c) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement;
 - (d) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding;
 - (e) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted;
 - (f) Indicate that the written document is the Contracting Officer's final decision; and
 - (g) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
- (3) The decision shall be supported by reasons and shall inform the Contractor of his or her rights as provided herein.
- (4) The authority contained in this clause shall not apply to a claim or dispute for penalties or forfeitures prescribed by statute or regulation which another District agency is specifically authorized to administer, settle, or determine.
- (5) This clause shall not authorize the Contracting Officer to settle, compromise, pay, or otherwise adjust any claim involving fraud.
- (c) The decision of the Contracting Officer shall be final and not subject to review unless an administrative appeal or action for judicial review is timely commenced by the District as authorized by D.C. Official Code §2-309.04.
- (d) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the Contracting Officer.

15. OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT:

No Member or no Delegate to Congress nor Resident Commissioner nor officer nor employee of the District shall be admitted to any share or part of the Agreement or to any benefit that may arise

therefrom, and any contract entered into by any Contracting Officer in which he or any officer or employee of the District shall be personally interested shall be void, and no payment shall be made thereon by the District or any officer thereof, but this Provision shall not be construed to extend to the Agreement if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

16. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:

The Consultant warrants that he has not employed any person to solicit or secure this Agreement upon any agreement for a bonus, commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee. Breach of this warranty shall give the Contracting Officer the right to terminate this Agreement, or, in his discretion, to deduct from the Agreement price or consideration the amount of such bonus, commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fees. This warranty shall not apply to commissions payable by the Consultant upon contract or sales secured or made through bonafide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Consultant for the purpose of securing business.

17. CONSULTANT'S WARRANTY AGAINST DEBARMENT:

The Consultant, in compliance with Section 29.510 of the debarment regulation (49 CFR 29), shall certify at the time of the bid opening that he/she or anyone associated therewith in any capacity of (owner, partner, director, officer, principal investigator, project director, manager, auditor, or any position involving the administration of federal funds) is not suspended, debarred or voluntarily excluded from or otherwise determined ineligible to receive award of or performance on D.C. or Federally-funded projects.

If at any time the Consultant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances, he/she shall provide immediate written notification to the Contracting Officer.

Furthermore, the Consultant agrees that he/she shall not knowingly subcontract any company or person which/who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation on D.C. or Federally-funded projects.

The Consultant, when subcontracting, or when soliciting for subcontractors, further agrees to certification regarding debarment, and to include the clause titled 'Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspensions, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction' without modification in all lower tier covered transactions.

Finally, this General Provision serves to apprise the Consultant that if he/she knowingly subcontracts with a company or person which/who is suspended, debarred, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation on D.C. or federally-funded projects, in addition to other remedies available to the District of Columbia and Federal Government, the contracting Officer may terminate the contract for Cause of Default.

The foregoing requirements apply as well to their full extent to suppliers, vendors, material, et al. The Consultant shall comply with this General Provision by submitting with his/her Agreement a completed and notarized Certification."

18. NON-ASSIGNABILITY, DEATH OR DISABILITY:

This Agreement is for the services of the Consultant and is not assignable by him. Where the services of a partnership are engaged as Consultants, each partner shall be held fully responsible for, and shall actively participate in all work provided for herein from date of execution of this Agreement until the services have been completed and accepted by the District; provided, however, that the death, incapacitation or retirement of one or more of the partners shall not, of itself, be deemed to incapacitate the other or remaining partner,, provided the remaining partners are, in the judgment of the Contracting Officer, able and competent to carry out the terms of this Agreement, in which latter event no reduction shall be made in the compensation on account of such death, incapacitation or retirement. In the event one or more of the remaining partners is determined by the District to not be competent to carry out the terms of this Agreement, the District may reduce compensation in proportion to the number of partners thus deemed not competent to complete the Agreement.

19. DOCUMENTATION:

The Consultant shall, where appropriate, document the results of his work to the satisfaction of the District and the FHWA. This may include preparation of progress and final reports, plans, specifications and estimates, or similar evidence of attainment of agreement objectives.

20. SUBCONTRACTS.

The Consultant shall be required to perform all work not subcontracted under General Provision 27, Section D (Goal for DBE Participation) except specialized services or other tasks specifically exempted in this Agreement, provided, however, that governmental recipients of 23 U.S.C. 104(f) or 402 funds may subcontract as necessary to accomplish approved work program activities.

All subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 in cost shall incorporate all required provisions of these General Provisions by reference thereto.

21. COST PRINCIPLES:

Cost principles contained in 41 CFR 1-15 (Federal Procurement Regulations) and Subpart 1-15.2, as modified by subpart 1-15.102, apply to this Agreement.

22. AUDIT INSPECTION AND RETENTION OF RECORDS:

The Consultant shall permit the authorized representatives of the District, the U.S. DOT and the Comptroller General of the United States to inspect and audit all data and records of the Consultant relating to performance or transactions under the Agreement until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment.

The Consultant further agrees that the District, the U.S. DOT and the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under any subcontract, have access to and the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers and records of such subconsultant.

With respect to records which relate to (1) appeals under the "Disputes" clause of this contract, (2) litigation or the settlement of claims arising out of the performance of this contract, or (3) costs and expenses of this contract as to which exception has been taken by the Comptroller General or any of his duly authorized representatives, the periods of access and examination described above shall continue until such appeals, litigation, claims or exceptions have been finally resolved.

23. CLEAN AIR AND WATER:

The standards, orders or requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738 and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations (40 CFR Part 15), prohibiting the use of facilities Included on the EPA List of Violating Facilities under non-exempt Federal contracts, grants or loans, are applicable to this contract and to each subcontract hereunder, where such amounts are in excess of \$100,000.

The Consultant shall report any notices of violation to the Contracting Officer and to the U.S. EPA Assistant Administrator for Enforcement. (EN-329).

24. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY OBLIGATION:

During the performance of this Agreement, the Consultant shall comply with, Mayor's Order 85-85 dated June 10, 1985 and implementing guidelines published as Chapter 11 in DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA REGISTER, dated August 15, 1986.

25. NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS:

During the performance of this Agreement, the Consultant agrees as follows:

A. Compliance with Regulations. The Consultant shall comply with the regulations of the U.S. DOT relative to non-discrimination in federally-assisted programs of the U.S. DOT (49 CFR Part 21 appendix H and 23 CFR 710.405(b), hereinafter referred to as "the Regulations"), which are incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement.

B. Non-Discrimination. The Consultant, in fulfilling the provisions and requirements of this Agreement, after execution thereof and prior to completion of its terms and conditions by the said Consultant, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, age, sex or national origin in the selection and retention of contractors and subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, The Consultant shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations.

C. Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment

In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiations made by the Consultant for work under this Agreement to be performed under a contract and/or a subcontract, including procurements of materials or equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Consultant of his obligations under this Agreement and the Regulations relative to non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, age, sex or national origin.

D. Information and Reports. The Consultant shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or orders and instructions issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the District or the FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of the Consultant is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Consultant shall so certify. to the District or the FHWA, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts he has made to obtain the information.

E. Sanctions for Noncompliance. In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the non-discrimination provisions of this Agreement, the District shall impose such sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

1. Withholding of payments to the Consultant under this Agreement until the Consultant complies; and/or
2. Cancellation, termination or suspension of this Agreement in whole or in part.

F. Incorporation of Provisions. The Consultant shall include the provisions of sections (1) through (6) in every contract and subcontract, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempted by the Regulations or orders and instructions issued pursuant thereto. The Consultant shall take such action with respect to any contract and subcontract or procurement as the District or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, however, that in the event the consultant becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a contractor or subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Consultant shall notify the District of the litigation in writing. The Consultant may request the District to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the District, and in addition, the Consultant may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

26. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY .RESPONSIBILITIES:

A. General: The requirements of Executive Order 11246, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity", as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR Part 60) shall apply to the Consultant and to each subcontract hereunder, where such amounts are in excess of \$10,000. The requirements set forth herein supplement these orders.

B. Equal Employment Opportunity Policy: The Consultant shall accept as his operating policy the following statement which is designed to further the provision of equal employment opportunity to all persons and to promote the full realization of equal employment opportunity through a positive continuing program:

"It is the policy of this Consultant to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, religion, color, age, sex or national origin. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship and/or on-the-job training."

C. Equal Employment Opportunity Officer: The Consultant shall designate and make known to the Contracting Officer an equal employment opportunity officer (hereinafter referred to as the

EEO Officer) who shall be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active contractor program of equal employment opportunity and who shall be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

D. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the Consultant's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved In such action shall be made fully cognizant of, and shall implement the Consultant's equal employment opportunity policy and contractual responsibilities. To ensure that the above Agreement will be met, the following actions shall be taken as a minimum:

1. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees shall be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six (6) months, at which time the Consultant's equal employment opportunity policy and its implementation shall be reviewed and explained. The meeting shall be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official.

2. All new supervisory or personnel office employees shall be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official covering all major aspects of the Consultant's equal employment opportunity obligations within thirty (30) days following their reporting for duty with the Consultant.

3. The EEO Officer or knowledgeable company official shall instruct all employees engaged in the direct recruitment of employees for the project relative to the methods following by the Consultant in locating and hiring minority group employees.

In order to make the Consultant's equal employment opportunity policy known to all employees, prospective employees and potential sources of employees, i.e., employment agencies, labor unions (where applicable), schools, college placement officers, etc., the Consultant shall take the following actions:

a. Notices and posters setting forth the Consultant's equal employment opportunity policy shall be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

b. The Consultant's equal employment opportunity policy and the procedures to implement such policy shall be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks or other appropriate means.

E. Recruitment: When advertising for employees, the Consultant shall include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer". He shall insert all such advertisements in newspapers or other publications having a large circulation among minority groups in the area from which the project workforce would normally be derived.

The Consultant shall, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minority group applicants, including, but not limited to, state employment agencies, schools, colleges and minority group organizations. To meet this requirement, the Consultant shall, through his EEO Officer, identify sources of potential minority group employees and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority group applicants may be referred to the Consultant for employment consideration.

The Consultant shall encourage his present employees to refer minority group applicants for employment by posting appropriate notices or bulletins in areas accessible to all such employees. In addition, information and procedures with regard to referring minority group applicants shall be discussed with employees.

F. Personnel Actions: Wages, working conditions and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, religion, color, age, sex or national origin. The following shall be followed:

1. The Consultant shall periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

2. The Consultant shall periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the Consultant shall promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective actions shall include all affected persons.

3. The Consultant shall investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the Consultant in connection with his obligations under this Agreement, shall attempt to resolve such complaints and shall take corrective action. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the Consultant shall inform every complainant of all the complainant's avenues of appeals.

G. Training and Promotion: The Consultant shall assist in locating, qualifying and increasing the skills of minority group employees and applicants for employment. Consistent with his manpower requirements and as permissible under Federal and District regulations, the Consultant shall make full use of training programs, i.e., pre-apprenticeship, apprenticeship and/or on-the-job training programs for the Consultant's geographical area. The Consultant shall advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each. The Consultant shall periodically review the training and promotion potential of minority group employees and shall encourage eligible employees. to apply for such training and promotion.

H. Unions: If the Consultant relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of his workforce, he shall use his best efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase minority group opportunities within the unions, and to effect referrals by such unions of minority group employees. Actions by the Consultant shall include the procedures set forth below:

1. Use his best efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minority group members for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minority group employees so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

2. Use his best efforts to incorporate an equal employment opportunity clause into all union agreements to the ends that such unions will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard for race, religion, color, age, sex or national origin.

3. In the event a union is unable to refer applicants as required by the Consultant within the time limit set forth in the union agreement, the Consultant shall, through his recruitment procedures, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, religion, color, age, sex or national origin, making full efforts to obtain qualified minority group persons.

I. Records and Reports: The Consultant shall keep records as necessary to determine compliance with the Consultant's equal employment opportunity obligations. The records shall be designed to indicate:

1. The number of minority and non-minority group members employed in each work classification on the project.

2. The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions to increase minority group employment opportunities (applicable only to consultants who rely in whole or in part on unions as a source of their workforce).

3. The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying and upgrading minority group employees.

Such records shall be retained for a period of three (3) years following completion of work under this Agreement and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the DC DDOT and the FHWA. The Consultant shall submit a monthly report to DC DDOT for the first three (3) months after work under this Agreement begins, and thereafter upon request, for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by this Agreement.

27. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

A. Policy - It is the policy of the U.S. Department of Transportation that DBEs, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 shall have the equal opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Consequently, the DBE requirements contained in the above cited regulation are applicable on this contract and shall be complied with by all consultants.

B. DBE Obligation- The prime consultant agrees to ensure that DBEs, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of subcontracts on this federally-funded contract and that he/she shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or handicap in the prosecution of this contract

All offerors are required to submit a written certification that they have read, understand and will comply with these requirements.

C. Definitions - The following definitions apply to this contract:

1. "Disadvantaged business" means a small business concern, (a) which is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the stock of which is owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals; and (b) whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.
2. "Small business concern" means a small business as defined pursuant to Section (3) of the Small Business Act, as amended, including all applicable and relevant rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
3. "Socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who are citizens of the United States (or lawfully admitted permanent residents) and who are:
 - a. "Black Americans", which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;
 - b. "Hispanic Americans", which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish or Portuguese culture or origin, regardless of race;

- c. "Native Americans", which includes persons who are American Indian, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians;
- d. "Asian-Pacific Americans" which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China Taiwan, Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Burma, Thailand, the Philippines, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific, and the Northern Marianas;
- e. "Asian-Indian Americans", which includes persons who origins are from India, Pakistan and Bangladesh
- f. Women (of all races); and
- g. "Any other minorities or individuals found to be economically and socially disadvantaged by the Small Business Administration under Section 8(a) and 8(d) of the Small Business Act, as amended, (15 U.S.C. 637(a)).

The Contracting Officer shall make a rebuttable prerogative that individuals in the above groups are socially and economically disadvantaged. This prerogative shall be based on criteria set forth in 49 CFR Part 26. The Contracting Officer also may determine, on a case-by-case basis, that individuals who are not members of one of the above groups are socially and economically disadvantaged.

D. Goal

The District Department of Transportation will establish a yearly overall goal for DBE participation. DDOT will institute contract goals only in the event that the overall yearly goal cannot be met utilizing the race neutral method of procurement. While no specific contract goal has been established, offerors are encouraged to utilize DBE firms to perform work on this project.

Specific information from your firm and all firms, both DBE and non-DBE from which quotations were received or discussions were held in conjunction with this solicitation is required. Please provide the information requested with regard to potential DBE and non-DBE firms as requested in the DBE/Subcontractor (DBE and non-DBE) certification form which should be made a part of your response to the request for qualifications.

A complete DBE plan containing a list of the DBE firms to be used on this project will be submitted with the proposal. This list should contain the name and address of each DBE firm, amount of award and area of work to be performed.

Furthermore, offerors are advised that they will be required to provide proof of actual payment to DBE firms utilized on this project by providing cancelled checks for each payment made.

Offerors are advised that each proposed DBE participant must have a valid certification at the time of proposal submission.

E. Good Faith Efforts (If Contract Goals are Found Necessary)

On any project on which contract goals have been established, all offerors who submit proposals shall document steps taken to obtain DBE participation, including, but not limited to, the following listed efforts as well as any others from 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A - Guidance Concerning Good Faith Efforts and shall make this documentation and other pertinent records available to the Contracting Officer and his representative.

- a. Publishing of advertisements in area newspapers, various trade association publications and minority-oriented publications for at least fifteen (15) days.
- b. Written notification to a reasonable number of specific DBEs soliciting their interest in sufficient time to allow them to respond
- c. Follow-up to determine which DBEs were genuinely interested
- d. Negotiations with DBEs for specific sub bids, including at a minimum:
 - i. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of DBEs with whom negotiations occurred.
 - ii. A description of information provided to solicited DBEs describing plans and specifications for various portions of the project proposed for DBE participation and opportunities provided to the DBE firms for entering into consulting agreements. This statement also shall explain what efforts were made to assist firms contacted to obtain necessary technical and financial assistance.
 - iii. A statement explaining the lack of additional DBE subconsulting agreements. This statement shall explain the reasons for the DBE exclusions.

This documentation must be made available, upon request, to DDOT, Office of Contracting and Procurement- Civil Rights Division, 55 M Street, SE., 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20003.

DBE Directory

Information pertaining to lists of certified DBEs may be obtained by contacting:

DC District Department of Transportation
Office of Contracting and Procurement
Civil Rights Division
55 M Street, SE, 3RD Floor
Washington, DC 20003
202/671-2270

28. TAXES:

The Government of the District of Columbia is exempt from, and will not pay, Federal Excise Taxes and DC Sales and Use Tax. BIDDERS MUST EXCLUDE SUCH TAXES, AS WELL AS STATE AND CITY TAXES FROM THEIR BIDS.

29. DEFAULT:

A. The District may, subject to the provisions in Chapter 37 of the D. C. Procurement Regulations, 27 DCMR (July 1988), and paragraph C. below, by written notice of default to the Consultant, terminate the whole or any part of this contract in any of the following circumstances:

1. If the Consultant fails to make satisfactory delivery of the supplies or to satisfactorily perform the services within the time specified herein or any extension thereof; or

2. If the Consultant fails to satisfactorily perform any of the other provisions of this contract, or so fails to make satisfactory progress as to endanger performance of this contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of ten (10) days (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the Contracting Officer specifying such failure.

3. If the consultant fails or refuses to go forward with the work in accordance with the directions of the Contracting Officer; or

4. If the Consultant expresses through word or conduct an intention not to complete the work in a timely manner; or

5. If the Consultant fails to perform any of the other provisions of the contract.

B. In the event the District terminates this contract in whole or in part as provided in paragraph A. of this clause, the District may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the Contracting Officer may deem appropriate, supplies or services similar to those so terminated, and the Consultant shall be liable to the District for any excess costs of reprocurring said similar supplies or services, provided the Consultant shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this clause.

C. The Consultant shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Consultant. Such causes may include, but are not restricted to, acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the District or Federal Government in either their sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes and unusually severe weather; but in every case the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Consultant.

D. If this contract is terminated as provided in paragraph A. of this clause, the District, in addition to any other rights provided by applicable law or regulation, may require the Consultant to transfer title and deliver to the District, in the manner and to the extent directed by the Contracting Officer, (1) completed supplies and (2) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jig, fixtures, plans, drawings information and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing materials") as the Consultant has specifically produced or specifically acquired for the performance of such part of this contract as has been terminated; and the Consultant shall, upon direction of the Contracting Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the Consultant in which the District has an interest. Payment for completed supplies delivered to and accepted by the District shall be at the contract price. Payment for manufacturing materials delivered to and accepted by the District and for the protection and preservation of property shall be in an amount agreed upon by the Consultant and Contracting Officer; failure to agree to such amount shall be a dispute concerning within the meaning Of the clause of this contract entitled "DISPUTES". The District may withhold from amounts otherwise due the Consultant for such completed supplies or manufacturing materials such sum as the Contracting Officer determines to be necessary to protect the District against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

E. If, after notice of termination of this contract under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the Consultant was not in default under the provisions of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, the rights and obligations of

the parties shall be the same as if the contract had been terminated for the convenience of the District. The Consultant shall submit a settlement proposal in accordance with Chapter 37 of the D. C. Procurement Regulations, 27 DCMR (July 1988). Failure to agree to, or the amount of, the settlement shall constitute a dispute within the meaning of the clause of this contract entitled "DISPUTES".

F. The rights and remedies of the District provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law, regulation or this contract .

The undersigned

(name of authorized officer) certifies, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that:

- No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying, Activities" in accordance with its instructions.
- The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by, 31, U.S. C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C § 1352(c)(I)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure.

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

any. Executed this __ day of __, 201__

By: _____
Signature of Authorized Official

Official Name and Title of Authorized Official

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352
(See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

Approved by OMB
0348-0046

1. Type of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	2. Status of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award c. post-award	3. Report Type: <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change For Material Change Only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known: Congressional District, if known: ^{4c}	5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:	
6. Federal Department/Agency:	7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, if applicable: _____	
8. Federal Action Number, if known:	9. Award Amount, if known: \$	
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI):	b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):	
11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____	
Federal Use Only:		Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form LLL (Rev. 7-97)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.**

- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.**

- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.**

- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.**

- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks “Subawardee,” then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.**

- 6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.**

- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.**

- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB)**

number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes,

9. e.g., “RFP-DE-90-001.”

10. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.

11. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying

Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).

12. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

J.12 - Attachment C

CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR REGARDING SEGREGATED FACILITIES (41 CFR 60-1.8)

Name of Contractor or Sub-Contractor

Solicitation Number

A contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensuring that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location, under the contractor's control, where the facilities are segregated. This obligation extends to all contracts containing the equal opportunity clause regardless of the amount of the contract. The term "facilities," as used in this section, means waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, wash rooms, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees; Provided, That separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.

The undersigned hereby certifies that: No segregated facilities will be maintained as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.

NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (print or type)

SIGNATURE

DATE

J.13 - Attachment D

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION - LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

A. The prospective first tier participant, _____, certifies by

submission of this bid or proposal, that it is eligible to participate in the project and neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, voluntarily excluded, or disqualified from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

B. Its management has not within a three-year period preceding its latest application or proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against any of them for:

- (1) Commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction, or contract under a public transaction,
- (2) Violation of any Federal or State antitrust statute, or
- (3) Commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making any false statement, or receiving stolen property,

C. It is not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses listed in the preceding subsection of this Certification,

D. It has not had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default within a three-year period preceding this Certification,

E. If, at a later time, it receives any information that contradicts the preceding statements of subsection 2 of this Certification, it will promptly provide that information to FTA,

F. It will treat each lower tier contract or lower tier subcontract under its project as a covered lower tier contract for purposes of 2 CFR part 1200 and 2 CFR part 180 if it:

- (1) Equals or exceeds \$25,000,
- (2) Is for audit services, or
- (3) Requires the consent of a Federal official, and

G. It will require that each covered lower tier contractor and subcontractor:

- (1) Comply and facilitate compliance with the Federal requirements of 2 CFR parts 180 and 1200, and
- (2) Assure that each lower tier participant in its Project is not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:
 - (a) Debarred from participation in its federally-funded Project,
 - (b) Suspended from participation in its federally-funded Project,
 - (c) Proposed for debarment from participation in its federally-funded Project,
 - (d) Declared ineligible to participate in its federally-funded Project,
 - (e) Voluntarily excluded from participation in its federally-funded Project, or
 - (f) Disqualified from participation in its federally-funded Project, and

H. It will provide a written explanation as indicated on the signature page if it or any of its principals, or lower tier participants, is unable to certify compliance with the preceding statements in this Certification.

- (1) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
- (2) The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the District (and the Contractor, if applicable) if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

Executed this _____ day of _____, 201

By: _____
Signature of Authorized Official

Official Name and Title of Authorized Official

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

- 1. By signing and submitting this Proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the signed certification set out on the previous page.**
- 2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the District may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.**
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the District if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.**
- 4. The terms “covered transaction,” “debarred,” “suspended,” “ineligible,” “lower tier covered transaction,” “participant,” “persons,” “lower tier covered transaction,” “principal,” “proposal,” and “voluntarily excluded,” as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549 [49 CFR Part 29]. The Proposer may contact the District for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.**
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized in writing by the District.**
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the “Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction,” without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.**
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Non-procurement List issued by U.S. General Service Administration.**
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.**
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under sub-paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to all remedies available to the Federal Government, the District may pursue available remedies including suspension and/or debarment.**

J.14 - Attachment E

NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

City of
SS:
State or District

I, _____ residing in the County of _____
(name of affiant) (name of municipality)

and State of _____

_____ being of full age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that:

I am _____ of the firm of _____ the bidder/offeror making
(title or position) (name of my firm)

this Proposal for the solicitation number _____, and that I am authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of my firm, and its owners, directors, and officers. I am the person responsible in my firm for the price(s) and the amount of this bid.

I state that:

1. The price(s) and amount of this bid have been arrived at independently and without consultation, communication or agreement with any other contractor, bidder/offeror, or potential bidder/offeror.
2. Neither the price(s) nor the amount of this bid, and neither the approximate price(s) nor approximate amount of this bid, have been disclosed to any other firm or person who is a bidder/offeror or potential bidder/offeror, and they will not be disclosed before bid opening.
3. No attempt has been made or will be made induce any firm or person to refrain from bidding on this contract, or to submit a bid higher than this bid, or to submit any intentionally high or noncompetitive bid or other form of complementary bid.
4. The bid of my firm is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive bid.
5. No person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except bona fide employees.
6. _____, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors and employees are (name of my firm)

Not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last three years been convicted or found liable for any act, prohibited by State or Federal law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract, except as follows:

I state that _____ understands and acknowledges that the above representations are material and (name of my firm) important, and will be relied on by the District of Columbia in awarding the contract(s) for which this bid is submitted. I understand and my firm understands that any misstatement in this affidavit is and shall be treated as fraudulent-concealment from the District of Columbia of the true facts relating to submission of bids for this contract.

Signature and firm position

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 201

Notary public

My Commission expires

(Seal)

J.15 - Attachment F
PARTICIPATION BY DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE AND
NON-DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FIRMS

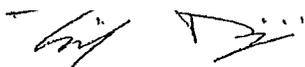
Policy: The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to ensure that DBEs are defined in part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It's also our policy: _____

- > To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT - assisted contracts;
- > To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
- > To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
- > To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility. Standards are permitted to participate as DBE's;
- > To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
- > To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

Lisa Gregory, Esq., Chief Office of Civil Rights has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, the Chief Office of Civil Rights is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) in its financial assistance agreements with the U.S. Department of Transportation. The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has disseminated this policy statement to the DDOT's Executive Team and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts on The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) website and on the agency bidders' document.

Sincerely,



Leif A. Dormsjo
Director, District Department of Transportation

Definitions -The following definitions apply to this contract:

- A. **"Disadvantaged business"** means a small business concern, (a) which is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the stock of which is owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals; and (b) whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.
- B. **"Small business concern means"**, with respect to firms seeking to participate as DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts, a small business concern as defined pursuant to section 3 of the Small Business Act and Small Business Administration regulations implementing it (13 CFR part 121) that also does not exceed the cap on average annual gross receipts specified in § 26.65(b).
- C. **Socially and economically disadvantaged individual** means any individual who is a citizen (or lawfully admitted permanent resident) of the United States and who is-

Any individual who a recipient finds to be a socially and economically disadvantaged individual on a case-by-case basis.

Any individual in the following groups, members of which are rebuttably presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged:

"Black Americans," which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;

"Hispanic Americans," which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, or other Spanish or Portuguese culture or origin, regardless of race;

"Native Americans," which includes persons who are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians;

"Asian-Pacific Americans," which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Burma (Myanmar), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Brunei, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands (Republic of Palau), the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, Macao, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Juvalu, Nauru, Federated States of Micronesia, or Hong Kong;

"Subcontinent Asian Americans," which includes persons whose origins are from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, Nepal or Sri Lanka;

Women;

Any additional groups whose members are designated as socially and economically disadvantaged by the SBA, at such time as the SBA designation becomes effective.

The Contracting Officer shall make a rebuttable prerogative that individuals in the above groups are socially and economically disadvantaged. This prerogative shall be based on criteria set forth in 49 CFR Part 26. The Contracting Officer also may determine, on a case-by-case basis, that individuals who are not members of one of the above groups are socially and economically disadvantaged.

PROMPT PAYMENT/DBE CONTRACT COMPLIANCE SYSTEM

Prompt Payment: The prime contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than *no later than 7 days* from the receipt of each payment the prime contract receives from The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) .The prime contractor agrees further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within *no later than 7 days* after the subcontractors work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of the DDOT. This clause applies to both "DBE and Non-DBE subcontracts." *Failure to do so shall be grounds for appropriate action against the party involved (e.g.: findings of non-responsibility for future contracts and/or suspension and debarment).*

DBE Contract Compliance System: This contract is subject to contract compliance tracking, and the prime contractor and any subcontractors are required to provide any noted and/ or requested contract compliance-related data electronically in the Contract Compliance System. The prime contractor and all subcontractors are responsible for responding by any noted response date or due date to any instructions or request for information, and to check the Contract Compliance System on a regular basis to manage contact information and contract records. The prime contractor is responsible for ensuring all subcontractors have completed all requested items and that their contact information is accurate and up-to-date. District DOT's Office of Civil Rights may require additional information related to the contract to be provided electronically through the system at any time before, during, or after contract award.

Information related to contractor access of the system will be provided to a designated point of contact with each contractor upon award of the contract. The Contract Compliance System is web-based and can be accessed at the following Internet address: <https://ddot.dbesystem.com>

The Prime must upload and report the following items:

- Prime must report all payments to subcontractors to the Contract Compliance System by the 15th of the month for the previous month activity under this project. All payment must be reported on the Contract Compliance System monthly even if no activity for a month.
- Upload all signed agreements between the Prime and the non-DBE subcontracts on the Contract Compliance System.
- Copies of all cancelled check payments to all subcontractors should be forwarded to the Office of Civil Rights Mohammed .Kabir@dc.gov by the 15th of the month for the previous month activity. A form MUST be completed monthly even if no activity for a month. *Failure to do so shall be grounds for appropriate action against the party involved (e.g.: findings of non-responsibility for future contracts and/or suspension and debarment).*

This online system allows vendors to actively support our efforts to achieve diversity participation, maintain accurate contact information, and report subcontractor payment details. As a Prime Vendor, you are required to log in to review and update certain specific information regarding payments to your subcontractors, and all contact information (name, address, phone, fax, email) for your firm and the subcontractors. You can also identify who in your firm should be our main contact for each of your contracts. To begin, follow the steps below:

1. Visit <https://ddot.dbesystem.com>. Follow the on-screen directions to look up your account and then access the secure system. Contact Customer Support via any of the system links if you have any questions while attempting to access your account.
2. Review and update all contact and contract information as necessary for your firm and subcontractors.
3. Ask your subcontractors to log in to review and confirm amount reported for each time period.

Your firm MUST log into the system to review and update the required information within 10 business days. Please be advised that as the Prime Vendor, you are responsible for ensuring that all required information is entered, that it is accurate, and that your subcontractors verify payments received. Failure to cooperate with the Office of Civil Rights may result in breach of contract.

Each month from contract award until close out you are also required to log-in and report payment information. Payment information is reported by completing the pending Contract Audits which can be accessed from your Dashboard by clicking on "Contract Audits". For each monthly audit, click on "Incomplete" in the Status column and report the amounts paid to each subcontractor during the month. You will also report the amount paid to you as the prime for the time period.

Repeat these steps for any additional incomplete audits on this or additional contracts that are assigned to you in the system.

You may also register for upcoming training sessions to learn more about system functionality, as well as classes that focus specifically on reporting payment to subcontractors. To register, click on "Training Classes" under Help & Tools from any screen in the system and click RSVP next to the "Contract Compliance Reporting – Vendor Training." You can also access the training classes without logging in here <https://11cookcounty.diversitycompliance.com/events.asp>

Additional information is available by clicking on the "Information for Vendors" link on the right-hand side of the home page under System Links.

There is no cost to Contractors for this service. You may add as many users to your account as necessary to report and view contract compliance data (please do not share accounts between people). If you require technical assistance during the process, please use the online support form or email DDOT@dbesystem.com.

To obtain additional information on DBE Compliance, please contact the Office of Civil Rights

Mohammed Kabir, PHR/Sr. EO Local and Federal Compliance Officer
Office of Civil Rights
District Department of Transportation
55 M Street, SE, 3rd floor
Washington, DC 20003

(202) 299-2190

Mohammed.Kabir@dc.gov

CONTRACT ASSURANCE /DBE CONTRACT GOALS:

CONTRACT ASSURANCE

The Contractor, Sub-recipient, Sub-consultant or Subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall carry out all the applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 26 in the award and administration of USDOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as DDOT deems appropriate.

Furthermore, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 assures that no person or group of persons may, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any and all programs or activities administered by DDOT. For further information regarding Title VI, please contact the Office of Civil Rights, 55 M Street S.E. 3rd Floor. Washington, DC 20003. Our telephone number is: (202) 671-2620

The above information is applicable to every Contractor including every tier of sub-consultants, subcontractors, supplier or service providers on this project. It is the responsibility of the prime Contractor, and all sub-consultants, subcontractors, suppliers and service providers to ensure equal opportunity for all firms to participate on this project.

RACE/GENDER NEUTRAL GOAL

There is no specific numerical DBE goal assigned to this project. While no numeric DBE goal is assigned to this contract, the Contractor, sub-recipient, sub-consultant or subcontractor should make every reasonable effort to solicit DBE firms to participate as sub-consultants, subcontractors, service providers and suppliers on this project.

The Contractor may find DBE firms certified by the DDOT Unified Certification Program in DDOT's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Directory. The DBE Directory can be found at the following website:

DBE Directory:

Our DBE Directory is a great resource for our Prime Contractors to identify partners that are DBE Certificated with District Department of Transportation and Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. Our DBE Directory is updated daily.

<http://ddotfiles.com/db/DBE/dbe.php>

If a proposed partner from the Prime Contractors is not in the DDOT DBE Directory. Please contact our office.

Luisa Portillo, Equal Opportunity/DBE Program Specialist

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