

**New York City Community Garden Coalition
Request for Proposals**

For

Landscape Architecture/Engineering Design, and Planning Services

**Lower East Side Community Gardens Green Infrastructure
Feasibility Study**

RESPONSE PACKET

March 22, 2016

**A project funded by and conceived through the NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program of the
Governor's Office of Storm Recovery**

Responses must be received by:
5pm (Eastern), Friday, April 22, 2016

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LOWER EAST SIDE COMMUNITY GARDENS GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FEASIBILITY STUDY

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RESPONSE PACKET

1 INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

The New York City Community Garden Coalition (NYCCGC) has received a grant under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant–Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program to complete the “Lower East Side Community Gardens Green Infrastructure Feasibility Study.” Funding is being delivered through the NY Rising Community Reconstruction (NYRCR) Program of the New York State Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery (GOSR). Accordingly, Respondents are obligated to comply with applicable federal and state laws and regulations set forth in Exhibit A (Supplementary Contract Conditions), as well as with the NYCCGC’s Procurement Policy and Procedures. In addition, Respondents are obligated to comply with all municipal codes, ordinances, and regulations. This project is funded by and conceived through the GOSR NYRCR Program.

Agreements and contracts resulting from this Request for Proposals (RFP), including lower-tiered subcontracts, must include the following language:

“All attachments and exhibits to this Contract are hereby incorporated by reference into the Contract and are considered a material part of this Contract. Should any provision(s) of this Contract (including any terms in any of the attachments and/or exhibits thereto and amendments thereof) be deemed to be in conflict with any other provision(s), the provisions shall be applied pursuant to the priority set forth in the Order of Precedence section of the Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery Supplementary Conditions for Contracts.”

Only responsible vendors who have the technical and financial competence to perform as well as an exemplary record of integrity will be selected under this procurement. Before selecting a vendor, the NYCCGC intends to review the federal and state lists of vendors excluded from procurement. Contracts shall not be awarded to debarred, suspended, or otherwise ineligible vendors. Accordingly, responses to this Request for Proposals must include a completed NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire and notarized certification, along with verification that a completed NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire has been filed with the NYS Office of the State Comptroller: <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/>.

Similarly, respondents should perform a conflict of interest inquiry and disclose in their response any and all potential conflicts of interest that exist or may exist for the respondent or subs or affiliates, etc.

Elation Systems, Inc. is a provider of cloud-based diversity and labor compliance reporting and management services. GOSR has adopted this web-based compliance management system to help all of its Contractors, the New York City Community Garden Coalition, and the New York City Community Garden Coalition’s Contractors receiving federal funds to adhere to Labor Compliance (Davis-Bacon), Minority and Women Owned Business (M/WBE) and Section 3 reporting requirements. The selected firm must comply with instructions from GOSR on how and when to meet all reporting requirements, and how to utilize Elation to satisfy those requirements.

In accordance with New York State General Municipal Law Section 104-b, this RFP is designed to identify New York State licensed professional landscape architectural/engineering and planning firms best qualified to provide the requested services necessary for the completion of the feasibility study and development of a Master Plan for stormwater capture best practices within the community gardens of the Lower East Side of Manhattan consistent with the requirements of the CDBG-DR funding stream. Respondents will be reviewed on the basis of their eligibility and ability to provide services in a manner sensitive to specific requirements and timetables established by federal law. Not all qualified Respondents will be selected to provide these services. It is the intent of the NYCCGC to issue only one (1) professional services contract for the services requested herein.

The NYCCGC will select a qualified Respondent of the highest caliber that employs adequate staff and possesses the financial management capacity to be able to focus immediate attention on this project.

Through its Evaluation Team, the NYCCGC will select the Respondent whose proposal receives the greatest number of points. The Evaluation Team will only open or evaluate Proposals from those firms that it has determined are qualified on the basis of the Technical Factors listed below. After the firms that are qualified have been identified, the Evaluation Team will factor in the cost of the qualified proposals using the formula set forth below under “6. Selection Process.” The Cost Proposal is included as Schedule IV: Cost Proposal.

The NYCCGC reserves the right to negotiate the distribution of the fee for services. NYCCGC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals either in whole or in part. Similarly, the NYCCGC reserves the right to: (1) amend, modify, or withdraw this solicitation; (2) revise any requirement of this solicitation; (3) require supplemental statements or information from any responsible party; (4) extend the deadline for submission of responses hereto; (5) negotiate or hold discussions with any firm and to correct deficient responses which do not conform to the instructions contained herein; (6) cancel, or reissue in whole or in part, this solicitation, if the NYCCGC determines in its sole discretion that it is its best interest to do so; and, (7) extend the term of any agreement on terms consistent with this procurement.

The NYCCGC makes no representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of any information provided in this RFP and will have no liability or obligation with regards to its contents.

Respondents will not be reimbursed for costs incurred in the preparation of the proposal.

The funding level anticipated for this project, which includes landscape architecture, engineering design and planning services, is \$193,000.00 .

2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The “Lower East Side Community Gardens Green Infrastructure Feasibility Study” is the first phase of a two (2) phase project. Phase 2 of the project will include the construction of green infrastructure in the community gardens and in the immediate area identified in Phase 1. The Study will examine the feasibility, costs, benefits and impacts of proposed stormwater capture methods to increase permeability and green space in the neighborhood gardens and to better absorb stormwater runoff. The Study will identify locations where green infrastructure and stormwater capture systems are to be implemented across the study area giving priority to those areas prone to stormwater flooding or that are in a flood zone. These green infrastructure solutions will increase permeable surfaces and capture rainwater to enable the sewer

system to better deal with stormwater runoff. Each garden has its own governance structure and in the planning process may propose specific projects inside and adjacent to their lot(s). Alternative interventions, specifically green infrastructure solutions will be explored. Any project must be permissible and meet NYC and NYS regulations

See Schedule I, “Detailed Project Description” for additional details.

The successful Respondent will assist the NYCCGC with all basic services, as more fully described in Schedule 1, in accordance with HUD, NYCCGC, and GOSR requirements and timetables.

The NYCCGC reserves the right to modify the project description.

3 DEADLINES AND COMPLETION DATE

The Proposal must be delivered **in separate envelopes** to the New York City Community Garden Coalition in accordance with Schedule II: Deadline Schedule. Proposals are due no later than **5:00 p.m., on Friday, April 22, 2016**. The NYCCGC reserves the right to extend receipt of submissions beyond the deadline.

4 SCOPE OF WORK

The Study will combine community participation with planning, landscape architecture, and engineering expertise, to develop a green infrastructure feasibility study and master plan to increase the permeability and stormwater capture within forty-seven (47) community gardens located in Community Board 3 and within the boundaries of in the Lower Manhattan NYRCR planning area. The majority of the gardens are located within an area that was severely flooded during Superstorm Sandy and many were directly impacted by the storm.

The NYCCGC reserves the right to modify the Scope of Work. Change Orders shall not be permitted unless specifically requested and approved by the NYCCGC.

The scope of services for the Lower East Side Community Gardens Infrastructure Feasibility Study will include the following tasks:

- Task 1: Project Management
- Task 2: Existing Conditions / Site Selection
- Task 3: Stakeholder Engagement / Planning & Development
- Task 4: Feasibility Study

Task 1: Project Management

The consultant shall perform general project management in connection with the scope of services. These include but are not limited to:

- 1) Provide continuous communication with NYCCGC throughout the duration of the project;
- 2) Submit an initial Progress Schedule to NYCCGC identifying milestones and task completion dates. Upon approval of the Progress Schedule, the consultant shall commence tasks as identified in the scope of services. The consultant shall provide continuous schedule management and notify NYCCGC of any changes and/or delays.

- 3) Attend a kick-off meeting and regular working sessions with NYCCGC and stakeholder members; in addition, the consultant shall prepare presentations and materials as required for each meeting.
- 4) Provide NYCCGC with support with agencies and stakeholders

Task 2: Existing Conditions / Site Selection

To aid the development of the Feasibility Study (Task 4) the consultant shall review the existing conditions of the project site(s) and determine viable options/sites for green infrastructure practices. Services will include assessing the current drainage facilities and stormwater management practices in the Study Area (1) to determine a drainage and stormwater management baseline, and (2) to identify the improvement needs based on the current conditions. This will include becoming familiar with the current and proposed plans for improvements to the stormwater management systems surrounding each community garden. Specific work activities will include the following detailed task items:

- 1) Preparation and Review
 - a. Research the city and regional post-Superstorm Sandy restoration plans/studies and identify the most critical drainage issues in the Study Area.
 - b. Evaluate pertinent local, state, and federal stormwater requirements in flood control, water quality, and ecosystem.
 - c. Compile and map drainage and stormwater problem areas.
 - d. Collect data from FEMA, the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the State of New York and the City of New York.
 - e. Identify known environmental issues;
 - f. Recommend best management practices (BMPs) specifically tailored to effect greater stormwater management and facilitate future growth needs while minimizing risk. Specific task items include 1) Identifying planned projects and evaluating impacts. 2) Evaluating the impact of future land use changes and recommending mitigation measures. 3) Develop the stormwater management element that includes recommendations for drainage improvements, program goals, implementation and funding considerations. The plan will recommend stormwater capture BMPs suitable for each community garden and the sidewalk areas directly adjacent, with specific focus on multi-functional flood control.
 - g. Collect and map drainage infrastructure data by researching existing database and plans.
 - h. Identify unique landscape features and conditions that will affect the potential for future green infrastructure projects.
 - i. Determine specific assessment criteria with the Steering Committee.
 - j. Determine cost effectiveness and construction impacts for each community garden;
- 2) Utility/Geotechnical Investigations
 - a. Upon completion of Task 2.1 Preparation and Review, the consultant shall obtain all available utility records including but not limited to water and sewer maps and utility records. The consultant shall also review any historical borings in proximity to the gardens if available.
 - b. The consultant shall submit a geotechnical investigation plan of appropriate areas to perform soil borings and permeability tests.
 - c. The consultant shall obtain all necessary permits and approvals
 - d. A P.E. shall be on-site to observe the geotechnical investigations at all times. Drilling activities shall not interfere with or impact utilities (e.g. water mains, sewers, property services lines, etc.)
 - e. The consultant shall document before and after photos of areas which soil boring were performed.

- f. The consultant shall prepare a geotechnical report of all sites surveyed and recommend site(s) which green infrastructure would be appropriate.

Task 3: Stakeholder Engagement / Planning & Development

The consultant shall assist the NYCCG in stakeholder engagement which includes assisting in the public participation process, as well as the overall planning process needed in properly completing the feasibility study. While NYCCGC staff will be lead in the completion of all public outreach and participation activities, the planning services being requested will involve: Monitoring NYCCGC staff in conducting interviews, focus groups meetings and other citizen participation meetings with community garden members and the general public in soliciting their ideas and insights into the issues that must be dealt with to increase permeability and storm water capture required in completing the study.

- a. Assisting the NYCCGC staff in the review of applicable documents prepared at the federal, state, and city levels regarding stormwater management, long term comprehensive planning, and other applicable plans to allow for the rapid review of pertinent reports, in conjunction with the conclusions reached in the public participation process to complete the community gardens assessment phase of the Study.
- b. Assisting the NYCCGC staff in developing overarching goals and objectives for individual gardens based on the attitudes and opinions regarding the major issues and big decisions surrounding stormwater capture that should be addressed in the “Lower East Side Community Gardens Green Infrastructure Feasibility Study.”
Providing technical review of written summaries of the public participation process; ensure summaries will not associate specific comments with any individual in order to protect anonymity.
- c. Assisting the NYCCGC staff in crafting scenarios for presentation in strategic framework workshops. Services will include assisting staff in devising evaluation measures that will be used to determine the impacts on the quality of the community gardens against the various future improvements scenarios.

Task 4: Feasibility Study

Upon completing Task 2 Existing Conditions / Site Selection and relevant parts of Task 3: Stakeholder Engagement / Planning & Development, the consultant shall prepare a feasibility study (a document) of viable green infrastructure options in the community gardens. The feasibility study should include the following information:

- a. Site Information: Garden name, address, unique programming characteristics, etc.
- b. Geotechnical/Utility Findings
- c. Stormwater patterns/mitigation
- d. Overall design concept
- e. Design guidelines
- f. Specific project recommendations
- g. Phasing recommendations
- h. Green Infrastructure Recommendations: permeable pavement, raingarden, bioswale, etc.

The Feasibility Study format is flexible but should clearly articulate the information above with photo documentation, graphs, minor renderings, etc. The feasibility study will be used in conjunction with the Stakeholder Engagement task to determine which green infrastructure options are viable per garden.,

5 SUBMITTAL CONTENT

Respondents must supply three (3) copies of its submission to the attention of New York City Community Garden Coalition's RFP Coordinator no later than **5pm Eastern on Friday, April 22, 2016**. **In addition, an electronic copy in pdf of the complete response shall be emailed to the RFP Coordinator at the email address below for receipt prior to the deadline for submission.**

RFP Coordinator:

Aziz Dehkan, Executive Director
New York City Community Garden Coalition
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New York, NY 10003
917.444.2191
aziz@nyccgc.org

While there is no specific page limit, brevity, whenever practical, is strongly encouraged and will be considered in evaluation responses. The Proposal must contain the following information and documentation:

- **Firm.** Respondent's legal structure, areas of expertise, length of time in business, number of employees and detailed contact information for the person authorized to contractually obligate the Respondent and for the person administratively responsible for the Proposal.
- **Subconsultants.** Identify any Subconsultants, including a summary of the organization, experience and technical skills.
- **Disclosure.** Disclose all allegations or claims of substandard work, unethical or illegal practices or debarment or suspension from state- or federally-funded projects, and provide documentation as to the resolution of these matters. Respondent must not be suspended or debarred from participation in state- or federally-funded projects. Include a completed NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire and notarized certification, along with verification that a completed NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire has been filed with the NYS Office of the State Comptroller: <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/>. Failure to complete and submit the NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire may be cause for a proposal to be rejected.
- **Relevant Experience.** Previous projects that demonstrate relevant experience and identify public sector clients for whom Respondent has provided similar work in the past five (5) years. For each project described, provide current contact information for the individual with whom Respondent worked.
- **Approach and Methodology.** Respondent's understanding of the scope, including a detailed work plan to complete the design services.
- **Staffing Plan.** Respondent's capacity to provide services in the required timeframe, and key personnel to provide services and the proposed staffing plan. Outline the resumes of key personnel who will be assigned to the project, including their years of experience and functions on this project.

- **Resilient & Sustainable Design.** The NYCCGC and GOSR are committed to promoting sustainability and resiliency through resilient and green design in building and infrastructure projects funded through the NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program. Engineering and design work should incorporate sustainability measures, resilient techniques, and green infrastructure practices where possible. Respondents should include in their submission a brief description of the green and resilient projects on which they have worked, and if applicable how that experience may be applied to this project. Previous experience in such design will be considered in the evaluation of responses.
- **Ability to Conform to New York City Community Garden Coalition’s Deadline Schedule.** Describe firm’s workload and the impact on its current capacity to perform services on this project, and describe specifically how the firm will comply with the required delivery schedule set forth in Schedule II.
- **Commitment to Comply with All Applicable Federal, State, and Local Regulations, including Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) and Section 3.** Describe firm’s commitment to and plan for complying with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations, including, as described below, M/WBE obligations. Include a completed M/WBE Utilization Plan, (See Exhibit D) demonstrating the extent to which the firm will utilize M/WBE Subconsultants on this project. This is a factor for firm selection, and Respondents who demonstrate a commitment to comply will receive the most points (as described herein under “6. Selection Process”).
- **Iran Divestment Act.** Respondent must attach a signed statement on company letterhead that is affirmed as true under penalty of perjury.
- **Costs.** Complete the Cost Proposal (Schedule IV) by providing a lump sum price and itemized cost breakdown for completing this project. The Cost Proposal must be included in a separate sealed envelope.
- **Attachments.** Resumes and material helpful to the technical evaluation may also be attached (short project descriptions, brochures).

6 SELECTION PROCESS

Technical Proposals responsive to the requirements of this RFP will be evaluated and scored in accordance with the NYCCGC’s evaluation criteria contained in this section. After evaluation of the Technical Proposals, Cost Proposals will be scored for cost.

During or after the review of responses, NYCCGC may submit written questions and requests for clarification, and may conduct interviews. Respondents must comply with the calendar identified in Schedule II: Deadline Schedule, which may be adjusted if necessary.

The NYCCGC shall evaluate each respondent in terms of:

Technical Factors	<u>Maximum Points</u>
1. Relevant Experience	25
2. Approach and Methodology	25
3. Staffing Plan	15
4. Resilient Design	10
5. Ability to Conform to NYCCGC’s Deadline Schedule	5
6. Commitment to Comply with all Applicable Federal, State and Local Regulations including M/WBE and Section 3	5
Total Technical Points	85
Total Cost Points	15
Maximum Points (Total Technical Points + Total Cost Points)	100

The NYCCGC’s Evaluation Team will conduct a technical evaluation of the non-cost elements as described in the RFP prior to opening the Cost Proposals. No more than 85 technical total points will be awarded to any Respondent.

The Cost Proposal will remain sealed until completion of the technical evaluation, and will only be considered for the best qualified firms. No more than 15 points will be awarded to any Respondent.

Cost points will be awarded as follows:

- The lowest priced qualifying technical proposal will be awarded the full 15 points. Other bidders will be awarded as follows:
Total cost points for bidder X = (lowest bidder cost/bidder X’s cost) x 15
- The NYCCGC will weigh the technical and cost evaluation results of each submittal as two (2) components, which together will have a maximum total score of 100 points. The contract will be awarded to the respondent with the highest total score.

After evaluation of selected Technical Proposals and Cost Proposals, the NYCCGC reserves the right to award without delay. The NYCCGC will issue a Letter of Intent to Award and a Notice to Proceed when costs are negotiated and accepted by the Coalition.

7 SPECIFIC LEGAL OBLIGATIONS

7.1 PROCUREMENT

The New York City Community Garden Coalition (NYCCGC) is committed to providing all prospective respondents with accurate, consistent and timely information to ensure that the procurement is conducted with full and open competition. Written questions from prospective respondents about the RFP are accepted by mail or email no less than insert number of business days before the proposal

opening. Questions may only be addressed to the RFP Coordinator as identified in Section 5 (Submittal Content).

In accordance with General Municipal Law Section 104-b(2)(f) and State Finance Law Section 139-j(2)(a), the NYCCGC must identify the individual responsible for purchasing and the individual who is the sole point of contact during the procurement.

In accordance with State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k, this RFP imposes restrictions on communications between the NYCCGC, GOSR, New York State Housing Trust Fund (HTFC) and Respondents during the procurement. Respondent is restricted from making contact from the earliest notice of intent to solicit offers through final award (the restricted period) with New York City Community Garden Coalition's staff other than the RFP Coordinator, unless it is a contact included among expressly provided statutory exceptions set forth in State Finance Law Section 139-j(3)(a). Respondent is also restricted during this period from making contact with any employee of the NYCCGC, GOSR or HTFC.

The RFP Coordinator is identified in Section 5 (Submittal Content).

NYCCGC employees also are required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of responsibility of the Respondent pursuant to these two statutes. Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in the rejection for contract award and in the event of two (2) findings within a four-year period the Respondent is debarred from obtaining governmental procurement contracts.

7.2 DIVERSITY AND INCOME REQUIREMENTS

7.2.1 Minority and Women Owned Businesses (M/WBE)

The New York City Community Garden Coalition (NYCCGC) is committed to awarding a contract(s) to firms that will provide high quality services and that are dedicated to diversity and to containing costs. The NYCCGC strongly encourages Respondents that are certified by New York State, any other city or state, or the federal government, as M/WBE firms, as well as Respondents that are not yet certified but have applied for certification, to submit responses to this RFP. All New York State-certified M/WBE firms submitting proposals to this RFP should be registered as such with the New York State Department of Economic Development. For M/WBE firms that are not certified but have applied for certification, Respondents must provide evidence of filing including filing date.

The NYCCGC is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and 5 NYCRR Parts 142-144 (M/WBE Regulations). The NYCCGC strongly encourages joint ventures of M/WBE firms with majority firms and M/WBE firms with other M/WBE firms. For purposes of this solicitation, the NYCCGC hereby establishes an overall goal of 30% for M/WBE participation, 15% for minority-owned business enterprises (MBE) and 15% for women-owned business enterprises (WBE).

7.2.2 Section 3

In addition to the above diversity requirements, and pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing & Community Development Act (HCDA), the NYCCGC is committed to ensuring that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD financial assistance shall, to the greatest extent feasible and consistent with existing federal, state and local laws and regulations, be directed to Section 3 residents and businesses.

A "Section 3 resident" is: 1) a public housing resident; or 2) a low- or very low-income person residing in the metropolitan area or non-metropolitan county where the Section 3 covered assistance is expended. For the purposes of Section 3 of the HCDA, low-income persons are defined as families (including single persons) whose incomes do not exceed 80% of the median income for the area, and very low-income persons are defined as families (including single persons) whose incomes do not exceed 50% of the median income for the area.

A "Section 3 business" is a business that can provide evidence that it meets one of the follow criteria: 1) 51% or more owned by Section 3 residents; or 2) at least 30% of its full time employees include persons who are currently Section 3 residents, or were Section 3 residents within three years of the date of first hire; or 3) provides evidence, as required, of a commitment to subcontract in excess of 25% of the dollar award of all subcontracts to business concerns that meet one of the preceding two qualifications.

In their submittals, Respondents should demonstrate their commitment to advancing New York City Community Garden Coalition's Section 3 goals, which include the following: 30% of new hires associated with the CDBG-DR funded project shall be Section 3 residents, 10% of new construction contracts shall be awarded to Section 3 businesses, and 3% of non-construction contracts shall be awarded to Section 3 businesses.

7.3 IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT

Every Proposal made to the New York City Community Garden Coalition pursuant to a competitive solicitation must contain the following statement, signed by the Respondent on company letterhead and affirmed as true under penalty of perjury:

"By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not on the list created pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 165-a of the State Finance Law."

The list in question is maintained by the Office of General Services. Responses that fail to certify compliance with this requirement may not be accepted as responsive.

7.4 NEW YORK LAW AND VENUE

This contract shall be construed under the laws of the State of New York. All claims, actions, proceedings, and lawsuits brought in connection with, arising out of, related to, or seeking enforcement of this contract shall be brought in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York County.

SCHEDULE I: DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The NYCCGC has received CDBG-DR funding to undertake a feasibility study and develop a Master Plan for stormwater capture best practices within the community gardens of the Lower East Side of Manhattan. The Plan will combine community planning participation with engineering expertise, to develop a green infrastructure study and master plan to increase the permeability and stormwater capture within forty-seven (47) neighborhood/community gardens located in the Lower Manhattan NYRCR planning area. The majority of the gardens are located within an area that was severely flooded during Superstorm Sandy and many were impacted directly by the storm.

In general, the Plan will examine the feasibility, costs, benefits and impacts of proposed stormwater capture methods which would increase permeability and green space in the neighborhood gardens and would better absorb stormwater runoff. When completed, the Plan will identify locations where green infrastructure and stormwater capture systems are to be implemented across the study area given priority to those areas who are prone to stormwater flooding or are in a flood zone. These green infrastructure solutions would increase absorptive surfaces and better outfit these gardens and neighborhoods to deal with stormwater runoff.

Each garden has its own governance and may propose specific projects inside and adjacent to their lot(s). Even more important, each garden's cultural and aesthetic sense must be respected and nurtured. Some gardens may choose to not participate.

Study Area for Gardens Rising. The Study Area is roughly bounded by 14th Street on the north, the East River on the east, Delancey Street on the south, and the Bowery/Fourth Avenue on the west, and is home to forty-seven (47) gardens measuring approximately seven (7) acres in area.

It is presumed that right-of-way bioswales would be the first design initiative. Alternative interventions, with proper design, planning, and management are strongly encouraged and should be explored. Specifically green infrastructure solutions such as rain gardens, water capture systems, landscape designs, vegetated swales, stormwater greenstreets, tree pits, and porous pavements need to be considered. This is an opportunity to develop resiliency, increase biodiversity, expand green space and beautifully reduce puddling and combined sewer overflows.

The New York City Community Garden Coalition reserves the right to modify the project description.

SCHEDULE II: DEADLINE SCHEDULE

A. Date for Publication of Notice:	March 28, 2016
B. Date for Questions from Respondents:	April 6, 2016
C. Date for Response to Respondents' Questions:	April 13, 2016
D. Date for Submission of Proposals:	April 22, 2016
E. Date for Evaluation of Proposals:	April 27, 2016
F. Date for Contingent Award:	April 28, 2016
G. Date for Initial Meeting between Selected Firm, New York City Community Garden Coalition, and GOSR:	May 5, 2016
H. Date for Receipt of Draft Contract from Selected Firm:	May 12, 2016
I. Date for Execution of Contract with Notice to Proceed:	May 19, 2016

The NYCCGC reserves the right to modify this Deadline Schedule as necessary. All Submittals shall be submitted in both electronic and hard copy, signed in the original, and received and date stamped by the Coalition on or before **5pm Eastern on April 22, 2016**.

Respondents are responsible for meeting all deadlines. The selected firm will be responsible for submitting a draft contract that includes a scope of services or scope of work and cost proposal within two (2) weeks of the initial meeting (G). Failure to meet this deadline may result in the Coalition exercising its right to terminate negotiations with the selected firm.

SCHEDULE III: INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

See Part III—Insurance of Exhibit A, Supplementary Conditions for Contracts

SCHEDULE IV: COST PROPOSAL

Please complete all tables.

TASK 1—PROJECT MANAGEMENT			
DIRECT LABOR			
Position	Hourly Rate	Estimated Hours	Estimated Cost
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TOTAL COST FOR TASK 1/PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES:			

TASK 2—EXISTING CONDITIONS/SITE SELECTION

DIRECT LABOR

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TOTAL COST TASK 2/EXISTING CONDITIONS/SITE SELECTION SERVICES:		

TASK 3—STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT/PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

DIRECT LABOR

Position	Hourly Rate	Estimated Hours	Estimated Cost
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TOTAL COST TASK 3		
STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT/PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES		

TASK 4—FEASIBILITY STUDY

DIRECT LABOR

Position	Hourly Rate	Estimated Hours	Estimated Cost
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COMBINED COSTS FOR REQUESTED SERVICES

Task	Lump Sum Fee
Task 1—Project Management	
Task 2—Existing Conditions/Site Selection	
Task 3—Stakeholder Engagement/Planning & Development	
Task 4—Feasibility Study	
Total Cost to Provide Requested Services	

EXHIBIT A: SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS FOR CONTRACTS

DEFINITIONS

“GOSR”: Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery and its successors and assigns, as well as the Housing Trust Fund Corporation and its successors and assigns, and its parent entities and their successors and assigns.

“Subrecipient”: NYC Community Garden Coalition

“Contractor”:

When these Supplementary Conditions are attached to any lower tier contract (e.g., a contract between Contractor (as defined above) and any subcontractor, or between Contractor’s direct or indirect subcontractors), references herein to “Subrecipient” shall be deemed to refer to the party seeking products and/or services, and references to “Contractor” shall be deemed to refer to the party providing products and/or services, and references to the “Agreement” or “Contract” or “contract” shall be deemed to refer to the agreement between such subcontracting parties.

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

In the event of a conflict between the terms of these Supplementary Conditions and the terms of the remainder of the contract (including any other attachments thereto and amendments thereof), the terms of these Supplementary Conditions shall control.

In the event of a conflict among the requirements found in these Supplementary Conditions, which conflict would make it impossible to comply with all of the requirements set forth herein, the provisions shall be applied with the following priority:

- (1) Part I: Required Federal Provisions; then
- (2) Part II: Required State Provisions;

and the remaining requirements shall be interpreted in a manner so as to allow for the terms contained therein to remain valid and consistent with such superseding provisions. If any provision of these Supplementary Conditions relates to a matter embraced by another provision(s) of these Supplementary Conditions, but is not in conflict therewith, all such provisions shall apply. Any question as to which requirements control in a particular instance which cannot be resolved by Contractor and Subrecipient shall be submitted in writing (indicating the issue and the applicable provisions) by Subrecipient to GOSR, which shall decide the applicable question.

PART I: REQUIRED FEDERAL PROVISIONS

The following terms and conditions apply to any contract for which any portion of the funding is derived from a grant made by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”).

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. **PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW DEEMED INSERTED.** Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in this contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein and the contract shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein, and if through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not inserted, or is not correctly inserted, then upon the application of either party the contract shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion or correction.
2. **STATUTORY AND REGULATORY COMPLIANCE.** Contractor shall comply with all laws and regulations applicable to the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery funds appropriated by the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (Pub. L. 113-2), including but not limited to the applicable Office of Management and Budget Circulars, which may impact the administration of funds and/or set forth certain cost principles, including the allowability of certain expenses.
3. **BREACH OF CONTRACT TERMS.** The Subrecipient and GOSR reserve their rights to all administrative, contractual, or legal remedies, including but not limited to suspension or termination of this contract, in instances where the Contractor or any of its subcontractors violate or breach any contract term. If the Contractor or any of its subcontractors violate or breach any contract term, they shall be subject to such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate. The duties and obligations imposed by the contract documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.
4. **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.** The Contractor shall complete and submit all reports, in such form and according to such schedule, as may be required by the Subrecipient and GOSR. The Contractor shall cooperate with all Subrecipient and GOSR efforts to comply with HUD requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting, including but not limited to 2 CFR Part 200 and 24 C.F.R. § 570.507.
5. **RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT.** Contracts or agreements for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work shall provide for the rights of the federal government, GOSR, and the Subrecipient in any resulting invention in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative

Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by HUD.

6. **DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND INELIGIBILITY.** The Contractor represents and warrants that it and its subcontractors are not debarred or suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 2424. The Contractor shall notify the Subrecipient and GOSR should it or any of its subcontractors become debarred or suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 2424.

7. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.** The Contractor shall notify the Subrecipient as soon as possible if this contract or any aspect related to the anticipated work under this contract raises an actual or potential conflict of interest (as described in 2 CFR Part 200). The Contractor shall explain the actual or potential conflict in writing in sufficient detail so that the Subrecipient is able to assess such actual or potential conflict. The Contractor shall provide the Subrecipient any additional information necessary for the Subrecipient to fully assess and address such actual or potential conflict of interest. The Contractor shall accept any reasonable conflict mitigation strategy employed by the Subrecipient, including but not limited to the use of an independent subcontractor(s) to perform the portion of work that gives rise to the actual or potential conflict. If requested by GOSR, Contractor shall sign a certification affirming that it has no conflict of interest arising from performance of work on a specific task.

8. **SUBCONTRACTING.** The Contractor represents to the Subrecipient that all work shall be performed by personnel experienced in the appropriate and applicable profession and areas of expertise, taking into account the nature of the work to be performed under this contract.

The Contractor will include these Required Federal Provisions in every subcontract issued by it so that such provisions will be binding upon each of its subcontractors as well as the requirement to flow down such terms to all lower-tiered subcontractors.

9. **ASSIGNABILITY.** The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this contract, and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation) without prior written approval of the Subrecipient.

10. **INDEMNIFICATION.** The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Subrecipient, GOSR, and their agents and employees from and against any and all claims, actions, suits, charges, and judgments arising from or related to the negligence or willful misconduct of the Contractor in the performance of the services called for in this contract.

11. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE (Applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000).** If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner his obligations under this contract, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this contract, the Subrecipient shall thereupon have the right to terminate this contract by giving written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports prepared by the Contractor under this contract shall, at the option of the Subrecipient,

become the Subrecipient's property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the Subrecipient for damages sustained by the Subrecipient by virtue of any breach of the contract by the Contractor, and the Subrecipient may withhold any payments to the Contractor for the purpose of set-off until such time as the exact amount of damages due the Subrecipient from the Contractor is determined.

12. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (Applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000).

The Subrecipient may terminate this contract at any time by giving at least ten (10) days' notice in writing to the Contractor. If the contract is terminated by the Subrecipient as provided herein, the Contractor will be paid for the time provided and expenses incurred up to the termination date.

13. LOBBYING (Applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000). The Contractor certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- A. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Contractor, 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.
- B. 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 Contractor shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- C. The Contractor 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. 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.

14. BONDING REQUIREMENTS (Applicable to construction and facility improvement contracts exceeding \$100,000). The Contractor shall comply with New York State bonding requirements, unless they have not been approved by HUD, in which case the Contractor shall comply with the following minimum bonding requirements:

- A. A bid guarantee from each bidder equivalent to five percent of the bid price. The “bid guarantee” shall consist of a firm commitment such as a bid bond, certified check, or other negotiable instrument accompanying a bid as assurance that the bidder will, upon acceptance of his bid, execute such contractual documents as may be required within the time specified.
- B. A performance bond on the part of the Contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A “performance bond” is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the Contractor’s obligations under such contract.
- C. A payment bond on the part of the Contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A “payment bond” is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment as required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the work provided for in the contract.

15. ACCESS TO RECORDS. The Subrecipient, GOSR, HUD, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have, at any time and from time to time during normal business hours, access to any work product, books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are related to this contract, for the purpose of inspection, audits, examinations, and making excerpts, copies and transcriptions.

16. MAINTENANCE/RETENTION OF RECORDS. All records connected with this contract will be maintained in a central location and will be maintained for a period of at least four (4) years following the date of final payment and close-out of all pending matters related to this contract, provided that Section 1 of the Required State Provisions herein is also satisfied.

CIVIL RIGHTS AND DIVERSITY PROVISIONS

17. SMALL AND MINORITY FIRMS, WOMEN’S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS. The Contractor will comply with the small and minority firms, women’s business enterprise, and labor surplus area requirements as set forth at 2 CFR Part 200. Contractor will use its best efforts to afford small businesses, minority business enterprises, and women’s business enterprises the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in the performance of the contract. As used in these Required Federal Provisions, the terms “small business” means a business that meets the criteria set forth in Section 3(a) of the Small Business Act, as amended (15 U.S.C. § 632), and “minority and women’s business enterprise” means a business at least fifty-one (51) percent owned and controlled by minority group members or women. For the purpose of this definition, “minority group members” are Afro-Americans,

Spanish-speaking, Spanish surnamed, or Spanish-heritage Americans, Asian- Americans, and American Indians. Subrecipient may rely on written representations by businesses regarding their status as minority and female business enterprises in lieu of an independent investigation.

The Contractor will take necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used in subcontracting when possible. Steps include:

- A. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- B. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- C. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- D. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises; and
- E. Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

18. TITLES VI AND VIII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 11063. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Titles VI and VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and with Executive Order 11063. No person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. No person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, be discriminated against in the sale, rental, or financing of dwellings. To the extent that any such sale, lease or other transfer of land shall occur, Contractor, in undertaking its obligation to carry out the Program assisted hereunder, will not itself so discriminate.

19. SECTION 109 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. No person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this title. Section 109 further provides that discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 or with respect to an otherwise qualified handicapped individual as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, is prohibited.

20. SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 AND THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990. The Contractor shall comply with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794), as amended, and any applicable regulations, and with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 126), as amended, and any applicable regulations.

The Contractor agrees that no qualified individual with handicaps shall, solely on the basis of handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives federal financial assistance from HUD.

21. AGE DISCRIMINATION ACT OF 1975. The Contractor shall comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), as amended, and any applicable regulations. No person in the United States shall, on the basis of age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under, any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

22. NONDISCRIMINATION.

The Contractor shall comply with the non-discrimination in employment and contracting opportunities laws, regulations, and executive orders referenced in 24 C.F.R. § 570.607. The applicable non-discrimination provisions in Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 are still applicable. The Contractor shall comply with all other federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- C. The Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has

inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the Contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

- D. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- E. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- F. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- G. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- H. The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (A) and the provisions of paragraphs (A) through (H) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: *Provided*, however, that in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

With respect to construction contracts and subcontracts exceeding \$10,000, The Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967; Executive Order 11478 of August 8, 1969; Executive Order 12107 of December 28, 1978; Executive Order 12086 of October 5, 1978; and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 C.F.R. Part 60). Subrecipient shall include the following Specifications, which are required pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.3 in all federally assisted contracts and subcontracts. For the purposes of the Equal Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications and Clause below, the term "Construction Work" means the construction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of buildings, highways, or other changes or improvements to real property, including facilities providing utility services. The term also includes the supervision, inspection, and other onsite functions incidental to the actual construction.

Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications for Contracts and Subcontracts in Excess of \$10,000. (Federal Notice Required by 41 CFR 60-4.3)

1. As used in these specifications:
 - a. "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
 - b. "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
 - c. "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
 - d. "Minority" includes:
 - (i) Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
 - (ii) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - (iii) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
 - (iv) American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).
2. Whenever the contractor or any subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any Construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set

forth in the solicitations from which this Agreement resulted.

3. If the contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each contractor or subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other contractors or subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered contractor's or subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.
4. The contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7 a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this Agreement resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each Construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered Construction contractors performing Construction Work in geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted Construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical areas where the work is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or from Federal procurement contracting officers. The contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.
5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
6. In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the contractor during the training period, and the contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.
7. The contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:

- a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the contractor's employees are assigned to work. The contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each Construction project. The contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
- b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organization's responses.
- c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the contractor may have taken.
- d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the contractor a minority person or woman sent by the contractor, or when the contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
- e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
- f. Disseminate the contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where Construction Work is performed.
- g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with on-site supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of Construction Work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the

- time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.
- h. Disseminate the contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the contractor's EEO policy with other contractors and subcontractors with whom the contractor does or anticipates doing business.
 - i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.
 - j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a contractor's work force.
 - k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3.
 - l. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.
 - m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.
 - n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
 - o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female Construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
 - p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisor's adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.
8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through p of these specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women

in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the Program are reflected in the contractor's minority and female work force participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the contractor's noncompliance.

9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).
10. The contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
11. The contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246 or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs.
12. The contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.
13. The contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.
14. The contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, Construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records

shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.

15. Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for hiring of local or other areas residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).

23. CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES (Applicable to construction contracts exceeding \$10,000). The Contractor certifies that it does not maintain or provide for its establishments, and that it does not permit employees to perform their services at any location, under its control, where segregated facilities are maintained. It certifies further that it will not maintain or provide for employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and it will not permit employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Contractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the nondiscrimination clause of this contract.

As used in this certification, the term “segregated facilities” means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are, in fact, segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or any other reason.

The Contractor further agrees that (except where it has obtained for specific time periods) it will obtain identical certification from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the nondiscrimination clause; that it will retain such certifications in its files; and that it will forward the preceding notice to such proposed subcontractors (except where proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods).

24. SECTION 503 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 (Applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000). The Contractor shall comply with section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 793), as amended, and any applicable regulations.

- A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental disability in regard to any position for which the employee or applicant for employment is qualified. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to employ, advance in employment and otherwise treat qualified individuals with disabilities without discrimination based on their physical or mental disability in all employment practices, including the following:
1. Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures;
 2. Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff,

- termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring;
3. Rates of pay or any other form of compensation and changes in compensation;
 4. Job assignments, job classifications, organizational structures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists;
 5. Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave;
 6. Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment, whether or not administered by the Contractor;
 7. Selection and financial support for training, including apprenticeship, professional meetings, conferences, and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training;
 8. Activities sponsored by the Contractor including social or recreational programs; and
 9. Any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.
- B. The Contractor agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.
- C. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for noncompliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.
- D. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices in a form to be prescribed by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance Programs, provided by or through the contracting officer. Such notices shall state the rights of applicants and employees as well as the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified employees and applicants with disabilities. The Contractor must ensure that applicants and employees with disabilities are informed of the contents of the notice (e.g., the Contractor may have the notice read to a visually disabled individual, or may lower the posted notice so that it might be read by a person in a wheelchair).
- E. The Contractor will notify each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the Contractor is bound by the terms of section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals with physical or mental disabilities.
- F. The Contractor will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$10,000, unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to section 503 of the act, as amended, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.

25. SECTION 3 OF THE HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1968 (APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$100,000 IN VALUE FOR HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR OTHER PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION).

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

(25 U.S.C. § 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible: (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

- H. Irrespective of any applicable federal reporting requirements as noted in the statutory language above or otherwise, Contractor shall submit quarterly reports along with any supporting documentation, in a form acceptable to Subrecipient, of its Section 3 compliance efforts to Subrecipient. Contractor may be required to consolidate all reports received from subcontractors and lower-tiered subcontractors into a single report or several reports as reasonably requested by Subrecipient. Notwithstanding the provision of such reports and supporting documentation, Contractor shall maintain copies of all reports and supporting documents as set forth in these Supplementary Conditions.

26. FAIR HOUSING ACT. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Housing Act of 1968 as amended. The act prohibits discrimination in the sale or rental of housing, the financing of housing or the provision of brokerage services against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or familial status. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Equal Opportunity in Housing Act, which prohibits discrimination against individuals on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in the sale, rental, leasing or other disposition of residential property, or in the use or occupancy of housing assisted with federal funds.

LABOR PROVISIONS

27. COPELAND “ANTI-KICKBACK” ACT (Applicable to all construction or repair contracts). Salaries of personnel performing work under this contract shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a month without payroll deduction or rebate on any account except only such payroll deductions as are mandatory by law or permitted by the applicable regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the Copeland “Anti-Kickback Act” of June 13, 1934 (48 Stat. 948; 62 Stat. 740; 63 Stat. 108; 18 U.S.C. § 874; and 40 U.S.C. § 276c). The Contractor shall comply with all applicable “Anti-Kickback” regulations and shall insert appropriate provisions in all subcontracts covering work under this contract to ensure compliance by subcontractors with such regulations, and shall be responsible for the submission of affidavits required of subcontractors thereunder except as the Secretary of Labor may specifically provide for variations of or exemptions from the requirements thereof.

28. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT (Applicable to construction contracts exceeding \$2,000 and contracts exceeding \$2,500 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers). The Contractor shall comply with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 327-330) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. Part 5).

All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors shall receive overtime compensation in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, and the contractors and subcontractors shall comply with all regulations issued pursuant to that act and with other applicable federal laws and regulations pertaining to labor standards.

29. DAVIS-BACON ACT AND OTHER LABOR COMPLIANCE (Applicable to construction contracts exceeding \$2,000 when required by federal program legislation). The Contractor shall comply with the Davis Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-7) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. Part 5), and all other applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations pertaining to labor standards insofar as they apply to the performance of this agreement. In addition, Contractor shall comply with the Federal Labor Standards Provisions set forth in Form HUD-4010, available at http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=DOC_12586.pdf.

All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors, including employees of other governments, on construction work assisted under this contract, and subject to the provisions of the Federal acts and regulations listed in this paragraph, shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis Bacon Act. The Contractor shall maintain documentation that demonstrates compliance with hour and wage requirements of this part. Such documentation shall be made available to Subrecipient and GOSR for review upon request.

If Contractor is engaged under a contract in excess of \$2,000 for construction, renovation, or repair work financed in whole or in part with assistance provided by GOSR, Contractor agrees, except with respect to the rehabilitation or construction of residential property containing less than eight (8) units, to comply and to cause all subcontractors engaged under such contracts to comply with federal requirements adopted by GOSR pertaining to such contracts and with the applicable requirements of the Department of Labor under 29 C.F.R. Parts 1, 3, 5, and 7 governing the payment of wages and ratio of apprentices and trainees to journey workers; provided that, if wage rates higher than those required under the regulations are imposed by state or local law, nothing hereunder is to relieve Contractor of its obligation, if any, to require payment of the higher wage. Contractor shall cause or require to be inserted in full, in all such contracts subject to such regulations, provisions meeting the requirements of this paragraph.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROVISIONS

30. ENERGY EFFICIENCY. The Contractor shall comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the New York State energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Public Law 94-163).

31. SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL. Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.322, Contractor must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (codified at 42 USC § 6962). The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

32. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.

The Contractor and all subcontractors agree to comply with the following requirements (and their state and/or local counterparts or analogues, if any) insofar as they apply to the performance of this Agreement as any of the following may hereinafter be amended, superseded, replaced, or modified:

- A. Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, May 24, 1977 (42 FR 26951, 3 C.F.R., 1977 Comp., p. 117, as interpreted at 24 C.F.R. Part 55), and Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands, May 24, 1977 (42 FR 26961, 3 C.F.R., 1977 Comp., p. 121);
- B. Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. § 1451 *et seq.*);
- C. Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 201, 300(f) *et seq.*, and 21 U.S.C. § 349, as amended), and EPA regulations for Sole Source Aquifers (40 C.F.R. Part 149);
- D. Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. § 1531 *et seq.*);
- E. Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, as amended (16 U.S.C. § 1271 *et seq.*);
- F. Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 7401 *et seq.*);
- G. EPA regulations for Determining Conformity of Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans (40 C.F.R. Parts 6, 51, and 93);

- H. Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981 (7 U.S.C. § 4201 *et seq.*), and USDA regulations at 7 C.F.R. Part 658;
- I. HUD criteria and standards at 24 C.F.R. Part 51;
- J. Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, Feb. 11, 1994 (59 FR 7629, 3 C.F.R., 1994 Comp. p. 859);
- K. Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 4001-4128);
- L. National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. § 5154a);
- M. Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. § 3501);
- N. Runway Clear Zone regulations (24 C.F.R. Part 51);
- O. Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1251, *et seq.*), commonly known as the Clean Water Act, and all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder;
- P. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 50, as amended;
- Q. HUD regulations at 24 C.F.R. Part 51, Subpart B, and New York State and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related to noise abatement and control, as applicable;
- R. HUD regulations at 24 C.F.R. Part 51 Subpart C regarding siting of projects near hazardous operations handling conventional fuels or chemicals of an explosive or flammable nature;
- S. HUD and EPA regulations related to asbestos-containing material and lead-based paint, including but not limited to Part 56 of Title 12 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York Department of Labor (12 NYCRR 56), the National Emission Standard for Asbestos (40 C.F.R. § 61.145), the National Emission Standard for Asbestos (40 C.F.R. § 61.150), and 24 C.F.R. Part 35 Subparts B, H, and J; and
- T. All other applicable environmental laws that may exist now or in the future.

Further, Contractor shall abide by any conditions or requirements set forth in any environmental review performed pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 58, which are HUD’s regulations for Responsible Entities implementing the National Environmental Policy Act.

In addition to the foregoing requirements, all nonexempt contractors and subcontractors shall

furnish to the Subrecipient, the following:

- A. A stipulation by the Contractor or subcontractors, that any facility to be utilized in the performance of any nonexempt contract or subcontract, is not listed on the Excluded Party Listing System pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 32 or on the List of Violating Facilities issued by the EPA pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 15, as amended.
- B. Agreement by the Contractor to comply with all the requirements of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 1857 c-8) and Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, (33 U.S.C. § 1318) relating to inspection, monitoring, entry, reports and information, as well as all other requirements specified in said Section 114 and Section 308, and all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder.
- C. A stipulation that as a condition for the award of the contract, prompt notice will be given of any notification received from the Director, Office of Federal Activities, EPA, indicating that a facility utilized, or to be utilized for the contract, is under consideration to be listed on the Excluded Party Listing System or the EPA List of Violating Facilities.
- D. Agreement by the Contractor that he will include, or cause to be included, the criteria and requirements in paragraphs A through D of this section in every nonexempt subcontract and requiring that the Contractor will take such action as the government may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions. PART II: REQUIRED STATE PROVISIONS

REQUIRED STATE PROVISIONS

The parties to the attached contract, license, lease, amendment or other agreement of any kind (hereinafter, "Contract") agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the Contract.

1. **ACCOUNTING RECORDS.** The Contractor shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts and other evidence directly pertinent to performance of work done for the Subrecipient under this Contract (hereinafter, collectively, "the Records") consistent with generally accepted bookkeeping practices. The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter, provided that Section 16 of the Required Federal Provisions herein is also satisfied. The Subrecipient, GOSR, and any person or entity authorized to conduct an examination shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at an office of the Contractor within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying. The Subrecipient and GOSR shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the "Statute") provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform the Subrecipient and GOSR, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the Subrecipient's or GOSR's right to discovery in any pending or future litigation.

2. **NON-ASSIGNABILITY.** This Contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet or disposed of without the previous consent in writing of the Subrecipient and GOSR, and any attempts to assign the Contract without such written consent are null and void. However, this Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Subrecipient and GOSR, and their successors and assigns.

3. **INDEMNITY.** The Contractor shall indemnify and hold New York State and the Housing Trust Fund Corporation and their employees, officers, Members and Directors (collectively, the "Indemnities") harmless from and against all claims, demands, liability, loss, cost, damage or expense, including attorney's fees, which may be incurred by the Indemnities because of negligence or malfeasance on the part of the Contractor arising out of this Contract.

4. **NON-DISCRIMINATION.** To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other state and federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex (including gender identity or expression), national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status, domestic violence victim status, pregnancy, religious practice, presence of a service animal, or criminal conviction. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national

origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Contract. Contractor is subject to fines of \$50 per person per day for any violation of Section 239 as well as possible termination of this Contract and forfeiture of all moneys due hereunder for a second or subsequent violation.

If directed to do so by the State Commissioner of Human Rights (“Commissioner”), the Contractor will send to each labor union to which the Contractor is bound a notice provided by the Commissioner advising of this provision. The Contractor will keep posted in conspicuous places notices of the Commissioner regarding laws against discrimination. The Contractor will state in all advertisements for employees that all qualified applicants will be afforded equal opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or marital status.

If the Contractor has fifteen or more employees, it is an unlawful employment practice for the Contractor to fail or refuse to hire or to discharge any individual, or otherwise to discriminate against any individual with respect to the individual’s compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, or to limit, segregate, or classify employees or applicants for employment in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect an individual’s status as an employee, because of such individual’s race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, or because an individual opposed any practice made unlawful by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, or because he or she made a charge, testified, assisted, or participated in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under that Title, and that it shall be an unlawful employment practice to print or publish or cause to be printed or published any notice or advertisement relating to employment indicating any preference, limitation, specification, or discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

If the Contractor has fifteen or more employees, the Contractor: (1) will make and keep such records relevant to the determinations of whether unlawful employment practices have been or are being committed; (2) will preserve such records for such periods as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (“EEOC”) shall prescribe by regulation; (3) will make such reports therefrom as the EEOC shall prescribe by regulation or order; (4) must post and keep posted in conspicuous places upon its premises where notices to employees and applicants for employment are customarily posted a notice prepared or approved by the EEOC setting forth excerpts from, or summaries of, pertinent provisions of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and information pertinent to the filing of a complaint.

To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other state and federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will comply with all non-discriminatory employment practices, will furnish all information deemed necessary by the Commissioner, and will permit the Commissioner access to its records to ascertain compliance. The Contractor will bind all subcontractors hired to perform services in connection with this Contract to the requirements of this section, take such action for enforcement as the Commissioner may direct, and notify the Commissioner if such action results in litigation. This Contract may be terminated by Subrecipient upon the Commissioner’s finding

of non-compliance with this section, and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for future contracts with an agency of the state or a public authority until the Contractor satisfies the Commissioner of compliance.

5. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES AND WOMEN.

In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR 143, if this Contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of \$25,000.00, whereby the Agency or Agencies, is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the Agency or Agencies, then the following shall apply and by signing this agreement the Contractor certifies and affirms that it is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy that:

- A. The Contractor will not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on Subrecipient's contracts and will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgradings, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;
- B. At the request of the Subrecipient or GOSR, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein; and
- C. The Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of this Contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

Contractor will include the provisions of A through C above in every subcontract. Section 312 does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to this Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State. Subrecipient and GOSR shall consider compliance by a Contractor or subcontractor with the requirements of any federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this section. The Subrecipient and GOSR shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, Subrecipient and GOSR shall waive the applicability of Section 312 to the extent of such duplication or conflict. Contractor will comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.

6. OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES. Contractor shall make a good faith effort to solicit active participation by enterprises identified in the New York State Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises Directory of Certified Firms in order to promote Subrecipient's obligation to make good-faith efforts to promote and assist the participation of certified M/WBEs through the use of contractors and their subcontractors in an amount equal to fifteen percent (15%) minority-owned business enterprises ("MBE") and fifteen percent (15%) women-owned business enterprises ("WBE").

Contractor agrees to be bound by the provisions of Section 316 of Article 15-A of the Executive Law, which pertain to enforcement of Article 15-A.

7. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. All memoranda, analyses, spreadsheets and other pertinent documents or writings, including reports and financial statements developed or prepared by, or for, the Contractor in connection with the performance of this Contract are "Proprietary Information" and shall be, and remain, the property of the Subrecipient. All original documents constituting Proprietary Information shall be delivered to the Subrecipient by the Contractor, or any subcontractor, or any other person possessing them, upon the termination of this Contract or upon the earlier request of the Subrecipient, except that the Contractor may retain copies for its files. Proprietary Information may not be utilized, disclosed or otherwise made available to other persons by the Contractor without the prior written approval of the Subrecipient. The provisions of this section shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, any duty imposed upon the Contractor by any law, regulation or rule governing professional conduct respecting confidentiality.

8. COPYRIGHT. If this Agreement results in any copyrightable material or inventions, the Subrecipient, GOSR, and/or HUD reserve the right to royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use and to authorize others to use, the work or materials for governmental purposes. This clause shall survive indefinitely the termination of this Agreement for any reason.

9. ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS. Contractor shall comply with any and all applicable New York State and local environmental laws, including all permits and approvals issued thereunder. Additionally, Contractor shall comply with any and all conditions or requirements set forth in an environmental review performed pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

10. SECTION HEADINGS. The caption of sections in this Contract are inserted solely for convenience of reference and are not intended to define, limit, or describe the scope of this Contract or any provision hereof or to otherwise affect this Contract in any way. The section headings shall not be considered in any way in construing this Contract.

11. COUNTERPARTS. This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts. Each such counterpart shall be deemed to be a duplicate original. All such counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

12. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Contract has been executed and delivered in, and shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of, the State of New York. In the event of conflict between New York State law and federal laws and regulations, the latter shall prevail.

13. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION.** This Contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of this Contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

14. **NO ARBITRATION.** Disputes involving this Contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized), but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

15. **SERVICE OF PROCESS.** In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules ("CPLR"), the Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service of process hereunder shall be complete upon the Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the Subrecipient's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. The Contractor must promptly notify the Subrecipient, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service of process by the Subrecipient to the last known address shall be sufficient. The Contractor will have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.

16. **NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION.** If this Contract was awarded based upon the submission of a bid or proposal, the Contractor affirms, under penalty of perjury, that the prices in its bid or proposal were arrived at independently, without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, or as to any matter relating to such prices with any other Contractor or with any competitor.

17. **LOBBYING REFORM LAW DISCLOSURE.** If the procurement of the goods or services provided herein were applicable to Lobbying Reform Law Disclosure as pursuant to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, the Subrecipient reserves the right to terminate this Contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Offerer/Bidder in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Subrecipient may exercise their termination right by providing written notification to the Contractor.

18. **MACBRIDE FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRINCIPLES.** In accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (Chapter 807 of the Laws of 1992), the Contractor hereby stipulates that the Contractor either (a) has no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (as described in Section 165 of the New York State Finance Law), and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.

19. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY LANGUAGE. The Contractor shall at all times during Contract term remain responsible. The Contractor agrees, if requested by Subrecipient or GOSR, to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity.

For purposes of this Agreement, Contractor responsibility generally means that the Contractor has the integrity to justify the award of public dollars and the capacity to perform the requirements of this Contract fully. In connection herewith, to the extent that the Subrecipient may make certain determinations with respect to Contractor responsibility, wherein the Subrecipient determines whether it has reasonable assurances that a Contractor is responsible, is an important part of the procurement process, promoting fairness in contracting, mitigating contract issues, and protecting the Contractor and the Subrecipient against failed contracts. In making such a responsibility determination, the Subrecipient shall evaluate the Contractor's responsibility with respect to four factors: (i) financial and organizational capacity; (ii) legal authority to do business in New York State; (iii) integrity; and (iv) previous performance.

20. SUSPENSION OF WORK (for Non-Responsibility). The Subrecipient reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Contract, at any time, when the Subrecipient discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as the Subrecipient issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

21. TERMINATION (for Non-Responsibility). Upon written notice to the Contractor, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate Subrecipient staff, the Contract may be terminated by the Subrecipient at the Contractor's expense where the Contractor is determined by the Subrecipient to be non-responsible. In such event, the Subrecipient may complete the contractual requirements in any manner they deem advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

22. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT. By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies in accordance with State Finance Law §165-a that it is not on the "Entities Determined to be Non-Responsive Bidders/Offerers pursuant to the New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012" ("Prohibited Entities List") posted at: <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/docs/ListofEntities.pdf>

Contractor further certifies that it will not utilize on this Contract any subcontractor that is identified on the Prohibited Entities List. Contractor agrees that should it seek to renew or extend this Contract, it must provide the same certification at the time the Contract is renewed or extended. Contractor also agrees that any proposed assignee of this Contract will be required to certify that it is not on the Prohibited Entities List before the contract assignment will be approved by the Subrecipient. During the term of the Contract, should the Subrecipient receive information that a person (as defined in State Finance Law §165-a) is in violation of the above-referenced certifications, the Subrecipient will review such information and offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment

activity which is in violation of the Act within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then the Subrecipient shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided for by law, rule, or contract, including, but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, or declaring the Contractor in default.

The Subrecipient reserves the right to reject any bid, request for assignment, renewal or extension for an entity that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the award, assignment, renewal or extension of a contract, and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any entity that is awarded a contract and appears on the Prohibited Entities list after contract award.

PART III: INSURANCE

A. Unless otherwise directed by GOSR, Contractor shall procure and maintain without interruption, at its sole cost and expense, during the term of this Agreement (or any extensions thereof) and for a period of two years thereafter, insurance of the type, and with limits and deductibles, as follows:

- a. Commercial General Liability Insurance and Excess Liability Insurance. Providing both bodily injury (including death) and property damage insurance with limits in the aggregate and per occurrence in accordance with the following table:

Construction Contract Value	Commercial General Liability in combination with Excess (Umbrella) Liability	
	Each Occurrence	General Aggregate
< \$10M	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
>\$10M - \$50M	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
>\$50M	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000

Such insurance is to be written on an occurrence basis with defense outside of limits. New York State, the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, and the Subrecipient shall each be named as an additional insured. The minimum required level of insurance may be provided through a combination of commercial general liability and umbrella and/or excess liability policies.

- b. Automobile Liability and Property Damage Insurance. In an amount not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit for both Bodily Injury and Property Damage.
- c. Professional Liability. If the Contractor is engaged in providing professional services under this Agreement, professional errors and omissions coverage with a limit not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) in the aggregate and One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence. If the Contractor is not engaged in providing professional services under this Agreement, this professional errors and omissions coverage is not required.
- d. Worker's Compensation. Covering workers' compensation and employers' liability and disability benefits as required by the State of New York.

B. In addition to the foregoing, Contractor and any subcontractors shall procure and maintain any and all insurance which is required by any applicable current or future law, rule, regulation, ordinance, permit, license, order or other legal requirement.

C. All insurance shall be primary and non-contributory and shall waive subrogation against GOSR and the Subrecipient and all of either of their former, current, or future officers, directors, and employees. No deductible of more than \$50,000 shall be permitted without

advance written approval by GOSR, which GOSR may withhold, condition or deny in its sole and exclusive discretion.

- D. The Contractor shall provide Certificates of Insurance to GOSR and the Subrecipient prior to the commencement of work and shall provide full and complete copies of the actual policies and all endorsements upon request. Subcontractors under this Agreement shall be required to maintain insurance meeting all of the requirements set forth in Section A above for items a-d; however Contractor shall require subcontractors to maintain greater limits and/or other or additional insurance coverages if greater limits and/or other or additional insurance coverages are (a) generally imposed by the Contractor given its normal course of business for subcontracts for similar work or services to those being provided by the subcontractor at issue; or (b) reasonable and customary in the industry for similar work or services to those anticipated hereunder.
- E. If the above insurance requirements are potentially excessive because they exceed the type and/or amount of insurance which is reasonable and customary for similar work or services in the same general geographic area, Contractor shall, within fifteen (15) calendar days of the execution of this Agreement, provide written notice of the same to GOSR, along with a written summary of the type and amount of insurance Contractor believes is reasonable and customary for similar work or services in the same general geographic area. GOSR may, in GOSR's sole and exclusive discretion, but is under no obligation to, waive, decrease, or otherwise alter or amend the insurance requirements in light of this notice. However, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, nothing in this paragraph requires or shall be deemed to require GOSR to waive, decrease, alter or amend, in whole or in part, any insurance requirements as a result of the foregoing notice from Contractor or for any other reason, and no waiver, decrease, alteration or amendment shall be made except as approved in advance and in writing by GOSR.
- F. If the above insurance requirements are potentially inadequate because they do not meet or exceed the type and/or amount of insurance which is reasonable and customary for similar work or services in the same general geographic area, Contractor shall, within fifteen (15) calendar days of the execution of this Agreement, provide written notice of the same to GOSR, along with a written summary of the type and amount of insurance Contractor believes is reasonable and customary for similar work or services in the same general geographic area. GOSR may, in GOSR's sole and exclusive discretion, but is under no obligation to increase, supplement, expand, or otherwise alter or amend the insurance requirements in light of this notice. However, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, nothing in this paragraph requires or shall be deemed to require GOSR to increase, supplement, expand, or otherwise alter or amend, in whole or in part, any insurance requirements as a result of the foregoing notice from Contractor or for any other reason, and no increase, supplement, expansion or other alteration or amendment shall be made except in an amendment to this Agreement, as approved in advance and in writing by GOSR.

PART IV: REPORTING

Elation Systems, Inc. is a provider of cloud-based diversity and labor compliance reporting and management services. The Governor's Office of Storm Recovery (GOSR) has adopted this web-based compliance management system to help all of its Contractors, Subrecipients, and Subrecipient's Contractors receiving federal funds to adhere to Labor Compliance (Davis- Bacon), Minority and Women Owned Business (MWBE) and Section 3 reporting requirements.

Contractors, Subrecipients, and Subrecipient's Contractors must comply with instructions from GOSR on how and when to meet all reporting requirements, and how to utilize Elation to satisfy those requirements.

To this end, all Contractors, Subrecipients, and Subrecipient's Contractors must register with Elation Systems and attend an online training on the use of this tool. GOSR offers a series of virtual training events. GOSR requires all parties receiving federal funds through GOSR programs to use the Elation Systems application to make reporting requirements easier, faster and simpler to complete.

Prior to participating in training, it is necessary to create an Elation account. An account may be created at <https://www.elationsys.com/app/Registration/>.

Questions related to reporting requirements should be directed to GOSR's Monitoring and Compliance team at stormrecovery.dl.gosr-monitoring&compliance@stormrecovery.ny.gov.

EXHIBIT B: NYS VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

See Following Pages

**NEW YORK STATE
VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE
FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS ENTITY**

You have selected the For-Profit Non-Construction questionnaire which may be printed and completed in this format or, for your convenience, may be completed online using the New York State VendRep System.

COMPLETION & CERTIFICATION

The person(s) completing the questionnaire must be knowledgeable about the vendor's business and operations. An owner or officer must certify the questionnaire and the signature must be notarized.

NEW YORK STATE VENDOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VENDOR ID)

The Vendor ID is a ten-digit identifier issued by New York State when the vendor is registered on the Statewide Vendor File. This number must now be included on the questionnaire. If the business entity has not obtained a Vendor ID, contact the IT Service Desk at ITServiceDesk@osc.state.ny.us or call 866-370-4672.

DEFINITIONS

All underlined terms are defined in the "New York State Vendor Responsibility Definitions List," found at www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/documents/questionnaire/definitions.pdf. These terms may not have their ordinary, common or traditional meanings. Each vendor is strongly encouraged to read the respective definitions for any and all underlined terms. By submitting this questionnaire, the vendor agrees to be bound by the terms as defined in the "New York State Vendor Responsibility Definitions List" existing at the time of certification.

RESPONSES

Every question must be answered. Each response must provide all relevant information which can be obtained within the limits of the law. However, information regarding a determination or finding made in error which was subsequently corrected is not required. Individuals and Sole Proprietors may use a Social Security Number but are encouraged to obtain and use a federal Employer Identification Number (EIN).

REPORTING ENTITY

Each vendor must indicate if the questionnaire is filed on behalf of the entire Legal Business Entity or an Organizational Unit within or operating under the authority of the Legal Business Entity and having the same EIN. Generally, the Organizational Unit option may be appropriate for a vendor that meets the definition of "Reporting Entity" but due to the size and complexity of the Legal Business Entity, is best able to provide the required information for the Organizational Unit, while providing more limited information for other parts of the Legal Business Entity and Associated Entities.

ASSOCIATED ENTITY

An Associated Entity is one that owns or controls the Reporting Entity or any entity owned or controlled by the Reporting Entity. However, the term Associated Entity does **not** include "sibling organizations" (i.e., entities owned or controlled by a parent company that owns or controls the Reporting Entity), unless such sibling entity has a direct relationship with or impact on the Reporting Entity.

STRUCTURE OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire is organized into eleven sections. Section I is to be completed for the Legal Business Entity. Section II requires the vendor to specify the Reporting Entity for the questionnaire. Section III refers to the individuals of the Reporting Entity, while Sections IV-VIII require information about the Reporting Entity. Section IX pertains to any Associated Entities, with one question about their Officials/Owners. Section X relates to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Law (FOIL). Section XI requires an authorized contact for the questionnaire information.

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I. LEGAL BUSINESS ENTITY INFORMATION			
<u>Legal Business Entity Name*</u>		<u>EIN</u>	
Address of the <u>Principal Place of Business</u> (street, city, state, zip code)		<u>New York State Vendor Identification Number</u>	
		Telephone ext.	Fax
Email		Website	
Additional <u>Legal Business Entity</u> Identities: If applicable, list any other <u>DBA</u> , <u>Trade Name</u> , <u>Former Name</u> , Other Identity, or <u>EIN</u> used in the last five (5) years and the status (active or inactive).			
Type	Name	EIN	Status
1.0 <u>Legal Business Entity</u> Type – Check appropriate box and provide additional information:			
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Corporation</u> (including <u>PC</u>)		Date of Incorporation	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Limited Liability Company (LLC or PLLC)</u>		Date of Organization	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Partnership</u> (including <u>LLP</u> , <u>LP</u> or <u>General</u>)		Date of Registration or <u>Establishment</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Sole Proprietor</u>		How many years in business?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		Date Established	
If Other, explain:			
1.1 Was the <u>Legal Business Entity</u> formed or incorporated in New York State?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If 'No,' indicate jurisdiction where <u>Legal Business Entity</u> was formed or incorporated and attach a <u>Certificate of Good Standing</u> from the applicable jurisdiction or provide an explanation if a <u>Certificate of Good Standing</u> is not available.			
<input type="checkbox"/> United States State _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Country _____			
Explain, if not available:			
1.2 Is the <u>Legal Business Entity</u> publicly traded?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide <u>CIK Code</u> or Ticker Symbol			
1.3 Does the <u>Legal Business Entity</u> have a <u>DUNS</u> Number?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," Enter <u>DUNS</u> Number			

*All underlined terms are defined in the "New York State Vendor Responsibility Definitions List," which can be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/documents/questionnaire/definitions.pdf

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I. LEGAL BUSINESS ENTITY INFORMATION		
1.4 If the <u>Legal Business Entity</u> 's <u>Principal Place of Business</u> is not in New York State, does the <u>Legal Business Entity</u> maintain an office in New York State? (Select "N/A," if <u>Principal Place of Business</u> is in New York State.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
If "Yes," provide the address and telephone number for one office located in New York State.		
1.5 Is the <u>Legal Business Entity</u> a New York State certified <u>Minority-Owned Business Enterprise</u> (MBE), <u>Women-Owned Business Enterprise</u> (WBE), <u>New York State Small Business</u> (SB) or a federally certified <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise</u> (DBE)? If "Yes," check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> New York State certified <u>Minority-Owned Business Enterprise</u> (MBE) <input type="checkbox"/> New York State certified <u>Women-Owned Business Enterprise</u> (WBE) <input type="checkbox"/> <u>New York State Small Business</u> (SB) <input type="checkbox"/> Federally certified <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise</u> (DBE)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
1.6 Identify <u>Officials</u> and <u>Principal Owners</u> , if applicable. For each person, include name, title and percentage of ownership. Attach additional pages if necessary. If applicable, reference to relevant SEC filing(s) containing the required information is optional.		
Name	Title	Percentage Ownership <i>(Enter 0% if not applicable)</i>

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II. REPORTING ENTITY INFORMATION

2.0 The Reporting Entity for this questionnaire is:
 Note: Select only one.
 Legal Business Entity
Note: If selecting this option, “Reporting Entity” refers to the entire Legal Business Entity for the remainder of the questionnaire. (SKIP THE REMAINDER OF SECTION II AND PROCEED WITH SECTION III.)
 Organizational Unit within and operating under the authority of the Legal Business Entity
 SEE DEFINITIONS OF “REPORTING ENTITY” AND “ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT” FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON CRITERIA TO QUALIFY FOR THIS SELECTION.
Note: If selecting this option, “Reporting Entity” refers to the Organizational Unit within the Legal Business Entity for the remainder of the questionnaire. (COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF SECTION II AND ALL REMAINING SECTIONS OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.)

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

a) <u>Reporting Entity</u> Name	
Address of the <u>Primary Place of Business</u> (street, city, state, zip code)	Telephone ext.
b) Describe the relationship of the <u>Reporting Entity</u> to the <u>Legal Business Entity</u>	
c) Attach an <u>organizational chart</u>	
d) Does the Reporting Entity have a <u>DUNS</u> Number?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If “Yes,” enter <u>DUNS</u> Number	
e) Identify the designated manager(s) responsible for the business of the <u>Reporting Entity</u> . <i>For each person, include name and title. Attach additional pages if necessary.</i>	
Name	Title

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR SECTIONS III THROUGH VII

For each “Yes,” provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the government entity involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). For each “Other,” provide an explanation which provides the basis for not definitively responding “Yes” or “No.” Provide the explanation at the end of the section or attach additional sheets with numbered responses, including the Reporting Entity name at the top of any attached pages.

III. LEADERSHIP INTEGRITY	
<i>Within the past five (5) years, has any current or former reporting entity official or any individual currently or formerly having the authority to sign, execute or approve bids, proposals, contracts or supporting documentation on behalf of the reporting entity with any government entity been:</i>	
3.0 <u>Sanctioned</u> relative to any business or professional permit and/or license?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other
3.1 <u>Suspended, debarred, or disqualified</u> from any <u>government contracting process</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other
3.2 The subject of an <u>investigation</u> , whether open or closed, by any <u>government entity</u> for a civil or criminal violation for any business-related conduct?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other
3.3 Charged with a misdemeanor or felony, indicted, granted immunity, convicted of a crime or subject to a <u>judgment</u> for: a) Any business-related activity; or b) Any crime, whether or not business-related, the underlying conduct of which was related to truthfulness?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other
For each “Yes” or “Other” explain:	

IV. INTEGRITY – CONTRACT BIDDING	
<i>Within the past five (5) years, has the reporting entity:</i>	
4.0 Been <u>suspended or debarred</u> from any <u>government contracting process</u> or been <u>disqualified</u> on any government procurement, permit, license, concession, franchise or lease, including, but not limited to, <u>debarment</u> for a violation of New York State Workers’ Compensation or Prevailing Wage laws or New York State Procurement Lobbying Law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4.1 Been subject to a denial or revocation of a government prequalification?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4.2 Been denied a contract award or had a bid rejected based upon a <u>non-responsibility finding</u> by a <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4.3 Had a low bid rejected on a <u>government contract</u> for failure to <u>make good faith efforts</u> on any <u>Minority-Owned Business Enterprise, Women-Owned Business Enterprise or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise</u> goal or <u>statutory affirmative action requirements</u> on a previously held contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4.4 Agreed to a voluntary exclusion from bidding/contracting with a <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4.5 Initiated a request to withdraw a bid submitted to a <u>government entity</u> in lieu of responding to an information request or subsequent to a formal request to appear before the <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
For each “Yes,” explain:	

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V. INTEGRITY – CONTRACT AWARD

Within the past five (5) years, has the reporting entity:

5.0 Been <u>suspended</u> , cancelled or <u>terminated for cause</u> on any <u>government contract</u> including, but not limited to, a <u>non-responsibility finding</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5.1 Been subject to an <u>administrative proceeding</u> or civil action seeking specific performance or restitution in connection with any <u>government contract</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5.2 Entered into a formal monitoring agreement as a condition of a contract award from a <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
For each “Yes,” explain:	

VI. CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSES

Within the past five (5) years, has the reporting entity:

6.0 Had a revocation, <u>suspension</u> or <u>disbarment</u> of any business or professional permit and/or license?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6.1 Had a denial, decertification, revocation or forfeiture of New York State certification of <u>Minority-Owned Business Enterprise</u> , <u>Women-Owned Business Enterprise</u> or federal certification of <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise</u> status for other than a change of ownership?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
For each “Yes,” explain:	

VII. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Within the past five (5) years, has the reporting entity:

7.0 Been the subject of an <u>investigation</u> , whether open or closed, by any <u>government entity</u> for a civil or criminal violation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7.1 Been the subject of an indictment, grant of immunity, <u>judgment</u> or conviction (including entering into a plea bargain) for conduct constituting a crime?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7.2 Received any OSHA citation and Notification of Penalty containing a violation classified as <u>serious or willful</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7.3 Had a <u>government entity</u> find a willful prevailing wage or supplemental payment violation or any other willful violation of New York State Labor Law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7.4 Entered into a consent order with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, or received an enforcement determination by any <u>government entity</u> involving a violation of federal, state or local environmental laws?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7.5 Other than previously disclosed: a) Been subject to fines or penalties imposed by <u>government entities</u> which in the aggregate total \$25,000 or more; or b) Been convicted of a criminal offense pursuant to any administrative and/or regulatory action taken by any <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
For each “Yes,” explain:	

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VIII. FINANCIAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY	
8.0 Within the past five (5) years, has the <u>Reporting Entity</u> received any <u>formal unsatisfactory performance assessment(s)</u> from any <u>government entity</u> on any contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the <u>government entity</u> involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
8.1 Within the past five (5) years, has the <u>Reporting Entity</u> had any <u>liquidated damages</u> assessed over \$25,000?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, contracting party involved, the amount assessed and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
8.2 Within the past five (5) years, have any <u>liens</u> or <u>judgments</u> (not including UCC filings) over \$25,000 been filed against the <u>Reporting Entity</u> which remain undischarged?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the Lien holder or Claimant's name(s), the amount of the <u>lien(s)</u> and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
8.3 In the last seven (7) years, has the <u>Reporting Entity</u> initiated or been the subject of any bankruptcy proceedings, whether or not closed, or is any bankruptcy proceeding pending?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide the bankruptcy chapter number, the court name and the docket number. Indicate the current status of the proceedings as "Initiated," "Pending" or "Closed." Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
8.4 During the past three (3) years, has the <u>Reporting Entity</u> failed to file or pay any tax returns required by <u>federal</u> , state or local tax laws?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide the taxing jurisdiction, the type of tax, the liability year(s), the tax liability amount the <u>Reporting Entity</u> failed to file/pay and the current status of the tax liability. Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
8.5 During the past three (3) years, has the <u>Reporting Entity</u> failed to file or pay any New York State unemployment insurance returns?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," provide the years the <u>Reporting Entity</u> failed to file/pay the insurance, explain the situation and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
8.6 During the past three (3) years, has the <u>Reporting Entity</u> had any <u>government audit(s)</u> completed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
a) If "Yes," did any audit of the <u>Reporting Entity</u> identify any reported significant deficiencies in internal control, fraud, illegal acts, significant violations of provisions of contract or grant agreements, significant abuse or any <u>material disallowance</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes" to 8.6 a), provide an explanation of the issue(s), relevant dates, the <u>government entity</u> involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	

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IX. ASSOCIATED ENTITIES <i>This section pertains to any entity(ies) that either controls or is controlled by the reporting entity. (See definition of “associated entity” for additional information to complete this section.)</i>	
9.0 Does the <u>Reporting Entity</u> have any <u>Associated Entities</u> ? Note: All questions in this section must be answered if the <u>Reporting Entity</u> is either: – An <u>Organizational Unit</u> ; or – The entire <u>Legal Business Entity</u> which controls, or is controlled by, any other entity(ies). If “No,” SKIP THE REMAINDER OF SECTION IX AND PROCEED WITH SECTION X.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9.1 Within the past five (5) years, has any <u>Associated Entity Official</u> or <u>Principal Owner</u> been charged with a misdemeanor or felony, indicted, granted immunity, convicted of a crime or subject to a <u>judgment</u> for: a) Any business-related activity; or b) Any crime, whether or not business-related, the underlying conduct of which was related to truthfulness?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If “Yes,” provide an explanation of the issue(s), the individual involved, his/her title and role in the <u>Associated Entity</u> , his/her relationship to the <u>Reporting Entity</u> , relevant dates, the <u>government entity</u> involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s).	
9.2 Does any <u>Associated Entity</u> have any currently undischarged <u>federal</u> , New York State, New York City or New York local government <u>liens</u> or <u>judgments</u> (not including UCC filings) over \$50,000?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If “Yes,” provide an explanation of the issue(s), identify the <u>Associated Entity</u> ’s name(s), <u>EIN</u> (s), primary business activity, relationship to the <u>Reporting Entity</u> , relevant dates, the Lien holder or Claimant’s name(s), the amount of the <u>lien</u> (s) and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	
9.3 Within the past five (5) years, has any <u>Associated Entity</u> :	
a) Been <u>disqualified</u> , <u>suspended</u> or <u>debarred</u> from any <u>federal</u> , New York State, New York City or other New York local <u>government contracting process</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b) Been denied a contract award or had a bid rejected based upon a <u>non-responsibility finding</u> by any <u>federal</u> , New York State, New York City, or New York local <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
c) Been <u>suspended</u> , <u>cancelled</u> or <u>terminated for cause</u> (including for <u>non-responsibility</u>) on any <u>federal</u> , New York State, New York City or New York local <u>government contract</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
d) Been the subject of an <u>investigation</u> , whether open or closed, by any <u>federal</u> , New York State, New York City, or New York local <u>government entity</u> for a civil or criminal violation with a penalty in excess of \$500,000?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
e) Been the subject of an indictment, grant of immunity, <u>judgment</u> , or conviction (including entering into a plea bargain) for conduct constituting a crime?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
f) Been convicted of a criminal offense pursuant to any administrative and/or regulatory action taken by any <u>federal</u> , New York State, New York City, or New York local <u>government entity</u> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
g) Initiated or been the subject of any bankruptcy proceedings, whether or not closed, or is any bankruptcy proceeding pending?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
For each “Yes,” provide an explanation of the issue(s), identify the <u>Associated Entity</u> ’s name(s), <u>EIN</u> (s), primary business activity, relationship to the <u>Reporting Entity</u> , relevant dates, the <u>government entity</u> involved, any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.	

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X. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW (FOIL)	
10. Indicate whether any information supplied herein is believed to be exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Law (FOIL). Note: A determination of whether such information is exempt from FOIL will be made at the time of any request for disclosure under FOIL.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "Yes," indicate the question number(s) and explain the basis for the claim.	

XI. AUTHORIZED CONTACT FOR THIS QUESTIONNAIRE		
Name	Telephone	Fax
	ext.	
Title	Email	

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Certification

The undersigned: (1) recognizes that this questionnaire is submitted for the express purpose of assisting New York State government entities (including the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC)) in making responsibility determinations regarding award or approval of a contract or subcontract and that such government entities will rely on information disclosed in the questionnaire in making responsibility determinations; (2) acknowledges that the New York State government entities and OSC may, in their discretion, by means which they may choose, verify the truth and accuracy of all statements made herein; and (3) acknowledges that intentional submission of false or misleading information may result in criminal penalties under State and/or Federal Law, as well as a finding of non-responsibility, contract suspension or contract termination.

The undersigned certifies that he/she:

- is knowledgeable about the submitting Business Entity’s business and operations;
- has read and understands all of the questions contained in the questionnaire;
- has not altered the content of the questionnaire in any manner;
- has reviewed and/or supplied full and complete responses to each question;
- to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief, confirms that the Business Entity’s responses are true, accurate and complete, including all attachments, if applicable;
- understands that New York State government entities will rely on the information disclosed in the questionnaire when entering into a contract with the Business Entity; and
- is under an obligation to update the information provided herein to include any material changes to the Business Entity’s responses at the time of bid/proposal submission through the contract award notification, and may be required to update the information at the request of the New York State government entities or OSC prior to the award and/or approval of a contract, or during the term of the contract.

Signature of Owner/Official _____

Printed Name of Signatory _____

Title _____

Name of Business _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20__;

_____ Notary Public

EXHIBIT C: M/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN

Lower East Side Community Gardens Green Infrastructure Feasibility Study Landscape Architecture, Engineering Design and Planning Services

M/WBE Utilization Plan

List all subcontractors and suppliers you plan to utilize during the performance of the contract:

1. Firm Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Contact Person: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Work Description: _____
Value of Proposed Award: _____
Federal ID Number: _____
Type of Firm: MBE WBE Other

2. Firm Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Contact Person: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Work Description: _____
Value of Proposed Award: _____
Federal ID Number: _____
Type of Firm: MBE WBE Other

3. Firm Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Contact Person: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Work Description: _____
Value of Proposed Award: _____
Federal ID Number: _____
Type of Firm: MBE WBE Other

4. Firm Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Contact Person: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Work Description: _____
Value of Proposed Award: _____
Federal ID Number: _____
Type of Firm: MBE WBE Other

5. Firm Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Contact Person: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Work Description: _____
Value of Proposed Award: _____
Federal ID Number: _____
Type of Firm: MBE WBE Other

6. Firm Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Contact Person: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Work Description: _____
Value of Proposed Award: _____
Federal ID Number: _____
Type of Firm: MBE WBE Other

Typed Name of Principal or Officer

Typed Title of Principal or Officer

Signature of Principal or Officer

Date

EXHIBIT D REQUIRED CONTENTS OF RESPONSES

Required Contents of Responses

1. Cover Letter on company letterhead containing the required statement for compliance with the Iran Divestment Act, along with statement affirming the statement to be true under penalty of perjury;
2. Statement containing:
 - a. **Explanation of Firm.** Legal structure, areas of expertise, length of time in business, number of employees and detailed contact information for the person authorized to contractually obligate the Respondent and the person administratively responsible for the Proposal.
 - b. **Subconsultants.** Identification of any subconsultants, including a summary of the organization, experience, and technical skills.
 - c. **Disclosure.** Disclosure of all allegations or claims of substandard work, unethical or illegal practices, and/or debarment or suspension from state- or federally-funded projects, and provide documentation as to the resolution of these matters. Respondent must not be suspended or debarred from participation in State- or Federally-funded projects.

Include completed NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire, with notarized certification.
<http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/>.

- d. **Relevant Experience.** Previous projects that demonstrate relevant experience and identify public sector clients for whom Respondent has provided similar work in the past five (5) years. For each project described, provide current contact information for the individual with whom Respondent worked.
- e. **Approach and Methodology.** Respondent's understanding of the scope, including a detailed work plan to complete the design services.
- f. **Staffing Plan.** Respondent's capacity to provide services in the required timeframe, and key personnel to provide services and the proposed staffing plan. Outline the resumes of key personnel who will be assigned to the project, including their years of experience and functions on this project.
- g. **Ability to Conform to Subrecipient's Timeline.** Describe firm's workload and the impact on its current capacity to perform services on this project, and describe specifically how the firm will comply with the required delivery schedule set forth in Schedule A.
- h. **Commitment to Comply with All Applicable Federal, State, and Local Regulations, including Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) and Section 3.** Describe firm's commitment to and plan for complying with all applicable Federal, State, and local regulations, including, as described below, M/WBE obligations and hiring requirements under Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act. This is a factor for firm selection, and Respondents

who demonstrate a commitment to comply will receive the most points (as described herein under “Selection Process”).

- **In a Separate Envelope:** Please provide (Schedule IV) by providing a lump sum price and itemized cost breakdown for completing this project. The Cost Proposal must be included in a separate sealed envelope.
- Completed MWBE Utilization Plan. (See Exhibit C)