

## **I. CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS OF OFFERORS**

### **1. Offeror's Certification Of Eligibility**

- (a) By the submission of this proposal, the offeror certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief:
  - (i) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, is ineligible to be awarded contracts by any agency of the United States Government, HUD, or the State in which this Contract is to be performed;
  - (ii) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, is ineligible to participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24;
  - (iii) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, has been suspended, debarred or otherwise restricted by any Department or Agency of the Federal Government or of any State Government or of the City of Philadelphia or the Philadelphia Housing Authority from doing business with such Department or Agency for the period beginning 5 years prior to the date of this certification;
  - (iv) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, has experienced default or noncompliance under any contract for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or any other governmental agency with which it has contracts for the period beginning 10 years prior to the date of this certification;
  - (v) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, has unresolved findings raised as a result of HUD audits, management reviews or any other Governmental investigations concerning the offeror or any person or firm which has an interest in the offeror's firm under any of the offeror's contracts;
  - (vi) There has not been a suspension or termination of payments under any HUD contract in which the offeror has a legal or beneficial interest attributable to the offeror's fault or negligence;
  - (vii) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, has defaulted on an

obligation covered by a bond and have not been the subject of a claim under any fidelity bond.

- (viii) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, has been found by HUD or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be in noncompliance with any applicable civil rights laws.
  - (ix) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, is a Member of Congress or a Resident Commissioner or otherwise prohibited or limited by law from contracting with the Philadelphia Housing Authority.
  - (x) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm is an officer or employee or commissioner of the Philadelphia Housing Authority who is prohibited or limited by law from contracting with the PHA.
  - (xi) Neither the offeror, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the proposal or the offeror's firm, has been convicted of a felony and are not presently the subject of a complaint or indictment charging a felony. (A felony is any offense punishable by imprisonment for more than one year, but does not include any offense classified as a misdemeanor under the laws of a State and punishable by imprisonment of two years or less.)
- (b) Statements above to which the offeror cannot certify (if any) have been deleted by striking through the words with a pen. The offeror has initialed each deletion (if any) and has attached a true and accurate signed statement (if applicable) to explain the facts and circumstances which qualify the offeror as a responsible offeror for participation in this project.
  - (c) The certification in paragraph (a) above is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making the award. If it is later determined that the offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the Contract may be terminated for default, and the offeror may be debarred or suspended from participation in HUD and PHA programs and other Federal contract programs.

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

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

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appropriate box

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

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

Certifying Agency & Certification Number (if applicable):

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

- (i) For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:  
(check the block applicable to you)

check the  
appropriate box if  
applicable

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

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number if applicable

- (ii) Certifying Agency & Certification Number (if applicable):
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### 3. Conflict of Interest

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

### 4. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

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- (i) [ ] has, [ ] has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this Contract; and
- (ii) [ ] has, [ ] has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this Contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this Contract.
- (b) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a) (2) above is affirmative, the offeror shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA Contracting Officer.
- (c) Any misrepresentation by the offeror shall give the PHA the right to (1) terminate the resultant contract; (2) at its discretion, to deduct from Contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the Contract.

## **5. Certificate of Independent Price Determination**

- (a) The offeror certifies that –
  - (i) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
  - (ii) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
  - (iii) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:
  - (i) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(i) through (a)(iii) above; or

(ii)

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

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

- (c) If the offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.
- (d) The offeror further certifies that he/she has not been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by state or federal law involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to proposing or bidding on any public contract within the last three years. Such act or conviction does not automatically disqualify an offeror, but may be grounds for administrative suspension or grounds for consideration by PHA as to whether PHA should decline to award a contract to such an offeror on the basis of a lack of responsibility. If offeror has been convicted of any act prohibited by State or Federal law involving collusion with respect to proposing or bidding on any public contract within the past three years, offeror should attach an explanation of the circumstances surrounding that conviction.

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- (e) ☐ [check if following paragraph is applicable]

Non-collusive affidavit. (applicable to contracts for construction and equipment exceeding \$50,000)

- (i) Each bidder shall execute, in the form provided by the PHA/IHA, an affidavit to the effect that he/she has not colluded with any other person, firm or corporation in regard to any bid submitted in response to this solicitation. If the successful bidder did not submit the affidavit with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the affidavit by that date may render the bid nonresponsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed affidavit.
- (ii) A fully executed "Non-collusive Affidavit" [ ] is, [ ] is not included with the bid. (See page I-12 for Affidavit form).

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**6. Certification And Disclosure Regarding Payments To Influence Certain Federal Transactions (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)**

- (a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in Section 1352 of title 31, United States Code, are hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.
- (b) The offeror, by signing its proposal, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, that:
- (i) No 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 on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of a contract resulting from this solicitation;
- (ii) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) 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 on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the proposer shall complete and submit, with its proposal, OMB standard form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities;" and
- (iii) He or she will include the language of this certification in all subcontracts at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of \$100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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- (iv) Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this Contract imposed by section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure form to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$100,000, for each such failure.

**7. Certification Of Nonsegregated Facilities (applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000)**

- (a) The offeror's attention is called to the clause entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity" of Section I of the Terms and Conditions of the Contract.
- (b) "Segregated facilities," as used in this provision, 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, that 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 otherwise.
- (c) By the submission of this proposal, the offeror certifies that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The offeror agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause in the Contract.
- (d) The offeror further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) prior to entering into subcontracts which exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause, it will--
  - (i) Obtain identical certifications from the proposed subcontractors;
  - (ii) Retain the certifications in its files; and
  - (iii) Forward the following notice to the proposed subcontractors (except if the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

**NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE SUBCONTRACTORS OF  
REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATIONS OF  
NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES.**

A Certification of Non-segregated Facilities must be submitted before the award of a subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause of the prime contract. The certification may be submitted either for each subcontract or for all subcontracts during a period (i.e., quarterly, semiannually, or annually).

**NOTE:** The penalty for making false statements in bids is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**8. Clean Air And Water Certification (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)**

The offeror certifies that (check the block applicable):

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appropriate box

- (a) Any facility to be used in the performance of this Contract [ ] is [ ] is not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities:
- (b) The offeror will immediately notify the PHA Contracting Officer, before award, of the receipt of any communication from the Administrator, or a designee, of the Environmental Protection Agency, indicating that any facility that the offeror proposes to use for the performance of the Contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities; and,
- (c) The offeror will include a certification substantially the same as this certification, including this paragraph (c), in every nonexempt subcontract.

**9. Drug-Free Workplace Certification**

By submission of its offer, the offeror, if other than an individual, who is making an offer that equals or exceeds \$10,000, certifies and agrees, that with respect to all employees of the offeror to be employed under a contract resulting from this solicitation, other than a contract for the procurement of commercial items, it will - no later than 30 calendar days after contract award (unless a longer period is agreed to in writing), for contracts of 30 calendar days or more performance duration; or as soon as possible for contracts of less than 30 calendar days performance duration, but in any case, by a date prior to when performance is expected to be completed -

- (a) Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is



prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition;

- (b) Establish an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform such employees about:
    - (i) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
    - (ii) The Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
    - (iii) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
    - (iv) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
  - (c) Provide all employees engaged in the performance of the Contract with a copy of the statement required by subparagraph (a) of this provision;
  - (d) Notify such employees in writing in the statement required by subparagraph (a) of this provision that, as a condition of continued employment on the Contract resulting from this solicitation, the employee will:
    - (i) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
    - (ii) Notify the employer in writing of the employee's conviction under a criminal drug statute for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) calendar days after such conviction;
    - (iii) Notify the Contracting Officer in writing within ten (10) calendar days after receiving notice under Subdivision (d)(2) of this provision, from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. The notice shall include the position title of the employee; and
    - (iv) Within thirty (30) calendar days after receiving notice under subdivision (d)(2) of this provision of a conviction, take one of the following actions with respect to any employee who is convicted of a drug abuse violation occurring in the workplace:
      - (1) Take appropriate personnel action against such employee, up to and including termination; or
      - (2) Require such employee to satisfactorily participate in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved
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for such purposes by a Federal, State or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency.

- (e) Make a good faith effort to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of subparagraphs (a) through (d) of this provision.
- (f) By submission of its offer, the offeror, if an individual who is making an offer of any dollar value, certifies and agrees that the offeror will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in the performance of the contract resulting from this solicitation.
- (g) In addition to other remedies available to the PHA, the certifications required by this provision concern a matter within the jurisdiction of an agency of the United States and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under title 18, United States Code, section 1001.

#### **10. PHA Fraud Policy**

The offeror certifies that he/she has read the following PHA Fraud Policy, will adhere to it, and is aware of the penalties for failure to comply:

- (a) For purposes of this policy, and in concurrence with the PHA Office of Audit Compliance (OAC) mandate, “fraud” includes: fraudulent activity by any person employed by or contracting with the PHA; bribery and official corruption; theft of PHA funds, property or benefits; and serious breaches of integrity. Some examples of activities covered include: extortion/extortion attempts by PHA employees or officials; acceptance or solicitation of bribes; submission of fraudulent documents; employee collusion with contractors or vendors; material misstatements of facts in contracts or documents, relating to services performed or materials provided; bid rigging; and disclosure of confidential information.
- (b) Covered Parties
  - (i) All PHA employees and officials.
  - (ii) All contractors, subcontractors, vendors and consultants doing business with the PHA -

**NOTE: Contractors are responsible for compliance with this Fraud Policy by their subcontractors.**

- (iii) All owners of housing who receive subsidies from PHA.

- (iv) Any other individual or entity doing business with or seeking to do business with the PHA.

(c) Responsibilities

- (i) All “covered” parties” must report any type of fraud when they become aware of such activity, and they must cooperate fully with the OAC in any ensuing investigation.
- (ii) “Fraud” must be reported to a representative of the PHA’s OAC, 2013 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19121, (215) 684-8300.
- (iii) Management officials will support the Fraud Policy and ensure compliance with this policy by persons they supervise, and/or individuals and business entities that they deal with.

(d) Penalties For Failure To Report Fraud

Penalties for failure to timely report fraud can include: loss of contract and/or debarment from future contracts by contractors, subcontractors, vendors, and any other individual or entity doing business with the PHA; and other action deemed appropriate by PHA officials.

(e) Confidentiality

All information reported to the OAC is confidential, and the identity of those reporting information to the OAC will be protected.

(f) Whistle Blower Protection

- (i) Anyone who provides information to the OAC may not be discharged, demoted or otherwise subject to any adverse action as a result of reporting wrongdoing. Any person who retaliates against someone for reporting wrongdoing may be subject to civil liabilities and penalties.
- (ii) PHA Management supports the position that “whistle blowers” will be protected and commended for their honesty and dedication to the PHA.

(g) Authorized Negotiators

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

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**11. Offeror's Signature**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the information contained in the foregoing certifications and representations is true and correct.

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Signature & Date

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Typed or Printed Name

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Title

NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT  
(required if Certification & Representation Clause 5(e) is selected)

State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, being first sworn, deposes and  
says: That he/she is \_\_\_\_\_ (president, sole owner, partner,  
etc.) of \_\_\_\_\_ (firm name) the party  
making the forgoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not  
collusive or sham; that no one conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with  
any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has not in any  
manner, directly or indirectly sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or  
conference, with any person, to fix the bid price of the affiant or of any other bidder, or to  
fix any overhead, profit or cost element of said bid price, to secure any advantage against  
the Philadelphia Housing Authority or any person interested in the proposed contract: and  
that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(Affix Corporate Seal if required)

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.

(Notary Seal Required)