

AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made and entered into on this ___ day of _____, 2016, by and between Lexington Fayette Urban County Government, an urban county government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky pursuant to KRS 67A (hereinafter "LFUCG"), whose mailing address is 200 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507, and the Transit Authority of Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, Kentucky, (hereinafter "LEXTRAN"), whose mailing address is 200 West. Loudon, Lexington, Kentucky 40508.

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, LEXTRAN submitted an application requesting federal funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (hereinafter "the CABINET") for Town Branch Commons: Complete Street, Environmental Streetscape, Transit Plaza, herein identified as Town Branch Commons Zone 2 (hereinafter the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project has been approved for federal funding in the amount of \$2,730,214 by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet under the Transportation Alternatives Program (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 20.205), for use in Fayette County for design and construction of the Project; and

WHEREAS, LEXTRAN has agreed that LFUCG will serve in the role of Recipient of the herein described federal funds and be responsible to the CABINET for compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations that govern Project implementation; and

WHEREAS, LFUCG and LEXTRAN have agreed to collaborate in the implementation of the Project outlined in Appendix A; and

WHEREAS, the parties are in general agreement about the responsibilities and obligations of each party in connection with the Project and wish to memorialize their understanding into this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and mutually agreed upon promises, conditions, and covenants hereinafter set forth, pursuant to Project requirements, the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

General Terms:

1. LFUCG and LEXTRAN agree to be responsible for completion of Scope of Work made a part of this Agreement by reference and in the attached Appendix B, in accordance with the application for federal funds as approved by the CABINET and with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and all applicable regulations or directives issued by the CABINET and/or the Federal Highway Administration.
2. The term of this Agreement shall be for a period beginning immediately after it is fully executed by both parties and after execution of the contract between the CABINET and LFUCG and continuing until the Project has been completed and all federal requirements have been fulfilled.

The total amount of federal grant funds available for distribution on the Project is \$2,730,214, which will be divided between LFUCG and LEXTRAN as outlined in Appendix C.

3. The responsibility for implementation of the Project including all recordkeeping for grant compliance and accounting shall be the responsibility of the LFUCG.
4. The parties agree that neither is an agent, servant, or employee of the other. Each party agrees that it is responsible for its individual acts and deeds as well as the acts and deeds of its contractors, employees, representatives, and agents.
5. The parties agree that LFUCG may terminate this Agreement if funds are not appropriated to the LFUCG by the CABINET or are not otherwise available for the purpose of making payments without incurring any obligation for payment after the date of termination, regardless of the terms of the Agreement. Upon notice of termination by the CABINET, LFUCG will provide immediate written notice to LEXTRAN. This Agreement is contingent upon the continued availability of appropriated federal funding. If the funding appropriated for any Phase of the Project becomes unavailable for any reason including the Kentucky General Assembly's failure to appropriate the funding, by operation of law or as the result of a reduction in federal funding, further reimbursement of Project expenditures may be denied, the project may be cancelled, the timeline extended or the scope amended by LFUCG in response to amendments by the CABINET, either in whole or in part without penalty. Denial of further reimbursement, Project cancellation, extension or amendment because of an interruption in the appropriated funding is not a default or breach of this Agreement by the LFUCG nor may such denial, cancellation, extension or amendment give rise to any claim against the LFUCG.

ARTICLE II

Obligations of LFUCG:

1. Be the lead agency for all aspects of the Project and ensure compliance with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations that are applicable to the Project.
2. Submit appropriate invoices for reimbursement from the CABINET in accordance with applicable federal and state legislation and regulations, on behalf of LEXTRAN and LFUCG.
3. Reimburse LEXTRAN on a monthly basis in response to submission of timely and complete invoices. Maximum federal amount to be reimbursed is \$428,000.
4. Provide technical assistance as needed to LEXTRAN for purposes of compliance with federal and state regulations, and to monitor LEXTRAN for compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

ARTICLE III

Obligation of LEXTRAN:

1. Complete all requirements necessary as the applicant for Transportation Alternatives Program funding.
2. Submit invoices to LFUCG on a monthly basis for reimbursement. Invoices shall include evidence of work completed, copies of invoices for which reimbursement is requested, evidence of compliance with Buy America, DBE, federal prevailing wage requirements, and documentation of matching funds. LEXTRAN agrees to provide matching funds in the amount of \$107,000.
3. LEXTRAN shall carry out this project in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws and regulations including all of Title 49 United States Code (USC), Title 23 United States Code (USC), 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), and 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). LEXTRAN shall outline, undertake, and complete the work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement consistent with the FHWA Contract Administration Manual, the CABINET/FHWA Stewardship Agreement, FHWA Form 1273 (Attached to Agreement as Exhibit C), the Interim Federal-Aid Project Development Guide for Local Public Agencies, and any future revisions of these documents.
4. LEXTRAN shall comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Section 4(f) of 49 United States Code (USC) 303, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, and any other applicable environmental laws and regulations, addressing the social and environmental effects of the proposed Project. LEXTRAN shall comply with all requirements imposed by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) the Regulations of the United States Department of Transportation issued thereunder (CFR Title 49, Subtitle A, Part 21), and the assurance by LEXTRAN pursuant thereto. Title VI prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, gender, age, and income in all programs or activities of any recipient of federal assistance.

5. LEXTRAN agrees to comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, P.L. 93-112, and other applicable Federal regulations relating hereto, issued by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The ADA prohibits discrimination against otherwise qualified individuals under a program or activity receiving federal financial assistance covered by this AGREEMENT, and imposes requirements that affect the design, construction, and maintenance of all transportation projects to provide access to all facilities.
6. LEXTRAN shall comply with the Federal Buy America construction contracts requirements, as spelled out in 23 CFR 635 Subpart D. LEXTRAN shall submit documentation of compliance with the Federal Buy America requirements when submitting invoices for reimbursement.
7. LEXTRAN agrees to comply with the DBE Requirements contained within 23 CFR 635 Subpart A, Section 1101(b) of Public Law 109-59, Chapter 3 of Title 49 USC and 49 CFR Part 26 to ensure equal opportunity to socially and economically disadvantaged small businesses. An applicant DBE firm must be given consideration for participation in the project and a DBE goal shall be set by the CABINET for work on the Project. The CABINET shall review and approve the DBE goal based on CABINET processes and procedures. Any participating DBE firm must be certified as a DBE firm and be prequalified with the CABINET. LEXTRAN agrees to submit documentation to the LFUCG of actual DBE participation when submitting invoices for reimbursement.

Assurance. The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Agreement. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of contracts assisted by the United States Department of Transportation. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other allowable remedy the LFUCG or the CABINET deem appropriate. Each contract signed with a contractor (and each subcontract the prime contractor signs with a subcontractor) must include this provision.

DBE Prompt Payment Requirement. The contract between LEXTRAN and the contractor shall include a contract provision that requires the contractor to comply with 49 CFR 26.29 and pay its subcontractors within then (10) working days from receipt of each payment RECIPIENT makes to the contractor. LEXTRAN shall prohibit the contractor from withholding retainage on any subcontract on this Project to ensure prompt and full payment from the contractor to the subcontractor within 30 days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed.

8. LEXTRAN shall follow all Federal and State design and construction criteria for the type of work to be performed, including but not limited to 23 CFR 625, the CABINET's Highway Design Manual, the CABINET's Standard Drawings, the CABINET's Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, the CABINET's Drainage Manual, the CABINET's Structural Design Manual, the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials' (AASHTO) "Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets", and the Institute of Transportation Engineers' (ITE) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). All work performed shall be in accordance with the CABINET's Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, edition 2008 as

revised, and as provided in Subsection 105.01 of said Specifications. All materials furnished shall be in accordance with Subsection 106 of said Specifications to include all CABINET's List of Approved Materials. These standards, specifications, and criteria are incorporated in this Agreement by this reference.

9. LEXTRAN shall be responsible for all project design activities, which may be completed either by the LEXTRAN'S staff or by a consultant. If LEXTRAN selects to perform the work through a consultant, LEXTRAN, with the oversight and approval of the LFUCG, shall be responsible for the advertisement, selection, and contracting for consultant engineering and related services for the Project in compliance with the Federal requirements set forth in the Brooks Act, Public Law 92-582, the FHWA policy outlined in 23 CFR 172, CABINET policies and procedures, the CABINET procurement policies, and the Kentucky Model Procurement Code as defined within KRS 45A.730-750. This requires the use of a Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) process for the selection of all engineering and related services. By complying with KRS 45A.730-750, the required Federal provisions of the Brooks Act will be satisfied. All plans and specifications must be prepared by a professional engineer or architect licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and prequalified by the CABINET to practice the type of work to be done. If no CABINET prequalification category exists, a consultant must receive approval by the CABINET prior to working on the Project.
10. Upon approval of design by CABINET and LFUCG, LEXTRAN shall be responsible for all Project construction activities, which may be completed either by LEXTRAN's staff or by a contractor. If LEXTRAN intends to use contractor services, LEXTRAN shall be responsible for the advertisement, opening of bids, selection, and contracting for contractor services for the Project, with the concurrence of LFUCG and the CABINET, in accordance with the federal contract provisions listed in FHWA Form 1273 which take precedence over the Kentucky Model Procurement Code provisions KRS 45A.343 and KRS 45A.345-460, as well as KRS 424, 23 CFR 635, 23 USC 112. Bid proposals must be accepted for a minimum of 21 days from the date of the first advertisement for award. Contractors and subcontractors must be pre-qualified by the CABINET for the type of work prior to being awarded a contract. If no CABINET prequalification category exists, a contractor or subcontractor must receive the approval of the CABINET prior to working on the Project.
11. LEXTRAN shall prepare an independent engineer's estimate in accordance with 23 CFR 630, Subpart B to compare against the contractors' bids for reasonableness. LEXTRAN shall thoroughly review all bids and obtain concurrence from the LFUCG and the CABINET prior to the award or the rejection of any contract of bids for work or materials to be used on this Project. Factors that should be considered and documented in reviewing submitted bids are: a comparison of the bids against the engineer's estimate, the number of bids submitted, the distribution or range of bids received, the geographic location of bidders, any potential savings from re-advertising the Project, a comparison of bids against other recent bids for the same item or service, the urgency of the Project, the number of times previously advertised or contracted for, the current market conditions, a comparison of unit bids versus engineer's estimate unit bids, the funding available. Determining whether the bids received are adequate involves considering any critical safety improvements, emergency repair or replacement of damaged facilities, the opening of otherwise completed facilities to traffic, furthering a phased construction schedule, or any other factors deemed important by the LFUCG, CABINET, or FHWA. Specific Federal requirements defined within 23 CFR 635 require that the award be

made to the lowest responsive bidder meeting the criteria of responsibility established by the CABINET.

12. LEXTRAN shall be responsible for all aspects of administration, testing, and inspections to ensure the materials and construction meet CABINET specifications and Federal quality assurance specifications referenced in 23 CFR 637 and 23 CFR 635.105 (a) or (b). This includes providing daily on-site inspection of contractor work activities and prompt processing all of the paperwork associated with the construction contract, including any change orders. LEXTRAN must receive prior written approval from the LFUCG and the CABINET for all change orders, but such approval shall not increase the funding obligated to LEXTRAN under this Agreement.
13. The 1931 Davis-Bacon Act (prevailing Federal wage) requires the recipient of all Federal-aid construction projects to comply with contractor and subcontractor payment rates and fringe benefits as determined by the Secretary of Labor for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics engaged on similar construction, alteration, and/or repair of public buildings or public works, painting, or decorating projects in the locality. Specific wage rates shall be included in the construction contract between LEXTRAN and the contractor, which must also include a contract provision that overrides the general applicability provisions in Form FHWA-1273, Sections IV and V.
14. During the construction of the Project, LEXTRAN shall comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act which contains weekly (after 40 hours) overtime pay requirements and applies to most Federal contracts which may require or involve the employment of laborers and mechanics, including watchmen and guards. Section 107 of the Act provides health and safety standards on covered construction work which are administered by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). LEXTRAN shall refer to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act for the requirements under this provision.
15. LEXTRAN shall comply with the "Anti-Kickback" section of the Copeland Act, which makes it punishable to induce any person working on a federally funded or assisted construction project to "give up any part of the compensation to which he is entitled under his contract of employment." LEXTRAN shall refer to the Copeland Act for the requirements under this provision.
16. In connection with the execution of this Agreement, LEXTRAN shall take affirmative action and not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are fairly treated during their employment, without regard to their race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, or disability. Such actions 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 of training including apprenticeship. LEXTRAN shall incorporate the foregoing requirements of this paragraph in all subcontracts for services covered by this Agreement. Discrimination (because of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, or disability) is prohibited. This section applies only to contracts utilizing federal funds, in whole or in part. During the performance of this contract, LEXTRAN agrees as follows:

- a. LEXTRAN will not discriminate against any employee, applicant, contractor or consultant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or age. LEXTRAN further agrees to comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Public Law 101-336, and applicable federal regulations relating thereto prohibiting discrimination against otherwise qualified disabled individuals under any program or activity. LEXTRAN agrees to provide, upon request, needed reasonable accommodations. LEXTRAN will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or disability. 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 compensations; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. LEXTRAN agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.
- b. LEXTRAN will, in all solicitations or advertisements for work placed by or on behalf of LEXTRAN; state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or disability.
- c. LEXTRAN 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 advising the said labor union or workers' representative of LEXTRAN's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment. LEXTRAN will take such action with respect to any contract, subcontract or purchase order as the CABINET or Federal Highway Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance.
- d. LEXTRAN will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965 as amended, and of the rules, regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- e. LEXTRAN will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and by the rules, regulations and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to the PROJECT books, records and accounts by LFUCG, the CABINET, or Federal Highway Administration and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations and orders.
- f. In the event of LEXTRAN's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Agreement or with any of the said rules, regulations or orders, this Agreement may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and LEXTRAN may be declared ineligible for further government contracts or federally-assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in or as otherwise provided by law.

- g. LEXTRAN will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) of section 202 of Executive Order 11246 in every contract, subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations or orders of the Secretary of Labor, issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, so that such provisions will be binding upon each contractor, subcontractor, consultant or vendor. LEXTRAN will take such action with respect to any contract, subcontract or purchase order as LFUCG, the CABINET, or Federal Highway Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event LEXTRAN becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a contractor, subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by LFUCG, the CABINET or Federal Highway Administration, LEXTRAN may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
17. No member, officer, or employee of LEXTRAN during his tenure or for one (1) year thereafter shall have any financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof as identified in KRS 45A.340. LEXTRAN shall comply with the requirements of the Executive Branch Code of Ethics KRS Chapter 11A. No member, officer, or employee of LEXTRAN shall collude or lobby on behalf of this Project without penalty, including but not limited to suspension or debarment
18. LEXTRAN warrants that no person, selling agency or other organization has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee. For breach or violation of this warranty, the LFUCG shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or, in its discretion, to deduct from the compensation, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.
19. No funding has been or will be paid to a member or delegate to the Congress of the United States in connection with the awarding of this Federal contract. Nor shall any member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States receive any benefit arising out of this Federal contract.
20. LEXTRAN agrees to maintain the facilities in an acceptable condition and for a public purpose in an acceptable condition. In the event that the property is not maintained as a public facility LEXTRAN shall reimburse the LFUCG for all proceeds provided for in this Project including any applicable interest, unless such change in use is approved in writing by the LFUCG, the CABINET, and FHWA, if applicable.
21. LEXTRAN agrees to comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, P.L. 93-112, and other applicable Federal regulations relating hereto, issued by the U.S. Department of Transportation. ADA prohibits discrimination against otherwise qualified individuals under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance covered by this Agreement and imposes requirements that affect the design, construction, and maintenance of all transportation projects, to provide access to all facilities.
22. LEXTRAN, contractor and any subcontractors shall permit the LFUCG, the CABINET, the Comptroller General of the United States and the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation, or their authorized representatives, to inspect and

approve all phases of the Project and all relevant Project data and records, including any audit(s) of LEXTRAN pertaining to the Project.

23. LEXTRAN hereby acknowledges its duty to determine whether it is subject to the Single Audit Act of 1984, P.L. 98-502, and the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, P.L. 104-156. LEXTRAN shall follow 2 CFR 200. In Accordance with 2 CFR 200 Subpart F, If LEXTRAN has expended more than \$750,000 in Federal funding from all sources in its fiscal year, LEXTRAN shall provide the LFUCG copies of its 2 CFR 200 Subpart F audit reports within 9 months of their fiscal year end.
24. LEXTRAN hereby acknowledges it is responsible to inform any entity it intends to hire or use as a contractor, as defined in KRS 45A.030(9), that the contracting agency, the LFUCG, the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the Auditor of Public Accounts, and the Legislative Research Commission, or their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any of the contractor's books, documents, papers, records, or other evidence, which are directly pertinent to this Agreement for the purpose of financial audit or program review. Furthermore, any of the contractor's books, documents, papers, records or other evidence provided to the contracting agency, the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the Auditor of Public Accounts, or the Legislative Research Commission which are directly pertinent to the Agreement shall be subject to public disclosure regardless of the proprietary nature of the information, unless specific information is identified and exempted and agreed to by the Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet as meeting the provisions of KRS 61.878(1)(c) prior to the execution of the Agreement. The Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet shall not restrict the public release of any information, which would otherwise be subject to public release if a State government agency were providing the service
25. LEXTRAN shall certify that the contractor swears under the penalty of perjury, as provided by KRS 523.020, that neither he/she nor the entity which he/she represents has knowingly violated any provisions of the campaign finance laws of the Commonwealth, and that the award of a contract to him/her or the entity which he/she represents will not violate any provisions of the campaign finance laws of the Commonwealth.
26. Pursuant to KRS 45A.485, LEXTRAN shall certify that all contractors shall reveal to the CABINET any final determination of a violation within the previous five (5) year period pursuant to KRS Chapter 139, 136, 141, 337, 338, 341 and 342. These statutes relate to the State sales and use tax, corporate and utility tax, income tax, wages and hours laws, occupational safety and health law, unemployment compensation law, and workers compensation insurance law, respectively.
27. LEXTRAN shall certify that all contractors agree to be in continuous compliance with the provisions of KRS Chapters 136, 139, 141, 337, 338, 341 and 342 for the duration of this Agreement. Failure to reveal a final determination of a violation of the referenced statutes or to comply with these statutes for the duration of this Agreement shall be grounds for the cancellation of the contract or subcontract and disqualification of the contractor from eligibility for future State contracts for a period of two (2) years.
28. LEXTRAN shall retain all records pertinent to expenditures incurred under this Agreement, for a period of (3) three years after the termination of all activities funded

under this Agreement. Provide officials of LFUCG, the U.S. Department of Transportation, the CABINET, the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the Auditor of Public Accounts and the Legislative Research Commission, or any of their authorized representatives, access to any books, documents, papers, or other records which are pertinent to funds expended under the terms of the Agreement, for purpose of financial audit or program review. The right of access shall be for the period in which records are retained. Notwithstanding the above, if there is litigation, claims, audits, negotiations or other actions that involve any of the records cited and that have started before the expiration of the three-year period, then such records must be retained until completion of the actions and resolution of all issues, or the expiration of the three-year period, whichever occurs later. Furthermore, all books, documents, papers, records or other evidence provided to officials of LFUCG, the U.S. Department of Transportation, the CABINET, the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the Auditor of Public Accounts and the Legislative Research Commission which are directly pertinent to the Agreement shall be subject to public disclosure regardless of the proprietary nature of the information, unless specific information is identified and exempted and agreed to by the Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet as meeting the provisions of KRS 61.878(1)(c) prior to the execution of this Agreement. The Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet shall not restrict the public release of information which would otherwise be subject to public release if a state government agency were providing the service.

29. LEXTRAN certifies, in accordance with Executive Order 12549 (Debarment and Suspension February 18, 1986) that to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, its principals, and its subcontractors:

Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared negligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions or contract by and Federal department or agency for noncompliance with the Federal Labor Standards, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, Executive Order 11246 as amended or any other federal law;

a. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

b. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a) of this certification; and

c. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal had one or more public (Federal, State, or local) transactions or contracts terminated for cause or default.

ARTICLE IV

Additional Provisions

1. To the extent provided by law, parties agree to defend, indemnify, and hold each other harmless from any and all losses or claims of whatever kind, that are in any way incidental to, or connected with or that arise or alleged to have arisen, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from the execution performance, or breach of this Agreement, including any environmental problems, including, without limitation, soil and/or water contamination, and remedial investigations and feasibility studies thereof, which exist at or prior to the contract commencement date, regardless of which such losses or claims are made or incurred. This indemnity agreement shall in no way be limited by a financial responsibility, or loss control requirements below, and shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
2. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The parties agree that any suit, action or proceeding with respect to this Agreement may only be brought in or entered by, as the case may be, the courts of the Commonwealth of Kentucky situated in Fayette County, Kentucky.
3. This Agreement, in accordance with 49 CFR 18.43, may be terminated by LFUCG upon thirty days written notice, LEXTRAN materially fails to comply with any term of the Agreement.
4. This Agreement, in accordance with 49 CFR 18.44 may be terminated for convenience upon thirty days written notice by the LFUCG.
5. LEXTRAN and LFUCG each binds himself and his partners, successors, executors, administrators, assigns and legal representatives of such other party, in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations of the Agreement.
6. This Agreement may be amended in writing and by the agreement of and signed by both parties.
7. All notices, requests, demands, waivers, and other communications given as provided in this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be addressed as follows:

If to LEXTRAN:

Transit Authority of
Lexington-Fayette County
Attention: Carrie Butler
General Manager
200 West Loudon Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky 40508

If to LFUCG:

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
Commissioner of Public Works
Attention: Dowell Hoskins-Squier
Government Center
200 East Main Street
Lexington, Kentucky 40507

8. This Agreement contains the entire and complete understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter and supersedes any and all prior agreement or understanding of any kind.
9. The signatories to this Agreement warrant and represent that each has the authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Party represented.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum of Agreement on the date first above written.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

By: _____
JIM GRAY, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
Martha J.N. Allen
Clerk of the Urban County Council

Transit Authority of Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government



CARRIE BUTLER, GENERAL MANAGER

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF FAYETTE

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The foregoing Memorandum of Agreement was subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by Carrie Butler, as General Manager of the Transit Authority of Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, on this the 6th day of May, 2016.

My commission expires: April 27, 2017

Geraldine Davidson #486893
NOTARY

APPENDIX A – Project Description / TAP Application

The Town Branch Commons Corridor (TBCC) project is made up of several distinct zones. The section of the TBCC project that this TAP grant covers is Zone 2 which runs along Vine Street between Quality Street to Limestone, including the LEXTRAN central transit center. The proposed improvements will upgrade the current user experience with pedestrian safety, bike facilities, wayfinding, street restriping, bus bay recurbing, and exterior transit center improvements.

Implementing the project will allow pedestrians to utilize 9-11' sidewalks and a new protected crossing at the LEXTRAN transit center to safely and efficiently access the transportation services they rely on. Pedestrians currently do not have a convenient protected location to cross and are often seen walking between moving cars and climbing over a jersey barrier wall to access the transit center. The project section also includes green areas to serve as a storm water infiltration green-space as well as break up the wide pavement and make use of new pedestrian bulb outs which further calm traffic and shorten pedestrian crossings.

A buffered cycle track through this section will help connect the Rose Street and Old Vine Street bikeway as well as make the essential bicycle connection to the University of Kentucky campus at both Martin Luther King Boulevard and Limestone. The University of Kentucky 2013 Campus Master Plan specifically recommends a connection to the TBCC project at Vine Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard in order to encourage more faculty and students to utilize alternative methods of transportation.

The existing street will be restriped to conform to the changes described above. Also the exterior of the LEXTRAN building will be improved to reflect the changes to the bus bays, new pedestrian crossing and other miscellaneous items to enhance the pedestrian and transit user experience.

APPENDIX B – Scope of Work and Project Responsibility Split

1. It is the intent of the parties that they shall work collectively towards completion of the Project, contingent upon the receipt of the Grant.
2. The parties have estimated that the total cost of the Project will be \$3,412,768 including the federal TAP grant of \$2,730,214 and local match of \$682,554.
 - a. LEXTRAN's share of the grant is shown in the exhibit below and will be in an amount of \$428,000 with a local match of \$107,000.
 - b. LFUCG share of the grant is shown in the exhibit below and will be in an amount of \$2,302,214 with a local match of \$575,554.

Project Responsibility Split

Town Branch Commons Corridor Project Zone 2 – Funding Split

Exterior Improvements	Estimated Cost	Federal Share (80%)	Local Share (20%)
Interior Lighting	\$100,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$20,000.00 By LEXTRAN
Decorative Lighting	\$250,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$50,000.00 By LEXTRAN
Painting	\$100,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$20,000.00 By LEXTRAN
Technology / Real Time	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$5,000.00 By LEXTRAN
Deep Cleaning	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00 By LEXTRAN
Total Cost	\$525,000.00	\$420,000.00	\$105,000.00
Operational Improvements	Estimated Cost	Federal Share (80%)	Local Share (20%)
Security Cameras	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$2,000.00 By LEXTRAN
Recurbing Bus Bays	\$500,000.00	\$400,000.00	\$100,000.00 By LFUCG
Total Cost	\$510,000.00	\$408,000.00	\$102,000.00
Eligible Grant Award Totals		Federal Share (80%)	Local Share (20%)*
Lextran Transit Center Improvements	\$535,000	\$428,000	\$107,000 LEXTRAN Portion
Zone 2 TBCC Improvements by LFUCG (*)	\$2,877,768	\$2,302,214	\$575,554 LFUCG Portion
TOTAL COST	\$3,412,768	\$2,730,214	\$682,554

(*) - LFUCG's portion of the project will be the balance of the grant less LEXTRAN's portion

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**REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS
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3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under Title 23 (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in bid proposal or request for proposal documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

II. NONDISCRIMINATION

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR 60, 29 CFR 1625-1627, Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR 60, and 29 CFR 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR 230, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (28 CFR 35, 29 CFR 1630, 29 CFR 1625-1627, 41 CFR 60 and 49 CFR 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140 shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under

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this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR 35 and 29 CFR 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract.

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: 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, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

2. EEO Officer: The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

3. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

4. Recruitment: When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

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

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

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

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

6. Training and Promotion:

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are

applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities: The contractor must be familiar

with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established there under. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors and suppliers and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

10. Assurance Required by 49 CFR 26.13(b):

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's U.S. DOT-approved DBE program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the contracting agency deems appropriate.

11. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women;

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor

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will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more.

The contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location, under the contractor's control, where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size). The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. Contracting agencies may elect to apply these requirements to other projects.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

1. Minimum wages

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

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions

of paragraph 1.d. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.b. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

b.(1) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

(i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(3) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Wage and Hour Administrator for determination. The Wage and Hour Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or

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will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs 1.b.(2) or 1.b.(3) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

c. Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

d. If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program. Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

2. Withholding

The contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contracting agency may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

3. Payrolls and basic records

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-

Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. (1) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the contracting agency. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm> or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the contracting agency for transmission to the State DOT, the FHWA or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the contracting agency..

(2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under §5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under §5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

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(3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(2) of this section.

(4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.

c. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3.a. of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the FHWA may, after written notice to the contractor, the contracting agency or the State DOT, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

4. Apprentices and trainees

a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly

rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

c. Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

d. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.

6. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert Form FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts and also require the subcontractors to include Form FHWA-1273 in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

7. Contract termination; debarment. A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

9. Disputes concerning labor standards. Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

10. Certification of eligibility.

a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

The following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section.

3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The FHWA or the contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2.) of this section.

4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1.) through (4.) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1.) through (4.) of this section.

VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions:

- (1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
- (2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;
- (3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and
- (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract.

2. The contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. The contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is

evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.

5. The 30% self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements.

VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C.3704).

VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 1, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract, or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, or subcontractor, as appropriate, will be deemed to have stipulated as follows:

1. That any person who is or will be utilized in the performance of this contract is not prohibited from receiving an award due to a violation of Section 508 of the Clean Water Act or Section 306 of the Clean Air Act.

2. That the contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of paragraph (1) of this Section X in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements.

X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200.

1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this

covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default.

d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epls.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

2. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200)

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which

this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epls.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the

department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000 (49 CFR 20).

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, 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 undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal 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 Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. 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.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS
PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT
HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS
ROAD CONTRACTS**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above.

5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.