

# **Seeking Geotechnical Services**

#### Introduction

Due to the impact of Hurricane Matthew in North Carolina, federal funds for disaster relief that were appropriated under the Disaster Relief Appropriation Act of 2016 (Pub. Law 114-113). The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) appropriated Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery funding to the State of North Carolina (CDBG-DR). These funds are targeted to the most impacted areas to address unmet needs, long-term recovery and housing and economic revitalization. These projects include activities such as, but not limited to housing rehabilitation, housing repair, multi-family housing new construction, single family construction, community resource center, acquisition, relocation, demolition, and clearance.

# Request for Proposals

Cumberland County Community Development is hereby interested in seeking services from a qualified geotechnical engineer for the purpose of conducting investigation and engineering services the new construction housing project – Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project. We are proposing to provide up to 12 units of permanent affordable housing.

#### **Deadline for Submission**

Deadline to submit proposals at the time and location described below; must be in writing and may be mailed or delivered to the following:

Time/Date: Received by 4:30 p.m. August 7, 2020

Proposals received after this date and time will not be accepted. Failure to sign the Request for Proposal Submission Form prior to submittal shall render the proposal invalid and it WILL BE REJECTED.

Cumberland County Community Development
707 Executive Place
Fayetteville, NC 28305
Or
PO Box 1829
Fayetteville, NC 28302-1829

Attn: Sylvia H.-McLean, CDBG-DR Grant Administrator

For the RFP and any additional information or addenda will be posted on the County's website <a href="http://co.cumberland.nc.us/departments/community-development">http://co.cumberland.nc.us/departments/community-development</a>

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL – GEOTECHINICAL SERVICES

The County of Cumberland is interested in obtaining services from a qualified Geotechnical Engineer for the purpose of conducting geotechnical investigation and engineering services for the Project located at 515 Candleberry Court, Fayetteville, NC 28301. This is considered a new construction housing project that will consist of up to twelve apartment units and one community center.

# Background

County of Cumberland project Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing consist of up to twelve new permanent affordable housing units and one community center located at 515 Candleberry Court, Fayetteville, NC 28301. The project site consists of approximate 1.55 acres of undeveloped grassed land and approximately 1.11 acres of developed land on which two apartment buildings occupy.

The County has contracted with The Wooten Company for architect, design development and construction administration services.

# **Scope of Services**

Please provide a proposal for a total of 6 boring holes approximately 10'- 6' deep along with the soil profiles. – See Attachment C201 for locations and quantities of borings.

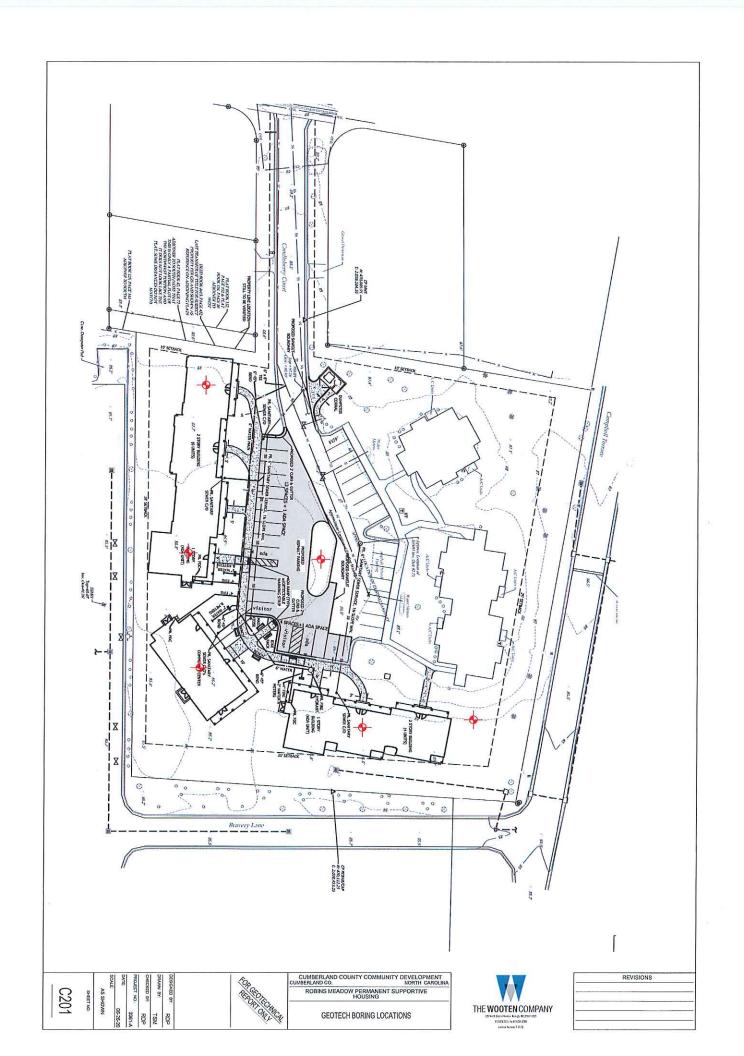
Please include in your proposal a table that shows – start date and duration (in days) of activities.

Scope of Geotechnical Services required are indicated below and based on such analysis and consultation, a professional evaluation and recommendation shall be submitted in the Geotechnical Report to include information below:

- Ground Cover/Topsoil Depth
- Condition of fill material
- Rock encounters
- Groundwater/Seasonal High-Water Level Table
- Subgrade Compaction Requirements
- Compaction Requirements
- Footing Design Recommendations
- Slab Design Parameter Recommendations
- Pavement Design Recommendations
- Allowable Foundation Soil Bearing Pressures
- Seismic Site Classification

# Proposal Pricing/Cost

Please provide proposal price for the total cost for the complete performance in accordance with the requirement and specifications herein specified in the RFP Scope of Services excluding sales taxes.



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The Bidding Firm (s) shall submit one (1) original with (2) identical copies of the Response in print. An original signature must be included on the "THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM" document submitted with original document.

Late received Responses will be returned to the Respondent unopened. Properly submitted Responses by the Respondents will not be returned. Hard copies of RFP materials must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as noted above; the package must be clearly identifying the submittal deadline and that the response is for the COUNTY OF CUMBERAND GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES.

# COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES

COMPANY		
ADDRESS	 	
CONTACT PERSON		
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NOTE TO PROPOSER: SUBMIT ENTIRE SECTION WITH RESPONSE. THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER SUBMITTED MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED WITH THE RESPONDENT'S PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN THS EXECUTION OF OFFER WITH THE QUALIFICATION MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS.

SIGNING A FALSE STATEMENT MAY VOID THE SUBMITTED QUALIFICATIONS OR ANY AGREEMENTS OR OTHER CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT, WHICH MAY RESULT FROM THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSER'S QUALIFICATIONS, AND THE PROPOSER MAY BE REMOVED FROM ALL PROPOSES LISTS. A FALSE CERTIFICATION SHALL BE DEEMED A MATERIAL BREACH OF CONTRACT AND AT THE COUNTY'S OPTION, MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF ANY RESULTING CONTRACT.

By signature hereon, Proposer acknowledges and agrees that (1) this RFP is a solicitation for Interest and is not a contract or an offer to contract; (2) the submission of Responses by Proposer in response to this RFP will not create a contract between the County and Proposer; (3) Neither the County or the Committee, or any of their representatives, have made a representation or warranty, written or oral, that one or more contracts with the County will be awarded under this RFP; and (4) Proposer shall bear, a its sole risk and responsibility, any cost which arises from Proposer's preparation of a response to this RFP.

By signature hereon, Proposer offers and agrees to furnish to the County all the products and/or services more particularly described in its Responses, and to comply with all terms, conditions and requirements set forth in the RFP document and contained herein.

By signature hereon, Proposer affirms that they have not given, nor intends to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public servant, elected officials, leadership or staff of the County, or partner organizations in connection with the submitted Responses.

By signature hereon, the Proposer hereby certifies that neither the Proposer nor the firm, corporation, partnership or Developer represented by the Proposer, or anyone acting for such firm corporation, or institution has violated the antitrust laws of this state or the Federal antitrust laws, nor communicated directly or indirectly the Responses mad to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business.

By signature hereon, Proposer represents and warrants that:

Proposer is a reputable company regularly engaged in providing products and/or services necessary to meet the terms, conditions, and requirements of the RFP.

Proposer has the necessary experience, knowledge, abilities, skills, and resources to satisfactorily perform the terms, conditions, and requirements of the RFP.

By signature hereon, Proposer certifies that the individual signing this document and the documents made part of the RFP is authorized to sign such documents on behalf of the company and to bind the company under any agreements or other contractual arrangements, which may result from the submission of the Response.

By signature hereon, Proposer affirms that no compensation has been received for participation in the preparation of the specifications for this RFP.

By signature hereon, Proposer affirms that it has not violated any of the noted No-Lobbying provisions or specifications contained in this RFP.

By signature hereon, Proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County and the Committee, all of their officers, agents and employees from and against all claims, actions, sits, demands, proceedings, costs, damages, and liabilities, arising out of, connecting with, or resulting from any acts or omissions or Proposer or any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier or Proposer in the execution or performance of any agreements or other contractual arrangements which may result from the submission of these Responses.

By signature hereon, Proposer acting in good faith may rely on written representations by their subcontractors regarding their status as a small business concern, a veteran-owned small business concern, a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern, a small disadvantaged business concern, or a women-owned small business concern.

The Proposer shall confirm that a subcontractor representing itself as a HUB Zone small business concern is certified by SBA as a HUB Zone small business concern by accessing the System for Award Management database or by contacting the SBA. Options for contacting the SBA include

HUB Zone small business database search application Web page at <a href="http://dsbs.sba.gov/dsbs/search/dsp\_searchhubzone.cfm">http://dsbs.sba.gov/dsbs/search/dsp\_searchhubzone.cfm</a>; or <a href="http://www.sba.gov/hubzone">http://www.sba.gov/hubzone</a>; In writing to the Director/HUB, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington DC 20416; or The SBA HUB Zone Help Desk at <a href="https://www.sba.gov">hubzone</a> (@sba.gov)

Submitted and certified this	_day of
By:	
Signature Date:	
Name (Printed):	
Title:	
Signature:	

#### GENERAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

# **Effective Period of Proposal**

All proposals are required to remain in effect for at least 90 days from the date submitted to the County for review.

# **Public Information**

All information, documentation, and other materials submitted in response to this solicitation are considered non-confidential and/or non-proprietary and are subject to public disclosure.

#### MWE/WBE & Utilization of Small Businesses

Please state and certify whether your firm or any potential sub-contractors participate in the Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE).

It is the policy of the United States that small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUB Zone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, and women-owned small business concerns shall have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in performing contracts let by any Federal agency, including contracts and subcontracts for subsystems, assemblies, components, and related services for major systems. It is further the policy of the United States that its prime contractors establish procedures to ensure the timely payment of amounts due pursuant to the terms of their subcontracts with small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUB Zone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, and women-owned small business concerns.

The Contractor hereby fully agrees to carry out this policy in the awarding of subcontracts consistent with efficient contract performance. The Contractor further agrees to cooperate in any studies or surveys as may be conducted by the United States Small Business Administration or the awarding agency of the United States as may be necessary to determine the extent of the Contractor's compliance with this clause.

Contractors acting in good faith may rely on written representations by their subcontractors regarding their status as a small business concern, a veteran-owned small business concern, a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern, HUB Zone small business concern, a small disadvantaged business concern, or a women-owned small business concern.

#### **Type of Contract**

The final contract form shall be negotiated between and be mutually acceptable to the parties. Any contract resulting from this effort will be negotiated at the sole discretion of the County of Cumberland (the County).

#### **Clarifications and Interpretations**

Any clarifications or interpretations of this RFP that materially affect or change its requirement will be provided by the County as an addendum. These items must be received by the County 10 days prior to the proposal due date to allow for proper notification. All such addenda issued by the County shall be issued before the proposals are due as part of the RFP, and all Respondents shall acknowledge receipt of and incorporate each addendum in its Reponses. Any additional information or addenda will be posted on the County's website <a href="http://co.cumberland.nc.us/department/community-development">http://co.cumberland.nc.us/department/community-development</a>

# No Lobbying

Proposer acknowledges and accepts that from the Date of Issuance of the RFP until a final decision has been made by the County, it will not take any action, make any effort or support or engage others on its behalf to take actions or efforts with attempt to influence the decision-making process for this RFP in the favor of the Proposer. This includes direct contact with the County Commissioners, County Manager, County Staff of Cumberland County, and others who may be engaged in the process or grant program. Additionally, the Proposer acknowledges and accepts that it will not attempt to use public communication such as the news media, social media, etc. as a means of attempting to influence the RFP evaluation or decision-making process. Any Proposer violating any of the conditions is subject to immediate disqualification for consideration

# No Reimbursement for Costs

The Proposer acknowledges and accepts that any costs incurred from the Proposer's participation in this RFP shall be at the sole risk and responsibility of the Proposer.

#### Eligible Respondents

Only individual firms or lawfully formed business organizations may apply (this does not preclude a Proposer from using consultants). The County will contract only with the individual firm or formal organization that submits its Responses.

#### Reference Checks

Proposer acknowledges and accepts that through the RFP evaluation process reference checks and background investigation may be conducted as part of the due-diligence process.

#### **Disposition of Proposals**

All submitted proposals become the property of the County.

#### **Nonconforming Terms and Conditions**

A proposal that includes terms and conditions that do not conform to the terms and conditions in the RFP is subject to rejection as non-responsive. The County reserves the right to permit the Proposer to withdraw nonconforming terms and conditions from its proposal prior to a determination by the County of non-responsiveness based on the submission of nonconforming terms and conditions.

# **Debarment and Suspension**

By submitting a proposal, the Proposer certifies that it is not currently debarred nor suspended from submitting proposal for contracts issued by any political subdivision or agency of the State of North Carolina or the Federal government and that it is not a person or entity that is currently debarred or suspended from submitting proposals from contracts issued by any political subdivision or agency of the State of North Carolina or the Federal government. Proposer must be registered at Sam.gov to be eligible.

# **Licensing and Insurance Requirements**

Proposers will be required to provide evidence of any relevant licenses, certifications and other credentials that relate to the services that the Proposer proposes to provide.

The Proposer shall maintain in force for the duration of the contract the required license and insurance requirement.

Professional Liability containing errors and omissions coverage in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 (One Million Dollars).

Workers' Compensation and Employees Liability, in accordance with North Carolina state compensation laws. Employer's Liability shall not be less than \$500,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident, \$500,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease, and \$500,000 policy limit.

Commercial General Liability with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of not less than \$1,000,000 (One Million Dollars) per occurrence to protect the County against claims for bodily injury or death and damage, loss, or theft of equipment and property of others. This shall cover the use of all equipment and vehicles not covered by Automobile Liability. This shall include premises and/or operations; independent Proposers; products and completed operations and contractual liability.

Business Auto Liability and if necessary, Commercial Umbrella Liability Insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each accident. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any auto, including owned, hired, and non-owned autos.

The County is to be listed as Additional Insured and Certificate Holder on liability policies. The County requires a valid, up to date copy of your policy to be maintained on file during the duration of any service or project, if applicable.

#### ATTACHMENT A: INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. **READ, REVIEW AND COMPLY:** It shall be the contractor's responsibility to read this entire document, review all enclosures and attachments, and any addenda thereto, and comply with all requirements specified herein, regardless of whether appearing in these Instructions to Bidders or elsewhere in this RFP document.
- 2. <u>LATE PROPOSALS</u>: Late proposals, regardless of cause, will not be opened or considered, and will automatically be disqualified from further consideration. It shall be the contractor's sole responsibility to ensure delivery at the designated office by the designated time.
- 3. <u>ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION</u>: The County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive minor informality in proposals and to reject proposal with non-minor informalities, based on the sole discretion of the County.
- **4. EXECUTION:** Failure to sign EXECUTION PAGE in the indicated space will render proposal non-responsive, and it shall be rejected.
- 5. GIFTS: Gifts and favors to the County of any kind in any amount are prohibited.
- **6. SUSTAINABILITY**: To support the sustainability efforts of the County of Cumberland we solicit your cooperation in this effort. All copies of the proposal are printed <u>double sided</u>.
- 7. <u>HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES</u>: Pursuant to General Statute 143-48 and Executive Order #150 (1999), the County invites and encourages participation in this procurement process by businesses owned by minorities, women, disabled, disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled.
- 8. <u>INFORMAL COMMENTS</u>: The County shall not be bound by informal explanations, instructions or information given at any time by anyone on behalf of the County during the competitive process or after award. The County is bound only by information provided in this RFP and in formal Addenda issued through the State's IPS and the County's Vendor Self Service website.
- 9. <u>COST FOR PROPOSAL PREPARATION</u>: Any costs incurred by contractor in preparing or submitting offers are the Contractor's sole responsibility; the County of Cumberland will not reimburse any vendor for any costs incurred.
- 10. <u>VENDOR'S REPRESENTATIVE</u>: Each contractor shall submit with its proposal the name, address, and telephone number of the person(s) with authority to bind the firm and answer questions or provide clarification concerning the firm's proposal.
- 11. <u>SUBCONTRACTING</u>: The Contractor shall not assign or subcontract the work, or any part thereof, without the previous consent of Cumberland County, nor shall it assign, by power of attorney, operation of law, or otherwise, any moneys payable under the Contract without prior written consent of the County.

If the vendor proposes to subcontract work in this project, the subcontractor and the activity in this project are to be identified in the proposal.

All subcontractors must be approved by the County and must conform to and comply with the same terms, standards, and specifications applicable to the contracting firm.

The contractor shall be fully responsible and accountable to the County for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors, and of persons directly or indirectly employed by him.

- 12. <u>INSPECTION AT VENDOR'S SITE</u>: The County reserves the right to inspect, at a reasonable time, the equipment/item, plant or other facilities of a prospective vendor prior to Contract award, and during the Contract term as necessary for the County determination that such equipment/item, plant or other facilities conform with the specifications/requirements and are adequate and suitable for the proper and effective performance of the Contract.
- 13. <u>AFFIRMATIVE ACTION</u>: The contractor will take affirmative action in complying with all Federal and County requirements concerning fair employment and employment of people with disabilities, and concerning the treatment of all employees without regard to discrimination by reason of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or disability.
- 14. <u>VENDOR REGISTRATION</u>: Vendor's are not required to register as a vendor in our system in order to submit a bid; however, registration is recommended so that vendor information is available for future opportunities. New vendors can register by visiting the following URL: https://ccmunis.co.cumberland.nc.us/MSS/Vendors/Registration/Default.aspx.

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#### ATTACHMENT B: LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

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

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. 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.

The Contractor,	_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each			
statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees				
the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Admi	nistrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to			
this certification and disclosure, if any.	20 <b>20 7</b>			
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Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized	Official			
Date				

# ATTACHMENT C: FEDERAL REQUIRED CONTRACT CLAUSES

# **Federal Contracting Requirements**

This *Attachment C* is incorporated into the Construction Contract between the County and the Contractor. Capitalized terms not defined in this Attachment shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Contract. All references to the "Contractor" or "Company" or "Vendor" or "Provider" shall be deemed to mean the Contractor.

This Contract may be funded in whole or in part with federal funding. As such, federal laws, regulations, policies, and related administrative practices apply to this Contract. The most recent of such federal requirements, including any amendments made after the execution of this Contract shall govern the Contract, unless the federal government determines otherwise. The Contractor is responsible for complying with all applicable provisions, updates or modifications that occur in the future relating to these clauses.

To the extent possible, the federal requirements contained in the most recent version of the Uniform Administrative Requirements for federal awards (Uniform Rules) codified at 2.CFR Part 200, including any certifications and contractual provisions required by any federal statutes or regulation referenced therein to be included in this contract are deemed incorporated into this contract by reference and shall be incorporated into any sub-agreement or subcontract executed by the Contractor pursuant to its obligations under this Contract. The Contractor and its sub-contractors, if any, hereby represent and covenant that they have complied and shall comply in the future with the applicable provisions of the original contract then in effect and with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and rules and local policies and procedures, as amended from time to time, relating to Work to be performed under this contract.

# 1. Drug Free Workplace Requirements

Drug-free workplace requirements in accordance with Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 (Pub 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D). All contractors entering into federal funded contracts over \$100,000 must comply with Federal Drug Free workplace requirements as Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988.

# 2. Contractor Compliance

The Contractor shall comply with all uniform administrative requirements, cost principles, and audit requirement for federal awards.

#### 3. Conflict of Interest

The Contractor must disclose in writing any potential conflict of interest to the County of Cumberland or pass through entity in accordance with federal policy.

# 4. Mandatory Disclosures

The Contractor must disclose in writing all violations of federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the federal award. **Energy Conservation** The Contractor and Subcontractors agrees to comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6321, et seq.

#### 5. Clean Air Act and The Federal Water Pollution Control Act

#### Clean Air Act:

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

#### **Federal Water Pollution Control Act:**

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

# 6. Access to Records and Reports

The following access to records requirements applies to this contract:

- (1) The Contractor agrees to provide the County, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- (2) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- (4) In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the County and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### 7. No Obligation by Federal Government

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

#### 8. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

#### 9. Changes

Any change in the contract cost, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, within the scope of its funding, grant, or cooperative agreement, and reasonable for the completion of project scope. All changes and/or amendments to the contract will be outlined in detail, formalized in writing, and signed by the authorized representative of each party. Contractor's failure to do so shall constitute a material breach of the contract.

# 10. Termination

- (1) *Termination Without Cause*. The County may immediately terminate this Agreement at any time without cause by giving 30 days' written notice to the Contractor.
- (2) Termination for Default by Either Party. By giving written notice to the other party, either party may terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of one or more of the following events:

The other party violates or fails to perform any covenant, provision, obligation, term or condition contained in this Agreement, provided that, unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, such failure or violation shall not be cause for termination if both of the following conditions are satisfied: (i) such default is reasonably susceptible to cure; and (ii) the other party cures such default within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notice of default from the non-defaulting party; or

The other party attempts to assign, terminate, or cancel this Agreement contrary to the terms hereof; or

The other party ceases to do business as a going concern, makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, admits in writing its inability to pay debts as they become due, files a petition in bankruptcy or has an involuntary bankruptcy petition filed against it (except in connection with a reorganization under which the business of such party is continued and performance of all its obligations under this Agreement shall continue), or if a receiver, trustee or liquidator is appointed for it or any substantial part of other party's assets or properties.

Any notice of default pursuant to this Section shall identify and state the party's intent to terminate this Agreement if the default is not cured within the specified period.

(3) Additional Grounds for Default Termination by the County. By giving written notice to the Contractor, the County may also terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of one or more of the following events (which shall each constitute grounds for termination without a cure period and without the occurrence of any of the other events of default previously listed):

The Contractor makes or allows to be made any material written misrepresentation or provides any materially misleading written information in connection with this Agreement, Contractor's Proposal, or any covenant, agreement, obligation, term, or condition contained in this Agreement; or

The Contractor takes or fails to take any action which constitutes grounds for immediate termination under the terms of this Agreement, including but not limited to failure to obtain or maintain the insurance policies and endorsements as required by this Agreement, or failure to provide the proof of insurance as required by this Agreement.

(4) Cancellation of Orders and Subcontracts. In the event this Agreement is terminated by the County for any reason prior to the end of the term, the Contractor shall upon termination immediately discontinue all

service in connection with this Agreement and promptly cancel all existing orders and subcontracts, which are chargeable to this Agreement. As soon as practicable after receipt of notice of termination, the Contractor shall submit a statement to the County showing in detail the services performed under this Agreement to the date of termination.

- (5) No Effect on Taxes, Fees, Charges, or Reports. Any termination of the Agreement shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligation to pay any fees, taxes or other charges then due to the County, nor relieve the Contractor of the obligation to file any daily, monthly, quarterly or annual reports covering the period to termination nor relieve the Contractor from any claim for damages previously accrued or then accruing against the Contractor.
- (6) Obligations Upon Expiration or Termination. Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, the Contractor shall promptly (a) return to the County all computer programs, files, documentation, data, media, related material and any other recording devices, information, or compact discs that are owned by the County; (b) deliver to the County all Work Product; (c) allow the County or a new vendor access to the systems, software, infrastructure, or processes of the Contractor that are necessary to migrate the Services to a new vendor; and (d) refund to the County all pre-paid sums for Products or Services that have been cancelled and will not be delivered.
- (7) No Suspension. In the event that the County disputes in good faith an allegation of default by the Contractor, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Contractor agrees that it will not terminate this Agreement or suspend or limit the delivery of Products or Services or any warranties or repossess, disable or render unusable any Software supplied by the Contractor, unless (i) the parties agree in writing, or (ii) an order of a court of competent jurisdiction determines otherwise.
- (8) Authority to Terminate. The County Manager or their designee is authorized to terminate this Agreement on behalf of the County.
- (9) Audit. During the term of the Agreement and for a period of one (1) year after termination or expiration of this Agreement for any reason, the County shall have the right to audit, either itself or through a third party, all books and records (including but not limited to the technical records) and facilities of the Contractor necessary to evaluate Contractor's compliance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement or the County's payment obligations. The County shall pay its own expenses, relating to such audits, but shall not have to pay any expenses or additional costs of the Contractor. However, if non-compliance is found that would have cost the County in excess of \$5,000 but for the audit, then the Contractor shall be required to reimburse the County for the cost of the audit.

# 11. Remedies

(1) Liquidated Damages: The County and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that the County may incur costs if the Contractor fails to meet the delivery times set forth in the Request for Proposal for the Products and Services. The parties further acknowledge and agree that: (a) the County may be damaged by such failures, including loss of goodwill and administrative costs; but that (b) the costs that the County might reasonably be anticipated to accrue as a result of such failures are difficult to ascertain due to their indefiniteness and uncertainty. Accordingly, the Contractor agrees to pay liquidated damages at the rates set forth in the Request for Proposal (if applicable). The parties agree that the liquidated damages set forth in the Request for Proposal shall be the County's exclusive remedy for loss of goodwill and administrative

costs, attributable to a failure by the Contractor to meet such delivery times, but shall not be the remedy for the cost to cover or other direct damages.

(2) Right to Cover: If the Contractor fails to meet any completion date or resolution time set forth in this Agreement (including the Exhibits), and it fails to cure such default within one (1) business day after receiving written notice from the County of such failure, the County may take any of the following actions with or without terminating this Agreement, and in addition to and without limiting any other remedies it may have:

Employ such means as it may reasonably deem advisable and appropriate to perform itself or obtain the Services from a third party until the matter is resolved and the Contractor is again able to resume performance under this Agreement; and

Deduct any and all reasonable expenses incurred by the County in obtaining or performing the Services from any money then due or to become due the Contractor and, should the County's reasonable cost of obtaining or performing the services exceed the amount due the Contractor, collect the difference from the Contractor.

- (3) Right to Withhold Payment. If the Contractor materially breaches any provision of this Agreement, the County shall have a right to withhold all payments due to the Contractor with respect to the services that are the subject of such breach until such breach has been fully cured.
- (4) Specific Performance and Injunctive Relief. The Contractor agrees that due to the potential impact on public health, monetary damages may not be an adequate remedy for the Contractor's failure to provide the Services required by this Agreement, and monetary damages may not be the equivalent of the performance of such obligation. Accordingly, the Contractor hereby agrees that the County may seek an order granting specific performance of such obligations of the Contractor in a court of competent jurisdiction in Cumberland County, North Carolina. The Contractor further consents to the County seeking injunctive relief (including a temporary restraining order) to assure performance in the event the Contractor breaches the Agreement in any material respect.
- (5) Setoff. Each party shall be entitled to setoff and deduct from any amounts owed to the other party pursuant to this Agreement all damages and expenses incurred as a result of the other party's breach of this Agreement, following any applicable cure periods, and provided such party has given notice of its intention to apply a setoff prior to making the payment deduction, together with documentary evidence demonstrating that such party has actually incurred the damages and/or expenses being setoff.
- (6) Other Remedies. Except as specifically set forth in the main body of this Agreement, the remedies set forth above shall be deemed cumulative and not exclusive and may be exercised successively or concurrently, in addition to any other available remedy

#### 12. Debarment and Suspension

(1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the County. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

# 13. Equal Employment Opportunity

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: *Provided*, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it

fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

# 14. Davis-Bacon Requirements

- (1) All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
- (2) Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
- (3) Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

# 15. Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act

- (1) Contractor. The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
- (2) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all these contract clauses.
- (3) Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12."

#### 16. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

Where applicable, all contracts awarded in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must be in compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5).

- (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 (b) (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 (b) (1) of this section, in the sum of \$26 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 (b) (1) of this section.

- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The Owner 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 (b)(2) of this section.
- (4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(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 (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

# 17. Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement

# Patent and Rights in Data

Contracts involving experimental, developmental, or research work.

The term "subject data" used in this clause means recorded information, whether or not copyrighted, that is delivered or specified to be delivered under the contract. The term includes graphic or pictorial delineation in media such as drawings or photographs; text in specifications or related performance or design-type documents; machine forms such as punched cards, magnetic tape, or computer memory printouts; and information retained in computer memory. Examples include, but are not limited to, computer software, engineering drawings and associated lists, specifications, standards, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information. The term "subject data" does not include financial reports, cost analyses, and similar information incidental to contract administration.

**Rights in Data** - The following requirements apply to each contract involving experimental, developmental or research work:

The following restrictions apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of the contract to which this Attachment has been added:

(1) Except for its own internal use, the Purchaser or Contractor may not publish or reproduce subject data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may the Purchaser or Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of the Federal Government, until such time as the Federal Government may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public; this restriction on publication, however, does not apply to any contract with an academic institution. In accordance with 49 CFR § 18.34 and 49 CFR § 19.36, the Federal Government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for "Federal Government purposes," any subject data or copyright described in subsections (2)(b)(i) and (2)(b)(ii) of this clause below. As used in the previous sentence, "for Federal Government purposes," means use only for the direct purposes of the

Federal Government. Without the copyright owner's consent, the Federal Government may not extend its Federal license to any other party.

- (2) Any subject data developed under that contract, whether or not a copyright has been obtained; and
- (3) Any rights of copyright purchased by the Purchaser or Contractor using Federal assistance in whole or in part.
- (4) When federal assistance is awarded for experimental, developmental, or research work, it is the general intention to increase knowledge available to the public rather than to restrict the benefits resulting from the work to participants in that work. Therefore, unless determined otherwise, the Purchaser and the Contractor performing experimental, developmental, or research work required by the underlying contract to which this Attachment is added agree to make available to the public, either the license in the copyright to any subject data developed in the course of that contract or a copy of the subject data first produced under the contract for which a copyright has not been obtained. If the experimental, developmental, or research work, which is the subject of the underlying contract, is not completed for any reason whatsoever, all data developed under that contract shall become subject data as defined in subsection (a) of this clause and shall be delivered as the Federal Government may direct. This subsection (c), however, does not apply to adaptations of automatic data processing equipment or programs for the Purchaser or Contractor's use whose costs are financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.
- (5) Unless prohibited by state law, upon request by the Federal Government, the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Federal Government, its officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by the Purchaser or Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under that contract. Neither the Purchaser nor the Contractor shall be required to indemnify the Federal Government for any such liability arising out of the wrongful act of any employee, official, or agents of the Federal Government.
- (6) Nothing contained in this clause regarding rights in data shall imply a license to the Federal Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Federal Government under any patent.
- (7) Data developed by the Purchaser or Contractor and financed entirely without the use of Federal assistance that has been incorporated into work required by the underlying contract to which this Attachment has been added is exempt from the requirements of subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, provided that the Purchaser or Contractor identifies that data in writing at the time of delivery of the contract work.
- (8) Unless determined otherwise, the Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.
- (9) Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, irrespective of the Contractor 's status (i.e., a large business, small business, state government or state instrumentality, local government, nonprofit organization, institution of higher education, individual, etc.), the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to take the necessary actions to provide those rights in that invention due the Federal

Government as described in U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," 37 CFR Part 401.

(10) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

**Patent Rights** - The following requirements apply to each contract involving experimental, developmental, or research work:

- (1) General If any invention, improvement, or discovery is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under the contract to which this Attachment has been added, and that invention, improvement, or discovery is patentable under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country, the Purchaser and Contractor agree to take actions necessary to provide immediate notice and a detailed report to the party at a higher tier.
- (2) Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, irrespective of the Contractor 's status (a large business, small business, state government or state instrumentality, local government, nonprofit organization, institution of higher education, individual), the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to take the necessary actions to provide those rights in that invention due the Federal Government as described in U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," 37 CFR Part 401.
- (3) The Contractor also agrees to include the requirements of this clause in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

#### 18. Procurement of Recovered Materials

- (1) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:
- Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule.
- Meeting contract performance requirements.
- At a reasonable price.
- (2) Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.
- (3) The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act."

#### 19. Safeguarding Personal Identifiable Information:

Contractor will take reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable information and other information designated as sensitive by the awarding agency or is considered sensitive consistent with applicable federal, state, and/or local laws regarding privacy and obligations of confidentiality.

#### 20. DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags

The Contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without pre-approval by the specific federal agency.

#### 21. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

### 22. Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders

This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

# 23. Section 3 Clause

Compliance with the provisions of Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, as amended, and as implemented by the regulations set forth in 24 CFR 135, and all applicable rules and orders issued hereunder prior to the execution of any contract, shall be a condition of the Federal financial assistance provided under this contract and biding upon Contractor, and any of its subcontractors, their successors and assigns, to those sanctions specified by the contract through which Federal assistance is provided. Contractor certifies and agrees that no contractual or other disability exists that would prevent compliance with these requirements.

Contractor further agrees to comply with these "Section 3" requirements and to include the following language in all subcontracts executed under a contract resulting from this RFP:

"The work to be performed under this Agreement is a project assisted under a program providing direct Federal financial assistance from HUD and is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701). Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to low-and very low-income residents of the project area, and that contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that provide economic opportunities for low- and very low-income persons residing in the metropolitan aera in which the project is located."

# ATTACHMENT D: NONCOLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

My Commission Expires:

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT State of North Carolina County of Cumberland
, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:
1. He/She is the of, the proposer that has submitted the attached proposal.
2. He/She is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached proposal and of a pertinent circumstances respecting such proposal.
3. Such proposal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham proposal.
4. Neither the said proposer nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees of parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other proposer firm or person to submit a collusive or sham proposal in connection with the contract for which the attached proposal has been submitted or to refrain from proposing in connection with such contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly sought by agreement or collusion of communication or conference with any other proposer, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached proposal or of any other proposers, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the proposal price of the proposal of any other proposer or to secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance of unlawful agreement any advantage against the County of Cumberland or any person interested in the proposed contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the attached proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the proposer or any of its agents representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.
Signature
Printed Name:
Title:
Date:
Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me,
This day of
Notary Public