

Raleigh Housing Authority (RHA)
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
Development Consulting Services

Single copies of this RFP may be obtained at no cost by visiting RHA's website <https://www.rhaonline.com/business-opportunities/bid-status/open-bids/>. All firms should register their interest by sending an e-mail to trinaw@rhaonline.com. In the event addenda are issued, they will be issued via e-mail and posted on www.rhaonline.com.

PROPOSAL DEADLINE:

All proposals must be received at the following address no later than 3:00 p.m. (EST), on October 2, 2023.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION:

An original proposal must be emailed to RHA at trinaw@rhaonline.com. No oral or faxed proposals will be accepted. The e-mail must be clearly marked with the words "**RFP Repositioning Consulting Services**." All proposals must be received by the deadline stated above.

All responses submitted are subject to these instructions and the Supplemental Instructions to the Offerors, Non-Construction HUD Form 5369-B, contained in Appendix 2.

During the period between issuance of this RFP and the proposed due date, no oral interpretation of the RFP's requirements will be given to any prospective Offeror. Requests for interpretation (and other questions) must be made at least 5 days before the submission due date and time to trinaw@rhaonline.com.

During the period of advertisement for this RFP, RHA may wish to amend, add to, or delete from the contents of this RFP. In such situations, RHA will issue an addendum to the RFP setting forth the nature of the modification. All addenda will be posted on RHA's website at <https://www.rhaonline.com/business-opportunities/bid-status/>. It is the responsibility of each Respondent to check RHA's website for all updated information related to this RFP.

General and Supplemental Conditions, and all other requirements contained herein, all of which are made a part of this Request for Proposals by reference. Respondents must meet RHA's insurance requirements as requested by RHA.

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Repositioning Consulting Services RFP

General Information

The Authority, a public body corporate and politic, organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina, a “public housing agency” as defined in the U. S. Housing Act of 1937, was organized in 1938 with the mission of providing safe, quality, affordable housing to low and moderate income families in the greater Raleigh community; and to promote responsibility and self-sufficiency of residents while maintaining the fiscal integrity of the agency. RHA consists of 1,248 low-income public housing units, 3,958 housing choice vouchers, and 193 RAD-PBV Vouchers. RHA’s non-profit affiliate owns 339 affordable market rate units and 145 tax credit units.

Introduction

The RHA is seeking proposals from independent contractors and/or professional firms for consulting services to provide guidance, repositioning recommendations and strategies using all available repositioning tools allowed by HUD.

Scope of Work

The consultant will provide the Raleigh Housing Authority with strategic advice and counsel related to repositioning of the Authority’s real estate holdings, development of new subsidized and affordable housing, and relations with the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The advice and counsel will include the following:

- Options, strategies and recommendations for repositioning under Section 18 of the 1937 Housing Act, including disposition methodologies, physical and functional obsolescence justifications, residential and nonresidential dispositions.
- Strategies and recommendations to increase sustainable subsidized housing under the Faircloth Amendment.
- Repositioning strategies available under RAD to support the goals of revitalization and growth of affordable and other housing resources, including, but not limited to, RAD Transfer of Assistance and RAD Section 18 blends.
- Assistance with pursuing existing and emerging federal funding opportunities in pursuit of RHA’s desire to meet the challenge of increasing the availability of affordable housing in its jurisdiction.
- Assistance with drafting communications for various purposes related to repositioning and development with HUD, legislative, and other personnel and officials.
- Facilitating access to key HUD staff, legislative personnel and other decision makers in Washington DC in furtherance of RHA’s objectives.
- Strategies to maximize financial resources under various repositioning options.
- Assistance with the agency’s Strategic Plan for current and future real estate holdings.
- Provide advice/legal counsel in the areas included in the scope.

Qualifications

Qualifications for successful respondents include:

- Extensive successful experience working with HUD divisions and officials, legislators, and legislative staff related to affordable housing legislation, appropriations, regulations, and a range of programs relevant to this Request for Proposals.
- Successful experience assisting PHAs with Section 18 applications including:
 - Disposition approvals
 - Applications involving scattered sites, family housing, senior developments, and nonresidential properties
 - Fair Market Value or Less than Fair Market Value justifications
 - Physical and functional obsolescence disposition justifications
 - Section 18-RAD blends
- Expert knowledge of and extensive experience assisting PHAs with successful applications for and implementation of various options available under RAD, including, but not limited to:
 - Conversions of properties with limited capital needs
 - Conversions involving LIHTC acquisition/rehab
 - Conversions with Transfer of Assistance
 - Conversions involving RAD blends
 - Faircloth to RAD conversions

Proposal Response

The following documents need to be included in the proposal response in the following order.

1. Appendix 1 in its Entirety
2. Complete and Attach the Following HUD Forms:

HUD Form 5369b (Appendix 2) – Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

HUD Form 5369c (Appendix 3) –Certifications and Representations of Offerors Non-Construction Contract

HUD Form 5370c (Appendix 4) – General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Certificate of Compliance Section 3 (Appendix 5) – Complete and attach

Non-Collusion Affidavit of Contractor (Appendix 6) – Complete and attach

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Proposed Debarment (Appendix 7) – Complete and attach

RHA Contract (Appendix 8)

Evaluation Criteria

Selection of a firm to render services pursuant to this RFP will be made in accordance with procurement regulations. The selection will be the Proposal that is in the best interest of the Authority. All responsive proposals received by the time and date specified in this RFP shall be evaluated by the RFP Evaluation Panel based on the following criteria and weights below:

Criteria	Point Value
Experience	40
Relationship with HUD	40
Pricing	20
Total Points	100

Reservation of Rights

Proposals that are incomplete with respect to the requirements listed in the proposal may be considered unresponsive and may be disqualified at RHA's discretion.

The Authority reserves the right to:

- Request additional information from any and all firms.
- Withdraw the RFP at any time.
- Accept or reject any and all Proposals.
- Take exception to these RFP specifications.
- Reject Proposals from any firm who has previously failed to perform properly and/or complete work or contracts in a timely manner, does not comply with the requirements of this RFP, or is not in a position to perform the contract.
- Be the sole judge of suitability of the services for its intended use.
- Be under no obligation to select a consultant as a result of this RFP and make no award or decline to enter negotiations should it believe no Respondent to this RFP would be capable of delivering the necessary level of service within an acceptable fee range and/or time period.
- Negotiate the fees and charges contained in the Proposal and are not obligated to accept a Proposal based upon the lowest fee schedule.
- RHA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for cause and to waive any informality in the submission process if it is in the public interest to do so; and to make the award in the best interest of RHA.

All matters set forth in a Proposal shall become the property of the Authority, may be disclosed by the Authority, and may be made available by the Authority for public inspection after the execution of the contract. The agreement between the Authority and the selected firm will be evidenced by a written contract, which shall incorporate this RFP, the Proposal, and any related correspondence. In executing such contract, the firm agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this RFP, and that all representations, warranties, and commitments in the Proposal and related correspondence are contractual obligations. In the event of any conflict in the terms and conditions between the RFP, the Proposal, and any related correspondence, the RFP shall control.

Proposal Response Questionnaire

For each consultant working on this project, provide the following:

Name of Company: _____ Name of Respondent: _____

1. Developing Section 18 applications:

Obsolescence:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

Health and safety:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

Infeasible operation:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

Scattered site:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

More efficient/effective repositioning:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

RAD & Section 18 blends:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

Non-dwelling property:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

Physical and functional obsolescence disposition justifications:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

Fair Market Value or Less than Fair Market Value justifications:

of transactions _____ total # of units across all transactions _____

2. Developing RAD applications:

Conversion Only:

of transactions _____ # approved as Principal _____ # approved Assisting _____

LIHTC/PBV Conversions:

of transactions _____ # approved as Principal _____ # approved Assisting _____

Combinations (e.g., Section 18):

of transactions _____ # approved as Principal _____ # approved Assisting _____

RAD Transfer of Assistance:

of transactions _____ # approved as Principal _____ # approved Assisting _____

3. Other Types of Repositioning Options:

Voluntary Conversions:

of Projects: _____

Faircloth:

of Projects _____

4. Experience Using LIHTC

9% # of transactions _____ # approved as Principal _____ # approved Assisting _____

4% # of transactions _____ # approved as Principal _____ # approved Assisting _____

5. Experience with HUD:

As HUD Official: # of Years _____ Highest Office: _____

Departments or Divisions: (a) _____ (b) _____

6. Give three examples where you have had to work with HUD regarding an unconventional or complicated situation regarding repositioning.

7. Hourly Rate:

Principal: _____ Principal Name _____

Associate(s): _____ Associate(s) Name _____

8. Description of Qualifications (in area provided)

Signature _____

Date _____

Instructions to Offerers Non-Construction

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing

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1. Preparation of Offers

(a) Offerers are expected to examine the statement of work, the proposed contract terms and conditions, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk.

(b) Each offeror shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the cover sheet and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the HA.

(c) Offers for services other than those specified will not be considered.

2. Submission of Offers

(a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (1) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (2) showing the time specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror.

(b) Telegraphic offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, offers may be modified by written or telegraphic notice.

(c) Facsimile offers, modifications or withdrawals will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

3. Amendments to Solicitations

(a) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

(b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments to this solicitation by

- (1) signing and returning the amendment;
- (2) identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer,
- (3) letter or telegram, or
- (4) facsimile, if facsimile offers are authorized in the solicitation. The HA/HUD must receive the acknowledgment by the time specified for receipt of offers.

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

Any prospective offerer desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, statement of work, etc., must request it in writing soon enough to allow a reply to reach all prospective offerers before the submission of their offers. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract will not be binding. Any information given to a prospective offerer concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an amendment of the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective offerors.

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

(a) The HA shall award a contract only to a responsible prospective contractor who is able to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must -

- (1) Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them;

- (2) Have a satisfactory performance record;
- (3) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of compliance with public policy (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity); and
- (5) Not have been suspended, debarred, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for award of contracts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other agency of the U.S. Government. Current lists of ineligible contractors are available for inspection at the HA/HUD.

(b) Before an offer is considered for award, the offerer *may* be requested by the HA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the foregoing requirements. Failure by the offeror to provide such additional information may render the offerer ineligible for award.

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

(a) Any offer received at the place designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and it -

- (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed *by* the 15th);
- (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/ HUD after receipt at the HA;
- (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "Working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
- (4) Is the only offer received.

(b) Any modification of an offer, except a modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer (if this solicitation is a request for proposals), is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this provision.

(c) A modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer received after the time and date specified in the request will not be considered unless received before award and the late receipt is due solely to mishandling by the HA after receipt at the HA.

(d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the offer, modification, or withdrawal shall be processed as if mailed late. "Postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the HA is the time/date stamp of HA on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the HA.

(f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an Invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

7. Contract Award

(a) The HA will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the HA, cost or price and other factors, specified **elsewhere** in this solicitation, considered.

(b) The HA may

- (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
- (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
- (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.

(c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

(d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals, before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the HA.

(e) Neither financial data submitted with an offer, nor representations concerning facilities or financing, will form a part of the resulting contract.

8. Service of Protest

Any protest against the award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation shall be served on the HA by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the HA at the address shown on the cover of this solicitation. The determination of the HA with regard to such protest or to proceed to award notwithstanding such protest shall be final unless appealed by the protestor.

9. Offer Submission

Offers shall be submitted as follows and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the office specified in the solicitation. The proposal shall show **the hour and date specified in the solicitation for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror, on the face of the envelope.**

It is very important that the offer be properly identified on the face of the envelope as set forth above in order to insure that the date and time of receipt is stamped on the face of the offer envelope. Receiving procedures are: date and time stamp those envelopes identified as proposals and deliver them immediately to the appropriate contracting official, and only date stamp those envelopes which do not contain identification of the contents and deliver them to the appropriate procuring activity only through the routine mail delivery procedure.

(Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:)

Certifications and Representations of Offerors Non-Construction Contract

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

This form includes clauses required by OMB's common rule on bidding/offering procedures, implemented by HUD in 24 CFR 85.36, and those requirements set forth in Executive Order 11625 for small, minority, women-owned businesses, and certifications for independent price determination, and conflict of interest. The form is required for nonconstruction contracts awarded by Housing Agencies (HAs). The form is used by bidders/offerors to certify to the HA's Contracting Officer for contract compliance. If the form were not used, HAs would be unable to enforce their contracts. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality.

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

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

(1) has, has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and

(2) has, has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.

(b) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a) (2) above is affirmative, the bidder/offeror shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA Contracting Officer.

(c) Any misrepresentation by the bidder/offeror shall give the PHA the right to (1) terminate the resultant contract; (2) at its discretion, to deduct from contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

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

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

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

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

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

For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(Check the block applicable to you)

Black Americans Asian Pacific Americans

Hispanic Americans Asian Indian Americans

Native Americans Hasidic Jewish Americans

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

(1) The prices in this bid/offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder/offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid/offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;

(2) The prices in this bid/offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder/offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder/offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid/offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the bid/offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:

(1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or

(2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above (insert full name of person(s) in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder/offeror's organization);

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

(c) If the bidder/offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid/offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

(a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under a proposed contract and a prospective contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interest are such that:

- (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage;
- (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired; or
- (iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

(b) The Contractor agrees that if after award he or she discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the HA which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the Contract for the convenience of HA if it would be in the best interest of HA.

(c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this Contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the HA, the HA may terminate the Contract for default.

(d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

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

6. Conflict of Interest

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

7. Offeror's Signature

The offeror hereby certifies that the information contained in these certifications and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title:

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 1/01/2014)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.08 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Reports Management Officer, Office of Information Policies and Systems, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C. 20410-3600; and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (2577-0157), Washington, D.C. 20503. Do not send this completed form to either of these addressees.

Applicability. This form HUD-5370C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

in the classification under this Contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

- 1) Non-construction contracts (*without* maintenance) greater than \$100,000 - use Section I;
- 2) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 968.105) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$100,000 - use Section II; and
- 3) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$100,000 – use Sections I and II.

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Section II – Labor Standard Provisions for all Maintenance Contracts greater than \$2,000
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1. Minimum Wages

- (a) All maintenance laborers and mechanics employed under this Contract in the operation of the project(s) shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than semi-monthly, and without subsequent deduction (except as otherwise provided by law or regulations), the full amount of wages due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill. 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 classifications and wage rates approved by HUD under subparagraph 1(b), 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) (i) Any class of laborers or mechanics 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. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate only when the following criteria have been met:
 - (1) The work to be performed by the classification required is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;
 - (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the industry; and
 - (3) The proposed wage rate bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (ii) The wage rate determined pursuant to this paragraph shall be paid to all workers performing work

2. Withholding of funds

The Contracting Officer, upon his/her own action or upon request of HUD, shall withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this Contract or any other contract subject to HUD-determined wage rates, with the same prime Contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by this clause. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic employed under this Contract all or part of the wages required under this Contract, the Contracting Officer or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment or advance until such violations have ceased. The Public Housing Agency or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for and on account of the Contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due.

3. Records

- (a) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make and maintain for three (3) years from the completion of the work records containing the following for each laborer and mechanic:
 - (i) Name, address and Social Security Number;
 - (ii) Correct work classification or classifications;
 - (iii) Hourly rate or rates of monetary wages paid;
 - (iv) Rate or rates of any fringe benefits provided;
 - (v) Number of daily and weekly hours worked;
 - (vi) Gross wages earned;
 - (vii) Any deductions made; and
 - (viii) Actual wages paid.
- (b) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3(a) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or the HA and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or any subcontractor fails to make the required records available, HUD or its designee 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.

4. Apprentices and Trainees

- (a) Apprentices and trainees will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in:
 - (i) A bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of

Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services (OATELS), or with a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS, or if a person is employed in his/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 OATELS or a state apprenticeship agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice;

- (ii) A trainee program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, ETA; or
 - (iii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD.
- (b) Each apprentice or trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered or approved program for the apprentice's/trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices and trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the registered or approved program. If the program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices/trainees must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification.
- (c) The allowable ratio of apprentices or trainees to journeyman on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the employer as to the entire work force under the approved program.
- (d) Any worker employed at an apprentice or trainee wage rate who is not registered in an approved program, and any apprentice or trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the approved program, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed.
- (e) In the event OATELS, a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS or ETA, or HUD, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship or trainee program, the employer will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices/trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

5. Disputes concerning labor standards

- (a) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions contained in Section II of this form HUD-5370-C, other than those in Paragraph 6, shall be subject to the following procedures. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, or HUD, or the employees or their representatives, concerning payment of prevailing wage rates or proper classification. The procedures in this section may be initiated upon HUD's own motion, upon referral of the HA, or upon request of the Contractor or subcontractor(s).
- (i) A Contractor and/or subcontractor or other interested party desiring reconsideration of findings of violation by the HA or HUD relating to the payment of straight-time prevailing wages or classification of work shall request such reconsideration by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days of the date of notice of findings issued by the HA or HUD. The request shall set

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD).

- (ii) The HA or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings of violation. The written decision on reconsideration shall contain instructions that any appeal of the decision shall be addressed to the Regional Labor Relations Officer by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days after the date of the decision. In the event that the Regional Labor Relations Officer was the deciding official on reconsideration, the appeal shall be directed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations (HUD). Any appeal must set forth the aspects of the decision that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations.
 - (iii) The Regional Labor Relations Officer shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the decision on reconsideration) after receipt of a timely appeal, issue a written decision on the findings. A decision of the Regional Labor Relations Officer may be appealed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations, by letter postmarked within 30 days of the Regional Labor Relations Officer's decision. Any appeal to the Director must set forth the aspects of the prior decision(s) that are in dispute and the reasons. The decision of the Director, Office of Labor Relations, shall be final.
- (b) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of paragraph 6 shall not be subject to paragraph 5(a) of this form HUD-5370C. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the U.S. Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6 and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph 5(b) include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, HUD, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

The provisions of this paragraph 6 are applicable only where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" includes watchmen and guards.

- (a) **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 40 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 40 hours in such workweek.
- (b) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph 6(a), 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 the 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 provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause, 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 40 hours without payment of the overtime wages required by provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause.

- (c) **Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.** HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the U.S. 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 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 provisions set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause.

7. Subcontracts

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts all the provisions contained in this Section II and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these provisions in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the provisions contained in these clauses.

8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

Any prevailing wage rate (including basic hourly rate and any fringe benefits), determined under state law to be prevailing, with respect to any employee in any trade or position employed under the Contract, is inapplicable to the contract and shall not be enforced against the Contractor or any subcontractor, with respect to employees engaged under the contract whenever such non-Federal prevailing wage rate, exclusive of any fringe benefits, exceeds the applicable wage rate determined by the Secretary of HUD to be prevailing in the locality with respect to such trade or position.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE - SECTION 3

Certification of Compliance with Regulations to Section 3 of Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 as required for participation in (name of project)

PURPOSE, AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U. S. C., 1731u (hereinafter Section 3) requires that to the greatest extent feasible, employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall be directed to low-income and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.

_____ (hereinafter called the Company), CERTIFIES that upon being awarded a contract to _____ in Raleigh, NC; that the Company:

- a) is under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent it from complying with requirements of Section 3 as set forth in 24 CFR part 135; and
- b) will comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135; and
- c) will send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the Company has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, a notice advising the labor organization or the representative or workers of the Company's commitments under Section 3; and
- d) will include this Section 3 Certification of Compliance in every subcontract subject to compliance with the regulations found in 24 CR Part 135 and further agrees to take the appropriate action pursuant to those regulations in the event the subcontractor is found to be in violation of 24 CFR Part 135; and
- e) will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the Company has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of any provision of 24 CFR Part 135; and
- f) will not fill any vacant employment positions, including training positions, a. after the Company is selected but before the contract is executed, and b. with persons other than those to who the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, in order to circumvent the Company's obligations under 24 CFR Part 135; and
- g) will, to the extent feasible, make a good faith effort to utilize the services of businesses located in or substantially owned by persons who live within the project boundaries.

Company Name _____
 Name and Title _____
 Signature _____
 Date _____

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF CONTRACTOR

_____ does hereby state: _____ (name)

1. S/He is the _____ of (owner, partner, officer, or representative) _____ hereinafter referred to as Contractor.
_____ (business name)

2. S/He is fully knowledgeable of the preparation and contents of Subcontractor's proposals which were submitted to (Contractor); _____ for specific work required in connection with a _____ project titled _____ and located at: _____

3. Said Contractor's proposal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham proposal;

4. Neither the Contractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, including myself, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other bidder, firm, or person to submit a collusive or sham proposal in connection with such contract or to refrain from submitting a proposal in connection with such contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other bidder, firm, or person to fix the price or prices in said Contractor's Proposal, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the price or prices in said Contractor's Proposal, or to secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against Home Forward, or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and

5. The price or prices quoted in the Contractor's Proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including myself.

Signed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Witnessed by: _____

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, PROPOSED DEBARMENT

1. The officer certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief that:

1.1. The offeror and/or any of its Principals:

1.1.1. Are are not (check one) presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any agency using Federal funds:

1.1.2. Have have not (check one) within a three-year period preceding this offer, 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) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; and are are not (check one) presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated above.

1.1.3. The Officer has has not (check one) within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any Federal, state, or local agency.

1.2. "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

THIS CERTIFICATION CONCERNS A MATTER WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF ANY AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE MAKING OF A FALSE, FICTITIOUS, OR FRAUDULENT CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER THE MAKER SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 1001, TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.

1.2.1. The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Contracting Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

1.2.2. A certification that any of the items in Section I of this provision exists will not necessarily result in withholding award under this proposal. However, the certification will be considered in connection with a determination of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish a certification or provide such additional information as requested by the Contracting Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsive.

1.2.3. 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 Section I of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror are not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

1.2.4. The certification in Section I of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to NRHA, the Contracting Office may terminate the contracting resulting from this proposal for default.

Company Name _____

Name and Title _____

Signature _____

Date _____