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Department of Transportation
Division of Bridges

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

**QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES FOR IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION OF
STRUCTURAL STEEL**

IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

PIN 84108MBBR269

RELEASE DATE OF THE RFP: July 28, 2008

**ANTICIPATED CONTRACT TERM: 1095 Consecutive Calendar Days from Date of
Written Notice to Proceed with an option to renew
for an additional one (1) year at the sole discretion
of the Department, under the exception for wage
increases (to compensate for any escalation).**

AUTHORIZED AGENCY CONTACT PERSON

Proposers are advised that the Authorized Agency Contact Person for all matters concerning this Request for Proposal is:

Dr. Paul-Michael Kazas
Director, Capital Procurement
2 Rector Street, 8th Floor
New York, NY 10006
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Fax: (212) 442-9885



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July 28, 2008

Re: Request for Proposals for
Quality Assurance Services for
In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada
Contract No. HBCD005B
PIN 84108MBBR269

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to invite your organization to submit a proposal for Inspection Services to assist the Division of Bridges with its Capital Infrastructure Improvement Program. Specifically, the proposal will be for Engineering Services in connection with the above noted contract.

Please be advised that a Pre-Proposal Conference has been scheduled for August 7, 2008 at 10:30 AM, at 2 Rector Street, 8th Floor Conference Room. Due to limited space, no more than (2) representatives from each interested firm will be permitted to attend.

Enclosed for your use in developing your proposal is a set of forms with instructions for the above-referenced project. Be further advised that the selected proposer should not subcontract more than 49% of the contract work. In addition, please ensure compliance with all M/WBE requirements as incorporated in this contract. ***Schedule B: Subcontractor Utilization Plan must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with the technical proposal.*** You should follow the submittal instructions carefully.

You should hand deliver your proposal, as indicated in Section IV of the RFP, to the **NYC Department of Transportation, Contract Section, 8th Floor - Room 824A, 40 Worth Street, New York, New York 10013 on or before August 29, 2008 between the hours of 9:00am and 2:00pm only on business days.**

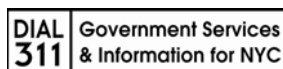
In order that we can expeditiously disseminate additional information regarding this RFP, please complete the attached "**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FORM**" and return to Dr. Paul Michael Kazas within 48 Hours of receipt of this RFP by Fax: (212) 442-9885.

All questions concerning this invitation must be faxed to Dr. Paul-Michael-Kazas at (212) 442-9885 on or before August 18, 2008. If you need to contact by telephone, please call (212) 442-7654.

Very truly yours,

Dr. Paul Michael Kazas
Director of Capital Procurement

Enclosure



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

**WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU FAX THIS SHEET TO US TO ENSURE THAT YOU RECEIVE ALL
FUTURE ADDENDA
ATTN.: DR. PAUL-MICHAEL KAZAS- FAX: (212) 442-9885**

WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE RFP - SEND ANY TECHNICAL ADDENDA TO THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED BELOW:

Consultant:		
Address:		
City	State	ZIP
Contact Person:	Phone #:	Email:
RFP Contract Number (Fill in): Contract No. HBCD005B, PIN 84108MBBR269 Fax #		
RFP Contract Title (Fill in): Quality Assurance Services for In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada		

OR

WE DO NOT PLAN TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL, BECAUSE (Please check as many as apply).

Please check **all** the reasons that apply and return this form to Dr. Paul Michael Kazas
Fax: (212)442-9885. E-Mail Address: pkazas@dot.nyc.gov

- 1) Size of this contract is not within the interest of consultant.
- 2) Consultant had an insufficient amount of time to prepare proposal. (Please give the date that the Consultant acquired RFP and any other pertinent information.)
- 3) Contract work not within the specialty of the Consultant. (Please cite Consultant's area of specialty.)
- 4) Other. (Please explain in comment section below.)
- 5) Please remove me from your solicitation list.

Comments: (Please use additional sheets if necessary)

Signature

Title

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SECTION I - TIMETABLE

A. Release Date of the Request for Proposals: **July 28, 2008**

All questions and request for additional information concerning this RFP should be directed to Dr. Paul-Michael Kazas, the Authorized Agency Contact Person at:

Telephone #: (212) 442-7654
Fax#: (212) 442-9885
E-Mail Address: pkazas@dot.nyc.gov

Proposers should submit questions no later than 10 days prior to the proposal due date since the Agency may be unable to respond to questions received after that date.

B. Pre-Proposal Conference:

Date: **August 7, 2008**

Time: **10:30 AM**

Location: 2 Rector Street
 8th Floor Conference Room
 New York, N.Y. 10006

Attendance by proposers is optional but recommended by the Agency. All questions and requests for additional information concerning the pre-proposal conference should be directed to the Authorized Agency Contact Person

C. Proposal Due Date and Time and Location:

Date: **August 29, 2008**
Time: **NO LATER THAN 2:00 PM**
Location: **NYCDOT Contract Section**
 40 Worth Street Room 824A,
 New York, New York 10013.

Proposals should be hand delivered to NYCDOT Contract Section located at 40 Worth Street, 8th Floor, Room 824A, New York, New York 10013, between the hours of 9am-2pm only.

E-mailed or faxed proposals will not be accepted by the agency.

Proposals received at this Location after the Proposal Due Date and Time are late and will not be accepted by the agency, except as provided under New York City's Procurement Policy Board Rules.

The agency will consider requests made to the Authorized Agency Contact Person to extend the Proposal Due Date and Time prescribed above. However, unless the agency issues a written addendum to this RFP that extends the Proposal Due Date and Time for all proposers, the Proposal Due Date and Time prescribed above shall remain in effect.

SECTION II - SUMMARY OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

A. Purpose of the RFP

The Agency is seeking an appropriately qualified vendor to provide Quality Assurance Services for In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada.

B. Anticipated Contract Term

It is anticipated that the term of the contract awarded from this RFP will be **1095** consecutive calendar days from date of written notice to proceed with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year. The renewal shall be at the sole discretion of the Department, under the exception for wage increases (to compensate for any escalation). The agency reserves the right, prior to contract award, to determine the length of the initial contract term and each option to renew, if any.

C. Anticipated Payment Structure

It is anticipated that the payment structure for the contract awarded from this RFP will be based on a combination of direct technical salary costs times a multiplier, specified direct costs subject to an overall "not-to-exceed" fee (upset amount) and performance outcome measures and related financial incentives and/or disincentives. The multiplier shall be applied only to technical salary costs and shall be considered as including provisions for indirect costs (overhead) and profit. However, DOT will consider proposals to structure payment in a different manner and reserves the right to select any payment structure that is in the City's best interest.

SECTION III : SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. Agency Goals and Objectives

The agency's goals and objectives are to have Inspection Services to be performed by the Consultant are to ensure that the work of the Contractor conforms to the provisions of the contract documents as stipulated in Section VII of the RFP.

B. Agency Assumptions Regarding Consultant Approach

The agency's assumptions regarding which approach will best achieve the goals and objectives set out above are reflected in the Proposed Contractual Agreement. (Section VII, Attachment A)

C. Participation by Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprises in City Procurement

This procurement is subject to the Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise ("M/WBE") program created by Local Law No. 129 of 2005, which added Section 6-129 to the Administrative Code of the City of New York. The requirements of M/WBE participation for this procurement are set forth in Section VII, Attachment F - Minority/Women Business Enterprise Program/Schedule B. The selected proposer must comply with all M/WBE requirements in this procurement and the subsequent negotiated Contract. The participation goals established for this contract are set forth in Section VII, Attachment F. M/WBE firms must be certified by the Department of Small Business Services ("DSBS") to be eligible for participation. Such certification must occur prior to the firms' commencement of work as subcontractors. A list of M/WBE firms may be obtained from the DSBS website at www.nyc.gov/getcertified, by e-mailing mwbe@sbs.nyc.gov or lbe@sbs.nyc.gov, by calling the DSBS certification hotline at (212) 513-6311, or by visiting or writing DSBS at 110 William Street, New York, New York 10038, 7th Floor. Eligible firms that have not yet been certified may contact DSBS (as indicated above) in order to seek certification.

NOTE: Proposers who intend to subcontract services to M/WBE firm(s) shall include such services in Schedule B, provided the dollar amount intended to be subcontracted is under \$1 million for each subcontract. The agency shall consider such subcontract(s) as part of the proposers' utilization plan.

Rejection of the Proposal

The proposer must fully complete the Subcontractor Utilization Plan set forth in Section VII, Attachment F. Proposals that do not include a completed Subcontractor Utilization Plan will be deemed to be non-responsive, unless a full or partial waiver of the Target Subcontracting Percentage is granted. In the event that the proposer does not intend to award the Target Subcontracting Percentage, the proposal will be deemed to be non-responsive, unless the Agency has granted a waiver of the target Subcontracting Percentage (Subcontractor Utilization Plan, Part III).

For additional information on the requirements of M/WBE participation for this procurement, please refer to Section VII, Attachment F – Notice to all Prospective Contractors & Schedule B.

D. Compliance with Local Law 34 of 2007

Pursuant to Local Law 34 of 2007, amending the City's Campaign Finance Law, the City is required to establish a computerized database containing the names of any "person" that has "business dealings with the city" as such terms are defined in the Local Law. In order for the City to obtain necessary information to establish the required database, vendors responding to this solicitation are required to complete the attached Doing Business Data Form and return it with this proposal and should do so in a separate envelope. (If the responding vendor is a proposed joint venture, the entities that comprise the proposed joint venture must each complete a Data Form.) If the City determines that a vendor has failed to submit a Data Form or has submitted a Data Form that is not complete, the vendor will be notified by the agency and will be given four (4) calendar days from receipt of notification to cure the specified deficiencies and return a complete Data Form to the agency. Failure to do so will result in a determination that the proposal is non-responsive. Receipt of notification is defined as the day notice is e-mailed or faxed (if the vendor has provided an e-mail address or fax number), or no later than five (5) days from the date of mailing or upon delivery, if delivered.

SECTION IV: FORMAT AND CONTENT OF THE PROPOSAL

Instructions: Proposers should provide all information required in the format below. The proposal should be typed on both sides of 8 1/2" X 11" papers. The City of New York requests that all proposals be submitted on paper with no less than 30% post consumer material content, i.e., the minimum recovered fiber content level for reprographic papers recommended by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (for any changes to that standard please consult: <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products/printing.htm>). Pages should be paginated.

The Proposal package should consists of five (5) individually sealed components as listed below, each bound in an a 8 1/2" x 11" plastic spiral binding. No pictures or drawings should be included, except for the cover. The cover should be hard cardboard or laminated plastic, the cover should feature the name of the responding firm(s) and the contract name and number. Responses should be typed using 12 point font. Responses on pre-printed forms should be no smaller than 8 point font, and then only when necessary. The response may include a one page bound transmittal letter, which summarizes the respondent's understanding of the project and its ability to successfully accomplish the job. Each section should be tabbed and labeled to correspond with each section listed (i.e. 1T, 2T, 3T, 4T, 5T, Schedule B; and Form 4T1, Form 4T2, 4T3).

The proposal will be evaluated on the basis of its content, not length. Failure to comply with any of these instructions will not make the proposal non-responsive.

A. Proposal Format

1. Component 1: Procedural Forms

A Procedural Forms packet has been supplied with this Request for Proposals and should be fully completed and included in the proposal package as follows:

FORM 1P	PROPOSAL COVER LETTER
FORM 2P	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA
FORM 3P	AFFIRMATION FORM

The Original Procedural Forms Packet should include all completed Procedural forms, required procedural documents, signed certifications and Supplementary information.

2. Component 2A: Proposal Forms

A Proposal Forms Packet has been supplied with this Request for Proposals and should be fully completed and included in the proposal package as follows:

FORM 1T	QUALITY & RELEVANCE OF PRIOR EXPERIENCE (FIRM IN GENERAL)
FORM 2T	PROPOSED STAFF (RESUMES)/EXPERIENCE
FORM 3T	OVERALL PROJECT UNDERSTANDING & APPROACH
FORM 4T	JOB TITLES & HOURS PROPOSED
FORM 5T	NYCDOT CURRENT WORKLOAD DISCLOSURE (2 PGS.)

3. Component 2B: Schedule B: Subcontractor Utilization Plan

Subcontractor Utilization Plan should be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with the Technical Proposal

4. Component 2C: Local Law 34 – “Doing Business Data Form”

A Doing Business Data Form Packet has been supplied with this Request for Proposals (**Attachment H**) and should be fully completed and ONLY one (1) original set should be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the Technical Proposal package.

5. **Component 3:** **Cost Proposal**

A Cost Proposal Forms Packet has been supplied with this Request for Proposals and should be fully completed and ONLY one (1) original set should be submitted in a separate sealed envelope and included in the proposal package as follows:

Cost Proposal

FORM 4T1	LABOR COST PROPOSAL*
FORM 4T2	COST PROPOSAL SUMMARY*
FORM 4T3	PERFORMANCE OUTCOME MEASURES & FINANCIAL INCENTIVES AND/OR DISINCENTIVES

NOTE:* FORM 4T1 (COLUMNS 3, 4 AND 5), AND FORM 4T2 ARE TO BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED AS PART OF YOUR COST PROPOSAL PACKET.

Performance Outcome Measures and Financial Incentives and/or Disincentives

Performance outcome measures and their related financial incentives and/or disincentives should be proposed in Form 4T3. List and describe desired performance outcomes or targets for the work to be performed by the proposer under the contract along with the related financial incentives and/or disincentives that could potentially be applied to the contract. While the proposer's proposed performance outcome measures and related financial incentives and/or disincentives will not be scored, they may be considered by the agency while awarding the contract and structuring its payments to the consultants.

All components should be individually sealed and labeled (**i.e., Component 1, Component 2A, Component 2B, Component 2C, & Component 3**) to indicate the contents of each package and placed in an outer envelope or wrapper. Address all component packages, outer envelopes or wrappers as follows:

Proposer's Name	NYCDOT Contract Section
Address	40 Worth Street 8th Floor, Room 824A New York, New York 10013

PIN No. 84108MBBR269
CONTRACT NO. HBCD005B
QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES FOR IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA
PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 29, 2008
NO LATER THAN 2:00 PM

The individually sealed proposals should be submitted at the time and place as indicated in Section I, Timetable.

B. Proposal Package Contents (“Checklist”)

CHECKLIST FOR RFP

The Proposal Packet should contain the following materials. Proposers should utilize this section as a checklist to ensure completeness prior to submitting their proposal to the Agency.

1. COMPONENT 1 – Submit one (1) original set

- 1P Proposal Cover Letter
- 2P Acknowledgment of Addenda
- 3P Affirmation Form

2. COMPONENT 2A – Submit one (1) original and four (4) copies

- 1T Quality and Relevance of Prior Experience (Firm in General)
- 2T Proposed Staff (Resumes)/Experience
- 3T Overall Project Understanding & Approach
- 4T Job Titles and Hours Proposed
- 5T NYCDOT Workload Disclosure (2 pgs.)

3. COMPONENT 2B- Submit one (1) original set

- SCHEDULE B SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN
(To be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with the Technical Proposal)

**4. COMPONENT 2C - LOCAL LAW 34 –“Doing Business Data Form”-
Submit ONLY one (1) original set**

- Doing Business Data Form
(To be submitted in a separate sealed envelope as a part of Technical Proposal)

5. COMPONENT 3: COST PROPOSAL – Submit ONLY one (1) original Set in a separate sealed envelope

- 4T-1 Labor Cost Proposal
- 4T-2 Cost Proposal Summary
- 4T-3 Performance Outcome Measures and Financial Incentives and/or Disincentives

SECTION V: PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND CONTRACT AWARD PROCEDURES

All proposals accepted by the Agency will be reviewed to determine whether they are responsive or non-responsive to the requisites of this RFP. Proposals that are determined by the Agency to be non-responsive will be rejected. The Agency's Consultant Selection Committee (CSC) will evaluate and rate all remaining proposals based on the Evaluation Criteria prescribed below.

The ratings by the CSC members will be added and averaged for each firm in order to establish the initial technical evaluation rankings and ratings. Based on these rankings, at least the top three (3) rated proposers and any other proposer whose rating is within five (5%) percent of the third ranked proposer will be shortlisted. Based on the initial technical rankings, if NYCDOT determines that there are less than three (3) technically viable proposals, then a shortlist of only technically viable firms will be established.

In the event there are less than three (3) proposals received, NYCDOT will determine whether it will continue the selection process with fewer proposals or re-issue the RFP. The Agency reserves the right to conduct site visits and/or interviews and/or to request that proposers make oral or visual presentations in support of their proposals or to exhibit or otherwise demonstrate or clarify the information contained in their proposals. Subsequent to any such presentations, the CSC will prepare revised rating sheets.

The agency shall rank proposers by technical merit and pursuant to City's Quality Based Selection Method (QBS). The price proposal of ONLY the highest technically ranked firm will be opened and reviewed by the consultant selection committee (CSC) to determine whether it is responsive or non-responsive. Following analysis of the responsive price proposal by the CSC, the Agency then consider price by negotiating a fair and reasonable price with the highest technically ranked proposer. In the event that the agency has chosen to negotiate a fair and reasonable price with the highest ranked proposer, if such a fee is not successfully negotiated, the agency may conclude such negotiations, and enter into negotiations with the next ranked vendor(s), as necessary.

All unopened price proposals will be returned to the respective proposers upon registration of the contract.

Although discussions may be conducted with proposers submitting acceptable proposals, the Agency reserves the right to award contracts on the basis of initial proposals received, without discussions; therefore, the proposer's initial proposal should contain its best technical and price terms.

B. Evaluation Criteria

Each technical proposal will be evaluated based on the following technical criteria and weights:

1. Quality & Relevance of Prior Experience	
- Proposed staff (Resumes)	35%
- Firm in general	20%
2. Quality of Proposal	
- Overall Project Understanding	20%
- Approach	15%
- Innovation	05%
3. Staff Availability	
- Workload – Staff Availability	<u>05%</u>
	100%

C. Basis for Contract Award

A contract will be awarded to the responsible proposer whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the City, taking into consideration the price and such other factors or criteria which are set forth in this RFP. Contract award shall be subject to the timely completion of contract negotiations between the Agency and the selected proposer.

SECTION VI - GENERAL INFORMATION TO PROPOSERS

A. Complaints. The New York City Comptroller is charged with the audit of contracts in New York City. Any proposer who believes that there has been unfairness, favoritism or impropriety in the proposal process should inform the Comptroller, Office of Contract Administration, 1 Centre Street, Room 835, New York, NY 10007; the telephone number is (212) 669-3000. In addition, the New York City Department of Investigation should be informed of such complaints at its Investigations Division, 80 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038; the telephone number is (212) 825-5959.

B. Applicable Laws. This Request for Proposals and the resulting contract award(s), if any, unless otherwise stated, are subject to all applicable provisions of New York State Law, the New York City Administrative Code, New York City Charter and New York City Procurement Policy Board (PPB) Rules. A copy of the PPB Rules may be obtained by contacting the PPB at (212) 788-7820.

C. General Contract Provisions. Contracts shall be subject to New York City's general contract provisions, in substantially the form that they appear in "Appendix A—General Provisions Governing Contracts for Consultants, Professional and Technical Services" or, if the Agency utilizes other than the formal Appendix A, in substantially the form that they appear in the Agency's general contract provisions. A copy of the applicable document is available through the Authorized Agency Contact Person.

D. Contract Award. Contract award is subject to each of the following applicable conditions and any others that may apply: New York City Fair Share Criteria; New York City MacBride Principles Law; submission by the proposer of the requisite New York City Department of Business Services/Division of Labor Services Employment Report and certification by that office; submission by the proposer of the requisite VENDEX Questionnaires/Affidavits of No Change and review of the information contained therein by the New York City Department of Investigation; all other required oversight approvals; applicable provisions of federal, state and local laws and executive orders requiring affirmative action and equal employment opportunity; and Section 6-108.1 of the New York City Administrative Code relating to the Local Based Enterprises program and its implementation rules.

E. Proposer Appeal Rights. Pursuant to New York City's Procurement Policy Board Rules, proposers have the right to appeal Agency non-responsiveness determinations and Agency non-responsibility determinations and to protest an Agency's determination regarding the solicitation or award of a contract.

F. Multi-Year Contracts. Multi-year contracts are subject to modification or cancellation if adequate funds are not appropriated to the Agency to support continuation of performance in any City fiscal year succeeding the first fiscal year and/or if the contractor's performance is not satisfactory. The Agency will notify the contractor as soon as is practicable that the funds are, or are not, available for the continuation of the multi-year contract for each succeeding City fiscal year. In the event of cancellation, the contractor will be reimbursed for those costs, if any, which are so provided for in the contract.

G. Prompt Payment Policy. Pursuant to the New York City's Procurement Policy Board Rules, it is the policy of the City to process contract payments efficiently and expeditiously.

H. Prices Irrevocable. Prices proposed by the proposer shall be irrevocable until contract award, unless the proposal is withdrawn. Proposals may only be withdrawn by submitting a written request to the Agency prior to contract award but after the expiration of 90 days after the opening of proposals. This shall not limit the discretion of the Agency to request proposers to revise proposed prices through the submission of best and final offers and/or the conduct of negotiations.

I. Confidential, Proprietary Information or Trade Secrets. Proposers should give specific attention to the identification of those portions of their proposals that they deem to be confidential, proprietary information or trade secrets and provide any justification of why such materials, upon request, should not be disclosed by the City. Such information must be easily separable from the non-confidential sections of the proposal. All information not so identified may be disclosed by the City.

J. RFP Postponement/Cancellation. The Agency reserves the right to postpone or cancel this RFP, in whole or in part, and to reject all proposals.

K. Proposer Costs. Proposers will not be reimbursed for any costs incurred to prepare proposals.

L. Charter Section 312(a) Certification.

The New York City Department of Transportation has determined that the contract to be awarded through this Request for Proposals (PIN 84108MBBR269) for the Quality Assurance Services For In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada will not directly result in the displacement of any New York City employee.

Agency Chief Contracting Officer

Date

SECTION VII

ATTACHMENTS

- A) Proposed Contractual Agreement
- B) General Provisions (Appendix A)
- C) Procedural Forms Packet
- D) Proposal Forms Packet
- E) Cost Proposal Forms Packet
- F) Minority /Women Owned Business Enterprise Program
(To be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with Technical Proposal)
- G) Vendex Requirements & Confirmation of Vendex Compliance
- H) Local Law 34 - Doing Business Data Form
(To be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with Technical Proposal)

SECTION VII

A) PROPOSED CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT

**QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES FOR IN-PROCESS FABRICATION
INSPECTION OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA**

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

PIN: 84108MBBR269

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

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1. Qualifications, Personnel and Certifications

The inspection firm must be a competent, professionally oriented firm with the organization, experience, and capabilities to provide the services required.

The City considers the inspection firm to be in a technical support role, wherein the inspection firm provides inspection services, accurate and reliable inspection reports, identifies fabrication and/or test results which are out of specification and recommends acceptance/rejection based upon a strict interpretation of the specifications.

The City retains the policy and decision making role, including devising and establishing quality assurance programs and procedures, making engineering judgments, interpreting specifications, assessing corrective action and ordering acceptance or rejection of materials and/or products.

The inspection services performed by the inspection firm shall be under the direction of a person with technical managerial responsibility. The manager shall:

- (1) be a full time employee of the inspection firm
- (2) be a licensed Professional Engineer, or a person with equivalent engineering education and experience having satisfactorily directed in-process fabrication of structural steel.
- (3) have at least fifteen (15) years experience in in-process fabrication inspection of structural steel.

Personnel working under this manager will be Inspectors Level 1, Inspectors Level 2, Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors possessing the following minimum qualifications.

Inspector Level 1: The Inspector Level 1 must be at least a high school graduate with a diploma. He/she shall also possess at least one (1) year experience in a Quality Assurance/Quality Control Program of in-process fabrication inspection of structural steel and/or coatings. However, subject to the City's review and approval, equivalent combinations of education, training, and experience may also be considered as meeting these requirements.

Inspector Level 2: The Inspector Level 2 must be at least a high school graduate with a diploma. He/she shall also possess at least three (3) years experience in a Quality Assurance/Quality Control Program of in-process fabrication inspection of structural steel and/or coatings. Inspectors at this level utilized for Structural Steel inspections must possess at least one (1) year experience in rolled beam bridges and at least two (2) years experience in welded plate girders (I Sections, box sections etc.). The minimum experience requirements for each structure category may be accrued concurrently. However, subject to the City's review and approval, equivalent combinations of education, training, and experience may also be considered as meeting these requirements.

Inspector Level 3: The Inspector Level 3 must be at least a high school graduate with a diploma. He/she shall also possess at least seven (7) years experience in a Quality Assurance/Quality Control Program of in-process fabrication inspection of structural steel and/or coatings. Inspectors at this level utilized for Structural Steel inspections must possess at least one (1) year experience in rolled beam bridges, at least two (2) years experience in welded plate girders (I Sections, box sections etc.), at least three (3) years in complex structures (shop assembly of trusses, arches, cable stayed bridges and movable bridges) and at least three years experience in Fracture Critical members. The minimum experience requirements for each structure category may be accrued concurrently. However, subject to the City's review and approval, equivalent combinations of education, training, and experience may also be considered as meeting these requirements

Chief Inspector: The Chief Inspector must be at least a high school graduate with a diploma. He/she shall also possess at least twelve (12) years experience in a Quality Assurance/Quality Control Program of in-process fabrication inspection of structural steel and/or coatings. Inspectors at this level utilized for Structural Steel inspections must possess at least one (1) year experience in rolled beam bridges, at least two (2) years experience in welded plate girders (I Sections, box sections etc.), at least three (3) years in complex structures (shop assembly of trusses, arches, cable stayed bridges and movable bridges) and at least three (3) years experience in Fracture Critical members. The minimum experience requirements for each structure category may be accrued concurrently. However, subject to the City's review and approval, equivalent combinations of education, training, and experience may also be considered as meeting these requirements.

Inspectors Level 1, Inspectors Level 2, Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors functioning on structural steel fabrication assignments which involve welding:

1. MUST be an AWS Certified Welding Inspector (CWI) with current certification, qualified and certified in accordance with the provisions of the American Welding Society AWS QC1, Standards for Qualification and Certification of Welding Inspectors and must have experience related to the inspection of fabrication of welded bridge members or other dynamically loaded members.

or

2. MUST be qualified by the Canadian Welding Bureau (CWB) with current certification, to the requirements of Canada Standard Association (CSA) Standard W178.2, Certification of Welding Inspectors and must have experience related to the inspection of fabrication of welded bridge members or other dynamically loaded members.

The inspection firm shall not engage, on a full or part-time basis, any professional or technical personnel who are or have been employed by the City of New York or the organization of any public employer at any time during the period of this contract, except regularly retired employees, without the consent of the public employer of such person.

3. Inspection Firm Web-Based Inspection Management Portal (Website)

The inspection firm will establish a dedicated web-based inspection management portal (referred herein as “Website”) for managing all aspects of communications, information sharing, scheduling, report submissions etc. between NYCDOT and the inspection firm. The website will be hosted by the inspection firm and should, at a minimum, include the following features:

1. The website shall be created exclusively for this inspection service contract with NYCDOT only. The website shall be strictly controlled by the inspection firm and will be accessed only by the inspection firm and designated NYCDOT personnel only.
2. The website shall be created employing the latest web browser technology to allow the inspection firm to create and load all required inspections forms such as inspector’s daily reports, shipping forms, fabricator’s non-conformance reports, open item lists, etc. for inspectors to write in directly and upload to the website. It will allow the inspectors to provide their signatures to these forms also.
3. The website shall allow the Inspection Firm Inspectors to append documents with videos, photos, and scanned documents to the website for review by NYCDOT personnel.
4. The website shall allow the designated NYCDOT personnel to access/download and provide instructions and/or comments to the inspection firm with regards to shop inspections, fabrication procedures, fabrication shop drawings, welding procedures, etc.
5. The website shall provide the designated NYCDOT personnel to create and load forms onto the website for access and download by the inspection firm.
6. The website shall allow all users to sort documents, including inspector’s reports, fabrication procedures, by Contract Number, by fabricator name, by the inspector name, by date of report, etc.

7. The website shall provide the Inspection Firm with the ability to “Flag” specific submittals as a high priority. The system shall provide visual notification to NYCDOT personnel that the submitted item is a high priority item.
8. The website shall allow designated NYCDOT personnel the ability to route documents to specific NYCDOT desktops; with email confirmation that document was delivered.
9. The website shall allow designated NYCDOT personnel the ability to receive, comment on, approve/reject, search and audit “Nonconformance Reports”.
10. The website shall allow designated NYCDOT personnel with the ability to schedule inspections and/or allow contractor to post and update inspection schedule on website.
11. The website shall allow designated NYCDOT personnel with the ability to route documents based on project name/number.
12. The website shall allow designated NYCDOT personnel with the ability to review, approve or reject resumes of proposed inspectors posted on website by the Inspection Firm.

The website shall be maintained and updated constantly by the Inspection Firm to include, but not limited to, the following information.

- Resumes of all personnel assigned to this inspection service contract.
- Advance weekly inspection assignment schedule.
- Inspectors’ daily and weekly reports of the inspection services. The reports shall include photos, video, and sketches as necessary to clarify certain inspection activities or to identify certain non-conformances.
- Fabrication open items.
- Inspectors’ daily sign-in and sign-out time cards and automobile driving mileage reports.
- Fabrication procedures, such as cambering and heat bending procedures, repair procedures, welding procedure qualification records, welding procedure specifications, etc.
- Inspection Company’s billing invoices.
- List of approved PQR, WPS, and fabrication procedures for each fabricator.

At the end of the contract, all data in the website shall be transferred to NYCDOT in an appropriate storage device.

No separate payment will be made for the initial set up, operation or maintenance of this website during the life of this contract. The cost of the “Inspection Agency Website” will be deemed included as “Indirect Cost”, referred to elsewhere in this contract associated with administering the contract and will be included in the total price of this contract.

3. Electronic Equipment

Each inspector shall be equipped with a digital camera, cell phone, scanner and laptop computer with wireless internet service. Each inspector will have a dedicated e-mail address. This equipment will be utilized by the inspector to electronically transfer documents, photos etc. to the Department or the established website.

No separate payment will be made for the initial purchase, operation or maintenance of such electronic devices. This equipment will be fully owned and operated by the inspection agency for the sole use of the inspection firm personnel. The cost of this "Electronic Equipment" will be deemed included as "Indirect Cost", referred to elsewhere in this contract associated with administering the contract and will be included in the total price of this contract.

4. In-Process Fabrication Inspection Services

Services are to be provided generally in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Department of Transportation's Standard Specifications; Construction and Materials, New York State Steel Construction Manual, Materials Methods, and Materials Procedures.

The inspection firm shall provide qualified personnel (Inspector Level 1, Inspector Level 2, Inspector Level 3 and Chief Inspector) to provide in-process inspection services at fabrication shops and other manufacturing/processing facilities or sites while components are being fabricated, manufactured/processed for use in Department construction projects.

These services will be required at various locations in the Continental United States and Canada except the following Northeastern states of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. The inspection firm must have a reasonable number of offices or branch locations throughout the United States to ensure timely response to assignments. The inspection firm may make arrangements with other firms to cover assignments in areas where they do not have an office. Inspection Firms must submit the names of such firms to the Department for approval. The prime Inspection firm shall be fully responsible for the performance of its sub-inspection firms.

The fabrication inspection shall typically involve materials and manufacturing processes used in the fabrication of structural steel, steel barriers, bridge railings, joint systems, steel grid decking, steel caissons, castings, machined components, and forgings. Inspection of epoxy coating shall involve steel reinforcing bars and wire fabric to be used on bridge and roadway projects. The inspection of coatings will include, but not be limited to, the application of paint systems, galvanizing and metalizing. Inspection of timber will involve stress grading verification and preservative treatment of material for bridge structures, piles, and fender systems. Inspectors will be required to inspect materials and fabrication processes as well as witness tests performed by the manufacturer. Inspectors may be required to obtain samples and send them to designated testing laboratories.

5. Fabrication Procedure Review

Services are to be provided generally in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Department of Transportation's Standard Specifications; Construction and Materials, New York State Steel Construction Manual, Materials Methods, and Materials Procedures or as directed by the Department.

The inspection firm shall provide qualified personnel (Inspector Level 3 and Chief Inspectors) to provide Fabrication Procedure Review services for procedures submitted by fabrication shops and other manufacturing/processing facilities or sites while components are being fabricated, manufactured/processed for use in Department construction projects.

These services will be required at various locations in the Continental United States and Canada except the following Northeastern states of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. The inspection firm may provide these services at the shop facilities or at their office locations. The inspection firm may make arrangements with other firms to cover these assignments. Inspection Firms must submit the names of such firms to the Department for approval. The prime Inspection firm shall be fully responsible for the performance of its sub-inspection firms.

The fabrication procedure review will typically involve the review and recommendation for approval of fabrication procedures submitted by the various structural steel fabrication facilities. These procedures shall include but not be limited to Welding Procedure Qualification Records, Weld Procedure Specifications, Welding Repair Procedures, Heat Cambering and Straightening Procedure for materials and manufacturing processes used in the fabrication of structural steel, steel barriers, bridge railings, joint systems, steel grid decking, steel caissons, castings, machined components, and forgings.

6. Compensation

The inspection firm will be compensated for both In-Process Fabrication Inspection and Fabrication Procedure Review assignments on the basis of actual hourly rates paid to each inspector, not to exceed the average hourly rate as stipulated in this contract for each level of inspector. Actual hourly rates for each inspector must be approved by the Department. Travel expenses including meals and lodging, will be reimbursed in accordance with Directive 6 of the New York City Comptroller's Office. No other direct or indirect costs (e.g. postage for reports, supplies, reproduction, clerical support, etc.) will be reimbursed unless otherwise expressly approved by the Agency. Typically, the cost of transmitting samples, mill test reports, and radiographs is reimbursable. All costs associated with certification, qualification, or accreditation of the inspection firm or its personnel shall be borne by the inspection firm.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

PIN NO.: 84108MBBR269

I. SCOPE

Off-Site Shop Inspection & Fabrication Procedure Review

This agreement secures the services of an inspection agency to perform “In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel” within shops located in the United States and Canada except the following Northeastern states of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, during the fabrication and painting of structural steel components, castings, forgings, epoxy coating of reinforcing steel, preservative treatment of timber, and other related fabrication processes associated with the construction and rehabilitation of New York City bridges. As part of this agreement the inspection agency will also provide services for the review and recommendation for approval of fabrication procedures submitted by the various structural steel fabrication facilities. These procedures shall include but not be limited to Welding Procedure Qualification Records, Weld Procedure Specifications, Welding Repair Procedures, Heat Cambering and Straightening Procedure.

The City considers the Inspection Firm to be in a technical support role, wherein the Firm provides inspection services, prepares reliable and accurate inspections reports and recommendations, witness the testing of materials, identifies fabrication and/or testing results which are out of specification and recommends acceptance/rejection based upon a strict interpretation of the specifications.

The Inspection Firm is required to provide qualified and trained personnel who can respond to assignments on an as-needed basis in a timely fashion. The Inspection Firm will establish and provide its internal necessary administrative supervision of the assigned off-site shop inspection and fabrication procedure review personnel and will work cooperatively with the Department.

The Inspection Firm shall fully and fairly represent the interest of the City in the performance of services under this contract without conflict of interest or breach of confidentiality prior, during and upon the completion of work under this contract. The Inspection Firm shall notify the City in writing whether or not it has performed, or is currently performing work for any construction contractor, subcontractor, or material supplier which has performed or is performing work on any city project. During the course of this contract, the firm shall notify the City of New York in writing of its intent to perform work on any city projects not part of this contract. These provisions shall be included in all subcontract work performed by subcontractors or sub consultants.

All proposed sub-inspection firms must be approved by the Department prior to services rendered. The firm shall not subcontract more than 49% of the contract work. The sub-inspection firms will be subject to all provisions of this agreement. The Inspection Firm (prime) will receive a 5% mark up on all services performed by the sub-inspection firm.

The duly authorized representatives of the City; and on Federally Aided Projects, representatives of the New York State Department of Transportation and the Federal Highways Administration, shall have the right at all times to inspect the work of the Inspection Firm. The Department through its agency; Division of Bridges, Quality Assurance Unit, reserves the rights to monitor and evaluate the Inspection Firm's performance by the Departments' own performance evaluation system.

In addition to any other requirements conditioned herein, the Inspection Firm is advised that all payments due under this contract are subject to various Directives issued by the office of the comptroller regarding the auditing of Inspection Firm payments. The comptroller's Directives are:

- Directive No. 2 ("Guidelines for Audit of Vouchers submitted under cost reimbursable contractual Agreements");
- Directive No. 6 ("Travel, Meals, Lodging and Miscellaneous Agency Expenses");
- Directive No. 7 ("Audit of Payment Vouchers Issued Under Contracts for Construction, Equipment and Related Inspection Firm Services").

Copies of the aforementioned Directives may be obtained from the Department.

II. DURATION OF CONTRACT

The term of this agreement is for a three-year period (1095 consecutive calendar days), commencing from the date a Notice to Proceed is issued, and may be renewed at the sole option of Department for an additional one year (365 consecutive calendar days) at the same terms conditions and prices as set forth herein, except for wage increases. During the term of this Inspection Services Agreement, projects and work assignments will be identified.

III. DEFINITION

"The Department", as used in this agreement above referenced documents shall refer to the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT). "Materials Bureau" as referred in NYSDOT standard specifications shall mean the New York City DOT Quality Assurance Unit or its testing service retained under a separate contract. "D.C.E.S." as referred in NYSDOT standard specifications shall mean Deputy Chief Engineer Review and Support Services, Division of Bridges the New York City Department of Transportation.

IV. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED

The Inspection Firm shall provide Inspectors Level 1, Inspectors Level 2, Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors on an as-needed basis as directed by the Department, to perform Off-Site Shop Inspection services related to in-process fabrication inspection as described in the scope

The Inspection Firm shall provide Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors on an as-needed basis

as directed by the Department, to perform Fabrication Procedure Review services related to in-process fabrication as described in the scope.

Services rendered under this contract will be administered by the Director of Quality Assurance, Division of Bridges, New York City Department of Transportation. No services shall be performed without prior approval of the Department. Based on the complexity of the work, the Department will determine the level of inspection personnel. The services of a Chief Inspector will only be utilized as ordered by the Department. The Inspection Firm shall familiarize itself with the standard practices of the New York State Department of Transportation prior to beginning any of the work of this contract. All work required under this agreement shall be performed in accordance with these practices, standards, and criteria, and any special requirements which include the New York State Department of Transportation Standard Specifications; Construction and Materials, New York State Steel Construction Manual, NYSDOT Manual for Uniform Record Keeping (MURK), NYSDOT Materials Methods, and Directives; and Directives of the New York City Department of Transportation. The Inspection Firm shall perform the work in accordance with the diligence and skill expected of an Inspection Firm with extensive experience in the performance of work of the type described. The Inspection Firm shall, at no additional cost to the City, provide all necessary safety training and personnel safety equipment for its employees performing work under this agreement.

The Inspection Firm shall comply with the New York State Department of Transportation Standard Specifications; Construction and Materials with all the latest revisions and/or additions as described in the Engineering Bulletins, Instructions and/or Directives issued by the NYSDOT and/or the Department and endorsed by the Quality Assurance Unit, Division of Bridges.

The initial assignments for Off-Site Shop Inspection and Fabrication Procedure Review to be performed upon a new construction project will be made by the Department in writing to the Inspection Firm with specific instructions detailing the duties to be performed, location of work, inspector level (Inspectors Level 1, Inspectors Level 2, Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors), number of inspectors anticipated, reporting procedures, and contact person(s) in the Inspection Firm who will assign and monitor the work. Authority and responsibility for day-to-day operations will be given by the Department's Director of Quality Assurance.

All Off-Site Shop Inspection and Fabrication Procedure Review personnel are subject to Department approval and may be removed upon the request of the Department.

V. INSPECTION PERSONNEL

The Inspection Firm shall appoint qualified, Inspectors Level 1, Inspectors Level 2, Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors to perform the required Off-Site Shop Inspection and Fabrication Procedure Review services. Based on the complexity and scope of the work, the Department will ascertain jointly with the Firm the proper level of inspection personnel as required for each assignment. All inspection personnel must be approved by the Department prior to assignment.

VI. FEES AND PAYMENTS

A. FEE

In full payment for all services to be rendered hereunder, the City shall pay to the Inspection Firm and the Inspection Firm agrees to accept a fee not to exceed \$_____that includes a not to exceed amount of \$899,666.40 for out-of-pocket expense.

B. BASIS

1. INSPECTION WORK:

Payment shall be made on the basis of total direct technical labor cost, multiplied by the Inspection Firm multiplier, authorized overtime premium pay and certain out-of-pocket expenses.

2. WAGES:

The following average hourly wage rates shall apply to the inspection personnel on this contract:

TITLE/LEVELS	AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE
INSPECTOR Level 1	
INSPECTOR Level 2	
INSPECTOR Level 3	
CHIEF INSPECTOR	

The average hourly rates, exclusive of applicable weekend/night work differential, shall not exceed the rates as shown on the Labor Cost Proposal Form(s). Actual salary rates may vary up to 10% from the established average hourly rate shown. However, the Inspection Firm may periodically, but no more than once per contract year, request, in writing to the Department, to have these rates adjusted. This adjustment shall be subject to the approval of the Chief Engineer for the Division of Bridges and the Engineering Audit Officer, and shall be within the parameters as established in the US Bureau of Labor Statistics Employment Cost Index for Professional Specialty and Technical Workers- Wage and Salaries**.

**The Annual Employment Cost Index Percent increase times the total yearly salary cost of all current employees working on that project for the prior year, becomes a pool of money from which various raises may be granted. The maximum salary increase per person is limited to 150% of the Annual Cost Index Percent. Total of individual raises shall not exceed the pool money per contract year.

C. DEFINITIONS

1. Direct Technical Salary Cost

Direct technical labor cost shall include only the wages and salaries of Inspectors Level 1, Inspectors Level 2, Inspectors Level 3 and Chief Inspectors. This cost shall be derived from individual wages, but shall not include overtime premium pay, vacation pay, holiday pay, social security, unemployment insurance, workers compensation, sick pay or other fringe benefits. Any salary increases prior to or during the contract period shall be within parameters as established in the Engineer Pay Index of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics-Employment Cost Index for Professional Specialty and Technical Workers-Wages and Salaries. The overtime premium when applicable shall be paid in accordance with "overtime premium" defined in Section 3 herein.

2. Inspection Firm Multiplier

The Inspection Firm multiplier shall be applied to the direct technical labor cost of the Inspection personnel in connection with the project, and shall be considered as including provisions for indirect costs and overhead and profit.

3. Overtime Premium:

Overtime premium compensation shall be those services rendered by any designated inspection personnel in the form of inspection and sampling and falling into one of the following categories:

- a. Services in excess of eight straight time hours per day worked on our project.
- b. Services in excess of forty straight time hours per week on our project.
- c. Services performed on Saturdays, Sundays and any of the following holidays, if it is a designated Inspection Firm's holiday:

<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Columbus Day</i>
<i>President's Day</i>	<i>Martin Luther King Day</i>
<i>Memorial Day</i>	<i>Veteran's Day</i>
<i>Independence Day</i>	<i>Thanksgiving Day & the Day After</i>
<i>Labor Day</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>

- d. Services provided which do not meet the requirements of any of the above criteria but are specifically approved by the Department.

The Overtime premium is limited as to 0.5 multiplied by the straight individual wage rate. No overtime services shall be performed without prior approval of the Department. The Inspection Firm multiplier shall not be applied to overtime premium.

4. Travel Time:

Travel time for the day will not be paid for the first and last half (1/2) hour of travel from the inspectors home (or starting point) and return. Total travel time for the day in excess of the aforementioned will be compensated in fifteen (15) minute increments. Any part of a quarter hour shall be rounded to the next quarter hour. Travel time between two or more points of

continuous service during the course of a daily assignment will be compensated under “Direct Technical Salary Cost”.

5. Show Up Time:

There shall be no charge for services canceled at least 18 hours prior to scheduled assignment. If a cancellation notice is not given within this time frame a maximum of four hours shall be charged for that day if the inspector shows up for work. In addition, if an inspector arrives at a location in which inspection was scheduled and authorized by the Department, and no work is being performed at the location or the required inspection takes less than four hours a maximum of four hours shall be charged for that day. If an inspection assignment takes more than four hours but less than eight hours a maximum of eight hours shall be charged for that day. In all cases the Department reserves the right to reassign the inspector to another location for that day or direct the inspector to perform other duties related to the contract.

6. Out-Of-Pocket Expense:

Out-of-pocket expenses shall be limited to: \$899,666.40

a. Cost of automobile travel or mass transit when work is within New York City limits. Travel cost will be limited to cost incurred by inspection personnel only.

b. The cost for the use of motor vehicles, owned by the Inspection Firm or employees of the Inspection Firm or leased and maintained by the Inspection Firm and used specifically for and only for the performance of this contract, shall be compensated on a direct mileage basis (as modified herein) in accordance with the standards as established for reimbursement allowances for city personnel and with the prevailing rates established by Directive 6 of the Comptroller’s Office of the City of New York.

c. An inspector will not be reimbursed for mileage incurred to travel within 15 miles from the inspector’s home or starting point whichever is closer to the assignment location for that day. Mileage between assignments in any one day, if applicable, will be reimbursable. Similarly, mass transportation cost incurred between assignments in any one day, will be reimbursable.

d. All other out-of-pocket travel expenses shall be authorized by the Department prior to travel. The authorized travel expenses, including, but not limited to, meals, lodging, airfare, automobile rental, parking etc. will be reimbursed under out of pocket expenses in accordance with the Comptroller’s Directive 6.

e. The costs of the specified registered mailing and/or overnight delivery type services directed by the Department are reimbursable as out-of-pocket costs. However, routine postage, messenger services, etc. are not reimbursable.

f. The cost of project specified photographic film, developing and printing services are reimbursable as out-of-pocket costs, when directed by the Department.

g. The costs of project specific miscellaneous items approved by the Deputy Chief Engineer are reimbursable.

h. Out-Of-Pocket expenses shall be subject to audit by the Department. Consequently, the

Inspection Firm shall maintain, and submit to the Department as part of his/her monthly payment voucher, time and material records for all out-of-pocket expenses incurred during that month and submitted for reimbursement in connection with the services herein contained. Subcontractors and sub-consultants are subjected to the same rules governing the documentation and reimbursement of Out-Of-Pocket expenses as the prime Inspection Firm.

7. Indirect Costs and Overhead

a. Indirect Costs shall include costs of a general nature which could be applied to the Inspection Firm's entire operation and which are not readily attributable to any one project. These shall include: fringe benefits, taxes, insurance premiums, postage, office supplies, motor vehicles, equipment, office machine and computer rentals, depreciation on purchased equipment, maintenance and operation costs, recruitment, temporary facilities, consultant fees, overhead (see below) and any such costs as are necessary to conduct the Inspection Firm's operations with the exception of those cost items which are submitted to direct payment as out-of-pocket expenses.

b. Overhead includes that portion of the Inspection Firm's administrative, clerical and financial costs which are applicable to operations, including, but not limited to: rent, utilities, salary costs of administrative and clerical work (including administrative services of the Principal(s), Manager(s) and Technical Typist(s)), fringe benefits, payroll expenses, taxes, insurance, legal and professional fees, bank service charges, depreciation, office supplies and equipment, maintenance, etc.

8. Performance Evaluation:

The Inspection Firm services must be performed in a timely manner. Emphasis shall be placed on qualitative, quantitative and timely submission of required documents and reports. Evaluations of performance will be used in selection of the Inspection Firm for future work.

D. PAYMENTS

1. During the course of the contract, all payments, including the final payment, shall be submitted by and paid to the Inspection Firm on a monthly basis as they occur, as follows:

a. Payment shall be made based on direct technical salaries of inspection personnel in connection with the project, times an Inspection Firm multiplier of *___ for Inspection Services, plus any overtime premium as defined under definition of "overtime premium"

b. For approved out-of-pocket costs, payments shall be made on the basis of direct reimbursement at cost to the Inspection Firm, with no markup for the overhead and profit.

2. The Inspection Firm shall submit to the Commissioner, or his duly authorized representative, but not more than once per calendar month, certified voucher, and four copies, setting forth in detail the items of work and services performed by the Inspection Firm and the amount of Partial payment requested. The Inspection Firm vouchers, shall be accompanied by the statements prepared and certified by the Inspection Firm setting forth the name and title of each of their inspectors who were engaged in the project during such respective month, the number of hours worked each day, the direct salary along with their certified payroll and time sheets.

- * *Said multiplier was established by the Inspection Agency in his/her "Request for Proposal" submission and has been accepted by the Department subject to the review and audit provisions as contained herein. In no event shall the said multiplier be increased.*
3. The Commissioner or his duly authorized representative, shall review the said voucher and if, in his/her judgment, the work and services therein set forth have been performed, the Commissioner shall endorse his/her approval of payment of said voucher.
 4. All sub-inspection firm vouchers received by the Inspection Firm at least ten (10) calendar days prior to a scheduled billing, shall be included in that billing, even if the Inspection Firm does not have other costs to be billed for that period. The Inspection Firm shall inform the sub-inspection firm of the date the voucher was submitted to the NYCDOT-QA and the amount included for sub-inspection firm.
 5. The fee and all payments hereunder shall be subject to review and audit by the Department of Transportation and subject to audit by the Comptroller.
 6. The city shall retain five percent (5%) from each progress payment until a maximum of twenty thousand Dollars is retained. The Contractor shall receive the retainage fee at the time of final payment.

SECTION VII

B) GENERAL PROVISIONS -(APPENDIX A)

APPENDIX A

GENERAL PROVISIONS GOVERNING CONTRACTS FOR CONSULTANTS, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

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APPENDIX A

GENERAL PROVISIONS GOVERNING CONTRACTS FOR CONSULTANTS, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 As used throughout this Contract, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:
- A. “City” shall mean the City of New York, its departments and political subdivisions.
 - B. “Comptroller” shall mean the Comptroller of the City of New York.
 - C. “Department” or “Agency” shall mean the New York City Department of Transportation.
 - D. “Commissioner” or “Agency Head” shall mean the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation or his or her duly authorized representative. The term “duly authorized representative” shall include any person or persons acting within the limits of his or her authority.
 - E. “Law” or “Laws” shall include but not be limited to the New York City Charter, the New York City Administrative Code, a local law of the City of New York, and any ordinance, rule or regulation having the force of law.

ARTICLE 2. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

2.1 PROCUREMENT OF CONTRACT

- A. The Contractor represents and warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage fee, contingent fee or any other compensation. The Contractor further represents and warrants that no payment, gift or thing of value has been made, given or promised to obtain this or any other agreement between the parties. The Contractor makes such representations and warranties to induce the City to enter into this Contract and the City relies upon such representations and warranties in the execution hereof.
- B. For a breach or violation of such representations or warranties, the Agency shall have the right to annul this Contract without liability,

entitling the City to recover all monies paid hereunder and the Contractor shall not make claim for, or be entitled to recover, any sum or sums due under this Agreement. This remedy, if effected, shall not constitute the sole remedy afforded the City for the falsity or breach, nor shall it constitute a waiver of the City's right to claim damages or refuse payment or to take any other action provided for by law or pursuant to this Contract.

2.2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contractor represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its directors, officers, members, partners or employees, has any interest nor shall they acquire any interest, directly or indirectly, which would or may conflict in any manner or degree with the performance or rendering of the services herein provided. The Contractor further represents and warrants that in the performance of the Contract no person having such interest or possible interest shall be employed by it. No elected official or other officer or employee of the City or Department, nor any person whose salary is payable, in whole or in part from the City Treasury, shall participate in any decision relating to this Contract which affects his or her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership or association in which he or she is, directly or indirectly, interested; nor shall any such person have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract or in the proceeds thereof.

2.3 FAIR PRACTICES

The Contractor and each person signing on behalf of any contractor represents and warrants and certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- A. The prices in this Contract have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder/proposer or with any competitor;
- B. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this Contract and on the bid or proposal submitted by the Contractor have not been knowingly disclosed by the Contractor prior to the bid or proposal opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/proposer or to any competitor; and
- C. No attempt has been made or will be made by the Contractor to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid or proposal for the purpose of restricting competition. The fact that the Contractor (a) has published price lists, rates, or

tariffs covering items being procured, (b) has informed prospective customers of proposed or pending publication of new or revised price lists for such items, or (c) has sold the same items to other customers at the same prices being bid, does not constitute, without more, a disclosure within the meaning of the above.

ARTICLE 3. AUDIT BY THE DEPARTMENT AND CITY

- 3.1 All vouchers or invoices presented for payment to be made hereunder, and the books, records and accounts upon which said vouchers or invoices are based are subject to audit by the Department and by the Comptroller of the City of New York pursuant to the powers and responsibilities as conferred upon said Department and said Comptroller by the New York City Charter and Administrative Code of the City of New York, as well as orders and regulation promulgated pursuant thereto.**
- 3.2 The Contractor shall submit any and all documentation and justification in support of expenditures or fees under this Contract as may be required by said Department and said Comptroller so that they may evaluate the reasonableness of the charges and shall make its records available to the Department and to the Comptroller as they consider necessary.**
- 3.3 All books, vouchers, records, reports, cancelled checks and any and all similar material may be subject to periodic inspection, review and audit by the City of New York, the State of New York, the Federal Government and any other person duly authorized by the City. Such audit may include examination and review of the source and application of all funds whether from the City, any State, the Federal Government, private sources or otherwise.**
- 3.4 The Contractor shall not be entitled to final payment under the Contract until all requirements have been satisfactorily met.**

ARTICLE 4. COVENANTS OF THE CONTRACTOR

4.1 EMPLOYEES

- A. All experts or consultants or employees of the Contractor who are employed by the Contractor to perform work under this Contract are neither employees of the City nor under contract to the City and the Contractor alone is responsible for their work, direction, compensation and personal conduct while engaged under this Contract. Nothing in the Contract shall impose any liability or duty on the City for the acts, omissions, liabilities or obligations of the Contractor, any person, firm, company, agency, association, expert, consultant, independent contractor, specialist, trainee, employee, servant, or agent, or for taxes of any nature including but not limited to unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation, disability**

benefits and social security, or, except as specifically stated in this Contract, to any person, firm or corporation.

- B. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for all physical injuries or death to its agents, servants, or employees or to any other person or damage to any property sustained during its operations and work on the project under this Contract resulting from any negligent or wrongful act of omission or commission or error in judgment of any of its officers, trustees, employees, agents, servants, of independent contractors, and shall hold harmless and indemnify the City from liability upon any and all claims for damages on account of such injuries or death to any such person or damages to property on account of any neglect, fault or default of the Contractor, its officers, trustees, employees, agents, servants, or independent contractors. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the safety and protection of all of its employees whether due to the negligence, fault or default of the Contractor or not.

C. Minimum Wage

Except for those employees whose minimum wage is required to be fixed pursuant to Section 220 of the Labor Law of the State of New York, all persons employed by the Contractor in the performance of this Contract shall be paid, without subsequent deduction or rebate, unless expressly authorized by law, not less than the minimum wage as prescribed by law. Any breach or violation of the foregoing shall be deemed a breach or violation of a material provision of this Agreement.

4.2 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

The Contractor and the Department agree that the Contractor is an independent contractor, and not an employee of the Department or the City of New York, and that in accordance with such status as independent contractor, the Contractor covenants and agrees that neither it nor its employees or agents will hold themselves out as, nor claim to be, officers or employees of the City of New York, or of any department, agency or unit thereof, by reason hereof, and that they will not, by reason hereof, make any claim, demand or application to or for any right or privilege applicable to an officer or employee of the City of New York, including, but not limited to, Workers' Compensation coverage, Unemployment Insurance Benefits, Social Security coverage or employee retirement membership or credit.

4.3 INSURANCE

- A. **Required Insurance Coverage:** Before performing any work on the Contract, the Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Contract, insurance against any claims for injuries to persons or

damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work in this Contract by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. The Contractor shall procure the required insurance from companies licensed and authorized by the New York State Department of Insurance to do business in New York State and with a Best's rating of A-7 or better.

1. **Commercial General Liability.** Before performing any work on the Contract, the Contractor shall procure Comprehensive General Liability Insurance in the Contractor's name and naming the City of New York and the Department of Transportation as additional insured thereunder and endorsed to cover the liability assumed by the Contractor under the indemnity provisions of this Contract. This insurance policy shall be maintained during the term of this Contract and shall protect the City of New York, the Contractor and/or its subcontractors performing work under this Contract from claims for property damage and/or bodily injury, including death, which may arise from operations under this Contract, whether such operations are performed by the Contractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor. The coverage provided shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. The coverage provided must be "occurrence" based; "claims-made" coverage will not be accepted.
2. **Workers' Compensation Insurance.** Before performing any work on this Contract, the Contractor and each Subcontractor shall provide Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York, and the United States Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Act where applicable, on behalf of all employees providing services under this Contract.
3. **Employers' Liability Insurance.** Before performing any work on this Contract, the Contractor shall procure Employers' Liability Insurance, in the amount of at least \$1,000,000 per accident, providing compensation for bodily injury by accident or disease sustained by any employee of the insured arising out of and in the course of his/her employment by the Contractor.
4. **Automobile Liability.** Before performing any work on this Contract, the Contractor shall procure commercial auto liability insurance covering all owned, non-owned, hired and borrowed vehicles to be used in connection with this Contract. The City of New York and the Department shall be named as additional insureds. Coverage shall be in an amount of at least \$1,000,000.00.

5. **Unemployment Insurance.** Before performing any work on this Contract, Unemployment Insurance coverage shall be obtained and provided by the Contractor for its employees.
6. **Professional Liability.** Before performing any work on this Contract, the Contractor shall procure Professional Liability Insurance covering as insured the Contractor, with a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000. All sub-consultants to the Contractor providing professional services under this Contract shall also provide evidence of Professional Liability Insurance to the Commissioner at limits appropriate to the exposures of the sub-consultant's work, with deductibles suitable for the financial capacity of the sub-consultant and through carriers and on forms acceptable to the City.
7. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of New York and each officer, agent and employee of the City of New York against any and all claims for personal injury or wrongful death or damage to personal property arising out of the negligent performance of professional services or caused by an error, omission or negligent act of the Contractor or anyone employed by the Contractor.

(B) General Requirements for Insurance Policies:

1. All required insurance policies shall be maintained with companies licensed and authorized to do business in the State of New York by the New York State Department of Insurance. The Contractor must first obtain the written approval of the City's Risk Manager of the Mayor's Office of Operations, or its delegate, in the event it wishes to maintain any type of required insurance with a company not licensed to do business in the State of New York.
2. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the payment of all premiums for all required policies and all deductibles to which such policies are subject, whether or not the City is an insured under the policy.
3. All insurance policies shall include, without limitations, the following endorsements/requirements.
 - (a) Notice under the Policy to the City as Additional Insured shall be addressed to each of the following: (1) the Commissioner; (2) Comptroller's Office, attn: Office of Contract Administration, Municipal Building, Room 835, New York, NY 10007; and

- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of this policy to the contrary, notice by or on behalf of the City as Additional Insured of any occurrence, offense, or claim, if such notice is required, will be deemed timely if given to the Insurance Company as soon as practicable after a Notice of Claim adequately specifying the occurrence, offense, or claim as one potentially covered under the policy has been filed with the Comptroller; however, in no event shall notice be deemed untimely so long as it is given within 180 days of the filing of the Notice of Claim; and**
- (c) Any notice, demand other writing by or on behalf of the Contractor to the Insurance Company relating to any occurrence, offense, claim or suit shall also be deemed to be a notice, demand, or other writing on behalf of the City as Additional Insured, and any response thereto on behalf of the Insurance Company shall be sent to the Contractor, to the City at New York City Law Department, Insurance Law Unit, Affirmative Litigation Division, 100 Church Street, New York, NY 10007, and to the Comptroller at Insurance Unit, NYC Comptroller's Office, 1 Centre Street, Room 1222, New York, NY; and**
- (d) Notice of Cancellation of Policy: In addition to any other requirements concerning notice of cancellation, this policy shall not be cancelled, terminated, modified or changed by the Insurance Company unless sixty (60) days' prior written notice is sent to the Named Insured by Registered Mail and also sent to the Commissioner and to the Comptroller's Office, attn: Office of Contract Administration, Municipal Building, Room 835, New York, New York 10007, nor shall this policy be cancelled, terminated, modified or changed by the Named Insured without the prior consent of the said Commissioner; and**
- (e) It is agreed that the Insurance Company, in the event of any payment under these policies, will waive its rights of recovery, if any, against the City; and**
- (f) The Insurance required for this contract must be on forms acceptable to the City and offered by Insurers acceptable to the New York State Insurance Department; and**
- (g) Where circumstances warrant, the Commissioner may, at his discretion and subject to acceptance by the Law Department and/or the Office of the Comptroller, accept**

letters of credit or custodial accounts in lieu of specific insurance requirements; and

- (h) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for payment of all premiums for Insurance requirements, and shall be solely responsible for the payment of all deductibles to which such policies are subject whether or not the City of New York is an insured under the policy; and
- (i) Claims-made policies will only be accepted for professional liability and such other risks as are authorized by the New York State Insurance Department. All such policies shall have an extended reporting period option or automatic coverage of not less than two (2) years. If provided as an option, the Contractor agrees to purchase the extended reporting period on cancellation or termination unless a new policy is effected with a retroactive date, including at least the last policy year; and
- (j) The policies shall contain no exclusions or endorsements which are not acceptable to the City; and
- (k) Should the policies providing for any of the Insurance coverage required by the Contract expire during the Contract term, certificates confirming renewal of such insurance coverage shall be presented the Commissioner not less than thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of coverage. In addition, a copy of the actual renewal policy, with all endorsements, shall be provided to the Commissioner no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the policy previously provided to the Commissioner. Failure to provide any renewal policy shall be ground to suspend payments to the Contractor; and
- (l) Submission of Insurance Certificates and Policies. For all insurance coverage required under the Contract, two (2) certificates of such insurance shall be furnished to the Commissioner not later than twenty (20) days after receipt of the Notice of Award, unless otherwise directed by the Commissioner. In addition, with respect to all insurance coverage required by the contract, with the exception of Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance, two (2) executed copies of the insurance POLICIES shall be provided to the Commissioner as soon as is practicable, but in not event later than thirty (30) days after the commencement of work. No Contract payments will be accepted for processing until such

policies are received and approved, and failure to provide the required policies shall be ground for declaring the Contractor in default.

- C. **Materiality/Non-Waiver:** The Contractor's failure to secure policy(ies) in complete conformity with this article, or to give the Insurance Company timely notice of an occurrence, offense, claim or suit on behalf of the City, shall constitute a material breach of this Contract. Such breach shall not be waived or otherwise excused by any action or inaction by the City at any time.

4.4 PROTECTION OF CITY PROPERTY

- A. The Contractor assumes the risk of, and shall be responsible for, any loss or damage to City property, including property and equipment leased by the City, used in the performance of this Contract and caused, either directly or indirectly by the acts, conduct, omissions or lack of good faith of the Contractor, its officers, managerial personnel and employees, or any person, firm, company, agent or others engaged by the Contractor as an expert, consultant, specialist or subcontractor hereunder.
- B. In the event that any such City property is lost or damaged, except for normal wear and tear, the City shall have the right to withhold further payments hereunder for the purpose of set-off in sufficient sums to cover such loss of damage.
- C. The Contractor agrees to indemnify the City and hold it harmless from any and all liability or claim for damages due to any such loss or damage to any such City property described in subsection 4.4A above.
- D. The rights and remedies of the City provided herein shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or by this Contract.

4.5 CONFIDENTIALITY

All of the reports, information or data, furnished to or prepared, assembled or used by the Contractor under this Contract are to be held confidential, and prior to publication, the Contractor agrees that the same shall not be made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the Department.

4.6 BOOKS AND RECORDS

The Contractor agrees to maintain separate and accurate books, records, documents and other evidence and accounting procedures and practices which sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Contract.

4.7 RETENTION OF RECORDS

The Contractor agrees to retain all books, records, and other documents relevant to this Contract for six years after the final payment or termination of the Contract, whichever is later. City, State and Federal auditors and any other persons duly authorized by the Department shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.

4.8 COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

Contractor shall render all services under this Contract in accordance with applicable provisions of Federal, State and Local laws, rules and regulations as are in effect at the time such services are rendered.

4.9 INVESTIGATION CLAUSE

- A. The parties to this Contract agree to cooperate fully and faithfully with any investigation, audit or inquiry conducted by a State of New York (State) or City of New York (City) governmental agency or authority that is empowered directly or by designation, to compel the attendance of witnesses and to examine witnesses under oath, or conducted by the Inspector General of a governmental agency that is a party in interest to the transaction, submitted bid, submitted proposal, contract, lease, permit, or license that is the subject of the investigation, audit or inquiry.
- B. If any person who has been advised that his or her statement, and any information from such statement, will not be used against him or her in any subsequent criminal proceeding refuses to testify before a grand jury or other governmental agency or authority empowered directly or by designation to compel the attendance of witnesses and to examine witnesses under oath concerning the award of or performance under any transaction, agreement, lease, permit, contract, or license entered into with the City, the State, or any political subdivision or public authority thereof, or the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, or any local development corporation within the City, or any public benefit corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York or;

- C. If any person refused to testify for a reason other than the assertion of his or her privilege against self-incrimination in an investigation, audit or inquiry conducted by a City or State governmental agency or authority empowered directly or by designation to compel the attendance of witnesses and to take testimony under oath, or by the Inspector General of the governmental agency that is an interested party in, and is seeking testimony concerning the award of, or performance under, any transaction, agreement, lease, permit, contract, or license entered into with the City, the State, or any political subdivision thereof or any local development corporation with the City, then;**
- D. The Commissioner or Agency Head whose agency is a party in interest to the transaction, submitted bid, submitted proposal, contract, lease, permit, or license shall convene a hearing, upon not less than five (5) days' written notice to the parties involved to determine if any penalties should attach for the failure of a person to testify.**
- E. If any non-governmental party to the hearing requests an adjournment, the Commissioner or Agency Head who convened the hearing may, upon granting the adjournment, suspend any contract, lease, permit, or license pending the final determination pursuant to paragraph (G) below without the City incurring any penalty or damages for delay or otherwise.**
- F. The penalties which may attach after a final determination by the Commissioner or Agency Head may include but shall not exceed:**
 - 1. The disqualification for a period not to exceed five (5) years from the date of an adverse determination for any person, or entity of which such person was a member at the time the testimony was sought, from submitting bids for, or transacting business with, or entering into or obtaining any contract, lease, permit or license with or from the City; and/or**
 - 2. The cancellation or termination of any and all such existing City contracts, leases, permits or licenses that the refusal to testify concerns and that have not been assigned as permitted under this Contract, nor the proceeds of which pledged, to an unaffiliated and unrelated institutional lender for fair value prior to the issuance of the notice scheduling the hearing, without the City incurring any penalty or damages on account of such cancellation or termination; monies lawfully due for goods delivered, work done, rentals, or fees accrued prior to the cancellation or termination shall be paid by the City.**

- G. The Commissioner or Agency Head shall consider and address, in reaching his or her determination and in assessing an appropriate penalty, the factors listed in paragraphs (1) and (2) below. He or she may also consider, if relevant and appropriate, the criteria established in paragraph (3) and (4) below in addition to any other information which may be relevant and appropriate:**
- 1. The party's good faith endeavors or lack thereof to cooperate fully and faithfully with any governmental investigation or audit, including but not limited to the discipline, discharge, or disassociation of any person failing to testify, the production of accurate and complete books and records, and the forthcoming testimony of all other members, agents, assignees or fiduciaries whose testimony is sought.**
 - 2. The relationship of the person who refused to testify to any entity that is a party to the hearing, including but not limited to, whether the person whose testimony is sought has an ownership interest in the entity and/or the degree of authority and responsibility the person has within the entity.**
 - 3. The nexus of the testimony sought to the subject entity and its contracts, leases, permits or licenses with the City.**
 - 4. The effect a penalty may have on an unaffiliated and unrelated party or entity that has a significant interest in an entity subject to penalties under (F) above, provided that the party or entity has given actual notice to the Commissioner or Agency Head upon the acquisition of the interest, or at the hearing called for in (D) above gives notice and proves that such interest was previously acquired. Under either circumstance the party or entity must present evidence at the hearing demonstrating the potential adverse impact a penalty will have on such person or entity.**
- H.**
- 1. The term "license" or "permit" as read herein shall be defined as a license, permit, franchise or concession not granted as a matter of right.**
 - 2. The term "person" as used herein shall be defined as any natural person doing business alone or associated with another person or entity as a partner, director, officer, principal, or employee.**
 - 3. The term "entity" as used herein shall be defined as any firm, partnership, corporation, association, or person that receives monies, benefits, licenses, or permits from or through the City or otherwise transacts business with the City.**

4. The term “member” as used herein shall be defined as any person associated with another person or entity as a partner, director, officer, principal or employee.
- I. In addition to and notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract the Commissioner or Agency Head may in his or her sole discretion terminate this Contract upon not less than three (3) days’ written notice in the event Contractor fails to promptly report in writing to the Commissioner of Investigation of the City of New York any solicitation of money, goods, requests for future employment or other benefit or thing of value, by or on behalf of any employee of the City or other person, firm, corporation or entity for any purpose which may be related to the procurement or obtaining of this Contract by the Contractor, or affecting the performance of this Contract.

4.10 ASSIGNMENT

- A. The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Contract or of Contractor’s rights, obligations, duties, in whole or in part, or of its right to execute it, or its right, title or interest in it or any part thereof, or assign, by power of attorney or otherwise, any of the notices due or to become due under this Contract, unless the prior written consent of the Agency shall be obtained. Any such assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition without such consent shall be void.
- B. Failure of the Contractor to obtain any required consent to any assignment, shall be cause for termination for cause, at the option of the Agency; and if so terminated, the City shall thereupon be relieved and discharged from any further liability and obligation to the Contractor, its assignees or transferees, and all monies that may become due under the Contract shall be forfeited to the City except so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the Contractor’s employees.
- C. The provisions of this clause shall not hinder, prevent, or affect an assignment by the Contractor for the benefit of its creditors made pursuant to the laws of the State of New York.
- D. This Agreement may be assigned by the City to any corporation, agency or instrumentality having authority to accept such assignment.

4.11 SUBCONTRACTING

- A. The Contractor agrees not to enter into any subcontracts for the performance of its obligations, in whole or in part, under this Contract without the prior written approval of the Department. Two copies of

each such proposed subcontract shall be submitted to the Department with the Contractor's written request for approval. All such subcontracts shall contain provisions specifying:

1. That the work performed by the subcontractor must be in accordance with the terms of the Contract between the Department and the Contractor.
 2. That nothing contained in such Contract shall impair the rights of the Department.
 3. That nothing contained herein, or under the Contract between the Department and the Contractor, shall create any contractual relation between the Subcontractor and the Department, and
 4. That the Subcontractor specifically agrees to be bound by the confidentiality provision set forth in this Contract between the Department and the Contractor.
- B. The Contractor agrees that it is fully responsible to the Department for the acts and omissions of the Subcontractors and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by it.
- C. The aforesaid approval is required in all cases other than individual employer-employee contracts.
- D. The Contractor shall not in any way be relieved of any responsibility under this Contract by any subcontract.

4.12 PUBLICITY

- A. The prior written approval of the Department is required before the Contractor or any of its employees, servants, agents, or independent contractors may, at any time, either during or after completion or termination of this Contract, make any statement to the press or issue any material for publication through any media of communication bearing on the work performed or data collected under this Contract.
- B. If the Contractor publishes a work dealing with any aspect of performance under this Contract, or of the results and accomplishments attained in such performance, the Department shall have a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use and to authorize others to use the publication.

4.13 PARTICIPATION IN AN INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT

- A. The Contractor agrees that neither the Contractor nor any substantially-owned affiliated company is participating or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the provisions of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, or the regulations of the United States Department of Commerce promulgated thereunder.**
- B. Upon the final determination by the Commerce Department or any other agency of the United States as to conviction of the Contractor or a substantially-owned affiliated company thereof for participation in international boycott in violation of the provisions of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, or the regulations promulgated thereunder, the Comptroller may, at his or her option, render this Contract forfeited and void.**
- C. The Contractor shall comply in all respects, with the provisions of § 6-114 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York and the rules and regulation issued by the Comptroller thereunder.**

4.14 INVENTIONS, PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS

- A. Any discovery or invention arising out of or developed in the course of performance of this Contract shall be promptly and fully reported to the Department, and if this work is supported by a federal grant of funds, shall be promptly and fully reported to the Federal Government for determination as to whether patent protection on such invention shall be sought and how the rights in the invention or discovery, including rights under any patent issued thereon, shall be disposed of and administered in order to protect the public interest.**
- B. No report, document or other data produced in whole or in part with contract funds shall be copyrighted by the Contractor nor shall any notice of copyright be registered by the Contractor in connection with any report, document or other data developed for the Contract.**
- C. In no case shall subsection A and B of this section apply to, or prevent the Contractor from asserting or protecting its rights in any report, document or other data, or any invention which existed prior to or was developed or discovered independently from the activities directly related to this Contract.**

4.15 INFRINGEMENTS

The Contractor shall be liable to the Department and hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Department harmless for any damage or loss or expense sustained by the Department from any infringement by the Contractor of any copyright, trademark or patent rights of design, systems, drawings, graphs, charts, specifications or printed matter furnished or used by the Contractor in the performance of this Contract.

4.16 ANTI-TRUST

The Contractor hereby assigns, sells, and transfers to the City all right, title and interest in and to any claims and causes of action arising under the anti-trust laws of the State of New York or of the United States relating to the particular goods or services purchased or procured by the City under this Contract.

ARTICLE 5. TERMINATION

- A.** The Department and/or City shall have the right to terminate this Contract, in whole or in part:
 - 1.** Under any right to terminate as specified in any section of this Contract.
 - 2.** Upon the failure of the Contractor to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this Contract.
 - 3.** Upon the Contractor's becoming insolvent.
 - 4.** Upon the commencement under the Bankruptcy Act of any proceeding by or against the Contractor, either voluntarily or involuntarily.
 - 5.** Upon the Commissioner's determination that termination is in the best interest of the City.
- B.** The Department or City shall give the Contractor written notice of any termination of this Contract specifying therein the applicable provisions of subsection A of this section and the effective date thereof, which shall not be less than ten (10) days from the date the notice is received.
- C.** The Contractor shall be entitled to apply to the Department to have this Contract terminated by said Department by reason of any failure in the performance of this Contract (including any failure by the Contractor to make progress in the execution of work hereunder which

endangers such performance), if such failure arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not restricted to: acts of God or of the public enemy; acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity; fires; floods; epidemics; quarantine restrictions; strikes; freight embargoes; or any other case beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor. The determination that such failure arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor shall be made by the Department which agrees to exercise reasonable judgment therein. If such a determination is made and the Contract terminated by the Department pursuant to such application by the Contractor, such termination shall be deemed to be without cause.

- D. Upon termination of this Contract the Contractor shall comply with the Department or City close-out procedure, including but not limited to:**
- 1. Accounting for and refunding to the Department or City within thirty (30) days, any unexpended funds which have been paid to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.**
 - 2. Furnishing within thirty (30) days an inventory to the Department or City of all equipment, appurtenances and property purchased through or provided under this Contract carrying out any Department or City directive concerning the disposition thereof.**
 - 3. Not incurring or paying any further obligation pursuant to this Contract beyond the termination date. Any obligation necessarily incurred by the Contractor on account of this Contract prior to receipt of notice of termination and falling due after such date shall be paid by the Department or City in accordance with the terms of this Contract. In no event shall the "obligation", as used herein, be construed as including any lease agreement, oral or written, entered into between the Contractor and its landlord.**
 - 4. Turn over to the Department or City or its designees all books, records, documents and material specifically relating to the Contract.**
 - 5. Submit, within ninety (90) days, a final statement and report relating to the Contract. The report shall be made by a certified public accountant or a licensed public accountant.**
- E. In the event the Department or City shall terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, as provided in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, or 4 of subsection A of this section, the Department or City may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as deemed appropriate, services similar to those**

so terminated, and the Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated hereby.

- F. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Contract, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by virtue of Contractor's breach of the Contract, and the City may withhold payments to the Contractor for the purpose of set-off until such time as the exact amount of damages due to the City from the Contractor is determined.
- G. The provisions of the Contract regarding confidentiality of information shall remain in full force and effect following any termination.
- H. The rights and remedies of the City provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to all other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

ARTICLE 6. MISCELLANEOUS

6.1 CONFLICT OF LAWS

All disputes arising out of this Contract shall be interpreted and decided in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

6.2 GENERAL RELEASE

The acceptance by the Contractor or its assignees of the final payment under this Contract, whether by voucher, judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction or any other administrative means, shall constitute and operate as a general release to the City from any and all claims of liability to the Contractor arising out of the performance of this Contract.

6.3 CLAIMS AND ACTIONS THEREON

- A. Any claim, which is not subject to the Dispute Resolution provisions of the PBB Rules, against the City for damages for breach of contract shall not be made or asserted in any action or proceeding at law or in equity, unless the Contractor shall have strictly complied with all requirements relating to the giving of notice and of information with respect to such claims, as hereinbefore provided.
- B. No action or proceeding shall be instituted or maintained on any such claims unless such action or proceeding be commenced within six (6) months after the date the Commissioner issues a Certificate of Substantial Completion except that:

1. Any claims arising out of events occurring after the date the Commissioner issues a Certificate of Substantial Completion and before Final Acceptance of the work shall be asserted within six (6) months of Final Acceptance of the work;
 2. Any claims for monies deducted, retained or withheld under the provisions of this Contract shall be asserted within six (6) months after the date when such monies become due and payable hereunder; and
 3. If the Commissioner exercises his/her right to terminate the Contract Pursuant to Article 5, any such action shall be commenced within six (6) months of the date of filing in the Office of the Comptroller of the City of the Certificate for Final Payment hereunder.
- C. In the event any claim is made or any action brought in any way relating to the Contract herein, the Contractor shall diligently render to the Department and/or the City of New York, without additional compensation, any and all assistance which the Department and/or the City of New York may require of the Contractor.
- D. The contractor shall report to the Department in writing within three (3) working days of the initiation by or against the Contractor of any legal action or proceeding in connection with or relating to this Contract.

6.4 NO CLAIM AGAINST OFFICERS, AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES

No claim whatsoever shall be made by the Contractor against any officer, agent, or employee of the City for, or on account of, anything done or omitted in connection with this Contract.

6.5 WAIVER

Waiver by the Department of a breach of any provision of this Contract shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Contract unless and until the same shall be agreed to in writing by the Department or City as required and attached to the original Contract.

6.6 NOTICE

The Contractor and the Department hereby designate the business addresses hereinabove specified as the places where all notices, directions or communications from one such party to the other party shall be delivered, or to

which they shall be mailed. Actual delivery of any such notice, direction or communication to a party at the aforesaid place, or delivery by Certified Mail shall be conclusive and deemed to be sufficient service thereof upon such party as of the date such notice, direction or communication is received by the party. Such address may be changed at any time by an instrument in writing executed and acknowledged by the party making such change and delivered to the other party in the manner as specified above. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to serve as a waiver of any requirements for the service of notice of process in the institution of an action or proceeding as provided by law, including the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

6.7 ALL LEGAL PROVISIONS DEEMED INCLUDED

It is the intent and understanding of the parties to this Contract that each and every provision of law required to be inserted in this Contract shall be and is inserted herein. Furthermore, it is hereby stipulated that every such provision is to be deemed to be inserted herein, and if, through mistake or otherwise, any such provision is not inserted, or is not inserted in correct form, then this Contract shall forthwith upon the application of either party be amended by such insertion so as to comply strictly with the law and without prejudice to the rights of either party hereunder.

6.8 SEVERABILITY

If this Contract contains any unlawful provision not an essential part of the Contract and which shall not appear to have been a controlling or material inducement to the making thereof, the same shall be deemed of no effect and shall upon notice by either party, be deemed stricken from the Contract without affecting the binding force of the remainder.

6.9 POLITICAL ACTIVITY

There shall be no partisan political activity or any activity to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public, political or party office as part of or in connection with this Contract, nor shall any of the funds provided under this Contract be used for such purposes.

6.10 MODIFICATION

This Contract may be modified by the parties in writing in a manner not materially affecting the substance hereof. It may not be altered or modified orally.

6.11 PARAGRAPH HEADINGS

Paragraph headings are inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of this Contract and in no way affect this Contract.

6.12 NO REMOVAL OF RECORDS FROM PREMISES

Where performance of this Contract involves use by the Contractor of departmental papers, files, data or records at departmental facilities or offices, the Contractor shall not remove any such papers, files, data or records, therefrom without the prior approval of the Department's designated official.

6.13 INSPECTION AT SITE

The Department shall have the right to have representatives of the Department or the City, State or Federal governments present at the site of the engagement to observe the work being performed.

6.14 MERGER

This written Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties hereto, and no other agreement, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Contract shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto, or to vary any of the terms contained herein.

6.15 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

This contract shall neither be binding nor effective unless:

- A. Approved by the Mayor pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 42 dated October 9, 1975, in the event the Executive Order requires such approval; and
- B. Certified by the Mayor (Mayor's Fiscal Committee created pursuant Executive Order No. 43, dated October 14, 1975) that performance thereof will be in accordance with the City's financial plan; and
- C. Approved by the New York State Financial Control Board (Board) pursuant to the New York State Financial Emergency Act for the City of New York, as amended, (the "Act"), in the event regulations of the Board pursuant to the Act require such approval.

- D. It has been authorized by the Mayor and the Comptroller shall have endorsed his or her certificate that there remains unexpended and unapplied a balance of the appropriation of funds applicable thereto sufficient to pay the estimated expense of carrying out this Contract.

The requirement of this section of the Contract shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any approval or authorization otherwise required for this Contract to be effective and for the expenditure of City funds.

6.16 PPB RULES

The Contract is subject to the Rules of the Procurement Policy Board of the City of New York effective September 1, 1990, as amended. In the event of a conflict between said Rules and a provision of this Contract, the Rules shall take precedence.

6.17 STATE LABOR LAW AND CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

A. As required by New York State Labor Law § 220-e:

1. That in the hiring of employees for the performance of work under this Contract or any subcontract hereunder, neither the Contractor, Subcontractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such Contractor or Subcontractor, shall by reason of race, creed, color, sex or national origin discriminate against any citizen of the State of New York who is qualified as available to perform the work to which the employment relates;
2. That neither the Contractor, Subcontractor, nor any person on behalf of such Contractor or Subcontractor shall, in any manner discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Contract on account of race, creed, color, sex or national origin;
3. That there may be deducted from the amount payable to the Contractor by the City under this Contract a penalty of five dollars for each person for each calendar day during which such person was discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of this Contract;
4. That this Contract may be cancelled or terminated by the City and all monies due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for a second or any subsequent violation of the terms or conditions of this section of the Contract.

5. The aforesaid provisions of this section covering every contract for or on behalf of the State or a municipality for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies shall be limited to operations performed within the territorial limits of the State of New York.

B. As required by New York City Administrative Code § 6-108

1. It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the construction, alteration or repair of buildings or engaged in the construction or repair of streets or highways pursuant to a contract with the City or engaged in the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies pursuant to a contract with the City to refuse to employ or to refuse to continue in any employment any person on account of the race, color or creed of such person.
2. It shall be unlawful for any person or any servant, agent or employee of any person, described in subdivision (a) above, to ask, indicate or transmit, orally or in writing, directly or indirectly, the race, color, creed or religious affiliation of any person employed or seeking employment from such person, firm or corporation.
3. Disobedience of the foregoing provisions shall be deemed a violation of a material provision of the Contract.
4. Any person, or the employee, manager or owner of or officer of such firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days, or both.

6.18 FORUM PROVISION CHOICE OF LAW, CONSENT TO JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- A. This Contract shall be deemed to be executed in the City of New York, State of New York, regardless of the domicile of the Contractor, and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- B. The parties agree that any and all claims asserted by or against the City arising under this Contract or related thereto shall be heard and determined either in the courts of the United States located in New York City ("Federal Court") or in the courts of the State of New York ("New York State Courts") located in the City and County of New York. To effect this Contract and intent, the Contractor agrees:

1. If the City initiates any action against the Contractor in Federal Court or in New York State Court, service of process may be made on the Contractor either in person, wherever such Contractor may be found, or by registered mail addressed to the Contractor at its address as set forth in this Contract, or to such other address as the Contractor may provide to the City in writing;
2. With respect to any action between the City and the Contractor in New York State Court, the Contractor hereby expressly waives and relinquishes any rights it might otherwise have (i) to move to dismiss on grounds of forum non conveniens; (ii) to remove to Federal Court; and (iii) to move for a change of venue to a New York State Court outside New York County.
3. With respect to any action between the City and the Contractor in Federal Court located in New York City, the Contractor expressly waives and relinquishes any right it might otherwise have to move to transfer the action to a United States Court outside the City of New York.
4. If the Contractor commences any action against the City in a court located other than in the City and State of New York, upon request of the City, the Contractor shall either consent to a transfer of the action to a court of competent jurisdiction located in the City and State of New York, or if the court where the action is initially brought will not or cannot transfer the action, the Contractor shall consent to dismiss such action without prejudice and may thereafter reinstitute the action in a court of competent jurisdiction in New York City. If any provision(s) of this Article is held unenforceable for any reason, each and all other provision(s) shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect.

6.19 E.O. 50 APPENDIX A RIDER

- A. This Contract is subject to the requirements of Executive Order No. 50 (1980) as revised (“E.O. 50”) and the Rules and Regulations promulgated have been complied with in their entirety. By signing this Contract, the Contractor, agrees that it:
 - (1) Will not engage in any unlawful discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status or sexual orientation with respect to all employment decisions including, but not limited to, recruitment, hiring, upgrading, demotion, downgrading, transfer, training, rates of pay or other

forms of compensation, layoff, termination, and all other terms and conditions of employment;

- (2) Will not engage in any unlawful discrimination in the selection of Subcontractors on the basis of the owner's race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status or sexual orientation;**
- (3) Will state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without unlawful discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status or sexual orientation, or that it is an equal employment opportunity employer;**
- (4) Will send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or memorandum of understanding, written notification of its equal employment opportunity commitments under E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; and**
- (5) Will furnish all information and reports including an Employment Report before the award of the Contract which are required by E.O. 50 rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and orders of the Director of the Bureau of Labor Services ("Bureau"), and will permit access to its books, records and accounts by the Bureau for the purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.**

B. The Contractor understands that in the event of its noncompliance with nondiscrimination clauses of this Contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, such noncompliance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract and noncompliance with the E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. After a hearing held pursuant to the rules of the Bureau, the Director may direct the imposition by the contracting agency head of any or all of the following sanctions:

- (i) disapproval of the Contractor;**
- (ii) suspension or termination of the Contract;**
- (iii) declaring the Contractor in default;**
- (iv) in lieu of any of the foregoing sanctions, the Director may impose an employment program.**

- C. The Director of the Bureau may recommend to the contracting agency head that a Board of Responsibility be convened for purposes of declaring a contractor who has repeatedly failed to comply with E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder to be non-responsible.**
- D. The Contractor agrees to include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$50,000 to which it becomes a party unless exempted by E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, 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 may be directed by the Director of the Bureau of Labor Services as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance.**
- E. The Contractor further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder with a Subcontractor who is not in compliance with the requirements of E.O. 50 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.**

6.20 NOISE CONTROL CODE PROVISIONS

- A. The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 24-216, Noise Abatement Contract Compliance, of Chapter 2 of Title 24 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York which stipulates the following:**
 - 1. Devices and activities which will be operated, conducted, constructed or manufactured pursuant to this Contract and which are subject to the provisions of the New York City Noise Control Code shall be operated, conducted, constructed or manufactured without causing a violation of the Code.**
 - 2. Such devices and activities shall incorporate advances in the art of noise control developed for the kind and level of noise emitted or produced by such devices and activities, in accordance with regulations issued by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection. Regulations promulgated pursuant to Section 24-216 after the proposal received for this Contract shall not alter its terms, conditions and specifications.**

6.21 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- A. In case the Contractor shall substantially fail to complete the work within the times fixed in the General Provisions of this Contract or within the times to which such completion may have been extended by agreement, the Contractor must pay to the City the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars for each and every calendar day that the time consumed in completing the work exceeds the time allowed, provided, however, that the delay in completing the work is within the control of the Contractor and is caused solely by the Contractor's acts or failures to act. Delays beyond the control of the Contractor shall include, but not be limited to, those caused by the following:**
- 1. On the part of the City, its agencies, employees and representative acts or failures to act, to provide necessary information, prompt reviews, expeditious decisions and other matters essential to the progress of the project.**
 - 2. On the part of private utilities and agencies, acts or failure to act to provide necessary information, prompt reviews, expeditious decisions and other matters essential to the progress of the project.**
 - 3. Unavoidable casualties, including Acts of God.**
 - 4. The enforcement of laws and regulation by the City, the State of New York and/or Federal Government enacted subsequent to the date of this Contract.**
- B. In view of the difficulty of accurately ascertaining the loss which the City will suffer by reason of delay in the completion of the work hereunder, the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars is hereby fixed and agreed as the liquidated damages that the City will suffer by reason of such delay, and not as a penalty.**
- C. Liquidated damages received hereunder are not intended to be nor shall they be treated as either a partial or full waiver or discharge of the City's right to indemnification or the Contractor's obligation to indemnify the City, or any other remedy provided for by contract or by law.**
- D. The Comptroller will deduct and retain out of the monies which may be due hereunder, the amount of any such liquidated damages; and in case the amount which may be due hereunder shall be less than the amount of liquidated damages suffered by the City, the Contractor shall be liable to pay the difference upon demand by the Comptroller.**

6.22 COPIES OF REPORTS

A copy of each report submitted by the Contractor to any official or to any officer, employee, agent or representative of a City department, agency, commission or body or to any corporation, association or entity whose expenses are paid in whole or in part from the City treasury, shall be furnished to the Commissioner of the Department to which such report was submitted or, if not a City department, then to the chief controlling officer or officers of such other office or entity. A copy of such report shall also be furnished to the Director of the Mayor's Office of Construction for matters related to construction or to the Director of the Mayor's Office of Operations for all other matters.

6.23 CONTRACTOR'S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

The Contractor's performance shall be evaluated by the City upon Contract completion. A copy of the evaluation will be sent to the Contractor not later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the occurrence of this event and the Contractor may respond in writing to the performance report. Such response shall be submitted to the Commissioner not later than fifteen (15) calendar days after a copy of the evaluation is sent to the Contractor. The response will be affixed to the evaluation. Failure to respond may result in review of the Contractor's performance when a proposal is evaluated without the benefit of the Contractor's response to the evaluation.

6.24 CONTRACT CHANGES

- A.** Changes may be made to this Contract only as duly authorized by the Agency Chief Contracting Officer or the Agency Chief Contracting Officer's designee. Contractors deviating from the requirements of an original purchase order or Contract without a duly approved change order, do so at their own risk. All such changes, modifications and amendments will become part of the original Contract.
- B.** Contract changes will be made only for work necessary to complete the work included in the original scope of the Contract, and for non-material changes to the scope of the Contract. Changes are not permitted for any material alteration in the scope of the work.
- C.** Changes may include any one or more of the following:
 - 1.** Specification changes to account for design errors or omissions;
 - 2.** Changes in Contract amount due to authorized additional or omitted work. Any such changes require appropriate price and cost analysis to determine reasonableness. In addition, except

for non-construction requirements contracts, all changes that cumulatively exceed the greater of ten percent of the original Contract amount or \$100,000 shall be approved by the City Chief Procurement Officer (CCPO) (for non-construction contracts) or the Director of the Office of Construction (for construction and construction-related contracts);

3. Extensions of a Contract term for good and sufficient cause for a cumulative period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of expiration of the current Contract. Requirements contracts shall be subject to this limitation;
4. Changes in delivery location;
5. Changes in shipment method; and
6. Any other changes not inconsistent with the PPB Rules.

D. Any Contractor may be entitled to a price adjustment for extra work performed or to be performed pursuant to a written change order. If any part of the Contract work is necessarily delayed by a change order, the Contractor may be entitled to an extension to time of performance. Adjustments to price shall be validated for reasonableness by using appropriate price and cost analysis.

6.25 RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

A. Except as provided in A(1) and A(2) below, all disputes between the City and the vendor that arise under, or by virtue of, this contract shall be finally resolved in accordance with the provisions of this section and Section 4-09 of the Rules of the Procurement Policy Board (“PPB Rules”). This procedure shall be the exclusive means of resolving any such disputes.

1. This section shall not apply to disputes concerning matters dealt with in other sections of the PPB Rules or to disputes involving patents, copyrights, trademarks, or trade secrets (as interpreted by the courts of New York State) relating to proprietary rights in computer software.
2. For construction and construction-related services this section shall apply only to disputes about the scope of work delineated by the contract, the interpretation of contract documents, the amount to be paid for extra work or disputed work performed in connection with the contract, the conformity of the vendor’s work to the contract, and the acceptability and quality of the vendor’s work; such disputes arise when the Engineer, Resident

Engineer, Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Commissioner makes a determination with which the vendor disagrees.

- B. All determinations required by this section shall be clearly stated, with a reasoned explanation for the determination based on the information and evidence presented to the party making the determination. Failure to make such determination within the time required by this section shall be deemed a non-determination without prejudice that will allow application to the next level.
- C. During such time as any dispute is being presented, heard, and considered pursuant to this section, the contract terms shall remain in full force and effect and the vendor shall continue to perform work in accordance with the contract and as directed by the Agency Chief Contracting Officer (“ACCO”) or Engineer, Resident Engineer, Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Commissioner. Failure of the vendor to continue the work as directed shall constitute a waiver by the vendor of any and all claims being presented pursuant to this section and a material breach of contract.

D. Presentation of Dispute to Agency Head.

- 1. **Notice of Dispute and Agency Response.** The vendor shall present its dispute in writing (“Notice of Dispute”) to the Agency Head within the time specified herein, or, if no time is specified, within thirty (30) days of receiving written notice of the determination or action that is the subject of the dispute. This notice requirement shall not be read to replace any other notice requirements contained in the contract. The Notice of Dispute shall include all the facts, evidence, documents, or other basis upon which the vendor relies in support of its position, as well as a detailed computation demonstrating how any amount of money claimed by the vendor in the dispute was arrived at. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of the complete Notice of Dispute, the ACCO or, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the Engineer, Resident Engineer, Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Commissioner, shall submit to the Agency Head all materials he or she deems pertinent to the dispute. Following initial submissions to the Agency Head, either party may demand of the other the production of any document or other material the demanding party believes may be relevant to the dispute. The requested party shall produce all relevant materials that are not otherwise protected by a legal privilege recognized by the courts of New York State. Any question of relevancy shall be determined by the Agency Head whose decision shall be final. Willful failure of the vendor to produce any requested material whose relevancy the vendor has not disputed, or whose

relevancy has been affirmatively determined, shall constitute a waiver by the vendor of its claim.

2. **Agency Head Inquiry.** The Agency Head shall examine the material and may, in his or her discretion, convene an informal conference with the vendor and the ACCO and, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the Engineer, Resident Engineer, Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Commissioner, to resolve the issue by mutual consent prior to reaching a determination. The Agency Head may seek such technical or other expertise as he or she shall deem appropriate, including the use of neutral mediators, and require any such additional material from either or both parties as he or she deems fit. The Agency Head's ability to render, and the effect of, a decision hereunder shall not be impaired by any negotiations in connection with the dispute presented, whether or not the Agency Head participated therein. The Agency Head may or, at the request of any party to the dispute, shall compel the participation of any other vendor with a contract related to the work of this contract and that vendor shall be bound by the decision of the Agency Head. Any vendor thus brought into the dispute resolution proceeding shall have the same rights and obligations under this section as the vendor initiating the dispute.
 3. **Agency Head Determination.** Within thirty (30) days after the receipt of all materials and information, or such longer time as may be agreed to by the parties, the Agency Head shall make his or her determination and shall deliver or send a copy of such determination to the vendor and ACCO and, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the Engineer, Resident Engineer, Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Commissioner, together with a statement concerning how the decision may be appealed.
 4. **Finality of Agency Head Decision.** The Agency Head's decision shall be final and binding on all parties, unless presented to the Contract Dispute Resolution Board ("CDRB") pursuant to this section. The City may not take a petition to the CDRB. However, should the vendor take such a petition, the City may seek, and the CDRB may render, a determination less favorable to the vendor and more favorable to the City than the decision of the Agency Head.
- E. **Presentation of Dispute to the Comptroller.** Before any dispute may be brought by the vendor to the CDRB, the vendor must first present its claim to the Comptroller for his or her review, investigation, and possible adjustment.
1. **Time, Form, and Content of Notice.** Within thirty (30) days of receipt of a decision by the Agency Head, the vendor shall submit to the Comptroller and to the Agency Head a Notice of Claim regarding its dispute with the agency. The Notice of Claim shall consist of (i) a brief

statement of the substance of the dispute, the amount of money, if any, claimed and the reason(s) the vendor contends the dispute was wrongly decided by the Agency Head; (ii) a copy of the decision of the Agency Head, and (iii) a copy of all materials submitted by the vendor to the agency, including the Notice of Dispute. The vendor may not present to the Comptroller any material not presented to the Agency Head, except at the request of the Comptroller.

2. **Agency Response.** Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Claim, the agency shall make available to the Comptroller a copy of all material submitted by the agency to the Agency Head in connection with the dispute. The agency may not present to the Comptroller any material not presented to the Agency Head, except at the request of the Comptroller.
 3. **Comptroller Investigation.** The Comptroller may investigate the claim in dispute and, in the course of such investigation, may exercise all powers provided in sections 7-201 and 7-203 of the New York City Administrative Code. In addition, the Comptroller may demand of either party, and such party shall provide, whatever additional material the Comptroller deems pertinent to the claim, including original business records of the vendor. Willful failure of the vendor to produce within fifteen (15) days any material requested by the Comptroller shall constitute a waiver by the vendor of its claim. The Comptroller may also schedule an informal conference to be attended by the supplier, agency representatives, and any other personnel desired by the Comptroller.
 4. **Opportunity of Comptroller to Compromise or Adjust Claim.** The Comptroller shall have forty-five (45) days from his or her receipt of all materials referred to in E(3) to investigate the disputed claim. The period for investigation and compromise may be further extended by agreement between the vendor and the Comptroller, to a maximum of ninety (90) days from the Comptroller's receipt of all the materials. The vendor may not present its petition to the CDRB until the period for investigation and compromise delineated in this paragraph has expired. In compromising or adjusting any claim hereunder, the Comptroller may not revise or disregard the terms of the contract between the parties.
- F. **Contract Dispute Resolution Board.** There shall be a Contract Dispute Resolution Board composed of:
1. The chief administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings ("OATH") or his/her designated OATH administrative law judge, who shall act as chairperson, and may adopt operational procedures and issue such orders consistent with this section as may be necessary in the execution of the CDRB's functions,

including, but not limited to, granting extensions of time to present or respond to submissions;

2. **The City Chief Procurement Officer (“CCPO”) or his/her designee, or in the case of disputes involving construction, the Director of the Office of Construction or his/her designee; any designee shall have the requisite background to consider and resolve the merits of the dispute and shall not have participated personally and substantially in the particular matter that is the subject of the dispute or report to anyone who so participated , and**
 3. **A person with appropriate expertise who is not an employee of the City. This person shall be selected by the presiding administrative law judge from a prequalified panel of individuals, established and administered by OATH, with appropriate background to act as decision-makers in a dispute. Such individuals may not have a contract or dispute with the City or be an officer or employee of any company or organization that does, or regularly represent persons, companies, or organizations having disputes with the City.**
- G. Petition to CDRB. In the event the claim has not been settled or adjusted by the Comptroller within the period provided in this section, the vendor, within thirty (30) days thereafter, may petition the CDRB to review the Agency Head determination.**
1. **Form and Content of Petition by Vendor. The vendor shall present its dispute to the CDRB in the form of a Petition, which shall include (i) a brief statement of the substance of the dispute, the amount of money, if any, claimed, and the reason(s) the vendor contends that the dispute was wrongly decided by the Agency Head; (ii) a copy of the decision of the Agency Head; (iii) copies of all materials submitted by the vendor to the agency; (iv) a copy of the decision of the Comptroller, if any, and (v) copies of all correspondence with, and material submitted by the vendor to, the Comptroller’s Office. The vendor shall concurrently submit four complete sets of the Petition: one to the Corporation Counsel (Attn: Commercial and Real Estate Litigation Division), and three to the CDRB at OATH’s offices, with proof of service on the Corporation Counsel. In addition, the vendor shall submit a copy of the statement of the substance of the dispute, cited in (i) above, to both the Agency Head and the Comptroller.**
 2. **Agency Response. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Petition by the Corporation Counsel, the agency shall respond to the statement of the vendor and make available to the CDRB all material it submitted to the Agency Head and Comptroller. Three complete copies of the agency response shall be submitted to the CDRB at OATH’s offices and one to the vendor. Extensions of time for submittal of the agency response shall be given as necessary upon a showing of good cause**

or, upon the consent of the parties, for an initial period of up to thirty (30) days.

3. **Further Proceedings.** The Board shall permit the vendor to present its case by submission of memoranda, briefs, and oral argument. The Board shall also permit the agency to present its case in response to the vendor by submission of memoranda, briefs, and oral argument. If requested by the Corporation Counsel, the Comptroller shall provide reasonable assistance in the preparation of the agency's case. Neither the vendor nor the agency may support its case with any documentation or other material that was not considered by the Comptroller, unless requested by the CDRB. The CDRB, in its discretion, may seek such technical or other expert advice as it shall deem appropriate and may seek, on its own or upon application of a party, any such additional material from any party as it deems fit. The CDRB, in its discretion, may combine more than one dispute between the parties for concurrent resolution.
4. **CDRB Determination.** Within forty-five (45) days of the conclusion of all submissions and oral arguments, the CDRB shall render a decision resolving the dispute. In an unusually complex case, the CDRB may render its decision in a longer period of time, not to exceed ninety (90) days, and shall so advise the parties at the commencement of this period. The CDRB's decision must be consistent with the terms of the contract. Decisions of the CDRB shall only resolve matters before the CDRB and shall not have precedential effect with respect to matters not before the CDRB.
5. **Notification of CDRB Decision.** The CDRB shall send a copy of its decision to the vendor, the ACCO, the Corporation Counsel, the Comptroller, the CCPO, the Office of Construction, the PPB, and, in the case of construction or construction-related services, the Engineer, Resident Engineer, Engineering Audit Officer, or other designee of the Commissioner. A decision in favor of the vendor shall be subject to the prompt payment provisions of the PPB Rules. The Required Payment Date shall be thirty (30) days after the date the parties are formally notified of the CDRB's decision.
6. **Finality of CDRB Decision.** The CDRB's decision shall be final and binding on all parties. Any party may seek review of the CDRB's decision solely in the form of a challenge, filed within four months of the date of the CDRB's decision, in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York, County of New York pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules. Such review by the court shall be limited to the question of whether or not the CDRB's decision was made in violation of lawful procedure, was affected by an error of law, or was arbitrary and capricious or an abuse of discretion. No evidence or information shall be introduced or relied upon in such proceeding

that was not presented to the CDRB in accordance with Section 4-09 of the PPB Rules.

- H. Any termination, cancellation, or alleged breach of the contract prior to or during the pendency of any proceedings pursuant to this section shall not affect or impair the ability of the Agency Head or CDRB to make a binding and final decision pursuant to this section.

6.26 EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PERFORMANCE CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED ONLY

- A. If performance by the Contractor is delayed for a reason set forth in the Contract, the Contractor may be allowed a reasonable extension of time in conformance with this Section and with the Rules of the Procurement Policy Board.
- B. Any extension of time may be granted only by the Agency Chief Contracting Officer or by the Board for the Extension of Time (as set forth below) upon written application by the Contractor.
- C. Grounds for Extension – If such application is made, the Contractor shall be entitled to an extension of time for delay in completion of the work caused solely: (i) by the acts or omissions of the City, its officers, agents or employees; or (ii) by the actions or omissions of other contractors on this project; or (iii) by supervening conditions entirely beyond the control of either party hereto (such as, but not limited to, Acts of God or the public enemy, excessive inclement weather, war or other national emergency making performance temporarily impossible or illegal, or strikes or labor disputes not brought about by any act or omission of the Contractor). The Contractor shall, however, be entitled to an extension of time for such causes only for the number of days of delay which the Commissioner or the Board may determine to be due solely to such causes, and then only if the Contractor shall have strictly complied with all the requirements of Article 9, 10, and 11 of Chapter III, “Time Provisions”, of the City of New York Standard Construction Contract, effective October 2000, as amended.
- D. Extension for Concurrent Causes of Delay – The Contractor shall not be entitled to receive a separate extension of time for each of several causes of delay operating concurrently, but, if at all, only for the actual period of delay in completion of the work as determined by the ACCO or the Board for Contract Time Extension irrespective of the number of causes contributing to produce such delay. If one of several causes of delay operating concurrently results from any act, fault or omission of the Contractor or of his/her Subcontractors or materialmen, and would of itself (irrespective of the concurrent causes) have delayed the work, no extension of time will be allowed for the period of delay resulting from such act, fault or omission.

1. The determination made by the ACCO or the Board on an application for an extension of time shall be binding and conclusive on the Contractor.
2. The granting of an application for an extension of time for causes of delay other than those herein referred to shall be entirely within the discretion of the ACCO or the Board. In the absence of special circumstances, applications for extensions of time not exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate will be acted upon by the Department within (30) days after request therefor.
3. Permitting the Contractor to continue with the work after the time fixed for its completion has expired, or after the time to which such completion may have been extended has expired, or the making of any payment to the Contractor after such time, shall in no way operated as a waiver on the part of the City or any of its rights under this contract.

E. Application for Extension of Time

1. Before the Contractor's time extension request may be approved, the Contractor must, within five (5) days after commencement of the condition which allegedly has caused or is causing the delay, submit a written application to the ACCO identifying:
 - (a) the Contractor; the Contract registration number; and project description;
 - (b) liquidated damage assessment rate, as specified in the Contract;
 - (c) original bid amount;
 - (d) the original Contract start date and completion date;
 - (e) any previous time extensions granted (number and duration); and
 - (f) the extension of time requested.
2. In addition, the application for extension of time shall set forth in detail:
 - (a) the nature of each alleged cause of delay in completing the work;

- (b) the date upon which each such cause of delay began and ended and the number of days attributable to each such cause;
- (c) a statement that the Contractor waives all claims except for those delineated in the application, and the particulars of any claims which the Contractor does not agree to waive. For time extensions for substantial and final completion payments, the application shall include a detailed statement of the dollar amounts of each element of claim item reserved; and
- (d) a statement indicating the Contractor's understanding that the time extension is granted only for the purpose of permitting continuation of Contract performance and payment for work performed and that the City retains its right to conduct an investigation and assess liquidated damages as appropriate in the future.

F. Analysis and Approval of Time Extensions

1. For time extensions for partial payments, a written determination shall be made by the ACCO who may, for good and sufficient cause extend the time for the performance of the Contract as follows:
 - (a) If the work is to be completed within six (6) months, the time for performance may be extended for sixty (60) days;
 - (b) If the work is to be completed within less than one year but more than six (6) months, and extension of ninety (90) days may be granted;
 - (c) If the Contract period exceeds one year, besides the extension granted in subparagraph (b) above, an additional thirty (30) days may be granted for each multiple of six (6) months involved beyond the one year period; or
 - (d) If exceptional circumstances exist, the ACCO may extend the time for performance beyond the extensions in (a), (b), and (c) above. In that event, the ACCO shall file with the Director of the Office of Construction a written explanation of the exceptional circumstances.
2. For extensions of time for substantial completion payments and final completion payments, the Department's engineering staff, in consultation with the ACCO, shall prepare a written analysis

of the delay (including a preliminary determination of the causes of delay, the beginning and end dates for each such cause of delay, and whether the delays are excusable under the terms of the Contract). The report shall be subject to review by and approval of the Board of Time Extension, which shall have authority to question its analysis and determinations and request additional facts or documentation. The report as reviewed and made final by the Board of Time Extension shall be made a part of the departmental Contract file.

3. Approval Mechanism for Time Extensions for Final or Substantial Completion Payments – An extension of time for a final or substantial completion payment shall be granted only with the approval of a Board of Time Extension comprised of the ACCO, the Corporation Counsel and the Comptroller, or their authorized representatives.

G. Assessment of Liquidated Damages – In the case of substantial completion and final completion payments, liquidated damages shall be assessed against the Contractor as determined by the report's analysis of the Contract's delays. However, neither the failure to assess liquidated damages at this time, nor the report itself, nor the granting of a time extension at substantial or final completion, shall operate as a waiver or release of any claim the City may have against the Contractor for either actual or liquidated damages.

6.27 EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PERFORMANCE (NON-CONSTRUCTION ONLY)

If performance by the Contractor is delayed for a reason set forth in the Contract, reasonable extension in time for performance may be allowed.

- A. An extension of time may be granted only by the ACCO of the agency that awarded the Contract, upon written application by the Contractor.
- B. The ruling of the ACCO shall be final and binding as to the allowance of an extension, and the number of days allowed.
- C. The application for extension must detail each cause for delay, the date it occurred, and the resulting total delay in days attributed to such case.

6.28 NO DAMAGE FOR DELAY

The Contractor agrees to make no claim for damages for delay in the performance of this Contract occasioned by any act or omission to act of the City or any of its representatives, and agrees that any such claim shall be fully compensated for by an extension of time to complete performance of the work as provided herein.

6.29 PROMPT PAYMENT

- A. The Prompt Payment provisions set forth in the Procurement Policy Board Rules in effect at the time of this solicitation will be applicable to payments made under this Contract. The provisions require the payment to Contractors of interest on payments made after the required payment date except as set forth in the Prompt Payment section of the Rules.**
- B. The Contractor must submit a proper invoice to receive payment, except where the Contract provides that the Contractor will be paid at predetermined intervals without having to submit an invoice for each scheduled payment.**
- C. Determinations of interest due will be made in accordance with the provisions of the Prompt Payment section of the Procurement Policy Board Rules and General Municipal Law Section 3-a.**
- D. If the Contractor is paid interest, the proportionate share of that interest shall be forwarded by the Contractor to its Subcontractor(s).**
- E. The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor (including a Materials Supplier) not later than seven (7) days after receipt of payment out of amounts paid to the Contractor by the City for work performed by the Subcontractor or Supplier under this Contract.**
- F. The Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each Subcontractor to make payment to each of its lower-tier Subcontractors or Suppliers for work performed under this Contract in the same manner and within the same time period set forth above.**

**MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES PROVISIONS
FOR NEW YORK CITY CONTACTORS
ARTICLE I. MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES
NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS**

Local Law No. 34 of 1991 became effective on September 10, 1991 and added Section 6-115.1 to the Administrative code of the City of New York. The local law provides for certain restrictions on City contracts to express the opposition of the people of the City of New York to employment discrimination practices in Northern Ireland and to encourage companies doing business in Northern Ireland and to promote freedom of workplace opportunity.

Pursuant to Section 6-115.1, prospective contractors for contracts to provide goods or services involving and expenditure of an amount greater than ten thousand dollars, or for construction involving an amount greater than fifteen thousand dollars, are asked to sign a rider in which they covenant and represent, as a material condition of their contract, that any business in Northern Ireland operations conducted by the contractor and any individual or legal entity in which the contractor holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest and any individual or legal entity that holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest in the contractor will be conducted in accordance with the MacBride Principles of nondiscrimination in employment.

Prospective contractors are not required to agree to these conditions. However, in the case of contracts let by competitive sealed bidding, whenever the lowest responsible bidder has not agreed to stipulate to the conditions set forth in this notice and another bidder who has agreed to stipulate to such conditions has submitted a bid within five percent of the lowest responsible bid for a contract to supply goods, services or construction of comparable quality, the contracting entity shall refer such bids to the Mayor, the Speaker or other officials, as appropriate, who may determine, in accordance with applicable law and rules, that it is in the best interest of the city that the contract be awarded to other than the lowest responsible bidder pursuant to Section 313(b) (2) of the City Charter.

In the case of contracts let by other than competitive sealed bidding, if a prospective contractor does not agree to these conditions, no agency, elected official or the Council shall award the contract to that bidder unless the entity seeking to use the goods, services or construction certifies in writing that the contract is necessary for the entity to perform its functions and there is no other responsible contractor who will supply goods, services or construction of comparable quality at a comparable price.

PART A

In accordance with Section 6-115.1 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the contractor stipulates that such contractor and any individual or legal entity in which the contractor holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest and any individual or legal entity that holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest in the contractor either (a) have no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations they have in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Principles, and shall permit independent monitoring of their compliance with such principles.

PART B

For purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1. "MacBride Principles" shall mean those principles relating to nondiscrimination in employment and freedom of workplace opportunity which require employers doing business in Northern Ireland to:

- (1) increase the representation of individuals from underrepresented religious groups in the work force, including managerial, supervisory, administrative, clerical and technical jobs;
- (2) take steps to promote adequate security for the protection of employees from underrepresented religious groups both at the workplace and while traveling to and from work;
- (3) ban provocative religious or political emblems from the workplace;
- (4) Publicly advertise all job openings and make special recruitment efforts to attract applicants from underrepresented religious groups;

- (5) establish layoff, recall and termination procedures which do not in practice favor a particular religious group;
- (6) establish all job reservations, apprenticeship restrictions and different employment criteria which discriminate on the basis of religion;
- (7) develop training programs that will prepare substantial numbers of current employees from underrepresented religious groups for skilled jobs, including the expansion of existing programs and the creation of new programs to train, upgrade and improve the skills of workers from underrepresented religious groups;
- (8) establish procedures to assess, identify and actively recruit employees from underrepresented religious groups with potential for further advancement, and
- (9) appoint a senior management staff member to oversee affirmative action efforts and develop a timetable to ensure their full implementation.

The contractor agrees that the covenants and representations in Article I above are material conditions to this contract. In the event the contracting entity receives information that the contractor who made the stipulation required by this section is in violation thereof, the contracting entity shall review such information and give the contractor an opportunity to respond. If the contracting entity finds that a violation has occurred, the entity shall have the right to declare the contractor in default and/or terminate this contract for cause and procure the supplies, services or work from another source in any manner the entity deems proper. In the event of such termination, the contractor shall pay to the entity, or the entity in its sole discretion may withhold from any amounts otherwise payable to the contractor, the difference between the contract price for the uncompleted portion of this contract and the cost to the contracting entity of completing performance of the contract, either itself or by engaging another contractor or contractors. In the case of a requirements contract, the contractor shall be liable for such difference in price for the entire amount of supplies required by the contracting entity for the uncompleted term of its contract. In the case of a construction contract, the contracting entity shall also have the right to hold the contractor in partial or total default in accordance with the default provisions of the contract, and/or may seek debarment or suspension of the contractor. The rights and remedies of the entity hereunder shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any rights and remedies the entity has pursuant to this contract or by operation of law

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SECTION VII

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Note: Please copy and use separate sheets for each subconsultant (if any).
Make copies of format sheets as needed

FORM 1P

PROPOSAL COVER LETTER

Request for Proposals for In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in
the United States and Canada

Contract No. HBCD005B PIN 84108MBBR269

Proposer:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tax Identification #: _____

Proposer's Contact Person:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone #: _____ Fax #: _____ Email: _____

Proposer's Authorized Representative:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone #: _____ Fax #: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Is the response printed on both sides, on recycled paper containing the minimum percentage of recovered fiber content as requested by the City in the instructions to this solicitation?

Yes No

FORM 2P

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

RFP TITLE: _____

PIN: _____

Directions: Complete Part I or Part II, whichever is applicable, and sign your name in Part III.

Part I

Listed below are the dates of issue for each Addendum received in connection with this RFP:

Addendum # 1, Dated: _____

Addendum # 2, Dated _____

Addendum # 3, Dated _____

Addendum # 4, Dated _____

Addendum # 5, Dated _____

Addendum # 6, Dated _____

Addendum # 7, Dated _____

Addendum # 8, Dated _____

Addendum # 9, Dated _____

Addendum #10, Dated _____

Part II Acknowledgement of No Receipt

___ No Addendum was received in connection with this RFP

Part III

Proposer's Name: _____

Proposer's Authorized Representative:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

FORM 3P

AFFIRMATION FORM

The undersigned proposer or bidder affirms and declares that said proposer or bidder is not in arrears to the City of New York upon debt, contract or taxes and is not a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon obligation to the City of New York, and has not been declared not responsible, or disqualified, by any agency of the City of New York, nor is there any proceeding pending relating to the responsibility or qualification of the proposer or bidder to receive public contracts

Except _____

Full Name of Proposer or Bidder

Address

City State Zip Code

Check below and include appropriate number:

____ Individual or Sole Proprietorship *
Social Security Number _ _ - _ _ _ - _ _ _ _

____ Partnership, Joint Venture or unincorporated company
Employer Identification Number _ _ - _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

____ Corporation
Employer Identification Number _ _ - _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

If a corporation, place seal here:

by Signature _____

Print Name _____

Title _____

Must be signed by an officer or duly authorized representative.

* Under the Federal Privacy Act the furnishing of Social Security Numbers by bidders on City contracts is voluntary. Failure to provide a Social Security Number will not result in a bidder's disqualification. Social Security Numbers will be used to identify bidders, proposers, or vendors to ensure their compliance with laws, to assist the City in enforcement of laws as well as to provide the City a means of identifying of businesses which seek City contracts.

FORM IT

QUALITY & RELEVANCE OF PRIOR EXPERIENCE
(FIRM IN GENERAL)

PIN: 84108MBBR269

PROJECT NAME: IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B CONSULTANT: _____

ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING/

OTHER/ _____

DESCRIBE

QUALITY & RELEVANCE OF PRIOR EXPERIENCE – (FIRM IN GENERAL)

- 1) Proposer will include relevant experience in Quality Assurance Services for In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the last five (5) years. Proposer should consider work with City, State and Federal agencies.
- 2) List all current and prior projects completed within the last five (5) years for Quality Assurance Services for In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel. Specifically identify whether any of those projects involved a scope similar to the referenced contract. For each project, provide the following information:

- Description/Name of Project
- Dollar Value of Project
- Contract Term
- Contract Status
- Owner/Client
- Owner Project Manager
- Telephone No.
- Email

NYCDOT reserves the right to request data to verify information provided above.

- 3) Provide a discussion on the firm's ability to retain its employees. Complete the attrition chart below:

Average attrition rate for past 3 calendar years:

Total number of technical employees as of August 1st of last year _____ . (a)
 Number of technical employees who left firm during last calendar year _____ . (b)
 Total number of technical employees as of August 1st of previous cal. year _____ . (c)
 Number of technical employees who left firm during previous calendar year _____ . (d)
 Total number of technical employees as of August 1st of 2nd previous cal. Year _____ . (e)
 Number of technical employees who left firm during 2nd previous calendar year _____ . (f)

b/a = ____ (g) d/c = ____ (h) f/e = ____ (i)

Average attrition rate = (g+h+i) / 3 = ____.

NYCDOT reserves the right to request data to verify information provided in the attrition table.

FORM 2T

PROPOSED STAFF (RESUMES)/EXPERIENCE

PIN: 84108MBBR269

PROJECT NAME: IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION
OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED
STATES AND CANADA

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

CONSULTANT: _____

PROPOSED STAFF:

1. Provide an organization chart for staffing this project and attach resumes of all key personnel including any sub-consultants. The chart must provide the key personnel proposed titles/roles for this project.
2. Provide a description of all relevant experience for key personnel (including any sub consultants).

Specifically identify any current or prior key personnel experience with City, state and /or federal project

In each of the project descriptions, identify the project manager, project engineer/resident engineers, the construction dollar value and the start date.

Explain how past assignments of key personnel relate to their proposed assignments on this project.

3. State the key personnel's commitment to and availability for the duration of this project.

FORM 3T

OVERALL PROJECT UNDERSTANDING AND APPROACH

PIN: 84108MBBR269

PROJECT NAME: IN-PROCESS FABRICATION INSPECTION
OF STRUCTURAL STEEL IN THE UNITED
STATES AND CANADA

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

CONSULTANT: _____

OVERALL APPROACH TO PROJECT: (Staffing Sheet)

1. Describe your overall approach and understanding to providing Inspection services for this project. Provide enough detail to permit NYCDOT to assess the extent of the proposer's understanding of potential problems and proposed solutions.
2. Describe your overall approach and explain the different tasks anticipated to be performed, their relationship, the extent to which they can be performed concurrently and the unique aspects of each task as they relate to this project.
3. Explain the duration of each task and demonstrate the Proposer's ability to complete these tasks on time with the proposed staffing. Please elaborate on how the positions assigned for this project as shown in your organization chart will assist you in the execution of each identified task.
4. Discuss any alternate tasks, or innovative approaches that would assist in the successful provision of services and/or best achieve the project goals and objectives.

FORM 4T – JOB TITLES AND HOURS PROPOSED

PROJECT NAME: In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada
PIN: 84108MBBR269

PRIME CONSULTANT: _____

CONSULTANT ON THIS FORM: _____

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING/ ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES OTHER/ _____

(COLUMN 1) JOB TITLES	(COLUMN 2) TOTAL HOURS
Inspector Level 1	6,527
Inspector Level 2	39,161
Inspector Level 3	17,023
Chief Inspector	7,850

DO NOT INCLUDE SALARIES ON THIS FORM

- 1. Job titles and hours proposed should be the same as those proposed on the Labor Cost Proposal forms 4T1.**
- 2. No salary information should be included on this form.**
- 3. This form must be completed for the prime and each of the proposed subconsultants (use additional pages, if necessary).**

FORM 5T NYCDOT CURRENT WORKLOAD DISCLOSURE

The purpose of this form is to provide information concerning the current workload of the firms interested in the project for which the proposal is being submitted. The information provided should be for the office(s) which would perform the work of this contract. The values shown **should not** include fees to be paid to subconsultants and subcontractors or for rentals or purchases of equipment.

PIN: _____ FIRM NAME: _____
 CONTRACT NO.: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____
 PROJECT NAME: _____ PHONE NUMBER _____
 BIN: _____ ADDRESS OF OFFICE(S) TO PERFORM WORK _____
 DATE OF RFP: _____
 IS YOUR FIRM A: DBE? (YES/NO) _____

Name of Personnel (Proposed Office(s)): Administration _____ Total Personnel _____

I. Remaining NYC-DOT work of proposed office(s) (from back of sheet) with:
 All NYC-DOT \$ _____ Bureau of Bridges ONLY \$ _____

II. Expected billings for next 18 months:

A. NYC-DOT WORK: total expected billings in next 18 months. \$ _____

B. WORK WITH OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES: total expected in the next 18 months \$ _____

C. PRIVATE WORK: total expected billings on projects in next 18 months. \$ _____

TOTAL (A + B + C) \$ _____

III. Certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firm(s) for Federal Aid Projects or for Non-Federal air Projects proposed for use on this project:

SUBCONSULTANT FIRM NAME	PROPOSED % # OF TECHNICAL OF PROJECT PERSONNEL	WORKLOAD
_____	_____ % _____	\$ _____
_____	_____ % _____	\$ _____
_____	_____ % _____	\$ _____

IV. Other firm(s) proposed for use on this project

_____	_____ % _____	\$ _____
_____	_____ % _____	\$ _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above figures are actual contract amounts (when available) or my best estimate of expected billings.

_____ DATE _____ SIGNATURE (OFFICER OR PARTNER)

FORM 5T Remaining work with NYCDOT (within Department)

List all projects on which you are currently working for the Department and those which you have been designated to perform. These shall be categorized as indicated below (Design, Construction Inspection or Miscellaneous).

Type of work – Highway, Bridge, Planning	Contract Number	Remaining \$ Value (include anticipated Supplemental Agreement for this Project (a)	Percentage of Project performed at Office(s) proposed for this Project (b)	Pro-rated Workload of proposed office(s) (a x b)
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Design Division (includes Highway Design, Bridge Design and Construction Support Services)				

Total Firmwide Design Workload \$ _____

Assigned Office(s) Miscellaneous Workload \$ _____

Construction Division (includes only Inspection Services)				

Total Firmwide REI Workload \$ _____

Assigned Office(s) REI Workload \$ _____

Miscellaneous (includes Planning and any other agreements not covered above)				

Total Firmwide Miscellaneous Workload \$ _____

Assigned Office(s) Miscellaneous Workload \$ _____

Total Firmwide Overall
Workload with NYC-DOT \$ _____

Assigned Office(s) Overall
Workload with NYC-DOT \$ _____

YOU MAY ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS OF REMAINING WORK FOLLOWING THE SAME FORMAT AS USED ABOVE.

Use the following as a ratings guide:

Calculate the Ratio of expected billable dollars per person per year vs. average billable dollars per person per year.

- If:
- EB\$PY** - expected billable dollars per person per year.
 - AB\$PY** - average billable dollars per person per year.
 - EB** - expected billing dollars for next 18 months.
 - S** - Total personnel minus administrative personnel.
 - Y** - Yearly adjustment (converts 18 months into 1 year).

Assume: **AB\$PY** = \$60,000 and **Y** = 1.5 (18 / 12 = 1.5)

Then: **EB\$PY = EB / S / Y** and **R = EB\$PY / AB\$PY X 100%**

If R is greater than or equal to 100%, a rating of 0 may be appropriate.

If R is equal to 75 %, a rating of 5 may be appropriate.

If R is less than or equal to 25%, a rating of 10 may be appropriate.

SECTION VII

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 AND RELATED FINANCIAL INCENTIVE
 AND/OR DISINCENTIVE**

**Note: Please copy and use separate sheets for each sub consultant (if any).
Make copies of format sheets as needed**

FORM 4T2 – COST PROPOSAL SUMMARY

PROJECT NAME: In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada

PIN NO.: 84108MBBR269

PRIME CONSULTANT: _____

CONTRACT NO.: HBCD005B

	<u>(COLUMN 1)</u>	<u>(COLUMN 2)</u>	<u>(COLUMN 3)</u>	<u>(COLUMN 4)</u>	<u>(COLUMN 5)</u>
	<u>CONSULTANT</u>	<u>HOURS ALL FIRMS</u>	<u>ESCALATED LABOR COST TO PROJECT MIDPOINT</u>	<u>DIRECT NON-SALARY COST</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<u>TOTALS</u>			<u>\$899,666.40</u>	<u>(T)</u>

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The costs entered in Column 3 are the totals shown on line (D) of Form 4T-1 "Labor Cost Proposal" for each consultant on the project team.
2. The Total Direct Non-Salary Cost shown in the shaded area below Column 4 is an out of pocket expense budgeted amount allowed to all proposers and must not be changed.
3. The Total Direct Non-Salary Cost provided by each consultant of the project team MUST SUM to the total shown in the shaded area at the bottom of the Column 4.

FORM 4T3

**PERFORMANCE OUTCOME MEASURES AND RELATED
FINANCIAL INCENTIVES AND/OR DISINCENTIVES**

Instructions: Provide the information requested below for proposed performance outcome measures

	Performance Outcome (Target Goal)	Measure of Performance	Associated Financial Incentive/Disincentive
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

SECTION VII

F) MINORITY/WOMEN BUSINESS OWNED ENTERPRISES PROGRAM

- 1. NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS (4 Pages)**
- 2. SCHEDULE B - SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN**
(To be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with the Technical Proposal)

PART I: AGENCY'S TARGET
(To be completed by NYCDOT)

PART II: BIDDER/PROPOSER SUBCONTRACTING PLAN
(pages 2 and 3 to be completed by Consultant)

PART III: REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF TARGET SUBCONTRACTING PERCENTAGE
(page 4, if applicable, to be submitted no later than 7 days prior to the proposal due date)

NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS

**PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY-OWNED AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES IN CITY
PROCUREMENT**

ARTICLE I. M/WBE PROGRAM

Local Law No. 129 of 2005 added Section 6-129 to the Administrative Code of the City of New York. The local law creates a program for participation by minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises (MBEs and WBEs) in City procurement. As stated in the Section 6-129, the intent of the program is to address the impact of discrimination on the City's procurement process, and to promote the public interest in avoiding fraud and favoritism in the procurement process, increasing competition for City business, and lowering contract costs. The contract provisions contained herein are made pursuant to Local Law 129, and the rules of the Department of Small Business Services ("DSBS") promulgated thereunder.

If this Contract is subject to the Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise ("M/WBE") program created by Local Law 129, the specific requirements of M/WBE participation for this Contract are set forth in Schedule B of the Contract (entitled the "Subcontractor Utilization Plan"), and are detailed below.

The Contractor must comply with all applicable M/WBE requirements for this Contract.

Article I, Part A, below, sets forth provisions related to the participation goals for construction and professional services contracts.

Article I, Part B, below, sets forth miscellaneous provisions related to the M/WBE program.

PART A

**PARTICIPATION GOALS FOR CONSTRUCTION
AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS**

1. The **Target Subcontracting Percentage** applicable to this Contract is set forth on Schedule B, Part I to this Contract (see Page 1, line (1)).

The "**Target Subcontracting Percentage**" is the percentage of the total Contract which Agency anticipates that the prime contractor for this Contract would in the normal course of business award to one or more subcontractors for amounts under \$1 million for construction and professional services.

A prospective contractor may seek a full or partial pre-award waiver of the **Target Subcontracting Percentage** in accordance with Local Law 129 and Part A, Section 10 below. To apply for the a full or partial waiver of the **Target Subcontracting Percentage**, a prospective contractor must complete Part III (Page 4) of Schedule B, and must submit such request no later than seven (7) days prior to the date and time the bids or proposals are due, in writing to the Agency by e-mail at zrasool@dot.nyc.gov or via facsimile at (212) 442-7449. Bidders/proposers who have submitted requests will receive a response by no later than two (2) calendar days prior to the date bids or proposals are due, provided, however, that if that date would fall on a weekend or holiday, a response will be provided by close-of-business on the business day before such weekend or holiday date.

2. The **Subcontractor Participation Goals** established for this Contract are set forth on Schedule B, Part I to this Contract (see Page 1, line (2) and/or line (3)).

The **Subcontractor Participation Goals** represent a percentage of the total dollar value of all construction and/or professional services subcontracts under this Agreement for amounts under \$1 million.

3. If **Subcontractor Participation Goals** have been established for this Contract, Contractor agrees or shall agree as a material term of the Agreement that, with respect to the total amount of the Agreement to be awarded to one or more subcontractors pursuant to subcontracts for amounts under \$1 million, Contractor shall be subject to the **Subcontractor Participation Goals**, unless the goals are modified by Agency in accordance with Local Law 129 and Part A, Section 11 below.

4. If **Subcontractor Participation Goals** have been established for this Contract, a prospective contractor shall be required to submit with its bid or proposal, as applicable, a completed Schedule B, Part II Subcontractor Utilization Plan (see Page 2-3) indicating: (a) the percentage of work it intends to subcontract; (b) the percentage of work it intends to award to subcontractors for amounts under \$1 million; (c) in cases where the prospective contractor intends to award subcontracts for amounts under \$1 million, a description of the type and dollar value of work designated for participation by MBEs and/or WBEs; and (d) the general time frames in which such work by MBEs and/or WBEs is scheduled to occur. In the event that this Subcontractor Utilization Plan indicates that the bidder or proposer, as applicable, does not intend to award the **Target Subcontracting Percentage**, the bid or proposal, as applicable, shall be deemed non-responsive, unless Agency has granted the bidder or proposer, as applicable, a pre-award waiver of the **Target Subcontracting Percentage** in accordance with Local Law 129 and Part A, Section 10 below.

THE BIDDER/PROPOSER MUST FULLY COMPLETE THE SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN INCLUDED HEREIN (SCHEDULE B, PART II). BIDS/PROPOSALS WHICH DO NOT INCLUDE A COMPLETED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN WILL BE DEEMED TO BE NON-RESPONSIVE, UNLESS A FULL WAIVER OF THE TARGET SUBCONTRACTING PERCENTAGE IS GRANTED (SCHEDULE B, PART III). IN THE EVENT THAT THE SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN (SCHEDULE B, PART II) INDICATES THAT THE BIDDER/PROPOSER DOES NOT INTEND TO AWARD THE TARGET SUBCONTRACTING PERCENTAGE, THE BID/PROPOSAL WILL BE DEEMED TO BE NON-RESPONSIVE, UNLESS THE AGENCY HAS GRANTED A WAIVER OF THE TARGET SUBCONTRACTING PERCENTAGE (SCHEDULE B, PART III).

5. Where a Subcontractor Utilization Plan has been submitted, the Contractor shall, within 30 days of issuance by Agency of a notice to proceed, submit a list of proposed persons or entities to which it intends to award subcontracts within the subsequent 12 months. In the case of multi-year contracts, such list shall also be submitted every year thereafter. In the event that the Contractor's selection of a subcontractor is disapproved, the Contractor shall have a reasonable time to propose alternate subcontractors.

6. M/WBE firms must be certified by DSBS in order for the Contractor to credit such firms' participation toward the attainment of the M/WBE participation goals. Such certification must occur prior to the firms' commencement of work as subcontractors. A list of M/WBE firms may be obtained from the DSBS website at www.nyc.gov/getcertified, by emailing DSBS at MWBE@sbs.nyc.gov, by calling the DSBS certification hotline at (212) 513-6311, or by visiting or writing DSBS at 110 William St., New York, New York, 10038, 7th floor. Eligible firms that have not yet been certified may contact DSBS (as indicated above) in order to seek certification.

7. Where a Subcontractor Utilization Plan has been submitted, the Contractor shall, with each voucher for payment, and/or periodically as Agency may require, submit statements, certified under penalty of perjury, which shall include, but not be limited to, the total amount paid to subcontractors (including subcontractors that are not MBEs or WBEs); the names, addresses and contact numbers of each MBE or

WBE hired as a subcontractor pursuant to such plan as well as the dates and amounts paid to each MBE or WBE. The Contractor shall also submit, along with its voucher for final payment, the total amount paid to subcontractors (including subcontractors that are not MBEs or WBEs); and a final list, certified under penalty of perjury, which shall include the name, address and contact information of each subcontractor that is an MBE or WBE hired pursuant to such plan, the work performed by, and the dates and amounts paid to each.

8. If payments made to, or work performed by, MBEs or WBEs are less than the amount specified in the Contractor's Subcontractor Utilization Plan, Agency shall take appropriate action, in accordance with Local Law 129 and Article II below, unless the Contractor has obtained a modification of its Subcontractor Utilization Plan in accordance with Local Law 129 and Part A, Section 11 below.

9. Where a Subcontractor Utilization Plan has been submitted, and the Contractor requests a change order the value of which exceeds 10 percent of the Agreement, Agency shall establish participation goals for the work to be performed pursuant to the change order.

10. Pre-award waiver of **Target Subcontracting Percentage**. Agency may grant a full or partial waiver of the **Target Subcontracting Percentage** to a bidder or proposer, as applicable, who demonstrates—before submission of the bid or proposal—that it has legitimate business reasons for proposing the level of subcontracting in its Subcontractor Utilization Plan. In making its determination, Agency shall consider factors that shall include, but not be limited to, whether the bidder or proposer, as applicable, has the capacity and the bona fide intention to perform the Contract without any subcontracting, or to perform the Contract without awarding the amount of subcontracts for under one million dollars represented by the **Target Subcontracting Percentage**. In making such determination, Agency may consider whether the Subcontractor Utilization Plan is consistent with past subcontracting practices of the bidder or proposer, as applicable, and whether the bidder or proposer, as applicable, has made good faith efforts to identify portions of the Contract that it intends to subcontract.

11. Modification of Subcontractor Utilization Plan. A Contractor may request a modification of its Subcontractor Utilization Plan (**Subcontractor Participation Goals**) after award of this Contract. The Agency may grant such request if it determines that the Contractor has established, with appropriate documentary and other evidence, that it made reasonable, good faith efforts to meet the **Subcontractor Participation Goals**. In making such determination, Agency shall consider evidence of the following efforts, as applicable, along with any other relevant factors:

(a) The Contractor advertised opportunities to participate in the Contract, where appropriate, in general circulation media, trade and professional association publications and small business media, and publications of minority and women's business organizations;

(b) The Contractor provided notice of specific opportunities to participate in the Contract, in a timely manner, to minority and women's business organizations;

(c) The Contractor sent written notices, by certified mail or facsimile, in a timely manner, to advise MBEs and WBEs that their interest in the Contract was solicited;

(d) The Contractor made efforts to identify portions of the work that could be substituted for portions originally designated for participation by MBEs and/or WBEs in the Subcontractor Utilization Plan, and for which the Contractor claims an inability to retain MBEs or WBEs;

(e) The Contractor held meetings with MBEs and/or WBEs prior to the date their bids or proposals were due, for the purpose of explaining in detail the scope and requirements of the work for which their bids or proposals were solicited;

(f) The Contractor made efforts to negotiate with MBEs and/or WBEs as relevant to perform specific subcontracts;

(g) Timely written requests for assistance made by the Contractor to Agency's M/WBE liaison officer and to DSBS;

(h) Description of how recommendations made by DSBS and Agency were acted upon and an explanation of why action upon such recommendations did not lead to the desired level of participation of MBEs and/or WBEs.

Agency's M/WBE officer shall provide written notice to the Contractor of the determination.

12. If **Subcontractor Participation Goals** have been established for this Contract, Agency shall evaluate and assess the Contractor's performance in meeting those goals, and such evaluation and assessment shall become part of the Contractor's overall contract performance evaluation.

PART B

MISCELLANEOUS

1. The Contractor shall take notice that, if this solicitation requires the establishment of a Subcontractor Utilization Plan, the resulting contract may be audited by DSBS to determine compliance with Section 6-129. See 6-129(e)(10). Furthermore, such resulting contract may also be examined by the City's Comptroller to assess compliance with the Subcontractor Utilization Plan.

2. Pursuant to DSBS rules, construction contracts that include a requirement for a Subcontractor Utilization Plan shall not be subject to the law governing Locally Based Enterprises set forth in Administrative Code Section 6-108.1.

3. DSBS is available to assist contractors and potential contractors in determining the availability of MBEs and WBEs to participate as subcontractors, and in identifying opportunities that are appropriate for participation by MBEs and WBEs in contracts.

4. Prospective contractors are encouraged to enter into joint ventures with MBEs and WBEs.

5. By submitting a bid or proposal the Contractor hereby acknowledges its understanding of the M/WBE requirements set forth herein and the pertinent provisions of Local Law 129 of 2005, and any rules promulgated thereunder, and if awarded this Contract, the Contractor hereby agrees to comply with the M/WBE requirements of this Contract and pertinent provisions of Local Law 129 of 2005, and any rules promulgated thereunder, all of which shall be deemed to be material terms of this Contract. The Contractor hereby agrees to make all reasonable, good faith efforts to solicit and obtain the participation of M/WBE's to meet the required **Subcontractor Participation Goals**.

ARTICLE II. ENFORCEMENT

1. If Agency determines that a bidder or proposer, as applicable, has, in relation to this procurement, violated Section 6-129 or the DSBS rules promulgated pursuant to Section 6-129, Agency may disqualify such bidder or proposer, as applicable, from competing for this Contract and the Agency may revoke such bidder's or proposer's prequalification status, if applicable.

2. Whenever Agency believes that the Contractor or a subcontractor is not in compliance with Section 6-129 or the DSBS rules promulgated pursuant to Section 6-129, or any provision of this Contract that implements Section 6-129, including, but not limited to any Subcontractor Utilization Plan, Agency shall

send a written notice to the Contractor describing the alleged noncompliance and offering an opportunity to be heard. Agency shall then conduct an investigation to determine whether such Contractor or subcontractor is in compliance.

3. In the event that the Contractor has been found to have violated Section 6-129, the DSBS rules promulgated pursuant to Section 6-129, or any provision of this Contract that implements this Section 6-129, including, but not limited any Subcontractor Utilization Plan, Agency may determine that one of the following actions should be taken:

- (a) entering into an agreement with the Contractor allowing the Contractor to cure the violation;
- (b) revoking the Contractor's pre-qualification to bid or make proposals for future contracts;
- (c) making a finding that the Contractor is in default of the Contract;
- (d) terminating the Contract;
- (e) declaring the Contractor to be in breach of Contract;
- (f) withholding payment or reimbursement;
- (g) determining not to renew the Contract;
- (h) assessing actual and consequential damages;
- (i) assess liquidated damages or reduction of fees, provided that liquidated damages may be based on amounts representing costs of delays in carrying out the purposes of the program established by Section 6-129, or in meeting the purposes of the Contract, the costs of meeting utilization goals through additional procurements, the administrative costs of investigation and enforcement, or other factors set forth in the Contract;
- (j) exercise rights under the Contract to procure goods, services or construction from another contractor and charge the cost of such contract to the Contractor that has been found to be in noncompliance; or
- (k) take any other appropriate remedy.

4. Whenever Agency has reason to believe that an MBE or WBE is not qualified for certification, or is participating in a contract in a manner that does not serve a commercially useful function (as defined in Section 6-129), or has violated any provision of Section 6-129, Agency shall notify the commissioner of DSBS who shall determine whether the certification of such business enterprise should be revoked.

5. Statements made in any instrument submitted to Agency pursuant to Section 6-129 shall be submitted under penalty of perjury and any false or misleading statement or omission shall be grounds for the application of any applicable criminal and/or civil penalties for perjury. The making of a false or fraudulent statement by an MBE or WBE in any instrument submitted pursuant to Section 6-129 shall, in addition, be grounds for revocation of its certification.

6. The Contractor's record in implementing its Subcontractor Utilization Plan shall be a factor in the evaluation of its performance. Whenever a contracting agency determines that a contractor's compliance with a Subcontractor Utilization Plan has been unsatisfactory, the agency shall, after consultation with the city chief procurement officer, file an advice of caution form for inclusion in VENDEX as caution data.



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SCHEDULE B – Subcontractor Utilization Plan – Part I: Agency’s Target

This page to be completed by contracting agency

Contract Overview

Pin # 84108MBBR269 **FMS Project ID#:** HBCD005B

Project Title In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel in the United States and Canada

Contracting Agency New York City Department of Transportation

Agency Address 40 Worth Street, 8th Floor, **City** New York **State** NY **Zip Code** 10013
Room 824A

Contact Person Dr. Paul-Michael Kazas **Title** Director, Capital Procurement Unit

Telephone # 212-442-7654 **Email** pkazas@dot.nyc.gov

Project Description *(attach additional pages if necessary)*

Off-Site Shop Inspection & Fabrication Procedure Review
 This agreement secures the services of an inspection agency to perform “In-Process Fabrication Inspection of Structural Steel” within shops located in the United States and Canada, during the fabrication and painting of structural steel components, casting, forgings, epoxy coating of reinforcing steel, preservative treatment of timber, and other related fabrication processes associated with the construction and rehabilitation of New York City bridges. As part of this agreement the inspection agency will also provide services for the review and recommendation for approval of fabrication procedures submitted by the various structural steel fabrication facilities. These procedures shall include but not be limited to Welding Procedure Qualification Records, Weld Procedure Specifications, Welding Repair Procedures, Heat Cambering and Straitening Procedure.

- (1) ✓ **Target Subcontracting Percentage**
 Percentage of total contract dollar value that agency estimates will be awarded to subcontractors in amounts under \$1 million for construction and professional services. 5%

Subcontractor Participation Goals
Complete and enter total for each Construction or Professional Services, or both (if applicable)

Group	Construction	Professional Services
Black American	0 %	0%
Hispanic American	0 %	0%
Asian American	0 %	No Goal
Caucasian Female	No Goal	0%
Total Participation Goals	(2) 0%	(3) 20%

*Note: for this procurement, based on a limited number of likely subcontracting opportunities, individual ethnicity and gender goals are not specified. Bidders/proposers may meet the Total Participation Goal through subcontracts with vendors certified in one or more of the ethnicity or gender categories. For reference, the Citywide Subcontractor Participation Goals for construction services are 12.63% Black American, 9.47% Asian American and 9.06% Hispanic American. For Professional Services, the Citywide Subcontractor Participation Goals are 9% Black American, 5% Hispanic American and 16.5% Caucasian Female.

SCHEDULE B – Subcontractor Utilization Plan – Part II: Bidder/Proposer Subcontracting Plan

This page and the next (Part II herein) are to be completed by the bidder/proposer. NOTE: Bids/proposals which do not include a completed subcontractor utilization plan (Part II herein) will be deemed to be non-responsive, unless a full waiver of the target subcontracting percentage is granted (Part III herein).

Section I: Prime Contractor Contact Information

Tax ID # _____ FMS Vendor ID # _____
 Business Name _____ Contact Person _____
 Address _____
 Telephone # _____ Email _____

Section II: General Contract Information

1. Define the industry in which work is to be performed.

- **Construction** includes all contracts for the construction, rehabilitation, and/or renovation of physical structures. This category does include CM Build as well as other construction related services such as: demolition, asbestos and lead abatement, and painting services, carpentry services, carpet installation and removal, where related to new construction and not maintenance.
- **Professional Services** are a class of services that typically require the provider to have some specialized field or advanced degree. Services of this type include: legal, management consulting, information technology, accounting, auditing, actuarial, advertising, health services, pure construction management, environmental analysis, scientific testing, architecture and engineering, and traffic studies, and similar services.

a. Type of work on Prime Contract (Check one):

- Construction
 Professional Services

b. Type of work on Subcontract (Check all that apply):

- Construction Other
 Professional Services

2. What is the expected percentage of the total contract dollar value that you expect to award to all subcontracts? _____ %

3. Will you award subcontract(s) in amounts below \$ 1 million for construction and/or professional services contracts within the first 12 months of the notice to proceed on the contract? Yes No

Section III: Subcontractor Utilization Summary

IMPORTANT: If you do not anticipate that you will subcontract at the target level the agency has specified, because you will perform more of the work yourself, you must seek a waiver of the Target Subcontracting Percentage by completing p. 4).

Step 1:	Subcontracts under \$1M (4) (construction/professional services)	Total Bid/Proposal Value	Calculated Target Subcontracting Percentage
Calculate the percentage (of your total bid) that will go towards subcontracts under \$1M for construction and/or professional services	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____ %
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- **Subcontracts under \$1M (construction/professional services):** Enter the value you expect to award to subcontractors in dollars for amounts under \$1 million for construction and/or professional services. This value defines the amount that participation goals apply to, and will be entered into the first line of Step 2.
- **Total Bid/Proposal Value:** Provide the dollar amount of the bid/proposal.
- **Calculated Target Subcontracting Percentage:** The percentage of the total contract dollar value that will be awarded to one or more subcontractors for amounts under \$1 million for construction and/or professional services. **This percentage must equal or exceed the percentage listed by the agency on page 1, at line (1).**

! Important: The "Calculated Target Subcontracting Percentage" MUST equal or exceed the Target Subcontracting Percentage listed by the agency on Page 1, Line (1) or the bid/proposal will be deemed non-responsive.

SCHEDULE B – cont.

Step 2:

Calculate value of subcontractor participation goals

Subcontracts under \$1M
(construction/professional services)

<p>a. Copy value from Step 1, line (4) – the total value of all expected subcontracts under \$1M for construction and/or professional services</p> <p>b.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From line a. above, allocate the dollar value of "Subcontracts under \$1M" by Construction and Professional Services, • If all subcontracts under \$1M are in one industry, enter '0' for the industry with no subcontracts. • Amounts listed on these lines should add up to the value from line a. <p>c.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Construction enter percentage from line (2) from Page 1. • For Professional Services enter percentage from line (3) from Page 1. • These Percentages must be copied from the Agency Plan, or the bid/proposal will be deemed non-responsive. <p>d. Value of Total Participation Goals</p>	<table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">\$ _____</td> <td style="width: 50%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">↓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">↓</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Construction</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Professional Services</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">\$ _____</td> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">x _____ %</td> <td style="text-align: center;">x _____ %</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">\$ _____</td> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">\$ _____</td> </tr> </table>	\$ _____	\$ _____	↓	↓	Construction	Professional Services	\$ _____	\$ _____	x _____ %	x _____ %	\$ _____	\$ _____
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Step 3:

✓ **Subcontracts in Amounts Under \$1 M Scope of Work – Construction**

Enter brief description of type(s) of subcontracts in amounts under \$1M anticipated, by type of work, not by name of subcontractor

✓ **Subcontracts in Amounts Under \$1 M Scope of Work – Professional Services**

Enter brief description of type(s) of subcontracts in amounts under \$1M anticipated, by type of work, not by name of subcontractor

Section IV: Vendor Certification

I hereby 1) acknowledge my understanding of the M/WBE requirements as set forth herein and the pertinent provisions of Local Law 129 of 2005, and the rules promulgated thereunder; 2) affirm that the information supplied in support of this subcontractor utilization plan is true and correct; 3) agree, if awarded this Contract, to comply with the M/WBE requirements of this Contract and the pertinent provisions of Local Law 129 of 2005, and the rules promulgated thereunder, all of which shall be deemed to be material terms of this contract; and 4) agree, if awarded this contract, to make all reasonable, good faith efforts to attain the Target Subcontracting Percentage as specified by the Agency, and to solicit and obtain the participation of M/WBEs so as to meet the required Subcontractor Participation Goals.

Signature _____

Date _____

Print Name _____

Title _____

SCHEDULE B – PART III – REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF TARGET SUBCONTRACTING PERCENTAGE

Contract Overview

Tax ID # _____ FMS Vendor ID # _____
 Business Name _____
 Contact Name _____ Telephone # _____ Email _____
 Type of Procurement Competitive Sealed Bids Other Bid/Response Due Date _____

PIN # (for this procurement) _____ Type of work on Prime Contract (Check one):
 Construction Professional Services
 Type of work on Subcontract (Check all that apply):
 Construction Other
 Professional Services

SUBCONTRACTING as described in bid/solicitation documents (Copy this % figure from Schedule B, Part I, line 1)
 _____ % of the total contract value anticipated by the agency to be subcontracted for construction/professional services subcontracts valued below \$1 million (each)

ACTUAL SUBCONTRACTING as anticipated by vendor seeking waiver
 _____ % of the total contract value anticipated in good faith by the bidder/proposer to be subcontracted for construction/ professional services subcontracts valued below \$1 million (each)

Basis for Waiver Request: Check appropriate box & explain in detail below (attach additional pages if needed)

- Vendor does not subcontract construction/professional services, and has the capacity and good faith intention to perform all such work itself.
- Vendor subcontracts *some* of this type of work but at *lower* % than bid/solicitation describes, and has the capacity and good faith intention to do so on this contract.
- Other _____

References

List 3 most recent contracts/subcontracts performed for NYC agencies (if any)

CONTRACT NO. _____	AGENCY _____	DATE COMPLETED _____
CONTRACT NO. _____	AGENCY _____	DATE COMPLETED _____
CONTRACT NO. _____	AGENCY _____	DATE COMPLETED _____

List 3 most recent contracts/subcontracts performed for other agencies/entities
 (complete ONLY if vendor has performed fewer than 3 NYC contracts)

TYPE OF WORK _____	AGENCY/ENTITY _____	DATE COMPLETED _____
Manager at agency/entity that hired vendor (Name/Phone No.) _____		
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Manager at agency/entity that hired vendor (Name/Phone No.) _____		
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Manager at agency/entity that hired vendor (Name/Phone No.) _____		

VENDOR CERTIFICATION: I hereby affirm that the information supplied in support of this waiver request is true and correct, and that this request is made in good faith.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Print Name: _____ Title: _____

Shaded area below is for agency completion only

AGENCY CHIEF CONTRACTING OFFICER APPROVAL
 Signature: _____ Date: _____
CITY CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER APPROVAL
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

SECTION VII

G) VENDEX REQUIREMENT & CONFIRMATION OF VENDEX COMPLIANCE

ATTACHMENT G

VENDEX Requirements

Pursuant to Section 6-112.2(b) of the New York City Administrative Code, all vendors that are under consideration for the award of a sole source contract or a contract valued at \$100,000 or more, or whose aggregate business with the City in the last 12 months, including the proposed contract, is \$100,000 or more, must complete and submit a VENDEX Business Entity or Not-For-Profit Organization Questionnaire when notified by the Agency. The principals and individuals thereof must also submit a Principal of Individual Questionnaire.

Upon selection, the successful proposer (including their subconsultants) will be required to submit proof of filing of the appropriate VENDEX Questionnaires. Upon written notification, the proposer must submit a Confirmation of Vendex Compliance to the NYCDOT Vendor Responsibility Unit within five days of official notification. (Section VII, Attachment G). A form for this confirmation is set forth in the RFP.

The proposer is advised that Vendex Questionnaires and procedures have changed. See www.nyc.gov/vendex to download the new VENDEX Questionnaires and a Vendor's Guide to VENDEX or contact NYCDOT's Vendor Responsibility Unit at 212-442-7757.

(a) Submission: Vendex Questionnaires (if required) must be submitted directly to the Mayor's Office of Contract Services, ATTN: Vendex, 253 Broadway, 9th Floor, New York, New York 10007.

(b) Requirement: Pursuant to Administrative Code Section 6-116.2 and the PPB Rules, proposers may be obligated to complete and submit VENDEX Questionnaires. If required, Vendex Questionnaires must be completed and submitted before any award of contract may be made or before approval is given for a proposed subcontractor. Non-compliance with these submission requirements may result in the disqualification of the proposal, disapproval of a subcontractor, subsequent withdrawal of approval for the use of an approved subcontractor, or the cancellation of the contract after award.

ATTACHMENT G

CONFIRMATION OF VENDEX COMPLIANCE
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The Proposer (including its subconsultant) shall submit this Confirmation of Vendex Compliance

Name of Proposer: _____

Proposer's Address: _____

Proposer's Telephone Number: _____

Proposer's Fax Number: _____

Date of Proposal Submission: _____

Project ID: _____

Vendex Compliance: To demonstrate compliance with Vendex requirements, the Proposer shall complete either Section (1) or Section (2) below, whichever applies.

- (1) **Submission of Questionnaires to MOC:** By signing in the space provided below, the Proposer certifies that as of the date specified below, the Proposer has submitted Vendex Questionnaires to the Mayor's Office of Contract Services, Attn: VENDEX, 253 Broadway, 9th Floor, New York, New York 10007.

Date of Submission: _____

By: _____
(Signature of Partner or corporate officer)

Print Name: _____

- (2) **Submission of Certification of No Change to NYCDOT:** By signing in the space provided below, the Proposer certifies that it has read the instructions in a "Vendor's Guide to Vendex" and that such instructions do not require the Proposer to submit Vendex Questionnaires. The Proposer has completed **TWO ORIGINALS** of the Certification of No Change.

By: _____
(Signature of Partner or corporate officer)

Print Name: _____

SECTION VII

- H) **LOCAL LAW 34:**
DOING BUSINESS DATA FORM AND INSTRUCTIONS
*(To be submitted as a separate sealed envelope along with the
Technical Proposal)*

[Doing Business Data Form](#)

[Doing Business Questions and Answers](#)