



# TOWN OF MONROE

## TOWN COUNCIL

### AGENDA

Session # 2024-15

Regular Meeting - Monday, July 15, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

#### **HYBRID PUBLIC MEETING**

#### **TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS & UTILIZING ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

**THIS MEETING MAY BE ACCESSED BY THE PUBLIC EITHER IN-PERSON OR ELECTRONICALLY  
IN REAL-TIME AS SET FORTH HEREIN BELOW**

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- Via computer, tablet or smartphone at this link:

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- Via phone at: 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: **862 8317 9523**

Passcode: **894294**

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- Anyone participating remotely should state their name and title, if applicable, at the outset of each occasion that such a person is speaking.
- All votes taken during which any member of this body is participating remotely shall be taken by roll call, unless the vote is unanimous.
- The chat feature will not be utilized nor considered during this meeting.

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#### **I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **III. COMMENDATION FOR EDWARD MEDARIS**

#### **IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A.** Approval of the minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting held on June 24, 2024 (Session 2024-14).

**B.** Approval of the Tax Collector's Request for Refunds, dated July 2, 2024, totaling \$25,288.77.

**C.** Acceptance of the donations received for the following programs:

- Community & Social Services: \$ 781.00
- CERT: \$ 100.00

- Edith Wheeler Memorial Library: \$ 803.08 & in-kind donations of 39 puzzles, 10 books, 5 DVDs, 1 audio book,
- Emergency Medical Services: \$ 350.00
- Food Pantry: \$ 862.00
- Police Department: \$ 2,450.00
- Project Warmth: \$ 500.00

**V. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated July 11, 2024 regarding various donations.
- B. Memo from the Tax Collector to the Town Council Chair dated July 2, 2024 regarding a Request for Refunds.
- C. Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated July 11, 2024 regarding the Fredi B. Design Website Design and Maintenance Agreement for the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library.
- D. Letter of Opinion from the Town Attorney to the First Selectman dated July 10, 2024 regarding the Fredi B. Design Website Design and Maintenance Agreement for the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library.
- E. Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated July 11, 2024 regarding the State of Connecticut Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects.
- F. Letter of Opinion from the Town Attorney to the First Selectman dated July 10, 2024 regarding the State of Connecticut Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects.

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**VII. APPOINTMENTS**

None

**VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Town Council Committee on Finance, Education, Health & Public Safety Matters
- B. Town Council Committee on Planning & Zoning, Public Works and Park & Recreation Matters
- C. Town Council Committee on Legislative & Administrative Matters
- D. Strategic Planning Committee
- E. Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Committee
- F. First Selectman’s Update

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Acceptance of the following donations that individually exceed \$1,500.00:  
 Police Department:
  - \$ 1,500.00 from Norwalk Veterinary Hospital, P.C.
- B. **Resolution #24-112:** To consider and act upon a resolution regarding the Fredi B. Design Website Design and Maintenance Agreement for the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library.
- C. **Resolution #24-113:** To consider and act upon a resolution regarding the State of Connecticut Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects.

**XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Anyone who desires to address the Council must adhere to the following rules of participation:

- At the start of Public Participation, the Chair or Moderator shall ask all persons desiring to participate to identify yourself by name, one at a time.
- The Chair or Moderator shall create a list of identified participants and shall, in their sole discretion, recognize each by name one at a time.
- Upon recognition, each participant shall state their full legal name and address for the record.
- All participants shall speak clearly in a civil, non-argumentative and respectful manner.
- Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes.
- Comments shall be directed to the Council as a whole & not to any single member, individual or entity.
- The Chair may alter these rules from time to time, in his sole discretion.

Failure to comply with the rules or any other conduct which is disruptive to the proceedings shall result in removal from the meeting.

Second Public Participation: Anyone who desires to address the Council during Second Public Participation must adhere to the rules of Public Participation as aforesaid except that comments shall be strictly limited to unresolved matters of Unfinished Business or New Business on that day's agenda.



# TOWN OF MONROE

## TOWN COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

Session # 2024-14

Regular Meeting – Monday, June 24, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.  
Meeting conducted in Council Chambers of Town Hall  
& Remotely via Zoom

**PRESENT:**

Chairperson Jonathan Formichella  
Vice-Chairperson Enid Lipeles (remote)  
Councilmember Vincent A. Duva  
Councilmember Cathy Kohut  
Councilmember Sean O'Rourke  
Councilmember Janice Persico  
Councilmember Kevin Reid (remote)

**ABSENT:**

Councilmember Jason Maur  
Councilmember Dona-Lyn Wales

**ALSO PRESENT:**

First Selectman Terrence P. Rooney  
Town Attorney Frank Lieto  
Shelton Administrative Aid to the Mayor, Special Projects Ray Baldwin  
Planning & Zoning Administrator Kathleen Gallagher  
Building Inspector John Morris

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**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Formichella** called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Formichella** took the roll call as noted above.

**III. MASUK GIRLS SOFTBALL PROCLAMATION**

**Rooney** noted that members from the Masuk Girls Softball team was in attendance. He presented them with a Proclamation for their State Championship.

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A.** Approval of the minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting held on June 10, 2024 (Session 2024-13).
- B.** Acceptance of the donations received for the following programs:
- Emergency Medical Services: \$ 1,131.27
  - Farmers' Market: \$ 1,834.80
  - Food Pantry: \$ 796.72
  - Police Department: \$ 1,000.00
  - Project Warmth: \$ 87.40

**V. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A.** Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated June 20, 2024 regarding various donations.

- B. Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated June 20, 2024 regarding an appointment to the Board of Ethics.
- C. Memo from Young Developers to the Town dated June 17, 2024 regarding the request for a contract extension for the Stepney Firehouse Roof Replacement project.
- D. Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated June 20, 2024 regarding the First Amendment to the Stepney Firehouse Roof Contract.
- E. Letter of Opinion from the Town Attorney to the First Selectman dated June 18, 2024 regarding the First Amendment to the Stepney Firehouse Roof Contract.
- F. Memo from the First Selectman to the Town Council Chair dated June 20, 2024 regarding the Open Gov Software Agreements.
- G. Letter of Opinion from the Town Attorney to the First Selectman dated June 18, 2024 regarding Open Gov Software Agreements.

## VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**Formichella** asked if anyone in chambers or online wished to participate.

**Steve Kirsch, 35 Applegate Lane** – Kirsch noted that for the record he is a member of the Board of Finance but that tonight’s comments were his own and not of the Boards or any other member. He stated that he wanted to address new business item C, Pepper Street, executive session anticipated. Kirsch stated that he would like a public meeting so that residents knew what was going on and he reminded the Council and the public that the contract for the work was signed in October of 2029 with a completion date of the end of 2021. He noted that completion did not happen and we are well beyond that date. Kirsch stated that on August 15, 2022 Ken Kellogg provided an updated-on Pepper Street and out of that report he noted Ken stated that “at the most recent meeting, the contractors President and his legal counsel, made a clear commitment to devote resources necessary to substantially complete the project by November of that year”, meaning 2022. Kirsch stated that on August 15<sup>th</sup> an executive session was held, on August 26<sup>th</sup> there was a Town Meeting to approve the MOU and here we are two years later.

**Formichella** asked if anyone else in chambers or online wished to participate. Hearing none, **Formichella** closed Public Participation.

## VII. APPOINTMENTS

- A. **Resolution #24-109:** To consider and act upon the resolution regarding the appointment of **Robert Tranzillo (R)** of 4 Pamela Circle to the Board of Ethics for a term ending January 1, 2026.

**Motion by Formichella** to adopt **RESOLUTION #24-109: RESOLVED**, that the Monroe Town Council hereby approves the First Selectman’s appointment of **Robert Tranzillo (R) of 4 Pamela Drive** to the Board of Ethics for a term ending January 1, 2026.

**Second: Duva**

**Discussion: Formichella** stated that Bob had lived in the Town of Monroe since 1966. Not only did he serve as Chairman of Town Council, he was also chairman of the Board of Finance, both elected positions. **Formichella** noted that Bob’s volunteerism continued as he served on the Parks & Recreation Commission and a long-time member of the Memorial Day Parade Committee. He stated that Bob was an active member of the Monroe Jaycees and St. Jude Church. **Formichella** stated that Bob has been committed to the town for over 58 years. The appointment filled the vacancy created by Anthony Marciano who had completed the Monroe Town Charter requirement of serving three (3) consecutive 2-year terms on the Board of Ethics.

**Formichella** noted that Mr. Tranzillo was interviewed during L&A and his appointment was moved to Town Council.

**Motion passed 7-0:**

Voting Yes: **Formichella, Lipeles, Duva, Kohut, O’Rourke, Persico, Reid**

Voting No: None

Absent: Maur, Wales

## VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Town Council Committee on Finance, Education, Health & Public Safety Matters – **Lipeles** noted they had not met since the last Council meeting.
- B. Town Council Committee on Planning & Zoning, Public Works and Park & Recreation – **Duva** stated there was no update.
- C. Town Council Committee on Legislative & Administrative Matters – **Reid** noted they met prior to the meeting. He noted they conducted an interview and discussed two items on the agenda, the First Amendment to the Stepney Firehouse Roof Contract and the OpenGov Software Agreements, both which were passed to go before Council this evening.
- D. Strategic Planning Committee - **Formichella** stated they have not met since the last Council meeting.
- E. Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Committee – **O' Rourke** noted they have not met since the last Council meeting.
- F. First Selectman's Update –First Selectman Rooney provided an update as follows:

### Operations Update:

#### Historical Society

- Met with members of the Society to discuss options for the Beardsley House and property. The Beardsley house is owned by the society; however, the Town of Monroe owns the property. I recommend this Council take the time to visit this location as everyone is welcoming ideas on how to proceed with this historic property that needs considerable maintenance.

#### Employee Appreciation

- Monroe resident Dave Kuban and his family owned business Planet Pizza supplied food to our dedicated Town Employees. Members of all departments attended, directors and employees alike, as well as many members of Monroe PD and DPW. Thank you to our municipal staff for making our Town Hall the friendly environment it is today. Our citizens are noticing and vocalizing their appreciation for the kind culture and proactive work being accomplished by the municipal sector.

#### Michael Manjos

- Mike is stepping down from chairman of Board of Finance. Mike has kept Monroe on a very responsible and fiscally conservative path for over a decade while working with all personalities to make the best decisions for Monroe. I have great admiration for Mr. Manjos for his years of offering his expertise to the Board of Finance and it's impossible to find anyone that has ever worked on budgets with him to say they did not learn something from his leadership. He will be greatly missed and my hope is whoever is chosen to fill his shoes will bring the same energy and diligence to the position, it has been an honor working with you.

#### Bond Rating

- The Director of Finance had informed me that we received our bond rating from S&P Global Ratings. I am happy to report that we have been assigned a AAA bond rating with a stable financial outlook.

### Emergency Services Update:

#### Power Outage

- Significant winds, rain, and hail surged through parts of Monroe Saturday and Sunday evening. The extreme weather left many residents without power, approximately 1850 residents. My office was in contact with the Department of Public Works and Police Chief during these events. Our officers blocked roads temporarily where needed and kept DPW notified of hazards needing immediate attention. The Department of Public Works worked through the night on Saturday clearing trees along with the Eversource tree crew to take care of any trees leaning against power lines. Our DPW was called out again early this

morning for a downed tree on Moose Hill Road at 1:30am. The Parks and Recreation Director, Missy Orosz, reported Doc Silverstone Drive was blocked from down trees and closed the park temporarily until it was safe to pass. A cursory visit to Great Hollow by me revealed several large oak trees had fallen and created a very heavy and timely job for crews on scene. The Park was opened by 1:05pm Sunday afternoon. Eversource was very responsive during this storm event as well. Clean ups are ongoing in the walking trails, so please enjoy the parks with caution. Thank you to all departments for the excellent communication and hard work to get our Town back on track.

- Detective Buckley retired last week after 19 years of service to the Monroe Police Department. She was a favorite among youth detectives, and will be missed. We wish her the best of luck with future endeavors and thank her for her years of service.

### **Capital Projects Update:**

#### Paving

- Paving has been done on several of our roads by our contracted vendors and our Public Works Department. As many of you know, last year's repairs were done using our personnel, however the rental of 6-foot paver although helped keep our roads safe and operational, the appearance was not optimal. This season we opted to rent a 13-foot paver which allows our road section repairs to extend curb to curb and the transitions from old to new pavement are much smoother. All these paving projects have been seen by me and I'm happy about the progress Public Works is making on the in-house ability to pave our roads. This not only allows us to make repairs on our own schedule but there is also a cost saving which I am trying to calculate as the season progresses.

### **Community Update:**

#### Trumbull Veterans and First Responder Center

- Over a month ago Trumbull had a groundbreaking event for their new state of the art facility on Whitney Avenue. This facility will be used by our Veterans in Monroe and will serve those who served us very well in the near future.

#### 838 Strength Ribbon Cutting

- This ribbon cutting was held on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. This fitness center offers personal training and tips for safe and effective workouts. Thank you to everyone who showed their support.

#### Jockey Hollow Middle School Graduation

- The Superintendent, myself, and other dignitaries attended the ceremony on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> which awarded 260 eight graders with their certificates of recognition. Congratulations to all!

#### Masuk High School Graduation

- The Superintendent, myself, and other dignitaries attended the graduation ceremony which was held on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to the class of 2024!

#### Fairways to Hope Golf Classic

- The Center for Family Justice held their annual Fairways of Hope Golf Classic on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at the Mill River Country Club in Stratford. I had the opportunity to speak at this event, which was well attended. The golf classic benefits program services for children impacted by physical and sexual abuse. Thank you CFJ for all you do!

#### Production Metals

- Production Metals has been an outstanding investor into the future of Monroe. As this is a global business they employ a local staff adding 80 plus new jobs to the Monroe job Market. Myself and State Rep Tony Scott attended the ceremony in celebration of Production Metals continued success in Monroe.

#### Chamber of Commerce Dinner

- This dinner was held on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> and was well attended. The Chamber has welcomed approximately 40 new members since last July with a total of 115 members. The Chamber continues to welcome new businesses into Town in addition to hosting several

networking events.

Lacrosse Girls Banquet Proclamation

- I was honored to attend the banquet for the Masuk Girls Lacrosse team on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. It was an honor to present them and the coaching staff with a proclamation for their successful dedication and teamwork which lead them to win the 2024 CIAC Lacrosse Class L Championship.

Farmers' Market

- Despite the changeable weather, our Farmers' Market opened June 14<sup>th</sup> and will continue to run every Friday from 3 to 6 PM until October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Strawberry Festival

- The Monroe Congregational Church held its 52<sup>nd</sup> annual Strawberry Festival. While I was unable to attend, I was informed that it was very well attended.

BRBC Annual Luncheon

- The Bridgeport Regional Business Council invited me to attend their annual luncheon which was held on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Trumbull Marriott. During the luncheon, there were several panel discussions, networking opportunities and the launch of the new MetroCOG website.

CFJ Annual Dinner

- I was honored to attend the annual dinner for the Center for Family Justice on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Trumbull Marriott. The annual dinner recognized many community partners, staff, volunteers, donors, students, parents, and community leaders.

Social Services

- Last week it was brought to my attention that there was a resident in Town living in deplorable conditions. Through teamwork with our Social Services department, we were able to secure an emergency hearing with Probate Court regarding conservatorship within 24 hours. This swift action provided the resident with the assistance they were unable to obtain on their own. Great job to our Social Services Director and Trumbull Probate.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Resolution #24-110:** To consider and act upon the resolution regarding the First Amendment to the Stepney Firehouse Roof Contract.

**Motion by Formichella** to adopt **RESOLUTION #24-110: RESOLVED**, that Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman of the Town of Monroe, is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Monroe, the First Amendment to the Stepney Firehouse Roof Contract and any associated documents by and between Young Developers, LLC, for the Stepney Firehouse Station #2 Project.

**Second: Duva**

**Discussion: Rooney** stated that the Town had previously issued Requests for Proposals for the replacement of the two roofs at the Town-owned firehouses operated by the Stevenson and Stepney Fire Departments. He stated the project was approved and through the RFP process, Young Developers, LLC was awarded the construction contract for the Stepney Firehouse Station #2 Roof Project under Resolution #23-112. **Rooney** noted that due to material and weather delay's, Young Developers requested to extend the contract through the newly proposed completion date of July 31, 2024. The attached First Amendment was drafted by our Town Attorney, who also provided a letter of opinion.

**Motion passed 7-0:**

Voting Yes: **Formichella, Lipeles, Duva, Kohut, O'Rourke, Persico, Reid**

Voting No: None

Absent: Maur, Wales

- B. Resolution #24-111:** To consider and act upon a resolution regarding the Open Gov Software Agreements. **Motion by Formichella** to adopt **RESOLUTION #24-111: RESOLVED**, that Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman of the Town of Monroe, is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Monroe, the Software Agreements and any associated documents by and between OpenGov, Inc. for hosted software and professional services.

**Second: Lipeles**

**Discussion: Rooney** stated that OpenGov attended the last Council meeting to provide a cursory presentation. He noted that for review and consideration, the Software Agreements by and between the Town of Monroe, OpenGov and the CROG for the hosted software and professional services that were presented at the June 10, 2024 Town Council Meeting were attached. He noted that additionally, § 4.3 of the Town Purchasing Policy exempts the proposed purchase from the public bidding process due to the purchase being procured through a public consortium. He stated that the agreement had been reviewed by our Town Attorney, who provided an opinion letter. **Rooney** stated that there were staff present who wished to speak on behalf of the software. He noted that Kathleen Gallagher, P&Z Administrator, John Morris, Building Inspector, and Ray Baldwin, the former First Selectman of Trumbull who currently works for the City of Shelton all would like to speak on OpenGov.

**Baldwin** stated that two years ago, he started with the City of Shelton and was asked to conduct an evaluation of the operations in the Land Use Departments. He noted immediately that they were still using paper applications. **Baldwin** stated they were unsuccessful with previously utilizing a program called Municipity. He stated they reviewed what other communities were using and visited the Town of Stratford to review their software with OpenGov. **Baldwin** stated that the key to the operation of the program is to have good people in place in various departments to implement them so they could hit the ground running. He stated the program was very effective, took a year to go live, but that it was loved by the residents and staff. **Baldwin** stated that field staff use tablets and could upload photographs from the field in real time. He noted that application fees could be paid online, residents and developers loved it since they could complete applications at their leisure, and that all of the departments could track application statuses. **Baldwin** stated that about 55 cities and towns in the State utilize this software. **Kohut** inquired if there was a savings to the Town from application fees and employee time. **Baldwin** stated that there was a ton of savings in staff time and that Shelton charges a \$30- or \$40-dollar technology fee based on the application which assists with the costs of the software. **Kohut** inquired if the program paid for itself. **Baldwin** stated that it does not pay for itself completely, but that it paid for a big part of itself.

**Gallagher** thanked the Council for their continued support. She noted that when she started in Land Use six months ago, they had inherited a projected that was larger than anticipated in addition to putting in many hours to deal with the backlog of applications, complaints, and violations. **Gallagher** noted that the First Selectman was very gracious, kind and always lending an ear to work through the department issues. She noted that they recently hired a Wetlands Enforcement Officer and the overall department morale was up. **Gallagher** stated that they now have the staff to better address the needs of the public and community. She noted that the last piece the department was struggling with was in record keeping because everything was done by hand and permit number. **Gallagher** stated when a resident comes to Town Hall and they want to obtain permits for their address, staff must access an excel file, look up every old permit number, find the file in storage and pull everything together. She noted this process leaves a lot of opportunity for human error. **Gallagher** stated that the OpenGov software would provide consolidation to the record keeping process, make documents more accessible, and the application process more effective and transparent.

**Morris** stated that with OpenGov, everyone would have access. He stated that the Assessor could review inspection reports and had asked us to include videos to track progress. **Morris** stated that in 2018, the State of Connecticut mandated that municipalities started storing electronic repositories for paperwork. He noted they used a Microsoft pro system that was about sixteen years old, unreliable, and was not yielding the same query results. **Morris** stated that having one program to put all information in that would be accessible by all departments would be a timesaver.

**Persico** noted that on the last page under the service terms of OpenGovs invoice, it stated July 1, 2026, and inquired if that should read July 1, 2024. **Rooney** confirmed that it should have been 2024. **Rooney** stated that the rate was discounted since the Town was involved with MetroCOG and the CRCOG.

**Motion passed 7-0:**

Voting Yes: **Formichella, Lipeles, Duva, Kohut, O'Rourke, Persico, Reid**

Voting No: None

Absent: Maur, Wales

**C. Pepper Street Discussion (Executive Session anticipated)**

**Formichella** made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:49pm to discuss the Pepper Street Litigation. He invited the Town Attorney and the First Selectman.

**Second: Kohut**

**Discussion:** None

**Motion passed 7-0:**

Voting Yes: **Formichella, Lipeles, Duva, Kohut, O'Rourke, Persico, Reid**

Voting No: None

Absent: Maur, Wales

Executive Session ended at 8:48pm and no votes were taken.

**XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**None**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Formichella** adjourned the meeting at 8:48 PM.

*Respectfully submitted by, Kerry McAndrew, Clerk*

TO: Jonathan Formichella, Town Council , Chairman  
 FROM: Deborah Heim, Tax Collector  
 DATE: July 2, 2024  
 SUBJECT: Requests for Refunds

The following is a list of refunds submitted for Town Council's approval.

NAME	FULL ADDRESS		\$ AMOUNT
Bussey Carol	75 Highland Dr	Monroe, CT 06468	107.60
Rivera Victor	46 Cobblers Mill Rd	Sandy Hook, CT 06482	430.24
Rosa Antonio	20 Joan Dr	Monroe, CT 06468	359.03
Sian Morales Marvin & Gutierrez-De	58 Birchwood Rd	Monroe, CT 06468	127.72
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	2,545.20
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	779.92
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	876.28
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	3,763.26
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	2,580.20
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	790.64
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	888.32
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	3,815.02
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	2,628.50
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	805.44
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	904.96
Stepney LLC	4666 Main St	Bridgeport, CT 06606	3,886.44
<b>TOTAL \$</b>			<b>25,288.77</b>

  
 Deborah E Heim  
 Tax Collector

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 For the Town Council



# TOWN OF MONROE

## OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

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**Date:** July 11, 2024

**To:** Jonathan Formichella, Town Council Chair

**From:** Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman *T.P.R.*

**cc:** Lisa Pane, EMS Administrator  
Kim Cassia, Director of Community & Social Services  
Keith White, Police Chief & Emergency Management Director  
Nicole Cignoli, Library Director

**Subject:** Donations

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The attached donations were received for various Town programs. I ask that you accept these donations at your next meeting.

**DONATIONS Individually Under \$1,500**

Donor	Bicentennial Committee	Community & Social Services	Community Emergency Response Team	Edith Wheeler Memorial Library	Emergency Medical Services	Farmers Market	Food Pantry	Park & Recreation	Police Department	Project Warmth
Friends of the Library- Summer Reading				\$ 653.08						
Friends of the Library- Regular Programming				\$ 150.00						
Stop & Shop Bloomin' 4 Good Program							\$ 112.00			
Monroe Women's Club Inc.		\$ 500.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00			\$ 750.00			\$ 500.00
Catherine Belanger (Transportation)		\$ 20.00								
Diane Hensel (Transportation)		\$ 40.00								
Carl & Joan Piazza (Transportation)		\$ 8.00								
Alberta Leone (Transportation)		\$ 10.00								
Anonymous-Cash		\$ 3.00								
Monroe Public School Parents Council, Inc.		\$ 200.00								
Angelovic Insurance Group, LLC- Night at the Park									\$ 250.00	
Sippin Energy Products- Night at the Park									\$ 250.00	
111 Elite Firearms, LLC- Night at the Park									\$ 250.00	
Cross Hill Service, LLC- Night at the Park									\$ 250.00	
Associated Appliances- Night at the Park									\$ 100.00	
Tint Man- Night at the Park									\$ 50.00	
A&B Mechanical Heating, Plumbing & A/C- Night at the Park									\$ 500.00	
A&B Carting LLC- Night at the Park									\$ 500.00	
Brothers Liquor LLC, Lakeside Wine & Liquor - Night at the Park									\$ 300.00	
Frank & Eleanor Schrader				\$ 50.00						
Joann Pickett				\$ 100.00						
	\$ -	\$ 781.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 803.08	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ 862.00	\$ -	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 500.00

**IN-KIND DONATIONS**

Anonymous										
Anonymous										37 Puzzles in Reference
Anonymous										5 books in Tech Services
Anonymous										5 DVDs in Tech Services
Anonymous										1 fiction audiobook in Tech Services
Anonymous										2 puzzles in Children's Department
Anonymous										5 books in Children's Department

**Totals for All Donations Individually Under \$1,500**

Community & Social Services:	\$ 781.00	
Community Emergency Response Team:	\$ 100.00	
Edith Wheeler Memorial Library:	\$ 803.08	& In-kind donations referenced above
Emergency Medical Services:	\$ 350.00	
Food Pantry:	\$ 862.00	
Police Department:	\$ 2,450.00	
Project Warmth:	\$ 500.00	
<b>Totals Donations Individually Under \$1,500</b>	<b>\$ 5,846.08</b>	

**DONATIONS Individually \$1,500 or Greater**

Police Department	
Norwalk Veterinary Hospital, P.C.	\$1,500.00
	<u>\$1,500.00</u>



# TOWN OF MONROE

## OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

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Date: July 11, 2024

To: Jonathan Formichella, Town Council Chair

From: Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman *T.P.R.*

cc: Nicole Cignoli, Library Director

**Subject: Resolution Regarding the Fredi B. Design Website Design and Maintenance Agreement**

The Edith Wheeler Memorial Library is planning to redesign the Library's current website to ensure a clean and attractive design that can be easily updated by the Library staff and administration. Additionally, the website redesign will have optimization for all screen sizes. The Library would like to utilize the Fredi B. Design Company for the website redesign and monthly maintenance.

This matter has been reviewed by our Town Attorney, who provided the attached opinion letter.

I ask that you place the following resolution on the agenda of your next meeting for consideration and adoption:

**RESOLUTION #24-112: RESOLVED**, Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman of the Town of Monroe, is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Monroe, the Website Design and Maintenance Agreement and any associated documents by and between Fredi B. Design, for the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library website design and maintenance.

Thank you.



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July 10, 2024

### **VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY**

Hon. Terrence P. Rooney  
First Selectman  
Town of Monroe  
7 Fan Hill Road  
Monroe, CT 06468

RE: Letter of Opinion-Edith Wheeler Memorial Library  
Agreements by and between the Town of Monroe (“Town”) and Fredi B Design (“FBD”) for:  
(1) website redesign and rebuild; and  
(2) website maintenance (collectively the “Agreements”)

Dear First Selectman Rooney:

At your direction, I have reviewed the Agreements between the Town and FBD for the redesign, rebuild and maintenance of the website for the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library.

Based upon the scope and nature of the services to be provided, the Agreements, as presented, are hereby approved pursuant to Chapter V, Section 14 of the Town of Monroe Charter (“Charter”). As is customary, I hereby recommend that they be forthwith submitted to the Town Council for approval and authorization of your execution thereof pursuant to Chapter II, Section 4 of the Charter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments related to this matter at your leisure.

Respectfully,



Francis Lieto



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# Contract

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June 18, 2024

## PROJECT – STAGING SITE

The goal of the proposed contract is to transfer the current staging website for Edith Wheeler Memorial Library to a subdirectory on the current website. The site can then be adjusted and launched as a new website on ewml.org.

## PROJECT SERVICES

- Create an installation of Wordpress in a subdirectory of the current website (ewml.org/site)
- Export staging site (theme, plugins, content) and import to ewml.org/site
- Add plugin for post feeds (Content Views plugin) and create feed areas for posts
- Add plugin for slideshows (Meta Slider) and create slideshow areas for featured news/events
- Adjust layout of pages on staging site to maximize space and display correctly for different screen sizes
- Install Google XML sitemap plugin and connect with Google Search
- Create Google Analytics G4A account to connect website with Google tracking
- Launch staging site and fix any errors post-launch



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## BUDGET – STAGING SITE

Transfer, export/import, and launch of staging website	\$500
New plugin installation/setup, creation of post and slider areas, site adjustments	\$300
New Google XML plugin installation/setup, Google Analytics setup and connection to website	\$500
Website training - One (1) hour training	\$80
Total:	\$1380

## ADDITIONAL FEES – REDESIGN & REBUILD STAGING SITE

Redesign and rebuild website after loss of staging site	\$2200
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## PROJECT - REDESIGN & REBUILD STAGING SITE

The goal of this proposed redesign is to create a website with a clean and attractive design and logical organization which can be easily updated by library staff and administration. A clear and consistent navigational framework will begin on the homepage and extend throughout the site. Clear and central portions of the home page will be designed to be easily updated by library staff. The website will be responsive and optimized for all screen sizes.

## PROJECT SERVICES

### 1. Concept and Design

- Creation of a new Online Identity
- Adaptation of logo for screen use
- Sections and content that cater to the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library online audience
- Clean and concise layout, with consistent design treatments applied to both main and sub-sections
- Site architecture with intuitive navigation for new and returning visitors, tailored to the specific needs and features of the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library
- Functioning navigational prototype and custom drop-down menus
- Homepage slideshow
- Custom style sheets optimized for all screen sizes
- Text flow, page layout, stylized type, image placement, and custom banners or teasers
- Social media icons and placements
- Custom homepage layouts for Children and Teen sections

### 2. Architecture, Production, Navigation and Scripting

- Organization of the content
- Creation of page and post templates
- Custom PHP scripting for website templates
- Custom archival page templates
- Custom forms and widgets

### 3. WordPress Setup and Administration

- Installation and setup of WordPress theme on current website
- Setup and installation of all necessary plugin



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This contract was made on June 17, 2024, by Fredi B Design for the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library. The agreed fees are our best estimates given the information provided. Any modifications of fees due to the change of scope of the project will be submitted in writing and approved by the client.

The Edith Wheeler Memorial Library agrees to pay the following fees:

\$1380 – Project Staging Site

\$2200 – Project – Redesign/Rebuild Site

Total: \$3580

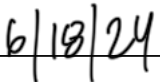
The fee will be billed once the new website has been launched. The Contract shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut.

  
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Sean Smith  
 Fredi B Design

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First Selectman  
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# Web Maintenance

June 18, 2024

The content creators are often the appropriate people to do the updates of the website content. A well-designed website, we believe, should make it easy for designers to change the design without affecting content, and for the content creators to change the content without affecting the design.

Monthly maintenance deliverables will include:

- a. Minor improvements and/or corrections as requested
- b. Answering questions by phone and email about WordPress
- c. Answering questions about future web development
- d. Fixing any code problems
- e. Upgrading of WordPress Content Management System and Plugins

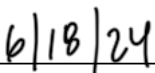
The Town of Monroe agrees to pay the following fee for monthly website maintenance: \$130.  
 The fee will be billed quarterly. The client may cancel monthly maintenance anytime with a thirty (30) day prior notice.  
 The contract will automatically renew annually and will continue until the agreement is terminated. This Agreement and any questions concerning its validity or construction shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut.

  
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Sean Smith  
 Fredi B Design

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First Selectman  
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## OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

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Date: July 11, 2024

To: Jonathan Formichella, Town Council Chair

From: Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman *T.P.R.*

cc: Chris Nowacki, Director of Public Works  
Bill Phillips, Deputy Director of Public Works

**Subject: Resolution Regarding the State of Connecticut Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects**

Ten years ago, the Town and the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation, entered into a Master Agreement for Municipal Construction Projects (MMAC). This agreement is set to expire on August 1, 2024. The State has provided a new agreement that includes a new Article (4) specifically tailored to the administration of these more streamlined, typically State funded, grant-type construction projects. In addition, the revised MMAC includes various updated State and Federal-required provisions that were a part of the originally executed MMAC.

This matter has been reviewed by the Town Attorney who has drafted his letter of opinion attached for your review.

I ask that you place the following resolutions on the agenda of your next meeting for consideration and adoption:

**RESOLUTION #24-113: RESOLVED**, that Terrence P. Rooney, First Selectman of the Town of Monroe, is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Monroe, the State of Connecticut Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects and any associated documents by and between the State of Connecticut for the Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects.

Thank you.



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July 10, 2024

### **VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY**

Hon. Terrence P. Rooney  
First Selectman  
Town of Monroe  
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**RE: Letter of Opinion  
Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects (“Agreement”) by and between the Town of Monroe (“Town”) and State of Connecticut-Department of Transportation (“State”)**

Dear First Selectman Rooney:

At your direction, I have reviewed the Agreement between the Town and State which is an update to its predecessor agreement for the same purpose, the term of which has set to expire this August. The revised proposed Agreement provides for a renewed ten-year term, includes standard terms, conditions and boilerplate contracting language, including new provisions which address certain streamlined procedures related to the advertising and administration of state-funded, grant type construction projects, and shall govern all future municipal/state projects.

Now therefore, having reviewed the Agreement as well as its predecessor, I hereby approve same pursuant to Chapter V, Section 14 of the Town of Monroe Charter (“Charter”) and recommend it be forthwith submitted to the Town Council for approval and authorization of your execution thereof pursuant to Chapter II, Section 4 of the Charter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments related to this matter at your leisure.

Respectfully,

  
Francis Lieto

## **MASTER MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

THIS MASTER MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (“Master Agreement”) is entered into by and between the STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, (the “DOT”), and the Town of Monroe, 7 Fan Hill Road, Monroe, Connecticut 06468 (the “Municipality”). The DOT or the Municipality may be referred to each individually as the “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

WHEREAS, the Municipality undertakes, and may financially participate in, municipal projects to construct improvements to roadways, structures and transportation facilities that are eligible for government financial assistance from the DOT, the federal government, or both;

WHEREAS, the DOT is the authorized entity responsible for distributing the state and federal government financial assistance with respect to these municipal projects; and

WHEREAS, on a project-by-project basis either the DOT or the Municipality takes on the responsibility of administering the construction phase of a particular municipal project, and the parties wish for this Master Agreement to address both DOT-administered and Municipality-administered projects;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner is authorized to enter into this Agreement and distribute state and federal financial assistance to the Municipality for these projects pursuant to § 13a-23, § 13a-98i, § 13a-98n, § 13a-165, § 13b-4(7) of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the DOT and the Municipality wish to set forth their respective duties, rights, and obligations with respect to these projects that are undertaken pursuant to this Master Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES MUTUALLY AGREE THAT:

**Article 1. Definitions.** For the purposes of this Master Agreement, the following definitions apply:

1.1 “Accumulative Costs” means the total, collective expenditure by the Municipality and the DOT to complete the Construction Project (defined in section 1.8).

1.2 “Affirmative Action (‘AA’) Special Provision” is defined in Section 3.13(a).

1.3 “Administer,” “Administering” or “Administration” of the Construction Project means conducting and managing operations required to perform and complete the Construction Project, including performing the construction work by either the Municipality or the DOT, as applicable to the particular Construction Project, in whole or in part, advertising and awarding any contract(s) for performance of the work by contractor(s) in whole or in part, or any combination thereof, and undertaking all of the administrative-duties related to and required for the completion of the Construction Project.

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1.4 “Authorization to Advertise Notice” means the written notice from the DOT to the Municipality authorizing the Municipality to advertise an invitation to bid for the Construction Project.

1.5 “Authorization to Award Notice” means the written notice from the DOT to the Municipality authorizing the Municipality to perform its Administration obligations for the Construction Project under the Project Authorization Letter (PAL) (defined in section 1.28), including, but not limited to, awarding the contract(s) for performance of the work.

1.6 “Authorization to Proceed Notice” means the written notice from the DOT to the Municipality authorizing the Municipality to perform its obligations for the Construction Project under the PAL.

1.7 “Authorized Department of Transportation (DOT) Representative” means the individual, duly authorized by a written delegation of the Commissioner of the DOT pursuant to Section 13b-17(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, to sign PALs and other instruments as set forth in such delegation.

1.8 “Construction Order” means the instrument issued by the DOT to the Municipality authorizing funding for modification to the Project scope of work performed by the Prime Contractor.

1.9 “Consulting Engineer” means the person or entity, whether an employee of, or a contractor engaged by, the Municipality, who performs the Design Services During Construction (defined in section 1.12).

1.10 “Construction Project” means the construction phase activities undertaken by the Municipality, and either Administered by the Municipality or by the DOT on the Municipality’s behalf, to construct improvements on an eligible locally and/or State maintained roadway or structure, to perform transportation activities (as defined by 23 U.S.C. § 101(a)(35), as revised), or any combination of the foregoing, based upon a design completed during a design phase of a Municipal Project, and in accordance with the PAL and this Master Agreement.

1.11 “Contingencies” means a percentage of funding set aside in the PAL for work that cannot specifically be described, or the extent of which cannot be detailed, in the original scope at bid time, but may later be required, at the discretion of the DOT or the Municipality, as applicable, for the Construction Project. Among other purposes, this percentage of the Funding is used to account for the costs that may result from the difference in the estimated quantities provided at bid time versus the actual quantities used during the performance of the Construction Project.

1.12 “Contract Items” means the products, services, or both set forth in the bid and necessary for the completion of the Construction Project. Contract Items may include, but are not limited to, earth excavation, rock excavation, hot mix asphalt, structural steel, trench excavation, turf establishment, Class A concrete, traffic person services, mobilization, and clearing and grubbing within the Construction Project limits.

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1.13 “Demand Deposit” means an amount of money due to the DOT from the Municipality.

1.14 “Depreciation Reserve Credit” means the credit for the used life of the replaced utility facility when a new facility is installed.

1.15 “Design Services During Construction” means design services required during the construction phase, with the DOT’s prior approval, which may include, but are not limited to, construction engineering services, consultation in the field, advice, visits to the work site, review and approval of all shop plans and construction drawings received from the Prime Contractor (defined in section 1.26), design modification of original construction drawings as may be necessary, and any other design services as may be required, with the DOT’s prior approval, all in accordance with the Standard Specifications (as defined in section 1.32).

1.16 “Designated Official” means the municipal official or representative designated by title who is duly authorized by the Municipality to receive PALs issued by the DOT under this Agreement and who submits to the DOT a Written Acknowledgment of the PAL (defined in section 2.2) binding the Municipality to the terms and conditions of the PALs issued by the DOT under this Master Agreement.

1.17 “Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)” has the meaning defined in Schedule E.

1.18 “DOT-provided Services” means the work that the DOT is responsible to perform for the Construction Project, as specifically set forth in the PAL and may include, but are not necessarily limited to, material testing, periodic construction inspection, administrative oversight, and liaison activities with other governmental agencies to ensure satisfactory adherence to DOT and federal requirements.

1.19 “Effective Date” means the date which the Master Agreement is executed by the DOT.

1.20 “Extra Work” means potential additional work that is beyond the original scope or limits of work of the Construction Project specifically for which funds are set-aside as a line item category in the PAL and authorized in writing by the DOT.

1.21 “Funding” means funds from the state government, the federal government, the Municipality, or a combination of any of the foregoing, designated for a particular Construction Project, which the DOT disperses to the Municipality on a reimbursement or upfront payment basis.

1.22 “Grant” means an award or appropriation of State or DOT funds for a Construction Project that the DOT will disperse to the Municipality on an upfront payment basis, unless otherwise stated in the PAL.

1.23 “Incidentals to Construction” means items that were not included in the listing of Contract Items but that are necessary for the completion of the Construction Project, as determined

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by the DOT in its sole discretion. Advertising of a request for bids, inspection, construction and engineering services, field quality assurance testing, and material testing are examples of, but are not limited to, items that may be determined to be Incidentals to Construction for a particular Construction Project.

1.24 “Inspection Activities” means continuous inspection of the work on the Construction Project and associated administrative duties, including, but not limited to, inspection of grading, drainage, structure, pavement, facilities construction, and rail work; the required administrative functions associated with the Construction Project including, but not limited to, preparation of correspondence, construction orders, periodic payment estimates, quantity computations, material sampling and testing, Equal Employment Opportunity and DBE monitoring, final documentation, DOT and Federal reporting, construction surveys, reviews and recommendations of all construction issues, and claims analysis support; and other Construction Project-related functions deemed necessary by the DOT.

1.25 “Inspection Consultant” means the person or entity engaged by the DOT or the Municipality, as applicable to the particular Construction Project, to perform the Inspection Activities.

1.26 “Municipal Project” means a project undertaken by the Municipality for improvements on eligible locally and/or State-maintained roadways, structures, transportation facilities (as defined by 23 U.S.C. § 101(a)(35), as revised), or any combination of the foregoing, which generally includes three phases of activities: the design phase, rights-of-way phase, and construction phase.

1.27 “Nonparticipating Items” means those items or portions of the Construction Project work determined upfront by the Federal Highway Administration (“FHWA”), the DOT, or both during the Municipal Project design phase to not be eligible for reimbursement with the Funding, in accordance with federal regulation or State requirement/Municipality Manual.

1.28 “Official Notice” means notice given from one Party to the other in accordance with Article 14.

1.29 “Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E)” means the final engineering documents produced during the design phase of the Municipal Project that contain all of the construction details and are made part of the bid documents.

1.30 “Prime Contractor” means the person or entity engaged by the Municipality or the DOT, as applicable to the particular Construction Project, to perform construction work on the Construction Project.

1.31 “Project Amount” means the total estimated cost for all work for the Construction Project, as estimated at the time of the DOT’s issuance of the PAL.

1.32 “Project Authorization Letter (PAL)” means the written document that authorizes the distribution of Funding to the Municipality for the specific Construction Project during a specified period of time.

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1.33 “Small Business Enterprise (SBE)” has the meaning defined in Schedule E.

1.34 “Small Business Participation Pilot Program (SBPPP)” has the meaning defined in Schedule G.

1.35 “Special Provisions” means specifications applicable to the particular Construction Project that are required by the DOT and made part of the bid documents and the contract with the Prime Contractor.

1.36 “Standard Specifications” means, collectively, the publications entitled “Standard Specifications for Roads, Bridges, Facilities and Incidental Construction (Form 818)” Connecticut Department of Transportation (2020) and its supplemental specifications issued from time to time by the DOT, entitled the “Supplemental Specifications to the Standard Specification for Roads, Bridges, and Incidental Construction (Form 818),” Connecticut Department of Transportation (January 2022), as may be revised.

1.37 “State” means the State of Connecticut, including the DOT and any office, department, board, council, commission, institution or other agency or entity of the State.

1.38 “Term” means the duration of the Master Agreement.

1.39 “Transportation Alternative Facilities” means the facilities installed or constructed under projects pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 133(h)(3), as revised, including, but not limited to, pedestrian or bike trails.

1.40 “Transportation Amenity” means an item approved by the DOT, in its sole discretion, for installation or construction as part of the Project that serves as a nonfunctional accessory or aesthetic element to the functional items of the Project, including but not limited to park benches, garbage receptacles, painted mast arms and span poles, decorative street or sidewalk illumination, and decorative sidewalk or crosswalk elements.

1.41 “Transportation Facilities” means any roadway, structure, building or other associated facilities, including, but not limited to, traffic control signals and roadway illumination, Transportation Alternative Facilities, including, but not limited to, pedestrian or bike trails, any improvements to any of the foregoing, and any combination of the foregoing.

### **Article 2. Issuance and Acknowledgment of PALs for Construction Projects.**

2.1 **Issuance of PAL.** The DOT shall issue to the Municipality a PAL for the applicable Construction Project, in the form substantially similar to Schedule A, which will be addressed to the Designated Official and signed by the Authorized DOT Representative. PALs issued under this Agreement will address Construction Projects and will not address design phase or right-of-way acquisition phase activities of Municipal Projects. The issuance of the PAL itself is not final authorization for the Municipality to begin performing work or awarding a contract with respect to the Construction Project. Additional required steps and approvals are set forth in this Agreement.

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2.2 **Written Acknowledgement of the PAL.** In order for the PAL to become effective and binding on both parties, the Municipality must return to the DOT a copy of the PAL signed by the Designated Official, hereinafter referred to as the “Written Acknowledgement of the PAL,” which serves to acknowledge the Municipality’s receipt of the PAL and confirm that the Municipality will undertake the particular Construction Project in accordance with the PAL and this Master Agreement). The Municipality shall submit the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL to the DOT Project Manager as designated in the PAL, no later than the deadline set forth in the PAL. Submission of the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL by electronic transmission is acceptable and preferred. The Written Acknowledgement of the PAL shall be deemed delivered on the date of receipt by the DOT if on a business day (or on the next business day after delivery if delivery occurs after business hours or if delivery does not occur on a business day). The PAL becomes effective on the date that the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL is delivered to the DOT.

2.3 **Designated Official.** The Municipality herein represents that the First Selectman of the Town of Monroe is the Designated Official to whom the Municipality has granted the authority, throughout the Term of this Master Agreement, to sign and submit on its behalf the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL(s) to the DOT. The Municipality agrees that the signature of the Designated Official shall bind the Municipality with respect to the PAL. Signature by the individual as the Designated Official upon any Written Acknowledgement of a PAL is a representation by such individual that he/she holds the title of the Designated Official as of the date of his/her signature. At any time during the Term, the Municipality may send written notice to the DOT (in accordance with Article 10) of its designation of a new individual to act as the authorized Designated Official specified in Schedule A and the effective date of such designation, upon which date the DOT shall address all PALs and Notices to Proceed or Award to such individual going forward.

2.4 **Obligations of Municipality.** Upon submission of the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL to the DOT, the Master Agreement and the PAL will be incorporated into one another in their entirety and contain the legal and binding obligations of the Municipality with respect to the Construction Project. By submitting the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL, the Municipality acknowledges that it understands the obligations to which it is committing itself with respect to the Construction Project. Further, the Municipality agrees to proceed with diligence to perform its obligations to accomplish the Construction Project and agrees to use the Funding to complete the same. The Municipality’s failure to diligently perform its obligations to progress the Construction Project in accordance with the project schedule may be deemed by the DOT, in its sole discretion, a breach of the respective PAL and, as a result, the DOT may seek any remedy available to it pursuant to this Master Agreement.

2.5 **Revisions to the PAL.** Any modification to the scope, the allowed Funding amount, or cost breakdown related to the Construction Project must be approved by the DOT, at its sole discretion, and set forth in a subsequent PAL newly-issued by the Authorized DOT Representative, hereinafter referred to as the “Supplemental PAL.” The Supplemental PAL shall be acknowledged by the Municipality in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 2.2, and the Supplemental PAL will supersede the previously-issued PAL for the Construction Project

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and will control.

**2.6 State Required Provisions.** With respect to this Master Agreement and each PAL issued and acknowledged under this Master Agreement, Municipality shall comply with the “State of Connecticut Required Provisions” attached as Schedule B to this Master Agreement, which may be revised from time to time to reflect changes in law. With respect to any contracts that the Municipality enters into in order to fulfill its obligations for a particular Construction Project, the Municipality agrees to include in such contracts the applicable requirements set forth in Schedule B.

### **2.7 Federal Requirements & Title VI Assurances.**

(a) With respect to this Master Agreement and each PAL issued and acknowledged under this Master Agreement that involves the passing of Funds from any agency or office of the federal government, including, but not limited to FHWA, the Municipality shall comply with such federal agency or office’s contracting requirements, directives, and policies that are in place at the time the respective PAL is in effect, except to the extent that the DOT and the federal agency or office may permit otherwise in writing. With respect to any contracts that the Municipality enters into in order to fulfill its obligations for a particular Construction Project, the Municipality agrees to include in such contracts the applicable requirements imposed by this Section 2.7.

(b) The Municipality agrees that as a condition to receiving federal financial assistance, if any, under the Master Agreement, the Municipality shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), all requirements imposed by the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation issued in implementation thereof (49 CFR Part 21 and 28 CFR § 50.3) and the “Title VI Contractor Assurances,” attached as Schedule C-2 to this Master Agreement, as may be revised. For the purposes of this Section 2.7(b), references to “Contractor” in Schedule C shall mean the Municipality.

**2.8 Revisions.** While this Master Agreement and the attached Schedules include applicable State of Connecticut and FHWA requirements (that the Municipality must comply with and must require its Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, and Consulting Engineer, as applicable, to comply with), the Municipality hereby acknowledges that such requirements are subject to revision by the State, DOT, the federal government, FHWA, or other authorized federal agency, from time to time during the Term and that by accepting federal or state government Funding under this Master Agreement, the Municipality agrees to be subject to such revised requirements and changes of law as in effect at any given time and, as a result thereof, shall perform any additional obligations with respect to the particular Construction Project, throughout the Term of this Master Agreement.

**Article 3. Municipality-Administered Construction Projects.** When the Municipality is responsible for Administering the Construction Project with Funding provided on a reimbursement basis, or as otherwise disbursed by the DOT as specified in the PAL, the sections of this Article 3 apply.

**3.1 Content of the PAL.** The PAL issued by the DOT to the Municipality shall set forth, at a minimum:

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(a) the Funding source(s), the related government Funding authorization or program information, and the associated Funding ratio between the federal government, the DOT, and the Municipality, as applicable, for the Construction Project;

(b) the maximum reimbursement or payment to the Municipality under the PAL;

(c) an estimated cost break-down for all work under the Construction Project;

(d) an amount for Contingencies, which upon written authorization from the DOT shall be available to fund required work or change in costs, as approved by DOT, via the Construction Order process and in accordance with applicable federal requirements and in accordance Municipality Construction Manual;

(e) the amount of the Demand Deposit(s) due to the DOT from the Municipality for the Municipality's proportionate share of applicable costs for work under the Construction Project, as determined by the Funding ratio;

(f) the Project Amount; and

(g) any applicable affirmative action goal(s) assigned with respect to work on the Construction Project, as follows:

(1) if the Construction Project receives federal participation in Funding, the DBE goal assigned by the DOT applicable to the Prime Contractor, and additionally, where the Municipality retains an Inspection Consultant to perform the Inspection Activities, the DBE goal assigned by the DOT to the Inspection Consultant. If federal funds are not used to fund the Inspection Activities on the Construction Project, then no DBE goal will be assigned for the Inspection Activities;

(2) if the Construction Project receives DOT Funding, and no federal participation in Funding, the SBE goal assigned by the DOT applicable to the Prime Contractor, and additionally, where the Municipality retains an Inspection Consultant, the SBE goal assigned to the Inspection Consultant; or

(3) regardless of the Funding source(s), the SBPPP goal assigned by the DOT applicable to the Prime Contractor, and additionally, where the Municipality retains an Inspection Consultant, the SBPPP goal assigned to the Inspection Consultant.

(h) Any applicable Transportation Facilities or Transportation Amenities installed or constructed within State owned rights-of-way that will be maintained by the Municipality in accordance with the applicable PAL, subject to the review and approval by the DOT prior to the Municipality commencing maintenance. The Municipality shall comply with the applicable DOT process and requirements to secure permission to access the rights-of-way and perform maintenance activities pursuant to a separate agreement with or encroachment permit issued by the DOT.

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### **3.2 Authorization to Award and Authorization to Proceed.**

(a) When the Municipality is electing to perform work with its own staff, it shall not allow Municipality staff to commence work on the Construction Project until the Municipality has received from the DOT an Authorization to Proceed Notice.

(b) When the Municipality is hiring a Prime Contractor to perform work on the Construction Project, the Municipality shall not allow the Prime Contractor to commence construction work until the Municipality has received from the DOT an Authorization to Award Notice.

(c) The DOT will issue an Authorization to Award Notice or Authorization to Proceed Notice, as applicable, directly to the Municipality, addressed to the Designated Official. The DOT has no responsibility and incurs no liability for payments to the Municipality for Administration of the Construction Project or for any construction work performed by the Prime Contractor or the Municipality's staff on the Construction Project prior to the DOT's issuance of the Authorization to Award Notice or Authorization to Proceed Notice.

### **3.3 Municipality to Perform and Complete the Construction Project.**

(a) Upon issuance of a PAL by the DOT, submission of the Written Acknowledgment of the PAL by the Municipality, and receipt of an Authorization to Award or Authorization to Proceed Notice, as applicable, from the DOT, the Municipality shall Administer all activities associated with the Construction Project in accordance with the PAL and this Master Agreement.

(b) The Municipality, with prior written approval of the DOT, may elect to perform all or any part of the Construction Project work with its own staff. In requesting approval from the DOT, the Municipality must demonstrate, to the DOT's satisfaction, that there is sufficient personnel, equipment, and resources available to the Municipality and that it will be cost effective for the Municipality's staff to perform the work in accordance with the plans and specifications.

(c) For work that the Municipality does not elect to perform with its own staff, the Municipality shall retain, using a competitive bidding process, a Prime Contractor to undertake the work under the Construction Project.

(d) With respect to any Construction Project that receives federal participation in Funding, the Municipality acknowledges that any costs it incurs prior to the receipt of federal authorization for the Construction Project are entirely ineligible for reimbursement with federal funds.

(e) The Municipality agrees that it shall use the Funding for reimbursement of the Municipality's approved expenses incurred in the fulfillment of the Construction Project as specified in the PAL and this Master Agreement and for no other purpose.

### **3.4 Engaging a Prime Contractor.**

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(a) Where the Municipality retains a Prime Contractor to perform the work on the Construction Project, upon receipt of an Authorization to Advertise Notice from the DOT, the Municipality shall advertise the Construction Project to engage the Prime Contractor utilizing an advertising and bidding procedure acceptable to the DOT and, if applicable, the federal government. In the event that a Municipality advertises a Construction Project without the DOT's prior written Authorization to Advertise, the DOT may in its sole discretion deem such to be a breach of the PAL, with all remedies under this Master Agreement available to the DOT, including but not limited to, the DOT terminating the PAL and the Municipality losing Funding for the Construction Project.

(b) The Municipality shall analyze all bids, submit a bid summary to the DOT, and request the DOT's approval to award a contract for the Construction Project. The Municipality shall perform all of the foregoing in accordance with the following publications (in their current version in effect during the performance under a particular PAL), as applicable, unless otherwise directed by DOT in writing:

- (1) Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities, Connecticut Department of Transportation (August 2016), as may be revised ("Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities");
- (2) The Standard Specifications. The version of the Standard Specifications in effect at the date of completion of the PS&E for the particular Construction Project is the version that must be followed and complied with for the particular Construction Project; and
- (3) The Municipality Manual, Version 1, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2013), as may be revised ("Municipality Manual").

(c) The Municipality may not impose any local rules, policies, terms, conditions, or requirements on any bidder, Prime Contractor, or Inspection Consultant, unless it has received prior written approval from the DOT and, if applicable, FHWA (or other federal authority). If the Municipality imposes any local rules, policies, terms, conditions, or requirements, without all required prior written approvals, the DOT may in its sole discretion deem such imposition to be a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL and may result in the Municipality losing Funding for the Construction Project.

**3.5 Pre-Award Requirements and Documentation.** The Municipality shall prepare and submit to the DOT a written determination of the Prime Contractor's responsiveness and qualifications to perform the work, based on review and analysis of the bids received. The Municipality shall require the selected Prime Contractor to meet all applicable pre-award requirements and submit any required documentation to the Municipality, which the Municipality, in turn, shall submit to the DOT for review and approval, all in accordance with the Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities, unless otherwise directed by DOT in writing. The pre-award requirements include, but are not limited to:

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- (a) Required documentation applicable to any assigned affirmative action goal;
- (b) A schedule of progress or time chart for the Construction Project developed by the Prime Contractor;
- (c) A complete statement of the origin and manufacturer of any manufactured materials to be used in the Construction Project provided on the DOT form “Anticipated Source of Materials (CON-83),” as revised;
- (d) A completed “State of Connecticut Certificate of Compliance with Connecticut General Statutes § 31-57b” form, as revised;
- (e) A completed Certificate of Insurance on the form(s) acceptable to the DOT; and
- (f) Any other documentation requested by the DOT or federal government as pre-award requirements.

### 3.6 Approval to Award Contract(s).

- (a) The Municipality must receive the DOT’s prior written approval in order to award its contracts, enter into modifications or supplements to the contracts, or issue any Construction Orders under its contracts with the Prime Contractor and, where applicable, the Consulting Engineer and the Inspection Consultant, prior to incurring reimbursable costs in conjunction with the PAL. Without such written approval, costs incurred by the Municipality are ineligible for reimbursement under the PAL. DOT retains the authority, at its sole discretion, to review for compliance with applicable DOT and federal requirements the Municipality’s proposed contracts prior to the DOT issuing any written approval.
- (b) Upon receipt of the Authorization to Award Notice from the DOT, the Municipality shall comply with the Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities and in accordance therewith, award the contract to the bidder specified in the Authorization to Award Notice. The Municipality shall submit to the DOT copies of the award letter, the contract executed with the Prime Contractor, and all other documents required by the Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities and otherwise requested by the DOT.
- (c) As a condition of receiving Funding under the PAL, the Municipality may be required, at the direction of the DOT or the federal government, to obtain certain assurances from and include certain contract provisions in its contracts with the Prime Contractor and, where applicable, the Consulting Engineer and the Inspection Consultant. Without limiting the foregoing, this Article 3 sets forth certain of these requirements. Additional requirements may be set forth in the PAL. The Municipality’s failure to include the requirements in the contract with, and to ensure compliance by, the Prime Contractor and, where applicable, the Consulting Engineer and the Inspection Consultant, may amount to a breach of this Master Agreement and the

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respective PAL, as determined by the DOT in its sole discretion, and may result in the Municipality's loss of Funding for the Construction Project.

**3.7 Changes in Scope. Extensions of Time.** The Municipality may not make changes to the Construction Project that will increase the cost or alter the termini, character or scope of the construction work without prior written approval from the Authorized DOT Representative. In addition, the Municipality shall not grant any contract time extensions to its contractor(s) or consultant(s) without prior written approval from the Authorized DOT Representative. Such written approval may take the form of a Supplemental PAL issued by the DOT with respect to the Construction Project. The Supplemental PAL, once acknowledged in writing by the Municipality in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 2.2, will supersede the previously-issued PAL for the Construction Project and will control.

**3.8 Design Services During Construction.** The Municipality shall itself provide or retain a Consulting Engineer to provide Design Services During Construction. The scope of the Design Services During Construction is subject to the prior approval of the DOT. If, in order to complete the approved Design Services During Construction, the Municipality must replace the Consulting Engineer that it previously hired during the design phase of the Municipal Project and engage a new Consulting Engineer during the construction phase, then the Municipality agrees to comply with any selection and contracting requirements imposed by the DOT in its sole discretion during the construction phase of the Municipal Project.

**3.9 Inspection Activities.** The Municipality shall itself provide a qualified staff person, or retain a qualified person or entity, to serve as the Inspection Consultant to perform full-time Inspection Activities. The Municipality shall submit written documentation to the DOT indicating the criteria it used in assigning existing municipal staff, hiring new municipal staff, retaining an Inspection Consultant, or any combination of the foregoing to perform Inspection Activities for the Construction Project.

(a) If the Municipality elects to retain an Inspection Consultant, in order to be eligible for reimbursement for the associated costs, the Municipality must use a Qualifications Based Selection process as described in and in accordance with the "Consultant Selection, Negotiation and Contract Monitoring Procedures for Municipally Administered Projects," Connecticut Department of Transportation (2016), as may be revised.

(1) When designating an Inspection Consultant, the Municipality shall submit to the DOT for review and approval, the name(s) and qualifications of the proposed Inspection Consultant prior to advertising the Construction Project. The Municipality shall comply with the "Construction Engineering and Inspection Information Pamphlet for Consulting Engineers," Connecticut Department of Transportation (2017) as may be revised, when determining the required qualifications of the Inspection Consultant.

(2) If the Construction Project receives federal participation in Funding, when the Municipality retains an Inspection Consultant, it must designate a full-time employee of the Municipality to be in responsible charge of the Construction

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Project in accordance with 23 CFR § 635.105(c)(4), as may be revised.

(b) If the Municipality elects to provide full-time Inspection Activities for the Construction Project with its own staff, upon request, the Municipality shall provide to the DOT written documentation of the qualifications of the municipal staff performing the Inspection Activities, for review by the DOT. When municipal staff is performing the Inspection Activities for the Construction Project, any required field quality assurance testing may be provided by the DOT, upon written request, and the DOT expenses associated with the field quality assurance testing will be funded in accordance with the PAL.

**3.10 Additional Administration Responsibilities.** The Municipality shall perform all other work which becomes necessary to properly Administer the Construction Project and inspect the work of the Prime Contractor in order to ensure compliance with the Standard Specifications, the bid package documents, and the Municipality's contract with the Prime Contractor, including, but not limited to, the Special Provisions for the particular Construction Project. Any work performed by the DOT in order to assist with the Municipality's Administration responsibilities for the Construction Project and any associated expenses will be funded in accordance with the PAL.

**3.11 Inadequate Administration.** If, at any time during the Construction Project, the DOT determines that the Administration by the Municipality is not adequate, it may be deemed a breach by the Municipality, as determined by the DOT in its sole discretion, and the DOT may assume responsibility for, or supplement, the Administration of the Construction Project, at its sole discretion. The additional costs associated with the DOT's Administration of the Construction Project will be considered part of the Construction Project costs for DOT-provided Services and will be funded in accordance with the proportionate cost sharing set forth in the PAL. The DOT may, in its sole discretion, withhold any payments to the Municipality under the PAL, until such time that the Municipality resumes Administration at the direction, and to the satisfaction, of the DOT. Furthermore, the DOT's assumption or supplementing of the Administration of a Construction Project does not waive any of the DOT's remedies under this Agreement, nor relieve the Municipality from any liability related to its breach.

### **3.12 Federal and State Required Contract Provisions.**

(a) The Municipality shall include in the contracts with the Prime Contractor and, where applicable, the Inspection Consultant, the following requirements:

(1) "Construction Contracts-Required Contract Provisions" attached as Schedule C to this Agreement, as may be revised from time to time. Throughout the Term, the DOT will provide an updated attachment to the Municipality for use with its contracts for the Project; and

(2) all applicable provisions that pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes the Municipality is required to include in its contracts.

(b) The Municipality's failure to comply with any requirement within this section 3.12

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may be deemed by the DOT, in its sole discretion, a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL and, as a result, the DOT may seek any of its remedies under this Master Agreement.

### **3.13 Affirmative Action (AA) Goals & On-the-Job Training Requirement.**

(a) The Municipality agrees to include the assigned DBE goal, SBE goal, or SBPPP goal, as applicable, and associated requirements, set forth in the PAL, as requirements within any contract the Municipality enters into with its Prime Contractor, and, if applicable, its Inspection Consultant, and to require its Prime Contractor and, if applicable, its Inspection Consultant, to comply with the current version of the “Special Provision, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises” (2023), as may be revised, the “Special Provision, Small Contractor and Small Contractor Minority Business Enterprise (Set Aside)” (2023), as may be revised, or the “Special Provision, Small Business Participation Pilot Program” (2023), as may be revised, attached to this Master Agreement as Schedules D, E & F, respectively (the “AA Special Provision”). The Municipality shall include a provision within such contract(s) requiring compliance with the applicable AA Special Provision and attaching a copy of same.

(b) The Municipality acknowledges that with respect to any Construction Project that receives federal participation in Funding, the Construction Project may be subject to an On-the-Job Training (OJT) requirement and the “On-the-Job Training Program Special Provision” (2023) as may be revised, attached at Schedule G. The Municipality agrees that upon receiving notice from the DOT of the OJT requirement, the Municipality will include the OJT requirement in its contract with the Prime Contractor and attach a copy of Schedule G to the contract.

(c) As a condition of receiving Funding under the PAL, the Municipality may be required at the discretion of the DOT or other applicable state or federal authorized agencies, to impose additional AA requirements upon and obtain certain assurances from the Prime Contractor, and, where applicable, the Inspection Consultant. The Municipality agrees to include any other AA Requirements in its contracts with the Prime Contractor, and, where applicable, the Inspection Consultant, at the direction of the DOT.

(d) The DOT, in its sole discretion, may determine whether the Municipality failed to comply with any requirement within this section 3.13 and may deem such failure a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL. As a result of any such breach, the DOT, at its sole discretion, may withhold reimbursement to the Municipality for the Construction Project in an amount up to or equaling the goal shortfall, in addition to any other remedies the DOT may have under this Master Agreement or provided by law.

### **3.14 Inspection Consultant Fees and Auditing Requirements.**

(a) With respect to any contract entered into with an Inspection Consultant:

- (1) If the Inspection Consultant is paid utilizing federal funds through the Construction Project, the Municipality shall comply with all applicable federal requirements including but not limited to 40 USC §§ 1101-1104, 23 USC §

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112(b)2, and 48 CFR Part 36.

(2) If the Inspection Consultant is paid utilizing state funds through the Construction Project, the Municipality shall comply with DOT Policy Statement EX.O-33 (June 25, 2015) attached at Schedule H, as may be revised.

(b) With respect to Construction Projects that receive federal Funding in any phase, the Municipality shall comply with, and require the Inspection Consultant and, if applicable, the Consulting Engineer, to comply with, the audit requirements set forth in 48 CFR Part 31 and 23 CFR Part 172, as may be revised.

### 3.15 Construction Project Standards and Manuals.

(a) The Municipality shall comply with, and require its Prime Contractor and, if applicable, its Inspection Consultant, to comply with all applicable DOT requirements and federal laws and regulations and the current version (in effect during the performance under a particular PAL) of the following publications (except as otherwise noted), each as may be revised:

- (1) Construction Manual, Department of Transportation Office of Construction, Version 2.2, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2011);
- (2) The Standard Specifications. The version of the Standard Specifications in effect at the date of completion of the PS&E for the particular Construction Project is the version that must be followed and complied with for the particular Construction Project;
- (3) The Municipality Manual;
- (4) Pamphlet for Monitoring Performance and Payment Requests for Consultants, State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (1994);
- (5) QA Program for Materials Acceptance and Assurance Testing Policies and Procedures, at Chapter 8, entitled "Minimum Schedule for Acceptance Testing," Connecticut Department of Transportation (2009);
- (6) Public Service Facility Policy and Procedures for Highways in Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2008); and
- (7) Utility Accommodation Manual, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2009).

(b) The above-referenced publications are incorporated and made a part of this Agreement by reference and, in all applicable respects, shall govern the conduct and describe the respective obligations of the DOT and the Municipality and any parties engaged by the Municipality to perform work on the Construction Project set forth in a PAL issued under this Master Agreement. The Municipality shall incorporate by reference these publications and all

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provisions contained therein into its contract(s) with the Prime Contractor and, if applicable, the Inspection Consultant, for any Construction Project undertaken pursuant to a PAL issued under this Master Agreement.

**3.16 Maintenance of Records On-Site.** The Municipality shall maintain and secure at all times all construction records for the Construction Project at a single location for the DOT's review, use and approval.

**3.17 DOT-provided Services.** If the Construction Project requires DOT-provided Services, they will be set forth in the PAL and funded in accordance with the proportionate cost sharing for work on the Construction Project as set forth in the PAL. DOT-provided Services may include, but are not necessarily limited to, material testing, periodic construction inspection, administrative oversight, and liaison activities with other governmental agencies to ensure satisfactory adherence to DOT and federal requirements. The DOT reserves the right at all times to inspect all aspects of the work related to the Construction Project, and such inspections shall be deemed DOT-provided Services.

### **3.18 Demand Deposit Requirement; Depreciation Reserve Credit.**

(a) Where a PAL requires DOT-provided Services, the PAL will specify Municipality's proportionate share of the cost of the DOT-provided Services. The DOT will bill the Municipality the amount of the Municipality's proportionate share of such costs in a Demand Deposit, and the Municipality shall forward to the DOT that amount in accordance with the PAL. The DOT is not required to perform the DOT-provided Services until the Municipality pays the Demand Deposit in full.

(b) Where the Construction Project requires replacement of a Municipality-owned utility facility, the Municipality shall deposit with the DOT, upon demand, the sum set forth in the PAL for the Depreciation Reserve Credit of the Municipality-owned utility facility being replaced and the value of any materials salvaged from the existing facility. The Depreciation Reserve Credit will be calculated in accordance with the Public Service Facility Policy and Procedures for Highways in Connecticut (2008), as may be revised.

### **3.19 Costs and Reimbursement.**

(a) The Municipality shall expend its own funds to pay for costs related to Administering the Construction Project and then shall seek from the DOT reimbursement for approved costs.

(b) The Municipality shall document all expenses it incurs and maintain all records related to the Construction Project costs, including, but not limited to its payments to the Prime Contractor and, if applicable, the Inspection Consultant and the Consulting Engineer, its payroll hours on time sheets for municipal staff working directly on the Construction Project, material purchases made by the Municipality, and reimbursement due to the Municipality for use of Municipality-owned or rented equipment. Rates of reimbursement for use of Municipality-owned or rented equipment will be based on an existing municipal audit, if available, completed no more

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than three (3) years before acknowledgment of the PAL, and provided the rates are acceptable to the DOT. In the absence of acceptable rates, or if there is no current municipal audit, the equipment rental rate will be established in accordance with Section 1.09.04(d) of the Standard Specifications, as may be revised. Reimbursable municipal payroll costs are limited to the actual municipal payroll for work on the Construction Project and fringe benefits associated with payroll.

(c) If the Municipality fails to adequately record expenses and maintain all related records for any Construction Project or promptly submit any records to the DOT, such failure to do so may be deemed a breach by the Municipality, at the DOT's sole discretion, and the DOT may deem certain expenses to be non-eligible costs of the respective Construction Project for which the Municipality will not be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to the proportional cost sharing established by the PAL. Furthermore, the DOT's determination of certain costs to be non-eligible costs of the Construction Project does not waive any of the DOT's remedies for the breach by the Municipality of its obligations under this Master Agreement with respect to the respective Construction Project, nor relieve the Municipality from any liability related to its breach.

(d) The Municipality shall seek from the DOT reimbursement for the Municipality's expenditures, which have been approved by the DOT for eligible Construction Project costs. Reimbursement of DOT approved expenditures will be made in the following manner:

- (1) On a monthly basis, the Municipality shall submit to the DOT using the DOT-required voucher form entitled "Invoice Summary and Processing (ISP) Form" ("**Voucher**") as may be revised, with supporting data, the cost of services rendered and expenses incurred for the prior month. With respect to any work that is performed in-house by the Municipality's staff, the Municipality's reimbursable costs shall be limited to the actual payroll, fringe benefits associated with payroll, and approved direct cost charges for the staff's performance of Design Services During Construction.
- (2) Upon review and approval of the Voucher by the DOT, payment of the reimbursement portion of said costs and expenses shall be made to the Municipality, in accordance with the proportional cost sharing established by the PAL.

3.21 **As-built Plans.** Upon completion of the Construction Project, the Municipality shall notify the DOT, in writing, of the completion and, upon request by the DOT, shall provide the DOT copies of the as-built plans for the Construction Project, in the format requested by the DOT.

### 3.22 **Contingencies & Extra Work.**

(a) The PAL will set forth an amount for Contingencies (included with the line item category for Contract Items) which upon written authorization from the DOT shall be available to fund required work or change in costs, as approved by DOT in a Construction Order and in accordance with applicable process and requirements including but not limited to those set forth in the Municipality Manual.

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(b) The PAL will provide a line item category for Extra Work to set-aside funds that may be requested later by the Municipality to fund the requested additional work if it is deemed, at the DOT's sole discretion and with the DOT's written approval, to be necessary for completion of the Construction Project. If the Municipality wishes to pursue any Extra Work, it must request approval in writing from the DOT of the type and scope of the Extra Work and the associated costs prior to the Municipality authorizing performance of the Extra Work by the Prime Contractor, the Consulting Engineer, the Inspection Consultant, or municipal staff, as applicable. The DOT has sole discretion as to approving funding of any Extra Work. If the Municipality fails to request and receive prior approval for Extra Work prior to performing the same, any such performance will be done at its sole risk and expense.

(c) Once approved in writing by the DOT, the Extra Work will be funded as follows:

- (1) If the Extra Work results in an Accumulative Cost less than or equal to the Project Amount specified in the PAL, it will be funded according to the proportional cost sharing set forth in the PAL.
- (2) If the Extra Work results in an Accumulative Cost greater than the Project Amount specified in the PAL, the DOT determines that the appropriate federal or state government funding is available for the increased costs of the Construction Project, then the DOT will issue a Supplemental PAL to provide for the cost increase to the Construction Project for this Extra Work. If federal or state government funding is not available, the Municipality will be responsible for 100% of the additional cost.

### 3.23 Funding of Additional DOT-Approved Costs upon Final Audit.

(a) If, upon final audit, additional costs, including, but not limited to, those resulting from, Extra Work, delays, or other cost over-runs, result in an Accumulative Cost less than the original Project Amount identified in the PAL, the additional costs, if approved by the DOT, shall be funded in accordance with the PAL.

(b) If, upon final audit, additional costs, including, but not limited to, those resulting from, Extra Work, delays, or other cost over-runs, result in an Accumulative Cost greater than the original Project Amount identified in the PAL, the DOT, at its discretion, may issue a Supplemental PAL in order to fund these additional costs, provided that additional Funding is available.

(c) If, pursuant to subsection (a), the additional costs are not approved by the DOT or if, pursuant to subsection (b), a Supplemental PAL is not issued, then the Municipality will be responsible for 100% of the additional cost.

(d) If during the course of the final audit the Municipality or DOT discovers that the Municipality had been reimbursed for improper or unauthorized costs or expenses, then the Municipality shall return the amount of such improper or unauthorized costs or expenses to the DOT.

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### **3.24 Semi-Final and Final Inspections.**

(a) Before completion of the Construction Project, the Municipality and the DOT shall both perform the semi-final and final inspection of the Construction Project. The Municipality shall notify the DOT in writing that the work is complete and ready for inspection by the DOT.

(b) Within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days of the final acceptance of the physical work by the Municipality and the DOT, the Municipality shall submit to the DOT the required documents as set forth in the Municipality Manual. The Municipality shall be available, and if applicable shall require its Inspection Consultant to be available, to assist the DOT with the review and acceptance of the documents required by the Municipality Manual. Upon the DOT's approval of the submitted documents, the DOT will reimburse the Municipality for the approved expenses on any outstanding Vouchers submitted by the Municipality. If the Municipality fails to submit the documents required by the Municipality Manual for the DOT's review and approval, the DOT, at its sole discretion, may assume responsibility for or supplement the Administration of the Construction Project, as described in section 3.11.

### **3.25 Suspension, Postponement, or Termination of a Municipality-Administered Construction Project.**

(a) Suspension, Postponement, or Termination by the DOT.

(1) For Convenience. The DOT, at its sole discretion, may suspend, postpone, or terminate a particular Construction Project and its respective PAL for convenience by giving the Municipality thirty (30) days Official Notice, and such action shall in no event be deemed a breach of the Master Agreement by the DOT.

(2) For Cause. As a result of the Municipality's breach of the PAL or failure of the Municipality, its Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or any combination of the foregoing, to perform the work required on any particular Construction Project to the DOT's satisfaction in accordance with the respective PAL, the DOT may suspend, postpone or terminate the particular Construction Project and its respective PAL for cause by giving the Municipality ten (10) days Official Notice, provided that the Municipality fails to cure, or begin to cure, the breach or failure, to the satisfaction of the DOT in its sole discretion, within the cure period that the DOT may, in its sole discretion, set forth in such Official Notice. Such Official Notice shall specify the extent to which performance of work under the PAL is being suspended, postponed or terminated and the date upon which such action shall be effective.

(b) Termination by the Municipality, with prior DOT approval.

(1) The Municipality may request termination of the Construction Project, and if determined by the DOT in its sole discretion to be in the best interests of the Parties, the DOT may agree to the request. Additionally, with respect to Construction Projects receiving federal participation in Funding, receipt of written concurrence from FHWA

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(or other applicable federal authority) may be required prior to the DOT's approval of the request.

- (2) Once any required federal concurrence is received, the DOT will send approval of termination by giving Official Notice to the Municipality specifying the extent to which performance of work under the PAL is terminated and the date upon which termination is effective.

(c) **Funding of Acceptable Work.** Upon suspension, postponement, or termination in accordance with subsection (a) or termination in accordance with subsection (b), the DOT may provide the Municipality with Funding in part for its expenditures, if any, up to the percentage of acceptable work completed as of the approved date of termination, in accordance with the following:

- (1) The DOT, may at its sole discretion, reimburse the Municipality at the contract unit prices (as specified in the bid documents) for the actual number or units of Contract Items completed prior to the effective date of termination, or as may be agreed by the parties for items of work partially completed, provided the DOT finds the work to be acceptable. If the work is not acceptable, the DOT may withhold reimbursement to the Municipality at its sole discretion. No claim for loss of overhead or anticipated profits that may be asserted by the Municipality's Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, or Consulting Engineer shall be allowed or funded as a reimbursable Construction Project cost.
- (2) When the volume of work completed, as of the termination date, is not sufficient to reimburse the Municipality under contract unit prices (as specified in the bid documents) for its related expenses, the DOT, at its sole discretion, may reimburse the Municipality for such expenses entirely or in accordance with the proportionate cost sharing specified in the PAL, depending on the availability of additional funding.
- (3) Materials obtained by the Municipality or its Prime Contractor for the Project that have been inspected, tested as required, and accepted by the DOT, and that have not been incorporated into the physical Construction Project, shall be purchased from the Prime Contractor at actual cost as shown by receipted bills. To this cost shall be added all actual costs for delivery at such points of delivery as may be designated by the DOT, as shown by actual cost records. The Municipality will be reimbursed by the DOT for such costs of the material, and the DOT at its sole discretion, will determine which material will become the property of the DOT.
- (4) If the DOT or FHWA (or other applicable federal authority), deems any of the work that the Municipality itself
- (5) performed, or engaged a third party to perform on its behalf, to be unacceptable, then upon demand by the DOT or FHWA (or other applicable federal authority), the Municipality shall promptly return, in whole or in part, to the DOT or FHWA (or other applicable federal authority), the DOT or federal Funding that prior to the

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effective date of termination was disbursed to the Municipality to fund that unacceptable work.

(d) In the case of Construction Project which received no federal or state government funding during its design phase, the Municipality agrees that it will pay for the costs of any DOT-provided services performed prior to termination, including but not limited to, DOT oversight services for the Construction Project.

(e) If the Municipality terminates the Construction Project without the DOT's prior approval, the Municipality shall incur all costs related to the Construction Project without reimbursement from the DOT or FHWA (or other applicable federal authority) and shall pay the DOT for any DOT-provided Services performed prior to termination. With respect to federal or state government Funding that was disbursed to the Municipality prior to the effective date of termination, upon demand by the DOT or FHWA (or other applicable federal authority), the Municipality shall promptly return any federal or state government Funding.

(f) Termination of a specific Construction Project shall not relieve the Municipality or its Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, or Consulting Engineer of its responsibilities for the work completed as of the termination date, nor shall it relieve the Municipality or any contractor or its surety or of its obligations concerning any claims arising out of the work performed on the Construction Project prior to the termination date or any obligations existing under bonds or insurance required by the Connecticut General Statutes or by this or any other agreement with the DOT or the Municipality.

**Article 4. Municipality-Administered Grant Construction Projects.** When the Municipality is responsible for Administering the Grant Construction Project, with Funding provided on an upfront basis, or as otherwise disbursed by the DOT as specified in the PAL, the sections of this Article 4 apply.

4.1 **Content of the PAL.** The PAL issued by the DOT to the Municipality shall set forth, at a minimum:

(a) the Funding source(s), the related government Funding authorization or program information, and the associated Funding ratio between the DOT, and the Municipality, as applicable, for the Construction Project;

(b) the maximum payment to the Municipality under the PAL;

(c) an estimated cost break-down for all work under the Construction Project;

(d) as may be applicable, the amount of the Demand Deposit(s), due to the DOT from the Municipality for the Municipality's proportionate share of applicable costs for work under the Construction Project, as determined by the Funding ratio;

(e) the Project Amount; and

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(f) any applicable affirmative action goal(s) , as follows:

- (1) the SBE or SBPPP goal as assigned by the DOT with respect to work on the Construction Project applicable to the Prime Contractor, and additionally, where the Municipality retains an Inspection Consultant, the SBE or SBPPP goal assigned to the Inspection Consultant; or
- (2) reference to the Municipality's requirement to comply with its affirmative action goal setting requirements imposed pursuant to State law at § 4a-60g(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as may be revised, and associated reporting to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities.

### **4.2 Authorization to Award and Authorization to Proceed.**

(a) When the Municipality is electing to perform work with its own staff, it shall not allow Municipality staff to commence work on the Construction Project until the Municipality has received from the DOT an Authorization to Proceed Notice.

(b) When the Municipality is hiring a Prime Contractor to perform work on the Construction Project, the Municipality shall not allow the Prime Contractor to commence construction work until the Municipality has received from the DOT an Authorization to Award Notice.

(c) The DOT will issue an Authorization to Award Notice or Authorization to Proceed Notice, as applicable, directly to the Municipality, addressed to the Designated Official. The DOT has no responsibility and incurs no liability for payments to the Municipality for Administration of the Construction Project or for any construction work performed by the Prime Contractor or the Municipality's staff on the Construction Project prior to the DOT's issuance of the Authorization to Award Notice or Authorization to Proceed Notice.

### **4.3 Municipality to Perform and Complete the Construction Project.**

(a) Upon issuance of a PAL by the DOT, submission of the Written Acknowledgment of the PAL by the Municipality, and receipt of an Authorization to Award or Authorization to Proceed Notice, as applicable, from the DOT, the Municipality shall Administer all activities associated with the Construction Project in accordance with the PAL and this Master Agreement.

(b) The Municipality, with prior written approval of the DOT, may elect to perform all or any part of the Construction Project work with its own staff. In requesting approval from the DOT, the Municipality must demonstrate, to the DOT's satisfaction, that there is sufficient personnel, equipment, and resources available to the Municipality and that it will be cost effective for the Municipality's staff to perform the work in accordance with the plans and specifications.

(c) For work that the Municipality does not elect to perform with its own staff, the Municipality shall retain, using a competitive bidding process, a Prime Contractor to undertake the work under the Construction Project.

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(d) The Municipality agrees that it shall use the Funding of the Municipality's approved expenses incurred in the fulfillment of the Construction Project as specified in the PAL and this Master Agreement and for no other purpose.

### 4.4 Engaging a Prime Contractor.

- (a) Where the Municipality retains a Prime Contractor to perform the work on the Construction Project, upon receipt of an Authorization to Advertise Notice from the DOT, the Municipality shall advertise the Construction Project to engage the Prime Contractor utilizing an advertising and bidding procedure acceptable to the DOT. In the event that a Municipality advertises a Construction Project without the DOT's prior written Authorization to Advertise, the DOT may in its sole discretion deem such to be a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL, with all remedies available to the DOT under this Master Agreement, including but not limited to the DOT terminating the PAL and the Municipality losing Funding for the Construction Project.
- (b) The Municipality shall analyze all bids, submit a bid summary to the DOT, and request the DOT's approval to award a contract for the Construction Project. The Municipality shall perform all of the foregoing in accordance with the following publications (in their current version in effect during the performance under a particular PAL), as applicable, unless otherwise directed by DOT in writing:
- (1) Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities, Connecticut Department of Transportation (August 2016), as may be revised ("Advertising Procedures for Construction Contracts Administered by Municipalities");
  - (2) The Standard Specifications. The version of the Standard Specifications in effect at the date of completion of the PS&E for the particular Construction Project is the version that must be followed and complied with for the particular Construction Project;
  - (3) The Municipality Manual, Version 1, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2013), as may be revised ("Municipality Manual"); and
  - (4) The Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) Guidelines, Connecticut Department of Transportation (November 2021), as may be revised; and
  - (5) The Community Connectivity Program Guidelines, Connecticut Department of Transportation (March 2023), as may be revised.
- (c) The Municipality may not impose any local rules, policies, terms, conditions, or requirements on any bidder, Prime Contractor, or Inspection Consultant, unless it has received

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prior written approval from the DOT. If the Municipality imposes any local rules, policies, terms, conditions, or requirements, without all required prior written approvals, the DOT may in its sole discretion deem such imposition to be a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL and may result in the Municipality losing Funding for the Construction Project.

**4.5 Pre-Award Requirements and Documentation.** The Municipality shall prepare and submit to the DOT a written determination of the Prime Contractor's responsiveness and qualifications to perform the work, based on review and analysis of the bids received. The Municipality shall require the selected Prime Contractor to meet all applicable pre-award requirements and submit any required documentation to the Municipality, which the Municipality, in turn, shall submit to the DOT for review and approval, all in accordance with the publications set forth in Section 4.4(b) unless otherwise directed by DOT in writing. The pre-award requirements include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Required documentation applicable to any assigned affirmative action goal;
- (b) A completed "State of Connecticut Certificate of Compliance with Connecticut General Statutes § 31-57b" form, as revised;
- (c) Any other documentation required by the DOT prior to award.

### **4.6 Approval to Award Contract(s).**

(a) The Municipality must receive the DOT's prior written approval in order to award its contracts and, as may be required by DOT in its sole discretion, in order to enter into Construction Orders under, or amendments to, such contracts with the Prime Contractor and prior to incurring costs in conjunction with the PAL. Without such written approval, the Municipality shall not use Funding under the PAL to pay for such costs, unless as may otherwise be allowed by the DOT in its sole discretion. The DOT retains the authority, at its sole discretion, to review for compliance with applicable DOT requirements the Municipality's proposed contracts prior to the DOT issuing any written approval.

(b) Upon receipt of the Authorization to Award Notice from the DOT, the Municipality shall comply with the publications set forth in Section 4.4 and in accordance therewith, award the contract to the bidder specified in the Authorization to Award Notice. The Municipality shall submit to the DOT all other documents as may be required by the DOT specified in the Authorization to Award Notice.

(c) As a condition of receiving Funding under the PAL, the Municipality may be required, at the direction of the DOT, to obtain certain assurances from and include certain contract provisions in its contracts with the Prime Contractor. Without limiting the foregoing, this Article 4 sets forth certain of these requirements. Additional requirements may be set forth in the PAL. The Municipality's failure to include the requirements in the contract with, and to ensure compliance by, the Prime Contractor may amount to a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL, as determined by the DOT in its sole discretion, and may result in the

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Municipality's loss of Funding for the Construction Project and the DOT's exercise, at its discretion, of other remedies available under this Master Agreement.

4.7 **Changes in Scope.** The Municipality may not make changes to the Construction Project that will increase the cost or alter the termini, character or scope of the construction work without prior written approval from the Authorized DOT Representative. Such written approval may take the form of a Supplemental PAL issued by the DOT with respect to the Construction Project. The Supplemental PAL, once acknowledged in writing by the Municipality in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 2.2, will supersede the previously-issued PAL for the Construction Project and will control.

4.8 **Design Services During Construction.** The Municipality shall itself provide or retain a Consulting Engineer to provide Design Services During Construction. The scope of the Design Services During Construction is subject to the prior approval of the DOT.

4.9 **Inspection Activities.** The Municipality shall itself provide a qualified staff person, or retain a qualified person or entity, to serve as the Inspection Consultant to perform Inspection Activities. If the Municipality fails to provide adequate inspection, to the DOT's satisfaction and in the DOT's sole discretion, for any Construction Project during the construction phase, such may be deemed a breach of the PAL and the Master Agreement. In such instance, the DOT may require the Municipality to return Funding for the Construction Project, and exercise any other remedies available under this Master Agreement. The Municipality's failure to inspect a particular Construction Project may result in the DOT withholding approval of the Municipality's request to participate in future Grant and other DOT-overseen programs at DOT's sole discretion.

4.10 **Unacceptable Work.** If the DOT, in its sole discretion, deems any of the work under the PAL that the Municipality itself performed or engaged a third party to perform on its behalf, to be unacceptable, then within thirty (30) days from the written demand by the DOT, the Municipality shall promptly return, in whole or in part, to the DOT, the DOT Funding that was disbursed to the Municipality to fund that unacceptable work.

4.11 **Additional Administration Responsibilities.** The Municipality shall perform all other work which becomes necessary to properly Administer the Construction Project and inspect the work of the Prime Contractor in order to ensure compliance with the Standard Specifications, the bid package documents, and the Municipality's contract with the Prime Contractor, including, but not limited to, the Special Provisions for the particular Construction Project. Any work performed by the DOT in order to assist with the Municipality's Administration responsibilities for the Construction Project and any associated expenses will be funded in accordance with the PAL.

4.12 **Inadequate Administration.** If, at any time during the Construction Project, the DOT determines that the Administration by the Municipality is not adequate, it may be deemed a breach by the Municipality, as determined by the DOT in its sole discretion, and the DOT may assume responsibility for or supplement the Administration of the Construction Project, at its sole discretion. The DOT in its sole discretion, may withhold funding from the Municipality under other pending PALs, deny requests for future participation in Grant or other DOT-overseen

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programs, and exercise any other remedies available to it under the Master Agreement. The additional costs associated with the DOT's Administration of the Construction Project will be considered part of the Construction Project costs for DOT-provided Services and will be funded in accordance with the proportionate cost sharing set forth in the PAL, which may require the Municipality to return Funding to the DOT to pay for such DOT-provided services. Furthermore, the DOT's assumption or supplementing of the Administration of a Construction Project does not waive any of the DOT's remedies under this Agreement, nor relieve the Municipality from any liability related to its breach.

### **4.13 State Required Contract Provisions.**

(a) The Municipality shall include in the contracts with the Prime Contractor and, where applicable, the Inspection Consultant, the following requirements:

- (1) "Construction Contracts-Required Contract Provisions" attached as Schedule C to this Agreement and as may be revised from time to time. Throughout the Term, the DOT will provide an updated attachment to the Municipality for use with its contracts for the Project;
- (2) all applicable provisions that the Municipality is required to include in its contracts pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes.

(b) The Municipality's failure to comply with any requirement within this section 4.13 may be deemed by the DOT, in its sole discretion, a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL and, as a result, the DOT may seek any of its remedies under this Master Agreement.

### **4.14 Affirmative Action (AA) Goals.**

(a) The Municipality agrees to include the assigned SBE goal or SBPPP goal as set forth in the PAL or as imposed on the Municipality by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, as requirements within any contract the Municipality enters into with its Prime Contractor.

(b) As a condition of receiving Funding under the PAL, the Municipality may be required at the discretion of the DOT or other applicable state agencies, to impose additional AA Requirements upon and obtain certain assurances from the Prime Contractor. The Municipality agrees to include any other AA Requirements in its contracts with the Prime Contractor at the direction of the DOT.

(c) The DOT, in its sole discretion, may determine whether the Municipality failed to comply with any requirement within this section 4.14 and may deem such failure a breach of this Master Agreement and the respective PAL. As a result of any such breach, the DOT, at its sole discretion, may withhold payments and demand return of amounts already disbursed to the Municipality for the Construction Project in an amount up to or equaling the goal shortfall, in addition to any other remedies the DOT may have under this Master Agreement or provided by

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law.

### 4.15 Inspection Consultant Fees and Auditing Requirements.

With respect to any contract the Municipality enters into with an Inspection Consultant, the Municipality shall comply with Schedule H.

### 4.16 Construction Project Standards and Manuals.

(a) The Municipality shall comply with, and require its Prime Contractor and, if applicable, its Inspection Consultant, to comply with all applicable DOT requirements and applicable State laws and regulations and the current version (in effect during the performance under the particular PAL) of the following publications (except as otherwise noted), each as may be revised:

- (1) Construction Manual, Department of Transportation Office of Construction, Version 2.2, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2011);
- (2) The Standard Specifications. The version of the Standard Specifications in effect at the date of completion of the PS&E for the particular Construction Project is the version that must be followed and complied with for the particular Construction Project;
- (3) Public Service Facility Policy and Procedures for Highways in Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2008); and
- (4) Utility Accommodation Manual, Connecticut Department of Transportation (2009).

(b) The above-referenced publications are incorporated and made a part of this Agreement by reference and, in all applicable respects, shall govern the conduct and describe the respective obligations of the DOT and the Municipality and any parties engaged by the Municipality to perform work on the Construction Project set forth in a PAL issued under this Master Agreement. The Municipality shall incorporate by reference these publications and all provisions contained therein into its contract(s) with the Prime Contractor for any Construction Project undertaken pursuant to a PAL issued under this Master Agreement.

4.17 **Maintenance of Records On-Site.** The Municipality shall maintain and secure at all times all construction records for the Construction Project at a single location for the DOT's review, use and approval.

4.18 **DOT-provided Services.** If the Construction Project requires DOT-provided Services, they will be set forth in the PAL and funded in accordance with the proportionate cost sharing for work on the Construction Project as set forth in the PAL. DOT-provided Services may include, but are not necessarily limited to, material testing, periodic construction inspection, administrative oversight, and liaison activities with other governmental agencies to ensure satisfactory adherence to DOT requirements. The DOT reserves the right at all times to inspect

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all aspects of the work related to the Construction Project, and such inspections shall be deemed DOT-provided Services.

### 4.19 Demand Deposit Requirement; Depreciation Reserve Credit.

(a) Where a PAL requires DOT-provided Services, the PAL will specify Municipality's proportionate share of the cost of the DOT-provided Services. The DOT will bill the Municipality the amount of the Municipality's proportionate share of such costs in a Demand Deposit, and the Municipality shall forward to the DOT that amount in accordance with the PAL. The DOT is not required to perform the DOT-provided Services until the Municipality pays the Demand Deposit in full.

(b) Where the Construction Project requires replacement of a Municipality-owned utility facility, the Municipality shall deposit with the DOT, upon demand, the sum set forth in the PAL for the Depreciation Reserve Credit of the Municipality-owned utility facility being replaced and the value of any materials salvaged from the existing facility. The Depreciation Reserve Credit will be calculated in accordance with the Public Service Facility Policy and Procedures for Highways in Connecticut (2008), as may be revised.

### 4.20 Costs and Expenditures.

(a) The Municipality shall expend Grant Funding solely for approved costs related to Administering the Construction Project and for no other purpose.

(b) The Municipality shall document all expenses it incurs and maintain all records related to the Construction Project costs, including, but not limited to its payments to the Prime Contractor and, if applicable, the Inspection Consultant and the Consulting Engineer, its payroll hours on time sheets for municipal staff working directly on the Construction Project, and material purchases made by the Municipality as applicable.

(c) If the Municipality fails to adequately record expenses and maintain all related records for any Construction Project or promptly submit any records to the DOT, such failure to do so may be deemed a breach by the Municipality, at the DOT's sole discretion, and the DOT may deem certain expenses to be non-eligible costs of the respective Construction Project for which the Municipality will not be eligible for Grant Funding pursuant to the proportional cost sharing established by the PAL. In such event, the Municipality shall return to the DOT any applicable amounts already disbursed to the Municipality. Furthermore, the DOT's determination of certain costs to be non-eligible costs of the Construction Project does not waive any of the DOT's remedies for the breach by the Municipality of its obligations under this Master Agreement with respect to the respective Construction Project, nor relieve the Municipality from any liability related to its breach.

4.21 **As-built Plans.** Upon completion of the Construction Project, the Municipality shall notify the DOT, in writing, of the completion and, upon request by the DOT, shall provide the DOT copies of the as-built plans for the Construction Project, in the format requested by the DOT.

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### **4.22 Contingencies (including work defined by Construction Orders), Extra Work and Additional Funding.**

(a) Provided that a PAL provides an amount for Contingencies and/or Extra Work, in the event that the Municipality anticipates that Project costs will exceed the approved Funding set forth in the PAL, prior to incurring costs that will be eligible for Funding, the Municipality shall request the DOT's prior review and approval of use of Funding for Contingencies (including Construction Orders) items and/or Extra Work.

(b) If the DOT determines, in its sole discretion, the requested Funding under the PAL to be necessary for completion of the Construction Project, it shall issue written approval to the Municipality specifying the type and scope of the Contingencies item(s) and/or Extra Work and the associated costs eligible for Funding. Upon receipt of the DOT written approval, and, issuance of a Supplemental PAL as may be applicable pursuant to subsection (c), the Municipality is authorized to issue a Construction Order and/or authorize performance of the Extra Work by the Prime Contractor, the Consulting Engineer, the Inspection Consultant, or municipal staff, as applicable.

(c) Once approved in writing by the DOT, the Contingencies item(s) and/or Extra Work will be funded as follows:

- (1) If the Contingencies item(s) and/or Extra Work results in an Accumulative Cost less than or equal to the Project Amount specified in the PAL, it will be funded according to the proportional cost sharing set forth in the PAL.
- (2) If the Contingencies item(s) and/or Extra Work results in an Accumulative Cost greater than the Project Amount specified in the PAL, and the DOT determines in its sole discretion to provide additional state government funding for the increased costs of the Construction Project, then the DOT will issue a Supplemental PAL to provide for the cost increase to the Construction Project for this Extra Work or Construction Order. Without issuance of a supplemental PAL, the Municipality will be responsible for 100% of the additional cost.

### **4.23 Funding of Additional DOT-Approved Costs upon Final Audit.**

(a) Upon the DOT's final audit of the Construction Project, if additional costs, including, but not limited to, those resulting from approved Extra Work, Construction Orders, delays, or other cost over-runs, result in an Accumulative Cost less than the original Project Amount identified in the PAL, the additional costs, if approved by the DOT, shall be funded in accordance with the PAL.

(b) Upon the DOT's final audit of the Construction Project, additional costs, including, but not limited to, those resulting from approved Extra Work, Construction Orders, delays, or other cost over-runs, result in an Accumulative Cost greater than the original Project Amount identified in the PAL, the DOT, at its discretion, may issue a Supplemental PAL in order to fund these

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additional costs, provided that additional Funding is available.

(c) If, pursuant to subsection (a), the additional costs are not approved by the DOT, or if pursuant to subsection (b), a Supplemental PAL is not issued, then the Municipality will be responsible for 100% of the additional cost.

(d) If during the course of the final audit the Municipality or DOT discovers that the Municipality expended Funding for improper or unauthorized costs or expenses, then the Municipality shall return the amount of such improper or unauthorized costs or expenses to the DOT and the DOT shall have all available remedies to it under the Agreement.

### 4.24 **Suspension, Postponement, or Termination of a Municipality-Administered Construction Project.**

(a) Suspension, Postponement, or Termination by the DOT.

(1) For Convenience. The DOT, at its sole discretion, may suspend, postpone, or terminate a particular Construction Project and its respective PAL for convenience by giving the Municipality thirty (30) days Official Notice, and such action shall in no event be deemed a breach of the Master Agreement by the DOT.

(2) For Cause. As a result of the Municipality's breach of the PAL or failure of the Municipality, its Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or any combination of the foregoing, to perform the work required on any particular Construction Project to the DOT's satisfaction in accordance with the respective PAL, the DOT may suspend, postpone or terminate the particular Construction Project and its respective PAL for cause by giving the Municipality ten (10) days Official Notice, provided that the Municipality fails to cure, or begin to cure, the breach or failure, to the satisfaction of the DOT in its sole discretion, within the cure period that the DOT may, in its sole discretion, set forth in such Official Notice. Such Official Notice shall specify the extent to which performance of work under the PAL is being suspended, postponed or terminated and the date upon which such action shall be effective.

(b) Termination by the Municipality, with prior DOT approval.

The Municipality may request termination of the Construction Project, and if determined by the DOT in its sole discretion to be in the best interests of the Parties, the DOT may approve the termination request by giving Official Notice to the Municipality specifying the extent to which performance of work under the PAL is terminated and the date upon which termination is effective.

(c) Funding of Acceptable Work. Upon suspension, postponement, or termination in accordance with subsection (a) or (b), upon request by the DOT, the Municipality shall promptly return the Funding disbursed prior to the effective date, in whole or in part in the amount determined by the DOT in its sole discretion giving consideration to the percentage balance of work not completed versus the acceptable work completed to the DOT's satisfaction as of the

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approved date of termination, suspension, or postponement. If the DOT, in its sole discretion, deems any of the work that the Municipality itself performed, or engaged a third party to perform on its behalf, to be unacceptable, then upon demand by the DOT, the Municipality shall promptly return, in whole or in part, to the DOT, the Funding that prior to the effective date of termination was disbursed to the Municipality to fund that unacceptable work.

(d) In the case of a Construction Project terminated by the Municipality without the DOT's prior approval, or terminated by the DOT for cause, and that Construction Project received no state government funding during its design phase, the Municipality shall pay for the costs of any DOT-provided services performed prior to termination, including but not limited to, DOT oversight services for the Construction Project. In such event, the DOT shall invoice, and within sixty (60) days, the Municipality shall promptly submit payment for the DOT-provided services. In the event the Municipality fails to timely submit payment, the DOT may pursue all remedies available under this Agreement, including but not limited to the right of set off in accordance with Article 22.

(f) Termination of a specific Construction Project shall not relieve the Municipality or its Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, or Consulting Engineer of its responsibilities for the work completed as of the termination date, nor shall it relieve the Municipality or any contractor or its surety or of its obligations concerning any claims arising out of the work performed on the Construction Project prior to the termination date or any obligations existing under bonds or insurance required by the Connecticut General Statutes or by this or any other agreement with the DOT or the Municipality.

**Article 5. DOT-Administered Construction Projects.** When the DOT is responsible for Administering the Construction Project, the sections of this Article 5 apply.

**5.1 Content of the PAL.** The DOT shall issue a PAL to the Municipality which will set forth, at least:

(a) the funding source, the related federal and DOT program information, and the associated funding ratio between the federal government, the DOT, and the Municipality, as applicable, for the Construction Project;

(b) the estimated cost for all work under the Construction Project;

(c) the amount of the Demand Deposit(s) due to the DOT from the Municipality for the Municipality's proportionate share of applicable costs for work under the Construction Project; and

(d) the Project Amount.

**5.2 Engaging a Prime Contractor.** The DOT shall advertise the Construction Project, obtain bids for all Construction Project work and items to be supplied or constructed by the Prime Contractor, analyze all bids, and award a contract for the Construction Project, all of the foregoing in accordance with the Standard Specifications, DOT procedures, and if applicable, procedures that are acceptable to the federal government. Unless otherwise specified in the PAL, the DOT

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shall be responsible for providing, or engaging persons or entities to provide, any services required for the Construction Project, including but not limited to, Design Services During Construction and Inspection Activities, and for the procurement and oversight of those individuals or entities.

**5.3 DOT to Perform and Complete the Construction Project.** The DOT shall use the applicable Funding apportionments to complete the Construction Project and all related activities that the DOT agrees to perform under the PAL and pursuant to this Master Agreement.

**5.4 Copies of Plans and Specifications.** Upon the completion of the design phase, prior to commencement of construction activities, the DOT shall provide the Municipality with copies of the plans and specifications regarding the Construction Project.

**5.5 Design Services During Construction - Municipality-provided.** When pursuant to the PAL, the Municipality is required to provide Design Services During Construction:

(a) If the Municipality was the party responsible for undertaking the design phase of the Construction Project, with that design phase funded one hundred percent (100%) by the Municipality, there will be no federal or state government participation in funding the required Design Services During Construction, and the Municipality shall provide Design Services During Construction at its sole expense.

(b) If the design phase of the Construction Project was funded with federal or state government participation, the Municipality shall seek from DOT reimbursement for the Municipality's expenses incurred in providing the Design Services During Construction, and DOT shall reimburse the Municipality for DOT-approved expenditures, all in the following manner:

- (1) The Municipality shall submit to the DOT the Voucher with supporting data, the cost of services rendered and expenses incurred for the billing period. Specifically, with respect to Design Services During Construction that are performed in-house by the Municipality's staff, the Municipality's reimbursable costs shall be limited to the actual payroll, fringe benefits associated with payroll, and approved direct cost charges for the staff's performance of Design Services During Construction.
- (2) Upon review and approval of the Voucher by the DOT, payment of the reimbursement portion of said costs and expenses shall be made to the Municipality, in accordance with the proportionate cost sharing set forth in the PAL.

(c) The Municipality agrees to comply with the requirements imposed by the DOT with respect to selection of, and imposition of contractual requirements upon, any Consulting Engineer retained during the construction phase to provide Design Services During Construction. The scope of the Design Services During Construction is subject to the prior approval of the DOT.

**5.6 Municipal Contact Person.** The Municipality shall designate a contact person to serve as the Municipality's liaison to provide information to the DOT during the Construction Project and all activities related thereto.

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5.7 **Reimbursement for Value of Municipality-Owned Utility Facility.** Where the Construction Project requires replacement of a Municipality-owned utility facility, the DOT shall reimburse the Municipality for the value of the utility facility being replaced minus the Depreciation Reserve Credit and the value of any materials salvaged from it.

5.8 **Semi-Final and Final Inspections.** The DOT shall notify the Municipality in writing that the work is ready for inspection by the Municipality. Before completion of the Construction Project, the Municipality and the DOT shall both perform the semi-final and final inspection of the Construction Project.

5.9 **Suspension, Postponement, or Termination of a DOT-Administered Construction Project.**

(a) The DOT, upon providing Official Notice, may, in its sole discretion, suspend, postpone, or terminate a specific Construction Project, and such action shall in no event be deemed a breach by the DOT.

(b) If the DOT terminates a specific Construction Project, the DOT, may, at its sole discretion, reimburse the Municipality, in whole or in part, for the Demand Deposit paid to the DOT for the Municipality's proportionate share of costs on the Construction Project.

(c) In the case of a Construction Project which received no federal or state government funding during its design phase, the Municipality agrees that it will pay for the costs of any DOT-provided services performed prior to termination of the Construction Project, including but not limited to, DOT oversight services during the design phase for the Construction Project.

5.10 **Responsibility for Design Phase Errors or Omissions.** With respect to a Municipal Project for which the Municipality was responsible for undertaking the design phase at its sole expense (without DOT or federal funding), the Municipality assumes all responsibility for any damages, including but not limited to delay damages, during the construction phase that are a result of the errors or omissions or negligence of the Municipality or its consultant(s) in the design of the Municipal Project. The DOT, even while Administrating the Construction Project, shall have no responsibility with respect to such damages, and the Municipality agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the DOT as more particularly described in Article 16.

### Article 6. Utilities and Highway Right-of-Way.

6.1 **Relocation.** Where the Construction Project requires readjustment or relocation of a utility facility in, or removal of a utility facility from, the state highway right-of-way or a Municipality-owned highway right-of way, the parties shall comply with the following provisions:

(a) With respect to any utility facility located within the Municipality-owned highway right-of-way, the Municipality shall issue an appropriate order to any utility to readjust or relocate in the right-of-way, or remove from the right-of-way, its utility facility as is deemed necessary by

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the Municipality or by the DOT, and the Municipality shall take all necessary legal action to enforce compliance with the issuance of such order.

- (c) With respect to any utility located within the state highway right-of-way, the DOT shall issue an appropriate order to any utility to readjust or relocate in the right-of-way, or remove from the right-of-way, its utility facility as is deemed necessary by the Municipality and by the DOT.

(c) With respect to a Municipality-owned utility, whether located in the state highway right-of-way or Municipality-owned highway right-of way, the Municipality shall promptly readjust or relocate in the right-of-way, or remove from the right-of-way, its utility facilities impacted by the Construction Project.

**6.2 Delays.** Regardless of which Party is responsible for Administering the Construction Project, the Municipality shall be responsible, and will not be reimbursed with Funding, for any charges, claims and related damages or costs incurred, including those by the Prime Contractor, for any delays to the Construction Project resulting from:

(a) the failure of the Municipality to issue or enforce compliance with an order to a utility where the Municipality is responsible for such (Municipality-owned highway right-of-way) order; or

(b) in the case of a Municipality-owned utility, failure by the Municipality to promptly readjust, relocate, or remove its utility facilities impacted by the Construction Project.

**6.3 Access to Right-of-Way.** With respect to any work on the Construction Project that requires access to the state highway right-of-way or Municipality-owned highway right-of way, the Party with jurisdiction over the applicable right-of-way is responsible for reviewing the request and granting to the Prime Contractor, the Inspection Consultant, or any subcontractor or subconsultant thereof, as applicable, the right to enter into, pass over and utilize the right-of-way in accordance with all applicable requirements on a case by case basis. Nothing in this section 5.3 shall be construed as waiving any requirements under State of Connecticut laws or regulations relating to access to the highway right-of way, including but not limited to, applying for and obtaining an encroachment permit.

### **Article 7. Responsibilities of the Parties for Transportation Facilities.**

**7.1 During Construction Project.** During the Construction Project, the Municipality shall enforce all applicable State of Connecticut and municipal traffic laws, ordinances and regulations with respect to any existing Transportation Facilities being directly or indirectly affected by the work undertaken during the Construction Project.

**7.2 Maintenance Responsibilities Upon Completion of Construction Project.** Upon completion of the Construction Project to the satisfaction of the DOT and, if applicable, FHWA (or other federal authority):

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- (a) The Municipality assumes all responsibility for:
- (1) the proper maintenance and operation of all Municipality-owned Transportation Facilities and Transportation Amenities constructed as part of the Construction Project;
  - (2) the proper maintenance and operation of any Transportation Facilities and Transportation Amenities installed or constructed within the DOT-owned right-of-way as authorized in the PAL, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the DOT. In order to fulfill this obligation, the Municipality shall comply with the process required by the DOT and obtain all required permissions prior to performing maintenance activities, including but not limited to obtaining an encroachment permit or entering into an encroachment agreement with the DOT, as may be required by the DOT. This obligation survives the expiration or earlier termination of the PAL or the Master Agreement.
  - (3) the proper maintenance and operation of all traffic control signals installed on Municipality-maintained roadways as part of the Construction Project, provided that a thirty (30) day operational test period, which commences upon the Prime Contractor's installation of the respective traffic control signal, has been completed to the satisfaction of the Party Administering the Construction Project. (The Party Administering the Construction Project shall require its Prime Contractor to assume responsibility for any operational issues during the thirty (30) day test period.) In the event that the completion of the Construction Project occurs prior to the satisfactory completion of the thirty (30) day test period, then the Municipality's assumption of responsibility with respect to the traffic control signal commences upon satisfactory completion of the thirty (30) day test period.
  - (4) the payment of energy costs for operation of all traffic control signals and illumination installed as part of the Construction Project when these traffic control signals and illumination are (1) entirely on Municipality-maintained roadways, or (2) at locations (such as an intersection) including at least one roadway for which the Municipality is responsible for maintaining; and
  - (5) enforcement of all applicable State of Connecticut and municipal traffic laws, ordinances and regulations with respect to the Transportation Facilities and Transportation Amenities constructed as part of the Construction Project.

(b) The DOT shall assume responsibility for the proper maintenance of DOT-owned Transportation Facilities, and Transportation Amenities constructed as part of the Construction Project, unless otherwise set forth in the PAL or agreed to in a separate written agreement entered into by the authorized representatives of the Parties.

**7.3 Failure to Fulfill Maintenance Responsibilities.** If the Municipality fails to fulfill the maintenance responsibilities set forth in subsections (a)(1) or (a)(2) of section 7.2, it may be disqualified, at the DOT's sole discretion, from participating in any future federal or state

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government funded Municipal Projects that impart maintenance responsibilities on the Municipality. Nothing in this section shall limit any other remedies that DOT may have under this Master Agreement or under the law.

### **Article 8. Responsibility for Costs.**

8.1 **Non-participating Items.** The DOT has sole discretion as to determining ineligibility of Construction Project items for Funding. Reasons for ineligibility may include, but not be limited to, the requirements of Federal statute or regulation, or exceeding a funding cap. With respect to Construction Projects that receive federal Funding, the Municipality is responsible for one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost of all Nonparticipating Item(s) and the cost of any Incidentals to Construction that are related to or associated with the Nonparticipating Item(s). The cost of such associated Incidentals to Construction will be determined as follows: A percentage will be derived from the ratio of the total Incidentals to Construction cost to the total contract items cost, as determined by a post-construction final audit, and this percentage will be multiplied by the total cost for the Non-participating Items. The final audit governs the determination of all contract item costs and the final billing to the Municipality for Non-participating Items. However, if the cost of the total Nonparticipating Items is less than ten percent (10%) of the cost of the total contract items, the DOT, at its sole discretion, may deem the cost of such associated Incidentals to Construction to be participating and eligible for Funding.

8.2 **Final Payment.** Final payment by the Municipality to the DOT, or by the DOT to the Municipality, shall be based upon the actual participating construction costs as determined by a post-construction final audit by the DOT, using cost sharing percentages and funding procedures set forth in the PAL.

8.3 **Costs Resulting from Errors or Omissions.** The Municipality shall reimburse the DOT for one hundred percent (100%) of all construction costs and costs of DOT-provided Services, which costs are the result of errors or omissions of the Municipality or its consultant(s), including, but not limited to, errors or omissions with respect to the PS&E, inadequate provision of the Inspection Activities or Design Services During Construction by the Municipality or any of its consultants, or inadequate Administration by the Municipality, as applicable. In order to determine the total cost of DOT-provided Services that were attributable to the errors and omissions of the Municipality (as such are not itemized during the Construction Project), a percentage(s) will be derived from the ratio of the total cost of all DOT-provided Services to the total actual construction cost, as determined by a post-construction audit, and this percentage will be multiplied by the amount attributable to the Municipality's error or omission, as determined by the DOT, to determine the cost of DOT-provided Services incurred as a result of the errors or omissions which the Municipality must reimburse to the DOT. This provision will survive the expiration of the PAL, the final acceptance of the Construction Project, and the termination of the Master Agreement, or the expiration of the Term.

### **Article 9. Disbursement of Grant Funds; Conditions of Payment.**

9.1 **Method of Disbursement.** With respect to each Construction Project undertaken pursuant to this Master Agreement, the DOT shall disburse the Funding to the Municipality

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according to a method determined at the DOT's sole discretion, and in accordance with any applicable state or federal laws, regulations, and requirements.

9.2 **Funding Basis.** The Funding in the PAL will be provided to the Municipality by the DOT on a reimbursement or Grant basis, provided the Municipality is in compliance with the PAL and this Master Agreement.

9.2 **Federal Approvals Required.** The Municipality agrees that with respect to PALs that include federal participation in Funding, no PAL issued by the DOT is effective until all required federal approvals are received by the DOT for the Construction Project.

9.3 **Lack of Timeliness in Municipality Performance.** If the Municipality fails to timely commence and complete the Construction Project as set forth in the respective PAL to the satisfaction of the DOT and in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, or requirements, then:

- (a) the DOT has no obligation to reimburse the Municipality for its expenses incurred;
- (b) to the extent any Funding already has been disbursed to the Municipality, the Municipality shall return any disbursed funds and any interest earned to-date to the DOT within ten (10) business days of receipt of a request from the DOT; and
- (c) the DOT may recover from the Municipality the DOT's costs for the DOT-provided Services performed on the Construction Project. Upon receipt of written demand from the DOT, the Municipality shall provide payment for the DOT-provided Services within thirty (30) days.

### Article 10. Records and Audit.

10.1 **Examination.** The Municipality shall make available for examination by the DOT and the State of Connecticut and its agents, including but not limited to, the Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts, Attorney General and the Chief State's Attorney and their respective agents all of its records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices relevant to any Funding received under this Master Agreement, and for a period of time in accordance with all applicable state or federal audit requirements.

10.2 **Retention.** With respect to each Construction Project undertaken under this Master Agreement, the Municipality shall maintain and secure all records for a period of three (3) years after issuance of the Construction Project's Certification of Acceptance, or three (3) years after the final payment has been made to the Prime Contractor or the termination of any litigation related to the Construction Project, whichever is later or for such longer time as instructed by the DOT, the State of Connecticut and its agents, or the federal government.

### Article 11. Conflict.

11.1. **Conflict.** In case of a conflict between the provisions of any particular PAL, the Master Agreement, including its Schedules, or any specification, guide, manual, policy, document,

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or other publication referenced in the Master Agreement, the provision containing additional details or more stringent requirements will control. In case of the Municipality's inability to determine the controlling provision or where it is not possible to comply with the requirements of multiple provisions, the DOT shall have the right to determine, in its sole discretion, which provision applies. The Municipality shall promptly request in writing the DOT's determination upon the Municipality's inability to determine the controlling provision or upon becoming aware of any such conflict. This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement.

**11.2 Revisions to Manuals.** With respect to any guide, manual, policy, document, or other publication referenced throughout the Master Agreement and noted to be subject to revision throughout the Term of this Agreement by way of the phrase "as may be revised," for the particular Construction Project the Municipality agrees to comply with the version of the document or publication that is in effect on the date of the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL for the Construction Project. This section does not apply to the Standard Specifications.

**Article 12. Review of Municipality's Activities.** The Municipality shall cooperate fully with the DOT and permit the DOT, FHWA, or other federal authority, as applicable, to review, at any time during the Construction Project, all activities performed by the Municipality with respect to any PAL issued under this Master Agreement. Upon request of the DOT, the Municipality shall timely furnish all documents related to the Construction Project so that the DOT may evaluate the Municipality's activities with respect to the Construction Project, including, but not limited to, its use of the Funding as required by the PAL, this Master Agreement, and applicable law.

### **Article 13. Term and Termination of the Master Agreement.**

**13.1 Term.** The Term commences on the Effective Date and continues for ten (10) years, unless terminated earlier in accordance with this Article. The Parties may agree to extend the Term for an additional two (2) years by the exchange of mutual written consent signed by an authorized representative of each Party.

**13.2 Termination for Convenience.** The DOT may terminate this Master Agreement for convenience, at its sole discretion, upon providing thirty (30) days Official Notice to the Municipality.

**13.3 Termination for Cause.** As a result of the Municipality's breach of the Master Agreement or a particular PAL or the failure of the Municipality, its Prime Contractor, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or any combination of the foregoing, to perform the work required on any particular Construction Project to the DOT's satisfaction in accordance with the respective PAL, the DOT may terminate this Master Agreement for cause by giving the Municipality ten (10) days Official Notice, provided that the Municipality fails to cure, or begin to cure, the breach or failed performance, to the satisfaction of the DOT in its sole discretion, within the notice period that the DOT may, in its sole discretion, set forth in such Official Notice. Termination for cause by the DOT will not prejudice the right of the DOT to pursue any of its remedies for breach, including recovery of any Funding paid to the Municipality prior to termination for cause.

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### 13.4 Effect on In-progress PALs.

(a) Upon expiration of the Term or the DOT's earlier termination for convenience of the Master Agreement, any issued PAL for a Construction Project that is still in-progress will remain in full force and effect and will continue through completion and final acceptance by the DOT of the respective Construction Project, and the Municipality shall be subject to all applicable terms and conditions of the PAL and this Master Agreement, unless the respective PAL is itself terminated in accordance with section 3.25 (for Municipality-Administered projects) or section 4.9 (for DOT-Administered Projects).

(b) Upon the DOT's termination of this Master Agreement for cause, any PALs in-progress at the time will automatically terminate, unless the DOT provides Official Notice stating otherwise. The DOT, at its sole discretion, will determine and state in such Official Notice to the Municipality, if any in-progress PALs will remain in effect, and in such case, the Municipality agrees that it must complete performance of such in-progress PAL(s) through completion and final acceptance by the DOT of the respective Construction Project in compliance with all applicable terms and conditions of the PAL and this Master Agreement.

**Article 14. Official Notice.** Any Official Notice from one Party to the other Party, in order for such notice to be binding thereon, shall:

14.1 Be in writing (as a printed hard copy or electronic or facsimile copy) addressed to:

(a) When the DOT is to receive Official Notice:

Commissioner of Transportation  
Connecticut Department of Transportation  
2800 Berlin Turnpike  
P.O. Box 317546  
Newington, Connecticut 06131-7546;

(b) When the Municipality is to receive Official Notice:

First Selectman  
Town of Monroe  
7 Fan Hill Road  
Monroe, Connecticut 06468;

14.2 Be delivered to the address recited herein in person, by electronic mail with acknowledgement of receipt, by United States Postal Service mail with return receipt requested by mail, electronic means, or any other methods of receiving the return receipt as identified by the Mailing Standards of the U.S. Postal Service, as may be revised, or by recognized overnight courier (that provides confirmation of delivery); and

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14.3 Contain complete and accurate information in sufficient detail to properly and adequately identify and describe the subject matter thereof.

### **Article 15. Insurance.**

#### **15.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage.**

(a) With respect to the work on the particular Construction Project that the Municipality performs or that the Municipality engages a Prime Contractor to perform, respectively, the Municipality when performing the work shall carry, or when the Prime Contractor is performing the work, the Municipality shall require the Prime Contractor to carry and to impose on its subcontractors the requirement to carry, for the duration of the Construction Project the insurance requirements set forth in the Standard Specifications, including “Section 1.03.07 Insurance” and specifically with respect to any working drawings prepared by a designer “Section 1.05.02(2)(a) Plans, Working Drawings and Shop Drawings,” and any additional insurance coverage or increased limits required in the Special Provisions for the particular Construction Project.

(b) With respect to the Inspection Activities on the particular Construction Project that the Municipality performs or that the Municipality engages an Inspection Consultant to perform, respectively, on the Construction Project, and with respect to Design Services During Construction performed by the Municipality or by a Consulting Engineer, the Municipality when performing the work shall carry, or when the Inspection Consultant or Consulting Engineer is performing the work, the Municipality shall require the Inspection Consultant or Consultant Engineer to carry and to impose on any subconsultant(s) the requirement to carry, for the duration of the Construction Project, the following insurance:

(1) Commercial General Liability Insurance, including Contractual Liability Insurance, providing for a total limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of all persons in any one accident or occurrence, and for all damages arising out of injury to or destruction of property in any one accident or occurrence, and, subject to that limit per accident, an aggregate limit of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of all persons in all accidents or occurrences and out of injury to or destruction of property during the policy period, with the DOT being named an additional insured party;

(2) Automobile Liability Insurance with respect to the operation of all motor vehicles, including those hired or borrowed, used in connection with the Construction Project, providing for a total limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of all persons in any one accident or occurrence, and for all damages arising out of injury to or destruction of property in any one accident or occurrence, with the DOT being named an additional insured party. In cases where an insurance policy shows an aggregate limit as part of the automobile liability coverage, the aggregate limit must be at least Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000);

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(3) Railroad Protective Liability Insurance (when the Construction Project requires construction or demolition work within fifty (50) feet of the railroad right-of-way or DOT-owned rail property), with coverage limits of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence for all damages arising out of any one accident or occurrence in connection with bodily injury or death or injury to or destruction of property, and, subject to that limit per accident, an aggregate) limit of Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) for all injuries to persons or property during the policy period, and with all entities falling within any of the following listed categories as named insured parties: (i) the owner of the railroad right-of-way, (ii) the owner of any railcar licensed or permitted to travel within that affected portion of railroad right-of-way, (iii) the operator of any railcar licensed or permitted to travel within that affected portion of the railroad right-of-way, (iv) the DOT and (v) any other party with an insurable interest. If such insurance is required, the Municipality, Inspection Consultant, or subconsultant shall obtain and submit the minimum coverage indicated above to the DOT prior to the commencement of the work and shall maintain coverage until the work is accepted by the DOT;

(4) Valuable Papers Insurance Policy, with coverage maintained until the work has been completed and accepted by the DOT, and all original documents or data have been returned to the DOT, providing coverage in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) regardless of the physical location of the insured items. This insurance will assure the DOT that all records, papers, statistics and other data or documents will be re-established, recreated or restored if made unavailable by fire, theft, or any other cause. The Municipality, the Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or subconsultant, as applicable, shall retain in its possession duplications of all products of its work under the contract if and when it is necessary for the originals to be removed from its work under the contract, and if and when necessary for the originals to be removed from its possession during the time that this policy is in force.

(5) Workers' Compensation Insurance, and, as applicable, insurance required in accordance with the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, in accordance with the requirements of the laws of the State of Connecticut, and of the laws of the United States respectively; and

(6) Professional Liability Insurance for errors and omissions in the minimum amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000), with the appropriate and proper endorsement to its Professional Liability Policy to cover the work performed by the Municipality, Inspection Consultant, or subconsultant, as applicable. The Municipality, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or subconsultant shall, and shall continue this liability insurance coverage for a period of three (3) years from the date of acceptance of the completed design or work subject to the continued commercial availability of such insurance. It is understood that the above insurance may not include standard liability coverage for pollution or environmental impairment. However, the Municipality, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or subconsultant shall acquire and maintain pollution and environmental impairment coverage as part of this

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Professional Liability Insurance, if such insurance is applicable to the work performed by the Municipality, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or subconsultant under the PAL for the Construction Project.

(c) In the event the Municipality, Prime Contractor, subcontractor, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or subconsultant, as applicable, secures excess/umbrella liability insurance to meet the minimum coverage requirements for Commercial General Liability or Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, the DOT must be named as an additional insured on that policy.

**15.2 Insurance Company Authorized Pursuant to State of Connecticut Law.** For each Construction Project, the required insurance coverage of the types and minimum limits as required by the Master Agreement must be provided by an insurance company or companies, with each company, or if it is a subsidiary then its parent company, authorized, pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes, to write insurance coverage in the State of Connecticut and/or in the state in which it, or in which the parent company, is domiciled. In either case, the company must be authorized to underwrite the specific line coverage. Solely with respect to work performed directly and exclusively by the Municipality, the Municipality may request that the DOT accept coverage provided under a municipal self-insurance program as more particularly described in section 15.6.

**15.3 Certificate of Insurance.** The Municipality shall provide to the DOT evidence of all required insurance coverages by submitting a Certificate of Insurance on the form(s) acceptable to the DOT fully executed by an insurance company or companies satisfactory to the DOT.

**15.4 Copies of Policies.** The Municipality shall produce, and require its Prime Contractor, any subcontractor, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or any subconsultant, as applicable, to produce, within five (5) business days, a copy or copies of all applicable insurance policies when requested by the DOT. In providing said policies, the Municipality, Prime Contractor, subcontractor, Inspection Consultant, Consulting Engineer, or subconsultant, as applicable may redact provisions of the policy that are proprietary. This provision shall survive the suspension, expiration or termination of the PAL and the Master Agreement. The Municipality agrees to notify the DOT with at least thirty days prior notice of any cancellation or change in the insurance coverage required under this Master Agreement.

**15.5 Update to Minimum Insurance Limit Requirements.** The Municipality acknowledges and agrees that the minimum insurance coverage limits set forth in this Master Agreement are subject to increase by the DOT, at its sole discretion, from time to time during the Term of this Master Agreement. The DOT will provide the Municipality with the updated minimum insurance coverage limit requirements as applicable to the particular Construction Project. Upon issuance of a PAL by the DOT, and submission of the Written Acknowledgment of the PAL by the Municipality, the Municipality agrees to shall comply with the updated minimum insurance coverage limit requirements as specified by the DOT for the particular Construction Project.

### **15.6 Self-insurance.**

(a) With respect to activities performed directly and exclusively by the Municipality with Municipal forces or staff on a particular Construction Project, the Municipality may request

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that the DOT accept coverage provided under a self-insurance program in lieu of the specific insurance requirements set forth in section 15.1. The Municipality shall submit to the DOT a notarized statement, by an authorized representative:

- (1) certifying that the Municipality is self-insured;
  - (2) describing its financial condition and self-insured funding mechanism;
  - (3) specifying the process for filing a claim against the Municipality's self-insurance program, including the name, title and address of the person to be notified in the event of a claim; and
  - (4) agreeing to indemnify, defend and save harmless the State of Connecticut, its officials, agents, and employees from all claims, suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description resulting from, or arising out of, activities performed by the Municipality under the PAL issued for the Construction Project.
- (b) If requested by the DOT, the Municipality must provide any additional evidence of its status as a self-insured entity.
- (c) If the DOT, in its sole discretion, determines that such self-insurance program is acceptable, then the Municipality shall assume any and all claims as a self-insured entity.
- (d) If the DOT accepts a Municipality's particular self-insurance coverage, the Municipality will not be required to obtain from an insurance company the respective insurance requirement(s) displaced by that particular self-insurance coverage.
- (e) If the DOT does not approve the Municipality's request to provide coverage under a self-insurance program for the particular activities, the Municipality must comply with the respective insurance requirement(s) stated in the Master Agreement, including but not limited to, the type of coverage and minimum limits applicable to the coverage.

### **Article 16. Indemnification.**

16.1 For the purposes of this Article, the following definitions apply.

(a) **Claims:** All actions, suits, claims, demands, investigations and proceedings of any kind, open, pending or threatened, whether mature, unmatured, contingent, known or unknown, at law or in equity, in any forum.

(b) **Municipality's Parties:** A Municipality's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Municipality is in privity of oral or written contract and the Municipality intends for such other person or entity to perform under the Master Agreement or the PAL in any capacity.

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(c) Records: All working papers and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the Municipality in performing the Master Agreement or the PAL, including but not limited to, documents, data, plans, books, computations, drawings, specifications, notes, reports, records, estimates, summaries, memoranda and correspondence, kept or stored in any form.

16.2 With respect to Municipality-Administered Construction Projects, the Municipality agrees that it shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless, and it shall require the Municipality's Parties to indemnify, defend and save harmless, the State, and its officers, representatives, agents, servants, employees, successors and assigns from and against any and all (1) Claims arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with this Master Agreement and any PAL issued hereunder, including the acts of commission or omission (collectively, the "Acts") of the Municipality or the Municipality's Parties; and (2) liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses, including but not limited to, attorneys' and other professionals' fees, arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with Claims, Acts of the Municipality or the Municipality's Parties, or the Master Agreement and any PAL issued hereunder. The Municipality and the Municipality's Parties shall use counsel reasonably acceptable to the State in carrying out its obligations under this section. The Municipality's and the Municipality's Parties' obligations under this section to indemnify, defend and hold harmless against Claims includes Claims concerning confidentiality of any part of or all of the Municipality's or Municipality's Parties' bids, proposals or any Records, any intellectual property rights, other proprietary rights of any person or entity, copyrighted or uncopyrighted compositions, secret processes, patented or unpatented inventions, articles or appliances furnished or used in the performance of this Master Agreement or any PAL issued hereunder.

16.3 With respect to DOT-Administered Construction Projects, the Municipality agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers, representatives, agents, servants, employees, successors and assigns from and against any and all (1) Claims arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with this Master Agreement and any PAL issued hereunder, including the acts of commission or omission (collectively, the "Acts") of the Municipality or the Municipality's Parties; and (2) liabilities, damages, losses, costs, and expenses including but not limited to, attorneys' and other professionals' fees, arising directly or indirectly, in connection with Claims, Acts of the Municipality or the Municipalities Parties this Master Agreement, and any PAL issued hereunder, including but not limited to, design errors or omissions and failures to make necessary arrangements for utility work.

16.4 The Municipality and the Municipality's Parties shall not be responsible for indemnifying or holding the DOT harmless from any liability arising due to the negligence of the State or any third party acting under the direct control or supervision of the State.

16.5 The Municipality and the Municipality's Parties shall reimburse the State for any and all damages to the real or personal property of the DOT caused by the Acts of the Municipality and the Municipality's Parties. The DOT shall give the Municipality and the Municipality's Parties reasonable notice of any such Claims.

16.6 The Municipality's and the Municipality's Parties' duties under this section shall remain fully in effect and binding in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Master

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Agreement and any PAL issued hereunder, without being lessened or compromised in any way, even where the Municipality and the Municipality's Parties are alleged or is found to have merely contributed in part to the Acts giving rise to the Claims and/or where the State is alleged or is found to have contributed to the Acts giving rise to the Claims.

16.7 The Municipality and the Municipality's Parties shall carry and maintain at all times during the term of this Master Agreement, and during the time that any provisions survive the term of this Master Agreement, sufficient general liability insurance to satisfy its obligations under this Master Agreement and the PALs issued under this Agreement. The Municipality and the Municipality's Parties shall name the DOT as an additional insured on the policy and shall provide a copy of the policy to the DOT prior to the effective date of the Master Agreement. The Municipality and the Municipality's Parties shall not begin performance under this Master Agreement or any PAL issued hereunder until the delivery of the policy to the DOT. The State shall be entitled to recover under the insurance policy even if a body of competent jurisdiction determines that the State is or was contributorily negligent.

16.8 This section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of the Term or any PAL issued hereunder, and shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage.

### **Article 17. Sovereign Immunity.**

17.1 **No Waiver of the State's Immunities.** The parties acknowledge and agree that nothing in this Master Agreement or any PAL issued hereunder shall be construed as a modification, compromise or waiver by the DOT of any rights or defenses of any immunities provided by federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut to the DOT or any of its officers and employees, which they may have had, now have or will have with respect to matters arising out of this Master Agreement. To the extent that this section conflicts with any other section, this section shall govern.

17.2 **Defense of Suits by the Municipality.** Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Municipality from asserting its Governmental Immunity rights in the defense of third party claims. The Municipality's Governmental Immunity defense against third party claims, however, shall not be interpreted or deemed to be a limitation or compromise of any of the rights or privileges of the DOT, at law or in equity, under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, those relating to damages.

**Article 18. Amendment.** This Master Agreement may be amended by mutual written agreement signed by the authorized representative of each Party and approved by the Attorney General of the State of Connecticut, and upon receipt of any additional approvals required by law.

**Article 19. Severability.** If any provision of this Master Agreement or application thereof is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Master Agreement which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Master Agreement are severable.

**Article 20. Waiver.** The failure on the part of the DOT to enforce any covenant or provision

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herein contained does not waive the DOT's right to enforce such covenant or provision, unless set forth in writing. The waiver by the DOT of any right under this Master Agreement or any PAL, unless in writing, shall not discharge or invalidate such covenant or provision or affect the right of the DOT to enforce the same.

**Article 21. Remedies are nonexclusive.** No right, power, remedy or privilege of the DOT shall be construed as being exhausted or discharged by the exercise thereof in one or more instances, and it is agreed that each and all of said rights, powers, remedies or privileges shall be deemed cumulative and additional and not in lieu or exclusive of any other right, power, remedy or privilege available to the DOT at law or in equity.

**Article 22. Right of Set Off.** In addition to other remedies available to the DOT, the DOT shall have the right to set-off against amounts otherwise due the Municipality under this Agreement, or under any other agreement that the Municipality has with the DOT, (a) any costs that the DOT incurs which are due to the Municipality's non-compliance with this Agreement which has continued, uncured, for more than thirty (30) days after receipt by the Municipality of written notice of such non-compliance from DOT, and (b) any other amounts that are due and payable from the Municipality to the DOT. Any sum taken in set-off from the Contractor shall be deemed to have been paid to the Contractor for purposes of the Municipality's payment obligations under § 49-41c of the Connecticut General Statutes.

### **Article 23. Electronic Signatures, Counterparts & Electronic Transmission**

23.1 This Agreement, and any PALs issued hereunder, may be executed by electronic signatures and such electronic signatures shall be deemed to be the original signatures of the Parties.

23.2 This Agreement, and any PALs hereunder, may be signed in counterpart copies, all of which taken together shall constitute but one and the same document and single binding agreement. The Parties agree that executed counterparts may be transmitted by electronic means and that such counterparts shall be treated as originally executed instruments.

**Article 24. Entire Agreement.** This Master Agreement constitutes, when fully executed and approved as indicated, the entire agreement between the parties and shall supersede all previous communications, representations, or agreements, either oral or written, between the Parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof; and no agreement or understanding varying or extending the same shall be binding upon either party hereto unless in writing signed by both parties hereto.

The parties have executed this Master Agreement by their duly authorized representatives on the day and year indicated, with full knowledge of and agreement with its terms and conditions.

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**Department of Transportation**  
**Garrett Eucalitto, Commissioner**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Hill, P.E.  
Bureau Chief and Chief Engineer  
Bureau of Engineering and Construction

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**TOWN OF MONROE**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Terrence P. Rooney  
First Selectman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Schedule A**  
**PAL Template**

[Addressee – Designated Municipal Official]

Local Roads

Dear [Addressee – Designated Municipal Official]:

Subject: Project Authorization Letter  
For the [Project Description] (Construction Project)  
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) No.  
State Project No.  
Federal Project No.  
Master Agreement No.  
CORE ID No.  
City/Town of

The State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) and the [City/ Town] of [NAME OF CITY/TOWN] (Municipality) entered into the Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects (Master Agreement) noted above. This Project Authorization Letter (PAL) is issued pursuant to the Master Agreement. The capitalized terms used in this PAL are the same as those used in the Master Agreement.

The [DOT/Municipality] is responsible for the Administration of the Construction Project.

The Construction Project is to provide [ENTER DESCRIPTION], beginning at a [ ] and ending at [ ], a distance of [ ] feet.

Funding for the Construction Project is provided under [identify the Federal and or State program and associated funding ratio between F/S/T] and payment will be on a reimbursement basis. The maximum reimbursement to the Municipality under this PAL is \$[ENTER AMOUNT] dollars. In addition, any reimbursement for actual expenditures will be in accordance with the terms of the Master Agreement. Costs contained in this PAL shall not be exceeded without first obtaining written permission from the DOT. Enclosed is an estimated engineering cost break down for construction project activities. A Demand Deposit in the amount of \$[ENTER AMOUNT or \$0] dollars is due to the DOT. Upon the DOT's receipt of the Municipality's concurrence on the Written Acknowledgement of the PAL, the DOT's Revenue Accounting unit will send an invoice to the Municipality for the Demand Deposit.

In accordance with the Master Agreement, upon completion of the Construction Project, the Municipality shall be responsible for the proper maintenance and operation of all the Municipality-owned facilities constructed or installed as part of this Construction Project to the standards required by, and satisfaction of, DOT and, as applicable, the Federal Highway Administration.). Upon completion of the Construction Project, the Municipality shall assume maintenance responsibility of specific improvements constructed as part of the Construction

[enter to:]

[enter date:]

Project on the DOT-owned Transportation Facilities, including: (list of specific project elements).

This Construction Project has been assigned a [ENTER CORRECT DESIGNATION DBE/SBE/SBPPP] goal of [ ]% and the Municipality shall comply with the requirements pertaining to the goal as stipulated in the Master Agreement.

[For Municipality-Administered Construction Projects ADD: The issuance of the PAL itself is not an authorization for the Municipality to begin performing work with respect to the Construction Project. The Municipality may advance or begin work on the Construction Project only after it has received from the DOT an Authorization to Award Notice.]

Please indicate your concurrence with the PAL by signing below on or before [date] and returning a copy to [Mr./Ms. ]the DOT's Project Manager, preferably by email [insert address] or by U.S. mail at the letterhead address. The Master Agreement and the PAL will be incorporated into one another in their entirety and contain the legal and binding obligations of the Municipality with respect to the Construction Project.

If you have any questions, please contact the Project Manager at (860) 594-[xxxx].

Very truly yours,

Authorized DOT Representative

Concurred By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name:  
Designated Municipal Official

PAL ATTACHMENT  
STATE PROJECT NO.XXX  
FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO.XXXX  
ESTIMATED Construction COSTS

A. Contract Items and, if applicable, Contingencies (Contingencies requires prior written approval from the DOT)	\$
B. Incidentals to Construction-Municipal Services	\$
C. Extra Work Allowance-Municipal Services (+/-10% of B) (Extra Work requires prior written approval from the DOT)	\$
D. Total Municipal Cost (A+B+C)	\$
E. Incidentals to Construction-DOT Materials Testing	\$
F. Incidentals to Construction-DOT Administrative Oversight	\$
G. Incidentals to Construction-DOT Audits	\$
H. Extra Work Allowance by DOT Forces (+/-10% of E+F+G)	\$
I. Total Incidentals to Construction-DOT (E+F+G+H)	\$
J. Total Construction Cost (D+I)	\$
K. Federal Proportionate Share of the Total Construction Cost (X% of J)	\$
L. DOT Proportionate Share of the Total Construction Cost (X% of J)	\$
M. Maximum Amount of Reimbursement to the Municipality (100% of D)	\$
N. Demand Deposit Required from the Municipality	\$

(NOTE: Depending on the federal program, the cost sharing between the Parties may vary and this PAL attachment shall be adjusted accordingly by the DOT initiating unit.)

## Schedule B

### STATE OF CONNECTICUT REQUIRED PROVISIONS

For the purposes of this Schedule, references to “contract” or “Contract” mean the Master Agreement, and references to “contractor” or “Contractor” mean the Municipality.”

**1. Audit Clause. Audit Requirements.** For purposes of this paragraph, the word "contractor" shall be deemed to mean "nonstate entity," as that term is defined in Section 4-230 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The contractor shall provide for an annual financial audit acceptable to the DOT for any expenditure of state-awarded funds made by the contractor. Such audit shall include management letters and audit recommendations. The State Auditors of Public Accounts shall have access to all records and accounts for the fiscal year(s) in which the award was made. The contractor will comply with federal and state single audit standards as applicable.

**2. Whistleblowing.** This Contract may be subject to the provisions of Section 4-61dd of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this statute, if an officer, employee or appointing authority of the Contractor takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the Contractor in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to any employee of the contracting state or quasi-public agency or the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of subsection (a) of such statute, the Contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty per cent of the value of this Contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation, each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The State may request that the Attorney General bring a civil action in the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Hartford to seek imposition and recovery of such civil penalty. In accordance with subsection (f) of such statute, each large state contractor, as defined in the statute, shall post a notice of the provisions of the statute relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by the employees of the Contractor.

**3. Forum and Choice of Law.** The Parties deem the Contract to have been made in the City of Hartford, State of Connecticut. Both Parties agree that it is fair and reasonable for the validity and construction of the Contract to be, and it shall be, governed by the laws and court decisions of the State of Connecticut, without giving effect to its principles of conflicts of laws. To the extent that any immunities provided by federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut do not bar an action against the DOT, and to the extent that these courts are courts of competent jurisdiction, for the purpose of venue, the complaint shall be made returnable to the Judicial District of Hartford only or shall be brought in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut only, and shall not be transferred to any other court, provided, however, that nothing here constitutes a waiver or compromise of the sovereign immunity of the State of Connecticut. The Contractor waives any objection which it may now have or will have to the laying of venue of any claims in any forum and further irrevocably submits to such jurisdiction in any suit, action or proceeding.

#### **4. Executive Orders and Other Enactments**

All references in this Contract to any Federal, State, or local law, statute, public or special act, executive order, ordinance, regulation or code (collectively, "Enactments") shall mean Enactments that apply to the Contract at any time during its term, or that may be made applicable to the Contract during its term. This Contract shall always be read and interpreted in accordance with the latest applicable wording and requirements of the Enactments. Unless otherwise provided by Enactments, the Contractor is not relieved of its obligation to perform under this Contract if it chooses to contest the applicability of the Enactments or the DOT's authority to require compliance with the Enactments.

This Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of this Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it.

This Contract may be subject to (1) Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services; and (2) Executive Order No. 61 of Governor Dannel P. Malloy promulgated December 13, 2017 concerning the Policy for the Management of State Information Technology Projects, as issued by the Office of Policy and Management, Policy ID IT-SDLC-17-04. If any of the Executive Orders referenced in this subsection is applicable, it is deemed to be incorporated into and made a part of this Contract as if fully set forth in it.

**4. Consulting Agreements Representation.** Pursuant to section 4a-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the person signing this Contract on behalf of the Contractor represents, to their best knowledge and belief and subject to the penalty of false statement as provided in section 53a-157b of the Connecticut General Statutes, that the Contractor has not entered into any consulting agreements in connection with this Contract, except for the agreements listed below or in an attachment to this Contract. "Consulting agreement" means any written or oral agreement to retain the services, for a fee, of a consultant for the purposes of (A) providing counsel to a contractor, vendor, consultant or other entity seeking to conduct, or conducting, business with the State, (B) contacting, whether in writing or orally, any executive, judicial, or administrative office of the State, including any department, institution, bureau, board, commission, authority, official or employee for the purpose of solicitation, dispute resolution, introduction, requests for information, or (C) any other similar activity related to such contracts. "Consulting agreement" does not include any agreements entered into with a consultant who is registered under the provisions of chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes as of the date such contract is executed in accordance with the provisions of section 4a-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

_____	_____
Consultant's Name and Title	Name of Firm (if applicable)
_____	_____
Start Date	End Date
_____	_____
	Cost

The basic terms of the consulting agreement are:

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Description of Services Provided:

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Is the consultant a former State employee or former public official?  YES  NO

If YES: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Former State Agency

Termination Date of Employment

**Schedule C**  
**Construction Contracts - Required Contract Provisions**

**1. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Form 1273. (Applies to FHWA Federally-Funded Contracts Only)**

The Contractor shall comply with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Form 1273 attached as Schedule C-1, as revised. The Contractor shall also require its subcontractors to comply with the FHWA – Form 1273 and include the FHWA – Form 1273 as an attachment to all subcontracts and purchase orders.

**2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 Nondiscrimination Assurances**

The Contractor shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. § 2000 et seq.), all requirements imposed by the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation issued in implementation thereof (49 CFR Part 21 and 28 CFR § 50.3), and the Title VI Contractor Assurances attached as Schedule C-2.

**3. Equal Employment Opportunity & Affirmative Action Requirements**

The Contractor shall comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity & Affirmative Action Requirements, as applicable, attached to this Agreement as Schedule C-3 and Schedule C-4.

**4. Requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26, Participation by DBEs, as may be revised (Applies to FHWA Federally-Funded Contracts Only)**

Pursuant to 49 CFR § 26.13, the following paragraph is part of this Contract and shall be included in each subcontract the Prime Contractor enters into with a subcontractor:

“The Contractor, or subcontractor(s) shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, Participation by DBEs, in the award and administration of U.S. DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) or Municipality deems appropriate.”

**5. Contract Wage Rates**

The Contractor shall comply with:

The Federal and State wage rate requirements stated respectively in Schedules C-5 and C-6, as revised. The Federal wage rates (Davis-Bacon Act) applicable to this Contract shall be the Federal wage rates that are current on the US Department of Labor website (<http://www.wdol.gov/dba.aspx>) as may be revised 10 days prior to bid opening. These applicable Federal wage rates shall be attached to the final contract document executed by the parties. During the bid advertisement period, bidders are responsible for obtaining the appropriate Federal wage rates from the US Department of Labor website.

To obtain the latest Federal wage rates go to the US Department of Labor website (link above). Under Davis-Bacon Act, choose “Selecting DBA WDs” and follow the instruction to search the

latest wage rates for the State, County and Construction Type. Refer to the Notice to Contractor (NTC) - Federal Wage Determinations (Davis Bacon Act).

If a conflict exists between the Federal and State wage rates, the higher rate shall govern.

Prevailing Wages for Work on State Highways; Annual Adjustments. With respect to contracts for work on state highways and bridges on state highways, the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 31-54 and 31-55a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised.

As required by Section 1.05.12 (Payrolls) of the Standard Specification for Roads, Bridges and Incidental Construction (FORM 818), as may be revised, every Contractor or subcontractor performing project work on a Federal aid project is required to post the relevant prevailing wage rates as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor. The wage rate determinations shall be posted in prominent and easily accessible places at the work site.

## **6. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as Amended**

The Contractor shall comply with the terms of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) (“Act”), during the term of the Contract. The Contractor represents that it is familiar with the terms of this Act and that it is in compliance with the Act. Failure of the Contractor to satisfy this standard as the same applies to performance under this Contract, either now or during the term of the Contract as it may be amended, will render the Contract voidable at the option of the State upon notice to the contractor. The Contractor warrants that it will hold the State and/or the Municipality harmless, indemnify, and defend the Municipality and the State from any liability which may be imposed upon the Municipality and/or State as a result of any failure of the Contractor to be in compliance with this Act, as the same applies to performance under this Contract.

## **7. Connecticut Statutory Labor Requirements**

**(a) Construction, Alteration or Repair of Public Works Projects; Wage Rates.** The Contractor shall comply with Section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised. The wages paid on an hourly basis to any person performing the work of any mechanic, laborer or worker on the work herein contracted to be done and the amount of payment or contribution paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes, shall be at a rate equal to the rate customary or prevailing for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which such public works project is being constructed. Any contractor who is not obligated by agreement to make payment or contribution on behalf of such persons to any such employee welfare fund shall pay to each mechanic, laborer or worker as part of such person’s wages the amount of payment or contribution for such person’s classification on each pay day.

**(b) Debarment List. Limitation on Awarding Contracts.** The Contractor shall comply with Section 31-53a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised.

**(c) Construction Safety and Health Course.** The Contractor shall comply with section 31-53b of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised. The contractor shall furnish proof to the Labor Commissioner with the weekly certified payroll form for the first week each employee begins work on such project that any person performing the work of a mechanic, laborer or

worker pursuant to the classifications of labor under section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised, on such public works project, pursuant to such contract, has completed a course of at least ten hours in duration in construction safety and health approved by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration or, has completed a new miner training program approved by the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration in accordance with 30 CFR 48 or, in the case of telecommunications employees, has completed at least ten hours of training in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.268.

Any employee required to complete a construction safety and health course as required that has not completed the course, shall have a maximum of fourteen (14) days to complete the course. If the employee has not been brought into compliance, they shall be removed from the project until such time as they have completed the required training.

Any costs associated with this notice shall be included in the general cost of the contract. In addition, there shall be no time granted to the contractor for compliance with this notice. The contractor's compliance with this notice and any associated regulations shall not be grounds for claims as outlined in the Standard Specifications for Roads, Bridges, Facilities and Incidental Construction (Form 818) at Section 1.11 – "Claims."

**(d) Awarding of Contracts to Occupational Safety and Health Law Violators Prohibited.**

The Contract is subject to Section 31-57b of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised.

**(e) Residents Preference in Work on Other Public Facilities. (NOT APPLICABLE TO FEDERAL AID CONTRACTS)**

Pursuant to Section 31-52a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised, in the employment of mechanics, laborers or workmen to perform the work specified herein, preference shall be given to residents of the state who are, and continuously for at least six months prior to the date hereof have been, residents of this state, and if no such person is available, then to residents of other states

**8. Tax Liability - Contractor's Exempt Purchase Certificate (CERT – 141)**

The Contractor shall comply with Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes pertaining to tangible personal property or services rendered that is/are subject to sales tax. The Contractor is responsible for determining its tax liability. If the Contractor purchases materials or supplies pursuant to the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services' "Contractor's Exempt Purchase Certificate (CERT-141)," as may be revised, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that title to such materials and supplies installed or placed in the project will vest in the State simultaneously with passage of title from the retailers or vendors thereof, and the Contractor will have no property rights in the materials and supplies purchased.

Forms and instructions are available anytime by:

Internet: Visit the DRS website at [www.ct.gov/DRS](http://www.ct.gov/DRS) to download and print Connecticut tax forms;

Telephone: Call 1-800-382-9463 (Connecticut calls outside the Greater Hartford calling area only) and select Option 2 or call 860-297-4753 (from anywhere).

**9. Nondiscrimination Requirement and Certification (pursuant to § 4a-60 and § 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised). References to "minority business enterprises" in this Section are not applicable to Federal-aid projects/contracts. Federal-aid projects/contracts are instead subject to the Federal Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program)**

(a) For purposes of this Section, the following terms are defined as follows:

- i. "Commission" means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities;
- ii. "Contract" and "contract" include any extension or modification of the Contract or contract;
- iii. "Contractor" and "contractor" include any successors or assigns of the Contractor or contractor;
- iv. "Gender identity or expression" means a person's gender-related identity, appearance or behavior, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance or behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth, which gender-related identity can be shown by providing evidence including, but not limited to, medical history, care or treatment of the gender-related identity, consistent and uniform assertion of the gender-related identity or any other evidence that the gender-related identity is sincerely held, part of a person's core identity or not being asserted for an improper purpose;
- v. "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations;
- vi. "good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements;
- vii. "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced;
- viii. "mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", or a record of or regarding a person as having one or more such disorders;
- ix. "minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Connecticut General Statutes § 32-9n; and
- x. "public works contract" means any agreement between any individual, firm or corporation and the State or any political subdivision of the State other than a municipality for construction, rehabilitation, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of a public building, highway or other changes or improvements in real property, or which is financed in whole or in part by the State, including, but not limited to, matching expenditures, grants, loans, insurance or guarantees.

For purposes of this Section, the terms "Contract" and "contract" do not include a contract where each contractor is (1) a political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a municipality, unless the contract is a municipal public works contract or quasi-public agency project contract, (2) any other state, including but not limited to any federally recognized Indian tribal governments, as defined in C.G.S. § 1-267, (3) the federal government, (4) a foreign government, or (5) an agency of a subdivision, state or government described in the immediately preceding enumerated items (1), (2), (3), or (4).

- (b) (1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, status as a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut; and the Contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, status as a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved; (2) the Contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action-equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission; (3) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining Agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which the Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; (4) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-68e and 46a-68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; and (5) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor as relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56. If the contract is a public works contract, the Contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works projects.
- (c) Determination of the Contractor's good faith efforts shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following factors: The Contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the Commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects.
- (d) The Contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the Commission, of its good faith efforts.
- (e) The Contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56; provided if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by

the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.

- (f) The Contractor agrees to comply with the regulations referred to in this Section as they exist on the date of this Contract and as they may be adopted or amended from time to time during the term of this Contract and any amendments thereto.
- (g) (1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation; (2) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such Contractor has a collective bargaining Agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; (3) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; and (4) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor which relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56.
- (h) The Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraph in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; provided, if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.
- (i) Pursuant to subsection (c) of section 4a-60 and subsection (b) of section 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Contractor, for itself and its authorized signatory of this Contract, affirms that it understands the obligations of this section and that it will maintain a policy for the duration of the Contract to assure that the Contract will be performed in compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of such sections. The Contractor and its authorized signatory of this Contract demonstrate their understanding of this obligation by (A) having provided an affirmative response in the required online bid or response to a proposal question which asks if the contractor understands its obligations under such sections, (B) signing this Contract, or (C) initialing this nondiscrimination affirmation.\_\_\_\_\_

## 10. Summary of State Ethics Laws

Pursuant to the requirements of section 1-101qq of the Connecticut General Statutes (a) the Municipality has provided to the Contractor the summary of State ethics laws developed by the State Ethics Commission pursuant to section 1-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes, which summary is incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract as if the summary had been fully set forth in this Contract; (b) the Contractor represents that the chief executive officer or authorized signatory of the Contract and all key employees of such officer or signatory have read and understood the summary and agree to comply with the provisions of state ethics law; (c) prior to entering into a contract with any subcontractors or consultants, the Contractor shall provide the summary to all subcontractors and consultants and each such contract entered into with a subcontractor or consultant on or after July 1, 2021, shall include a representation that each subcontractor or consultant and the key employees of such subcontractor or consultant have read and understood the summary and agree to comply with the provisions of state ethics law; (d) failure to include such representations in such contracts with subcontractors or consultants shall be cause for termination of the Contract; and (e) each contract with such contractor, subcontractor or consultant shall incorporate such summary by reference as a part of the contract terms.

### **11. Bid Rigging and/or Fraud – Notice to Contractor**

The Connecticut Department of Transportation is cooperating with the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Justice Department in their investigation into highway construction contract bid rigging and/or fraud.

A toll-free “HOT LINE” telephone number 800-424-9071 has been established to receive information from contractors, subcontractors, manufacturers, suppliers or anyone with knowledge of bid rigging and/or fraud, either past or current. The “HOT LINE” telephone number will be available during normal working hours (8:00 am – 5:00 pm EST). Information will be treated confidentially and anonymity respected.

### **12. Cargo Preference Act Requirements (46 CFR § 381.7(a)-(b)) – Use of United States Flag Vessels (Applies to FHWA Federally-Funded Contracts Only)**

The Contractor agrees to comply with the following:

#### **(a) *Agreement Clauses.***

- (1) Pursuant to Pub. L. 664 (43 U.S.C. § 1241(b)) at least 50 percent of any equipment, materials or commodities procured, contracted for or otherwise obtained with funds granted, guaranteed, loaned, or advanced by the U.S. Government under this agreement, and which may be transported by ocean vessel, shall be transported on privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels, if available.
- (2) Within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, ‘on-board’ commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall be furnished to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590.

(b) *Contractor and Subcontractor Clauses.* The contractor agrees—

- (1) To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels.
- (2) To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b) (1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590.
- (3) To insert the substance of the provisions of this clause in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract.

## **Schedule C-1**

### **REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS**

### **FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS**

- I. General
- II. Nondiscrimination
- III. Non-segregated Facilities
- IV. Davis-Bacon and Related Act Provisions
- V. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act Provisions
- VI. Subletting or Assigning the Contract
- VII. Safety: Accident Prevention
- VIII. False Statements Concerning Highway Projects
- IX. Implementation of Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- X. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion
- XI. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying
- XII. Use of United States-Flag Vessels:

#### ATTACHMENTS

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

#### I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under title 23, United States Code, as required in 23 CFR 633.102(b) (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). 23 CFR 633.102(e).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider. 23 CFR 633.102(e).

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services) in accordance with 23 CFR 633.102. The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in solicitation-for-bids or request-for-proposals documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract). 23 CFR 633.102(b).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work

performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract. 23 CFR 633.102(d).

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

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. 23 U.S.C. 114(b). The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. 23 U.S.C. 101(a).

#### II. NONDISCRIMINATION (23 CFR 230.107(a); 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A; EO 11246)

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

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR Part 60, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

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

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR Part 60, and 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

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

**1. Equal Employment Opportunity:** Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (see 28 CFR Part 35, 29 CFR Part 1630, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 41 CFR Part 60 and 49 CFR Part 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140, shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR Part 35 and 29 CFR Part 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract. 23 CFR 230.409 (g)(4) & (5).

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

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action

within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

#### **6. Training and Promotion:**

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

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

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

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

**7. Unions:** If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. 23 CFR 230.409. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

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

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

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

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide

sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

#### **8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants /**

**Employees with Disabilities:** The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established thereunder. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

#### **9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment:**

The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

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

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

#### **10. Assurances Required:**

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's FHWA-approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program are incorporated by reference.

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

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

c. The Title VI and nondiscrimination provisions of U.S. DOT Order 1050.2A at Appendixes A and E are incorporated by reference. 49 CFR Part 21.

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

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

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

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

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

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

### III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of more than \$10,000. 41 CFR 60-1.5.

As prescribed by 41 CFR 60-1.8, the contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location under the contractor's control where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

### IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size), in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5. The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. 23 U.S.C. 113. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. 23 U.S.C. 101. Where applicable law requires that projects be treated as a project on a Federal-aid highway, the provisions of this subpart will apply regardless of the location of the project. Examples include: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 133 [excluding recreational trails projects], the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway

Projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 117, and National Highway Freight Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 167.

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

#### 1. Minimum wages (29 CFR 5.5)

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

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.d. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.b. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **2. Withholding (29 CFR 5.5)**

The contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally- assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics,

including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contracting agency may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

## **3. Payrolls and basic records (29 CFR 5.5)**

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

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

(2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or

subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

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

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

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

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

(4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 31 U.S.C. 231.

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

#### 4. Apprentices and trainees (29 CFR 5.5)

##### a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

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

Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

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

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

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

##### b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

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

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

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the

corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

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

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

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

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. 23 CFR 230.111(e)(2). The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

**5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

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

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

**8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements.** All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** As provided in 29 CFR 5.5, disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor

set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

#### **10. Certification of eligibility (29 CFR 5.5)**

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

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

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

#### **V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT**

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

**1. Overtime requirements.** No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. 29 CFR 5.5.

**2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section, in the sum currently provided in 29 CFR 5.5(b)(2)\* for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 1 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

\* \$27 as of January 23, 2019 (See 84 FR 213-01, 218) as may be adjusted annually by the Department of Labor; pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990).

### **3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.**

The FHWA or the contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph 2 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

**4. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this section. 29 CFR 5.5.

## **VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116.

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

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" in paragraph 1 of Section VI refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions: (based on longstanding interpretation)

(1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;

(2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;

(3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and

(4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or

equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract. 23 CFR 635.102.

2. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(a), the contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(c), the contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract. (based on long-standing interpretation of 23 CFR 635.116).

5. The 30-percent self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements. 23 CFR 635.116(d).

## **VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION**

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

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR Part 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract. 23 CFR 635.108.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR Part 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704). 29 CFR 1926.10.

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance

with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

#### **VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS**

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

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

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

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

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

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 11, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

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

#### **IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (42 U.S.C. 7606; 2 CFR 200.88; EO 11738)**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts in excess of \$150,000 and to all related subcontracts. 48 CFR 2.101; 2 CFR 200.326.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders

or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

The contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of this Section in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements. 2 CFR 200.326.

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

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

##### **1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:**

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

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction. 2 CFR 180.320.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default. 2 CFR 180.325.

d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.345 and 180.350.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900-180.1020, and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant

who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction. 2 CFR 180.330.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 180.300.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. 2 CFR 180.300; 180.320, and 180.325. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. 2 CFR 180.335. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>). 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, and 180.325.

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

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.325.

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

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

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.335;.

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property, 2 CFR 180.800;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, 2 CFR 180.700 and 180.800; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.335(d).

(5) Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(6) Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements).

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal. 2 CFR 180.335 and 180.340.

## **3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:**

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200). 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

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

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

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.365.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900 – 180.1020, and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is

submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated. 2 CFR 1200.220 and 1200.332.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration. 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, 180.330, and 180.335.

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

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment. 2 CFR 180.325.

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

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:

(a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.355;

(b) is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(c) is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability. (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements)

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

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**XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING**

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

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier

subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

#### USE OF UNITED STATES-FLAG VESSELS:

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, or any other covered transaction. 46 CFR Part 381.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired for a specific Federal-aid highway project. 46 CFR 381.7. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of an FHWA funded-contract.

When oceanic shipments (or shipments across the Great Lakes) are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the bidder, proposer, contractor, subcontractor, or vendor agrees:

To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels. 46 CFR 381.7.

To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift (MAR-620), Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590. (MARAD requires copies of the ocean carrier's (master) bills of lading, certified onboard, dated, with rates and charges. These bills of lading may contain business sensitive information and therefore may be submitted directly to MARAD by the Ocean Transportation Intermediary on behalf of the contractor). 46 CFR 381.7.

**ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS ROAD CONTRACTS** (23 CFR 633, Subpart B, Appendix B) This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.

**Schedule C-2**  
**TITLE VI CONTRACTOR ASSURANCES**

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation FHWA, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. **Non-discrimination:** The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21.
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
4. **Information and Reports:** The contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor will so certify to the Recipient or the FHWA, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor's noncompliance with the Non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
  - a. withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
  - b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

### **Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:**

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures Non-discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of Limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq).

**Schedule C-3**  
**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY & AFFIRMATIVE ACTION  
REQUIREMENTS**

**1. General:**

a) Equal employment opportunity requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal employment opportunity as required by Executive Order 11246, Executive Order 11375 are set forth in Required Contract Provisions (Form PR-1273 or 1316, as appropriate) and these Special Provisions which are imposed pursuant to Section 140 of Title 23 U.S.C., as established by Section 22 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1968, 49 CFR Part 21, 4a-60a and 46a-68c to 46a-68f of the Connecticut General Statutes. The requirements set forth in these Special Provisions shall constitute the specific affirmative action requirements for project activities under this contract and supplement the equal employment opportunity requirements set forth in the Required Contract Provisions.

b) "Company" refers to any entity doing business with the Connecticut Department of Transportation and includes but is not limited to the following:

Contractors and Subcontractors  
Consultants and Subconsultants  
Suppliers of Materials and Vendors (where applicable)  
Municipalities (where applicable)  
Utilities (where applicable)

c) The Company will work with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) and the Federal Government in carrying out equal employment opportunity obligations and in their review of his/her activities under the contract.

d) The Company and all his/her subcontractors or subconsultants holding subcontracts not including material suppliers, of \$10,000 or more, will comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of equal employment opportunity: (The equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as set forth in volume 60, Chapter 4, Section 1, subsection 1 of the Federal-Aid Highway Program Manual, are applicable to material suppliers as well as contractors and subcontractors.) The company will include these requirements in every subcontract of \$10,000 or more with such modification of language as necessary to make them binding on the subcontractor or subconsultant.

e) CTDOT shall require each contractor with contracts of \$10,000 or more or who have fifty or more employees and are awarded a public works contract, to comply with all existing procedures of CTDOT's Contract Compliance Program.

**2. Equal Employment Opportunity Policy:**

a) Companies with contracts, agreements or purchase orders valued at \$10,000 or more or who have fifty or more employees are required to comply with the Affirmative Action Requirements attached as Schedule C-4. By signing a contract with CTDOT the contractor's commits to complying with federal and state requirements to provide equal employment opportunity to all persons without regard to their race, color, religion, creed, sex, gender identity or expression, marital status, age, national origin, ancestry, status as a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability, learning disability or physical disability, including but not limited to blindness, unless

such disability prevents performance of the work involved and to promote the full realization of equal employment opportunity through a positive and continuous efforts.

**3. Project Workforce Utilization Goals:**

These goals are applicable to all construction projects performed in the covered area (whether the project is federal or state funded). If the contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for the geographical area where the work is actually performed.

a. **Appendix A** establishes the goals for minority and female utilization in all crafts statewide on all State funded construction projects.

b. **Appendix B** establishes the goals for minority and female utilization in all crafts statewide on Federally assisted or funded construction projects.

Whenever the Contractor, or any Subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 shall include the provisions of these specifications which contain the applicable goals for minority and female participation.

The goals for minority and female participation are expressed in percentage terms for the contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, and are as follows:

**State Utilization Goals**

**See Appendix A**

**Federal Utilization Goals**

**See Appendix B**

**4. Executive Order 11246**

The Contractor's compliance with Executive Order 11246 and 41-CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3(A) and its efforts to meet the goals established for the geographical area where the contract is to be performed. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from contractor to contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hour performed.

If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each Contractor or Subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other Contractors or subcontractors toward a goal in an

approved Plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the plan goals and timetables.

The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered Construction contractors performing construction work in geographical areas where they do not have a federal or federally assisted construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the work is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) Office or from Federal procurement contracting officers. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant hereto.

In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the workforce utilization goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.

The Contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:

- a) Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites; and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
- b) Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
- c) Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off the street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor

by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason thereafter; along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.

d) Provide immediate written notification to CTDOT when the Union or Unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or women sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the Union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.

e) Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs that which expressly target minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under b above.

f) Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations.

g) Review at least annually, the company EEO Policy and affirmative action obligations with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignments, layoffs, terminations, or other employment decisions, prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.

h) Disseminate the Contractor's EEO Policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other Contractors and subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.

i) Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures and tests to be used in the selection process.

j) Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the project worksite and in other areas of the Contractor's workforce.

k) Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3.

l) Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for opportunities through appropriate training opportunities.

m) Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and

employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.

- n) Ensure that all facilities and company activities are nonsegregated except that separate or single user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- o) Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
- p) Conduct a review at least annually of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations:

Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor union, contractor community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under a through p of these specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female work-force participation, makes a good faith effort to meet with individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.

A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the Contractor may be in violation of Executive Order 11246 if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner, (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is under-utilized).

The Contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

The Contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.

The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any Contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.

The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity.

The Contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status, (e.g. mechanic, apprentice, trainee, helper, or laborer) dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.

Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of their laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).

The Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, from time to time, shall issue goals and timetables for minority and female utilization which shall be based on appropriate work-force, demographic or other relevant data and which shall cover construction projects or construction contracts performed in specific geographical areas. The goals, which shall be applicable to each construction trade in a covered contractor's or timetables, shall be published as notices in the Federal Register, and shall be inserted by the Contracting officers and applicants, as applicable, in the Notice required by 41 CFR 60-4.2.

**5. Subcontracting:**

- a. The Company will use his/her best efforts to solicit bids from and to utilize minority group subcontractors or subcontractors with meaningful minority group and female representation among their employees. Companies shall obtain lists of minority-owned construction firms from the Office of Equity.
  
- b. The Company will use its best efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their equal employment opportunity obligations.

**6. Records and Reports:**

- a. The Company will keep such records as are necessary to determine compliance with equal employment opportunity obligations. The records kept by the Company will be designed to indicate:
  1. The number of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each classification on the project.
  2. The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; (applicable only to contractors who rely in whole or in part on unions as a source of their work force),
  3. The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minority and female employees; and
  4. The progress and efforts being made in securing the services of minority group subcontractors or subcontractors with meaningful minority and female representation among their employees.
  5. Records of internal and external communication and outreach to document its affirmative efforts.

b. All such records must be retained for a period of three years following completion of the contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of CTDOT and/or the United States Department of Transportation.

**c. For Federal Highway Administration funded projects only:**

The Company will submit an annual report to CTDOT each July or as otherwise directed, for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minorities, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form PR 1391. If on-the-job training is being required by "Training Special Provision", the Company will be required to furnish Form FHWA 1409 and 1415 as required by CTDOT.

**APPENDIX A**  
**STATE FUNDED PROJECTS (only)**  
**(Labor Market Goals)**

**LABOR MARKET AREA GOAL**  
**Female**

**Minority**

<b>Bridgeport</b> <b>1.4%</b>	<b>22.7%</b>
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Ansonia	Beacon Falls	Bridgeport	Derby
Easton	Fairfield	Milford	Monroe
Oxford	Seymour	Shelton	Stratford
Trumbull			

<b>Danbury</b> <b>3.8%</b>	<b>10.7%</b>
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Bethel	Bridgewater	Brookfield	Danbury
Kent	New Fairfield	New Milford	Newtown
Redding	Ridgefield	Roxbury	Sherman
Washington			

<b>Danielson</b> <b>1.8%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
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Brooklyn	Eastford	Hampton	Killingly
Pomfret	Putnam	Scotland	Sterling
Thompson	Voluntown	Union	Woodstock

<b>Hartford</b> <b>2.1%</b>	<b>13.7%</b>
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Andover	Ashford	Avon	Barkhamsted
Belin	Bloomfield	Bolton	Bristol
Burlington	Canton	Chaplin	Colchester
Columbia	Coventry	Cromwell	Durham
East Granby	East Haddam	East Hampton	East Hartford
East Windsor	Ellington	Enfield	Farmington
Glastonbury	Granby	Haddam	Hartford
Harwinton	Hebron	Lebanon	Manchester
Mansfield	Marlborough	Middlefield	Middletown
Newington	Plainville	Plymouth	Portland
Rocky Hill	Simsbury	Somers	South Windsor
Southington	Stafford	Suffield	Tolland
Vernon	West Hartford	Wethersfield	Willington
Winchester	Windham	Windsor	Windsor Locks

<b>Lower River</b> <b>1.8%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
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Chester	Deep River	Essex	Old Lyme
Westbrook			

**LABOR MARKET AREA GOAL**

**Minority**

**Female**

<b>New Haven</b>				<b>17.9%</b>
<b>3.1%</b>				
Bethany	Branford	Cheshire	Clinton	
East Haven	Guilford	Hamden	Killingworth	
Madison	Meriden	New Haven	North Branford	
North Haven	Orange	Wallingford	West Haven	
Woodbridge				
<b>New London</b>				<b>7.4%</b>
<b>3.1%</b>				
Bozrah	Canterbury	East Lyme	Franklin	
Griswold	Groton	Ledyard	Lisbon	
Montville	New London	North Stonington	Norwich	
Old Lyme	Old Saybrook	Plainfield	Preston	
Salem	Sprague	Stonington	Waterford	
Hopkinton	RI – Westerly Rhode Island			
<b>Stamford</b>				<b>33.2%</b>
<b>2.1%</b>				
Darien	Greenwich	New Canaan	Norwalk	
Stamford	Weston	Westport	Wilton	
<b>Torrington</b>				<b>4.3%</b>
<b>1.8%</b>				
Canaan	Colebrook	Cornwall	Goshen	
Hartland	Kent	Litchfield	Morris	
Norfolk	North Canaan	Salisbury	Sharon	
Torrington	Warren			
<b>Waterbury</b>				<b>12.4%</b>
<b>1.6%</b>				
Bethlehem	Middlebury	Naugatuck	Prospect	
Southbury	Thomaston	Waterbury	Watertown	
Wolcott	Woodbury			

**APPENDIX B**  
**FEDERALLY FUNDED OR ASSISTED PROJECTS**  
**(Labor Market Goals)**

**Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA)**

**Female**

**Minority**

<b>Bridgeport – Stamford – Norwalk – Danbury</b>	<b>10.2%</b>
<b>6.9%</b>	

Bethel	Bridgeport	Brookfield	Danbury
Darien	Derby	Easton	Fairfield
Greenwich	Milford	Monroe	New Canaan
New Fairfield	Newton	Norwalk	Redding
Shelton	Stamford	Stratford	Trumbull
Weston	Westport	Wilton	

<b>Hartford – Bristol – New Britain</b>	<b>6.9%</b>
<b>6.9%</b>	

Andover	Avon	Berlin	Bloomfield
Bolton	Bristol	Burlington	Canton
Colchester	Columbia	Coventry	Cromwell
East Granby	East Hampton	East Hartford	East Windsor
Ellington	Enfield	Farmington	Glastonbury
Granby	Hartford	Hebron	Manchester
Marlborough	New Britain	New Hartford	Newington
Plainville	Plymouth	Portland	Rocky Hill
Simsbury	South Windsor	Southington	Stafford
Suffield	Tolland	Vernon	West Hartford
Wethersfield	Willington	Windsor	Windsor Locks

<b>New Haven – Waterbury – Meriden</b>	<b>9.0%</b>
<b>6.9%</b>	

Beacon Falls	Bethany	Branford	Cheshire
Clinton	East Haven	Guilford	Hamden
Madison	Meriden	Middlebury	Naugatuck
New Haven	North Branford	North Haven	Orange
Prospect	Southbury	Thomaston	Wallingford
Waterbury	Watertown	West Haven	Wolcott
Woodbridge	Woodbury		

<b>New London – Norwich</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
<b>6.9%</b>	

Bozrah	East Lyme	Griswold	Groton
Ledyard	Lisbon	Montville	New London
Norwich	Old Lyme	Old Saybrook	Preston
Sprague	Stonington	Waterford	

**Non SMSA**

**Female****Minority****Litchfield – Windham****5.9%****6.9%**

Abington	Ashford	Ballouville	Bantam
Barkhamsted	Bethlehem	Bridgewater	Brooklyn
Canaan	Canterbury	Central Village	Cahplin
Colebrook	Cornwall	Cornwall Bridge	Danielson
Dayville	East Canaan	East Killingly	East Woodstock
Eastford	Falls Village	Gaylordsville	Goshen
Grosvenor Dale	Hampton	Harwinton	Kent
Killigly	Lakeside	Litchfield	Moosup
Morris	New Milford	New Preston	New Preston Marble Dale
Norfolk	North Canaan	No. Grosvenordale	North Windham
Oneco	Pequabuck	Pine Meadow	Plainfield
Pleasant Valley	Pomfret	Pomfret Center	Putnam
Quinebaug	Riverton	Rogers	Roxbury
Salisbury	Scotland	Sharon	South Kent
South Woodstock	Sterling	Taconic	Terryville
Thompson	Torrington	Warren	Warrenville
Washington	Washington Depot	Wauregan	West Cornwall
Willimantic	Winchester	Winchester Center	Windham
Winsted	Woodstock	Woodstock Valley	

**Schedule C-4**  
**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS**

It is the policy of this firm to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to an individual's race, color, religion, creed, sex, gender identity or expression, marital status, national origin, age, ancestry, status as a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability, learning disability or physical disability, including but not limited to blindness, unless such disability prevents performance of the work involved and to promote the full realization of equal employment opportunity through positive and continuous affirmative efforts. Such action shall include employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or terminations, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, selection for training/apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship opportunities, and on-the-job training opportunities.

This firm will implement, monitor, enforce and achieve full compliance with this Affirmative Action Policy Statement in conjunction with the applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, executive orders, and contract provisions, including but not limited to those listed below:

**Dissemination of Policy:**

All members of the firm who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, this firm's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. These actions shall include:

1. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the firm's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. These meetings will be conducted by the EEO officer.
2. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.
3. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the firm will be instructed by the EEO Officer of the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minority group employees.
4. Notices and posters setting forth the firm's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.
5. The firm's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.
6. Sexual Harassment Prevention Resources including training and remedies must be available to all employees. See Connecticut General Assembly Public Acts 19-16 and 19-93.

**Recruitment:**

When advertising for employees, the firm will include in all advertisements the notation; "An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minority groups in the area where the workforce would normally be derived.

1. The firm will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified

- minority and female applicants. To meet this requirement, the firm will identify referral sources and establish procedures for recruitment to obtain the referral of minority and female applicants.
2. In the event the firm has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring referrals, he/she is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system permits the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. (The United States Department of Labor has held that where implementation of such agreements has had the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Executive Order 11246, as amended.)
  3. The firm will encourage his/her present employees to refer minority group applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring minority group applicants will be discussed with employees.

#### Personnel Actions:

Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to an individual's race, color, religion, creed, sex, gender identity or expression, marital status, national origin, age, ancestry, status as a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability, learning disability or physical disability, including but not limited to blindness, unless such disability prevents performance of the work involved. The following procedures shall be followed:

1. The firm will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of personnel.
2. The firm will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.
3. The firm shall periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.
4. The firm will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the firm and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective actions shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of his avenues of appeal.

#### Training and Promotion:

The firm will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women. The firm will utilize the following tools to identify training and promotional opportunities in the firm:

1. The firm will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and the entrance requirements.
2. The firm will periodically review the training and promotion of minority group and female employees and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

#### Unions:

If the firm relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use his/her best efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minority groups and women within the unions, and to effect referrals by such unions of minority and female employees. Actions by the firm either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent will include the procedures set forth below:

1. The firm will use best efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minority group members and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minority group employees and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.
2. The firm will use best efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the extent that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their to an individual's race, color, religion, creed, sex, gender identity or expression, marital status, national origin, age, ancestry, status as a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability, learning disability or physical disability, including but not limited to blindness, unless such disability prevents performance of the work involved.
3. The firm is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent that such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish the information to the contractor, the contractor shall notify the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) of the efforts made to obtain the information.
4. In the event the union is unable to provide the firm with a reasonable flow of minority and women referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies. (The United States Department of Labor has held that it shall be no excuse that the union with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement providing for exclusive referral failed to refer minority employees.) In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations under Executive Order 11246 as amended, and in compliance with 23 CFR Part 230, the firm will notify CTDOT.

#### Selection of Subcontractors:

The firm will not discriminate on the grounds race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, national origin, ancestry, age, intellectual disability, learning disability, physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, or status as a veteran in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment.

1. The firm shall use his/her best efforts to ensure subcontractor/subconsultant compliance with Federal and State Equal Opportunity (EO) and EEO requirements.

#### Records and Reports:

The Contractor shall keep records as necessary to document compliance with EO/EEO requirements. Such reports shall be retained for a period of three years following completion of the contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of CTDOT and/or the United States Department of Transportation. The following records should be maintained:

6. The number of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification;
7. The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable to increase the employment opportunities for minorities and women;
8. The documentation showing progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minority and female employees; and
9. Complaints of Discrimination.

In implementing this policy and ensuring that affirmative action is being provided, each time a hiring opportunity occurs this firm will contact and request referrals from minority and female

organizations, referral sources, and media sources. All advertising will emphasize that the firm is “An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.”

In order to substantiate this firm’s efforts and affirmative actions to provide equal opportunity, the firm will maintain and submit, as requested, documentation such as referral request correspondence, copies of advertisements utilized and follow-up documentation to substantiate that efforts were made in good faith. This firm will maintain the necessary internal audit procedures and record keeping systems to report the firm’s affirmative action efforts.

It is understood by Owner/CEO/President of the firm and the firm’s Equal Employment Opportunity Officer and supervisory and managerial personnel that failure to effectively implement, monitor and enforce this firm’s affirmative action program and/or failure to adequately document and submit as required, the affirmative actions taken and efforts made to recruit and hire minority and female applicants in accordance with our affirmative action program in each instance of hire, will result in this firm being required to recommit itself to a modified and more stringent affirmative action program as a condition of approval. It is recognized that this policy is a contractual requirement and is a prerequisite for performing services for the contracting agency. This policy in addition to CTDOT’s EO/EEO contract provisions and requirements, shall constitute the CTDOT Affirmative Program requirements.

The ultimate responsibility for the full implementation of this firm’s Affirmative Action Program rests with the Chief Executive Officer of this firm.

**Schedule C-5**

(Federal wage rate package will be inserted at the end after State wages for the final executed contract only. Refer to NTC – Federal Wage Determinations)

## **Schedule C-6**

### **State Wages and Other Related Information**

Please refer to the Department of Labor website for the latest updates, annual adjusted wage rate increases, certified payroll forms and applicable statutes.

<http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/wgwkstnd/prevailwage.htm>

### **Prevailing Wage Law Poster Language**

**THIS IS A PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT Covered by the  
PREVAILING WAGE LAW CT General Statutes Section 31-53**

**If you have QUESTIONS regarding your wages CALL (860) 263-6790**

**Section 31-55 of the CT State Statutes requires every contractor or subcontractor performing work for the state to post in a prominent place the prevailing wages as determined by the Labor Commissioner.**

### **Informational Bulletin**

**THE 10-HOUR OSHA CONSTRUCTION SAFETY AND HEALTH COURSE** (applicable to public building contracts entered into on or after July 1, 2007, where the total cost of all work to be performed is at least \$100,000)

- (1) This requirement was created by Public Act No. 06-175, which is codified in Section 31-53b of the Connecticut General Statutes (pertaining to the prevailing wage statutes);
- (2) The course is required for public building construction contracts (projects funded in whole or in part by the state or any political subdivision of the state) entered into on or after July 1, 2007;
- (3) It is required of private employees (not state or municipal employees) and apprentices who perform manual labor for a general contractor or subcontractor on a public building project where the total cost of all work to be performed is at least \$100,000;
- (4) The ten-hour construction course pertains to the ten-hour Outreach Course conducted in accordance with federal OSHA Training Institute standards, and, for telecommunications workers, a ten-hour training course conducted in accordance with federal OSHA standard, 29 CFR 1910.268;
- (5) The internet website for the federal OSHA Training Institute is [http://www.osha.gov/fso/ote/training/edcenters/fact\\_sheet.html](http://www.osha.gov/fso/ote/training/edcenters/fact_sheet.html);
- (6) The statutory language leaves it to the contractor and its employees to determine who pays for the cost of the ten-hour Outreach Course;

(7) Within 30 days of receiving a contract award, a general contractor must furnish proof to the Labor Commissioner that all employees and apprentices performing manual labor on the project will have completed such a course;

(8) Proof of completion may be demonstrated through either: (a) the presentation of a bona fide student course completion card issued by the federal OSHA Training Institute; or (2) the presentation of documentation provided to an employee by a trainer certified by the Institute pending the actual issuance of the completion card;

(9) Any card with an issuance date more than 5 years prior to the commencement date of the construction project shall not constitute proof of compliance;

(10) Each employer shall affix a copy of the construction safety course completion card to the certified payroll submitted to the contracting agency in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 31-53(f) on which such employee's name first appears;

(11) Any employee found to be in non-compliance shall be subject to removal from the worksite if such employee does not provide satisfactory proof of course completion to the Labor Commissioner by the fifteenth day after the date the employee is determined to be in noncompliance;

(12) Any such employee who is determined to be in noncompliance may continue to work on a public building construction project for a maximum of fourteen consecutive calendar days while bringing his or her status into compliance;

(13) The Labor Commissioner may make complaint to the prosecuting authorities regarding any employer or agent of the employer, or officer or agent of the corporation who files a false certified payroll with respect to the status of an employee who is performing manual labor on a public building construction project;

(14) The statute provides the minimum standards required for the completion of a safety course by manual laborers on public construction contracts; any contractor can exceed these minimum requirements; and

(15) Regulations clarifying the statute are currently in the regulatory process, and shall be posted on the CTDOL website as soon as they are adopted in final form.

(16) Any questions regarding this statute may be directed to the Wage and Workplace Standards Division of the Connecticut Labor Department via the internet website of <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/wgwkstnd/wgemenu.htm>; or by telephone at (860)263-6790.

**THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS PROVIDED EXCLUSIVELY AS AN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE, AND IS NOT INTENDED AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR LEGAL INTERPRETATIONS WHICH MAY ULTIMATELY ARISE CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATUTE OR THE REGULATIONS.**

November 29, 2006

## Notice

### **To All Mason Contractors and Interested Parties Regarding Construction Pursuant to Section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes (Prevailing Wage)**

The Connecticut Labor Department Wage and Workplace Standards Division is empowered to enforce the prevailing wage rates on projects covered by the above referenced statute. Over the past few years the Division has withheld enforcement of the rate in effect for workers who operate a forklift on a prevailing wage rate project due to a potential jurisdictional dispute. The rate listed in the schedules and in our Occupational Bulletin (see enclosed) has been as follows:

#### **Forklift Operator:**

- **Laborers (Group 4) Mason Tenders** - operates forklift solely to assist a mason to a maximum height of nine feet only.

- **Power Equipment Operator (Group 9)** - operates forklift to assist any trade and to assist a mason to a height over nine feet.

The U.S. Labor Department conducted a survey of rates in Connecticut but it has not been published and the rate in effect remains as outlined in the above Occupational Bulletin.

**Since this is a classification matter and not one of jurisdiction, effective January 1, 2007 the Connecticut Labor Department will enforce the rate on each schedule in accordance with our statutory authority.**

Your cooperation in filing appropriate and accurate certified payrolls is appreciated.

**CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
WAGE AND WORKPLACE STANDARDS DIVISION**

**CONTRACTORS WAGE CERTIFICATION FORM  
Construction Manager at Risk/General Contractor/Prime Contractor**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
Officer, Owner, Authorized Rep. Company Name

do hereby certify that the \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

and all of its subcontractors will pay all workers on the

\_\_\_\_\_  
Project Name and Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street and City

the wages as listed in the schedule of prevailing rates required for such project (a copy of which is attached hereto).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Return to: Connecticut Department of Labor  
Wage & Workplace Standards Division  
200 Folly Brook Blvd.  
Wethersfield, CT 06109

Rate Schedule Issued (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

## **Information Bulletin**

### ***Occupational Classifications***

The Connecticut Department of Labor has the responsibility to properly determine "job classification" on prevailing wage projects covered under C.G.S. Section 31-53(d).

*Note: This information is intended to provide a sample of some occupational classifications for guidance purposes only. It is not an all-inclusive list of each occupation's duties. This list is being provided only to highlight some areas where a contractor may be unclear regarding the proper classification. If unsure, the employer should seek guidelines for CTDOL.*

**Below are additional clarifications of specific job duties performed for certain classifications:**

□ **ASBESTOS WORKERS**

Applies all insulating materials, protective coverings, coatings and finishes to all types of mechanical systems.

□ **ASBESTOS INSULATOR**

Handle, install apply, fabricate, distribute, prepare, alter, repair, dismantle, heat and frost insulation, including penetration and fire stopping work on all penetration fire stop systems.

□ **BOILERMAKERS**

Erects hydro plants, incomplete vessels, steel stacks, storage tanks for water, fuel, etc. Builds incomplete boilers, repairs heat exchanges and steam generators.

□ **BRICKLAYERS, CEMENT MASONS, CEMENT FINISHERS, MARBLE MASONS, PLASTERERS, STONE MASONS, PLASTERERS. STONE MASONS, TERRAZZO WORKERS, TILE SETTERS**

Lays building materials such as brick, structural tile and concrete cinder, glass, gypsum, terra cotta block. Cuts, tools and sets marble, sets stone, finishes concrete, applies decorative steel, aluminum and plastic tile, applies cements, sand, pigment and marble chips to floors, stairways, etc.

□ **CARPENTERS, MILLWRIGHTS. PILEDRIVERMEN. LATHERS. RESILEINT FLOOR LAYERS, DOCK BUILDERS, DIKERS, DIVER TENDERS**

Constructs, erects, installs and repairs structures and fixtures of wood, plywood and wallboard. Installs, assembles, dismantles, moves industrial machinery. Drives piling into ground to provide foundations for structures such as buildings and bridges, retaining walls for earth embankments, such as cofferdams. Fastens wooden, metal or rockboard lath to walls, ceilings and partitions of buildings, acoustical tile layer, concrete form builder. Applies firestopping materials on fire resistive joint systems only. Installation of curtain/window walls only where attached to wood or metal studs. Installation of insulated material of all types whether blown, nailed or attached in other ways to walls, ceilings and floors of buildings. Assembly and installation of modular furniture/furniture systems. Free-standing furniture is not covered. This includes free standing:

student chairs, study top desks, book box desks, computer furniture, dictionary stand, atlas stand, wood shelving, two-position information access station, file cabinets, storage cabinets, tables, etc.

□ **LABORER, CLEANING**

- The clean up of any construction debris and the general (heavy/light) cleaning, including sweeping, wash down, mopping, wiping of the construction facility and its furniture, washing, polishing, and dusting.

□ **DELIVERY PERSONNEL**

- If delivery of supplies/building materials is to one common point and stockpiled there, prevailing wages are not required. If the delivery personnel are involved in the distribution of the material to multiple locations within the construction site then they would have to be paid prevailing wages for the type of work performed: laborer, equipment operator, electrician, ironworker, plumber, etc.

- An example of this would be where delivery of drywall is made to a building and the delivery personnel distribute the drywall from one "stockpile" location to further sub-locations on each floor. Distribution of material around a construction site is the job of a laborer or tradesman, and not a delivery personnel.

□ **ELECTRICIANS**

Install, erect, maintenance, alteration or repair of any wire, cable, conduit, etc., which generates, transforms, transmits or uses electrical energy for light, heat, power or other purposes, including the Installation or maintenance of telecommunication, LAN wiring or computer equipment, and low voltage wiring. \*License required per Connecticut General Statutes: E-1,2 L-5,6 C-5,6 T-1,2 L-1,2 V-1,2,7,8,9.

□ **ELEVATOR CONSTRUCTORS**

Install, erect, maintenance and repair of all types of elevators, escalators, dumb waiters and moving walks. \*License required by Connecticut General Statutes: R-1, 2, 5, 6.

□ **FORK LIFT OPERATOR**

Laborers Group 4) Mason Tenders - operates forklift solely to assist a mason to a maximum height of nine (9) feet only.

Power Equipment Operator Group 9 - operates forklift to assist any trade, and to assist a mason to a height over nine (9) feet.

□ **GLAZIERS**

Glazing wood and metal sash, doors, partitions, and 2 story aluminum storefronts. Installs glass windows, skylights, store fronts and display cases or surfaces such as building fronts, interior walls, ceilings and table tops and metal store fronts. Installation of aluminum window walls and curtain walls is the "joint" work of glaziers and ironworkers, which require equal composite workforce.

## □ IRONWORKERS

Erection, installation and placement of structural steel, precast concrete, miscellaneous iron, ornamental iron, metal curtain wall, rigging and reinforcing steel. Handling, sorting, and installation of reinforcing steel (rebar). Metal bridge rail (traffic), metal bridge handrail, and decorative security fence installation. Installation of aluminum window walls and curtain walls is the "joint" work of glaziers and ironworkers which require equal composite workforce.

## □ INSULATOR

- Installing fire stopping systems/materials for "Penetration Firestop Systems": transit to cables, electrical conduits, insulated pipes, sprinkler pipe penetrations, ductwork behind radiation, electrical cable trays, fire rated pipe penetrations, natural polypropylene, HVAC ducts, plumbing bare metal, telephone and communication wires, and boiler room ceilings.

## □ LABORERS

Acetylene burners, asphalt rakers, chain saw operators, concrete and power buggy operator, concrete saw operator, fence and guard rail erector (except metal bridge rail (traffic), decorative security fence (non-metal).

installation.), hand operated concrete vibrator operator, mason tenders, pipelayers (installation of storm drainage or sewage lines on the street only), pneumatic drill operator, pneumatic gas and electric drill operator, powermen and wagon drill operator, air track operator, block paver, curb setters, blasters, concrete spreaders.

## □ PAINTERS

Maintenance, preparation, cleaning, blasting (water and sand, etc.), painting or application of any protective coatings of every description on all bridges and appurtenances of highways, roadways, and railroads. Painting, decorating, hardwood finishing, paper hanging, sign writing, scenic art work and drywall hhg for any and all types of building and residential work.

## □ LEAD PAINT REMOVAL

- Painter's Rate 1. Removal of lead paint from bridges. 2. Removal of lead paint as preparation of any surface to be repainted. 3. Where removal is on a Demolition project prior to reconstruction. • Laborer's Rate 1. Removal of lead paint from any surface NOT to be repainted. 2. Where removal is on a TOTAL Demolition project only.

## □ PLUMBERS AND PIPEFITTERS

Installation, repair, replacement, alteration or maintenance of all plumbing, heating, cooling and piping. **\*License required per Connecticut General Statutes: P-1,2,6,7,8,9 J1,2,3,4 SP-1,2 S-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 B-1,2,3,4 D-1,2,3,4.**

## □ POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATORS

Operates several types of power construction equipment such as compressors, pumps, hoists, derricks, cranes, shovels, tractors, scrapers or motor graders, etc. Repairs and maintains equipment. **\*License required, crane operators only, per Connecticut General Statutes.**

## □ **ROOFERS**

Covers roofs with composition shingles or sheets, wood shingles, slate or asphalt and gravel to waterproof roofs, including preparation of surface. (demolition or removal of any type of roofing and or clean-up of any and all areas where a roof is to be relaid.)

## □ **SHEETMETAL WORKERS**

Fabricate, assembles, installs and repairs sheetmetal products and equipment in such areas as ventilation, air-conditioning, warm air heating, restaurant equipment, architectural sheet metal work, sheetmetal roofing, and aluminum gutters. Fabrication, handling, assembling, erecting, altering, repairing, etc. of coated metal material panels and composite metal material panels when used on building exteriors and interiors as soffits, fascia, louvers, partitions, canopies, cornice, column covers, awnings, beam covers, cladding, sun shades, lighting troughs, spires, ornamental roofing, metal ceilings, mansards, copings, ornamental and ventilation hoods, vertical and horizontal siding panels, trim, etc. The sheet metal classification also applies to the vast variety of coated metal material panels and composite metal material panels that have evolved over the years as an alternative to conventional ferrous and non-ferrous metals like steel, iron, tin, copper, brass, bronze, aluminum, etc. Fabrication, handling, assembling, erecting, altering, repairing, etc. of architectural metal roof, standing seam roof, composite metal roof, metal and composite bathroom/toilet partitions, aluminum gutters, metal and composite lockers and shelving, kitchen equipment, and walk-in coolers. To include testing and air –balancing ancillary to installation and construction.

## □ **SPRINKLER FITTERS**

Installation, alteration, maintenance and repair of fire protection sprinkler systems. **\*License required per Connecticut General Statutes: F-1, 2, 3, 4.**

## □ **TILE MARBLE AND TERRAZZO FINISHERS**

Assists and tends the tile setter, marble mason and terrazzo worker in the performance of their duties.

## □ **TRUCK DRIVERS**

~How to pay truck drivers delivering asphalt is under REVISION~

Truck Drivers are requires to be paid prevailing wage for time spent "working" directly on the site. These drivers remain covered by the prevailing wage for any time spent transporting between the actual construction location and facilities (such as fabrication, plants, mobile factories, batch plant, borrow pits, job headquarters, tool yards, etc.) dedicated exclusively, or nearly so, to performance of the contract or project, which are so located in proximity to the actual construction location that it is reasonable to include them. **\*License required, drivers only, per Connecticut General Statutes.**

**For example:**

- Material men and deliverymen are not covered under prevailing wage as long as they are not directly involved in the construction process. If, they unload the material, they would then be

covered by prevailing wage for the classification they are performing work in: laborer, equipment operator, etc.

- Hauling material off site is not covered provided they are not dumping it at a location outlined above.
- Driving a truck on site and moving equipment or materials on site would be considered covered work, as this is part of the construction process.

Any questions regarding the proper classification should be directed to:

**Public Contract Compliance Unit  
Wage and Workplace Standards Division  
Connecticut Department of Labor  
200 Folly Brook Blvd, Wethersfield, CT 06109  
(860) 263-6543.**

**Connecticut Department of Labor  
Wage and Workplace Standards Division  
FOOTNOTES**

Please Note: If the “Benefits” listed on the schedule for the following occupations includes a letter(s) (+ a or + a+b for instance), refer to the information below.

Benefits to be paid at the appropriate prevailing wage rate for the listed occupation.

If the “Benefits” section for the occupation lists only a dollar amount, disregard the information below.

**Bricklayers, Cement Masons, Cement Finishers, Concrete Finishers, Stone Masons**  
(Building Construction) and (Residential- Hartford, Middlesex, New Haven, New London and Tolland Counties)

a. Paid Holiday: Employees shall receive 4 hours for Christmas Eve holiday provided the employee works the regularly scheduled day before and after the holiday. Employers may schedule work on Christmas Eve and employees shall receive pay for actual hours worked in addition to holiday pay.

**Elevator Constructors: Mechanics**

a. Paid Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, plus the Friday after Thanksgiving.

b. Vacation: Employer contributes 8% of basic hourly rate for 5 years or more of service or 6% of basic hourly rate for 6 months to 5 years of service as vacation pay credit.

#### **Glaziers**

a. Paid Holidays: Labor Day and Christmas Day.

#### **Power Equipment Operators**

(Heavy and Highway Construction & Building Construction)

a. Paid Holidays: New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, provided the employee works 3 days during the week in which the holiday falls, if scheduled, and if scheduled, the working day before and the working day after the holiday. Holidays falling on Saturday may be observed on Saturday, or if the employer so elects, on the preceding Friday.

#### **Ironworkers**

a. Paid Holiday: Labor Day provided employee has been on the payroll for the 5 consecutive work days prior to Labor Day.

#### **Laborers (Tunnel Construction)**

a. Paid Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. No employee shall be eligible for holiday pay when he fails, without cause, to work the regular work day preceding the holiday or the regular work day following the holiday.

#### **Roofers**

a. Paid Holidays: July 4th, Labor Day, and Christmas Day provided the employee is employed 15 days prior to the holiday.

#### **Sprinkler Fitters**

a. Paid Holidays: Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, provided the employee has been in the employment of a contractor 20 working days prior to any such paid holiday.

#### **Truck Drivers**

(Heavy and Highway Construction & Building Construction)

a. Paid Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas day, and Good Friday, provided the employee has at least 31 calendar days of service and works the last scheduled day before and the first scheduled day after the holiday, unless excused.

**SEE BELOW FOR STATE WAGE RATES**

**INSERT STATE WAGES HERE**

## Schedule D

### Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (“DBE”) Special Provision

Rev. 2023

#### **I. ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS**

A. *CTDOT* means the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

B. *USDOT* means the U.S. Department of Transportation, including the Office of the Secretary, the Federal Highway Administration (“FHWA”), the Federal Transit Administration (“FTA”), and the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”).

C. *Broker* means a party acting as an agent for others in negotiating Contracts, Agreements, purchases, sales, etc., in return for a fee or commission.

D. *Contract, Agreement or Subcontract* means a legally binding relationship obligating a seller to furnish supplies or services (including but not limited to, construction and professional services) and the buyer to pay for them. For the purposes of this provision, a lease for equipment or products is also considered to be a Contract.

E. *Contractor* means a consultant, second party or any other entity under Contract to do business with CTDOT or, as the context may require, with another Contractor.

F. *Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (“DBE”)* means a for profit small business concern:

1. That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged or, in the case of a corporation, in which 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more such individuals; and
2. Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it; and
3. Certified by CTDOT under Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, (Title 49 CFR Part 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations for Participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Airport Concessions)

G. *USDOT-assisted Contract* means any Contract between CTDOT and a Contractor (at any tier) funded in whole or in part with USDOT financial assistance.

H. *Good Faith Efforts (“GFE”)* means all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve a DBE goal or other requirement which by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, can reasonably be expected to fulfill the program requirement.

I. *Small Business Concern* means, with respect to firms seeking to participate as DBEs in USDOT-assisted Contracts, a small business concern as defined pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act and Small Business Administration (“SBA”) regulations implementing it (13 CFR Part 121) that also does not exceed the cap on average annual gross receipts in 49 CFR Part 26, Section 26.65(b).

J. *Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individual* means any individual who is a citizen (or lawfully admitted permanent resident) of the United States and who is:

1. Any individual who CTDOT finds, on a case-by-case basis, to be a socially and economically disadvantaged individual.

2. Any individuals in the following groups, members of which are rebuttably presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged:

- “Black Americans”, which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;
- “Hispanic Americans”, which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, or other Spanish or Portuguese culture or origin, regardless of race;
- “Native Americans”, which includes persons who are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians.
- “Asian-Pacific Americans”, which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Burma (Myanmar), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Brunei, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands (Republic of Palau), the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, Macao, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Juvalu, Nauru, or Federated States of Micronesia;
- “Subcontinent Asian Americans”, which includes persons whose origins are from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, Nepal or Sri Lanka;
- Women;
- Any additional groups whose members are designated as socially and economically disadvantaged by the SBA, at such time as the SBA designation becomes effective.

K. *Commercially Useful Function (“CUF”)* means the DBE is responsible for the execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved with its own forces and equipment. The DBE must be responsible for procuring, determining quantity, negotiating price, determining quality and paying for all materials (where applicable) associated with their work. The DBE must also perform at least 30% of the total cost of its contract with its own workforce.

## **II. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

### **A. General Requirements**

A DBE goal percentage equaling \_\_\_\_\_ percent (%) of the Contract value has been established for this Contract. This DBE goal percentage will be applied to the final Contract value to ultimately determine the required DBE goal. If additional work is required, DBE firms should be provided the appropriate opportunities to achieve the required DBE goal.

In order to receive credit toward the Contract DBE goal, the firms utilized as DBE subcontractors or suppliers must be certified as DBEs in the type of work to be counted for credit by CTDOT’s Office of Contract Compliance prior to the date of the execution of the subcontract. Neither CTDOT nor the State of Connecticut’s Unified Certification Program (UCP) makes any representation as to any DBE’s technical or financial ability to perform the work. Prime contractors are solely responsible for performing due diligence in hiring DBE subcontractors.

All DBEs shall perform a CUF for the work that is assigned to them. The Contractor shall monitor and ensure that the DBE is in compliance with this requirement. The Connecticut DBE UPC Directory of certified firms can be found on the CTDOT website <http://www.ct.gov/dot>. The directory lists certified DBE firms with a description of services that they are certified to perform. Only work identified in this listing may be counted towards the project’s DBE goal. A DBE firm may request to have services added at any time by contacting CTDOT’s Office of Contract Compliance. No credit shall be counted for any DBE firm found not to be performing a CUF.

Once a Contract is awarded, all DBEs that were listed on the pre-award DBE commitment document must be utilized. The Contractor is obligated to provide the value and items of the work originally established in the pre-award documentation to the DBE firms listed in the pre-award documentation. Any modifications to the pre-award commitment must follow the procedure established in Section II-C.

The Contractor shall designate a liaison officer who will administer the Contractor's DBE program. Upon execution of this Contract, the name of the liaison officer shall be furnished in writing to CTDOT's unit administering the Contract, CTDOT's Office of Contract Compliance and CTDOT's Office of Construction ("OOC"). Contact information for the designated liaison officer shall be furnished no later than the scheduled date for the pre-construction meeting.

**The Contractor shall submit a bi-monthly report to the appropriate CTDOT unit administering the Contract. This report shall indicate what work has been performed to date, with the dollars paid and percentage of DBE goal completed.**

**Verified payments made to DBEs shall be included in this bi-monthly report. A sample form is included on the CTDOT website.**

In addition, the report shall include:

1. A projected time frame of when the remaining work is to be completed for each DBE.
2. A statement by the Contractor either confirming that the approved DBEs are on schedule to meet the Contract goal, or that the Contractor is actively pursuing a GFE.
3. If retainage is specified in the Contract specifications, then a statement of certification that the subcontractors' retainage is being released in accordance with 1.08.01 (Revised or supplemented).

Failure by the Contractor to provide the required reports may result in CTDOT withholding an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the monthly estimate until the required documentation is received.

The Contractor shall receive DBE credit when a DBE, or any combination of DBEs, perform work under the Contract in accordance with this specification.

Only work actually performed by and/or services provided by DBEs which are certified for such work and/or services, as verified by CTDOT, can be counted toward the DBE goal. Supplies and equipment a DBE purchases or leases from the Contractor or its affiliate cannot be counted toward the goal.

Monitoring of the CUF will occur by CTDOT throughout the life of the project. If it is unclear that the DBE is performing the work specified in its subcontract with the prime Contractor, further review may be required. If it is determined that the DBE is not performing a CUF, then the work performed by that DBE will not be counted towards the DBE goal percentage.

## **B. Subcontract Requirements**

The Contractor shall submit to CTDOT's OOC all requests for subcontractor approvals on the standard CLA-12 forms provided by CTDOT. The dollar amount and items of work identified on the CLA-12 form must, at minimum, equal the dollar value submitted in the pre-award commitment. CLA-12 forms can be found at <http://www.ct.gov/dot/construction> under the "Subcontractor Approval" section. All DBE subcontractors must be identified on the CLA-12 form, regardless of whether they are being utilized to meet a Contract goal percentage. A copy of the legal Contract between the Contractor and the DBE subcontractor/supplier, a copy of the Title VI Contractor Assurances and a copy of the Required Contract Provision for Federal Aid Construction Contracts (Form FHWA-1273) (Federal Highway Administration projects only) must be submitted along with a request for subcontractor approval. These attachments cannot be substituted by reference.

If retainage is specified in the Contract specifications, then the subcontract agreement must contain a prompt payment mechanism that acts in accordance with Article 1.08.01 (Revised or supplemented).

If the Contract specifications do not contain a retainage clause, the Contractor shall not include a retainage clause in any subcontract agreement, and in this case, if a Contractor does include a retainage clause, it shall be deemed unenforceable.

In addition, the following documents are to be included with the CLA-12, if applicable:

- An explanation indicating who will purchase material.
- A statement explaining any method or arrangement for utilization of the Contractor's equipment.

The subcontract must show items of work to be performed, unit prices and, if a partial item, the work involved by all parties. If the subcontract items of work or unit prices are modified, the procedure established in Section II-C must be followed.

Should a DBE subcontractor further sublet items of work assigned to it, only lower tier subcontractors who are certified as a DBE firm will be counted toward the DBE goal. If the lower tier subcontractor is a non-DBE firm, the value of the work performed by that firm will not be counted as credit toward the DBE goal.

The use of joint checks between a DBE firm and the Contractor is acceptable, provided that written approval is received from the OOC prior to the issuance of any joint check. Should it become necessary to issue a joint check between the DBE firm and the Contractor to purchase materials, the DBE firm must be responsible for negotiating the cost, determining the quality and quantity, ordering the material and installing (where applicable), and administering the payment to the supplier. The Contractor should not make payment directly to suppliers.

Each subcontract the Contractor signs with a subcontractor must contain the following assurance:

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

### **C. Modification to Pre-Award Commitment**

Contractors may not terminate for convenience any DBE subcontractor or supplier that was listed on the pre-award DBE commitment without prior written approval of the OOC. This includes, but is not limited to, instances in which a Contractor seeks to perform work originally designated for a DBE subcontractor with its own forces or those of an affiliate, a non-DBE firm, or with another DBE firm. Prior to approval, the Contractor must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the OOC, that it has good cause, as found in 49CFR Part 26.53 (f)(3), for termination of the DBE firm.

Before transmitting its request for approval to terminate pre-award DBE firms to the OOC, the Contractor must give written notice to the DBE subcontractor and include a copy to the OOC of its notice to terminate and/or substitute, and the reason for the notice.

The Contractor must provide five (5) days for the affected DBE firm to respond. This affords the DBE firm the opportunity to advise the OOC and the Contractor of any reasons why it objects to the termination of its subcontract and why the OOC should not approve the Contractor's action.

Once the Contract is awarded, should there be any amendments or modifications of the approved pre-award DBE submission other than termination of a DBE firm, the Contractor shall follow the procedure below that best meets the criteria associated with the reason for modification:

1. If the change is due to a scope of work revision or non-routine quantity revision by CTDOT, the Contractor must notify CTDOT's OOC in writing or via electronic mail that their DBE participation on

the project may be impacted as soon as they are aware of the change. In this case, a release of work from the DBE firm may not be required; however the Contractor must concurrently notify the DBE firm in writing, and copy the OOC for inclusion in the project DBE file. This does not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to meet the Contract specified DBE goal, or of any other responsibility found in this specification.

2. If the change is due to a factor other than a CTDOT directive, a request for approval in writing or via electronic mail of the modification from the OOC must be submitted, along with an explanation of the change(s), prior to the commencement of work. The Contractor must also obtain a letter of release from the originally named DBE indicating their concurrence with the change, and the reason(s) for their inability to perform the work. In the event a release cannot be obtained, the Contractor must document all efforts made to obtain it.
3. In the event a DBE firm that was listed in the pre-award documents is **unable** or **unwilling** to perform the work assigned, the Contractor shall:
  - Notify the OOC Division Chief immediately and make efforts to obtain a release of work from the firm.
  - Submit documentation that will provide a basis for the change to the OOC for review and approval prior to the implementation of the change.
  - Use the DBE Directory to identify and contact firms certified to perform the type of work that was assigned to the unable or unwilling DBE firm. The Contractor should also contact CTDOT's Office of Contract Compliance for assistance in locating additional DBE firms to the extent needed to meet the contract goal.

Should a DBE subcontractor be terminated or fail to complete work on the Contract for any reason, the Contractor must make a GFE to find another DBE subcontractor to substitute for the original DBE. The DBE replacement shall be given every opportunity to perform at least the same amount of work under the Contract as the original DBE subcontractor.

If the Contractor is unable to find a DBE replacement:

- The Contractor should identify other contracting opportunities and solicit DBE firms in an effort to meet the Contract DBE goal requirement, if necessary, and provide documentation to support a GFE. (Refer to GFE in Section III.)
- The Contractor must demonstrate that the originally named DBE, who is unable or unwilling to perform the work assigned, is in default of its subcontract, or identify other issues that affected the DBE firm's ability to perform the assigned work. The Contractor's ability to negotiate a more advantageous agreement with another subcontractor is not a valid basis for change.

### **III. GOOD FAITH EFFORTS**

The DBE goal is **NOT** reduced or waived for projects where the Contractor receives a Pre-Award GFE determination from the Office of Contract Compliance prior to the award of the Contract. It remains the responsibility of the Contractor to make a continuing GFE to achieve the specified Contract DBE goal. The Contractor shall pursue every available opportunity to obtain additional DBE firms and document all efforts made in such attempts.

At the completion of all Contract work, the Contractor shall submit a final report to CTDOT's unit administering the Contract indicating the work done by and the dollars paid to DBEs. Only verified payments made to DBEs performing a CUF will be counted towards the Contract goal.

Goal attainment is based on the total Contract value, which includes all construction orders created during the Contract. If the Contractor does not achieve the specified Contract goal for DBE participation or has not provided the value of work to the DBE firms originally committed to in the pre-award submission, the Contractor shall submit documentation to CTDOT's unit administering the Contract detailing the GFE made during the performance of the Contract to satisfy the goal.

A GFE should consist of the following, where applicable (CTDOT reserves the right to request additional information):

1. A detailed statement of the efforts made to replace an unable or unwilling DBE firm, and a description of any additional subcontracting opportunities that were identified and offered to DBE firms in order to increase the likelihood of achieving the stated goal.
2. A detailed statement, including documentation of the efforts made to contact and solicit bids from certified DBEs, including the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each DBE firm contacted; the date of contact and a description of the information provided to each DBE regarding the scope of services and anticipated time schedule of work items proposed to be subcontracted and the response from firms contacted.
3. Provide a detailed explanation for each DBE that submitted a subcontract proposal which the Contractor considered to be unacceptable stating the reason(s) for this conclusion.
4. Provide documentation, if any, to support contacts made with CTDOT requesting assistance in satisfying the specified Contract goal.
5. Provide documentation of all other efforts undertaken by the Contractor to meet the defined goal. Additional documentation of efforts made to obtain DBE firms may include but will not be limited to:
  - Negotiations held in good faith with interested DBE firms, not rejecting them without sound reasons.
  - Written notice provided to a reasonable number of specific DBE firms in sufficient time to allow effective participation.
  - Those portions of work that could be performed by readily available DBE firms.

**In instances where the Contractor can adequately document or substantiate its GFE and compliance with other DBE Program requirements, the Contractor will have satisfied the DBE requirement and no administrative remedies will be imposed.**

#### **IV. PROJECT COMPLETION**

At the completion of all Contract work, the Contractor shall:

1. Submit a final report to CTDOT's unit administering the Contract indicating the work done by, and the dollars paid to DBEs.
2. Submit verified payments made to all DBE subcontractors for the work that was completed.
3. Submit documentation detailing any changes to the DBE pre-award subcontractors that have not met the original DBE pre-award commitment, including copies of the Department's approvals of those changes.
4. Retain all records for a period of three (3) years following acceptance by CTDOT of the Contract and those records shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of CTDOT and Federal agencies. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the

three (3) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records are resolved.

If the Contractor does not achieve the specified Contract goal for DBE participation in addition to meeting the dollar value committed to the DBE subcontractors identified in the pre-award commitment, the Contractor shall submit documentation to CTDOT's unit administering the Contract detailing the GFE made during the performance of the Contract to satisfy the goal.

## V. SHORTFALLS

### A. **Failure to meet DBE goals**

**As specified in (II-A) above, attainment of the Contract DBE goal is based on the final Contract value.** The Contractor is expected to achieve the amount of DBE participation originally committed to at the time of award; however, additional efforts must be made to provide opportunities to DBE firms in the event a Contract's original value is increased during the life of the Contract.

The Contractor is expected to utilize the DBE subcontractors originally committed in the DBE pre-award documentation for the work and dollar value that was originally assigned.

If a DBE is terminated or is unable or unwilling to complete its work on a Contract, the Contractor shall make a GFE to replace that DBE with another certified DBE to meet the Contract goal.

The Contractor shall immediately notify the OOC of the DBE's inability or unwillingness to perform, and provide reasonable documentation and make efforts to obtain a release of work from the firm.

If the Contractor is unable to find a DBE replacement, then the Contractor should identify other contracting opportunities and solicit DBE firms in an effort to meet the Contract DBE goal requirement, if necessary, and provide documentation to support a GFE.

When a DBE is unable or unwilling to perform, or is terminated for just cause, the Contractor shall make a GFE to find other DBE opportunities to increase DBE participation to the extent necessary to at least satisfy the Contract goal.

For any DBE pre-award subcontractor that has been released appropriately from the project, no remedy will be assessed, provided that the Contractor has met the criteria described in Section II-C.

### B. **Administrative Remedies for Non-Compliance:**

In cases where the Contractor has failed to meet the Contract specified DBE goal or the DBE pre-award commitment, and where no GFE has been demonstrated, then one or more of the following administrative remedies will be applied:

1. A reduction in Contract payments to the Contractor as determined by CTDOT, not to exceed the shortfall amount of the **DBE goal**. The maximum shortfall will be calculated by multiplying the Contract DBE goal (adjusted by any applicable GFE) by the final Contract value, and subtracting any verified final payments made to DBE firms by the Contractor.
2. A reduction in Contract payments to the Contractor determined by CTDOT, not to exceed the shortfall amount of the **pre-award commitment**. The maximum shortfall will be calculated by subtracting any verified final payments made by the Contractor to each DBE subcontractor from the amount originally committed to that subcontractor in the pre-award commitment.

3. A reduction in Contract payments to the Contractor determined by CTDOT for any pre-award DBE subcontractor who has not obtained the dollar value of work identified in the DBE pre-award commitment and has not followed the requirements of Section II-C or for any DBE firm submitted for DBE credit that has not performed a CUF.
4. The Contractor being required to submit a written DBE Program Corrective Action Plan to CTDOT for review and approval, which is aimed at ensuring compliance on future projects.
5. The Contractor being required to attend a Non-Responsibility Meeting on the next contract where it is the apparent low bidder.
6. The Contractor being suspended from bidding on contracts for a period not to exceed six (6) months.

## **VI. CLASSIFICATIONS OTHER THAN SUBCONTRACTORS**

### **A. Material Manufacturers**

Credit for DBE manufacturers is 100% of the value of the manufactured product. A manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises the materials or supplies obtained by the Contractor.

If the Contractor elects to utilize a DBE manufacturer to satisfy a portion of, or the entire specified DBE goal, the Contractor must provide the OOC with:

- Subcontractor Approval Form (CLA-12) indicating the firm designation,
- An executed "Affidavit for the Utilization of Material Suppliers or Manufacturers" (sample attached), and
- Substantiation of payments made to the supplier or manufacturer for materials used on the project.

### **B. Material Suppliers (Dealers)**

Credit for DBE dealers/suppliers is limited to 60% of the value of the material to be supplied, provided such material is obtained from an approved DBE dealer/supplier.

In order for a firm to be considered a regular dealer, the firm must own, operate, or maintain a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. At least one of the following criteria must apply:

- To be a regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages, as its principal business and under its own name, in the purchase and sale or lease of the products in question.
- A person may be a regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone, or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business if the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. Any supplementing of the regular dealers' own distribution equipment shall be by long term lease agreement, and not on an ad hoc or contract to contract basis.
- Packagers, brokers, manufacturers' representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions are not regular dealers within the meaning of this paragraph.

If the Contractor elects to utilize a DBE supplier to satisfy a portion or the entire specified DBE goal, the Contractor must provide the OOC with:

- Subcontractor Approval Form (CLA-12) indicating the firm designation,
- An executed "Affidavit for the Utilization of Material Suppliers or Manufacturers" (sample attached), and
- Substantiation of payments made to the supplier or manufacturer for materials used on the project.

### **C. Brokering**

- Brokering of work for DBE firms who have been listed by the Department as certified brokers is allowed. Credit for those firms shall be applied following the procedures in Section VI-D.
- Brokering of work by DBEs who have been approved to perform subcontract work with their own workforce and equipment is not allowed, and is a Contract violation.
- Firms involved in the brokering of work, whether they are DBEs and/or majority firms who engage in willful falsification, distortion or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project shall be referred to the U.S. DOT, Office of the Inspector General for prosecution under Title 18, U.S. Code, Part I, Chapter 47, Section 1020.

### **D. Non-Manufacturing or Non-Supplier DBE Credit**

Contractors may count towards their DBE goals the following expenditures with DBEs that are not manufacturers or suppliers:

- Reasonable fees or commissions charged for providing a bona fide service such as professional, technical, consultant or managerial services and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment materials or supplies necessary for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fee or commission is determined by the OOC to be reasonable and consistent with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
- The fees charged only for delivery of materials and supplies required on a job site when the hauler, trucker, or delivery service is a DBE, and not the manufacturer, or regular dealer of the materials and supplies, and provided that the fees are determined by the OOC to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
- The fees or commissions charged for providing bonds or insurance specifically required for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fees or commissions are determined by CTDOT to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

### **E. Trucking**

While technically still considered a subcontractor, the rules for counting credit for DBE trucking firms are as follows:

- The DBE must own and operate at least one fully licensed, insured, and operational truck used on the Contract.
- The DBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services it provides on the Contract using trucks it owns, insures and operates using drivers it employs.
- The DBE may lease trucks from another DBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a DBE. The DBE who leases trucks from another DBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the lessee DBE provides on the Contract.
- The DBE may lease trucks from a non-DBE firm; however the DBE may only receive credit for any fees or commissions received for arranging transportation services provided by the non-DBE firms. Additionally, the DBE firm must demonstrate that they are in full control of the trucking operation for which they are seeking credit.

### **VII. Suspected DBE Fraud**

In appropriate cases, CTDOT will bring to the attention of the USDOT any appearance of false, fraudulent, or dishonest conduct in connection with the DBE program, so that USDOT can take the steps, e.g. referral to the Department of Justice for criminal prosecution, referral to USDOT Inspector General, action under suspension and debarment or Program Fraud and Civil Penalties rules provided in 49 CFR Part 31.

**CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
(OFFICE OF CONSTRUCTION)  
BUREAU OF ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION**

This affidavit must be completed by the State Contractor's DBE notarized and attached to the contractor's request to utilize a DBE supplier or manufacturer as a credit towards its DBE contract requirements; failure to do so will result in not receiving credit towards the contract DBE requirement.

State Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Aid Project No. \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Project \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acting in behalf of \_\_\_\_\_.

(Name of person signing Affidavit) (DBE person, firm, association or corporation)

of which I am the \_\_\_\_\_ certify and affirm that \_\_\_\_\_

(Title of Person) (DBE person, firm, association or corporation)

is a certified Connecticut Department of Transportation DBE. I further certify and affirm that I have read and understand 49 CFR, Sec. 26.55(e)(2), as the same may be revised.

I further certify and affirm that \_\_\_\_\_ will assume the actual and

(DBE person, firm, association or Corporation)

for the provision of the materials and/or supplies sought by \_\_\_\_\_.

If a manufacturer, I operate or maintain a factory or establishment that produces, on the premises, the materials, supplies, articles or equipment required under the contract an of the general character described by the specifications.

If a supplier, I perform a commercially useful function in the supply process. As a regular dealer, I, at a minimum, own and operate the distribution equipment for bulk items. Any supplementing of my distribution equipment shall be by long-term lease agreement, and not on an ad hoc or contract-by-contract basis.

I understand that false statements made herein are punishable by Law (Sec. 53a-157), CGS, as revised).

(Name of Corporation or Firm)

(Signature & Title of Official making the Affidavit)

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

Notary Public (Commissioner of the Superior Court)

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I am the \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

(Title)

of the Corporation named in the foregoing instrument; that I have been duly authorized to affix the seal of the Corporation to such papers as require the seal; that \_\_\_\_\_, who signed said instrument on behalf of the Corporation, was then \_\_\_\_\_ of said corporation; that said instrument was duly signed for and in behalf of said Corporation by authority of its governing body and is within the scope of its corporation powers.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Person Certifying)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

**Schedule E**  
**Small Business Enterprise (“SBE”) Special Provision**  
Rev. 2023

**I. GENERAL**

- A. The Contractor shall cooperate with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) in implementing the required contract obligations concerning “Small Contractor” and “Minority Business Enterprise” use on this Contract in accordance with Section 4a-60g of the Connecticut General Statutes as revised. “Small Contractor” and “Minority Business Enterprise” are defined in subsection (a) of Section 4a-60g, and hereinafter throughout this Special Provision each shall be referred to as a “Small Contractor.” The Contractor shall also cooperate with CTDOT in reviewing the Contractor's activities relating to this provision. This Special Provision is in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract.
- B. For the purpose of this Special Provision, the Small Contractor(s) and Minority Business Enterprise(s) named to satisfy the set-aside requirement must be certified by the Department of Administrative Services, Business Connections/ Set-Aside Unit [(860) 713-5236 [Small Minority Business Center \(ct.gov\)](#)]. A Small Contractor is subject to approval by CTDOT to do the work for which it is nominated pursuant to the criteria set forth in Section IIC-3.
- C. Contractors who allow work which they have designated for Small Contractor participation in the pre-award submission required under Section IIC to be performed by other than the approved Small Contractor organization and prior to concurrence by CTDOT, will not be paid for the value of the work performed by organizations other than the Small Contractor designated.
- D. If the Contractor is unable to achieve the specified contract goals for Small Contractor participation, the Contractor shall submit written documentation to CTDOT's Manager of Construction Operations indicating his/her attempts to satisfy goal requirements. Documentation is to include but not be limited to the following:
1. A detailed statement of the efforts made to select additional subcontract opportunities for work to be performed by each Small Contractor in order to increase the likelihood of achieving the stated goal.
  2. A detailed statement, including documentation of the efforts made to contact and solicit contracts with each Small Contractor, including the names, addresses, dates and telephone numbers of each Small Contractor contacted, and a description of the information provided to each Small Contractor regarding the scope of services and anticipated time schedule of items proposed to be subcontracted and the nature of response from firms contacted.
  3. For each Small Contractor that placed a subcontract quotation which the Contractor considered not to be acceptable, provide a detailed statement of the reasons for this conclusion.
  4. Documents to support contacts made with CTDOT requesting assistance in satisfying the contract specified or adjusted Small Contractor dollar requirements.
  5. Document other special efforts undertaken by the Contractor to meet the defined goal.
- E. Failure of the Contractor to have at least the specified dollar amount of this contract performed by Small Contractor as required in Section IIA of this Special Provision will result in the reduction in contract payment to the Contractor by an amount equivalent to that determined by subtracting from the specific dollar amount required in Section IIA, the dollar payments for the work actually performed by each Small Contractor. The deficiency in Small Contractor

achievement, will therefore, be deducted from the final contract payment. However, in instances where the Contractor can adequately document or substantiate its good faith efforts made to meet the specified or adjusted dollar amount to the satisfaction of CTDOT, no reduction in payments will be imposed.

- F. All records must be retained for a period of three (3) years following completion of the contract and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of CTDOT.
- G. Nothing contained herein, is intended to relieve any contractor or subcontractor or material supplier or manufacturer from compliance with all applicable Federal and State legislation or provisions concerning equal employment opportunity, affirmative action, nondiscrimination and related subjects during the term of this Contract.

## II. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

In order to increase the participation of Small Contractors, CTDOT requires the following:

- A. Not less than \_\_\_\_\_ percent ( \_\_\_%) of the **final** value of this Contract shall be subcontracted to and performed by, and/or supplied by, manufactured by and paid to Small Contractors.
- B. The Contractor shall assure that each Small Contractor will have an equitable opportunity to compete under this Special Provision, particularly by arranging solicitations, time for the preparation of Quotes, Scope of Work, and Delivery Schedules so as to facilitate the participation of each Small Contractor.
- C. The Contractor shall provide to CTDOT's Manager of Contracts within Five (5) days after the bid opening the following items:
  - 1. A certification of work to be subcontracted (Exhibit 2) signed by both the Contractor and the Small Contractor listing the work items and the dollar value of the items that the nominated Small Contractor is to perform on the project to achieve the minimum percentage indicated in Section IIA above.
  - 2. A certification of past experience (Exhibit 3) indicating the scope of work the nominated Small Contractor has performed on all projects, public and private, for the past five (5) years.
  - 3. In instances where a change from the originally approved named Small Contractor (see Section IB) is proposed, the Contractor is required to submit, in a reasonable and expeditious manner, a revised submission, comprised of the documentation required in Section IIC, Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 and Section E together with documentation to substantiate and justify the change, (i.e., documentation to provide a basis for the change) to CTDOT's Manager of Construction Operations for its review and approval prior to the implementation of the change. The Contractor must demonstrate that the originally named Small Contractor is unable to perform in conformity to specifications, or unwilling to perform, or is in default of its contract, or is overextended on other jobs. The Contractor's ability to negotiate a more advantageous contract with another Small Contractor is not a valid basis for change. Documentation shall include a letter of release from the originally named Small Contractor indicating the reason(s) for the release.

- D. After the Contractor signs the Contract, the Contractor will be required to meet with CTDOT's Manager of Construction Operations or his/her designee to review the following:
1. What is expected with respect to the Small Contractor set aside requirements.
  2. Failure to comply with and meet the requirement can and will result in monetary deductions from payment.
  3. Each quarter after the start of the Small Contractor the Contractor shall submit a report to CTDOT's Manager of Construction Operations indicating the work done by, and the dollars paid to each Small Contractor to date.
  4. What is required when a request to sublet to a Small Contractor is submitted.
- E. The Contractor shall submit to CTDOT's Manager of Construction Operations all requests for subcontractor approvals on standard forms provided by the Department.

If the request for approval is for a Small Contractor subcontractor for the purpose of meeting the contract required Small Contractor percentage stipulated in Section IIA, a copy of the legal contract between the Contractor and the Small Contractor subcontractor must also be submitted at the same time. Any subsequent amendments or modifications of the contract between the Contractor and the Small Contractor subcontractor must also be submitted to CTDOT's Manager of Construction Operations with an explanation of the change(s). The contract must show items of work to be performed, unit prices and, if a partial item, the work involved by both parties.

In addition, the following documents are to be attached:

1. A statement explaining any method or arrangement for renting equipment. If rental is from a Contractor, a copy of Rental Agreement must be submitted.
  2. A statement addressing any special arrangements for manpower.
  3. A statement addressing who will purchase material.
- F. Contractors subcontracting with a Small Contractor to perform work or services as required by this Special Provision shall not terminate such firms without advising CTDOT, in writing, and providing adequate documentation to substantiate the reasons for termination if the designated Small Contractor firm has not started or completed the work or the services for which it has been contracted to perform.
- G. Material Suppliers or Manufacturers

If the Contractor elects to utilize a Small Contractor supplier or manufacturer to satisfy a portion or all of the specified dollar requirements, the Contractor must provide the Department with:

1. An executed Affidavit Small Contractor (Set-Aside) Connecticut Department of Transportation Affidavit Supplier or Manufacturer (sample attached), and
2. Substantiation of payments made to the supplier or manufacturer for materials used on the project.

Brokers and packagers shall not be regarded as material Suppliers or manufacturer.

H. Non-Manufacturing or Non-Supplier Small Contractor Credit

Contractors may count towards its Small Contractor goals the following expenditures with Small Contractor firms that are not manufacturers or suppliers:

1. Reasonable fees or commissions charged for providing a bona fide service such as professional, technical, consultant or managerial services and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment, material or supplies necessary for the performance of the contract provided that the fee or commission is determined by the Department of Transportation to be reasonable and consistent with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
2. The fees charged for delivery of materials and supplies required on a job site (but not the cost of the materials and supplies themselves) when the hauler, trucker, or delivery service is not also the manufacturer of or a regular dealer in the materials and supplies, provided that the fee is determined by the Department of Transportation to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
3. The fees or commissions charged for providing any bonds or insurance specifically required for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fee or commission is determined by the Department of Transportation to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

III. BROKERING

For the purpose of this Special Provision, a "Broker" is one who acts as an agent for others in negotiating contracts, purchases, sales, etc., in return for a fee or commission. Brokering of work by a Small Contractor is not allowed and is a contract violation.

IV. PRE-AWARD WAIVERS:

If the Contractor's submission of the Small Contractor listing, as required by Section IIC indicates that it is unable, by subcontracting to obtain commitments which at least equal the amount required by Section IIA, it may request, in writing, a waiver of up to 50% of the amount required by Section IIA. To obtain such a waiver, the Contractor must submit a completed "Application for Waiver of Small Contractor Minority Business Enterprise Goals" to CTDOT's Manager of Contracts which must also contain the following documentation:

1. Information described in Section ID.
2. For each Small Contractor contacted but unavailable, a statement from each Small Contractor confirming its unavailability.

Upon receipt of the submission requesting a waiver, the CTDOT's Manager of Contracts shall submit the documentation to the Director of the Office of Contract Compliance who shall review it for completeness. After completion of the Director of Contract Compliance's review, she/he should write a narrative of his/her findings of the application for a waiver, which is to include his/her recommendation. The Director of Contract Compliance shall submit the written narrative to the Chairperson of

the DBE Screening Committee at least five (5) working days before the scheduled meeting. The Contractor shall be invited to attend the meeting and present his/her position. The DBE Screening Committee shall render a decision on the waiver request within five (5) working days after the meeting. The DBE Screening Committee's decision shall be final. Waiver applications are available from the CTDOT Manager of Contracts.

### Exhibit 1. Reserved Exhibit 2

Exhibit 2  
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#### CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CTDOT) PRE-AWARD SBE COMMITMENT APPROVAL REQUEST

TO BE SUBMITTED WITHIN THE TIME FRAME INDICATED IN THE BID DOCUMENTS

Only certified SBE firms will be approved. The SBE directory is available on the Department of Administrative Service's web site:

<http://www.birnet.ct.gov/SupplierDiversity/SDSearch.aspx>

CDOT Project Number (s): _____ Town(s) of: _____ Submitted By: _____ Original Bid (\$): _____ Dollar amount subcontracted to this SBE firm (\$): _____	SBE Subcontractor: _____ Sheet of _____ Address: _____
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Item Number & Description	Is This item Partial Yes No	Firm Type Code *	Units	Quantity bid by the Prime	Contract Unit Price	Quantity Subcontracted	Subcontract Unit Price **	Total Item price subcontracted
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00
	N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							0.00

If any of the items above are checked **Yes** as to **Partial**, please provided or use an attachment to offer an explanation of the work involved. Also please identify who is responsible for the remainder of the partial items.

\* Firm Type Code: S (subcontractor), M (manufacturer), P (supplier), T (trucking), V (services)

\*\* In instances where the Prime is paying the Subcontractor a higher unit price than the bid, by submitting this form the Prime agrees to the higher subcontracted price without qadditional costs to the Department.

Signature of Prime Contractor, Title	Date	Signature of Subcontractor, Title	Date

After this submittal is approved by the Department, any proposed changes to it must be submitted to the Department for approval.

### Exhibit 3

**Sample of Past Construction Experience**

**Only include the work within the last 5 years that are relevant to the work performed on this project**

CTDOT Project Number: \_\_\_\_\_

SBE Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Description and Location	Your Contract Value	The Name of the Owner or the Prime Contractor on the Project/Contact Name and Phone Number	Actual or Estimated Completion Date	overview of items Performed

**Schedule F**  
**Small Business Participation Pilot Program (“SBPPP”) Special Provision**  
Rev. 2023

I. **ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS AS USED IN THIS SPECIAL PROVISION**

A. “ConnDOT” means the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

B. “DOT” means the U.S. Department of Transportation, including the Office of the Secretary, the Federal Highway Administration (“FHWA”), the Federal Transit Administration (“FTA”), and the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”).

C. “Broker” means a party acting as an agent for others in negotiating Contracts, Agreements, purchases, sales, etc., in return for a fee or commission.

D. “Contract,” “Agreement” or “Subcontract” means a legally binding relationship obligating a seller to furnish supplies or services (including, but not limited to, construction and professional services) and the buyer to pay for them. For the purposes of this provision, a lease for equipment or products is also considered to be a Contract.

E. “Contractor,” means a consultant, second party or any other entity doing business with the Municipality or, as the context may require, with another Contractor.

F. “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise” (“DBE”) means a small business concern:

1. That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged or, in the case of a corporation, in which 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more such individuals; and
2. Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.

G. “DOT-assisted Contract” means any Contract between the recipient (the Municipality) and a Contractor (at any tier) funded in whole or in part with DOT financial assistance, including letters of credit or loan guarantees.

H. “Good Faith Efforts” means efforts to achieve a DBE goal or other requirement of this part which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, can reasonably be expected to fulfill the program requirement. Refer to Appendix A of 49 Code of Federal Regulation (“CFR”) Part 26 – “Guidance Concerning Good Faith Efforts,” a copy of which is attached to this provision, for guidance as to what constitutes good faith efforts.

I. “Small Business Concern” means, with respect to firms seeking to participate as DBEs in DOT-assisted Contracts, a small business concern as defined pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act and Small Business Administration (“SBA”) regulations implementing it (13 CFR Part 121) that also does not exceed the cap on average annual gross receipts specified in 49 CFR Part 26, Section 26.65(b).

J. “Small Business Participation Pilot Program” (“SBPPP”) means small businesses certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firm by ConnDOT; or firms certified as a Small Business Enterprise or Minority Business Enterprise by the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services; or firms certified by the United States Small Business Administration (USSBA) as an 8(a) or SDB or HUBZone firm; or firms that are a current active recipient of a United States Small Business Administration Loan (loan must be documented).

K. "Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individuals" means any individual who is a citizen (or lawfully admitted permanent resident) of the United States and who is—

1. Any individual who ConnDOT finds on a case-by-case basis to be a socially and economically disadvantaged individual.
2. Any individuals in the following groups, members of which are rebuttably presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged:
  - i. "Black Americans," which includes persons having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa;
  - ii. "Hispanic Americans," which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, or other Spanish or Portuguese culture or origin, regardless of race;
  - iii. "Native Americans," which includes persons who are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians;
  - iv. "Asian-Pacific Americans," which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Burma (Myanmar), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Brunei, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands (Republic of Palau), the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, Macao, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Juvalu, Nauru, Federated States of Micronesia, or Hong Kong;
  - v. "Subcontinent Asian Americans," which includes persons whose origins are from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, Nepal or Sri Lanka;
  - vi. Women;
  - vii. Any additional groups whose members are designated as socially and economically disadvantaged by the SBA, at such time as the SBA designation becomes effective.

## II. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

A. The Contractor, sub-recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy, as the Municipality and ConnDOT deem appropriate.

B. The Contractor shall cooperate with the Municipality, ConnDOT and DOT in implementing the requirements concerning SBPPP utilization on this Contract. The Contractor shall also cooperate with the Municipality, ConnDOT and DOT in reviewing the Contractor's activities relating to this Special Provision. This Special Provision is in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract.

C. The Contractor shall designate a liaison officer who will administer the Contractor's SBPPP program. Upon execution of this Contract, the name of the liaison officer shall be furnished in writing to the Municipality.

D. For the purpose of this Special Provision, the SBPPP contractor(s) named to satisfy the requirements must meet one of the following criteria;

1. Certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firm by ConnDOT;
2. Certified as a Small Business Enterprise or Minority Business Enterprise by the Connecticut

Department of Administrative Services;

3. Certified by the USSBA as an 8(a) or SDB firm;
4. Certified by the USSBA as a HUBZone firm; or
5. A current active recipient of a United States Small Business Administration Loan (loan documentation required).

E. If the Contractor allows work designated for SBPPP participation required under the terms of this Contract and required under III-B to be performed by other than the named SBPPP firm without concurrence from the Municipality, the Municipality will not pay the Contractor for the value of the work performed by firms other than the designated SBPPP.

F. In the event a SBPPP firm that was listed in the award documents is unable or unwilling to perform the work assigned; the Contractor shall notify the Municipality immediately and make efforts to obtain a release of work from the firm. If the Contractor is unable to find a SBPPP replacement, then the Contractor should identify other contracting opportunities and solicit SBPPP firms in an effort to meet the contract SBPPP goal requirement.

G. At the completion of all Contract work, the Contractor shall submit a final report to the Municipality indicating the work done by, and the dollars paid to SBPPPs. If the Contractor does not achieve the specified Contract goals for SBPPP participation, the Contractor shall also submit written documentation to the Municipality detailing its good faith efforts to satisfy the goal throughout the performance of the Contract. Documentation is to include, but not be limited to the following:

1. A detailed statement of the efforts made to select additional subcontracting opportunities to be performed by SBPPPs in order to increase the likelihood of achieving the stated goal.
2. A detailed statement, including documentation of the efforts made to contact and solicit bids with SBPPPs, including the names, addresses, dates and telephone numbers of each SBPPP contacted, and a description of the information provided to each SBPPP regarding the scope of services and anticipated time schedule of work items proposed to be subcontracted and nature of response from firms contacted.
3. Provide a detailed statement for each SBPPP that submitted a subcontract proposal, which the Contractor considered not to be acceptable stating the reasons for this conclusion.
4. Provide documents to support contacts made with ConnDOT requesting assistance in satisfying the Contract specified goal.
5. Provide documentation of all other efforts undertaken by the Contractor to meet the defined goal.

H. Failure of the Contractor, at the completion of all Contract work, to have at least the specified percentage of this Contract performed by SBPPPs as required in III-B will result in the reduction in Contract payments to the Contractor by an amount determined by multiplying the total Contract value by the specified percentage required in III-B and subtracting from that result, the dollar payments for the work actually performed by SBPPPs. However, in instances where the Contractor can adequately document or substantiate its good faith efforts made to meet the specified percentage to the satisfaction of the Municipality and ConnDOT, no reduction in payments will be imposed.

I. All records must be retained for a period of three (3) years following acceptance by the Municipality of the Contract and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the Municipality, ConnDOT and or Federal agencies. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three (3) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audits findings involving the records are resolved.

J. Nothing contained herein, is intended to relieve any Contractor or subcontractor or material supplier or manufacturer from compliance with all applicable Federal and State legislation or provisions concerning equal employment opportunity, affirmative action, nondiscrimination and related subjects during the term of this Contract.

### III. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

In order to increase the participation of SBPPPs, the Municipality requires the following:

A. The Contractor shall assure that certified SBPPPs will have an opportunity to compete for subcontract work on this Contract, particularly by arranging solicitations and time for the preparation of proposals for services to be provided so as to facilitate the participation of SBPPPs regardless if a Contract goal is specified or not.

B. The SBPPP goal percentage will be provided as part of the Project Authorization Letter. The goal shall be based upon the total contract value. Compliance with this provision may be fulfilled when a SBPPP or any combination of SBPPPs perform work. Only work actually performed by and/or services provided by SBPPPs which are certified for such work and/or services can be counted toward the SBPPP goal. Supplies and equipment a SBPPP purchases or leases from the prime Contractor or its affiliate cannot be counted toward the goal.

If the Contractor does not document commitments, by subcontracting and/or procurement of material and/or services that at least equal the goal, it must document the good faith efforts that outline the steps it took to meet the goal in accordance with VII.

C. Within seven (7) days after the bid opening, the low bidder shall indicate in writing to the Municipality, on the forms provided, the SBPPPs it will use to achieve the goal indicated in III-B. The submission shall include the name and address of each SBPPP that will participate in this Contract, a description of the work each will perform, the dollar amount of participation, and the percentage this is of the bid amount. This information shall be signed by the named SBPPP and the low bidder.

D. The Prime Contractor shall submit to the Municipality all requests for subcontractor approvals on the standard forms provided by the Municipality.

If the request for approval is for a SBPPP subcontractor for the purpose of meeting the Contract SBPPP goal, a copy of the legal contract between the prime and the SBPPP subcontractor must be submitted along with the request for subcontractor approval. Any subsequent amendments or modifications of the contract between the prime and the SBPPP subcontractor must also be submitted to the Municipality with an explanation of the change(s). The contract must show items of work to be performed, unit prices and, if a partial item, the work involved by all parties.

In addition, the following documents are to be attached:

1. An explanation indicating who will purchase material.
2. A statement explaining any method or arrangement for renting equipment. If rental is from a prime, a copy of the rental agreement must be submitted.
3. A statement addressing any special arrangements for manpower.
4. Requests for approval to issue joint checks.

E. The Contractor is required, should there be a change in a SBPPP they submitted in III-C, to submit documentation to the Municipality which will substantiate and justify the change (i.e., documentation to

provide a basis for the change for review and approval by the Municipality) prior to the implementation of the change. The Contractor must demonstrate that the originally named SBPPP is unable to perform in conformity to the scope of service or is unwilling to perform, or is in default of its contract, or is overextended on other jobs. The Contractor's ability to negotiate a more advantageous contract with another subcontractor is not a valid basis for change. Documentation shall include a letter of release from the originally named SBPPP indicating the reason(s) for the release.

F. Contractors subcontracting with SBPPPs to perform work or services as required by this Special Provision shall not terminate such firms without advising the Municipality in writing, and providing adequate documentation to substantiate the reasons for termination if the SBPPP has not started or completed the work or the services for which it has been contracted to perform.

G. When a SBPPP is unable or unwilling to perform, or is terminated for just cause, the Contractor shall make good faith efforts to find other SBPPP opportunities to increase SBPPP participation to the extent necessary to at least satisfy the goal required by III-B.

H. In instances where an alternate SBPPP is proposed, a revised submission to the Municipality together with the documentation required in III-C, III-D, and III-E, must be made for its review and approval.

I. Each quarter after execution of the Contract, the Contractor shall submit a report to the Municipality indicating the work done by, and the dollars paid to, the SBPPP for the current quarter and to date.

J. Each contract that the Municipality signs with a Contractor and each Subcontract the Contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the following assurance: *The contractor, sub recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.*

#### IV. MATERIAL SUPPLIERS OR MANUFACTURERS

A. If the Contractor elects to utilize a SBPPP supplier or manufacturer to satisfy a portion or all of the specified SBPPP goal, the Contractor must provide the Municipality with substantiation of payments made to the supplier or manufacturer for materials used on the project.

B. Credit for SBPPP suppliers is limited to 60% of the value of the material to be supplied, provided such material is obtained from a regular SBPPP dealer. A "regular dealer" is a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse or other establishment in which the materials or supplies required for the performance of the Contract are bought, kept in stock and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a regular dealer, the firm must engage in, as its principal business, and in its own name, the purchase and sale of the products in question. A regular dealer in such bulk items as steel, cement, gravel, stone and petroleum products, need not keep such products in stock if it owns or operates distribution equipment. Brokers and packagers shall not be regarded as material suppliers or manufacturers.

C. Credit for SBPPP manufacturers is 100% of the value of the manufactured product. A "manufacturer" is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises the materials or supplies obtained by the Municipality, ConnDOT or Contractor.

#### V. NON-MANUFACTURING OR NON-SUPPLIER SBPPP CREDIT:

A. Contractors may count towards their SBPPP goals the following expenditures with SBPPPs that are not manufacturers or suppliers:

1. Reasonable fees or commissions charged for providing a bona fide service such as professional, technical, consultant or managerial services and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment, materials or supplies necessary for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fee or commission is determined by the Municipality to be reasonable and consistent with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
2. The fees charged for delivery of materials and supplies required on a job site (but not the cost of the materials and supplies themselves) when the hauler, trucker, or delivery service is a SBPPP but is not also the manufacturer of or a regular dealer in the materials and supplies, provided that the fees are determined by the Municipality to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
3. The fees or commissions charged for providing bonds or insurance specifically required for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fees or commissions are determined by the Municipality to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

## VI. BROKERING

A. Brokering of work by SBPPPs who have been approved to perform Subcontract work with their own workforce and equipment is not allowed, and is a Contract violation.

B. SBPPPs involved in the brokering of Subcontract work that they were approved to perform may be decertified.

C. Firms involved in the brokering of work, whether they are SBPPPs and/or majority firms who engage in willful falsification, distortion or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project shall be referred to the U.S. Department of Transportation's Office of the Inspector General for prosecution under Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 10.20.

## VII. REVIEW OF PRE-AWARD GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

A. If the Contractor does not document pre-award commitments by subcontracting and/or procurement of material and/or services that at least equal the goal stipulated in III-B, the Contractor must document the good faith efforts that outline the specific steps it took to meet the goal. The Contract will be awarded to the Contractor if its good faith efforts are deemed satisfactory and approved by ConnDOT. To obtain such an exception, the Contractor must submit an application to the Municipality, which documents the specific good faith efforts that were made to meet the SBPPP goal. An application form entitled "Review of Pre-Award Good Faith Efforts" is attached hereto.

The application must include the following documentation:

1. A statement setting forth in detail which parts, if any, of the Contract were reserved by the Contractor and not available for bid by subcontractors;
2. A statement setting forth all parts of the Contract that are likely to be sublet;
3. A statement setting forth in detail the efforts made to select subcontracting work in order to likely achieve the stated goal;
4. Copies of all letters sent to SBPPPs;
5. A statement listing the dates and SBPPPs that were contacted by telephone and the result of each contact;
6. A statement listing the dates and SBPPPs that were contacted by means other than telephone and the

- result of each contact;
7. Copies of letters received from SBPPPs in which they declined to bid;
  8. A statement setting forth the facts with respect to each SBPPP bid received and the reason(s) any such bid was declined;
  9. A statement setting forth the dates that calls were made to ConnDOT's Division of Contract Compliance seeking SBPPP referrals and the result of each such call; and
  10. Any information of a similar nature relevant to the application.

The review of the Contractor's good faith efforts may require an extension of time for award of the Contract. In such a circumstance, and in the absence of other reasons not to grant the extension or make the award, the Municipality will agree to the needed extension(s) of time for the award of the Contract, provided the Contractor and the surety also agree to such extension(s).

B. Upon receipt of the submission of an application for review of pre-award good faith efforts, the Municipality shall submit the documentation to ConnDOT's initiating unit for submission to the ConnDOT Division of Contract Compliance. The ConnDOT Division of Contract Compliance will review the documents and determine if the package is complete, accurate and adequately documents the Contractor's good faith efforts. Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the documentation, the ConnDOT Division of Contract Compliance shall notify the Contractor by certified mail of the approval or denial of its good faith efforts.

C. If the Contractor's application is denied, the Contractor shall have seven (7) days upon receipt of written notification of denial to request administrative reconsideration. The Contractor's request for administrative reconsideration should be sent in writing to the Municipality. The Municipality will forward the Contractor's reconsideration request to the ConnDOT initiating unit for submission to the Screening Committee. The Screening Committee will schedule a meeting within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the Contractor's request for administrative reconsideration and advise the Contractor of the date, time and location of the meeting. At this meeting, the Contractor will be provided with the opportunity to present written documentation and/or argument concerning the issue of whether it made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal. Within seven (7) days following the reconsideration meeting, the chairperson of the Screening Committee will send the Contractor, via certified mail, a written determination on its reconsideration request, explaining the basis of finding either for or against the request. The Screening Committee's determination is final. If the reconsideration is denied, the Contractor shall indicate in writing to the Municipality within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the written notification of denial, the SBPPPs it will use to achieve the goal indicated in III-B.

D. Approval of pre-award good faith efforts does not relieve the Contractor from its obligation to make additional good faith efforts to achieve the SBPPP goal should contracting opportunities arise during actual performance of the Contract work.

**Schedule G**  
**On-the-Job Training Program Special Provision**  
Rev. 2023

This On-The-Job Training Program Special Provision is in implementation of Title 23 U.S.C., Section 140(a) as established by Section 22 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1968.

As part of the contractor's equal employment opportunity affirmative action program, on-the-job training shall be provided as follows:

The contractor shall provide on-the-job training aimed at developing and retaining full journeypersons in the type of trade involved. The number of trainees or apprentices to be trained under this contract is determined by dividing the original quantity of hours assigned in the proposal form by 1,000 hours, or the number of hours required under a particular apprenticeship program schedule. In the event the contractor subcontracts a portion of the contract work, it shall determine how many, if any, of the trainees are to be trained by the subcontractor, provided however, that the contractor shall retain the primary responsibility for meeting the training requirements imposed by this provision. The contractor shall also include the requirements of this Special Provision in each such subcontract.

The contractor shall submit for approval to the Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT), a training outline for each trainee or apprentice that will be trained on this project. The training outline shall include the trade, the training categories, the number of training hours that will be provided, and if there will be any off-site training. If the contractor is participating in a bona fide apprenticeship program approved by the Connecticut State Labor Department (CDOL) Apprentice Training Division, identification of such apprentice program shall also be submitted to ConnDOT.

No more than twenty percent (20%) of the trainees or apprentices proposed shall be in the laborer classification (applicable only when five (5) or more trainees or apprentices are required).

Training, upgrading and retaining minority group workers and women in the various construction trades is a primary objective of this Special Provision This training commitment is not intended, and shall not be used, to discriminate against any applicant for training, whether a member of a minority group or not.

Accordingly, a contractor choosing to utilize a non-apprenticeship program shall make use of the supportive services consultant and/or make every effort to enroll minority and women trainees or apprentices by conducting systematic and direct recruitment through public and private sources likely to yield minority and women trainees to the extent such persons are available within a reasonable area of recruitment. The contractor will be given an opportunity and will be responsible for demonstrating the steps that he has taken in pursuance thereof; prior to a determination as to whether the contractor is in compliance with this Special Provision.

No employee shall be employed as a trainee or apprentice in any classification in which he/she has successfully completed a training course leading to journeyperson status or in which he/she has been employed as a journeyperson. Trainees, or apprentices, may be employed and trained in the advancement of their training or apprenticeship program.

After award of the contract, and prior to the order to start date of the physical construction of the project, the contractor shall, in conjunction with the required schedule of progress or time chart, submit and obtain approval for, the number of trainees, or apprentices, for each classification selected, the

training outline for each classification and an explanation of the start time of each trainee as it relates to the schedule of progress or time chart.

The minimum length and type of training for each classification will be as established in the training program selected by the contractor and approved by ConnDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). ConnDOT and the FHWA shall approve a program if it is reasonably calculated to meet the equal employment opportunity obligations of the contractor and to qualify the average trainee or apprentice for journeyman status in the classification concerned by the end of the training period. Furthermore, programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) or CDOL, including apprenticeship programs, shall be considered acceptable under this Special Provision, except in those cases where the Secretary of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administrator, or ConnDOT, has determined that the program is not administered in a manner consistent with the equal employment obligations of federal-aid highway construction contracts.

The contractor shall furnish each trainee or apprentice with a copy of the program that will be followed in providing the training. The contractor shall provide each trainee or apprentice with a certification showing the type and length of training satisfactorily completed.

The contractor shall provide for the maintenance of records and furnish monthly and final reports documenting his performance under this Special Provision to the Engineer. The monthly updates and final report shall be made on forms provided by ConnDOT or by providing signed copies of the "Apprentice Handbook and Progress Record" provided by the Connecticut Department of Labor.

In the event that the contractor intends to transfer a trainee or apprentice to another ConnDOT, (FHWA funded) project, the contractor shall provide ConnDOT with a minimum of a 14-day advance notice.

Except as otherwise noted below, the contractor will be reimbursed at \$0.80 per hour of training given an employee in accordance with an approved training or apprenticeship program. As approved by ConnDOT, reimbursement will be made for training hours in excess of the number specified. This reimbursement will be made even though the contractor receives additional training program funds from other sources, provided such other source does not specifically prohibit the contractor from receiving other reimbursement.

Payment for training is made upon completion of the training program on this contract and not on a monthly basis.

No payment shall be made to the contractor if either the failure to provide the required training, or the failure to hire the trainee as a journeyman, is caused by the contractor. It is normally expected that a trainee or apprentice will remain on the project as long as training opportunities exist in his work classification or until he has completed his training program. It is not required that all trainees or apprentices be on board for the entire length of the contract. A contractor will have fulfilled his responsibilities, under this Special Provision, if he has provided acceptable training for the number of hours specified.

Trainees will be paid at least 60 percent of the appropriate minimum journeyman's rate specified in the contract for the first half of the training period, 75 percent for the third quarter of the training period, and 90 percent for the last quarter of the training period, unless apprentices or trainees in an approved existing program are enrolled as trainees on this project. In that case, the appropriate rates approved by CDOL in connection with the existing program shall apply to all trainees or apprentices being trained for

the same classification who are covered by this Special Provision.

The number of hours shown on the proposal form for Item #2999998A On-The-Job Training Program is not to be altered in any manner by the bidder. Should the bidder alter the amount shown, the altered figures will be disregarded and the original quantity will be used to determine the amount bid for the contract.

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
On-The-Job Training Program	Hour

**Schedule H**

DOT Policy Statement No. E.X.O-33 (June 25, 2015) follows on next page