



PORT OF PALACIOS, TEXAS

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES

ENERGY AND RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

FOR THE MARAD FY 2022 PIDP GRANT NO. (TBD)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ). THE MATAGORDA COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT #1, PORT OF PALACIOS IS REQUESTING QUALIFICATIONS FROM FIRMS WITH FULL CAPABILITIES/CAPACITY TO PROVIDE THE PORT WITH ENGINEERING DESIGN (CIVIL/STRUCTURAL/ELECTRICAL), BIDDING PHASE SERVICES, AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION, RELATED TO THE IDENTIFIED ENERGY AND RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (RFQENGDSG2023)

On or before 3:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time, August 18, 2023, Matagorda County Navigation District #1 Port of Palacios, Texas, (Port) will receive Statements of Qualifications (Statements) from any and all firms interested in performed engineering design services associated with the rehabilitating an existing bulkhead and includes installation of shore power stations referred to as “Energy & Resilience Improvement Project”. Selection of the Engineering Services will be in accordance with procurement standards set forth in 2 CFR 200, in Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200 – Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts under Federal Awards. This project will be partially funded with Federal funds from the United States Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration (MARAD) and therefore is subject to the Federal laws and regulations associated with that program.

A selection is anticipated to be made on August 24, 2023, at 1 p.m. during a Regularly Called Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners and the firm would be utilized immediately thereafter. The Statements must be received in the Port’s office at the address below prior to the deadline. All Statements received by the deadline will be opened at that time by the Port’ Director or his designee and the names of the submitting parties, but not the contents of the Statements, will be made public at that time. Statements received after the deadline will not be accepted. All Statements received will become part of the public records of the Port and will not be returned.

Interested parties should submit Statement of Qualifications by carrier or hand delivery to:

Victor Martinez, Port Director
Matagorda County Navigation District #1
1602 Main Street
Palacios, TX 77465
ATTN: RFQENGDSG2023

By mail,

Victor Martinez, Port Director
Matagorda County Navigation District #1
P.O. Box 551
Palacios, TX 77465
ATTN: RFQENGDSG2023

The Request for Qualifications package may be obtained by visiting the District’s website: www.portofpalacios.com

PLEASE NOTE:

The selection of the firm to provide the described scope of services will be based on the consideration of qualifications and related factors contained in this RFQ.

GENERAL SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of work for this project involves the rehabilitation of Turning Basins 1 and 2 that consists of 5,600 feet of bulkhead and includes the installation of vessel to shore power stations with multiple outlets to serve several vessels at once. The rehabilitation shall include a design standard upgrade that will make the facilities resilient to the effects of sea level rise, natural disasters, and inclement weather; as well as the shore stations installed to provide reliable and consistent power to all landside vessels in Turning Basins 1 and 2.

1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

The Port of Palacios is soliciting qualifications from qualified and interested firms with full capabilities/capacity to provide Engineering Design Services (civil/structural/electrical) associated with rehabilitating an existing bulkhead and includes installation of shore power stations referred to as “Energy & Resilience Improvement Project”. Selection of the Engineering Services will be in accordance with procurement standards set for in 2 CFR 200, in Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200 – Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts under Federal Awards. This project will be partially funded with Federal funds from the United States Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration (MARAD) and therefore is subject to the Federal laws and regulations associated with that program.

1.1 BACKGROUND

The Matagorda County Navigation District #1 (MCND1) is a special district formed in 1940 and authorized by the Texas Legislature to promote commercial and recreational fishing, maintain a navigable waterway and to protect the coastal environment. It is commonly referred to as the Port of Palacios. MCND1 is a shallow-draft port that was initially created to provide a safe harbor for the boats that use the channel which was constructed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers across Matagorda Bay, from the Intracoastal Canal to Palacios. The original mission remains a vital part of the MCND1’s existence over 80 years later.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of work for this project involves the rehabilitation of Turning Basins 1 and 2 that consists of 5,600 feet of bulkhead and includes the installation of vessel to shore power stations with multiple outlets to serve several vessels at once. The rehabilitation shall include a design standard upgrade that will make the facilities resilient to the effects of sea level rise, natural disasters, and inclement weather; as well as the shore stations installed to provide reliable and consistent power to all landside vessels in Turning Basins 1 and 2.

The following map shows the location of the project site at the Port of Palacios



1.2.1 SCHEDULE OF ENGINEERING DESIGN WORK

The Respondent selected will be responsible for submitting a Preliminary Design - Thirty (30%) percent deliverable, and Final Design - One Hundred (100%) percent deliverable within nine (9) months from the date of Notice to Proceed.

1.3 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

ACTION	DATE
RFQ Released	July 24, 2023 (Online) & July 26, 2023 (Newspaper)
Questions due	August 9, 2023
Addenda issued and questions answered	August 11, 2023
Submission deadline	August 18, 2023
<i>ALL DEADLINES HAVE A SUBMITTAL TIME OF 3:00 PM CDT</i>	

All questions must be submitted through the Port's website www.portofpalacios.com by 3:00 PM on August 9, 2023.

2. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (SOQ)

2.1 OVERVIEW

The purpose of the SOQ is to provide members of the Port's Selection Committee with specific information regarding the qualifications of the Respondent to complete the required engineering services.

The SOQ shall only be submitted on the SF-330 Form, attached as Exhibit A. Instructions to complete the form are included herein. Inclusion of any other information and/or failure to submit all requested information, may result in disqualification of submittal.

Respondents may submit only one SOQ, either alone or as a joint-venture. Respondents submitting more than one SOQ may be disqualified. This rule is not intended to limit consultants or sub-consultants from entering into nonexclusive agreements with more than one Proposer. Respondents submitting as Prime, will be allowed to submit as a sub-consultant without being disqualified.

2.2 DEADLINE AND SUBMITTAL

- Four (4) hardcopies of completed Exhibit A – SF-330,
- One (1) hardcopy original of completed Exhibit B - Certification Statement,
- One (1) hardcopy original of completed Exhibit C - Conflict of Interest, Questionnaire, and
- One (1) electronic version consisting of single locked .pdf file exactly matching the hardcopy versions on USB drive shall be submitted to the Port’s official Point of Contact no later than the date and time advertised. Respondent is solely responsible for proper labeling, mailing and/or delivering of SOQ, at Respondent’s sole cost. SOQ’s may be hand-delivered if preferable. No other materials or information are to be included.

Responses to this RFQ shall be accepted no later than **August 18, 2023, at 3:00 PM CDT.**

- By carrier or hand deliver to the Port of Palacios located at 1602 Main St., Palacios, TX 77465.
- By mail addressed to P.O. Box 551., Palacios, TX 77465. All mailed responses must be received in the Port’s office by the submission deadline.

Responses to the RFQ must be clearly marked, “RFQ RESPONSE, ENGINEERING DESIGN ENERGY AND RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT”.

Late responses will not be considered under any circumstances and will be returned unopened to the Respondent.

2.3 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Required Review and Waive of Objections by Respondents: Respondents should carefully review this RFQ and all Exhibits for defects, objections, or any other matter requiring clarification or correction. Questions or comments must be received in writing no later than the deadline as noted in Section 1.3. Submittal of a SOQ shall constitute acceptance of the terms, conditions, criteria, requirements, and evaluation process of the RFQ and resulting contract, and operates as a waiver of any objection.

Response Withdrawal: Respondents may withdraw a submitted SOQ at any time up to the submittal deadline. To withdraw a SOQ, the Respondent may submit a written request, signed by the Respondents authorized representative, to the Port's Point of Contact before the submission deadline. After withdrawing a previously submitted SOQ, the Respondent may submit another SOQ at any time up to the submission deadline.

Response – Amendments and Errors: Respondents are liable for any errors or omissions contained in their SOQ. No amendments, revisions, or alterations to the SOQ may be made following submission.

Property of Response: SOQ submitted in response to this RFQ becomes the property of the Port. Selection or rejection of a response does not affect right. All submitted information shall be held in confidence during the evaluation process.

Insurance Requirements: Respondent is required to maintain the minimum insurance coverages that are defined in the proposed Owner-Engineer Agreement attached as Exhibit D.

Addenda: Prior to the deadline for submission of SOQ, the Port reserves the right to issue addenda to this RFQ. Proposers are responsible for ensuring receipt of all addenda and incorporating any changes into their proposal. Proposers shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda by listing those received in Exhibit B – Certification Statement. The Port reserves the right to reject a SOQ for failure to acknowledge receipt of any addenda. Addenda will be emailed to all Respondents who have requested the Request for Qualifications package.

Federal Funding Requirements: Federal grant award funding contracting clauses are attached within Exhibit E, to ensure all contractors affiliated with the project are aware that the project is Federally funded and must comply with all Federal requirements. Respondents are notified through the Exhibits that the project approvals from the Federal Funding Agency must be received at each project phase in compliance with associated Federal funding requirements. Standard terms and conditions identified within Exhibit E are to ensure the Respondents acknowledgment and understanding of all associated Federal requirements at the time of the SOQ submittal, and that these terms and conditions must be observed throughout the entirety of the project.

Records Retention: All records connected with this contract will be maintained in a central location and will be maintained for at least five (5) years following the date of final payment and close out of all pending matters related to this contract.

Provisions Required by Law Deem Inserted: Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in this contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein and the contract shall read and enforced as though it were included herein, and if through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not inserted, or is not correctly inserted, then upon the application of either party the contract shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion or correction.

Breach of Contract Items: The Port reserves its right to all administrative, contractual, or legal remedies, including but not limited to suspension or terminal of this contract, in instances where the Contractor or any of its subcontractors violate or breach any contract term. If the Contractor or any of its subcontractors violate or breach any contract term, they shall be subject to such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate. The duties and obligations imposed by the contract documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights, and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.

Conflict of Insurance Certificate: The Statement of Qualifications from all Respondents must include the completed Exhibit C – Conflict of Interest Questionnaire.

Conflicts of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ) Texas Local Government Code chapter 176 requires that any vendor or person who enters or seeks to enter into a contract with a local government entity disclose in the Questionnaire Form CIQ the vendor or person's employment, affiliation, business relationship, family relationship or provision of gifts that might cause a conflict of interest with a local government entity. Questionnaire Form CIQ must be submitted with the response.

Certificate of Interested Parties (Form 1295) Effective January 1, 2016, all contracts and contract amendments, extensions, or renewals executed by the Port will require the completion of Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" pursuant to Government Code § 2252.908. Form 1295 must be completed by awarded vendor at time of signed contract submission.

Assignability: The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation) without prior written approval of the Port.

3. EVALUATION CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCESS

3.1 EVALUATION AND SELECTION

The SOQ submitted in response to this RFQ will be evaluated by the Port's Selection Committee for the purpose of selecting the Respondent possessing the most-appropriate qualifications and experience to provide the required Scope of Services.

Scoring of this selection criteria shall be on a numerical scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest possible score and 1 being the lowest possible score. The score of each listed criteria will be multiplied by its weight factor, which indicates the importance of each criterion as it relates to this contract. Selection Criteria with a Pass/Fail will be scored based on each section being fully completed; if the proposer fails to fully complete these sections a "Fail" will be given which will result in being considered non-responsive.

The criteria used by the Selection Committee in evaluation responses will include the following:

Selection Criteria	Pass/Fail or Weight Value
<p>Part I Section A-D <i>Selection Criteria with a Pass/Fail will be scored based on each section being fully completed; if the proposer fails to complete these sections a “Fail” will be given which will result in being considered non-responsive.</i></p>	<p>Pass/Fail</p>
<p>Part I Section E - Resumes of Key Personnel For This Project <i>Resumes shall be provided for each Key Personnel assigned to this project, as referenced in Section D Organizational Chart. Respondent shall demonstrate having full capability/capacity to provide all required services for engineering (civil/structural/electrical). If respondent does not have in house expertise, then demonstration of projects working with subconsultants shall be provided in Section F & G.</i></p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Part I Section F - Example Projects Which Best Illustrate Proposed Team’s Qualifications for This Project <i>Projects included should demonstrate the Team’s experience and qualifications for design services, a maximum of 10 projects allowed.</i></p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Part I Section G - Key Personnel Participation in Example Projects <i>Respondent to follow instructions per the SF-330.</i></p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Part I Section H- Experience working Ports of similar size or larger <i>Respondent shall include their past or current experience to demonstrate working with Ports of similar size or larger, no more than one (1) page.</i></p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Part I Section H- Experience working on Federally Funded projects <i>Respondent shall include their past or current experience working on Federally funded projects, no more than one (1) page.</i></p>	<p>5</p>
<p>Part I Section H - Current Workload <i>Respondent shall provide their current workload, project name, project description, and anticipated completion date.</i></p>	<p>5</p>
<p>Part I Section H -DBE Participation <i>The Port encourages DBE participation, respondent shall provide an overview of the DBE participation as part of this project. If no DBE participation, respondent shall provide reasoning on why DBE participation is not being utilized, a good faith effort statement will also suffice.</i></p>	<p>5</p>
<p>Part I Section H – References: name, address, and current phone numbers <i>Respondent shall include a minimum of three (3) references.</i></p>	<p>5</p>

<p>Part II <i>Selection Criteria with a Pass/Fail will be scored based on each section being fully completed; if the proposer fails to complete these sections a "Fail" will be given which will result in being considered non-responsive.</i></p>	<p>Pass/Fail</p>
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By submitting a Statement of Qualifications in response to this Request for Qualifications, the respondent accepts the evaluation process set forth above.

The Port reserves the right to establish further criteria for evaluation of qualifications, to require additional submissions, to waive any informalities in submissions, to reject any or all submissions and to negotiate with successful parties.

The Port reserves the right to contact any other references at any time during the RFQ process. The Port makes no representation that participation in the RFQ process will lead to an award of contract or any consideration whatsoever.

Contracting with small and minority businesses, women’s business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. Small and minority businesses, women’s business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are encouraged to participate in this RFQ. If the awarded respondent is a prime contractor and may use subcontractors, the following affirmative steps are required of the prime contractor:

1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women’s business enterprises on solicitation lists.
2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women’s business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.
3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women’s business enterprises.
4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses and women’s business enterprises.
5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

3.2 SELECTION PROCESS

All responsible SOQ submitted for this project will be reviewed by the Port’s Selection Committee. The selection process shall be as follows:

- Each Selection Committee member shall independently evaluate each SOQ submitted in accordance with the evaluation criteria listed in Section 3.1.
- Based upon each member's evaluation of the SOQ, each member shall compile a total point score for each Respondent.

- The scores of all Respondents from each Selection Committee Member shall then be totaled, at this point the Selection Committee may select the highest scoring Respondent and award the contract.

Upon evaluation and selection, the most qualified and selected Respondent will then be asked to submit a fee proposal to begin contract negotiations for a fair and reasonable price.

4.0 EXHIBITS

4.1 EXHIBIT A
SF-330 Form

4.2 EXHIBIT B
Certification Statement

4.3 EXHIBIT C
Conflict of Interest Questionnaire

4.3 EXHIBIT D
Proposed Owner-Engineer Agreement/Insurance Requirements

4.4 EXHIBIT E
FY 2022 PIPD General Terms & Conditions
FY 2022 PIPD Exhibits
BABA Requirements



EXHIBIT A

SF-330 Form

ARCHITECT-ENGINEER QUALIFICATIONS

OMB No.: 9000-0157
Expires: 10/31/2014

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average a total of 29 hours per response (25 hours for Part 1 and 4 hours for Part 2), including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the FAR Secretariat (MVA), Regulatory and Federal Assistance Publications Division, GSA, Washington, DC 20405.

PURPOSE

Federal agencies use this form to obtain information from architect-engineer (A-E) firms about their professional qualifications. Federal agencies select firms for A-E contracts on the basis of professional qualifications as required by the Brooks A-E Act (40 U.S.C. 1101 - 1104) and Part 36 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

The Brooks A-E Act requires the public announcement of requirements for A-E services (with some exceptions provided by other statutes), and the selection of at least three of the most highly qualified firms based on demonstrated competence and professional qualifications according to specific criteria published in the announcement. The Act then requires the negotiation of a contract at a fair and reasonable price starting first with the most highly qualified firm.

The information used to evaluate firms is from this form and other sources, including performance evaluations, any additional data requested by the agency, and interviews with the most highly qualified firms and their references.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part I presents the qualifications for a specific contract.

Part II presents the general qualifications of a firm or a specific branch office of a firm. Part II has two uses:

1. An A-E firm may submit Part II to the appropriate central, regional or local office of each Federal agency to be kept on file. A public announcement is not required for certain contracts, and agencies may use Part II as a basis for selecting at least three of the most highly qualified firms for discussions prior to requesting submission of Part I. Firms are encouraged to update Part II on file with agency offices, as appropriate, according to FAR Part 36. If a firm has branch offices, submit a separate Part II for each branch office seeking work.

2. Prepare a separate Part II for each firm that will be part of the team proposed for a specific contract and submitted with Part I. If a firm has branch offices, submit a separate Part II for each branch office that has a key role on the team.

INDIVIDUAL AGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

Individual agencies may supplement these instructions. For example, they may limit the number of projects or number of

pages submitted in Part I in response to a public announcement for a particular project. Carefully comply with any agency instructions when preparing and submitting this form. Be as concise as possible and provide only the information requested by the agency.

DEFINITIONS

Architect-Engineer Services: Defined in FAR 2.101.

Branch Office: A geographically distinct place of business or subsidiary office of a firm that has a key role on the team.

Discipline: Primary technical capabilities of key personnel, as evidenced by academic degree, professional registration, certification, and/or extensive experience.

Firm: Defined in FAR 36.102.

Key Personnel: Individuals who will have major contract responsibilities and/or provide unusual or unique expertise.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Part I - Contract-Specific Qualifications

Section A. Contract Information.

1. Title and Location. Enter the title and location of the contract for which this form is being submitted, exactly as shown in the public announcement or agency request.

2. Public Notice Date. Enter the posted date of the agency's notice on the Federal Business Opportunity website (FedBizOpps), other form of public announcement or agency request for this contract.

3. Solicitation or Project Number. Enter the agency's solicitation number and/or project number, if applicable, exactly as shown in the public announcement or agency request for this contract.

Section B. Architect-Engineer Point of Contact.

4-8. Name, Title, Name of Firm, Telephone Number, Fax (Facsimile) Number and E-mail (Electronic Mail) Address. Provide information for a representative of the prime contractor or joint venture that the agency can contact for additional information.

Section C. Proposed Team.

9-11. Firm Name, Address, and Role in This Contract. Provide the contractual relationship, name, full mailing address, and a brief description of the role of each firm that will be involved in performance of this contract. List the prime contractor or joint venture partners first. If a firm has branch offices, indicate each individual branch office that will have a key role on the team. The named subcontractors and outside associates or consultants must be used, and any change must be approved by the contracting officer. (See FAR Part 52 Clause "Subcontractors and Outside Associates and Consultants (Architect-Engineer Services)".) Attach an additional sheet in the same format as Section C if needed.

Section D. Organizational Chart of Proposed Team.

As an attachment after Section C, present an organizational chart of the proposed team showing the names and roles of all key personnel listed in Section E and the firm they are associated with as listed in Section C.

Section E. Resumes of Key Personnel Proposed for This Contract.

Complete this section for each key person who will participate in this contract. Group by firm, with personnel of the prime contractor or joint venture partner firms first. The following blocks must be completed for each resume:

12. Name. Self-explanatory.

13. Role in This Contract. Self-explanatory.

14. Years Experience. Total years of relevant experience (block 14a), and years of relevant experience with current firm, but not necessarily the same branch office (block 14b).

15. Firm Name and Location. Name, city and state of the firm where the person currently works, which must correspond with one of the firms (or branch office of a firm, if appropriate) listed in Section C.

16. Education. Provide information on the highest relevant academic degree(s) received. Indicate the area(s) of specialization for each degree.

17. Current Professional Registration. Provide information on current relevant professional registration(s) in a State or possession of the United States, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia according to FAR Part 36.

18. Other Professional Qualifications. Provide information on any other professional qualifications relating to this contract, such as education, professional registration, publications, organizational memberships, certifications, training, awards, and foreign language capabilities.

19. Relevant Projects. Provide information on up to five projects in which the person had a significant role that demonstrates the person's capability relevant to her/his proposed role in this contract. These projects do not necessarily have to be any of the projects presented in Section F for the project team if the person was not involved in any of those projects or the person worked on other projects that were more relevant than the team projects in Section F. Use the check box provided to indicate if the project was performed with any office of the current firm. If any of the professional services or construction projects are not complete, leave Year Completed blank and indicate the status in Brief Description and Specific Role (block (3)).

Section F. Example Projects Which Best Illustrate Proposed Team's Qualifications for This Contract.

Select projects where multiple team members worked together, if possible, that demonstrate the team's capability to perform work similar to that required for this contract. Complete one Section F for each project. Present ten projects, unless otherwise specified by the agency. Complete the following blocks for each project:

20. Example Project Key Number. Start with "1" for the first project and number consecutively.

21. Title and Location. Title and location of project or contract. For an indefinite delivery contract, the location is the geographic scope of the contract.

22. Year Completed. Enter the year completed of the professional services (such as planning, engineering study, design, or surveying), and/or the year completed of construction, if applicable. If any of the professional services or the construction projects are not complete, leave Year Completed blank and indicate the status in Brief Description of Project and Relevance to This Contract (block 24).

23a. Project Owner. Project owner or user, such as a government agency or installation, an institution, a corporation or private individual.

23b. Point of Contact Name. Provide name of a person associated with the project owner or the organization which contracted for the professional services, who is very familiar with the project and the firm's (or firms') performance.

23c. Point of Contact Telephone Number Self-explanatory.

24. Brief Description of Project and Relevance to This Contract. Indicate scope, size, cost, principal elements and special features of the project. Discuss the relevance of the example project to this contract. Enter any other information requested by the agency for each example project.

25. Firms from Section C Involved with This Project. Indicate which firms (or branch offices, if appropriate) on the project team were involved in the example project, and their roles. List in the same order as Section C.

Section G. Key Personnel Participation in Example Projects.

This matrix is intended to graphically depict which key personnel identified in Section E worked on the example projects listed in Section F. Complete the following blocks (see example below).

26. and 27. Names of Key Personnel and Role in This Contract. List the names of the key personnel and their proposed roles in this contract in the same order as they appear in Section E.

28. Example Projects Listed in Section F. In the column under each project key number (see block 29) and for each key person, place an "X" under the project key number for participation in the same or similar role.

29. Example Projects Key. List the key numbers and titles of the example projects in the same order as they appear in Section F.

Section H. Additional Information.

30. Use this section to provide additional information specifically requested by the agency or to address selection criteria that are not covered by the information provided in Sections A-G.

Section I. Authorized Representative.

31. and 32. Signature of Authorized Representative and Date. An authorized representative of a joint venture or the prime contractor must sign and date the completed form. Signing attests that the information provided is current and factual, and that all firms on the proposed team agree to work on the project. Joint ventures selected for negotiations must make available a statement of participation by a principal of each member of the joint venture.

33. Name and Title. Self-explanatory.

SAMPLE ENTRIES FOR SECTION G (MATRIX)

26. NAMES OF KEY PERSONNEL (From Section E, Block 12)	27. ROLE IN THIS CONTRACT (From Section E, Block 13)	28. EXAMPLE PROJECTS LISTED IN SECTION F (Fill in "Example Projects Key" section below first, before completing table. Place "X" under project key number for participation in same or similar role.)									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Jane A. Smith	Chief Architect	X		X							
Joseph B. Williams	Chief Mech. Engineer	X	X	X	X						
Tara C. Donovan	Chief Elec. Engineer	X	X		X						

29. EXAMPLE PROJECTS KEY

NO.	TITLE OF EXAMPLE PROJECT (FROM SECTION F)	NO.	TITLE OF EXAMPLE PROJECT (FROM SECTION F)
1	Federal Courthouse, Denver, CO	6	XYZ Corporation Headquarters, Boston, MA
2	Justin J. Wilson Federal Building, Baton Rouge, LA	7	Founder's Museum, Newport RI

Part II - General Qualifications

See the " **General Instructions** " on page 1 for firms with branch offices. Prepare Part II for the specific branch office seeking work if the firm has branch offices.

1. Solicitation Number. If Part II is submitted for a specific contract, insert the agency's solicitation number and/or project number, if applicable, exactly as shown in the public announcement or agency request.

2a-2e. Firm (or Branch Office) Name and Address. Self-explanatory.

3. Year Established. Enter the year the firm (or branch office, if appropriate) was established under the current name.

4. DUNS Number. Insert the Data Universal Numbering System number issued by Dun and Bradstreet Information Services. Firms must have a DUNS number. See FAR Part 4.6.

5. Ownership.

a. Type. Enter the type of ownership or legal structure of the firm (sole proprietor, partnership, corporation, joint venture, etc.).

b. Small Business Status. Refer to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code in the public announcement, and indicate if the firm is a small business according to the current size standard for that NAICS code (for example, Engineering Services (part of NAICS 541330), Architectural Services (NAICS 541310), Surveying and Mapping Services (NAICS 541370)). The small business categories and the internet website for the NAICS codes appear in FAR Part 19. Contact the requesting agency for any questions. Contact your local U.S. Small Business Administration office for any questions regarding Business Status.

6a-6c. Point of Contact. Provide this information for a representative of the firm that the agency can contact for additional information. The representative must be empowered to speak on contractual and policy matters.

7. Name of Firm. Enter the name of the firm if Part II is prepared for a branch office.

8a-8c. Former Firm Names. Indicate any other previous names for the firm (or branch office) during the last six years. Insert the year that this corporate name change was

effective and the associated DUNS Number. This information is used to review past performance on Federal contracts.

9. Employees by Discipline. Use the relevant disciplines and associated function codes shown at the end of these instructions and list in the same numerical order. After the listed disciplines, write in any additional disciplines and leave the function code blank. List no more than 20 disciplines. Group remaining employees under "Other Employees" in column b. Each person can be counted only once according to his/her primary function. If Part II is prepared for a firm (including all branch offices), enter the number of employees by disciplines in column c(1). If Part II is prepared for a branch office, enter the number of employees by discipline in column c(2) and for the firm in column c(1).

10. Profile of Firm's Experience and Annual Average Revenue for Last 5 Years. Complete this block for the firm or branch office for which this Part II is prepared. Enter the experience categories which most accurately reflect the firm's technical capabilities and project experience. Use the relevant experience categories and associated profile codes shown at the end of these instructions, and list in the same numerical order. After the listed experience categories, write in any unlisted relevant project experience categories and leave the profile codes blank. For each type of experience, enter the appropriate revenue index number to reflect the professional services revenues received annually (averaged over the last 5 years) by the firm or branch office for performing that type of work. A particular project may be identified with one experience category or it may be broken into components, as best reflects the capabilities and types of work performed by the firm. However, do not double count the revenues received on a particular project.

11. Annual Average Professional Services Revenues of Firm for Last 3 Years. Complete this block for the firm or branch office for which this Part II is prepared. Enter the appropriate revenue index numbers to reflect the professional services revenues received annually (averaged over the last 3 years) by the firm or branch office. Indicate Federal work (performed directly for the Federal Government, either as the prime contractor or subcontractor), non-Federal work (all other domestic and foreign work, including Federally-assisted projects), and the total. If the firm has been in existence for less than 3 years, see the definition for "Annual Receipts" under FAR 19.101.

12. Authorized Representative. An authorized representative of the firm or branch office must sign and date the completed form. Signing attests that the information provided is current and factual. Provide the name and title of the authorized representative who signed the form.

List of Disciplines (Function Codes)

Code	Description	Code	Description
01	Acoustical Engineer	32	Hydraulic Engineer
02	Administrative	33	Hydrographic Surveyor
03	Aerial Photographer	34	Hydrologist
04	Aeronautical Engineer	35	Industrial Engineer
05	Archeologist	36	Industrial Hygienist
06	Architect	37	Interior Designer
07	Biologist	38	Land Surveyor
08	CADD Technician	39	Landscape Architect
09	Cartographer	40	Materials Engineer
10	Chemical Engineer	41	Materials Handling Engineer
11	Chemist	42	Mechanical Engineer
12	Civil Engineer	43	Mining Engineer
13	Communications Engineer	44	Oceanographer
14	Computer Programmer	45	Photo Interpreter
15	Construction Inspector	46	Photogrammetrist
16	Construction Manager	47	Planner: Urban/Regional
17	Corrosion Engineer	48	Project Manager
18	Cost Engineer/Estimator	49	Remote Sensing Specialist
19	Ecologist	50	Risk Assessor
20	Economist	51	Safety/Occupational Health Engineer
21	Electrical Engineer	52	Sanitary Engineer
22	Electronics Engineer	53	Scheduler
23	Environmental Engineer	54	Security Specialist
24	Environmental Scientist	55	Soils Engineer
25	Fire Protection Engineer	56	Specifications Writer
26	Forensic Engineer	57	Structural Engineer
27	Foundation/Geotechnical Engineer	58	Technician/Analyst
28	Geodetic Surveyor	59	Toxicologist
29	Geographic Information System Specialist	60	Transportation Engineer
30	Geologist	61	Value Engineer
31	Health Facility Planner	62	Water Resources Engineer

List of Experience Categories (Profile Codes)

Code	Description	Code	Description
A01	Acoustics, Noise Abatement	E01	Ecological & Archeological Investigations
A02	Aerial Photography; Airborne Data and Imagery Collection and Analysis	E02	Educational Facilities; Classrooms
A03	Agricultural Development; Grain Storage; Farm Mechanization	E03	Electrical Studies and Design
A04	Air Pollution Control	E04	Electronics
A05	Airports; Nav aids; Airport Lighting; Aircraft Fueling	E05	Elevators; Escalators; People-Movers
A06	Airports; Terminals and Hangars; Freight Handling	E06	Embassies and Chanceries
A07	Arctic Facilities	E07	Energy Conservation; New Energy Sources
A08	Animal Facilities	E08	Engineering Economics
A09	Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection	E09	Environmental Impact Studies, Assessments or Statements
A10	Asbestos Abatement	E10	Environmental and Natural Resource Mapping
A11	Auditoriums & Theaters	E11	Environmental Planning
A12	Automation; Controls; Instrumentation	E12	Environmental Remediation
B01	Barracks; Dormitories	E13	Environmental Testing and Analysis
B02	Bridges	F01	Fallout Shelters; Blast-Resistant Design
C01	Cartography	F02	Field Houses; Gyms; Stadiums
C02	Cemeteries (<i>Planning & Relocation</i>)	F03	Fire Protection
C03	Charting: Nautical and Aeronautical	F04	Fisheries; Fish ladders
C04	Chemical Processing & Storage	F05	Forensic Engineering
C05	Child Care/Development Facilities	F06	Forestry & Forest products
C06	Churches; Chapels	G01	Garages; Vehicle Maintenance Facilities; Parking Decks
C07	Coastal Engineering	G02	Gas Systems (Propane; Natural, Etc.)
C08	Codes; Standards; Ordinances	G03	Geodetic Surveying: Ground and Air-borne
C09	Cold Storage; Refrigeration and Fast Freeze	G04	Geographic Information System Services: Development, Analysis, and Data Collection
C10	Commercial Building (<i>low rise</i>) ; Shopping Centers	G05	Geospatial Data Conversion: Scanning, Digitizing, Compilation, Attributing, Scribing, Drafting
C11	Community Facilities	G06	Graphic Design
C12	Communications Systems; TV; Microwave	H01	Harbors; Jetties; Piers, Ship Terminal Facilities
C13	Computer Facilities; Computer Service	H02	Hazardous Materials Handling and Storage
C14	Conservation and Resource Management	H03	Hazardous, Toxic, Radioactive Waste Remediation
C15	Construction Management	H04	Heating; Ventilating; Air Conditioning
C16	Construction Surveying	H05	Health Systems Planning
C17	Corrosion Control; Cathodic Protection; Electrolysis	H06	Highrise; Air-Rights-Type Buildings
C18	Cost Estimating; Cost Engineering and Analysis; Parametric Costing; Forecasting	H07	Highways; Streets; Airfield Paving; Parking Lots
C19	Cryogenic Facilities	H08	Historical Preservation
D01	Dams (<i>Concrete; Arch</i>)	H09	Hospital & Medical Facilities
D02	Dams (<i>Earth; Rock</i>); Dikes; Levees	H10	Hotels; Motels
D03	Desalinization (<i>Process & Facilities</i>)	H11	Housing (<i>Residential, Multi-Family; Apartments; Condominiums</i>)
D04	Design-Build - Preparation of Requests for Proposals	H12	Hydraulics & Pneumatics
D05	Digital Elevation and Terrain Model Development	H13	Hydrographic Surveying
D06	Digital Orthophotography		
D07	Dining Halls; Clubs; Restaurants		
D08	Dredging Studies and Design		

List of Experience Categories (Profile Codes)

Code	Description	Code	Description
I01	Industrial Buildings; Manufacturing Plants	P09	Product, Machine Equipment Design
I02	Industrial Processes; Quality Control	P10	Pneumatic Structures, Air-Support Buildings
I03	Industrial Waste Treatment	P11	Postal Facilities
I04	Intelligent Transportation Systems	P12	Power Generation, Transmission, Distribution
I05	Interior Design; Space Planning	P13	Public Safety Facilities
I06	Irrigation; Drainage	R01	Radar; Sonar; Radio & Radar Telescopes
J01	Judicial and Courtroom Facilities	R02	Radio Frequency Systems & Shieldings
L01	Laboratories; Medical Research Facilities	R03	Railroad; Rapid Transit
L02	Land Surveying	R04	Recreation Facilities (Parks, Marinas, Etc.)
L03	Landscape Architecture	R05	Refrigeration Plants/Systems
L04	Libraries; Museums; Galleries	R06	Rehabilitation (Buildings; Structures; Facilities)
L05	Lighting (Interior; Display; Theater, Etc.)	R07	Remote Sensing
L06	Lighting (Exteriors; Streets; Memorials; Athletic Fields, Etc.)	R08	Research Facilities
M01	Mapping Location/Addressing Systems	R09	Resources Recovery; Recycling
M02	Materials Handling Systems; Conveyors; Sorters	R10	Risk Analysis
M03	Metallurgy	R11	Rivers; Canals; Waterways; Flood Control
M04	Microclimatology; Tropical Engineering	R12	Roofing
M05	Military Design Standards	S01	Safety Engineering; Accident Studies; OSHA Studies
M06	Mining & Mineralogy	S02	Security Systems; Intruder & Smoke Detection
M07	Missile Facilities (Silos; Fuels; Transport)	S03	Seismic Designs & Studies
M08	Modular Systems Design; Pre-Fabricated Structures or Components	S04	Sewage Collection, Treatment and Disposal
N01	Naval Architecture; Off-Shore Platforms	S05	Soils & Geologic Studies; Foundations
N02	Navigation Structures; Locks	S06	Solar Energy Utilization
N03	Nuclear Facilities; Nuclear Shielding	S07	Solid Wastes; Incineration; Landfill
O01	Office Buildings; Industrial Parks	S08	Special Environments; Clean Rooms, Etc.
O02	Oceanographic Engineering	S09	Structural Design; Special Structures
O03	Ordnance; Munitions; Special Weapons	S10	Surveying; Platting; Mapping; Flood Plain Studies
P01	Petroleum Exploration; Refining	S11	Sustainable Design
P02	Petroleum and Fuel (Storage and Distribution)	S12	Swimming Pools
P03	Photogrammetry	S13	Storm Water Handling & Facilities
P04	Pipelines (Cross-Country - Liquid & Gas)	T01	Telephone Systems (<i>Rural; Mobile; Intercom, Etc.</i>)
P05	Planning (Community, Regional, Areawide and State)	T02	Testing & Inspection Services
P06	Planning (Site, Installation, and Project)	T03	Traffic & Transportation Engineering
P07	Plumbing & Piping Design	T04	Topographic Surveying and Mapping
P08	Prisons & Correctional Facilities	T05	Towers (<i>Self-Supporting & Guyed Systems</i>)
		T06	Tunnels & Subways

List of Experience Categories (Profile Codes)

Code	Description
U01	Unexploded Ordnance Remediation
U02	Urban Renewals; Community Development
U03	Utilities (Gas and Steam)
V01	Value Analysis; Life-Cycle Costing
W01	Warehouses & Depots
W02	Water Resources; Hydrology; Ground Water
W03	Water Supply; Treatment and Distribution
W04	Wind Tunnels; Research/Testing Facilities Design
Z01	Zoning; Land Use Studies

ARCHITECT - ENGINEER QUALIFICATIONS

PART I - CONTRACT-SPECIFIC QUALIFICATIONS

A. CONTRACT INFORMATION

1. TITLE AND LOCATION *(City and State)*

2. PUBLIC NOTICE DATE

3. SOLICITATION OR PROJECT NUMBER

B. ARCHITECT-ENGINEER POINT OF CONTACT

4. NAME AND TITLE

5. NAME OF FIRM

6. TELEPHONE NUMBER

7. FAX NUMBER

8. E-MAIL ADDRESS

C. PROPOSED TEAM

(Complete this section for the prime contractor and all key subcontractors.)

	(Check)			9. FIRM NAME	10. ADDRESS	11. ROLE IN THIS CONTRACT
	PRIME	J-V PARTNER	SUBCONTRACTOR			
a.				<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF BRANCH OFFICE		
b.				<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF BRANCH OFFICE		
c.				<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF BRANCH OFFICE		
d.				<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF BRANCH OFFICE		
e.				<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF BRANCH OFFICE		
f.				<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF BRANCH OFFICE		

D. ORGANIZATIONAL CHART OF PROPOSED TEAM

(Attached)

E. RESUMES OF KEY PERSONNEL PROPOSED FOR THIS CONTRACT

(Complete one Section E for each key person.)

12. NAME	13. ROLE IN THIS CONTRACT	14. YEARS EXPERIENCE	
		a. TOTAL	b. WITH CURRENT FIRM
15. FIRM NAME AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>			
16. EDUCATION <i>(DEGREE AND SPECIALIZATION)</i>		17. CURRENT PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION <i>(STATE AND DISCIPLINE)</i>	
18. OTHER PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS <i>(Publications, Organizations, Training, Awards, etc.)</i>			

19. RELEVANT PROJECTS

a.	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(2) YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	CONSTRUCTION <i>(If applicable)</i>
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION <i>(Brief scope, size, cost, etc.)</i> AND SPECIFIC ROLE	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
b.	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(2) YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	CONSTRUCTION <i>(If applicable)</i>
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION <i>(Brief scope, size, cost, etc.)</i> AND SPECIFIC ROLE	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
c.	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(2) YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	CONSTRUCTION <i>(If applicable)</i>
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION <i>(Brief scope, size, cost, etc.)</i> AND SPECIFIC ROLE	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
d.	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(2) YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	CONSTRUCTION <i>(If applicable)</i>
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION <i>(Brief scope, size, cost, etc.)</i> AND SPECIFIC ROLE	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
e.	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(2) YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	CONSTRUCTION <i>(If applicable)</i>
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION <i>(Brief scope, size, cost, etc.)</i> AND SPECIFIC ROLE	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	

F. EXAMPLE PROJECTS WHICH BEST ILLUSTRATE PROPOSED TEAM'S QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS CONTRACT <i>(Present as many projects as requested by the agency, or 10 projects, if not specified. Complete one Section F for each project.)</i>		20. EXAMPLE PROJECT KEY NUMBER
21. TITLE AND LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	22. YEAR COMPLETED	
	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	CONSTRUCTION <i>(If applicable)</i>
23. PROJECT OWNER'S INFORMATION		
a. PROJECT OWNER	b. POINT OF CONTACT NAME	c. POINT OF CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER
24. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT AND RELEVANCE TO THIS CONTRACT <i>(Include scope, size, and cost)</i>		

25. FIRMS FROM SECTION C INVOLVED WITH THIS PROJECT

a.	(1) FIRM NAME	(2) FIRM LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(3) ROLE
b.	(1) FIRM NAME	(2) FIRM LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(3) ROLE
c.	(1) FIRM NAME	(2) FIRM LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(3) ROLE
d.	(1) FIRM NAME	(2) FIRM LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(3) ROLE
e.	(1) FIRM NAME	(2) FIRM LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(3) ROLE
f.	(1) FIRM NAME	(2) FIRM LOCATION <i>(City and State)</i>	(3) ROLE

G. KEY PERSONNEL PARTICIPATION IN EXAMPLE PROJECTS

26. NAMES OF KEY PERSONNEL (From Section E, Block 12)	27. ROLE IN THIS CONTRACT (From Section E, Block 13)	28. EXAMPLE PROJECTS LISTED IN SECTION F (Fill in "Example Projects Key" section below before completing table. Place "X" under project key number for participation in same or similar role.)									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

29. EXAMPLE PROJECTS KEY

NO.	TITLE OF EXAMPLE PROJECT (FROM SECTION F)	NO.	TITLE OF EXAMPLE PROJECT (FROM SECTION F)
1		6	
2		7	
3		8	
4		9	
5		10	

H. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

30. PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE AGENCY. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NEEDED.

I. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

The foregoing is a statement of facts.

31. SIGNATURE

32. DATE

33. NAME AND TITLE

ARCHITECT-ENGINEER QUALIFICATIONS

1. SOLICITATION NUMBER *(If any)*

PART II - GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

(If a firm has branch offices, complete for each specific branch office seeking work.)

2a. FIRM (OR BRANCH OFFICE) NAME			3. YEAR ESTABLISHED	4. DUNS NUMBER
2b. STREET			5. OWNERSHIP	
2c. CITY			a. TYPE	
	2d. STATE	2e. ZIP CODE	b. SMALL BUSINESS STATUS	
6a. POINT OF CONTACT NAME AND TITLE			7. NAME OF FIRM <i>(If block 2a is a branch office)</i>	
6b. TELEPHONE NUMBER		6c. E-MAIL ADDRESS		
8a. FORMER FIRM NAME(S) <i>(If any)</i>			8b. YR. ESTABLISHED	8c. DUNS NUMBER

9. EMPLOYEES BY DISCIPLINE				10. PROFILE OF FIRM'S EXPERIENCE AND ANNUAL AVERAGE REVENUE FOR LAST 5 YEARS		
a. Function Code	b. Discipline	c. No. of Employees		a. Profile Code	b. Experience	c. Revenue Index Number <i>(see below)</i>
		(1) FIRM	(2) BRANCH			
	Other Employees					
Total						

<p>11. ANNUAL AVERAGE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVENUES OF FIRM FOR LAST 3 YEARS <i>(Insert revenue index number shown at right)</i></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">a. Federal Work</td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>b. Non-Federal Work</td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>c. Total Work</td> <td> </td> </tr> </table>	a. Federal Work		b. Non-Federal Work		c. Total Work		<p style="text-align: center;">PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVENUE INDEX NUMBER</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">1. Less than \$100,000</td> <td style="width: 50%;">6. \$2 million to less than \$5 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. \$100,00 to less than \$250,000</td> <td>7. \$5 million to less than \$10 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. \$250,000 to less than \$500,000</td> <td>8. \$10 million to less than \$25 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. \$500,000 to less than \$1 million</td> <td>9. \$25 million to less than \$50 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5. \$1 million to less than \$2 million</td> <td>10. \$50 million or greater</td> </tr> </table>	1. Less than \$100,000	6. \$2 million to less than \$5 million	2. \$100,00 to less than \$250,000	7. \$5 million to less than \$10 million	3. \$250,000 to less than \$500,000	8. \$10 million to less than \$25 million	4. \$500,000 to less than \$1 million	9. \$25 million to less than \$50 million	5. \$1 million to less than \$2 million	10. \$50 million or greater
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5. \$1 million to less than \$2 million	10. \$50 million or greater																

12. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
 The foregoing is a statement of facts.

a. SIGNATURE	b. DATE
c. NAME AND TITLE	



EXHIBIT B

Certification Statement

**PORT OF PALACIOS
EXHIBIT B – CERTIFICATION STATEMENT
RE: ENERGY AND RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

The undersigned hereby acknowledges Proposer has read and understands all requirements of the above-referenced Request for Qualifications (RFQ), including exhibits and attachments.

OFFICIAL CONTACT: **Port of Palacios** requires the Proposer designate one person to conduct official communications regarding this RFQ and Proposer’s Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) submitted in response to this RFQ:

Company (Proposer) Name: _____

Official Contact Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

US Mail Address: _____

By its submission of a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) and authorized signature below, Proposer certifies that the information contained in its response to this RFQ is true and accurate;

Proposer complies with each of the mandatory requirements listed in the RFQ and will meet or exceed the functional and technical requirements specified therein;

Proposer accepts the procedures, evaluation criteria, mandatory contract terms and conditions, and all other administrative requirements set forth in this RFQ, and;

Proposer understands that if selected as the successful Proposer, Proposer will have 10 business days from the date of delivery of final contract to execute the final contract document;

Proposer’s Authorized Representative:

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Email address: _____

Company (Proposer) Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

License Number(s): _____

Acknowledgment of Addenda Issued: _____

SIGNATURE of Proposer’s Authorized Representative:

Date: _____



EXHIBIT C

Conflict of Interest Questionnaire

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

FORM CIQ

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.

A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.

Name of Officer

4 Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

Yes No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes No

5 Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.

6 Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

7

Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm>. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed;
or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

(1) the date that the vendor:

(A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

(2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or

(C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.



CONFLICT OF INTEREST

I certify that the above information is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief, no commissioner or employee of Matagorda County Navigation District #1, Port of Palacios is financially interested, directly or indirectly, in my firm or in the purchase of services as described in this RFQ.

A statement of conflicts (if any) the proposing entity or key employees may have regarding these services. The statement should include conflicts, as well as any working relationships that may be perceived by disinterested parties as a conflict. If no potential conflicts or interests are identified, please state so.

Date

Name of Lead Consultant

Title



EXHIBIT D

Proposed Owner-Engineer Agreement

Contractor Insurance Requirements

AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (“Agreement”) is made this ____ day of (insert month), 2023 (“Effective Date”), by and between **PORT OF PALACIOS, MATAGORDA COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT #1**, (“CLIENT”), an agency of the State of Texas, having offices at 1602 Main Street, Palacios, TX 77465, and _____ (“ENGINEER”), , having principal offices at _____. CLIENT and ENGINEER are collectively referred to as the “Parties” or individually as a “Party”.

WHEREAS, CLIENT desires to retain ENGINEER for the purposes of proceeding with professional services; and

WHEREAS, CLIENT and the ENGINEER wish to enter into an Agreement to set forth the terms and conditions under which ENGINEER will provide professional services to CLIENT on the Project (as defined herein);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants herein contained, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Agreement, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set forth in this Article 1.

- (a) “Agreement” means this Agreement together with all other addenda attached hereto from time to time constitute the Agreement. All article and section numbers used herein refer to articles and sections of this Agreement unless otherwise specifically stated.
- (b) "Scope of Work" or “Services” or “Work” means those services described in the Exhibit _____.
- (c) "CLIENT" means the entity noted in the opening paragraph to this Agreement.
- (d) “Project” means Energy and Resilience Improvement Project For the Matagorda County Navigation District #1.

2. SCOPE OF WORK

- (a) Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, CLIENT engages ENGINEER to perform, and ENGINEER agrees to perform, the Services to be described in Exhibit____, attached to this Agreement, and made a part hereof. Services not expressly provided for in the Scope of Work are excluded from the scope of work and ENGINEER assumes no duty to perform such services. **ENGINEER'S SERVICES SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER NOR SHALL IT BE SUBJECT TO ANY FITNESS FOR PURPOSE WARRANTIES, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OR GUARANTEES OF ANY KIND.**
- (b) The Services performed by ENGINEER be in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by other professional consulting firms providing similar services under similar circumstances at the time, and in the general vicinity where, the services are performed (the “Standard of Care”).

3. COMMENCEMENT OF AND CHANGES IN THE WORK

- (a) ENGINEER will initiate the tasks as set forth in the Exhibit _____ upon receipt of a fully executed Agreement from the CLIENT. ENGINEER and the CLIENT may at any time, by mutual written agreement, make changes within the general scope of this Agreement by additions, alterations, deviations, or omissions from this Agreement.
- (b) If such changes cause an increase or decrease in ENGINEER's cost of or time required for the performance of this Agreement, or if ENGINEER, in the performance of the services, encounters conditions differing materially from those anticipated under this Agreement or beyond what could reasonably have been anticipated by an experienced professional in work of the nature involved, ENGINEER shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the compensation and performance time of this Agreement.
- (c) If, in the performance of its services, ENGINEER encounters hazardous materials, or pollutants that pose unanticipated risks, the Scope of Work and ENGINEER's compensation and time of performance will be reconsidered and this Agreement shall immediately become subject to renegotiation or termination, at ENGINEER's option. In the event that this Agreement is so terminated, ENGINEER shall be paid for its fees and charges incurred to the date of such termination, including, if applicable, any additional fees or charges incurred in demobilizing.
- (d) It is recognized that other contractors may be retained separately by the CLIENT for the Project (including but not limited to geological, drilling and laboratory contractors) who may provide inputs to the Project to be utilized by ENGINEER. ENGINEER shall have the right to rely upon the timely receipt, correctness and completeness of said inputs. ENGINEER shall not be responsible for the acts, errors or omissions of any remediation action contractors or other contractors working for the CLIENT on the Project.
- (e) ENGINEER shall not have the authority to control the work of contractors retained by the CLIENT and ENGINEER shall not have any responsibility for the means, methods, sequences, procedures or techniques used on the Project, for site safety, or for the use of safe construction practices by such contractors, such responsibilities resting solely with CLIENT's other contractors or parties other than ENGINEER.
- (f) ENGINEER shall not be held responsible for damages or delays in performance (and the direct or indirect costs or consequences arising from such delays) caused or arising in whole or in part from force majeure or other events beyond ENGINEER's reasonable control and to the extent ENGINEER is impacted by the same, then ENGINEER shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement force majeure shall include, but not be limited to, adverse weather conditions, changes in law, floods, epidemics, war, riot, strikes, lockouts and other industrial disturbances, accidents, sabotage, fire, terroristic acts, loss of permits, breakdown of machinery, failure to obtain permits, court orders, acts of God, acts, orders, laws or regulations of any government agency and unavoidable delays in the receipt of laboratory testing results.

4. PAYMENT OF ENGINEER'S FEES

- (a) ENGINEER shall be compensated for its services on a time and materials basis, as more particularly set forth in Exhibit _____
- (b) On or before the 30th day of each month in which the ENGINEER is performing the Services, ENGINEER shall invoice CLIENT for the Services performed through the last day of the preceding month. ENGINEER'S Invoices shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days following CLIENT's receipt of the invoice.

- (c) For Services performed on a time and materials basis, invoices shall be submitted monthly by ENGINEER to the CLIENT and shall indicate the charges due from the Hourly Rate Schedule (including, without limitation, reimbursable expenses), attached hereto as Exhibit _____.
- ~~(d) For Services performed on a lump sum basis, invoices shall be submitted monthly by ENGINEER to CLIENT and shall indicate the tasks performed and completed, on a percent completed basis (including, without limitation, reimbursable expenses), and shall include the charges due based on the percentage of completion of the services, or in accordance with a payment schedule as otherwise mutually agreed to in Exhibit _____.~~
- (e) The CLIENT shall promptly review ENGINEER's invoices and if the CLIENT disputes any amounts invoiced the CLIENT shall give prompt written notice thereof, including the item or items disputed and the basis for the dispute. The CLIENT shall in any event pay all amounts invoiced that the CLIENT does not dispute as provided for herein. Invoiced amounts not paid within thirty (30) days of their receipt shall bear interest at the maximum amount permissible by law.
- (f) The compensation for ENGINEER's services has been agreed to in anticipation of the orderly and continuous progress of the Project through completion. If there are material modifications or changes in the extent of the Project or in the time required for ENGINEER's services, its compensation and time of performance shall be equitably adjusted.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CLIENT

The CLIENT, at its own expense, will:

- (a) Provide all criteria and full information as to the CLIENT's requirements for the Project and will make available to ENGINEER all information, documents and assistance necessary or reasonably requested by ENGINEER in order to enable it to perform the Services in a timely manner, all of which ENGINEER shall be entitled to rely upon without independent verification.
- (b) Make decisions, provide approvals and obtain all necessary authorizations, licenses and permits required in order to permit the timely performance of the Services, notify ENGINEER if it becomes aware of any matter that may change the scope, timing, order or complexity of the Services, and act reasonably, professionally and in good faith in all respects in connection with the Agreement.
- (c) Upon request by ENGINEER, furnish ENGINEER with copies of all existing data, reports, surveys, plans and other materials and information, within the possession of the CLIENT, required for the Project, all of which ENGINEER may use and rely upon in performing its services under this Agreement.
- (d) Arrange for access to and make all provisions for ENGINEER to enter upon public and private property as required for ENGINEER to perform its services.
- (e) Be responsible for locating existing underground or covered site utilities, pipelines, tanks and other structures prior to the installation of borings, wells or excavations and be responsible for all claims, liabilities and damages resulting from the failure to accurately to locate same. CLIENT shall review all boring, well and excavation locations prior to installation and shall direct that they be relocated if any conflict exists with any underground utilities, tanks or other structures.
- (f) Provide a description of activities which were conducted at the site at any time by the CLIENT or by any person or entity which would relate to the services and identify by name, quantity, location and date any releases of hazardous substances or pollutants.

(g) Give prompt written notice to ENGINEER whenever the CLIENT observes or otherwise becomes aware of any development that affects the scope or timing of ENGINEER's services or any alleged defect in ENGINEER's services.

(h) Designate an individual or individuals to act as the CLIENT's representative(s) with respect to the services to be rendered under this Agreement. Said individual(s) shall each have complete authority to transmit instructions, receive information and interpret and define the CLIENT's requirements, decisions, policies, drawings, plans, surveys, data and reports.

(i) To the extent required by law, promptly report all regulated conditions, including, without limitation, the discovery of releases of hazardous substances at the site to the appropriate authorities in accordance with applicable law.

(j) Assume responsibility for unavoidable damage or alteration to the site caused by ENGINEER's services.

(k) Assume responsibility for personal injuries and property damage caused by ENGINEER's interference with subterranean structures such as pipes, tanks and utility lines that are not disclosed to or are not accurately disclosed to ENGINEER by the CLIENT in advance.

(l) CLIENT shall be solely responsible for the health, safety and welfare of its employees and agents and others with regard to the Work, and shall strictly comply with all health and safety rules, including but not limited to ENGINEER's Injury, Illness and Prevention Program or applicable guidance which may be provided by ENGINEER, and all other applicable rules, regulations and guidance required by ENGINEER, CLIENT or applicable government agencies relating to the Work. CLIENT is solely responsible for establishing and enforcing any additional requirements that CLIENT deems necessary to protect its employees, ENGINEER's employees, and any other persons entering the site for purposes relating to CLIENT's operations

6. INSURANCE

In connection with any Work Order issued hereunder, and so long as ENGINEER is performing Services under this Agreement, ENGINEER shall maintain insurance coverages in forms and limits as set forth below:

a. Statutory Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance, with limits of \$1,000,000.

b. Commercial General Liability Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 bodily injury and property damage, combined aggregate limit, with "XCU" exclusions removed.

c. Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for owned, hired and non-owned motor vehicles with limits of \$1,000,000 bodily injury and property damage, combined aggregate limit.

d. Professional Liability insurance in an amount of \$1,000,000 per claim and annual aggregate.

7. INDEMNIFICATION

(a) ENGINEER agrees to indemnify, save and hold harmless CLIENT from and against all claims, demands, suits, judgments, liabilities, costs and reasonable attorney fees, to the extent caused by the negligent errors or omissions in the performance of the Services provided hereunder.

8. WAIVER OF CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES

The Parties waive their rights to any and all claims against each other for incidental, special, indirect or consequential damages of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to loss of use, lost profits, economic loss, delay, liquated damages or business interruption type damages arising out of or in any way related to the Services or Work, from any cause or causes, including but not limited to joint and several liability or strict liability and whether arising in contract, warranty, tort, negligence (including strict liability) or otherwise and no matter how claimed, computed or characterized.

9. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

[Not Used]

10. DEFAULT/TERMINATION

In the event of a material breach of this Agreement by either Party and provided that the non-breaching Party is not in material breach hereunder and has given written notice to the other Party specifying (i) its material breach and (ii) the non-breaching Party's intent to terminate this Agreement, all at least ten (10) calendar days before the proposed date of termination, and the breaching Party has failed to correct the material breach within said ten (10) calendar days, or prepared a plan reasonably designed to cure the default if said cure is not possible within said ten (10) day period, then this Agreement shall be terminated on the date set forth in such notice. If the breaching Party cures its breach at any time prior to the proposed date of the termination, the termination notice shall be deemed withdrawn and be of no force or effect. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, CLIENT may terminate this Agreement at any time, for any or no reason, upon written notice to ENGINEER; provided however that any such termination by CLIENT shall not relieve CLIENT of its obligation to pay for services or materials provided by ENGINEER in accordance with the terms of the Agreement prior to termination.

11. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

If, through any cause, the ENGINEER and Subcontractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner his obligations under this contract, or if the Subcontractor shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this contract, the Port shall thereupon have the right to terminate this contract by giving written notice to the subcontractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination in such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports prepared by the subcontractor under this contract shall at the option of the Port, become the Port's property and the subcontractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder. Notwithstanding the above, the subcontractor shall not be relieved of liability to the Port for damages sustained by the Port by virtue of any breach of the contract by the subcontractor, and the Port may withhold any payments to the subcontractor for the purpose of set-off until such time as the exact amount of damaged due the Port from the Subcontractor is determined.

12. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The Port may terminate this contract at any time by giving at least ten (10) days' notice in writing to the ENGINEER. If the contract is terminated by the Port as provided herein, the ENGINEER will be paid for the time provided and expenses incurred up to the termination date.

13. TIME FOR PERFORMANCE

Subject to the Standard of Care, ENGINEER shall complete its performance of the Services in conformity with the time limitations, if any, set forth in Exhibit _____.

14. NOTICES

(a) All Notices, instructions and other communications, other than a formal notice of default, required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered via facsimile transmission or mailed by first class mail, as follows:

If to ENGINEER:

If to CLIENT:

Matagorda County Navigation District #1
1602 Main Street
Palacios, Texas 77465
Attention: Victor Martinez Jr., Port Director
Phone: 361-972-5556

With a copy to:

SAMPLE

(b) Either CLIENT or ENGINEER may change the address to which communications to it are to be directed, by giving written notice to the other in the manner provided in this Section 12(a).

15. GENERAL

- (a) Executed Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but the several counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- (b) Entire Agreement. This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement and understanding of CLIENT and ENGINEER in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby and supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements and understandings relating thereto. No representation, promise, inducement or statement of intention has been made by either CLIENT or ENGINEER which is not embodied in this Agreement or in such Work Orders.
- (c) Governing Law. This Agreement will be interpreted and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State where the Project is located without regard to choice-of-law principles that would require the application of the laws of a jurisdiction other than such State. Unless otherwise prohibited by law CLIENT and ENGINEER waive their right to a trial by jury in any litigation resulting from this Agreement.
- (d) Third Parties. Nothing herein shall be construed to give any rights or benefits hereunder to anyone other than the CLIENT and ENGINEER. ENGINEER's Work Product may not be used or relied upon by any other person without ENGINEER's express written consent. CLIENT agrees and acknowledges that any and all reports, studies, documents or other material prepared by ENGINEER under this Agreement ("Work Product") are prepared for the sole and exclusive benefit of CLIENT, and not for any third party, including but not limited to any potential investor, financing entity, or purchaser of any of CLIENT's projects ("Third Party"). CLIENT acknowledges and agrees that Work Product may not be provided to, assigned to, or relied upon by any Third Party for the purpose of raising finances or making an investment decision, or enhancing or maintaining a credit rating, whether under a primary financing, secondary financing, re-financing, equity investment or similar financing. In the event that CLIENT desires to have a Third Party rely on Work Product, CLIENT acknowledges and agrees that such circumstances may require the execution of a modification to this Agreement or execution of a separate form of agreement meeting ENGINEER's required terms and conditions applicable to such circumstances. Any Work Product may also include a disclaimer providing notice of the limitations on the use and distribution of such Work Product.
- (e) Ownership of Documents. All design documents, intellectual property, materials or other work product resulting from the Services, including drawings, specifications, calculations, maps, reports, photographs, samples and other documents (hereinafter "Documents") are instruments of service, and ENGINEER shall retain an ownership and property interest therein (including the copyright and the right of reuse at the discretion of the ENGINEER) whether or not the Project is completed. CLIENT may make and retain copies of Documents for information and reference in connection with the use of the Documents on the Project. ENGINEER grants CLIENT a limited license to use the Documents only on the Project for which they were prepared, subject to receipt by ENGINEER of full payment due and owing for all services relating to preparation of the Documents, and subject to the following limitations: (1) CLIENT acknowledges that such Documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for use on the Project unless completed by ENGINEER, or for use or reuse by CLIENT or others on extensions of the Project, on any other project, or for any other use or purpose, without written verification or adaptation by ENGINEER; (2) any such use or reuse, or any modification of the Documents, without written verification, completion, or adaptation by ENGINEER, as appropriate for the specific purpose intended, will be at the CLIENT's sole risk and

without liability or legal exposure to ENGINEER or to its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and ENGINEERS; and (3) such limited license to CLIENT shall not create any rights in third parties.

- (f) Severability. The invalidity of any provision or unenforceability thereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized on the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:

MOTT MacDONALD, LLC

By _____
Name and Title

Dated _____

ATTEST:

PORT OF PALACIOS, MATAGORDA
COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT #1

By _____

Victor Martinez Jr., Port Director

Dated _____



EXHIBIT E

FY 2022 PIPD General Terms & Conditions

FY 2022 PIPD Exhibits

BABA Requirements

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MARITIME ADMINISTRATION**

**GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER THE
FISCAL YEAR 2022 PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
GRANTS**

December 19, 2022

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021), and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022) appropriated funds to the United States Department of Transportation (the “**USDOT**”) Maritime Administration (“**MARAD**”) for fiscal year 2022 under the heading “Port Infrastructure Development Program.” The funds are available to make grants to improve port facilities at coastal seaports, inland river ports, or Great Lakes ports. The MARAD program administering those funds is the Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP).

On February 14, 2022, MARAD posted a funding opportunity at Grants.gov with funding opportunity title “2022 Port Infrastructure Development Program Grants” and funding opportunity number MA-PID-22-001. The notice of funding opportunity posted at Grants.gov, as amended on May 6, 2022, (the “**NOFO**”) solicited applications for Federal financial assistance under the fiscal year 2022 PIDP. On October 28, 2022, MARAD announced application selections under the NOFO.

These general terms and conditions are incorporated by reference in a project-specific agreement under the fiscal year 2022 PIDP. The term “Recipient” is defined in the project-specific portion of the agreement. The project-specific portion of the agreement includes schedules A through J. The project-specific portion of the agreement may include special terms and conditions in project-specific articles.

ARTICLE 1 PURPOSE

1.1 Purpose. The purpose of this award is to make grants to improve port facilities at coastal seaports, inland river ports, or Great Lakes ports. The parties will accomplish that purpose by achieving the following objectives:

- (1) timely completing the Project; and
- (2) ensuring that this award does not substitute for non-Federal investment in the Project, except as proposed in the Technical Application, as modified by schedule D.

**ARTICLE 2
MARAD ROLE**

2.1 Administration. MARAD will administer this agreement.

2.2 MARAD Program Contacts.

Robert Bouchard
Director, Office of Port Infrastructure Development
DOT – Maritime Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590
MAR-510
W21-308
Mailstop 3
(202) 366-5076
robert.bouchard@dot.gov

**ARTICLE 3
RECIPIENT ROLE**

3.1 Statements on the Project. The Recipient states that:

- (1) all material statements of fact in the Technical Application were accurate when that application was submitted; and
- (2) schedule E documents all material changes in the information contained in that application.

3.2 Statements on Authority and Capacity. The Recipient states that:

- (1) it has the authority to receive Federal financial assistance under this agreement;
- (2) it has the legal authority to complete the Project;
- (3) it has the capacity, including institutional, managerial, and financial capacity, to comply with its obligations under this agreement;
- (4) not less than the difference between the total eligible project costs listed in section 3 of schedule D and the PIDP Grant Amount listed in section 1 of schedule D is committed to fund the Project;
- (5) it has sufficient funds available to ensure that infrastructure completed or improved under this agreement will be operated and maintained in compliance with this agreement and applicable Federal law; and

- (6) the individual executing this agreement on behalf of the Recipient has authority to enter this agreement and make the statements in this article 3 and in section 20.7 on behalf of the Recipient.

3.3 MARAD Reliance. The Recipient acknowledges that:

- (1) MARAD relied on statements of fact in the Technical Application to select the Project to receive this award;
- (2) MARAD relied on statements of fact in both the Technical Application and this agreement to determine that the Recipient and the Project are eligible under the terms of the NOFO;
- (3) MARAD relied on statements of fact in both the Technical Application and this agreement to establish the terms of this agreement; and
- (4) MARAD's selection of the Project to receive this award prevented awards under the NOFO to other eligible applicants.

3.4 Project Delivery.

- (a) The Recipient shall complete the Project under the terms of this agreement.
- (b) The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is financed, constructed, operated, and maintained in accordance with all Federal laws, regulations, and policies that are applicable to projects of MARAD.

3.5 Rights and Powers Affecting the Project.

- (a) The Recipient shall not take or permit any action that deprive it of any rights or powers necessary to the Recipient's performance under this agreement without written approval of MARAD.
- (b) The Recipient shall act promptly, in a manner acceptable to MARAD, to acquire, extinguish, or modify any outstanding rights or claims of right of others that would interfere with the Recipient's performance under this agreement.

3.6 Notification of Changes to Key Personnel. The Recipient shall notify all MARAD representatives who are identified in section 5 of schedule A in writing within 30 calendar days of any change in key personnel who are identified in section 4 of schedule A.

**ARTICLE 4
AWARD AMOUNT, OBLIGATION, AND TIME PERIODS**

4.1 Federal Award Amount. MARAD hereby awards a PIDP Grant to the Recipient in the amount listed in section 1 of schedule D as the PIDP Grant Amount.

4.2 Federal Funding Source.

- (a) If section 4 of schedule F identifies the Funding Act as “IIJA,” then the PIDP Grant is from PIDP grant funding that was appropriated in division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021).
- (b) If section 4 of schedule F identifies the Funding Act as “FY2022,” then the PIDP Grant is from PIDP grant funding that was appropriated in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022).
- (c) If section 4 of schedule F contains a table that lists separate amounts for “IIJA” and “FY2022,” then the amount listed for “IIJA” is from PIDP grant program funding that was appropriated in division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021) and the amount listed for “FY2022” is from PIDP grant program funding that was appropriated in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022).

4.3 Federal Obligations. This agreement obligates for the budget period the amount listed in section 1 of schedule D as the PIDP Grant Amount.

4.4 Budget Period. The budget period for this award begins on the date of this agreement and ends on the budget period end date that is listed in section 1 of schedule C. In this agreement, “budget period” is used as defined at 2 C.F.R. 200.1.

4.5 Period of Performance. The period of performance for this award begins on the date of this agreement and ends on the period of performance end date that is listed in section 1 of schedule C. In this agreement, “period of performance” is used as defined at 2 C.F.R. 200.1.

ARTICLE 5 STATEMENT OF WORK, SCHEDULE, AND BUDGET CHANGES

5.1 Notification Requirement. The Recipient shall notify all MARAD representatives who are identified in section 5 of schedule A in writing within 30 calendar days of any change in circumstances or commitments that adversely affect the Recipient’s plan to complete the Project. In that notification, the Recipient shall describe the change and what actions the Recipient has taken or plans to take to ensure completion of the Project. This notification requirement under this section 5.1 is separate from any requirements under this article 5 that the Recipient request modification of this agreement.

5.2 Scope and Statement of Work Changes. If the Project’s activities differ from the activities described in schedule B, then the Recipient shall request a modification of this agreement to update schedule B.

5.3 Schedule Changes. If one or more of the following conditions are satisfied, then the Recipient shall request a modification of this agreement to update schedule C:

- (1) a completion date for the Project or a component of the Project is listed in section 2 of schedule C and the Recipient's estimate for that milestone changes to a date that is more than six months after the date listed in section 2 of schedule C;
- (2) a schedule change would require the budget period to continue after the budget period end date listed in section 1 of schedule C; or
- (3) a schedule change would require the period of performance to continue after the period of performance end date listed in section 1 of schedule C.

For other schedule changes, the Recipient shall follow the applicable procedures of MARAD and document the changes in writing.

5.4 Budget Changes.

- (a) The Recipient acknowledges that if the cost of completing the Project increases:
 - (1) that increase does not affect the Recipient's obligation under this agreement to complete the Project; and
 - (2) MARAD will not increase the amount of this award to address any funding shortfall.
- (b) The Recipient shall request a modification of this agreement to update schedule D if, in comparing the Project's budget to the amounts listed in section 3 of schedule D:
 - (1) the total "Non-Federal Funds" amount decreases; or
 - (2) the total eligible project costs amount decreases.
- (c) For budget changes that are not identified in section 5.4(b), the Recipient shall follow the applicable procedures of MARAD and document the changes in writing.
- (d) If there are Project Cost Savings, then the Recipient may propose to MARAD, in writing consistent with MARAD's requirements, to include in the Project specific additional activities that are within the scope of this award, as defined in section 1.1 and schedule B, and that the Recipient could complete with the Project Cost Savings.

In this agreement, "**Project Cost Savings**" means the difference between the actual eligible project costs and the total eligible project costs listed in section 3 of schedule D, but only if the actual eligible project costs are less than the total eligible project costs that are listed in section 3 of schedule D. There are no Project Cost Savings if the actual eligible project costs are equal to or greater than the total eligible project costs that are listed in section 3 of schedule D.

- (e) If there are Project Cost Savings and either the Recipient does not make a proposal under section 5.4(d) or MARAD does not accept the Recipient's proposal under section 5.4(d), then:

- (1) in a request under section 5.4(b), the Recipient shall reduce the Federal Share by the Project Cost Savings; and
- (2) if that modification reduces this award and MARAD had reimbursed costs exceeding the revised award, the Recipient shall refund to MARAD the difference between the reimbursed costs and the revised award.

In this agreement, “**Federal Share**” means the sum of the total “PIDP Funds” and “Other Federal Funds” amounts that are listed in section 3 of schedule D.

- (f) The Recipient acknowledges that amounts that are required to be refunded under section 5.4(e)(2) constitute a debt to the Federal Government that MARAD may collect under 2 C.F.R. 200.346 and the Federal Claims Collection Standards (31 C.F.R. parts 900–999).

5.5 MARAD Acceptance of Changes. MARAD may accept or reject modifications requested under this article 5, and in doing so may elect to consider only the interests of the PIDP grant program and MARAD. The Recipient acknowledges that requesting a modification under this article 5 does not amend, modify, or supplement this agreement unless MARAD accepts that modification request and the parties modify this agreement under section 15.1.

ARTICLE 6 GENERAL REPORTING TERMS

- 6.1 Report Submission.** The Recipient shall send all reports required by this agreement to all MARAD contacts who are listed in section 5 of schedule A and all MARAD contacts who are listed in section 2.2.
- 6.2 Alternative Reporting Methods.** MARAD may establish processes for the Recipient to submit reports required by this agreement, including electronic submission processes. If the Recipient is notified of those processes in writing, the Recipient shall use the processes required by MARAD.
- 6.3 Paperwork Reduction Act Notice.** Under 5 C.F.R. 1320.6, the Recipient is not required to respond to a collection of information that does not display a currently valid control number issued by the Office of Management and Budget (the “**OMB**”). Collections of information conducted under this agreement are approved under OMB Control No. 2133-0552.

ARTICLE 7 PROGRESS AND FINANCIAL REPORTING

- 7.1 Quarterly Project Progress Reports and Recertifications.** On or before the 20th day of the first month of each calendar year quarter and until the end of the budget period, the

Recipient shall submit to MARAD a Quarterly Project Progress Report and Recertification in the format and with the content described in exhibit C. If the date of this agreement is in the final month of a calendar year quarter, then the Recipient shall submit the first Quarterly Project Progress Report and Recertification in the second calendar year quarter that begins after the date of this agreement.

7.2 Final Progress Reports and Financial Information. No later than 120 days after the end of the budget period, the Recipient shall submit:

- (1) a Final Project Progress Report and Recertification in the format and with the content described in exhibit C for each Quarterly Project Progress Report and Recertification, including a final Federal Financial Report (SF-425); and
- (2) any other information required under the MARAD's award closeout procedures.

ARTICLE 8 PERFORMANCE REPORTING

8.1 Baseline Performance Measurement. If the Capital-Planning Designation in section 2 of schedule F is "Capital," then:

- (1) the Recipient shall collect data for each performance measure that is identified in the Performance Measure Table in schedule G, accurate as of the Baseline Measurement Date that is identified in schedule G; and
- (2) on or before the Baseline Report Date that is stated in schedule G, the Recipient shall submit a Baseline Performance Measurement Report that contains the data collected under this section 8.1 and a detailed description of the data sources, assumptions, variability, and estimated levels of precision for each performance measure that is identified in the Performance Measure Table in schedule G.

8.2 Post-construction Performance Measurement. If the Capital-Planning Designation in section 2 of schedule F is "Capital," then:

- (1) for each performance measure that is identified in the Performance Measure Table in schedule G with quarterly measurement frequency, for each of 12 consecutive calendar quarters, beginning with the first calendar quarter that begins after the Project substantial completion date, at least once during the quarter, the Recipient shall collect data for that performance measure;
- (2) for each performance measure that is identified in the Performance Measure Table in schedule G with annual measurement frequency, the Recipient shall collect data for that performance measure on at least three separate occasions: (i) once during the four consecutive calendar quarters that begin after the Project substantial completion date; (ii) once during the fourth calendar quarter after the

first collection; and (iii) once during the eighth calendar quarter after the first collection; and

- (3) not later than January 31 of each year that follows a calendar year during which data was collected under this section 8.2, the Recipient shall submit to MARAD a Post-construction Performance Measurement Report containing the data collected under this section 8.2 in the previous calendar year and stating the dates when the data was collected.

If an external factor significantly affects the value of a performance measure collected under this section 8.2, then the Recipient shall identify that external factor in the Post-construction Performance Measurement Report and discuss its influence on the performance measure.

8.3 Project Outcomes Report. If the Capital-Planning Designation in section 2 of schedule F is “Capital,” then the Recipient shall submit to MARAD, not later than January 31 of the year that follows the final calendar year during which data was collected under section 8.2, a Project Outcomes Report that contains:

- (1) a narrative discussion detailing project successes and the influence of external factors on project expectations;
- (2) all baseline and post-construction performance measurement data that the Recipient reported in the Baseline Performance Measurement Report and the Post-construction Performance Measurement Reports; and
- (3) an *ex post* examination of project effectiveness relative to the baseline data that the Recipient reported in the Baseline Performance Measurement Report.

ARTICLE 9 PORT PERFORMANCE REPORTING

9.1 Port Performance Reporting. If the Capital-Planning Designation in section 2 of schedule F is “Capital,” then:

- (a) The purpose of port performance reporting is for the USDOT to collect standardized data or validate publicly available data from Federal assistance recipients, to comply with the Port Performance Freight Statistics Program.
- (b) The Recipient shall enter into a Port Performance Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the USDOT, and execution of a MOU with USDOT is a milestone in section 3 of schedule C.
- (c) The MOU may include terms requiring that the Recipient shall:
 - (1) ensure that all data it provides to USDOT is accurate and current;

- (2) report required data to USDOT annually and quarterly (however, the measurement period for some indicators may be monthly);
- (3) submit the initial port performance report no later than 90 days after grant agreement execution; and
- (4) submit subsequent port performance reports on an annual and quarterly basis throughout the period of performance.

ARTICLE 10 NONCOMPLIANCE AND REMEDIES

10.1 Noncompliance Determinations.

- (a) If MARAD determines that the Recipient may have failed to comply with the United States Constitution, Federal law, or the terms and conditions of this agreement, MARAD may notify the Recipient of a proposed determination of noncompliance. For the notice to be effective, it must be written and MARAD must include an explanation of the nature of the noncompliance, describe a remedy, state whether that remedy is proposed or effective at an already determined date, and describe the process through and form in which the Recipient may respond to the notice.
- (b) If MARAD notifies the Recipient of a proposed determination of noncompliance under section 10.1(a), the Recipient may, not later than 7 calendar days after the notice, respond to that notice in the form and through the process described in that notice. In its response, the Recipient may:
 - (1) accept the remedy;
 - (2) acknowledge the noncompliance, but propose an alternative remedy; or
 - (3) dispute the noncompliance.

To dispute the noncompliance, the Recipient must include in its response documentation or other information supporting the Recipient's compliance.

- (c) MARAD may make a final determination of noncompliance only:
 - (1) after considering the Recipient's response under section 10.1(b); or
 - (2) if the Recipient fails to respond under section 10.1(b), after the time for that response has passed.
- (d) To make a final determination of noncompliance, MARAD must provide a notice to the Recipient that states the bases for that determination.

10.2 Remedies.

- (a) If MARAD makes a final determination of noncompliance under section 10.1, MARAD may impose a remedy, including:
 - (1) additional conditions on the award;
 - (2) any remedy permitted under 2 C.F.R. 200.339–200.340, including withholding of payments; disallowance of previously reimbursed costs, requiring refunds from the Recipient to MARAD; suspension or termination of the award; or suspension and disbarment under 2 C.F.R. part 180; or
 - (3) any other remedy legally available.
- (b) To impose a remedy, MARAD must provide a written notice to the Recipient that describes the remedy, but MARAD may make the remedy effective before the Recipient receives that notice.
- (c) If MARAD determines that it is in the public interest, MARAD may impose a remedy, including all remedies described in section 10.2(a), before making a final determination of noncompliance under section 10.1. If it does so, then the notice provided under section 10.1(d) must also state whether the remedy imposed will continue, be rescinded, or modified.
- (d) In imposing a remedy under this section 10.2 or making a public interest determination under section 10.2(c), MARAD may elect to consider the interests of only MARAD.
- (e) The Recipient acknowledges that amounts that MARAD requires the Recipient to refund to MARAD due to a remedy under this section 10.2 constitute a debt to the Federal Government that MARAD may collect under 2 C.F.R. 200.346 and the Federal Claims Collection Standards (31 C.F.R. parts 900–999).

10.3 Other Oversight Entities. Nothing in this article 10 limits any party’s authority to report activity under this agreement to the United States Department of Transportation Inspector General or other appropriate oversight entities.

ARTICLE 11 AGREEMENT TERMINATION

11.1 MARAD Termination.

- (a) MARAD may terminate this agreement and all of its obligations under this agreement if any of the following occurs:
 - (1) the Recipient fails to obtain or provide any non-PIDP Grant contribution or alternatives approved by MARAD as provided in this agreement and consistent with schedule D;

- (2) a completion date for the Project or a component of the Project is listed in section 2 of schedule C and the Recipient fails to meet that milestone by six months after the date listed in section 2 of schedule C;
 - (3) the Recipient fails to meet a milestone listed in section 3 of schedule C by the deadline date listed in that section for that milestone;
 - (4) the Recipient fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement, including a material failure to comply with the project schedule in schedule C even if it is beyond the reasonable control of the Recipient;
 - (5) circumstances cause changes to the Project that MARAD determines are inconsistent with MARAD's basis for selecting the Project to receive a PIDP Grant; or
 - (6) MARAD determines that termination of this agreement is in the public interest.
- (b) In terminating this agreement under this section, MARAD may elect to consider only the interests of MARAD.
 - (c) This section 11.1 does not limit MARAD's ability to terminate this agreement as a remedy under section 10.2.
 - (d) The Recipient may request that MARAD terminate the agreement under this section 11.1.

11.2 Closeout Termination.

- (a) This agreement terminates on Project Closeout.
- (b) In this agreement, "**Project Closeout**" means the date that MARAD notifies the Recipient that the award is closed out. Under 2 C.F.R. 200.344, Project Closeout should occur no later than one year after the end of the period of performance.

11.3 Post-Termination Adjustments. The Recipient acknowledges that under 2 C.F.R. 200.345–200.346, termination of the agreement does not extinguish MARAD's authority to disallow costs, including costs that MARAD reimbursed before termination, and recover funds from the Recipient.

11.4 Non-Terminating Events.

- (a) The end of the budget period described under section 4.4 does not terminate this agreement or the Recipient's obligations under this agreement.
- (b) The end of the period of performance described under section 4.5 does not terminate this agreement or the Recipient's obligations under this agreement.
- (c) The cancellation of funds under section 15.2 does not terminate this agreement or the Recipient's obligations under this agreement.

- 11.5 Other Remedies.** The termination authority under this article 11 supplements and does not limit MARAD’s remedial authority under article 9 or 2 C.F.R. part 200, including 2 C.F.R. 200.339–200.340.

ARTICLE 12

MONITORING, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CONTROLS, AND RECORDS

12.1 Recipient Monitoring and Record Retention.

- (a) The Recipient shall monitor activities under this award, including activities under subawards and contracts, to ensure:
 - (1) that those activities comply with this agreement; and
 - (2) that funds provided under this award are not expended on costs that are not allowable under this award or not allocable to this award.
- (b) If the Recipient makes a subaward under this award, the Recipient shall monitor the activities of the subrecipient in compliance with 2 C.F.R. 200.332(d).
- (c) The Recipient shall retain records relevant to the award as required under 2 C.F.R. 200.334.

12.2 Financial Records and Audits.

- (a) The Recipient shall keep all project accounts and records that fully disclose the amount and disposition by the Recipient of the award funds, the total cost of the Project, and the amount or nature of that portion of the cost of the Project supplied by other sources, and any other financial records related to the project.
- (b) The Recipient shall keep accounts and records described under section 12.2(a) in accordance with a financial management system that meets the requirements of 2 C.F.R. 200.301–200.303 and 2 C.F.R. 200 subpart F and will facilitate an effective audit in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 7501–7506.
- (c) The Recipient shall separately identify expenditures under the fiscal year 2022 PIDP Grants in financial records required for audits under 31 U.S.C. 7501–7506. Specifically, the Recipient shall:
 - (1) list expenditures under that program separately on the schedule of expenditures of Federal awards required under 2 C.F.R. 200 subpart F, including “FY 2022” in the program name; and
 - (2) list expenditures under that program on a separate row under Part II, Item 1 (“Federal Awards Expended During Fiscal Period”) of Form SF-SAC, including “FY 2022” in column c (“Additional Award Identification”).

- 12.3 Internal Controls.** The Recipient shall establish and maintain internal controls as required under 2 C.F.R. 200.303.
- 12.4 MARAD Record Access.** MARAD may access Recipient records related to this award under 2 C.F.R. 200.337.

ARTICLE 13 CONTRACTING AND SUBAWARDS

13.1 Minimum Wage Rates. The Recipient shall include, in all contracts in excess of \$2,000 for work on the Project that involves labor, provisions establishing minimum rates of wages, to be predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor, in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. 3141–3148, that contractors shall pay to skilled and unskilled labor, and such minimum rates shall be stated in the invitation for bids and shall be included in proposals or bids for the work.

13.2 Buy America.

- (a) For the purpose of the award term at exhibit B, term B.5, the Project is “a project for infrastructure.” The Recipient acknowledges that iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the Project are subject to the domestic content procurement preference in that award term and this agreement is not a waiver of that preference.
- (b) If the Recipient uses iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials that are not produced in the United States in violation of the award term at exhibit B, term B.5, MARAD may disallow and deny reimbursement of costs incurred by the Recipient and take other remedial actions under article 9 and 2 C.F.R. 200.339–200.340.
- (c) Under 2 C.F.R. 200.322, as appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the Recipient should, to the greatest extent practicable under this award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States. The Recipient shall include the requirements of 2 C.F.R. 200.322 in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award.

13.3 Small and Disadvantaged Business Requirements.

- (a) If any funds under this award are administered by or through a State Department of Transportation, the Recipient shall expend those funds in compliance with the requirements at 49 C.F.R. part 26 (“Participation by disadvantaged business enterprises in Department of Transportation financial assistance programs”).
- (b) If any funds under this award are not administered by or through a State Department of Transportation, the Recipient shall expend those funds in compliance with the requirements at 2 C.F.R. 200.321 (“Contracting with small and minority businesses, women’s business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms”).

- 13.4 Foreign Market Restrictions.** The Recipient shall not allow funds provided under this award to be used to fund the use of any product or service of a foreign country during the period in which such foreign country is listed by the United States Trade Representative as denying fair and equitable market opportunities for products and suppliers of the United States in procurement and construction.
- 13.5 Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.** The Recipient acknowledges that Section 889 of Pub. L. No. 115-232 and 2 C.F.R. 200.216 prohibit the Recipient and all subrecipients from procuring or obtaining certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment under this award.
- 13.6 Pass-through Entity Responsibilities.** If the Recipient makes a subaward under this award, the Recipient shall comply with the requirements on pass-through entities under 2 C.F.R. parts 200 and 1201, including 2 C.F.R. 200.331–200.333.
- 13.7 Subaward and Contract Authorization.** [Reserved]

ARTICLE 14 COSTS, PAYMENTS, AND UNEXPENDED FUNDS

- 14.1 Limitation of Federal Award Amount.** Under this award, MARAD shall not provide funding greater than the amount obligated under section 4.3. The Recipient acknowledges that MARAD is not liable for payments exceeding that amount, and the Recipient shall not request reimbursement of costs exceeding that amount.
- 14.2 Projects Costs.** This award is subject to the cost principles at 2 C.F.R. 200 subpart E, including provisions on determining allocable costs and determining allowable costs.
- 14.3 Timing of Project Costs.**
- (a) The Recipient shall not charge to this award costs that are incurred after the budget period.
 - (b) The Recipient shall not charge to this award costs that were incurred before the date of this agreement unless those costs are identified in section 5 of schedule D and would have been allowable if incurred during the budget period. This limitation applies to pre-award costs under 2 C.F.R. 200.458 and/or 46 U.S.C. 54301(a)(10)(B). This agreement hereby terminates and supersedes any previous MARAD approval for the Recipient to incur costs under this award for the Project. Section 5 of schedule D is the exclusive MARAD approval of costs incurred before the date of this agreement.
- 14.4 Recipient Recovery of Federal Funds.** The Recipient shall make all reasonable efforts, including initiating litigation, if necessary, to recover Federal funds if MARAD determines, after consultation with the Recipient, that those funds have been spent fraudulently, wastefully, or in violation of Federal laws, or misused in any manner under

this award. The Recipient shall not enter a settlement or other final position, in court or otherwise, involving the recovery of funds under the award unless approved in advance in writing by MARAD.

14.5 Unexpended Federal Funds. Any Federal funds that are awarded at section 4.1 but not expended on allocable, allowable costs remain the property of the United States.

14.6 Timing of Payments to the Recipient.

- (a) Reimbursement is the payment method for the PIDP grant program.
- (b) The Recipient shall not request reimbursement of a cost before the Recipient has entered into an obligation for that cost.

14.7 Payment Method.

- (a) If the MARAD Payment System identified in section 6 of schedule A is “Delphi eInvoicing System,” then the Recipient shall complete all applicable forms and attach supporting documents, including the SF 270, in Delphi eInvoicing System, which is on-line and paperless, to request reimbursement. To obtain the latest version of these standard forms, visit <https://www.grants.gov/forms/post-award-reporting-forms.html/>. The Recipient shall review the training on using Delphi eInvoicing System before submitting a request for reimbursement. To guide the Recipient when reviewing this training, MARAD provides the following additional information, which may change after execution of this agreement:
 - (1) The Recipient may access the training from the MARAD “Delphi eInvoicing System” webpage at <https://einvoice.esc.gov>. The training is linked under the heading “Grantee Training.” The Recipient should click on “Grantee Training” to access the training.
 - (2) A username and password are not required to access the on-line training. It is currently available, will be accessible 24/7, and will take approximately 10 minutes to review.
 - (3) Once the above referenced training has been reviewed, Recipients must request and complete the External User Access Request form. Recipients can request the External User Access Request form by sending an email to a Grants/Contracting Officer who is identified in in section 5 of schedule A or section 2.2. A request to establish access will be sent once the External User Access Request form is received.
- (b) MARAD may deny a payment request that is not submitted using the method identified in this section 14.7.

14.8 Information Supporting Expenditures.

- (a) If the MARAD Payment System identified in section 6 of schedule A is “Delphi eInvoicing System,” then when requesting reimbursement of costs incurred or credit for cost share incurred, the Recipient shall electronically submit and attach the SF 270 (Request for Advance or Reimbursement), shall identify the Federal share and the Recipient’s share of costs, and shall submit supporting cost detail to clearly document all costs incurred. As supporting cost detail, the Recipient shall include a detailed breakout of all costs incurred, including direct labor, indirect costs, other direct costs, and travel.
- (b) If the Recipient submits a request for reimbursement that MARAD determines does not include or is not supported by sufficient detail, MARAD may deny the request or withhold processing the request until the Recipient provides sufficient detail.

14.9 Reimbursement Request Timing Frequency.

- (a) If the MARAD Payment System identified in section 6 of schedule A is “Delphi eInvoicing System,” the Recipient shall request reimbursement of a cost incurred as soon as practicable after incurring that cost. If the Recipient requests reimbursement for a cost more than 180 days after that cost was incurred, MARAD may deny the request for being untimely.
- (b) If the MARAD Payment System identified in section 6 of schedule A is “Delphi eInvoicing System,” then the Recipient shall not request reimbursement more frequently than monthly.

ARTICLE 15 LIQUIDATION, ADJUSTMENTS, AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

15.1 Liquidation of Recipient Obligations.

- (a) The Recipient shall liquidate all obligations of award funds under this agreement not later than the earlier of (1) 120 days after the end of the period of performance or (2) the statutory funds cancellation date identified in section 15.2.
- (b) Liquidation of obligations and adjustment of costs under this agreement follow the requirements of 2 C.F.R. 200.344–200.346.

15.2 Funds Cancellation.

- (a) PIDP grant funding that was appropriated in division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021) for fiscal year 2022, is canceled by statute after September 30, 2037, and then unavailable for any purpose, including adjustments.

(b) PIDP grant funding that was appropriated in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022) remains available until expended.

(c) Section 4.2 identifies the specific source or sources of funding for this award.

ARTICLE 16 AGREEMENT MODIFICATIONS

16.1 Bilateral Modifications. The parties may amend, modify, or supplement this agreement by mutual agreement in writing signed by MARAD and the Recipient. Either party may request to amend, modify, or supplement this agreement by written notice to the other party.

16.2 Unilateral Contact Modifications.

(a) The Recipient may update the contacts who are listed in section 3 of schedule A by written notice to all of the MARAD contacts who are listed in section 5 of schedule A and section 2.2.

(b) MARAD may update the contacts who are listed in section 5 of schedule A and section 2.2 by written notice to all of the Recipient contacts who are listed in section 3 of schedule A.

16.3 MARAD Unilateral Modifications.

(a) MARAD may unilaterally modify this agreement to comply with Federal law, including the Program Statute.

(b) To unilaterally modify this agreement under this section 16.3, MARAD must provide a notice to the Recipient that includes a description of the modification and state the date that the modification is effective.

16.4 Other Modifications. The parties shall not amend, modify, or supplement this agreement except as permitted under sections 16.1, 16.2, or 16.3. If an amendment, modification, or supplement is not permitted under section 16.1, not permitted under section 16.2, or not permitted under section 16.3, it is void.

ARTICLE 17 CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

17.1 Climate Change and Environmental Justice. Consistent with Executive Order 14008, “Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad” (Jan. 27, 2021), schedule H documents the consideration of climate change and environmental justice impacts of the Project.

**ARTICLE 18
RACIAL EQUITY AND BARRIERS TO OPPORTUNITY**

- 18.1 Racial Equity and Barriers to Opportunity.** Consistent with Executive Order 13985, “Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government” (Jan. 20, 2021), schedule I documents activities related to the Project to improve racial equity and reduce barriers to opportunity.

**ARTICLE 19
LABOR AND WORK**

- 19.1 Labor and Work.** Consistent with Executive Order 14025, “Worker Organizing and Empowerment” (Apr. 26, 2021), and Executive Order 14052, “Implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act” (Nov. 15, 2021), schedule J documents the consideration of job quality and labor rights, standards, and protections related to the Project.

**ARTICLE 20
FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND NATIONAL
POLICY REQUIREMENTS**

- 20.1 Uniform Administrative Requirements for Federal Awards.** The Recipient shall comply with the obligations on non-Federal entities under 2 C.F.R. parts 200 and 1201.

20.2 Federal Law and Public Policy Requirements.

- (a) The Recipient shall ensure that Federal funding is expended in full accordance with the United States Constitution, Federal law, and statutory and public policy requirements: including but not limited to, those protecting free speech, religious liberty, public welfare, the environment, and prohibiting discrimination.
- (b) The failure of this agreement to expressly identify Federal law applicable to the Recipient or activities under this agreement does not make that law inapplicable.

20.3 Federal Freedom of Information Act.

- (a) MARAD is subject to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.
- (b) The Recipient acknowledges that the Technical Application and materials submitted to MARAD by the Recipient related to this agreement may become MARAD records subject to public release under 5 U.S.C. 552.

20.4 History of Performance. Under 2 C.F.R 200.206, any Federal awarding agency may consider the Recipient’s performance under this agreement, when evaluating the risks of making a future Federal financial assistance award to the Recipient.

20.5 Whistleblower Protection.

- (a) The Recipient acknowledges that it is a “grantee” within the scope of 41 U.S.C. 4712, which prohibits the Recipient from taking certain actions against an employee for certain disclosures of information that the employee reasonably believes are evidence of gross mismanagement of this award, gross waste of Federal funds, or a violation of Federal law related this this award.
- (b) The Recipient shall inform its employees in writing of the rights and remedies provided under 41 U.S.C. 4712, in the predominant native language of the workforce.

20.6 External Award Terms and Obligations.

- (a) In addition to this document and the contents described in article 25, this agreement includes the following additional terms as integral parts:
 - (1) Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. part 25: System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements;
 - (2) Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. part 170: Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation;
 - (3) 2 C.F.R 175.15(b): Trafficking in Persons; and
 - (4) Appendix XII to 2 C.F.R. part 200: Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters.
- (b) The Recipient shall comply with:
 - (1) 49 C.F.R. part 20: New Restrictions on Lobbying;
 - (2) 49 C.F.R. part 21: Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
 - (3) 49 C.F.R. part 27: Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance; and
 - (4) Subpart B of 49 C.F.R. part 32: Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace (Financial Assistance).

20.7 Incorporated Certifications. The Recipient makes the statements in the following certifications, which are incorporated by reference:

- (1) Appendix A to 49 CFR part 20 (Certification Regarding Lobbying).

ARTICLE 21 ASSIGNMENT

21.1 Assignment Prohibited. The Recipient shall not transfer to any other entity any discretion granted under this agreement, any right to satisfy a condition under this agreement, any remedy under this agreement, or any obligation imposed under this agreement.

ARTICLE 22 WAIVER

22.1 Waivers.

- (a) A waiver of a term of this agreement granted by MARAD will not be effective unless it is in writing and signed by an authorized representative of MARAD.
- (b) A waiver of a term of this agreement granted by MARAD on one occasion will not operate as a waiver on other occasions.
- (c) If MARAD fails to require strict performance of a term of this agreement, fails to exercise a remedy for a breach of this agreement, or fails to reject a payment during a breach of this agreement, that failure does not constitute a waiver of that term or breach.

ARTICLE 23 ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

23.1 Effect of Historically Disadvantaged Community. If section 3 of schedule F lists “Yes” for the “HDC Designation,” then based on information that the Recipient provided to MARAD, including the Technical Application, MARAD determined that the Project will be carried out in a historically disadvantaged community, as defined in the NOFO. The Recipient shall incur a majority of the costs under this award in historically disadvantaged communities.

23.2 Disclaimer of Federal Liability. MARAD shall not be responsible or liable for any damage to property or any injury to persons that may arise from, or be incident to, performance or compliance with this agreement.

23.3 Relocation and Real Property Acquisition.

- (a) To the greatest extent practicable under State law, the Recipient shall comply with the land acquisition policies in 49 C.F.R. 24 subpart B and shall pay or reimburse property owners for necessary expenses as specified in that subpart.

- (b) The Recipient shall provide a relocation assistance program offering the services described in 49 C.F.R. 24 subpart C and shall provide reasonable relocation payments and assistance to displaced persons as required in 49 C.F.R. 24 subparts D–E.
- (c) The Recipient shall make available to displaced persons, within a reasonable period of time prior to displacement, comparable replacement dwellings in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 24 subpart E.

23.4 Equipment Disposition.

- (a) In accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.313 and 1201.313, if the Recipient or a subrecipient acquires equipment under this award, then when that equipment is no longer needed for the Project:
 - (1) if the entity that acquired the equipment is a State or a subrecipient of a State, that entity shall dispose of that equipment in accordance with State laws and procedures; and
 - (2) if the entity that acquired the equipment is neither a State nor a subrecipient of a State, that entity shall request disposition instructions from MARAD.
- (b) In accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.443(d), the distribution of the proceeds from the disposition of equipment must be made in accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.313–200.316 and 2 C.F.R. 1201.313.
- (c) The Recipient shall ensure compliance with this section 23.4 for all tiers of subawards under this award.

23.5 Environmental Review.

- (a) The Recipient shall not begin final design; begin construction; or take other actions that represent an irretrievable commitment of resources for the Project unless and until:
 - (1) MARAD complies with the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 to 4370m-12, and any other applicable environmental laws and regulations; and
 - (2) MARAD provides the Recipient with written notice that the environmental review process is complete.
- (b) The Recipient acknowledges that:
 - (1) MARAD’s actions under section 23.5(a) depend on the Recipient conducting necessary environmental analyses and submitting necessary documents to MARAD; and
 - (2) applicable environmental statutes and regulation may require the Recipient to prepare and submit documents to other Federal, State, and local agencies.

- (c) To the extent practicable and consistent with Federal law, the Recipient shall coordinate all environmental investigations, reviews, and consultations as a single process.
- (d) The activities described in schedule B and other information described in this agreement may inform environmental decision-making processes, but the parties do not intend this agreement to document the alternatives under consideration under those processes. If a build alternative is selected that does not align with schedule B or other information in this agreement, then:
 - (1) the parties may amend this agreement under section 16.1 for consistency with the selected build alternative; or
 - (2) if MARAD determines that the condition at section 11.1(a)(5) is satisfied, MARAD may terminate this agreement under section 11.1(a)(5).
- (e) The Recipient shall complete any mitigation activities described in the environmental document or documents for the Project, including the terms and conditions contained in the required permits and authorizations for the Project. Section 3 of schedule B identifies documents describing mitigation activities, but the absence of a document from that section does not relieve the Recipient of any compliance obligations.

ARTICLE 24 MANDATORY AWARD INFORMATION

24.1 Information Contained in a Federal Award. For 2 C.F.R. 200.211:

- (1) the “Federal Award Date” is the date of this agreement, as defined under section 26.2;
- (2) the “Assistance Listings Number” is 20.823 and the “Assistance Listings Title” is “Port Infrastructure Development Program”; and
- (3) this award is not for research and development.

24.2 Federal Award Identification Number. The Federal Award Identification Number is listed in section 8 of schedule A.

24.3 Recipient’s Unique Entity Identifier. The Recipient’s Unique Entity Identifier, as defined at 2 C.F.R. 25.415, is listed in section 2 of schedule A.

ARTICLE 25 CONSTRUCTION AND DEFINITIONS

25.1 Schedules. This agreement includes the following schedules as integral parts:

Schedule A	Administrative Information
Schedule B	Project Activities
Schedule C	Award Dates and Project Schedule
Schedule D	Award and Project Financial Information
Schedule E	Changes from Application
Schedule F	PIDP Designations
Schedule G	PIDP Performance Measurement Information
Schedule H	Climate Change and Environmental Justice Impacts
Schedule I	Racial Equity and Barriers to Opportunity
Schedule J	Labor and Work

25.2 Exhibits. The following exhibits, which are located in the document titled “Exhibits to MARAD Grant Agreements Under the Fiscal Year 2022 Port Infrastructure Development Program,” dated November 28, 2022, and available at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/grants-finances/federal-grant-assistance/marad-fy-2022-pidp-exhibits>, are part of this agreement.

Exhibit A	Applicable Federal Laws and Regulations
Exhibit B	Additional Standard Terms
Exhibit C	Quarterly Project Progress Reports and Recertifications: Format and Content

25.3 Construction.

(a) In these General Terms and Conditions:

- (1) unless expressly specified, a reference to a section or article refers to that section or article in these General Terms and Conditions;
- (2) a reference to a section or other subdivision of a schedule listed in section 25.1 will expressly identify the relevant schedule; and
- (3) there are no references to articles or sections in project-specific portions of the agreement that are not contained in schedules listed in section 25.1.

(b) If a provision in these General Terms and Conditions or the exhibits conflicts with a provision in the project-specific portion of the agreement, then the project-specific portion of the agreement prevails. If a provision in the exhibits conflicts with a provision in these General Terms and Conditions, then the provision in these General Terms and Conditions prevails.

25.4 Integration. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties relating to the PIDP grant program and awards under that program and supersedes any previous agreements, oral or written, relating to the PIDP grant program and awards under that program.

25.5 Definitions. In this agreement, the following definitions apply:

“**General Terms and Conditions**” means this document, including articles 1–26.

“**Program Statute**” means the collective statutory text:

- (1) at 46 U.S.C. 54301;
- (2) under the heading “Port Infrastructure Development Program” in title VIII of division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021), and all other provisions of that act that apply to amounts appropriated under that heading; and
- (3) under the heading “Port Infrastructure Development Program” in title I of division L of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022), and all other provisions of that act that apply to amounts appropriated under that heading.

“**Project**” means the project proposed in the Technical Application, as modified by the negotiated provisions of this agreement, including schedules A–J.

“**PIDP Grant**” means an award of funds that were made available under the NOFO.

“**Technical Application**” means the application identified in section 1 of schedule A, including Standard Form 424 and all information and attachments submitted with that form through Grants.gov.

ARTICLE 26

AGREEMENT EXECUTION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

26.1 Counterparts. This agreement may be executed in counterparts, which constitute one document. The parties intend each countersigned original to have identical legal effect.

26.2 Effective Date. The agreement will become effective when all parties have signed it. The date of this agreement will be the date this agreement is signed by the last party to sign it. This instrument constitutes a PIDP Grant when MARAD’s authorized representative signs it.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MARITIME ADMINISTRATION**

**EXHIBITS TO MARAD GRANT AGREEMENTS UNDER THE
FISCAL YEAR 2022 PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

NOVEMBER 28, 2022

EXHIBIT A
APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS

By entering into this agreement for a FY 2022 PIDP Grant, the Recipient assures and certifies, with respect to this Grant, that it will comply with all applicable Federal laws, regulations, executive orders, policies, guidelines, and requirements as they relate to the application, acceptance, and use of Federal funds for this Project. Performance under this agreement shall be governed by and in compliance with the following requirements, as applicable, to the type of organization of the Recipient and any applicable sub-recipients. The applicable provisions to this agreement include, but are not limited to, the following:

General Federal Legislation

- a. Davis-Bacon Act - 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141, et seq.
- b. Federal Fair Labor Standards Act - 29 U.S.C. §§ 201, et seq.
- c. Hatch Act - 5 U.S.C. §§ 1501, et seq.
- d. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 - 42 U.S.C. §§ 4601, et seq.
- e. National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 - 54 U.S.C. § 306108
- f. Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 - 54 U.S.C. §§ 312501, et seq.
- g. Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act - 25 U.S.C. §§ 3001, et seq.
- h. Clean Air Act – 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401, et seq.
- i. Clean Water Act - 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251, et seq.
- j. Endangered Species Act – 16 U.S.C. §§ 1531 et seq.
- k. Coastal Zone Management Act – 16 U.S.C. §§ 1451 et seq.
- l. Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 – 42 U.S.C. §§ 4001 et seq.
- m. Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended - 42 U.S.C. §§ 6101, et seq.
- n. American Indian Religious Freedom Act, 42 U.S.C. 1996
- o. Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, 21 U.S.C. §§ 1101, et seq.
- p. The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, P.L. 91-616, as amended - 42 U.S.C. §§ 4541, et seq.
- q. Sections 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 290dd through 290dd-2
- r. Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 - 42 U.S.C. §§ 4151, et seq.
- s. Power Plant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978, P.L. 100-42 - Section 403 - 42 U.S.C. § 8373
- t. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act - 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701, et seq.
- u. Copeland Anti-kickback Act, as amended - 18 U.S.C. § 874 and 40 U.S.C. § 3145
- v. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 - 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321, et seq.
- w. Wild and Scenic Rivers Act – 16 U.S.C. §§ 1271, et seq.
- x. Single Audit Act of 1984 - 31 U.S.C. §§ 7501, et seq.
- y. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 - 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101, et seq.
- z. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended - 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681–1683 and §§ 1685–1687
- aa. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended - 29 U.S.C. § 794
- bb. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 - 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d, et seq.
- cc. Limitation on Use of Appropriated Funds to Influence Certain Federal Contracting and Financial Transactions – 31 U.S.C. § 1352

- dd. Freedom of Information Act - 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended
- ee. Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act – 16 U.S.C. §§ 1801, et seq.
- ff. Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981 – 7 U.S.C. §§ 4201, et seq.
- gg. Noise Control Act of 1972 – 42 U.S.C. §§ 4901, et seq.
- hh. Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act of 1956 – 16 U.S.C. §§ 661, et seq.
- ii. Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and the General Bridge Act of 1946 - 33 U.S.C. §§ 401 and 525
- jj. Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966, 49 U.S.C. § 303 and 23 U.S.C. § 138
- kk. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) – 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601, et seq.
- ll. Safe Drinking Water Act – 42 U.S.C. §§ 300f, et seq.
- mm. The Wilderness Act – 16 U.S.C. §§ 1131, et seq.
- nn. Migratory Bird Treaty Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 703, et seq.
- oo. The Federal Funding Transparency and Accountability Act of 2006, as amended (Pub. L. 109–282, as amended by section 6202 of Public Law 110–252)
- pp. Cargo Preference Act of 1954 – 46 U.S.C. § 55305
- qq. Build America, Buy America Act – Pub. L. No. 117-58, div. G, tit. IX, subtit. A, 135 Stat. 429, 1298
- rr. Section 889 of the John D. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. 115-232

Executive Orders

- a. Executive Order 11246 – Equal Employment Opportunity
- b. Executive Order 11990 – Protection of Wetlands
- c. Executive Order 11988 – Floodplain Management
- d. Executive Order 12372 – Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs
- e. Executive Order 12549 – Debarment and Suspension
- f. Executive Order 12898 – Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations
- g. Executive Order 13166 – Improving Access to Services for Persons With Limited English Proficiency
- h. Executive Order 13985 – Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government
- i. Executive Order 14005 – Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America’s Workers
- j. Executive Order 14008 – Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad

General Federal Regulations

- a. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards – 2 C.F.R. Parts 200, 1201
- b. Non-procurement Suspension and Debarment – 2 C.F.R. Parts 180, 1200
- c. Investigative and Enforcement Procedures – 14 C.F.R. Part 13
- d. Procedures for predetermination of wage rates – 29 C.F.R. Part 1
- e. Contractors and subcontractors on public building or public work financed in whole or

- part by loans or grants from the United States – 29 C.F.R. Part 3
- f. Labor standards provisions applicable to contracts governing federally financed and assisted construction (also labor standards provisions applicable to non-construction contracts subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act) – 29 C.F.R. Part 5
 - g. Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor (Federal and federally assisted contracting requirements) – 41 C.F.R. Parts 60, et seq.
 - h. New Restrictions on Lobbying – 49 C.F.R. Part 20
 - i. Nondiscrimination in Federally Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation – Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 – 49 C.F.R. Part 21
 - j. Uniform relocation assistance and real property acquisition for Federal and Federally assisted programs – 49 C.F.R. Part 24
 - k. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance – 49 C.F.R. Part 25
 - l. Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance – 49 C.F.R. Part 27
 - m. DOT’s implementation of DOJ’s ADA Title II regulations compliance procedures for all programs, services, and regulatory activities relating to transportation under 28 C.F.R. Part 35
 - n. Enforcement of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities Conducted by the Department of Transportation – 49 C.F.R. Part 28
 - o. Denial of public works contracts to suppliers of goods and services of countries that deny procurement market access to U.S. contractors – 49 C.F.R. Part 30
 - p. Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance) – 49 C.F.R. Part 32
 - q. DOT’s implementing ADA regulations for transit services and transit vehicles, including the DOT’s standards for accessible transportation facilities in Part 37, Appendix A – 49 C.F.R. Parts 37 and 38
 - r. Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs – 49 C.F.R. Part 26 (as applicable under section 18.3 of this agreement)
 - s. Preference for Privately Owned Commercial U.S. Flag Vessels – 46 C.F.R. Part 381

Specific assurances required to be included in the FY 2022 PIDP Grant agreement by any of the above laws, regulations, or circulars are hereby incorporated by reference into this agreement.

EXHIBIT B
ADDITIONAL STANDARD TERMS

TERM B.1
TITLE VI ASSURANCE
(Implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended)

**ASSURANCE CONCERNING NONDISCRIMINATION IN FEDERALLY-ASSISTED
PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES RECEIVING OR BENEFITING FROM FEDERAL
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

(Implementing the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans With Disabilities
Act, as amended)

49 C.F.R. Parts 21, 25, 27, 37 and 38

The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT)

Standard Title VI/Non-Discrimination Assurances

DOT Order No. 1050.2A

By signing and submitting the Technical Application and by entering into this agreement under the FY 2022 PIDP, the Recipient **HEREBY AGREES THAT**, as a condition to receiving any Federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), through the Maritime Administration (MARAD), it is subject to and will comply with the following:

Statutory/Regulatory 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);
- 49 C.F.R. Part 21 (entitled *Non-discrimination In Federally-Assisted Programs Of The Department Of Transportation—Effectuation Of Title VI Of The Civil Rights Act Of 1964*);
- 28 C.F.R. section 50.3 (U.S. Department of Justice Guidelines for Enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);

The preceding statutory and regulatory cites hereinafter are referred to as the “Acts” and “Regulations,” respectively.

General Assurances

In accordance with the Acts, the Regulations, and other pertinent directives, circulars, policy, memoranda, and/or guidance, the Recipient hereby gives assurance that it will promptly take any measures necessary to ensure that:

“No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise

subjected to discrimination under any program or activity,” for which the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance from DOT, including MARAD.

The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 clarified the original intent of Congress, with respect to Title VI and other Non-discrimination requirements (The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973), by restoring the broad, institutional-wide scope and coverage of these non-discrimination statutes and requirements to include all programs and activities of the Recipient, so long as any portion of the program is Federally assisted.

Specific Assurances

More specifically, and without limiting the above general Assurance, the Recipient agrees with and gives the following Assurances with respect to its Federally assisted FY 2022 PIDP grant:

1. The Recipient agrees that each “activity,” “facility,” or “program,” as defined in §§ 21.23 (b) and 21.23 (e) of 49 C.F.R. § 21 will be (with regard to an “activity”) facilitated, or will be (with regard to a “facility”) operated, or will be (with regard to a “program”) conducted in compliance with all requirements imposed by, or pursuant to the Acts and the Regulations.
2. The Recipient will insert the following notification in all solicitations for bids, Requests For Proposals for work, or material subject to the Acts and the Regulations made in connection with the FY 2022 PIDP Grant and, in adapted form, in all proposals for negotiated agreements regardless of funding source:

“The Recipient, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that for any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.”

3. The Recipient will insert the clauses of Appendix A and E of this Assurance in every contract or agreement subject to the Acts and the Regulations.
4. The Recipient will insert the clauses of Appendix B of this Assurance, as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a Recipient.
5. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance to construct a facility, or part of a facility, the Assurance will extend to the entire facility and facilities operated in connection therewith.

6. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance in the form, or for the acquisition of real property or an interest in real property, the Assurance will extend to rights to space on, over, or under such property.
7. That the Recipient will include the clauses set forth in Appendix C and Appendix D of this Assurance, as a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Recipient with other parties:
 - a. for the subsequent transfer of real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program; and
 - b. for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program.
8. That this Assurance obligates the Recipient for the period during which Federal financial assistance is extended to the program, except where the Federal financial assistance is to provide, or is in the form of, personal property, or real property, or interest therein, or structures or improvements thereon, in which case the Assurance obligates the Recipient, or any transferee for the longer of the following periods:
 - a. the period during which the property is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended, or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits; or
 - b. the period during which the Recipient retains ownership or possession of the property.
9. The Recipient will provide for such methods of administration for the program as are found by the Secretary of Transportation or the official to whom he/she delegates specific authority to give reasonable guarantee that it, other recipients, sub-recipients, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, transferees, successors in interest, and other participants of Federal financial assistance under such program will comply with all requirements imposed or pursuant to the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.
10. The Recipient agrees that the United States has a right to seek judicial enforcement with regard to any matter arising under the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.

By signing this ASSURANCE, the Recipient also agrees to comply (and require any sub-recipients, contractors, successors, transferees, and/or assignees to comply) with all applicable provisions governing MARAD's access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. You also recognize that you must comply with any program or compliance reviews, and/or complaint investigations conducted by MARAD. You must keep records, reports, and submit the material for review upon request to MARAD, or its designee in a timely, complete, and accurate way. Additionally, you must comply with all other reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance.

The Recipient gives this ASSURANCE in consideration of and for obtaining any Federal grants, loans, contracts, agreements, property, and/or discounts, or other Federal-aid and Federal

financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the recipients by the U.S. Department of Transportation under the FY 2022 PIDP. This ASSURANCE is binding on the Recipient, other recipients, sub-recipients, contractors, subcontractors and their subcontractors', transferees, successors in interest, and any other participants in the FY 2022 PIDP.

APPENDIX A

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, Maritime Administration (MARAD), 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 C.F.R. 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 MARAD 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 MARAD, 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 MARAD 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 MARAD 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.

APPENDIX B

CLAUSES FOR DEEDS TRANSFERRING UNITED STATES PROPERTY

The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interest therein from the United States pursuant to the provisions of Specific Assurance 4:

NOW, THEREFORE, the U.S. Department of Transportation as authorized by law and upon the condition that the Recipient will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021), the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022), 46 U.S.C. 54301, the Regulations for the Administration of FY 2022 PIDP, and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Maritime Administration (MARAD) of the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the Recipient all the right, title and interest of the U.S. Department of Transportation in and to said lands described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(HABENDUM CLAUSE)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto Recipient and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the Recipient, its successors and assigns.

The Recipient, in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interests in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over, or under such lands hereby conveyed [,] [and]* (2) that the Recipient will use the lands and interests in lands and interests in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended[, and (3) that in the event of breach of any of the above-mentioned non-discrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter said lands and facilities on said land, and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the U.S. Department of Transportation and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction].*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

APPENDIX C

CLAUSES FOR TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR IMPROVED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY, OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Recipient pursuant to the provisions of Specific Assurance 7(a):

- A. The (Recipient, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add “as a covenant running with the land”] that:
 - 1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a U.S. Department of Transportation activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (Recipient, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Acts and Regulations (as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.
- B. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, Recipient will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the Recipient will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above described lands and facilities will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the Recipient and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

APPENDIX D

CLAUSES FOR CONSTRUCTION/USE/ACCESS TO REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/agreements entered into by Recipient pursuant to the provisions of Specific Assurance 7(b):

- A. The (Recipient, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the case of deeds and leases add, “as a covenant running with the land”) that (1) no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (Recipient, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Acts and Regulations, as amended, set forth in this Assurance.
- B. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.), in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, Recipient will have the right to terminate the (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, Recipient will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of Recipient and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

APPENDIX E

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 C.F.R. 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 C.F.R. 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 U.S.C. § 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 nondiscrimination 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).

TERM B.2
CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS -- PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTIONS

2 C.F.R. Parts 180 and 1200

These assurances and certifications are 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 MARAD approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 C.F.R. Parts 180 and 1200.

By signing and submitting the Technical Application and by entering into this agreement under the FY 2022 PIDP, the Recipient is providing the assurances and certifications for First Tier Participants and Lower Tier Participants in the FY 2022 PIDP Grant, as set out below.

1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

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

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

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

e. The terms “covered transaction,” “civil judgment,” “debarred,” “suspended,” “ineligible,” “participant,” “person,” “principal,” and “voluntarily excluded,” as used in this clause, are defined in 2 C.F.R. Parts 180 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 to any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

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

a. 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.

d. The terms “covered transaction,” “civil settlement,” “debarred,” “suspended,” “ineligible,” “participant,” “person,” “principal,” and “voluntarily excluded,” as used in this clause, are defined in 2 C.F.R. Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. “First Tier Covered Transactions” refers to any covered transaction between a 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).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TERM B.3
REQUIREMENTS REGARDING DELINQUENT TAX LIABILITY OR A FELONY
CONVICTION UNDER ANY FEDERAL LAW

As required by sections 744 and 745 of Title VII, Division E of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103 (Mar. 15, 2022), and implemented through USDOT Order 4200.6, the funds provided under this award shall not be used to enter into a contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative agreement with, make a grant to, or provide a loan or loan guarantee to, any corporation that:

- (1) Has 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, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless a Federal agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or
- (2) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless a Federal agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

The Recipient therefore agrees:

1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this exhibit, the following definitions apply:

“**Covered Transaction**” means a transaction that uses any funds under this award and that is a contract, memorandum of understanding, cooperative agreement, grant, loan, or loan guarantee.

“**Felony Conviction**” means a conviction within the preceding 24 months of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law and includes conviction of an offense defined in a section of the United States Code that specifically classifies the offense as a felony and conviction of an offense that is classified as a felony under 18 U.S.C. 3559.

“**Participant**” means the Recipient, an entity who submits a proposal for a Covered Transaction, or an entity who enters into a Covered Transaction.

“**Tax Delinquency**” means an 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.

2. **Mandatory Check in the System for Award Management.** Before entering a Covered Transaction with another entity, a Participant shall check the System for Award Management (the “SAM”) at <http://www.sam.gov/> for an entry describing that entity.

3. **Mandatory Certifications.** Before entering a Covered Transaction with another entity, a Participant shall require that entity to:

- (1) Certify whether the entity has a Tax Delinquency; and
- (2) Certify whether the entity has a Felony Conviction.

4 **Prohibition. If**

- (1) the SAM entry for an entity indicates that the entity has a Tax Delinquency or a Federal Conviction;
- (2) an entity provides an affirmative response to either certification in section 3; or
- (3) an entity’s certification under section 3 was inaccurate when made or became inaccurate after being made

then a Participant shall not enter or continue a Covered Transaction with that entity unless the USDOT has determined in writing that suspension or debarment of that entity are not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

5. **Mandatory Notice to the USDOT.**

- (a) If the SAM entry for a Participant indicates that the Participant has a Tax Delinquency or a Felony Conviction, the Recipient shall notify the USDOT in writing of that entry.
- (b) If a Participant provides an affirmative response to either certification in section 1, the Recipient shall notify the USDOT in writing of that affirmative response.
- (c) If the Recipient knows that a Participant’s certification under section 1 was inaccurate when made or became inaccurate after being made, the Recipient shall notify the USDOT in writing of that inaccuracy.

6. **Flow Down.** For all Covered Transactions, including all tiers of subcontracts and subawards, the Recipient shall:

- (1) require the SAM check in section 2;
- (2) require the certifications in section 3;
- (3) include the prohibition in section 4; and

(4) require all Participants to notify the Recipient in writing of any information that would require the Recipient to notify the USDOT under section 5.

TERM B.4
RECIPIENT POLICY TO BAN TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING

(a) *Definitions.* The following definitions are intended to be consistent with the definitions in DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving (Dec. 30, 2009) and Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving (Oct. 1, 2009). For clarification purposes, they may expand upon the definitions in the executive order.

For the purpose of this term B.3, “**Motor Vehicles**” means any vehicle, self-propelled or drawn by mechanical power, designed and operated principally for use on a local, State or Federal roadway, but does not include a military design motor vehicle or any other vehicle excluded under Federal Management Regulation 102-34-15.

For the purpose of this term B.3, “**Driving**” means operating a motor vehicle on a roadway, including while temporarily stationary because of traffic congestion, a traffic signal, a stop sign, another traffic control device, or otherwise. It does not include being in your vehicle (with or without the motor running) in a location off the roadway where it is safe and legal to remain stationary.

For the purpose of this term B.3, “**Text messaging**” means reading from or entering data into any handheld or other electronic device (including, but not limited to, cell phones, navigational tools, laptop computers, or other electronic devices), including for the purpose of Short Message Service (SMS) texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, obtaining navigational information, or engaging in any other form of electronic data retrieval or electronic data communication. The term does not include the use of a cell phone or other electronic device for the limited purpose of entering a telephone number to make an outgoing call or answer an incoming call, unless this practice is prohibited by State or local law. The term also does not include glancing at or listening to a navigational device that is secured in a commercially designed holder affixed to the vehicle, provided that the destination and route are programmed into the device either before driving or while stopped in a location off the roadway where it is safe and legal to remain stationary.

For the purpose of this term B.3, the “**Government**” includes the United States Government and State, local, and tribal governments at all levels.

(b) *Workplace Safety.* In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving (Oct. 1, 2009) and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving (Dec. 30, 2009), the Recipient, subrecipients, contractors, and subcontractors are encouraged to:

(1) adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers including policies to ban text messaging while driving—

(i) Company-owned or -rented vehicles or Government-owned, leased or rented vehicles; or

(ii) Privately-owned vehicles when on official Government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Government.

(2) Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as—

(i) Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and

(ii) Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.

(c) *Subawards and Contracts*. To the extent permitted by law, the Recipient shall insert the substance of this exhibit, including this paragraph (c), in all subawards, contracts, and subcontracts under this award that exceed the micro-purchase threshold, other than contracts and subcontracts for the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.

TERM B.5
**REQUIRED USE OF AMERICAN IRON, STEEL, MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS,
AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**

This award term implements § 70914(a) of the Build America, Buy America Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58, div. G, tit. IX, subtit. A, 135 Stat. 429, 1298 (2021) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-22-11, “Initial Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure.”

Requirement to Use Iron, Steel, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials Produced in the United States.

The Recipient shall not use funds provided under this award for a project for infrastructure unless:

- (1) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States—this means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States;
- (2) all manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States—this means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product; and
- (3) all construction materials are manufactured in the United States—this means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States.

Inapplicability.

The domestic content procurement preference in this award term only applies to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought to the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a Buy America preference apply to equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project, but are not an integral part of the structure or permanently affixed to the infrastructure project.

Waivers.

When necessary, the Recipient may apply for, and the USDOT may grant, a waiver from the domestic content procurement preference in this award term.

A request to waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference must be in writing. The USDOT will provide instructions on the waiver process and on the format, contents,

and supporting materials required for any waiver request. Waiver requests are subject to public comment periods of no less than 15 days and must be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Made in America Office.

When the USDOT has made a determination that one of the following exceptions applies, the awarding official may waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference in any case in which the USDOT determines that:

- (1) applying the domestic content procurement preference would be inconsistent with the public interest;
- (2) the types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or
- (3) the inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

There may be instances where an award qualifies, in whole or in part, for an existing waiver described at <https://www.transportation.gov/office-policy/transportation-policy/made-in-america>.

Definitions

“Construction materials” includes an article, material, or supply—other than an item of primarily iron or steel; a manufactured product; cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives—that is or consists primarily of:

- non-ferrous metals;
- plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables);
- glass (including optic glass);
- lumber; or
- drywall.

“Domestic content procurement preference” means all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States; the manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States; or the construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.

“Primarily iron or steel” means that the cost of the iron and steel content in the article, material, or supply exceeds 50 percent of the total cost of all its components. The cost of iron and steel is the cost of the iron or steel mill products (such as bar, billet, slab, wire, plate, or sheet), castings, or forgings utilized in the manufacture of the product and a good faith estimate of the cost of iron or steel components. The origin of the elements of the iron or steel is not relevant to the determination of whether it is domestic or foreign.

“Project” means the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of infrastructure in the United States.

EXHIBIT C
QUARTERLY PROJECT PROGRESS REPORTS AND RECERTIFICATIONS:
FORMAT AND CONTENT

- 1. Purpose.** The purpose of the Quarterly Project Progress Reports and Recertifications under this agreement for the FY 2022 PIDP are to ensure that the project scope, schedule, and budget will be maintained to the maximum extent possible.
- 2. Format and Content.** The Recipient shall produce a quarterly cost, schedule, and status report that contains the sections enumerated in the following list. At the discretion of MARAD, modifications or additions can be made to produce a quarterly reporting format that will most effectively serve both the Recipient and MARAD. Some projects will have a more extensive quarterly status than others. For smaller projects, MARAD may determine that the content of the quarterly reports will be streamlined and project status meetings will be held on a less-frequent basis. The first quarterly progress report should include a detailed description and, where appropriate, drawings of the items funded.

 - (a) Project Overall Status.** This section provides an overall status of the project’s scope, schedule and budget. The Recipient shall note and explain any deviations from the scope of work, the schedule, or the budget that are described in this agreement.
 - (b) Project Significant Activities and Issues.** This section provides highlights of key activities, accomplishments, and issues occurring on the project during the previous quarter. Activities and deliverables to be reported on should include meetings, audits and other reviews, design packages submitted, advertisements, awards, construction submittals, construction completion milestones, submittals related to any applicable Recovery Act requirements, media or Congressional inquiries, value engineering/constructability reviews, and other items of significance.
 - (c) Action Items/Outstanding Issues.** This section should draw attention to, and track the progress of, highly significant or sensitive issues requiring action and direction in order to resolve. The Recipient should include administrative items and outstanding issues that could have a significant or adverse effect on the project’s scope, schedule, or budget. Status, responsible person(s), and due dates should be included for each action item/outstanding issue. Action items requiring action or direction should be included in the quarterly status meeting agenda. The action items/outstanding issues may be dropped from this section upon full implementation of the remedial action, and upon no further monitoring anticipated.
 - (d) Project Scope Overview.** The purpose of this section is to provide a further update regarding the project scope. If the original scope contained in the grant agreement is still accurate, this section can simply state that the scope is unchanged.
 - (e) Project Schedule.** An updated master program schedule reflecting the current status of the program activities should be included in this section. A Gantt (bar) type chart is probably the most appropriate for quarterly reporting purposes, with the ultimate

format to be agreed upon between the Recipient and MARAD. It is imperative that the master program schedule be integrated, i.e., the individual contract milestones tied to each other, such that any delays occurring in one activity will be reflected throughout the entire program schedule, with a realistic completion date being reported. Narratives, tables, and/or graphs should accompany the updated master program schedule, basically detailing the current schedule status, delays and potential exposures, and recovery efforts. The following information should also be included:

- Current overall project completion percentage vs. latest plan percentage.
- Completion percentages vs. latest plan percentages for major activities such as right-of-way, major or critical design contracts, major or critical construction contracts, and significant force accounts or task orders. A schedule status description should also be included for each of these major or critical elements.
- Any delays or potential exposures to milestone and final completion dates. The delays and exposures should be quantified, and overall schedule impacts assessed. The reasons for the delays and exposures should be explained, and initiatives being analyzed or implemented in order to recover the schedule should be detailed.

(f) Project Cost. An updated cost spreadsheet reflecting the current forecasted cost vs. the latest approved budget vs. the baseline budget should be included in this section. One way to track project cost is to show: (1) Baseline Budget, (2) Latest Approved Budget, (3) Current Forecasted Cost Estimate, (4) Expenditures or Commitments to Date, and (5) Variance between Current Forecasted Cost and Latest Approved Budget. Line items should include all significant cost centers, such as prior costs, right-of-way, preliminary engineering, environmental mitigation, general engineering consultant, section design contracts, construction administration, utilities, construction packages, force accounts/task orders, wrap-up insurance, construction contingencies, management contingencies, and other contingencies. The line items can be broken-up in enough detail such that specific areas of cost change can be sufficiently tracked and future improvements made to the overall cost estimating methodology. A Program Total line should be included at the bottom of the spreadsheet. Narratives, tables, and/or graphs should accompany the updated cost spreadsheet, basically detailing the current cost status, reasons for cost deviations, impacts of cost overruns, and efforts to mitigate cost overruns. The following information should be provided:

- Reasons for each line item deviation from the approved budget, impacts resulting from the deviations, and initiatives being analyzed or implemented in order to recover any cost overruns.
- Transfer of costs to and from contingency line items, and reasons supporting the transfers.

- Speculative cost changes that potentially may develop in the future, a quantified dollar range for each potential cost change, and the current status of the speculative change. Also, a comparison analysis to the available contingency amounts should be included, showing that reasonable and sufficient amounts of contingency remain to keep the project within the latest approved budget.
- Detailed cost breakdown of the general engineering consultant (GEC) services (if applicable), including such line items as contract amounts, task orders issued (amounts), balance remaining for tasks, and accrued (billable) costs.
- Federal obligations and/or disbursements for the project, compared to planned obligations and disbursements.

(g) Federal Financial Report (SF-425). The Federal Financial Report (SF-425) is a financial reporting form used throughout the Federal Government Grant system. Recipients shall complete this form and attach it to each quarterly Project Progress and Monitoring Report. The form is available at <https://www.grants.gov/forms/post-award-reporting-forms.html>.

(h) Certifications.

- i. A certification that the Recipient is in compliance with 2 C.F.R. 200.303 (Internal Controls) and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F (Audit Requirements).
- ii. The certification required under 2 C.F.R. 200.415(a).

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AFTER MAY 13, 2022—FOR REFERENCE ONLY**

**REQUIRED USE OF AMERICAN IRON, STEEL, MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS,
AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**

This award term implements § 70914(a) of the Build America, Buy America Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58, div. G, tit. IX, subtit. A, 135 Stat. 429, 1298 (2021) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-22-11, “Initial Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure.”

Requirement to Use Iron, Steel, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials Produced in the United States.

The Recipient shall not use funds provided under this award for a project for infrastructure unless:

- (1) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States—this means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States;
- (2) all manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States—this means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product; and
- (3) all construction materials are manufactured in the United States—this means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States.

Inapplicability.

The domestic content procurement preference in this award term only applies to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought to the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a Buy America preference apply to equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project, but are not an integral part of the structure or permanently affixed to the infrastructure project.

Waivers.

When necessary, the Recipient may apply for, and the USDOT may grant, a waiver from the domestic content procurement preference in this award term.

A request to waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference must be in writing. The USDOT will provide instructions on the waiver process and on the format, contents, and supporting materials required for any waiver request. Waiver requests are subject to public

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comment periods of no less than 15 days and must be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Made in America Office.

When the USDOT has made a determination that one of the following exceptions applies, the awarding official may waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference in any case in which the USDOT determines that:

- (1) applying the domestic content procurement preference would be inconsistent with the public interest;
- (2) the types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or
- (3) the inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

There may be instances where an award qualifies, in whole or in part, for an existing waiver described at <https://www.transportation.gov/office-policy/transportation-policy/made-in-america>.

Definitions

“Construction materials” includes an article, material, or supply—other than an item of primarily iron or steel; a manufactured product; cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives—that is or consists primarily of:

- non-ferrous metals;
- plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables);
- glass (including optic glass);
- lumber; or
- drywall.

“Domestic content procurement preference” means all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States; the manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States; or the construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.

“Primarily iron or steel” means that the cost of the iron and steel content in the article, material, or supply exceeds 50 percent of the total cost of all its components. The cost of iron and steel is the cost of the iron or steel mill products (such as bar, billet, slab, wire, plate, or sheet), castings, or forgings utilized in the manufacture of the product and a good faith estimate of the cost of iron or steel components. The origin of the elements of the iron or steel is not relevant to the determination of whether it is domestic or foreign.

“Project” means the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of infrastructure in the United States.