

Federal Procurement Requirements

for

The San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority Third Party Contracts



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FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA)
 REQUIRED PROCUREMENT CLAUSES

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The San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority (RTA) hereby designates that it is the responsibility of the Proposer/Contractor to ensure that all clauses applicable to the Work of the Agreement resultant from this Purchase Order/Contract Agreement are adhered to by the Contractor and its Subcontractors when applicable.

In accordance with **49 U.S.C. § 5325(a) and Title 23**, the RTA shall ensure that all procurement transactions will be all be conducted in a manner that provides full and open competition.

ALL CLAUSES & CERTIFICATIONS HEREINAFTER ARE PROVIDED FOR PROCUREMENTS (AS APPLICABLE) INVOLVING FTA (FEDERAL) ASSISTANCE, IN COMPLIANCE WITH FTA REGULATIONS, AND MAINTAINED FOR FTA REVIEWS.

The RTA reserves the right to cancel the solicitation, without penalty, and at its sole discretion.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FTA REQUIRED CONTRACT CLAUSES
 (PROCUREMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS)**

By signature below, the Contractor (or designated representative of the Contractor) agrees to comply with Federal Procurement Terms and Conditions outlined below. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) clauses listed below are herein incorporated into the Purchase Agreement Terms and Conditions for the RTA.

Date: _____

Business/Contractor Name: _____

Representative Name (Print): _____ **Title:** _____

Representative Signature: _____

Contract Type: _____

Purchase Order/Contract No: _____ **Amount:** _____

TABLE 1: FTA REQUIRED PROCUREMENT CLAUSES

Sec.	Federal Contract Clause	Applicability to Type of Contract	Master Agrmnt Ref
1	No Federal Government Obligation to Third Parties	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contract > \$2K	2.f
2	Notification to FTA (Legal Matters, Matters Affecting the Federal Government & Additional Notices to the US DOT)	Value > \$25K	2 C.F.R. §§ 180.220 & 1200.220
3	Program Fraud & False/Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contract > \$2K	3.f
4	Severability	All	
5	Access to Records, Reports & Sites	All	15.t
6	Federal Changes	All	2.c(1)
7	Civil Rights (Nondiscrimination in Federal Public Transportation Programs, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, EEO and ADA)	All	12
8	Incorporation of FTA Terms	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contracts > \$2K	15.a FTA C4220.1F
9	Federal Law and Public Policy Requirements	All	12
10	Federal Termination Rights (2 CFR §200.340)	All	
11	Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility& Voluntary Exclusion	Value > \$25K	3.b 2CFR Parts 180 & 1200
12	Termination (2 CFR part 200)	All	11 49CFR Part 18
13	Violation & Breach of Contract	Value > \$250K	56
14	Lobbying Restrictions	Value > \$100K	3.d
15	Cargo Preference (Use of US Flag Vessels)	Equipment/Material/Commodities Transported by Ocean Vessels	14.b
16	Fly America	When Air Transportation Between the U.S. and Outside the U.S. and Paid By FTA Funds	14.c
17	Employee Protections (David Bacon Act, Prevailing Wage & Copeland Anti-Kickback, Contract Work Hours/Safety Standards,	Prevailing Wage: Construction or Facility Improvement Contracts Value > \$2K Contract Work Hours/Safety Standards: Non Construction Employees: Contracts that Involve Mechanics or Laborers and Value > \$100,000	24.a 24.b
18	Seismic Safety	New Construction/Additions to Existing Buildings	23.e
19	Veterans Employment (49 USC § 5302(3))	Capital Projects > \$250K	49 USC § 5325(k)
20	Bonding for construction activities	Construction or Facility Improvement Contracts Value > \$150K 5% bid guarantee; 100% performance bond and payment bond equal to 50% for contracts > \$1m, 40% for contract > \$1m-<\$5m, \$2.5m for contracts > \$5m	15.0(1)

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21	Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements (49 USC §5333(b))	Transit Service Operations Contracts Only	24.d
22	Charter Service	Charter Operations Service (N/A for RTA)	28
23	School Bus Operations	School Bus Service Operations (N/A for RTA)	29
24	Motor Carrier Safety	Transit Service Operations Contracts Only	49 CFR Part 387
25	Safe Operations of Motor Vehicles (Seat Belt Use, Distracted Driving)	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contract > \$2K	23USC §402 EO 13043
26	Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contract > \$2K	23USC §402
27	Substance Abuse (Drug & Alcohol Testing) Safety sensitive functions. Applies to Sections 5307, 5309 and 5311 projects.	All Contracts with Contractors who perform Safety-Sensitive Functions as defined by 49 CFR Part 655.4	32.b 49 CFR Part 40
28	Buy America	Value > \$150K for Contracts that Involve the Purchase of Iron, Steel, Manufactured Goods or Rolling Stock	14.a
29	Prohibited Telecommunications / Surveillance Services / Equipment	All	PL 115-232 section 889
30	Air Pollution	Rolling Stock Acquisition	
31	Rolling Stock Limitations	Rolling Stock Acquisition	49 USC § 5323(u)
32	Pre-Award & Post-Delivery Audits of Rolling Stock Purchases (49 CFR part 663)	Rolling Stock Acquisition	15.n(3)
33	Bus Testing	Rolling Stock Acquisition	15.n(4)
34	Environmental Protections (NEPA, Other Environmental Laws, Use of Certain Public Lands, Historic Preservation, Indian Sacred Sites)	Construction > \$150K	
35	Clean Air Act & Federal Water Pollution Act	Value > \$150K	25.b 25.c
36	Energy Conservation	Construction > \$250K	26
37	Recycled Products (Solid Wastes)	EPA designated items Value > \$10K In Fiscal Year	15.k
38	Intellectual Property / Patent Rights & Rights in Data	Contracts for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work	17 18
39	Compliance with National ITS Architecture Policy	Contracts & Solicitations for National Intelligent Transportation System projects	
40	National Transit Database (NTD) Reporting	Transit Service Operations Contracts	
41	Trafficking in Persons	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contracts > \$2K	
42	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Requirements	Value > \$10K, except Construction Contract > \$2K	12.d 49 CFR part 26
43	Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) . Contracts for rolling stock or facilities construction/renovation	All	12.g

Sec.	Federal Contract Clause	Applicability to Type of Contract	Master Agrmnt Ref
44	Simplified Acquisition Threshold	Value >\$250,000	C.F.R. §§ 200.317–200.327

Other FTA Certifications (Complete ONLY IF Applicable)			Regulatory Reference
A	Debarment and Suspension Certification	Value > \$25K	FTA Master Agreement 3.b
B	Buy America Certification (Including Pre-Award Purchaser's and Post Delivery Certification)	Value > \$150K for Contracts that Involve the Purchase of Iron, Steel, Manufactured Goods or Rolling Stock	14.a 49 CFR Part 661
C	Lobbying Certification	Value > \$100K	3.d(1) 49 CFR Part 20
D	Certificate of Compliance with Bus Testing Requirement	Rolling Stock Acquisition	15.n(4) 49 CFR Part 665
E	Transit Vehicle Manufacturer (TVM) DBE Certification & Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) Certification	Rolling Stock Acquisition	12.d(1) 49 CFR Part 26 and 663
F	Tax Liability Certification	Value > \$100K	49 CFR Part 613

The Federal Transit Administration Master Agreement FTA MA(34) applies to projects financed with federal funds beginning on the effective date of the Master Agreement, until the Master Agreement version is superseded. [FTA Master Agreement \(version 34, Nov 26, 2025\)](#)

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) REQUIREMENTS

The San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority (RTA) utilizes the code of Federal Regulations 2 CFR 200 to oversee procurements. The contractor shall comply with the following FTA requirements. For the purposes of these clauses, the AGENCY is the FTA recipient or subrecipient that is entering the Contract with Contractor.

1. NO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES. *[These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).]*

The Recipient and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying Contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Recipient, Contractor or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying Contract. The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

2. NOTIFICATION TO FTA. *[These requirements apply to all contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$25,000.]*

If a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government emerges, Contractor must promptly notify the AGENCY, which must then promptly notify the FTA Chief Counsel and FTA Regional Counsel for Region 9. Contractor must include an equivalent provision in its subagreements at every tier for any agreement that is a "covered transaction" according to 2 C.F.R. §§ 180.220 and 1200.220.

- a. Types of Legal Matters Requiring Notification. The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason.
- b. Matters Affecting the Federal Government. Matters that may affect the Federal Government include, but are not limited to, the Federal Government's interests in the Award, the Contract, and any Amendments thereto, or the Federal Government's administration or enforcement of federal laws, regulations, and requirements.
- c. Additional Notice to U.S. DOT Inspector General. Contractor must promptly notify the AGENCY, which must then promptly notify the U.S. DOT Inspector General in addition to the FTA Chief Counsel or Regional Counsel for Region 5 if Contractor has knowledge of potential fraud, waste, or abuse occurring on a Project receiving assistance from FTA. The notification provision applies if a person has or may have submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729, et seq., or has or may have committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bid rigging, misappropriation or embezzlement, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving federal assistance. This responsibility occurs whether the Project is subject to this Contract or another agreement between the AGENCY and FTA, or an agreement involving a principal, officer, employee, agent, or Third-Party Participant of the AGENCY. It also applies to subcontractors at any tier. Knowledge, as used in this paragraph, includes, but is not limited to, knowledge of a criminal or civil investigation by a Federal, state, or local law enforcement or other investigative agency, a criminal indictment or civil complaint, or probable cause that could support a criminal indictment, or any other credible information in the possession of Contractor. In this paragraph, "promptly" means to refer information without delay and without change. This notification provision also applies to all divisions of the AGENCY, including divisions tasked with law enforcement or investigatory functions.

3. PROGRAM FRAUD & FALSE/FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS. *[These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).]*

- a. Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR

part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the Contract, Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the Contract or the FTA-assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

- b. Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5323(l) on Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.
- c. Contractors agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

4. SEVERABILITY. The Contractor agrees that if any provision of this agreement or any amendment thereto is determined to be invalid, then the remaining provisions thereof that conform to federal laws, regulations, requirements, and guidance will continue in effect.

5. ACCESS TO RECORDS, REPORTS, & SITES.

- a. Record Retention. The Contractor will retain, and will require its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract, including, but not limited to, data, documents, reports, statistics, leases, subcontracts, arrangements, other third-party Contracts of any type, and supporting materials related to those records.
- b. Retention Period. The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.334. The Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this Contract for a period of at not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this Contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, in which case records shall be maintained until the disposition of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.
- c. Access to Records. The Contractor agrees to provide sufficient access to FTA and its contractors to inspect and audit records and information, including such records and information the contractor or its subcontractors may regard as confidential or proprietary, related to performance of this contract in accordance with 2 CFR § 200.337.
- d. Access to the Sites of Performance. The Contractor agrees to permit FTA and its contractors access to the sites of performance under this contract in accordance with 2 CFR § 200.337.

6. FEDERAL CHANGES. Federal requirements that apply to the Recipient or the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto may change due to changes in federal law, regulation, other requirements, or guidance, or changes in the Recipient's Underlying Agreement including any information incorporated by reference and made part of that Underlying Agreement; and Applicable changes to those federal requirements will apply to each Third-Party Agreement and parties thereto at any tier.

7. CIVIL RIGHTS. The following Federal Civil Rights laws and regulations apply to all contracts.

The Contractor and any subcontractor agree to comply with all the requirements prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin of the Title VI of the Civil Rights Action of 1964, as amended 52 U.S.C 2000d, and U.S. DOT regulation "Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation – Effectuation of the Title VI of the Civil rights Act, "49 C.F. R. Part 21 and any implementing

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requirement FTA may issue. The AGENCY must comply with applicable federal civil rights laws, regulations, and requirements, and follow applicable federal guidance, except as the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing. Therefore, unless an AGENCY or federal program, including any Indian Tribe or Tribal Transit Program, is specifically exempted from a civil rights statute, FTA requires compliance with each civil rights statute, including compliance with equity in service requirements.

Federal Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Requirements. These include, but are not limited to:

- 1 Nondiscrimination in Federal Public Transportation Programs. 49 U.S.C. § 5332, covering projects, programs, and activities financed under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation), disability, or age, and prohibits discrimination in employment or business opportunity.
- 2 Prohibition against Employment Discrimination. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," 49 CFR Part 21, and 49 U.S.C. § 5332, prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq. and implementing Federal regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. part 25 prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex.

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age. The "Age Discrimination Act of 1975," as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., and Department of Health and Human Services implementing regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, prohibit discrimination by participants in federally assisted programs against individuals on the basis of age. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), 29 U.S.C. § 621 et seq., and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) implementing regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, also prohibit employment discrimination against individuals age 40 and over on the basis of age.

Federal Protections for Individuals with Disabilities. The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (ADA), 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in programs, activities, and services, and imposes specific requirements on public and private entities. Third party contractors must comply with their responsibilities under Titles I, II, III, IV, and V of the ADA in employment, public services, public accommodations, telecommunications, and other provisions, many of which are subject to regulations issued by other Federal agencies.

Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity The Agency is an Equal Opportunity Employer. As such, the Agency agrees to comply with all applicable Federal civil rights laws and implementing regulations. Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, the Agency agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(h) (3) by not using any Federal assistance awarded by FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications. Under this Contract, the Contractor shall at all times comply with the following requirements and shall include these requirements in each subcontract entered into as part thereof.

1. Nondiscrimination. In accordance with Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

2. Equal Employment Opportunity. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101, et seq.; and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, or sex (including sexual orientation). In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

3. Age. In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29

C.F.R. part 1625, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any Implementing requirements FTA may issue.

4. Disabilities. In accordance with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4151 et seq., and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against individuals on the basis of disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

5. Federal Law and Public Policy Requirements. The Contractor shall ensure that Federal funding is expended in full accordance with the U.S. 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.

8. INCORPORATION OF FTA TERMS. *[These requirements do not apply to micro- purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).]*

The provisions within include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required under the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 CFR § 200), whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, detailed in 2 CFR § 200 or as amended by 2 CFR § 1201, or the most recent version of FTA Circular 4220.1 are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Contract. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any request which would cause a violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

9. FEDERAL LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY REQUIREMENTS. All Federal funding must be expended in full accordance with the U.S. Constitution, Federal Law, and statutory and public policy requirements, including but not limited to those prohibiting discrimination and protecting free speech, religious liberty, public welfare, and the environment. The Recipient will cooperate with Federal officials in the enforcement of Federal law, including cooperating with and not impeding U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other Federal offices and components of the Department of Homeland Security in the enforcement of Federal immigration law.

10. FEDERAL TERMINATION RIGHTS. The termination rights under this Contract are in addition to, and in no way limit, the Federal Government's right to terminate as described in 2 CFR § 200.340.

11. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY, & VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION. *[This requirement does not apply to contracts and subcontracts under \$25,000.]*

The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180. These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount. As such, the Contractor shall verify that its principals, affiliates, and subcontractors are eligible to participate in this federally funded contract and are not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:

- a) Debarred from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- b) Suspended from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- c) Proposed for debarment from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- d) Declared ineligible to participate in any federally assisted Award;
- e) Voluntarily excluded from participation in any federally assisted Award; or

f) Disqualified from participation in any federally assisted Award.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the AGENCY. If it is later determined by the AGENCY that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the AGENCY, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as supplemented by 2 C.F.R. part 1200, while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

12. TERMINATION.

Termination for Convenience (General Provision). The Agency may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in the Agency's best interest. The Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract close-out costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to Agency to be paid the Contractor. If the Contractor has any property in its possession belonging to Agency, the Contractor will account for the same and dispose of it in the manner Agency directs.

Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision). If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or if the contract is for services, the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the Agency may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default. The Contractor will be paid only the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract. If it is later determined by the Agency that the Contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the Contractor, the Agency, after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

Opportunity to Cure (General Provision). The Agency, in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor [an appropriately short period of time] in which to cure the defect. In such case, the Notice of Termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions. If Contractor fails to remedy to Agency's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within [10 days] after receipt by Contractor of written notice from Agency setting forth the nature of said breach or default, Agency shall have the right to terminate the contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude Agency from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

Waiver of Remedies for any Breach. In the event that Agency elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this contract, such waiver by Agency shall not limit Agency's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other covenant, term, or condition of this contract.

Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts). The Agency, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the Agency's interest. If this contract is terminated, the Agency shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

Termination for Default (Supplies and Service). If the Contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any

other provisions of this contract, the Agency may terminate this contract for default. The Agency shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Agency.

Termination for Default (Transportation Services). If the Contractor fails to pick up the commodities or to perform the services, including delivery services, within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the Agency may terminate this contract for default. The Agency shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract. If this contract is terminated while the Contractor has possession of Agency goods, the Contractor shall, upon direction of the Agency, protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the Agency or its agent. The Contractor and Agency shall agree on payment for the preservation and protection of goods. Failure to agree on an amount will be resolved under the Dispute clause. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Agency.

Termination for Default (Construction). If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will ensure its completion within the time specified in this contract or any extension or fails to complete the work within this time, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provision of this contract, Agency may terminate this contract for default. The Agency shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. In this event, the Agency may take over the work and complete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. The Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the Agency resulting from the Contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within specified time, whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the Agency in completing the work.

The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor shall the Contractor be charged with damages under this clause if: 1. The delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include: acts of God, acts of Agency, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with Agency, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and 2. The Contractor, within [10] days from the beginning of any delay, notifies Agency in writing of the causes of delay. If, in the judgment of Agency, the delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The judgment of Agency shall be final and conclusive for the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clause(s) of this contract. 3. If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of Agency.

Termination for Convenience or Default (Architect and Engineering). The Agency may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the Agency's convenience or because of the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations. The Agency shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall (1) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver to the Agency's Contracting Officer all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process. Agency has a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, all such data,

drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials. If the termination is for the convenience of the Agency, the Agency's Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price but shall allow no anticipated profit on unperformed services. If the termination is for failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations, the Agency may complete the work by contract or otherwise and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the Agency. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of Agency.

Termination for Convenience or Default (Cost-Type Contracts)

The Agency may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor. The notice shall state whether the termination is for convenience of Agency or for the default of the Contractor. If the termination is for default, the notice shall state the manner in which the Contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. The Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from the Agency, or property supplied to the Contractor by the Agency. If the termination is for default, the Agency may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid the Contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the Agency and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid the Contractor. If the termination is for the convenience of Agency, the Contractor shall be paid its contract close-out costs, and a fee, if the contract provided for payment of a fee, in proportion to the work performed up to the time of termination. If, after serving a Notice of Termination for Default, the Agency determines that the Contractor has an excusable reason for not performing, the Agency, after setting up a new work schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

13. VIOLATION & BREACH OF CONTRACT. [These requirements are not applicable to contracts and subcontracts under the simplified acquisition threshold (currently set at \$250,000).] Unless otherwise provided for by the AGENCY, the following provisions shall apply:

- a. Dispute Resolution. Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract that are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the authorized representative of the agency. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within [10] days from the date of receipt of its copy, the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the agencies authorized representative. In connection with any such appeal, the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its position. The decision of the agencies authorized representative shall be binding upon the Contractor and the Contractor shall abide by the decision.
- b. Performance During Disputes. Unless otherwise directed by the agencies authorized representative, contractor shall continue performance under this contract while matters in dispute are being resolved.
- c. Claims for Damages. Should either party to the contract suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the party or of any of his employees, agents or others for whose acts he is legally liable, a claim for damages therefore shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury or damage.
- d. Remedies. Unless this contract provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes and other matters in question between the agencies authorized representative and contractor arising out of or relating to this agreement or its breach will be decided by arbitration if the parties mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State in which the Agency is located.
- e. Rights and Remedies. 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. No action or failure to act by the AGENCY or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under this Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed upon in writing.

14. RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING. *[These requirements do not apply to contracts and subcontracts under \$100,000.]*

Conditions on use of funds.

(a) No appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(b) Each person who requests or receives from an agency a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement shall file with that agency a certification, that the person has not made, and will not make, any payment prohibited by paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Each person who requests or receives from an agency a Federal contract, grant, loan, or a cooperative agreement shall file with that agency a disclosure form if such person has made or has agreed to make any payment using nonappropriated funds (to include profits from any covered Federal action), which would be prohibited under paragraph (a) of this section if paid for with appropriated funds.

(d) Each person who requests or receives from an agency a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan shall file with that agency a statement, whether that person has made or has agreed to make any payment to influence or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with that loan insurance or guarantee.

(e) Each person who requests or receives from an agency a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan shall file with that agency a disclosure form if that person has made or has agreed to make any payment to influence or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with that loan insurance or guarantee.

Certification and disclosure.

(a) Each person shall file a certification, and a disclosure form, if required, with each submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for:

- (1) Award of a Federal contract, grant, or cooperative agreement exceeding \$100,000; or
- (2) An award of a Federal loan or a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan exceeding \$150,000.

(b) Each person shall file a certification, and a disclosure form, if required, upon receipt by such person of:

- (1) A Federal contract, grant, or cooperative agreement exceeding \$100,000; or
- (2) A Federal loan or a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan exceeding \$150,000, Unless such person previously filed a certification, and a disclosure form, if required, under paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Each person shall file a disclosure form at the end of each calendar quarter in which there occurs any event that requires disclosure or that materially affects the accuracy of the information contained in any disclosure form previously filed by such person under paragraphs (a) or (b) of this section. An event that materially affects the accuracy of the information reported includes:

- (1) A cumulative increase of \$25,000 or more in the amount paid or expected to be paid for influencing or attempting to influence a covered Federal action; or
- (2) A change in the person(s) or individual(s) influencing or attempting to influence a covered Federal action;
- (3) A change in the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) contacted to influence or attempt to influence a covered Federal action.

(d) Any person who requests or receives from a person referred to in paragraphs (a) or (b) of this section:

- (1) A subcontract exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a Federal contract;
- (2) A subgrant, contract, or subcontract exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a Federal grant;

- (3) A contract or subcontract exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a Federal loan exceeding \$150,000; or,
- (4) A contract or subcontract exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a Federal cooperative agreement, Shall file a certification, and a disclosure form, if required, to the next tier above.
- (e) All disclosure forms, but not certifications, shall be forwarded from tier to tier until received by the person referred to in paragraphs (a) or (b) of this section. That person shall forward all disclosure forms to the agency.
- (f) Any certification or disclosure form filed under paragraph (e) of this section shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which all receiving tiers shall rely. All liability arising from an erroneous representation shall be borne solely by the tier filing that representation and shall not be shared by any tier to which the erroneous representation is forwarded. Submitting an erroneous certification or disclosure constitutes a failure to file the required certification or disclosure, respectively. If a person fails to file a required certification or disclosure, the United States may pursue all available remedies, including those authorized by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code.
- (g) For awards and commitments in process prior to December 23, 1989, but not made before that date, certifications shall be required at award or commitment, covering activities occurring between December 23, 1989, and the date of award or commitment. However, for awards and commitments in process prior to the December 23, 1989 effective date of these provisions, but not made before December 23, 1989, disclosure forms shall not be required at time of award or commitment but shall be filed within 30 days.
- (h) No reporting is required for an activity paid for with appropriated funds if that activity is allowable under either subpart B or C.

15. CARGO PREFERENCE (USE OF U.S.-FLAG VESSELS). *[These requirements apply to all contracts involving equipment, material, or commodities that may be transported by ocean vessels.]*

The contractor agrees:

- a. to use privately owned United States-Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of any equipment, materials or commodities procured, contracted for or otherwise obtained with funds granted, guaranteed, loaned, or advanced by the U.S. Government under this agreement, and which may be transported by ocean vessel, shall be transported on privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels, if available. 46 U.S.C. § 55305, and U.S. Maritime Administration regulations, "Cargo Preference – U.S.-Flag Vessels," 46 CFR Part 381.
- b. to furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in 46 CFR § 381.7(a)(1) shall be furnished to both the recipient (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590; and
- c. to include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract when the subcontract may involve the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

16. FLY AMERICA. *[These requirements apply to contracts and subcontracts involving the transportation of persons or property by air between a place in the United States and a place outside of the United States, or between places outside the United States, when the FTA will participate in the cost of such air transportation.]*

- a. As used in this clause: **(1) "international air transportation"** means transportation by air between a place in the United States and a place outside the United States or between two places both of which are outside the United States; **(2) "United States"** means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas; and **(3) "U.S.-flag air carrier"** means an air carrier holding a certificate under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 411.
- b. When Federal funds are used to fund travel, Section 5 of the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. 40118) (Fly America Act) requires contractors, recipients, and others use U.S.-flag air carriers for U.S. Government- financed international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property, to the extent that service by those carriers is available.

It requires the Comptroller General of the United States, in the absence of satisfactory proof of the necessity for foreign-flag air transportation, to disallow expenditures from funds, appropriated or otherwise established for the account of the United States, for international air transportation secured aboard a foreign-flag air carrier if a U.S.-flag air carrier is available to provide such services.

- c. If available, Contractor, in performing work under this contract, shall use U.S.-flag carriers for international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property.
- d. If Contractor selects a carrier other than a U.S.-flag air carrier for international air transportation, then Contractor shall include a statement on vouchers involving such transportation essentially as follows:

Statement of Unavailability of U.S. - Flag Air Carriers - International air transportation of persons (and their personal effects) or property by U.S.-flag air carrier was not available or it was necessary to use foreign-flag air carrier service for the following reasons. See FAR § 47.403. *[State reasons]:*

(End of statement)

- e. Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (E), in each subcontract or purchase under this contract that may involve international air transportation.

17. EMPLOYEE PROTECTIONS.

- a. Davis Bacon Act and Copeland Anti-Kickback Act. *[These requirements apply to all prime construction, alteration, or repair contracts in excess of \$2,000.]*

For all prime construction, alteration or repair contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by FTA, the Contractor shall comply with the Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act. Under 49 U.S.C. § 5333(a), prevailing wage protections apply to laborers and mechanics employed on FTA assisted construction, alteration, or repair projects. The Contractor will comply with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 as supplemented by DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction." In accordance with the statute, the Contractor shall pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, the Contractor agrees to pay wages not less than once a week. The Contractor shall also comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145), as supplemented by DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in part by Loans or Grants from the United States." The Contractor is prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled.

- b. Contract Work Hours/Safety Standards for Awards Involving Construction. *[These requirements apply to all contracts involving construction in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers.]*

Applicability: This requirement applies to all FTA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

Where applicable (see 40 U.S.C. § 3701), all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. §§ 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 5. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II.

Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week.

The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

The regulation at 29 C.F.R. § 5.5(b) provides the required contract clause concerning compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act:

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

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

Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

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

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

18. SEISMIC SAFETY. *[These requirements apply only to contracts for the construction of new buildings or additions to existing buildings.]*

Contractor shall design and construct any new building or addition to an existing building in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation (DOT) Seismic Safety Regulations (49 CFR part 41) and will certify its compliance to the extent required by the regulation. Contractor shall ensure that all work performed under this Contract, including work performed by a subcontractor, is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

19. VETERANS EMPLOYMENT. *[These requirements apply only to capital projects. See 49 U.S.C. § 5302(3).]*

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Veterans Employment - Construction contracts of Federal financial assistance shall ensure that contractors working on a capital project funded using such assistance give a hiring preference, to the extent practicable, to veterans (as defined in section 2108 of title 5) who have the requisite skills and abilities to perform the construction work required under the contract. This subsection shall not be understood, construed or enforced in any manner that would require an employer to give a preference to any veteran over any equally qualified applicant who is a member of any racial or ethnic minority, female, an individual with a disability, or a former employee.

20. BONDING. *[These requirements are applicable to all construction or facility improvement contracts and subcontracts exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold (currently set at \$250,000). See FTA Circular C 4220.1F for specific bonding requirements.]*

For construction or facility improvement contracts or subcontracts exceeding the Simplified Acquisition Threshold, the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity may accept the bonding policy and requirements of the non-Federal entity provided that the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity has made a determination that the Federal interest is adequately protected. If such a determination has not been made, the minimum requirements must be as follows:

- (a) A bid guarantee from each bidder equivalent to five percent of the bid price. The "bid guarantee" must consist of a firm commitment such as a bid bond, certified check, or other negotiable instrument accompanying a bid as assurance that the bidder will, upon acceptance of the bid, execute such contractual documents as may be required within the time specified.
- (b) A performance bond on the part of the contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A "performance bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the contractor's requirements under such contract.
- (c) A payment bond on the part of the contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A "payment bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment as required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the work provided for in the contract.

It is also understood and agreed that if the bidder should withdraw any part or all of their bid within [90] days after the bid opening without the written consent of the Agency, or refuse or be unable to enter into this Contract as provided above, or refuse or be unable to furnish adequate and acceptable Performance and Payment Bonds, or refuse or be unable to furnish adequate and acceptable insurance, as provided above, it shall forfeit its bid guaranty to the extent Agency's damages occasioned by such withdrawal, or refusal, or inability to enter into a Contract, or provide adequate security thereof.

It is further understood and agreed that to the extent the defaulting bidder's bid guaranty shall prove inadequate to fully recompense Agency for the damages occasioned by default, then the bidder agrees to indemnify Agency and pay over to Agency the difference between the bid guarantee and Agency's total damages so as to make Agency whole.

The bidder understands that any material alteration of any of the above or any of the material contained herein, other than that requested will render the bid unresponsive.

Performance Guarantee. A Performance Guarantee in the amount of 100% of the Contract value is required by the Agency to ensure faithful performance of the Contract. Either a Performance Bond or an Irrevocable Stand-By Letter of Credit shall be provided by the Contractor and shall remain in full force for the term of the Contract. The successful Bidder shall certify that it will provide the requisite Performance Guarantee to the Agency within ten (10) business days from Contract execution. The Agency requires all Performance Bonds to be provided by a fully qualified surety company acceptable to the Agency and listed as a company currently authorized under 31 C.F.R. part 22 as possessing a Certificate of Authority as described hereunder. Agency may require additional performance bond protection when the contract price is increased. The increase in protection shall generally equal 100 percent of the increase in contract price. The Agency may secure additional protection by directing the Contractor to increase the amount of the existing bond or to obtain an additional bond.

If the Bidder chooses to provide a Letter of Credit as its Performance Guarantee, the Bidder shall furnish with its bid, certification that an Irrevocable Stand-By Letter of Credit will be furnished should the Bidder become the successful Contractor. The Bidder shall also provide a statement from the banking institution certifying that an Irrevocable Stand-By Letter of Credit for the action will be provided if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder. The Irrevocable Stand-By Letter of Credit will only be accepted by the Agency if:

1. A bank in good standing issues it. The Agency will not accept a Letter of Credit from an entity other than a bank.
2. It is in writing and signed by the issuing bank.
3. It conspicuously states that it is an irrevocable, non-transferable, "standby" Letter of Credit.
4. The Agency is identified as the Beneficiary.
5. It is in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract value. This amount must be in U.S. dollars.
6. The effective date of the Letter of Credit is the same as the effective date of the Contract
7. The expiration date of the Letter of Credit coincides with the term of the contract.
8. It indicates that it is being issued in order to support the obligation of the Contractor to perform under the Contract. It must specifically reference the Contract between the Agency and the Contractor the work stipulated herein.

The issuing bank's obligation to pay will arise upon the presentation of the original Letter of Credit and a certificate and draft to the issuing bank's representative at a location and time to be determined by the parties. This documentation will indicate that the Contractor is in default under the Contract.

Payment Bonds. A Labor and Materials Payment Bond equal to the full value of the contract must be furnished by the contractor to Agency as security for payment by the Contractor and subcontractors for labor, materials, and rental of equipment. The bond may be issued by a fully qualified surety company acceptable to (Agency) and listed as a company currently authorized under 31 C.F.R. part 223 as possessing a Certificate of Authority as described thereunder.

21. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS. *[These requirements apply only to contracts for transit operations performed by employees of contractors and subcontractors recognized by FTA to be a transit operator.]*

Contractor shall comply with the following employee protective arrangements of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b):

- a. U.S. DOL Certification. Under this Contract or any Amendments thereto that involve public transportation operations that are supported with federal assistance, a certification issued by U.S. DOL is a condition of the Contract.
- b. Special Warranty. When the Contract involves public transportation operations and is supported with federal assistance appropriated or made available for 49 U.S.C. § 5311, U.S. DOL will provide a Special Warranty for its Award, including its Award of federal assistance under the Tribal Transit Program. The U.S. DOL Special Warranty is a condition of the Contract.
- c. Special Arrangements. The conditions of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) do not apply to Contractors providing public transportation operations pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5310. FTA reserves the right to make case-by-case determinations of the applicability of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) for all transfers of funding authorized under title 23, United States Code (flex funds), and make other exceptions as it deems appropriate, and, in those instances, any special arrangements required by FTA will be incorporated herein as required.
- d. Flow Down. The contractor shall include the substance of this clause in each subcontract that may involve operating public transit services.

22. CHARTER SERVICE. *[These requirements apply to contracts for operating public transportation service.]*

The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(d), 5323(r), and 49 C.F.R. part 604, which provides that Recipients and subrecipients of FTA assistance are prohibited from providing charter service using federally funded equipment or facilities if there is at least one private charter operator willing and able to provide the service, except as permitted under:

1. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(d);
2. FTA regulations, "Charter Service," 49 C.F.R. part 604;
3. Any other federal Charter Service regulations; or
4. Federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

The contractor agrees that if it engages in a pattern of violations of FTA's Charter Service regulations, FTA may require corrective measures or impose remedies on it. These corrective measures and remedies may include:

1. Barring it or any subcontractor operating public transportation under its Award that has provided prohibited charter service from receiving federal assistance from FTA;
2. Withholding an amount of federal assistance as provided by Appendix D to part 604 of FTA's Charter Service regulations; or
3. Any other appropriate remedy that may apply.

The contractor should also include the substance of this clause in each subcontract that may involve operating public transit services.

23. SCHOOL BUS OPERATIONS. *[These requirements apply to contracts for operating public transportation service.]*

Contractor shall comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(f) and (g), and 49 CFR part 605, and not engage in school bus operations using federally-funded equipment or facilities in competition with private operators of school buses, except as permitted under: **(A)** federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(f); **(B)** FTA regulations, "School Bus Operations," 49 CFR part 605; **(C)** any other Federal School Bus regulations; or **(D)** federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing. If Contractor violates these school bus requirements, then FTA may bar Contractor from receiving Federal assistance for public transportation or require Contractor to take such remedial measures as FTA considers appropriate. When operating exclusive school bus service under an allowable exemption, Contractor may not use federally funded equipment, vehicles, or facilities. The contractor should include the substance of this clause in each subcontract or purchase under this Contract that may operate public transportation services.

24. MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY. *[These requirements apply to contracts for operating bus operation service.]*

- a. Financial Responsibility. Contractor shall comply with the economic and insurance registration requirements of: **(1)** U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (U.S. FMCSA) regulations, "Minimum Levels of Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers," 49 C.F.R. part 387, if Contractor is: **(a)** engaged in operations requiring compliance with 49 C.F.R. part 387, **(b)** engaged in interstate commerce, and **(c)** not within a defined commercial zone; and **(2)** provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 31138(e)(4), which supersede inconsistent provisions of 49 C.F.R. part 387, and reduce the amount of insurance the Recipient must obtain to the highest amount required by any state in which the public transportation provider operates, if it operates within a public transportation service area located in more than one state, and receives federal assistance under 49 U.S.C. §§ 5307, 5310, and 5311.
- b. U.S. FMCSA Requirements. Contractor shall comply with: **(1)** safety requirements of U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (**U.S. FMCSA**) regulations, "Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations," 49 C.F.R. parts 390 – 397, to the extent applicable; and **(2)** driver's license requirements of U.S. FMCSA regulations, "Commercial Driver's License Standards, Requirements, and Penalties," 49 C.F.R. part 383, and "State Compliance with Commercial Driver's License," 49 C.F.R. part 384, to the extent applicable, with the substance abuse requirements and guidance of U.S. FMCSA's regulations, "Drug and Alcohol Use and Testing Requirements," 49 C.F.R. part 382, and implementing federal guidance, to the extent applicable.

25. SAFE OPERATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

- a. Seat Belt Use. The contractor is encouraged to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company- owned vehicles, company- rented vehicles, or personally operated vehicles. The terms "company-owned" and "company-leased" refer to vehicles owned or leased either by Contractor or AGENCY.

- b. Distracted Driving. Contractor shall adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while using an electronic device supplied by an employer, and driving a vehicle the driver owns or rents, a vehicle Contractor owns, leases, or rents, or a privately-owned vehicle when on official business in connection with the work performed under this Contract.
- c. Subcontracts. Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph, in all subcontracts that exceed the micro-purchase threshold, as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101 on the date of subcontract award.

26. CONTRACTOR POLICIES TO BAN TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING. *[These requirements do not apply to micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000).]*

- a. Definitions. As used in this clause: **(1) "driving"** means operating a motor vehicle on an active roadway with the motor running, including while temporarily stationary because of traffic, a traffic light, stop sign, or otherwise (**note:** "driving" does not include operating a motor vehicle with or without the motor running when one has pulled over to the side of, or off, an active roadway and has halted in a location where one can safely remain stationary); and **(2) "text messaging"** means reading from or entering data into any handheld or other electronic device, including for the purpose of short message service texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, obtaining navigational information, or engaging in any other form of electronic data retrieval or electronic data communication (**note:** "text messaging" 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 park).
- b. Executive Order. This clause implements Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, dated October 1, 2009. Contractor is encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving company- owned/rented vehicles, Government-owned vehicles, and privately- owned vehicles when on official Government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Government. Contractor is also encouraged to conduct initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as: **(1)** establishment of new rules and programs or reevaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and **(2)** education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.
- c. Subcontracts. Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph, in all subcontracts that exceed the micro-purchase threshold, as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101 on the date of subcontract award.

27. SUBSTANCE ABUSE (DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING). *[These requirements apply to contracts with contractors who perform safety-sensitive functions, as defined in 49 CFR Part 655.4, "Definitions.]"*

The Contractor agrees to establish and implement a drug and alcohol testing program that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 655, produce any documentation necessary to establish its compliance with part 655, and permit any authorized representative of the United States Department of Transportation or its operating administrations, the State Oversight Agency, or Agency, to inspect the facilities and records associated with the implementation of the drug and alcohol testing program as required under 49 C.F.R. part 655 and review the testing process. The Contractor agrees further to certify annually its compliance with part 655 and to submit the Management Information System (MIS) reports to the Agency.

28. BUY AMERICA. *[These requirements apply to contracts over \$150,000 if they involve the purchase of iron, steel, manufactured goods, or rolling stock.]*

- a. The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) and 49 C.F.R. part 661 and 2 CFR § 200.322 Domestic preferences for procurements, which provide that Federal funds may not be obligated unless all steel, iron, and manufactured products used in FTA funded projects are produced in the United States, unless a waiver has been granted by FTA or the product is subject to a general waiver. General

waivers are listed in 49 C.F.R. § 661.7.

- b. Build America, Buy America Act. Construction materials used in the Project are subject to the domestic preference requirement of the Build America, Buy America Act, Pub. L. 117-58, div. G, tit. IX, §§ 70911 – 70927 (2021), as implemented by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget’s “Buy America Preferences for Infrastructure Projects,” 2 CFR Part 184. The Recipient acknowledges that this agreement is neither a waiver of § 70914(a) nor a finding under § 70914(b). In accordance with 2 CFR § 184.2(a), the Recipient shall apply the standards of 49 CFR Part 661 to iron, steel, and manufactured products.

Separate requirements for rolling stock are set out at 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C), 49 U.S.C. § 5323(u) and 49 C.F.R. § 661.11. Domestic preferences for procurements. The bidder or offeror must submit to the Agency the appropriate Buy America certification. Bids or offers that are not accompanied by a completed Buy America certification will be rejected as nonresponsive. For more information, please see the FTA’s Buy America webpage at: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/buyamerica>

- c. Domestic Preferences for Procurements. a) The recipient or subrecipient should, to the greatest extent practicable and consistent with law, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards, contracts, and purchase orders under Federal awards. (b) For purposes of this section: (1) “Produced in the United States” means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. (2) “Manufactured products” means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber (c) Federal agencies providing Federal financial assistance for infrastructure projects must implement the Buy America preferences set forth in 2 CFR 184.

29. PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS/SURVEILLANCE SERVICES/EQUIPMENT.

Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to: 1) Procure or obtain; 2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or 3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

- (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
- (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure

replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained. c) See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information. d) See also § 200.471.

30. AIR POLLUTION & FUEL ECONOMY. *[These requirements apply to contracts for the purchase of rolling stock.]*

The Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal air pollution control and fuel economy regulations, such as: EPA regulations, "Control of Air Pollution from Mobile Sources," 40 CFR Part 85; EPA regulations, "Control of Air Pollution from New and In-Use Motor Vehicles and New and In-Use Motor Vehicle Engines," 40 CFR Part 86; and EPA regulations, "Fuel Economy of Motor Vehicles," 40 CFR Part 600.

31. ROLLING STOCK LIMITATIONS. *[These requirements apply to contracts for the purchase of rolling stock.]*

Contractor and its subcontractors must comply with the limitation on certain rolling stock procurements at 49 U.S.C. § 5323(u), prohibiting the procurement of rolling stock from specified manufacturers for public transportation use.

32. PRE-AWARD & POST-DELIVERY AUDITS OF ROLLING STOCK PURCHASES. *[These requirements apply to contracts for the purchase of rolling stock.]*

Contractor shall comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5323(m) and FTA's implementing regulation at 49 CFR part 663. Contractor shall comply with the Buy America certification(s) submitted with its offer. Contractor shall participate and cooperate in any pre-award and post-delivery audits performed pursuant to 49 CFR part 663 and related FTA guidance.

33. BUS TESTING. *[These requirements apply to contracts for the purchase/lease of any bus model that is new or has any major change in configuration/components to be acquired/leased.]*

The Contractor [Manufacturer] agrees to comply with the Bus Testing requirements under 49 U.S.C. 5318(e) and FTA's implementing regulation at 49 C.F.R. part 665 to ensure that the requisite testing is performed for all new bus models or any bus model with a major change in configuration or components, and that the bus model has achieved a passing score. Upon completion of the testing, the contractor shall obtain a copy of the bus testing reports from the operator of the testing facility and make that report(s) publicly available prior to final acceptance of the first vehicle by the recipient.

34. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS. Contractor shall comply with all applicable environmental and resource use laws, regulations, and requirements, and follow applicable guidance, now in effect or that may become effective in the future, including state and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and requirements and follow applicable guidance.

a. National Environmental Policy Act

- i. Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with federal laws, regulations, and requirements, including, but not limited to: **(a)** federal transit laws, such as 49 U.S.C. § 5323(c)(2), and 23 U.S.C. § 139; **(b)** the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 et seq., as limited by 42 U.S.C. § 5159, and CEQ's implementing regulations 40 C.F.R. part 1500 – 1508; **(c)** joint FHWA and FTA regulations, "Environmental Impact and Related Procedures," 23 C.F.R. part 771 and 49 C.F.R. part 622; **(d)** Executive Order No. 11514, as amended, "Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality," March 5, 1970, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 note; and **(e)** other federal environmental protection laws, regulations, and requirements applicable to Contractor.
- ii. Contractor shall follow federal guidance to the extent that the guidance is consistent with applicable authorizing legislation, which may include: **(a)** joint FHWA and FTA final guidance,

"Interim Guidance on MAP-21 Section 1319, Accelerated Decision making in Environmental Reviews," January 14, 2013; **(b)** joint FHWA and FTA final guidance, "SAFETEA-LU Environmental Review Process (Pub. L. 109-59)," 71 Fed. Reg. 66576, November 15, 2006; and **(c)** other federal environmental guidance applicable to the Contractor.

- b. Other Environmental Federal Laws. Contractor shall comply or facilitate compliance with all applicable federal laws, regulations, and requirements, and will follow applicable guidance, including, but not limited to, the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, Executive Order No. 11990 relating to "Protection of Wetlands," and Executive Order Nos. 11988 and 13690 relating to "Floodplain Management."
- c. Use of Certain Public Lands. Contractor shall comply with U.S. DOT laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 303 (often referred to as "section 4(f)"), and joint FHWA and FTA regulations, "Parks, Recreation Areas, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges, and Historic Sites," 23 C.F.R. part 774, and referenced in 49 C.F.R. part 622.
- d. Historic Preservation. Contractor shall comply with: **(1)** U.S. DOT laws, including 49 U.S.C. § 303 (often referred to as "section 4(f)"), which requires certain findings be made before an Award may be undertaken if it involves the use of any land from a historic site that is on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places; **(2)** federal historic and archaeological preservation requirements of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, 54 U.S.C. § 306108; **(3)** the Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974, as amended, 54 U.S.C. § 312501 et seq.; **(4)** U.S. Advisory Council on Historic Preservation regulations, "Protection of Historic Properties," 36 C.F.R. part 800; and **(5)** other federal requirements and federal guidance to avoid or mitigate adverse effects on historic properties.
- e. Indian Sacred Sites. Contractor shall facilitate compliance with federal efforts to promote the preservation of places and objects of religious importance to American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, and Native Hawaiians, and facilitate compliance with the American Indian Religious Freedom Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1996, and Executive Order No. 13007, "Indian Sacred Sites," May 24, 1996, 42 U.S.C. § 3161 note.

35. CLEAN AIR ACT & FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT. *[These requirements do not apply to contracts and subcontracts under \$150,000.]*

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to FTA and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. The following applies for contracts of amounts in excess of \$150,000:

Clean Air Act

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

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Agency and understands and agrees that the Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Agency, Federal Emergency

Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA."

36. ENERGY CONSERVATION. The contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. § 6201).

37. RECYCLED PRODUCTS (SOLID WASTES). *[These requirements apply to all contracts and subcontracts involving the purchase of items designated by the EPA (that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable) in excess of \$10,000. See 40 C.F.R. part 247 for federal designation of items.]*

A Recipient that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

38. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY / PATENT RIGHTS & RIGHTS IN DATA. *[These requirements apply to contracts for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work.]*

- a. This Project is funded through a Federal award with FTA for experimental, developmental, or research work purposes. As such, certain Patent Rights and Data Rights apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of this Contract. Contractor shall grant the AGENCY intellectual property access and licenses deemed necessary for the work performed under this Contract and in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by FTA or U.S. DOT. The terms of an intellectual property agreement and software license rights will be finalized prior to execution of this Contract and shall, at a minimum, include the following restrictions: Except for its own internal use, Contractor may not publish or reproduce subject data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of FTA, until such time as FTA may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public. This restriction on publication, however, does not apply to any contract with an academic institution. For purposes of this Contract, the term "subject data" means recorded information whether or not copyrighted, and that is delivered or specified to be delivered as required by the Contract. Examples of "subject data" include, but are not limited to computer software, standards, specifications, engineering drawings and associated lists, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information, but do not include financial reports, cost analyses, or other similar information used for performance or administration of the Contract.
- b. The Federal Government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use for "Federal Government Purposes": **(1)** any subject data developed under the Contract, whether or not a copyright has been obtained; and **(2)** any rights of copyright purchased by Contractor using federal assistance in whole or in part by the FTA. For "Federal Government Purposes," means use only for the direct purposes of the Federal Government. Without the copyright owner's consent, the Federal Government may not extend its Federal license to any other party.

- c. Unless FTA determines otherwise, Contractor performing experimental, developmental, or research work required as part of this Contract agrees to permit FTA to make available to the public, either FTA's license in the copyright to any subject data developed in the course of the Contract, or a copy of the subject data first produced under the Contract for which a copyright has not been obtained. If the experimental, developmental, or research work, which is the subject of this Contract, is not completed for any reason whatsoever, all data developed under the Contract shall become subject data as defined herein and shall be delivered as the Federal Government may direct.
- d. Unless prohibited by state law, upon request by the Federal Government, Contractor shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Federal Government, its officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under that contract. Contractor shall be required to indemnify the Federal Government for any such liability arising out of the wrongful act of any employee, official, or agents of the Federal Government.
- e. Nothing contained in this clause on rights in data shall imply a license to the Federal Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Federal Government under any patent.
- f. Data developed by Contractor and financed entirely without using Federal assistance provided by the Federal Government that has been incorporated into work required by the Contract is exempt from the requirements herein, provided that Contractor identifies those data in writing at the time of delivery of the Contract work.
- g. Contractor shall include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

39. CONFORMANCE WITH ITS NATIONAL ARCHITECTURE. *[These requirements apply only to contracts for National Intelligent Transportation System projects.]*

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) projects shall conform to the National ITS Architecture and standards pursuant to 23 CFR § 940. Conformance with the National ITS Architecture is interpreted to mean the use of the National ITS Architecture to develop a regional ITS architecture in support of integration and the subsequent adherence of all ITS projects to that regional ITS architecture. Development of the regional ITS architecture should be consistent with the transportation planning process for Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Planning (49 CFR Part 613 and 621).

40. NTD REPORTING. As a condition of benefitting from federal assistance for public transportation operations, Contractor and its subcontractors must: **(A)** facilitate compliance with 49 U.S.C. § 5335(a), which authorizes the National Transit Database **(NTD)**; **(B)** conform to the NTD reporting system and the Uniform System of Accounts and Records; **(C)** comply with FTA regulations, "Uniform System of Accounts and Records and Reporting System," 49 CFR Part 630; **(D)** report when required to the National Transit Database in accordance with FTA regulation 49 CFR Part 630, "National Transit Database," and applicable FTA instructions: **(1)** any information relating to a transit asset inventory or condition assessment; **(2)** any data on assaults on transit workers; **(3)** any data on fatalities that result from an impact with a bus; and **(4)** such other information as FTA may require; **(E)** comply with any other applicable reporting regulations, and requirements; and **(F)** follow FTA guidance.

41. TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS. Contractor and its subcontractors or their employees agrees that it and its employees that participate in the Recipient's Award, may not: (a) Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the Recipient's Award is in effect; (b) Procure a commercial sex act

during the period of time that the Recipient's Award is in effect; or (c) Use forced labor in the performance of the Recipient's Award or subagreements thereunder.

42. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE).

It is the policy of the Agency and the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE's"), as defined herein and in the Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. part 26, shall have an equal opportunity to participate in DOT-assisted contracts.

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

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible. 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(b).

Prime contractors are required to pay subcontractors for satisfactory performance of their contracts no later than 30 days from receipt of each payment the Agency makes to the prime contractor. 49 C.F.R. § 26.29(a). Finally, for contracts with defined DBE contract goals, the contractor shall utilize the specific DBEs listed unless the contractor obtains the Agency's written consent; and that, unless the Agency's consent is provided, the contractor shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the listed DBE. 49 C.F.R. § 26.53(f) (1).

Prompt Payment. The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work. In addition, the contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed.

The contractor must promptly notify the Agency, whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of the Agency.

43. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA). The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements of section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps, with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to persons with disabilities, including any subsequent amendments to that Act, and with the Architectural Barriers act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to persons with disabilities, including any subsequent amendments to that Act. In addition, the contractor agrees to comply with any and all applicable requirements issued by the FTA, DOT, DOJ, U.S. GSA, U.S. EEOC, U.S. FCC, any subsequent amendments thereto and any other nondiscrimination statute(s) that may apply to the Project.

44. SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD. Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. § 1908, or otherwise set by law, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract

terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate. (Note that the simplified acquisition threshold determines the procurement procedures that must be employed pursuant to 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317–200.327. The simplified acquisition threshold does not exempt a procurement from other eligibility or processes requirements that may apply. For example, Buy America’s eligibility and process requirements apply to any procurement in excess of \$150,000. 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j)(13).

FTA CERTIFICATIONS

**EACH CERTIFICATION PROVIDES INSTRUCTION
DESCRIBING WHEN THE CERTIFICATION IS APPLICABLE**

INAPPLICABLE FTA CERTIFICATIONS MAY BE LEFT BLANK

**OFFERS THAT DO NOT INCLUDE COMPLETED
CERTIFICATIONS, IF APPLICABLE,
WILL BE REJECTED AS NONRESPONSIVE.**

DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

This certification does not apply to contracts and subcontracts under \$25,000. Offers that do not include this completed certification, if applicable, will be rejected as nonresponsive.

Check one box below (and provide explanation if necessary):

- ☐ The Proposer certifies that the Proposer and its principals:
1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily or involuntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
 2. Have not, within the preceding three years, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private agreement or transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes, including those proscribing price fixing between competitors, allocation of customers between competitors, and bid rigging; commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice; or commission of any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty;
 3. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any offense described in Paragraph 2 of this certification;
 4. Have not, within the preceding three years, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

- OR -

- ☐ The Proposer is unable to certify to all of the statements in this certification, and attaches its explanation to this certification. (In the explanation, the Proposer must certify to those statements that can be certified and explain why the other statements cannot be certified.)

The Proposer shall require that the language of this certification be included in the contract documents for all subcontractors and material suppliers at all tiers, and that all subcontractors and material suppliers shall certify and disclose accordingly.

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification.

Company: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____ **SAM Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)#:** _____

BUY AMERICA CERTIFICATION

This certification applies to contracts over \$150,000 if they involve the purchase of iron, steel, manufactured goods, or rolling stock. Offers that do not include this completed certification, if applicable, will be rejected as nonresponsive.

If this Offer is valued in excess of \$150,000 and **involves the procurement of steel, iron, or manufactured products (as defined in 49 CFR §§ 661.3 and 661.5)**, the Proposer hereby certifies that it:

- ☐ Will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j)(1) and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR part 661;

OR

- ☐ Cannot comply the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j) (and 49 CFR part 661) but may qualify for an exception to the requirements pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j)(2), as amended, and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR § 661.7.

If this Offer is valued in excess of \$150,000 and **involves the procurement of buses or other rolling stock (including associated equipment)**, the Proposer hereby certifies that it:

- ☐ Will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j) and the applicable regulations of 49 CFR § 661.11;

OR

- ☐ Cannot comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) (and 49 CFR § 661.11), but may qualify for an exception to the requirements consistent with 49 U.S.C. § 5323(j)(2)(C), as amended, and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR § 661.7.

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification

Company: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

This certification does not apply to contracts and subcontracts under \$100,000. Offers that do not include this completed certification, if applicable, will be rejected as nonresponsive.

The Proposer certifies that:

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

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

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification.

Company: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Per paragraph 2 above, complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "[Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying](#)," if applicable.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUS TESTING REQUIREMENT

This certification applies to contracts for the purchase or lease of any bus model that is new or has any major change in configuration or components to be acquired or leased. Offers that do not include this completed certification, if applicable, will be rejected as nonresponsive.

The Proposer certifies that the bus was tested at the Bus Testing Facility and that the bus received a passing test score as required by 49 CFR Part 665. The applicant has received or will receive the appropriate full Bus Testing Report and any applicable partial testing reports before final acceptance of the first vehicle.

The Proposer understands that misrepresenting the testing status of a vehicle acquired with federal financial assistance may subject the undersigned to civil penalties as outlined in the Department of Transportation's regulation on Program Fraud Civil Remedies, 49 CFR Part 31. In addition, the Proposer understands that FTA may suspend or debar a manufacturer under the procedures in 49 CFR Part 29.

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification.

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Title: _____

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Date: _____

TRANSIT VEHICLE MANUFACTURER DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CERTIFICATION

This certificate applies to contracts for the purchase of rolling stock. Offers that do not include this completed certification, if applicable, will be rejected as nonresponsive.

The Proposer, a Transit Vehicle Manufacturer, hereby certifies that it has complied with the requirements of 49 CFR § 26.49 by submitting an annual DBE goal to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The goal has either been **approved** or **is pending approval** by FTA.

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification.

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FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS CERTIFICATION

This certificate applies to contracts for the purchase of rolling stock. Offers that do not include this completed certification, if applicable, will be rejected as nonresponsive.

The Proposer certifies that it shall submit, if awarded the Contract: (1) the manufacturer's FMVSS self-certification sticker information that the vehicle complies with relevant FMVSS; or (2) the manufacturer's certified statement that the contracted buses will not be subject to FMVSS regulations.

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification.

Company: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

TAX LIABILITY CERTIFICATION

This certificate applies to all contracts. Offers that do not include this completed certification will be rejected as nonresponsive.

The Proposer certifies that it:

1. Does not have 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; and
2. Was not convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

If the contractor cannot so certify, the Recipient will refer the matter to FTA and not enter into any Third Party Agreement with the Third Party Participant without FTA's written approval.

3. Flow-Down. The Recipient agrees to require the contractor to flow this requirement down to participants at all lower tiers, without regard to the value of any subagreement.

The FTA shall further require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subcontractors and material suppliers at all tiers, and that all subcontractors and material suppliers shall certify and disclose accordingly.

The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et al. are applicable to this certification.

Company: _____

Name: _____

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Signature: _____

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