

Federal Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity

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

(1) Compliance with Regulations: The Contractor shall comply with the regulations relative to nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "DOT") Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.

(2) Nondiscrimination: The Contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement or materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.

(3) Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurement of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiations made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurement of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall not be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

(4) Information and Reports: The Contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information is required or a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Contractor shall so certify to the Recipient, or the Federal Transportation Administration, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

(5) Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Transportation Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies, and/or
- (b) Cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

(6) Incorporation of Provisions: The Contractor shall include the provisions of paragraph (1) through (5) in every subcontract, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the regulations, or directive issues pursuant thereto. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the Federal Transportation Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient, and in addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

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Company

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Authorized Signature

Date