Request for Proposals: The City of New Orleans Office of Community Development (OCD) desires to obtain qualifications of experienced financial intermediaries with demonstrable experience in lending to small businesses, particularly within disinvested urban environments, providing technical assistance to prospective program applicants and leveraging a minimum of 50% of federal funding to administer the City's multifaceted Neighborhood Commercial Investment Program (NCIP). Eligible financial intermediaries or organizations must have the capacity to administer the services needed set forth in the PROVISIONS OF FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR Neighborhood Commercial Investment Program (NCIP) and may be either forprofit or non-profit in nature. As provided below, and incident to City Charter Section 6-308(5) and Executive Order CRN 09-01, the City of New Orleans requests qualifications from experienced firms able to provide the needed services.

**Instructions**: Applicants shall submit the following to the Office of Community Development directed Attention: Thomas "James" Nash, Sr., Economic Development Fund Manager,1340 Poydras St., Suite 1140, New Orleans, LA 70112, Email: tjnash@cityofno.com, not later than **4:30 p.m.(CST)** on February 22, 2010

- a) **One** (1) electronic copy in Microsoft Word format or as a PDF file, sent to Thomas "James" Nash, Sr. at the address listed above, labeled "*NCIP Financial Services*"; and
- b) *Three (3)* hard copies of the proposal enclosed in a sealed envelope, sent/hand delivered to Thomas "James" Nash, Sr. at the address listed above, labeled "*NCIP Financial Services*".

Proposals should clearly demonstrate the applicant's qualifications to perform the needed services and attend all factors applicable in a professional relationship. Proposals should include detailed resumes or curricula vitae for the principals performing the services. *Please note:* Any and all questions regarding this expedited request for proposals should be submitted via e-mail by **February 8, 2010.** Questions and answers submitted by due date along with copies of the solicitation and related information will be made available on the City's purchasing website at http://www.purchasing.cityofno.com/bso/login.jsp. by February 16, 2010.

If the City identifies a likely service provider, it may negotiate a final agreement with the provider and fix the relationship by Professional Services contract generally according to CAO Policy Memorandum 118R. The contract will contain the standard City provisions shown in Attachment "B", the "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise" ("DBE") provisions shown in Attachment "C" and the CDBG Compliance Provisions for Professional Services Contracts in Attachment "F."

The City will not accept responses to this RFP submitted by fax. All documents **must be** <u>received</u> by the City on or before the Delivery Deadline as conclusively evidenced by the City's e-mail server. The City will not accept responses to this RFP delivered after the deadline. The City will not credit delivery claims not clearly documented by original receipt. The respondents shall submit a completed Tax Clearance Certificate with the proposal (see Attachment "D").

1. DBE Program Compliance: Proposals MUST contain the following statement signed by the applicant or its authorized representative, "The Bidder agrees to use its Best Efforts to fully comply with the DBE Program, including all reporting requirements and any specific contract goals for DBE participation."

The requirements of the City's DBE Program apply to this solicitation. It is policy of the City of New Orleans to practice nondiscrimination based on social and economic disadvantage, race, color, sex, gender, disability or national origin. All firms qualifying under this solicitation must submit with proposals a statement as to how they intend to meet this requirement. Award of this solicitation shall not be considered unless the respondent indicates how they will satisfy the requirements of the DBE Program. A DBE contract goal of 35 percent has been established for this solicitation. The respondent shall agree to use its best efforts, as determined by the DBE Compliance Officer to assure that all respondents comply with the factors set forth in the DBE Program, to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in the performance of this solicitation.

The following information must be contained with supporting documentation as outlined in Attachment "E" in the respondent's proposal.

i. The names and addresses of all DBE firms that will participate in the contract;

ii. The dollar amount commitment of the participation of each DBE firm participating in the contract;

iii. Written confirmation from the named DBE(s), verifying their participation in the contract as provided in the commitments made under (i) and (ii) above; and

iv. If the contract goal is not met, evidence of best efforts.

The City participates in the State and Local Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program ("SLDBE") which also includes the Sewerage & Water Board ("S&WB") and New Orleans Aviation Board ("NOAB"). These agencies have agreed to grant one another reciprocity with respect to the businesses certified as DBEs.

The respondent must select a DBE(s) from one of the following lists to be compliant with the City's DBE contract goal: <u>www.cityofno.com</u>, <u>www.swbno.org</u> and <u>www.flymsy.com</u>. If respondent selects a DBE(s) from any of the above lists, it can be safely assumed that the business is certified with all three agencies.

Please direct all questions related to DBE compliance prior to submission of the proposal to Alvin Porter, Office of Supplier Diversity, 1300 Perdido Street, Room 9E06, New Orleans, LA 70112, telephone: 658-4235, email: agporter@cityofno.com.

2. Services Needed: Attachment "A" describes the needed services.

3. Selection: The City will select an applicant generally according to the procedures described in Executive Order CRN 09-01 and Chief Administrative Officer ("CAO") Policy Memorandum 118R. As a prerequisite, eligible financial intermediaries must provide a minimum match of 50% of the total governmental funds that can be leveraged among NCIP sub-programs. In

addition, the City will apply the following selection criteria and weighting factors to evaluate proposals:

- a) <u>Quality of Proposal</u> Relevant rationale of the overall methodology in accomplishing the services needed in Attachment "A"; the relevance of each of the elements of the proposal in completing these services and the manner in which the objectives cited in Attachment A of this RFP are addressed (*35%*);
- b) <u>Relevant Experience</u> The proposer has demonstrable experience in the following: financial lending, provision of technical assistance to businesses in the greater New Orleans area, Louisiana, and the Gulf Coast region, working with commercial property acquisitions or construction, particularly involving low-income communities, and/or with businesses that have difficulty securing loans from traditional lending sources. Contractor can demonstrate necessary experience with all applicable CDBG program requirements for project activities inclusive of construction monitoring, CDBG underwriting, and environmental clearance. (20%);
- c) <u>Commitment of Additional Funding</u> The proposer must demonstrate an ability to exceed a minimum 50% funding match to administer the NCIP against federal funds dedicated by OCD. (10%);
- d) <u>DBE</u> Willingness to promote full and equal business opportunities in accordance with the City's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (20%. See Attachment "E");
- e) <u>Program Administration Financial Plan</u> Cost Analysis provided to demonstrate proposed administrative costs for each program. Plan should reflect Scope of Services in Attachment A and include projected benchmarks to be met through the administered program. Example template found in Attachment "G" (10%);
- f) <u>Timeliness</u> Ability of the Consultant to complete work tasks specified in this RFP in a timely fashion through submission of a detailed schedule over the three year programmatic time period. (5%).

4. Ownership: All proposals and all documentation submitted therewith are City property for all purposes. Applicants will clearly mark documents or information claimed exempt from public records disclosure and specifically justify the exemption. The City will not credit any blanket exemption claims lacking specific justification. The City does not guarantee the confidentiality of submissions.

5. Effect: This Request for Proposals and any related discussions or evaluations by anyone create no rights or obligations whatsoever. The City may cancel or modify this solicitation at any time at will, with or without notice. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, the Professional Services contract executed by the City and the selected applicant, if any, is the exclusive statement of rights and obligations extending from this solicitation.

#### Attachment "A"

#### **NEEDED SERVICES**

**Background:** The City of New Orleans Office of Community Development Neighborhood Commercial Investment Program (NCIP) aims to help revitalize and sustain disaster-damaged neighborhood commercial business concentrations with emphasis in the City's Designated Recovery Areas, thereby positioning corridors and projects to act as catalysts for broader economic redevelopment through the City. Overall goals for the creation and implementation of the NCIP include:

- Stimulation of visible investment in businesses and buildings in conjunction with other public and private-sector based recovery initiatives;
- Creation of attractive and sustainable neighborhood business districts within the city and it's designated recovery areas;
- Enhancement of "place making" potential within the city and it's designated recovery areas by coupling reinvestment financing with other city government-driven marketing, economic development, and public infrastructure initiatives; and,
- Promotion of collaborative relationships between city agencies and other organizations involved in administering the program and businesses within the city and it's designated recovery areas.

To accomplish these aims, OCD will direct approximately \$25 million in long-term recovery federal disaster Community Development Block Grants (D-CDBG) and a minimum per program 50% match in funds from a selected financial intermediary to provide business loans and grants for real estate development gap financing and business assistance to support façade improvements, technical assistance, and retail recruitment efforts.

NCIP will consist of the several gap financing and business assistance subprograms for real estate development and development acquisition for transformative commercial development projects. Actual amounts dedicated to each subprogram as well as final grant or loan caps and interest rates are subject to change based on consultations with the selected financial intermediaries. NCIP is comprised of the following subprograms:

• Commercial & Cultural Strategic Asset Investment Program: (\$5 Million D-CDBG) Provides gap loans and/or grants, up to \$1.4 million, to private-development projects

- *Two Percent Commercial Corridor Loan Program: (\$5M D-CDBG)* Provides privatelender supplemented 2% loans, up to \$75,000, to eligible small businesses to purchase equipment or to make building improvements on commercial properties.
- Emerging Entrepreneur Capital Acquisition Loan Program: (\$5 D-CDBG) Provides loans up to \$250,000, or 25% of appraised value, as supplemental financing to bank loans and other owner-supplied financing, to eligible, new businesses (two years or newer) for purchase and rehabilitation of small non-residential properties, including properties available for purchase through the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority (NORA), within City Designated Recovery Areas or projects and other areas where City-funded strategic acquisitions are being conducted by NORA.
- *Façade Improvement Grant Program: (\$5M D-CDBG)* Provides architectural consultations and matching grants up to \$40,000 for eligible façade improvements by commercial property owners along pre-determined corridors within City Designated Recovery Areas including rehabilitation of historic façades, exterior repairs, windows, painting, removal of old signs and installation of new signs, awnings, exterior lighting, improvement or removal of safety grilles and guards, fencing, and landscaping.
- Energy Efficiency Improvement Grant Program: (\$2M D-CDBG) Provides grants up to \$50,000 for small businesses within eligible business sectors to install qualifying energy efficiency building systems, including (1) interior lighting; (2) building envelope, or (3) heating, cooling, ventilation, or hot water systems that reduce the building's total energy and power cost by 30% or more in comparison to a building meeting minimum requirements set by ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2001. Certification requirements match those required to qualify for a federal "Energy Efficient Commercial Buildings Tax Deduction."

*Eligibility:* To achieve the aforementioned goals, The City of New Orleans Office of Community Development is requesting qualifications of contractors that meet the following minimum criteria to administer and monitor the Neighborhood Commercial Investment Program (NCIP).

- Proposers will have experience with lending and providing technical assistance to businesses in the greater New Orleans area, Louisiana, and the Gulf Coast region. Preference will be given to entities that have experience working with commercial property acquisitions and construction, particularly involving low- and moderate-income communities, and/or with businesses that have difficulty securing loans from traditional lending sources. Also, Proposers shall demonstrate relevant programmatic experience in facilitating commercial property acquisitions and construction that stimulate sustainable design, energy efficiency, "Main Street" place making through façade improvements, and/or new urbanism scale development
- Proposers must commit to provide matching funds or valuated in-kind support that at a minimum match 50% of the total amount of D-CDBG and other governmental funds that can be leveraged among NCIP sub-programs.

*Program Framework:* NCIP shall be established to operate for a minimum of three years and operate exclusively within the City of New Orleans in a manner consistent with program goals.

The total recommended amount in local government allocated funds available for NCIP is \$25 million in D-CDBG funds, coupled with a minimum match of 50% of the total amount of D-CDBG and other governmental funds that can be leveraged among NCIP sub-programs.

Approximately one-third of overall funds are expected to be allocated for loan and grant capital in the Program's first year or first funding cycle, with the balance of available funds allocated in subsequent funding cycles.

Deducted from the overall program allocation will be funds required for overall program management, coordination, monitoring, compliance, and evaluation for both the contractor and City department with overall program oversight.

NCIP will be managed and administered by a competitively selected contractor commensurate with the substantive goals of each NCIP program. Eligible applicants would apply directly to the contractor in administering each NCIP program. The City of New Orleans would retain overall oversight over contractor activities, including responsibility for monitoring and compliance activities as it relates to the use of D-CDBG funds.

The contractor must have capacity and requisite experience in lending to small businesses, particularly within disinvested urban environments, providing technical assistance to prospective program applicants, and leveraging City-allocated program funds to achieve a 50% funding match.

Contractors must provide relevant expertise, such as in architecture, energy efficiency, small business commercial development, and real estate acquisition, coupled with an understanding of recovery-based priorities and economic redevelopment needs for the City.

OCD would retain oversight authority over NCIP, including those programmatic administrative responsibilities assumed by the selected financial intermediary. OCD shall also ensure that all appropriate state and local governmental entities are properly consulted with and coordinate their respective activities mindful of NCIP program aims, including, but not limited to the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority (NORA), the City Planning Commission, and Department of Safety & Permits.

*Minimum Responsibilities:* Respondents to this RFP must be able to demonstrate both the ability and capacity to address the following requirements for the Neighborhood Commercial Investment Program.

- **Development of Coordination Plan for OCD and Subprogram Contractors**: Given the breadth of required expertise and responsibilities, effective program administration may require a partnership with OCD and the procured financial intermediary to assist in project selection and development under the Strategic Asset, Acquisition & Rehab-Construction, Façade Improvement, and Energy Efficiency Subprograms, inclusive of outlined roles and responsibilities for each entity.
- *Completion of Required Financial Lending Activities*: The contractor will underwrite applications for assistance, execute grant/loan awards and closings, and otherwise administer direct NCIP financial assistance. Specifically, the contractor shall be responsible for:
  - Completing loan/grant applications and underwriting assessments;
  - Obtaining and documenting loan security;
  - Establishing and maintaining a loan review process;
  - Executing loan closings;
  - Performing loan servicing and portfolio management;
  - Monitoring job creation/retention and other program requirements;

- Properly maintaining records for onsite monitoring;
- Submitting standards for underwriting, monitoring, collections, and default borrowers.
- *Provision of Program Outreach:* The contractor will market the program to prospective developers and community groups throughout New Orleans. It shall ensure open and convenient access to program materials. To this end, the contractor shall prepare and submit to OCD for approval a comprehensive outreach and marketing plan, which shall include a schedule of public information sessions and template outreach materials.
- *Review of Subprogram Applicants:* The contractor will screen applicants based on established financial and substantive eligibility criteria, and shall score and evaluate applications accordingly, subject to any additional input or decision-making by OCD or other subprogram partners as established for each subprogram.
- **Provision of Technical Assistance:** The contractor shall make available technical assistance appropriate to the objective of attracting qualified commercial property developers, whether through direct provision or referral. This may include but is not limited to assistance in developing business plans and proposals, workforce development, and project management. The community development lender which underwrites applications for financial assistance, however, shall ensure that any technical assistance which it provides is not in conflict with its fiduciary responsibility.
- **Development of Program Documents:** In consultation with OCD, the contractor shall prepare and submit for approval a comprehensive *Neighborhood Commercial Corridors Program Manual* which shall include application forms, loan and grant agreements, guaranty agreements, template outreach materials, documentation templates, and other documents necessary to management of the program.
- Adherence to CDBG Requirements: The contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that the project activities of all NCIP Program awardees meet all standards of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) compliance.
- *Other Monitoring and Reporting:* The contractor shall comply with the anti-fraud measures detailed in Part V of NCIP Program Guidelines, which shall not be construed to be an exclusive listing.

#### Attachment "B"

#### **REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS**

1. <u>EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY</u>: In all hiring or employment made possible by, or resulting from this contract, there (1) will not be any discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, gender, age, physical or mental disability, national origin, sexual orientation, creed, culture, or ancestry, and (2) where applicable, affirmative action will be taken to ensure that the Contractors employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, gender, age, physical or mental disability, national origin, sexual orientation, creed, culture, or ancestry. This requirement shall apply to, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training, including apprenticeship. All solicitations or advertisements for employees shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, age, physical or mental disability, national origin, sexual orientation, creed, culture, or and avertisements for employees shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, age, physical or mental disability, national origin, sexual orientation, creed, culture, or ancestry.

2. <u>ASSIGNABILITY</u>: The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this agreement and shall not transfer any interest in the same without prior written consent of the City of New Orleans.

3. <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>: In the interest of ensuring that efforts of the Contractor do not conflict with the interests of the City, and in recognition of the Contractor's responsibility to the City, the Contractor agrees to decline any offer of employment if its independent work on behalf of the City is likely to be adversely affected by the acceptance of such employment. The initial determination of such a possibility rests with the Contractor. It is incumbent upon the Contractor's independent work in behalf of the City. Final decision on any disputed offers of other employment for the Contractor shall rest with the City Attorney.

4. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>: The Contractor shall indemnify and save the City harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, judgments of sums of money to any party accruing against the City for loss of life or injury or damage to persons or property growing out of, resulting from, or by reason of any act or omission or the operation of the Contractor, its agents, servants or employees while engaged in or about or in connection with the discharge or performance of the services to be done or performed by the Contractor hereunder and shall also hold the City harmless from any and all claims and/or liens for labor, services, or materials furnished to the Contractor in connection with the performance of its obligation under this Agreement.

#### 5. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF EXCLUSION OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE:

Contractor herein expressly agrees and acknowledges that it is an independent contractor as defined in R.S. 23:1021 (6) and as such, it is expressly agreed and understood between the parties hereto, in entering into this services agreement, that the City of New Orleans shall not be liable to the Contractor for any

6. <u>ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF EXCLUSION OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION</u> <u>COVERAGE</u>: Contractor herein expressly declares and acknowledges that it is an independent contractor, and as such is being hired by the City under this agreement for hire as noted and defined in R.S. 23:1472 (E), and therefore, it is expressly declared and understood between the parties hereto, in entering into this services agreement, or agreement for hire, and in connection with unemployment compensation only, that:

a. Contractor has been and will be free from any control or direction by the City over the performance of the services covered by this contract; and

b. Services to be performed by Contractor are outside the normal course and scope of the City's usual business; and

c. Contractor has been independently engaged in performing the services listed herein prior to the date of this agreement.

Consequently, neither Contractor nor anyone employed by Contractor shall be considered an employee of the City for the purpose of unemployment compensation coverage, the same being hereby expressly waived and excluded by the parties hereto.

7. <u>WAIVER OF SICK AND ANNUAL LEAVE BENEFITS</u>: It is expressly agreed and understood between the parties entering into this services agreement that the Contractor, acting as an independent agent, shall not receive any sick and annual leave benefits from the City of New Orleans.

8. <u>JURISDICTION & CHOICE OF LAW</u>: The Contractor hereby consents and yields to the jurisdiction of the State Civil Courts of the Parish of Orleans, and does hereby formally waive any pleas of jurisdiction on account of the residence elsewhere of the Contractor. This agreement shall be construed and enforced according to the laws of the state of Louisiana, excepting its conflict of laws provisions.

9. <u>DURATION</u>: This agreement shall commence on the effective date and shall continue for a period of twelve months.

10. <u>APPROPRIATION AND/ OR EXTENSION</u>: This agreement may be extended at the option of the City, provided that funds are allocated by the Council of the City of New Orleans and the extension of the agreement facilitates the continuity of services provided herein. This agreement may be extended by the City on an annual basis for no longer than five one year periods.

11. <u>SOLICITATION</u>: The Contractor has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for him, to solicit or secure the subject contract. The Contractor has not paid or agreed to pay any person, other than a bona fide employee working for him, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the subject contract.

13. <u>AUDIT AND OTHER OVERSIGHT</u>: The Contractor understands and will abide by all provisions of the Code of the City of New Orleans, Chapter 2, Art. XIII, Sect. 2-1120, as adopted by City Ordinance No. 22,888 M.C.S., (relative to the operations and authority of the City Inspector General), incorporated herein by reference.

#### Attachment "C"

#### **REQUIRED CONTRACT DBE PROVISIONS**

"DBE Program Compliance. Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to fully and completely carry out the applicable requirements of the City's DBE Program in the award and administration of this Agreement, including, without limitation, all reporting requirements and specific DBE participation goals. Contractor's failure to carry out these requirements, as determined in good faith by the DBE Compliance Officer, shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement, which may result in the termination of this Agreement or such other remedy as set forth in the City's Policy Memorandum for the DBE Program."

<u>"DBE Compliance Reporting</u>. Contractor agrees to provide quarterly written reports to the DBE Compliance Officer on all expenditures made to achieve compliance with the DBE participation goals for this Agreement. The report shall, at a minimum, include the following:

- i. The name and business address of each DBE involved in the contract;
- ii. A description of the work performed and/or the product or service supplied by each DBE;
- iii. The date and amount of each expenditure made to a DBE; and

iv. Such other information as may assist the DBE Compliance Officer in determining Contractor's compliance with the DBE Program and the status of any DBE performing any portion of the contract."

<u>"Access to Books and Records</u>. Contractor agrees to grant DBE Compliance Officer reasonable access to its books and records for purposes of verifying compliance with the DBE Program."

Attachment "D"

#### TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

See attachment

According to Section 2-8 of the Code of the City of New Orleans, Louisiana 1995, the City may not enter into or make payments under a contract, grant or cooperative endeavor agreement with any person, corporation, or entity delinquent in City taxes. This form supplies the needed tax clearance. This clearance is issued without prejudice to any tax liabilities discovered by audit.

Please refer to the instructi	ion on the back of this form			
Bid/RFP No.: Co				
TYPE OF BUSINESS:				
BUSINESS NAME:	REAL ESTATE TAX NUMBER:			
OWNER'S NAME:				
BUSINESS ADDRESS:				
	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX NUMBER:			
MAILING ADDRESS:				
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CONTACT TELEPHONE:	SALES TAX/OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE NUMBER:			
FAX NUMBER:				
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	EW ORLEAN			
PRINT NAME:	TITLE:			
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:	DATE SIGNED:			
I certify that I have the authority to execute this form with resp and correct. The City of New Orleans is authorized to inspect				
BUREAU OF REVENUE (Room 1W15)	BUREAU OF TREASURY (Room 1W37)			
This clearance covers Occupational License and Sales/Use taxes.	This clearance covers Ad Valorem taxes for Real Estate and Business Property taxes.			
I HEREBY ASSERT THAT AFTER REVIEW OF THE TAXPAYER'S RECORDS OF THIS DATE THAT THE TAXPAYER <b>IS NOT</b> DELINQUENT IN ANY TAXES OWED TO THE CITY.	I HEREBY ASSERT THAT AFTER REVIEW OF THE TAXPAYER'S RECORDS OF THIS DATE THAT THE TAXPAYER <b>IS NOT</b> DELINQUENT IN ANY TAXES OWED TO THE CITY.			
COLLECTOR OF REVENUE DATE	TREASURY CHIEF DATE			
l attest that the taxpayer named above is r	<b>not</b> delinquent in any taxes owed to the city.			

#### DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

# **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. To complete this form, provide all of the information requested. Failure to fill in ALL information requested will delay processing. If the form is not signed and dated, the form will not be processed.
- 2. Complete, sign and date the authorization form and submit in any of the following ways:
  - a. In person or by mail to: City Hall, Department of Finance, 1300 Perdido Street, Room 4W07, New Orleans, LA 70112
  - b. Via Facsimile (Fax): (504) 658-1570
- 3. This form authorizes the City of New Orleans to inspect and/or receive your confidential tax information.
- 4. This Tax Clearance Authorization will not be honored for any purpose other than contracting with the City of New Orleans.
- 5. A separate Tax Clearance Authorization is required for each contract.
- 6. If you need additional information regarding this authorization, please call the Department of Finance at (504) 658-1550, or e-mail <u>purchasing@cityofno.com</u>
- 7. The following requirements must be met in order for a Tax Clearance Authorization form to be approved by the City of New Orleans. It is recommended that all outstanding tax and business registration be completed prior to processing the form to expedite contract execution.

# Real Estate/Personal Property Tax

- Businesses are required to be current in payment of all Real Estate Tax and Personal Property Tax.
- A business can visit the City of New Orleans' website, <u>www.cityofno.com</u> at the Bureau of Treasury webpage to pay outstanding Real Estate and Personal Property taxes due.
- A business can mail outstanding tax payments to City of New Orleans, Bureau of the Treasury 1300 Perdido St., Room 1W38, New Orleans, La. 70112.

# Sales Tax/Occupational License

- All businesses are required to have a City of New Orleans Sales Tax number.
- If the business is located within Orleans Parish, an Occupational License is also required. If the business is domiciled outside of Orleans Parish, a registration is required to be completed to obtain a Revenue account number.

- If a business is not registered, a New Business Application must be completed. The application can be found on the City of New Orleans' website, <u>www.cityofno.com</u>, at the Bureau of Revenue webpage. Under Online Revenue Documents, an application can be downloaded and returned to the City of New Orleans, Bureau of Revenue, 1300 Perdido St., Room 1W15, New Orleans, LA 70112. Any questions may be forwarded to Revenue Administration, 658-1695 or 658-1666.
- Non-profit organizations must comply with the Occupational License requirements by completing a New Business Application. The application can be found on the City of New Orleans' website, <u>www.cityofno.com</u>, at the Bureau of Revenue webpage. Under Online Revenue Documents, an application can be downloaded and returned to the City of New Orleans, Bureau of Revenue, 1300 Perdido St., Room 1W15, New Orleans, LA 70112. Any questions may be forwarded to Revenue Administration, 658-1695 or 658-1666.
- Once exempt status is confirmed for the non-profit organization, the organization is exempt from Occupational License fees.

Attachment "E"

FORM DBE-1 and EVIDENCE OF BEST EFFORTS

See attachment

#### FORM DBE-1

#### DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) RESPONSIVENESS FORM

This form should be completed by respondents within the time specified in the Invitation to Bid or RFP.

The undersigned bidder/ respondent has satisfied the requirements of the bid specification or RFP in the following manner (please check the appropriate space):

The bidder/ respondent is committed to a minimum of% DBE utilization on this
contract.
The bidder/ respondent (is unable to meet the DBE goal of %) is committed to a
minimum of
% DBE utilization on this contract and will submit documentation demonstrating best efforts.
Name of bidder/respondent's firm:
State Registration Number:
By
(Signature) (Title)
Name of DBE firm:
Address:
City:StateZipCode:
Telephone:
Description of work to be performed by DBE
The bidder/respondent is committed to utilizing the above-named DBE firm for the work described above.
The estimated dollar value of this work is \$
Affirmation The above-named DBE firm affirms that it will perform the portion of the contract for the estimated dollar value as stated above.

By:\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature) (Title)

#### STANDARDS OF DEMONSTRATED BEST EFFORTS

Before receiving an award of the contract, the contractor must meet the DBE goals or prove that he/she has made demonstrated BEST EFFORTS. To determine whether a particular contract bidder has made demonstrated BEST EFFORTS to reach the DBE participation goal, the Office of Supplier Diversity and its staff will consider the following:

- a) whether the contractor attended all pre-bid meetings that may have been scheduled by the City of New Orleans to inform DBE firms of subcontracting opportunities and/or requested the City of New Orleans Directory of Certified DBE firms;
- b) whether the contractor advertised in general circulation and trade association publications, concerning the DBE subcontracting opportunities, and allowed the subcontractors reasonable time to respond;
- c) whether the contractor provided written notice to a reasonable number of individually named DBE firms and allowed sufficient time for the DBE firms to participate effectively;
- d) whether the contractor followed up initial solicitations of interest by contacting DBEs to determine with certainty whether the DBEs were interested in bidding;
- e) whether the contractor selected specific portions of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood of meeting the DBE goals (including breaking down contracts into smaller units to facilitate DBE participation);
- f) whether the contractor provided interested DBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications and requirements of the contract;
- g) whether the contractor negotiated in "good faith" with interested DBEs and did not reject DBEs as unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities;
- h) if the contractor did reject a DBE as unqualified, the contractor must state his or her reason for doing so in writing;
- i) whether the contractor has used the services of available community organizations and small and/or disadvantaged business groups; local, state and federal small or disadvantage business assistance offices; and other organizations that provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of DBE firms;
- j) whether the contractor has made sufficient efforts to negotiate with DBEs for specific sub-bids, including at a minimum:
  - (1) names, addresses, telephone numbers of DBEs that the contractor contacted,
  - (2) a description of information provided to those DBE firms, and
  - (3) a statement of why additional agreements with DBEs were not reached to include but not limited to proof the DBEs' price exceeded that of non-DBEs.

Attachment "F"

#### **CDBG COMPLIANCE PROVISIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS**

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1. <u>EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (Equal Opportunity Clause)</u> (Applicable to contracts and subcontracts above \$10,000)

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- C. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Contract Compliance Officer advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitment under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- D. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- E. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the Department and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and others.
- F. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the non-discrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- G. The Contractor will include the provisions of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph A and the provisions of paragraphs A through G in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Department 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 vendor as a result of such direction by the Department, the Contractor may request

the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the United States.

#### 2. <u>CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES</u>

(Applicable to contracts and subcontracts over \$10,000)

By the submission of this bid, the bidder, offeror, applicant or subcontractor certifies that he/she does not maintain or provide for his/her establishments, and that he/she does not permit employees to perform their services at any location, under his/her control, where segregated facilities are maintained. He/she certifies further that he/she will not maintain or provide for employees any segregated facilities at any of his/her establishments, and he/she will not permit employees to perform their services at any location under his/her control where segregated facilities are maintained. The bidder, offeror, applicant or subcontractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the equal opportunity clause of this contract.

As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are, in fact, segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or any other reason.

He/she further agrees that (except where he/she has obtained for specific time periods) he/she will obtain identical certification from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the equal opportunity clause; that he/she will retain such certifications in his/her files; and that he/she will forward the following notice to such proposed subcontractors (except where proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods).

# 3. <u>CIVIL RIGHTS</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. No person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

#### 4. <u>SECTION 109 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPLENT ACT</u> OF 1974

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. No person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this title. Section 109 further provides that discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 or with respect to an otherwise qualified handicapped individual as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, is prohibited.

#### 5. <u>SECTION 3 OF THE HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1968 -</u> <u>COMPLIANCE IN THE PROVISION OF TRAINING, EMPLOYMENT AND BUSINESS</u> <u>OPPORTUNITIES</u>

- A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.
- C. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this Section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the Section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each, and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions, and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- D. The contractor agrees to include this Section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this Section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.
- E. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR

part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.

- F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
- G. With respect to work performed in connection with Section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, Section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with Section 7(b).

#### 6. <u>SECTION 503 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 (29 USC 793)</u> (Applicable to contracts and subcontracts over \$10,000)

- A. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental handicap in regard to any position for which the employee or applicant for employment is otherwise qualified. The contractor agrees to take affirmative action to employ, advance in employment and otherwise treat qualified handicapped individuals without discrimination based upon their physical or mental handicap in all employment practices such as the following: employment upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment, advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- B. The Contractor agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the Act.
- C. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for noncompliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the Act.
- D. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices in a form to be prescribed by the Director, provided by or through the contracting officer. Such notices shall state the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped employees and applicants for employment, and the rights of applicants and employees.
- E. The Contractor will notify each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the Contractor is bound by the terms of Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973,

and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment physically and mentally handicapped individuals.

F. The Contractor will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order of \$10,000 or more unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to Section 503 of the Act, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.

#### 7. <u>SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973, AS AMENDED</u>

The Contractor agrees that no otherwise qualified individual with disabilities shall, solely by reason of his disability, be denied the benefits, or be subjected to discrimination including discrimination in employment, any program or activity that receives the benefits from the federal financial assistance.

#### 8. <u>AGE DISCRIMINATION ACT OF 1975</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. No person in the United States shall, on the basis of age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under, any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

# 9. <u>CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH AIR AND WATER ACTS</u>

(Applicable to contracts and subcontracts exceeding \$100,000)

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 USC 1857 et seq., the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 USC 1251 et seq., and the regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency with respect thereto, at 40 CFR Part 15, as amended.

In addition to the foregoing requirements, all nonexempt contractors and subcontractors shall furnish to the owner, the following:

- A. A stipulation by the Contractor or subcontractors, that any facility to be utilized in the performance of any nonexempt contract or subcontract, is not listed on the List of Violating Facilities issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pursuant to 40 CFR Part 15, as amended.
- B. Agreement by the Contractor to comply with all the requirements of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act, as amended, (42 USC 1857 c-8) and Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, (33 USC 1318) relating to inspection, monitoring, entry, reports and information, as well as all other requirements specified

in said Section 114 and Section 308, and all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder.

- C. A stipulation that as a condition for the award of the contract, prompt notice will be given of any notification received from the Director, Office of Federal Activities, EPA, indicating that a facility utilized, or to be utilized for the contract, is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities.
- D. Agreement by the Contractor that he will include, or cause to be included, the criteria and requirements in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section in every nonexempt subcontract and requiring that the Contractor will take such action as the government may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.

#### 10. FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION

This contract is subject to the requirements of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234). Nothing included as a part of this contract is approved for acquisition or construction purposes as defined under Section 3(a) of said Act, for use in an area identified by the Secretary of HUD as having special flood hazards which is located in a community not then in compliance with the requirements for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program pursuant to Section 201(d) of said Act; and the use of any assistance provided under this contract for such acquisition for construction in such identified areas in communities then participating in the National Flood Insurance Program shall be subject to the mandatory purchase of flood insurance requirements or Section 102(a) of said Act.

Any contract or agreement for the sale, lease, or other transfer of land acquired, cleared or improved with assistance provided under this Contract shall contain, if such land is located in an area identified by the Secretary as having special flood hazards and in which the sale of flood insurance has been made available under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq., provisions obligating the transferee and its successors or assigns to obtain and maintain, during the ownership of such land, such flood insurance as required with respect to financial assistance for acquisition or construction purposes under Section 102(a) of Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

#### 11. ACCESS TO RECORDS - MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The State of Louisiana, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this specific contract, for the purpose of audits, examinations, and making excerpts and transcriptions. All records connected with this contract will be maintained in a central location by the unit of local government and will be maintained for a period of five (5) years from the official date of the State's final closeout of the grant.

# 12. INSPECTION

The authorized representative and agents of the State of Louisiana and the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be permitted to inspect all work, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, invoices of materials, and other relevant data and records.

#### 13. <u>REPORTING REQUIREMENTS</u>

The Contractor shall complete and submit all reports, in such form and according to such schedule, as may be required by the Owner.

#### 14. <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>

- A. No officer or employee of the local jurisdiction or its designees or agents, no member of the governing body, and no other public official of the locality who his/her tenure or for one year thereafter, shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in any contract or subcontract, or the proceeds thereof, for work to be performed. Further, the Contractor shall cause to be incorporated in all subcontracts the language set forth in this paragraph prohibiting conflict of interest.
- B. No member of or delegate to Congress, or Resident Commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

#### 15. <u>ACTIVITIES AND CONTRACTS NOT SUBJECT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER</u> <u>11246, AS AMENDED</u>

(Applicable to contracts and subcontracts of \$10,000 and under)

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- A. The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants for employment are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- B. The Contractor shall post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by Contracting Officer setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause. The Contractor shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- C. Contractors shall incorporate foregoing requirements in all subcontracts.

#### 16. <u>PATENTS</u>

- A. The Contractor shall hold and save the Owner and its officers, agents, servants, and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses for, or on account of any patented or unpatented invention, process, article, or appliance manufactured or used in the performance of the contract including its use by the Owner, unless otherwise specifically stipulated in the Contract Document.
- B. License or Royalty Fees: License and/or Royalty Fees for the use of a process which is authorized by the Owner of the project must be reasonable, and paid to the holder of the patent, or his authorized license, direct by the Owner and not by or through the Contractor.
- C. If the Contractor uses any design device or materials covered by letters, patent or copyright, he shall provide for such use by suitable agreement with the owner of such patented or copy-righted design device or material. It is mutually agreed and understood, that without exception the contract prices shall include all royalties or costs arising from the use of such design, device or materials, in any way involved in the work. The Contractor and/or his Sureties shall indemnify and save harmless the Owner of the project from any and all claims for infringement by reason of the use of such patented or copy-righted design, device or materials or any trademark or copyright in connection with work agreed to be performed under this contract, and shall indemnify the Owner for any cost, expense, or damage which it may be obliged to pay by reason of such infringement at any time during the prosecution of the work or after completion of the work.

# 17. <u>COPYRIGHT</u>

No materials, to include but not limited to reports, maps, or documents produced as a result of this contract, in whole or in part, shall be available to the Contractor for copyright purposes. Any such materials produced as a result of this contract that might be subject to copyright shall be the property of the Owner and all such rights shall belong to the Owner.

#### **18.** <u>**TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**</u>

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

the Contractor for the purpose of set-off until such time as the exact amount of damages due the Owner from the Contractor is determined.

#### **19. <u>TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE</u>**

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

#### 20. <u>ENERGY EFFICIENCY</u>

The Contractor shall 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 (Public Law 94-163).

#### 21. <u>SUBCONTRACTS</u>

- A. The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract with any subcontractor who has been debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in contacting programs by any agency of the United States Government or the State of Louisiana.
- B. The Contractor shall be as fully responsible to the Owner for the acts and omissions of the Contractor's subcontractors, and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, as he is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the Contractor.
- C. The Contractor shall cause appropriate provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts relative to the work to bind subcontractor to the Contractor by the terms of the contract documents insofar as applicable to the work of subcontractors and to give the Contractor the same power as regards terminating any subcontract that the Owner may exercise over the Contractor under any provision of the contract documents.
- D. Nothing contained in this contract shall create any contractual relation between any subcontractor and the Owner.

#### 22. <u>DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND INELIGIBILITY</u>

The Contractor represents and warrants that it and its subcontractors are not debarred, suspended, or placed in ineligibility status under the provisions of 24 CFR 24 (government debarment and suspension regulations).

#### 23. <u>BREACH OF CONTRACT TERMS</u>

Any violation or breach of terms of this contract on the part of the Contractor or the Contractor's subcontractors may result in the suspension or termination of this contract or such other action that may be necessary to enforce the rights of the parties of this contract. 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.

#### 24. PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW DEEMED INSERTED

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

#### 25. <u>CHANGES</u>

The Owner may, from time to time, request changes in the scope of the services of the Contractor to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the Contractor's compensation which are mutually agreed upon by and between the Owner and the Contractor, shall be incorporated in written and executed amendments to this Contract.

#### 26. <u>PERSONNEL</u>

The Contractor represents that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all personnel required in performing the services under this Contract. Such personnel shall not be employees of or have any contractual relationship with the Owner.

All the services required hereunder will be performed by the Contractor or under its supervision, and all personnel engaged in the work shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under State and local law to perform such services.

No person who is serving sentence in a penal or correctional institution shall be employed on work under this Contract.

#### 27. <u>ANTI-KICKBACK RULES</u>

Salaries of personnel performing work under this Contract shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a month without payroll deduction or rebate on any account except only such payroll deductions as are mandatory by law or permitted by the applicable regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the "Anti-Kickback Act" of June 13, 1934 (48 Stat. 948; 62 Stat. 740; 63 Stat. 108; Title 18 U.S.C. 874; and Title 40 U.S.C. 276c). The Contractor shall comply with all applicable "Anti-Kickback" regulations and shall insert appropriate provisions in all subcontracts covering work under this contract to insure compliance by the subcontractors with such regulations, and shall be responsible for the submission of affidavits required of subcontractors thereunder except as the Secretary of Labor may specifically provide for variations of or exemptions from the requirements thereof.

#### 28. <u>ASSIGNABILITY</u>

The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this Contract, and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation) without prior written approval of the Owner provided that claims for money due or to become due the Contractor from the Owner under this Contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution, or to a Trustee in Bankruptcy, without such approval. Notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the Owner.

#### 29. <u>INTEREST OF CONTRACTOR</u>

The Contractor covenants that he presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest direct or indirect in the above described project or any parcels therein or any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of his services hereunder. The Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Contract no person having any such interest shall be employed.

#### **30. <u>POLITICAL ACTIVITY</u>**

The Contractor will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.), which limits the political activity of employees.

#### 31. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET</u>

The parties agree to comply with the regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements of the Office of Management and Budget, Circulars A-95, A-102, A-133, and A-54, as they relate to the use of Federal funds under this contract.

#### 32. <u>DISCRIMINATION DUE TO BELIEFS</u>

No person with responsibilities in operation of the project to which this grant relates will discriminate with respect to any program participant or any applicant for participation in such program because of political affiliation or beliefs.

#### 33. <u>CONFIDENTIAL FINDINGS</u>

All of the reports, information, data, etc., prepared or assembled by the Contractor under this Contract are confidential, and the Contractor agrees that they shall not be made available to any individual or organization without prior written approval of the Owner.

#### 34. <u>LOBBYING</u>

The Contractor certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:

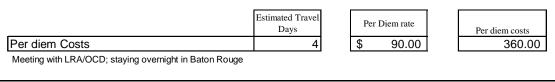
- 1. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the contractor, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with 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 federally 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 contractor shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

#### Attachment "G" <u>Program Administration Financial Plan</u> <u>Example Template</u>

<u>Direct Labor</u> (specify personnel by name) Attach a copy of the scope of services identified in the proposal. Each task identified in the scope of services should be assigned an estimated amount of time for completion. The total amount of time identified on the scope of services should correspond to the cost estimate in this section

TASKs	Estimated hours	Hourly Rate	Direct Cost per 7
Reviewing applications for funding x 25 @ 4hrs	100	70.00	7,000.
Perform credit analysis x 25 @ 4hrs	100	70.00	7,000.
Structure loan and grant deals x 15 @ 12 hrs	180	125.00	22,500.
Conduct loan closings x 15 @ 4 hrs	60	125.00	7,500.
administrative support preparing documents @3hrs	45	40.00	1,800.
Perform loan servicing x 15 @48 hrs Adv Level	720	70.00	50,400.
Perform loan servicing x 15 @72 hrs clercial	1,080	35.00	37,800.
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Total Personnel Compensation	2,289.00		134,000.

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Services or Materials Cost Description	# items, months	C	ost per item	Services or Cost
1 Rental of office space @ 4,000 per mo	24	\$	4,000.00	96,
2 Rental of office equipment @ 1,200 per mo	24	\$	1,200.00	28,
3 Legal services per closing @ 1500	15	\$	1,500.00	22,
4				
5				
6				
7				
8 placing advertising for public hearings	3	\$	75.00	
Total Services or Materials cost				147.

Services or Materials Cost
96,000.00
28,800.00
22,500.00
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225.00
147,525.00

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Total Services or Materials cost

#### **Total Direct Costs**

Indirect or Allocated Costs choose method

Rate X Direct Personnel hours		
	Indirect Hourly	
Indirect or Allocated Cost	Rate	Indirect Cost
Office supplies, services, rentals etc	12.00	27,468.00
Rate X % of Direct Costs	Percent of Direct	[]
Indirect or Allocated Cost	Cost	Indirect Cost
Office supplies, services, rentals etc		
Total Estimated Costs		309,539.00