



**NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING
CORPORATION
P.O. BOX 500514, Saipan, MP 96950-0514**

INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)
(This is ad is paid for NMHC with HUD funds)

NMHC IFB 2021-006

BID SUBMISSION DATE & TIME: March 10, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

Building Maintenance Services for NMHC Housing Units in Rota

Project package will be available on **February 08, 2021**, at the NMHC website at www.nmhcgov.net by clicking on the "Procurement" tab.

The provisions of the NMHC Procurement regulations, NMIAC 100-60-725 AND 100-60-730 Prohibiting Gratuities, Kickbacks and Contingent Fees shall apply.

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For more information, contact Mr. Jacob Muna, Office Manager/Procurement Officer, at (670)234-6866/9447 or email at officemanager@nmhcgov.net during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except CNMI holidays.

/s/
Jesse S. Palacios
Corporate Director

/s/
Marcie M. Tomokane
Chairwoman
NMHC Board of Directors



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Sealed bids must be marked **NMHC-IFB 2021-006**. For bidders within the CNMI, an original and three (3) copies of sealed bids must be submitted to the NMHC Central Office, Garapan, Saipan, MP 96950 or the Rota Field Office, Songsong Village, Rota, **no later than 10:00 a.m., local time March 10, 2021**. Bids received after the date and time will not be accepted. Bidders located outside of the CNMI may obtain an additional seven (7) working days for receipt of their bids by submitting a Notice of Intent to Bid. Notice of Intent to Bid must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than 10:00 a.m., local time, **March 10, 2021**, and must be transmitted via facsimile to (670)234-9021, or via email to officemanager@nmhc.gov.net. For bidders located outside the CNMI, an original and three (3) copies of sealed bids must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or the official government postal service of a foreign country no later than **March 10, 2021** and must be received at NMHC no later than **March 18, 2021**. Note that failure to submit the required number of copies may be cause for rejection of a bid.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the NMHC Central Office, Garapan, Saipan at 11:00 a.m., local time, **March 18, 2021**. However, if no notice of intent to bid were received from bidders outside the CNMI, bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m., local time on **March 10, 2021**.

All labor on this project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rate of \$7.25 per hour which took effect on September 30, 2018 as established by Federal law including subsequent increases as announced by the U.S. Department of Labor and/or CNMI Department of Labor, whichever is higher.

“NMHC is an equal employment and fair housing public agency”

Bidding Procedures shall be in compliance with the NMHC Procurement Regulations (NMIAC §100-60)

Breach of Ethical Standard

Gratuities. It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any person to offer, give or agree to give any employee or former employee, or for any employee or former employee to solicit, demand accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract or to any solicitation or proposal therefore. *NMIAC Section 100-60-725(a)*

Kickbacks. It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith as an inducement for the award of a subcontractor or order. *NMIAC 100-60-725(b)*

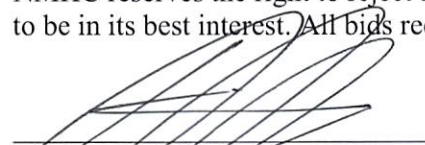
Contingent Fees. It shall be a breach of ethical standards for a person to be retained, or to retain a person, to solicit or secure government contracts upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except for retention of bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial selling agencies for the purpose of securing business. *NMIAC 100-60-730*

NMHC hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that, in any contracts entered into pursuant to this advertisement, small, minority businesses and women's business enterprises will be afforded equal opportunity to submit bids and will not be discriminated against on grounds of race, color, religion, sex, disabilities or national origin.

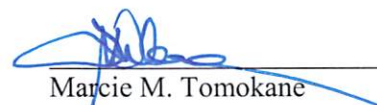
This project is also subject to Section of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968 which requires the successful bidder to the "maximum extent feasible", take affirmative steps to provide training, contracting and employment opportunities and help ensure that the economic opportunities generated by these HUD funds are provided to local low-income residents in Saipan.

The bidder submitting the lowest responsible bid will be subject to a responsibility determination in conformance with the NMHC Procurement Regulations Section 100-60-245. The responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsible bid will be awarded a contract with NMHC.

NMHC reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason and to waive any defects in the bids if determined to be in its best interest. All bids received shall become the property of the Commonwealth Government.



Jesse S. Palacios
Corporate Director
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC)



Marcie M. Tomokane
Chairwoman
NMHC Board of Directors

Scope of Work

Introduction:

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) owns and manages thirty (30) housing units in Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Currently, there are 16 units that are occupied and 14 unoccupied units.

NMHC requires the services of a reputable, responsible and licensed firm doing business in Rota having qualified, skilled manpower to provide routine as well as emergency repairs and maintenance of houses. Contractor awarded a contract with NMHC shall provide all labor, equipment, tools and other incidentals necessary to perform all work as directed by NMHC. Incidentals shall include the transporting of workers to and from the respective job site.

Contractor shall ensure that wages to be paid under this contract shall be no less than the CNMI minimum wage or the U.S. Department of Labor's General Decision CM180001 whichever is higher.

Contractor is also subject to HUD requirements such as Section 3 that provides for training and employment opportunities for low-income persons residing in Rota, as well as other recordkeeping requirement with respect to timesheets and weekly payroll certification. The successful bidder and the person responsible for the payroll of the company awarded a contract will be subject to attend a briefing prior to the issuance of the Notice to Proceed so that these documentation and compliance requirements will be discussed.

The NMHC Field Office Representative (FOR) is responsible in overseeing and coordinating the delivery of services and programs to the tenants and general community. For repairs and maintenance work, the FOR will issue a Service Request/Work Order/Job Order to the contractor. The FOR will coordinate with the Contractor in the completion of the repairs and maintenance work. FOR will conduct inspection and ensure the work is completed. The FOR will review submission of invoices/billing statements to ensure its accuracy. Occupant(s) of the housing units of legal age (18 and above) shall sign the job order acknowledging that the work has been done. Contractor will indicate on the Service Request/Work Order/Job Order if the damage is due to the tenant's negligence or if associated with normal wear and tear.

Contractor or a designated representative shall check in daily at the Rota Field Office for Service Request/Work Order/Job Order, and shall be available to perform emergency repairs as needed, for example, electrical or plumbing. It shall be noted that the work requested by NMHC shall be on as-needed basis, and that not all units may require maintenance and repair work. NMHC does not anticipate repairs to the unit to be eight (8) hours per day during the duration of the contract. The Contractor shall be available conduct maintenance and repair services before and after a typhoon disaster.

The following describes the most common and routine repairs of the Housing Units:

1. Repair or replace all cabinets, closet/doors, doors, door jambs and other wooden materials within unit (as necessary).
2. Repair or replace window screens, screen doors, typhoon shutters and clamps.
3. Clear clogged up sewer pipes- to include digging, if necessary, using snake, other plumbing apparatus or approved EPA chemicals to clear up waste materials from pipes or septic systems. Locating of ground clean out's and extend to existing grade to be exposed and secure with cement finish around it;

4. Repair or replace leaky pipes and/or other plumbing fixtures. Repair of roof cracks, water blasting roof top, apply roof coats using elastomeric roof paint, primer and final coating;
5. Repair and re-plaster concrete ceiling and walls which are cracked or broken using concrete, compound or quick setting cement.
6. Repair or replace vinyl floor tiles (as needed).
7. Repair or replace ceramic floor tiles at kitchen counter or bathroom (as necessary).
8. Repair all electrical appliances (electric range and refrigerator) and hot water heaters, and repaint exterior surface if necessary.
9. Repair or replace lighting fixtures, switch and outlet including covers and any electrical shortages.
10. Paint interior and exterior walls and ceiling, including door jambs, closet, cabinets, and other wooden surfaces.
11. Dispose all debris and/or hazardous materials from the repairs of dwelling units.
12. Perform emergency repairs as requested by NMHC.
13. Perform other maintenance related duties not noted above, but in line with Section 8 housing units and its Central Office.
14. All appliance repairs shall be done at the Maintenance Unit identified by NMHC. If contractor requires at anytime to relocate appliances outside the housing division for assessment, repairs or testing, the contractor shall not charge NMHC for transferring of appliances to and from BBH subdivision.
15. All parts and materials needed to repair appliances shall be listed with the assessment report and submitted to NMHC office for review and approval for purchase.

Inspections by NMHC:

The Contractor understands and agrees that NMHC staff will make routine inspections while the work is in progress.

The Contractor shall advise their assigned worker to sign in on the log-sheet, their name, work order number, housing units, date and time they report to start/stop work on work orders for the day. Log sheet shall be submitted with timesheet billing for review and approval for payment process.

Bid Price:

Contractors shall submit a single hourly rate for all occupational classifications (i.e., carpenter; cement mason; electrician; plumber; painter; and appliance repair (to include painting of appliances) that are required to perform the works listed herein. NMHC will award a contract to a responsible contractor whose bid is the lowest responsive bid.

Duration of Contract:

Contract shall be awarded based on the lowest, responsive bid from a responsible bidder. Contract shall be for a period of one (1) year with the option to renew for another year based on the contractor's satisfactory performance and delivery of services to NMHC, contingent on funding availability, and under the same terms and conditions of the contract.

Payment Schedule:

NMHC shall pay contractor based on actual work done. Contractor shall provide an invoice supported by timesheets approved and certified by the contractor's official timekeeper/payroll accountant, copies of cancelled checks, and work/job order. Timesheets and/or invoices shall be submitted to the NMHC Rota Field Office on a weekly basis for review and certification for accuracy.

In addition, contractors must submit along with their timesheets, the Section 3 summary report which is required to show good faith efforts made by the contractor in providing low-income persons training, contracting and employment opportunities as required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968.

Invoice(s) must be received by the NMHC Central Office in Garapan for processing of *payments one week before the 15th or 30th of each month*. Vendor payments are released only on the 15th and 30th of each month.

Failure to provide the above-referenced documents will result in the delay of payments. *The NMHC further notes that contractors should have adequate financial resources to ensure that workers are adequately paid and not be dependent solely on payments from NMHC.*

Contractor must submit the Section 3 Summary Report every quarter for the duration of the contract. The Section 3 Summary Report is required to show good faith efforts made by the contractor in providing low-income persons training, contracting and employment opportunities as required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968. Failure to provide the above-referenced document will result in the delay of payments.

Documents to be submitted:

1. CNMI Business License
2. Bid Form (attached)
3. Non-Collusion Affidavit (Attached)
4. Drug Free Certification (Attached)
NMHC Has declared all its properties are drug-free zones, and the successful bidder(s) and all its employees must fully comply with this requirement.
5. Equal Employment Opportunity (Attached)
6. Section 3 Affirmative Action Plan & Section 3 Summary Report Form (Attached)
7. Contractor's Assurances (Attached)
8. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation (Attached)
9. Company Profile (Provide information regarding the company and Provide information regarding completed and on-going projects)
10. List of Employees to be assigned to Blue Bay Homes
11. Employee Permits (Work Authorization Permits from USCIS) & Identification of Employees that are non-CWs
12. List of Tools and Equipment to be used
13. Insurance Documents (Worker's Compensation, General Liability Insurance, Vehicle Insurance)

The NMHC hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that, in any contracts entered into pursuant to this advertisement, small, minority businesses and women's business enterprises will be afforded equal opportunity to submit bids and will not be discriminated against on grounds of race, color, religion, sex, disabilities or national origin.

The successful bidder will be required to take affirmative steps to utilize small, minority firms and women's business enterprises, and to provide training, contracting and employment opportunities to low-income residents residing in Saipan.

For more information, please contact Mr. Jacob Muna, Office Manager/Procurement Officer at (670)234-6866/9447 or via email at officemanager@nmhcgov.net during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except CNMI holidays.

BID FORM

TO: Contracting Officer
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Saipan, MP 96950

The Bid Proposal of _____, whose mailing address is _____, telephone number _____, a Contractor, established and licensed under the laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, herewith responds to your Invitation for Bid for the Building Maintenance of the Housing Units in Rota.

The Contract, having examined the housing units and sites of the proposed work, ensures that its company has the financial and manpower capability and being familiar with all the conditions surrounding the proposed services requested by NMHC, hereby bids to furnish all labor, equipment, tools, transportation and/or other incidentals necessary to perform all the work in accordance with the scope of services, as follows:

Note: Specify A Single or Individual Hourly Rate Per Occupation.
Removed monthly and yearly rate.*

(For all occupational classifications such as carpenter; cement mason; electrician; plumber; painter; and appliance repair {to include painting of appliances-stoves and refrigerators})

A. Individual Hourly Rate:

- A1) Carpentry Work \$ _____
- A2) Cement Masonry Work \$ _____
- A3) Electrical Work \$ _____
- A4) Plumbing Work \$ _____
- A5) Painting Work \$ _____
- A6) Appliance Repair \$ _____
 Work (including painting of stoves and refrigerators)
- A7) Emergency Call (minimum of one hour)
 \$ _____

The firm awarded a contract shall agree to comply with all the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations and requirements, and to commence work upon execution of required contract documents and receipt of a written Notice to Proceed (NTP) from NMHC.

Attached hereto is an affidavit in proof that the undersigned has not entered into any collusion with any person in respect to this bid or any other bids or submitting bids for the Contract for which this bid is submitted.

Submitted by:

Representative: _____
(Print Name) (Signature)

Title: _____

Company: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

PROJECT: _____

This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

In addition, this certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the Government determines to award the contract. If it is later determined that the contractor knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the Government, in addition to any other remedies available, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.

- A. The contractor certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace by:
 - (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited at the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
 - (b) Establishing a drug-free awareness programs to inform employees about:
 - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace; and the contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (2) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
 - (c) Making it a requirement that such employee to be engaged in the performance of the work be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
 - (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the contract, the employee will:
 - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement and notify the employer of any criminal drug statue conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction;

- (e) Notifying the Government within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d) (1), with respect to any employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction;
- (f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d) (1), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
 - (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination; or requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily, complete a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or Local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

B. Insert in the space provided below, or include as a separate attachment, a list of the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific contract:

 Place of Performance (Street, Road, Village, Island)
Contractor must specify all sites associated with the project ie., offices/project area(s) and surrounding sites.

Representative:

_____ (Print Name) _____ (Signature)

Title: _____

Company: _____

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Date: _____

PROJECT: _____

The bidder represents that he [] has, [] has not, participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause prescribed by Executive Orders 10925, 11114, or the Secretary of Labor; that he [] has, [] has not, filed all required compliance reports, and that representations indicating submission of required compliance reports, signed by proposed subcontractors, will be obtained prior to subcontractor awards.

Representative: _____
(Print Name) (Signature)

Title: _____

Company: _____

(The above representation need not be submitted in connection with contracts or subcontracts that are exempt from the clause).

SECTION 3 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN
ALL CONTRACTS AND SUBCONTRACTS

In accordance with the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, and the regulations pursuant to that Act.

(Contractor)

Agrees to comply with Section 3 of that Act by assuring that to the greatest extent feasible:

1. Training and employment opportunities will be given to lower income residents of the project; and
2. Contracts in connection with the project will be awarded to business concerns which are located in or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the area of the project.

_____ will initiate the following actions to insure utilization of lower income project residents as employees or trainees and to incorporate project area small businesses as subcontractors and suppliers.

1. The Contractor will establish and maintain a directory of service organization, job referral agencies and manpower training programs operating within, or servicing, project area residents.
2. The Contractor will submit, prior to the award of a contract, a signed assurance that it will comply with Section 3 regulations and requirements.
3. The Contractor will provide, prior to the signing of a contract, a statement of work force needs, including trainee positions.
4. The Contractor will notify community-based organizations of available employment opportunities, and shall maintain records of response from such organizations.
5. The Contractor will make continuing personal recruitment efforts directed to such service organizations and to schools with lower income resident training programs with which he/she is familiar.
6. The Contractor will maintain a file of the names and addresses of each low-income resident workers referred to him and that action was taken with respect to each such referred worker and, if the worker was not employed, the reasons therefore (attached together with this Plan).
7. The Contractor will include the Section 3 clause in every subcontract for work in connection with HUD-assisted projects (attached).

8. For each subcontract, the Prime Contractor will submit, prior to contract award, the Section 3 Affirmative Action Plans of its subcontractors.
9. The Contractor will not attempt to circumvent Section 3 provisions.
10. The Contractor will, to the greatest extent feasible, attempt to employ or fill training positions with lower income project area residents; it will, as a minimum, provide evidence of the following:
 - a. Attempts to recruit from the project area through local advertising media, Community organizations, public and private agencies operating within or serving the project area, such as the CNMI Department of Labor/Employment Service and the Workforce Investment Agency (WIA) and/or the Private Industry Council.
 - b. Maintain a list of all lower income area residents who have applied either on their own or on referral from any source, and that he has employed such persons If otherwise qualified and if an opening exists.
11. The Contractor will, to the greatest extent feasible, attempt to incorporate project area businesses as subcontractors and suppliers.
12. The Contractor will provide the Section 3 workforce and business utilization reports required under this contract.

_____ fully realizes failure or refusal to comply and give satisfactory assurances of future compliance with the requirements of this Affirmative Action Plan shall be proper basis for any and all of the following actions: cancellation, termination or suspension in whole or in part of the contract; a determination of ineligibility or debarment from any further contracts under any Federal program with respect to which the failure or future occurred until satisfactory assurances of future compliance have been received.

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name/Title: _____

Section 3 Summary Report
Economic Opportunities for
Low – and Very Low-Income Persons

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Fair Housing
And Equal Opportunity

OMB Approval No: 2529-0043
(exp. 11/30/2010)

HUD Field Office:

Section back of page for Public Reporting Burden statement

1. Recipient Name & Address: (street, city, state, zip)	2. Federal Identification: (grant no.)	3. Total Amount of Award:
	4. Contact Person	5. Phone: (Include area code)
	6. Length of Grant:	7. Reporting Period:
8. Date Report Submitted:	9. Program Code: (Use separate sheet for each program code)	10. Program Name:

Part I: Employment and Training (Columns B, C and F are mandatory fields. Include New Hires in E & F)**

A Job Category	B Number of New Hires	C Number of New Hires that are Sec. 3 Residents	D % of Aggregate Number of Staff Hours of New Hires that are Sec. 3 Residents	E % of Total Staff Hours for Section 3 Employees and Trainees	F Number of Section 3 Trainees
Professionals					
Technicians					
Office/Clerical					
Construction by Trade (List Trade					
Trade					
Trade					
Trade					
Trade					
Other (List)					
Total					

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| <p>* Program Codes
1 = Flexible Subsidy
2 = Section 202/B11</p> | <p>3 = Public/Indian Housing
A = Development,
B = Operation
C = Modernization</p> | <p>4 = Homeless Assistance
5 = HOME
6 = HOME State Administered
7 = CDBG Entitlement</p> | <p>8 = CDBG State Administered
9 = Other CD Programs
10 = Other Housing Programs</p> |
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Part II: Contracts Awarded

1. Construction Contracts:

A. Total dollar amount of all contracts awarded on the project	\$
B. Total dollar amount of contracts awarded to Section 3 businesses	\$
C. Percentage of the total dollar amount that was awarded to Section 3 businesses	%
D. Total number of Section 3 businesses receiving contracts	

2. Non-Construction Contracts:

A. Total dollar amount all non-construction contracts awarded on the project/activity	\$
B. Total dollar amount of non-construction contracts awarded to Section 3 businesses	\$
C. Percentage of the total dollar amount that was awarded to Section 3 businesses	%
D. Total number of Section 3 businesses receiving non-construction contracts	

Part III: Summary

Indicate the efforts made to direct the employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD financial assistance for housing and community development programs, to the greatest extent feasible, toward low- and very low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing. (Check all that apply.)

- Attempted to recruit low-income residents through: local advertising media, signs prominently displayed at the project site, contracts with the community organizations and public or private agencies operating within the metropolitan area (or nonmetropolitan county) in which the Section 3 covered program or project is located, or similar methods.
- Participated in a HUD program or other program which promotes the training or employment of Section 3 residents.
- Participated in a HUD program or other program which promotes the award of contracts to business concerns which meet the definition of Section 3 business concerns.
- Coordinated with Youthbuild Programs administered in the metropolitan area in which the Section 3 covered project is located.
- Other; describe below.

Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average 2 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB number.

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u, mandates that the Department ensures that employment and other economic opportunities generated by its housing and community development assistance programs are directed toward low- and very-low income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance housing. The regulations are found at 24 CFR Part 135. The information will be used by the Department to monitor program recipients' compliance with Section 3, to assess the results of the Department's efforts to meet the statutory objectives of Section 3, to prepare reports to Congress, and by recipients as self-monitoring tool. The data is entered into a database and will be analyzed and distributed. The collection of information involves recipients receiving Federal financial assistance for housing and community development programs covered by Section 3. The information will be collected annually to assist HUD in meeting its reporting requirements under Section 808(e)(6) of the Fair Housing Act and Section 916 of the HCDA of 1992. An assurance of confidentiality is not applicable to this form. The Privacy Act of 1974 and OMB Circular A-108 are not applicable. The reporting requirements do not contain sensitive questions. Data is cumulative; personal identifying information is not included.

Form HUD-60002, Section 3 Summary Report, Economic Opportunities for Low- and Very Low-Income Persons.

Instructions: This form is to be used to report annual accomplishments regarding employment and other economic opportunities provided to low- and very low-income persons under Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. The Section 3 regulations apply to any *public and Indian housing programs* that receive: (1) development assistance pursuant to Section 5 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937; (2) operating assistance pursuant to Section 9 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937; or (3) modernization grants pursuant to Section 14 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 and to recipients of housing and community development assistance in excess of \$200,000 expended for: (1) housing rehabilitation (including reduction and abatement of lead-based paint hazards); (2) housing construction; or (3) other public construction projects; and to *contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$100,000* awarded in connection with the Section-3-covered activity.

Form HUD-60002 has three parts, which are to be completed for all programs covered by Section 3. Part I relates to *employment and training*. The recipient has the option to determine numerical employment/training goals either on the basis of the number of hours worked by new hires (columns B, D, E and F). Part II of the form relates to *contracting*, and Part III summarizes recipients' *efforts* to comply with Section 3.

Recipients or contractors subject to Section 3 requirements must maintain appropriate documentation to establish that HUD financial assistance for housing and community development programs were directed toward low- and very low-income persons.* A recipient of Section 3 covered assistance shall submit one copy of this report to HUD Headquarters, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. Where the program providing assistance requires an annual performance report, this Section 3 report is to be submitted at the same time the program performance report is submitted. Where an annual performance report is not required, this Section 3 report is to be submitted by January 10 and, if the project ends before December 31, within 10 days of project completion. *Only Prime Recipients are required to report to HUD. The report must include accomplishments of all recipients and their Section 3 covered contractors and subcontractors.*

HUD Field Office: Enter the Field Office name .

1. Recipient: Enter the name and address of the recipient submitting this report.
2. Federal Identification: Enter the number that appears on the award form (with dashes). The award may be a grant, cooperative agreement or contract.
3. Dollar Amount of Award: Enter the dollar amount, rounded to the nearest dollar, received by the recipient.
- 4 & 5. Contact Person/Phone: Enter the name and telephone number of the person with knowledge of the award and the recipient's implementation of Section 3.
6. Reporting Period: Indicate the time period (months and year) this report covers.
7. Date Report Submitted: Enter the appropriate date.

8. Program Code: Enter the appropriate program code as listed at the bottom of the page.
9. Program Name: Enter the name of HUD Program corresponding with the "Program Code" in number 8.

Part I: Employment and Training Opportunities

Column A: Contains various job categories. Professionals are defined as people who have special knowledge of an occupation (i.e. supervisors, architects, surveyors, planners, and computer programmers). For construction positions, list each trade and provide data in columns B through F for each trade where persons were employed. The category of "Other" includes occupations such as service workers.

Column B: (Mandatory Field) Enter the number of new hires for each category of workers identified in Column A in connection with this award. New hire refers to a person who is not on the contractor's or recipient's payroll for employment at the time of selection for the Section 3 covered award or at the time of receipt of Section 3 covered assistance.

Column C: (Mandatory Field) Enter the number of Section 3 new hires for each category of workers identified in Column A in connection with this award. Section 3 new hire refers to a Section 3 resident who is not on the contractor's or recipient's payroll for employment at the time of selection for the Section 3 covered award or at the time of receipt of Section 3 covered assistance.

Column D: Enter the percentage of all the staff hours of new hires (Section 3 residents) in connection with this award.

Column E: Enter the percentage of the total staff hours worked for Section 3 employees and trainees (including new hires) connected with this award. Include staff hours for part-time and full-time positions.

Column F: (Mandatory Field) Enter the number of Section 3 residents that were trained in connection with this award.

Part II: Contract Opportunities

Block 1: Construction Contracts

Item A: Enter the total dollar amount of all contracts awarded on the project/program.

Item B: Enter the total dollar amount of contracts connected with this project/program that were awarded to Section 3 businesses.

Item C: Enter the percentage of the total dollar amount of contracts connected with this project/program awarded to Section 3 businesses.

Item D: Enter the number of Section 3 businesses receiving awards.

Block 2: Non-Construction Contracts

Item A: Enter the total dollar amount of all contracts awarded on the project/program.

Item B: Enter the total dollar amount of contracts connected with this project awarded to Section 3 businesses.

Item C: Enter the percentage of the total dollar amount of contracts connected with this project/program awarded to Section 3 businesses.

Item D: Enter the number of Section 3 businesses receiving awards.

Part III: Summary of Efforts – Self -explanatory

Submit one (1) copy of this report to the HUD Headquarters Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, at the same time the performance report is submitted to the program office. The Section 3 report is submitted by January 10. Include only contracts executed during the period specified in item 8. PHAs/IHAs are to report all contracts/subcontracts.

* The terms "low-income persons" and very low-income persons" have the same meanings given the terms in section 3 (b) (2) of the United States Housing Act of 1937. *Low-income persons* mean families (including single persons) whose incomes do not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by the Secretary, with adjustments for smaller and larger families, except that

The Secretary may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 80 percent of the median for the area on the basis of the Secretary's findings that such variations are necessary because of prevailing levels of construction costs or unusually high- or low-income families. *Very low-income persons* mean low-income families (including single persons) whose incomes do not exceed 50 percent of the median family income area, as determined by the Secretary with adjustments or smaller and larger families, except that the Secretary may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 50 percent of the median for the area on the basis of the Secretary's findings that such variations are necessary because of unusually high or low family incomes.

NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION

CONTRACTOR'S ASSURANCES

(ALL contracts and subcontracts)

1. The Civil Rights and Age Discrimination Acts Assurances:

During the performance of this Agreement, the Grantee assures that no otherwise qualified person shall be excluded from participation or employment, denied program benefits, or be subjected to discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap, under any program or activity funded by this contract, as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and all implementing regulations.

2. The Training, Employment, and Contracting Opportunities for Business and Lower Income Persons Assurance of Compliance:

- a) The work to be performed under this Agreement is on a project assisted under a program providing direct Federal financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and 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 requires that to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment be given lower income residents of the project area and contracts for Work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns which are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the area of the project.
- b) The parties to this Agreement will comply with the provisions of said Section 3 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development set forth in 24 CFR Part 135, and all applicable rules and orders of the Department issued thereunder prior to the execution of this contract. The parties to this contract certify and agree that they are under no contractual or other disability which would prevent them from complying with these requirements.
- c) The Grantee will send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, if any, a notice advertising the said labor organization or worker's representative of his commitments under this Section 3 clause and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment or training.
- d) The Grantee will include these Section 3 clauses in every contract and subcontract for work in connection with the project and will, at the direction of the State, take appropriate action pursuant to the contract upon a finding that the Grantee or any contractor or subcontractor is in violation of regulations issued by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, 24 CFR Part 135 and, will not let any contract

unless the Grantee or contractor or subcontractor has first provided it with a preliminary statement of ability to comply with the requirements of these regulations.

- e) Compliance with the provisions of Section 3, the regulations set forth in 24 CFR Part 135, and all applicable rules and orders of the Department issued thereunder prior to the execution of the Agreement shall be a condition of the Federal financial assistance provided to the project, binding upon the Grantee, its successors, and assigns. Failure to fulfill these requirements shall subject the Grantee, its contractors and subcontractors, its successors, and assigns to those sanctions specified by the grant or contract through which Federal assistance is provided, and to such sanctions as are specified by 24 CFR Part 135.

3. State Nondiscrimination Clause:

- 1. During the performance of this contract, contractor and its subcontractors shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age (over 40) or sex. Contractors and subcontractors shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free of such discrimination.
- 2. This contractor shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under the contract.

Bidder's/Proposer's Certification and Signature:

The undersigned bidder/proposer certifies that it gives its assurances to comply with the foregoing provisions and its representations are accurate, complete and current.

(Signature)

(Date)

(Typed or Printed Name)

(Title)

(Company Name & Mailing Address)

Telephone: _____

Fax No. _____

Other Contact Nos.: _____

SMALL, MINORITY, WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS CONCERN REPRESENTATION

The bidder/proposer represents and certifies as part of its bid/offer that it:

(a) is, is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.

(b) is, is not a women-owned business enterprise. "Women-owned business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business that is at least fifty-one (51%) percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.

(c) is, is not a minority business enterprise. "Minority business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business which is at least fifty-one (51%) percent owned or controlled by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least fifty-one (51%) of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals. For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(check the block applicable to you)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Hasidic Jewish Americans |

Bidder's/Proposer's Signature

The undersigned bidder certifies that the information contained in this certification and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

(Signature and Date)

(Typed or Printed Name)

(Title)

(Company Name & Mailing Address)

Telephone: _____

Fax No.: _____

CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

PROJECT: _____

(Applicable to federally assisted construction contracts and related subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the Equal Opportunity Clause).

The Federally assisted construction contractor certifies that he does not maintain or provide for his employees any segregated facilities at any of his establishments, and that he does not permit his employees to perform their services at any location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The federally assisted construction contractor certifies further that he will not maintain or provide for his employees any segregated facilities at any of his establishments, and that he will not permit his employees to perform their services at any location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The federally assisted construction contractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in 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 room 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, creed, color, or national origin, because of habit, local custom, or otherwise. The federally assisted construction contractor agrees that (except where he has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause, and that he will retain such certifications in his files.

Representative: _____
(Print Name) (Signature)

Title: _____

Company: _____

NOTE: The penalty for making false statements in offers is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

**FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE
IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

\$7.25 PER HOUR

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

The law requires employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.

OVERTIME PAY

At least 1½ times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

CHILD LABOR

An employee must be at least 16 years old to work in most non-farm jobs and at least 18 to work in non-farm jobs declared hazardous by the Secretary of Labor. Youths 14 and 15 years old may work outside school hours in various non-manufacturing, non-mining, non-hazardous jobs with certain work hours restrictions. Different rules apply in agricultural employment.

TIP CREDIT

Employers of "tipped employees" who meet certain conditions may claim a partial wage credit based on tips received by their employees. Employers must pay tipped employees a cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour if they claim a tip credit against their minimum wage obligation. If an employee's tips combined with the employer's cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour do not equal the minimum hourly wage, the employer must make up the difference.

NURSING MOTHERS

The FLSA requires employers to provide reasonable break time for a nursing mother employee who is subject to the FLSA's overtime requirements in order for the employee to express breast milk for her nursing child for one year after the child's birth each time such employee has a need to express breast milk. Employers are also required to provide a place, other than a bathroom, that is shielded from view and free from intrusion from coworkers and the public, which may be used by the employee to express breast milk.

ENFORCEMENT

The Department has authority to recover back wages and an equal amount in liquidated damages in instances of minimum wage, overtime, and other violations. The Department may litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may be assessed civil money penalties for each willful or repeated violation of the minimum wage or overtime pay provisions of the law. Civil money penalties may also be assessed for violations of the FLSA's child labor provisions. Heightened civil money penalties may be assessed for each child labor violation that results in the death or serious injury of any minor employee, and such assessments may be doubled when the violations are determined to be willful or repeated. The law also prohibits retaliating against or discharging workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the FLSA.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Certain occupations and establishments are exempt from the minimum wage, and/or overtime pay provisions.
- Some employers incorrectly classify workers as "independent contractors" when they are actually employees under the FLSA. It is important to know the difference between the two because employees (unless exempt) are entitled to the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime pay protections and correctly classified independent contractors are not.
- Certain full-time students, student learners, apprentices, and workers with disabilities may be paid less than the minimum wage under special certificates issued by the Department of Labor.

The Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-28), as amended, applies the minimum wage rate shown above to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. This law also provides for additional increases in the minimum wage of \$0.50 an hour each year on September 30 (except in 2011, 2013 and 2015, when no increase occurs), until reaching the minimum wage generally applicable in the U.S.



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COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES

I. PARTIES

This contract is between the NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION (NMHC), an autonomous public agency of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and referred to herein as “NMHC”, and _____ is referred to in this contract as the “Contractor.”

Jesse S. Palacios, NMHC Corporate Director; is the Expenditure Authority for the NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION (NMHC). Any reference to the expenditure authority in this contract is a reference to Jesse S. Palacios, Corporate Director. The Expenditure Authority may take any action on behalf of the NMHC provided for by this contract or by law.

II. NOTICE

All notices and communications required by this contract shall be in written form and shall be delivered to the following addresses:

Mr. Jacob Muna, Procurement Officer
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation
P.O. Box 500514
Saipan, MP 96950
Tel: (670)234-6866

Company Owner
Company Name
P.O. Box
Saipan, MP 96950
Tel: (670)123-4567

III. COMMUNICATION

The Contractor shall maintain communications with NMHC at all stages of the Contractor’s work. The Contractor will submit any questions it may have to the NMHC regarding its performance under this contract.

IV. GENERAL PURPOSE

The purpose of this contract is for the NMHC to procure from the Contractor the services described in this contract and in the attached exhibits and to enjoy any warranty or other services provided for by this contract. The services being procured are described as follows:

1. Building Maintenance Services for NMHC Housing Units in Rota

The services being purchased by this contract are further described in *Exhibit B*. If the description of the services in *Exhibit B* conflict with the description of the services in this contract, then the description in this contract will control.

The services will be provided on the island of Rota.

The services will be performed for a duration of *One (1) Year*.

V. CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT

The Contractor will provide all materials, supplies, equipment and personnel necessary to complete this contract.

VI. WARRANTY

N/A

VII. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The following instruments shown in the table below, constitute the contract documents (“Contract Documents”) and are incorporated as part of the Contract thereof. If any of the attached documents conflict with this contract, then the language of this contract will control.

EXHIBIT	NAME OF DOCUMENT
A	Standard Terms and Conditions
B	Scope of Work

VIII. CONSIDERATION AND SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor agrees to perform the services described in this contract and the documents attached and incorporated into this contract. The NMHC agrees to pay contractor in the amount not to exceed _____ (\$ __, __.00) in exchange for Building Maintenance Services, and goods if any. In addition, the consideration for this agreement is in the mutual covenants and stipulations hereby agreed to by the parties and set out in the following paragraphs.

IX. DURATION OF CONTRACT

The Contractor will begin its performance upon receipt of a Notice to Proceed by NMHC.

This contract will remain in effect for a period of One (1) year after the receipt of the Notice to Proceed.

X. CONTRACT EXTENSION

NMHC may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor 30 days before the contract expires. This extension provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension

of performance may not exceed six (6) months. If NMHC exercises its option to extend this contract, then the contract will continue without any change in the terms and conditions of this contract.

XI. DELIVERY AND PAYMENT

1. The Contractor agrees to begin, and to continue for as long as this contract provides, to perform the services on the island of Saipan. The Contractor will invoice NMHC and will be paid according to the following schedule:

DATE THE NMHC RECEIVES INVOICE	INVOICE AMOUNT	PAYMENT DUE DATE
15 th and 30 th of every month		NMHC will issue payment to the contractor within 30 days after submitting an invoice.

2. If the notice to proceed is issued after a date identified in the above-schedule, then the Contractor will invoice the NMHC on the next date identified in the above-schedule. Thereafter, invoices will be issued in accordance with the above-schedule and will continue to be issued until the contract is completed.
3. Payment by NMHC shall be made only upon Contractor’s submission of evidence to the Expenditure Authority that the Contractor has delivered the services and has adhered to all contract terms and specifications.
4. If the Contractor fails to invoice NMHC according to the above schedule, then NMHC, at its sole discretion, may refuse to pay the untimely invoice. If NMHC exercises its right to refuse payment under this subsection, neither party will be relieved of its obligation to perform under this contract.

XII. SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS

No Contract can be formed prior to the approval of all required signatories, as evidenced by the signature affixed below of each of them, made in the order listed. The Contract shall become effective upon certification of contract completion by the Director of Procurement and Supply.

XIII. ADJUSTMENTS OF TIME FOR PERFORMANCE

The Expenditure Authority may grant the Contractor up to thirty additional days to complete the delivery of the services required by this contract. A grant of additional time will only be effective if it is placed in writing and signed by the Expenditure Authority.

The Contractor may grant the NMHC additional time, as necessary, to complete the payment for the services. A grant of additional time will only be effective if it is placed in writing and signed by an agent of the Contractor.

XIV. SIGNATURES

1. Expenditure Authority

I declare that I have complied with the NMHC procurement regulations; that this contract is for a public purpose; and that the contract does not waste or abuse public funds. I declare that I, personally, have the authority to obligate the expenditure of funds for this contract. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed this day in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Jesse S. Palacios
Corporate Director
Expenditure Authority

Date:

2. Procurement and Supply

I hereby certify that to the best of my information and belief this contract is in compliance with the NMHC Procurement Regulations, is for a public purpose, the contractor is a responsible contractor, and the contract does not waste or abuse public funds.

Jacob Muna
Procurement Officer

Date

3. NMHC Fiscal Division

I hereby certify that the funds identified below are available and have been committed for funding of this Contract:

Account: _____

Amount: _____

Roger A. Dris
Acting-Chief Financial Officer

Date

4. Attorney General:

I hereby certify that this contract has been numbered, review and approved as to form and legal capacity.

Edward Manibusan
Attorney General

Date

5. NMHC Board of Directors

Marcie M. Tomokane
Chairwoman

Date

6. Contractor – _____:

On behalf of the Contractor, I represent that I am authorized to bind the Contractor to the terms of this Contract, and by my signature I do hereby accept and bind the Contractor to the terms of this Contract. I further represent for the Contractor that no person associated with the Contractor has retained any person in violation of the Commonwealth Procurement Regulations.

PRINTED NAME OF SIGNING AUTHORITY

TITLE

SIGNATURE OF SIGNING AUTHORITY

Date

7. CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACT COMPLETION

I hereby certify that this contract bears all signatures and is therefore complete.

Jacob Muna
Procurement Officer

Date

XV. END OF CONTRACT DOCUMENT

Procurement Information
(For government purposes only)

Method of Procurement (Check one only)

- Competitive Sealed Bids
- Competitive Sealed Proposal
- Small Purchase
- Sole Source
- Emergency
- Expedited

Type of Procurement (Check one only)

- Initial procurement
- Subsequent procurement –
- Following Bid Protest
- Government's Option
- Replacement for Defaulted Contractor

Government contract numbers of all related contracts with the Vendor:
Insert Contract Numbers, or NONE



EXHIBIT A
NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION (NMHC)
STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I. TAXES, INSURANCE, AND PERMITS

The Contractor is responsible for all applicable Commonwealth or federal taxes and fees which may become due and owing by the Contractor by reason of this contract. The Contractor is also responsible for obtaining all insurance, licenses, permits, and certificates that may be required in order to perform this contract.

II. LITIGATION

If the NMHC, without any fault on its own part, becomes a party to any litigation by or against the Contractor in connection with this contract, the Contractor shall pay all costs and expenses incurred by the NMHC, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

III. CONTRACT SUBJECT TO FUNDING

Continued funding of this Contract beyond the present fiscal year is contingent on availability of funding in future years. In the event that such funding does not become available, the NMHC may terminate the contract without any further liability.

IV. SATISFACTION OF EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY REQUIRED

The Contractor agrees to complete the contract according to the terms of the contract and to the full satisfaction of the Expenditure Authority.

V. REGULATIONS CONTROLLING

This contract is void if either the procurement processes or contract execution fails to comply with the NMHC Procurement Regulations codified by NMIAC §§ 100-60-001, et seq. Any procurement action of a NMHC official or employee in violation of said regulations is not authorized by the NMHC and is an act for which the NMHC will not take responsibility or be liable for in any manner. The Contractor and the NMHC Expenditure Authority hereby certify that they have both read and understand said procurement regulations and have complied with all such regulations.

VI. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR VIOLATION OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

If the contract is in violation of the procurement regulations codified by NMIAC §§ 100-60-001, et seq., then the Contractor may be subject to debarment or suspension from NMHC contracting. Any person found to be violating the procurement regulations may be personally liable for any damages incurred, in addition to other penalties provided for by law or regulation.

VII. CONTRACT DISPUTES

1. Any dispute arising under this contract between the NMHC and the Contractor shall be submitted to administrative review and appeal as provided for by the procurement regulations codified by NMIAC §§ 100-60-001, et seq.
2. Commonwealth law governs this contract.
3. The NMHC will not be held liable for interest on any judgment taken as a result of any legal action in connection with this contract.
4. The NMHC will not be held liable for any punitive damages as a result of any legal action in connection with this contract.
5. The NMHC will not be held liable for any attorneys' fees incurred by the Contractor as a result of any legal action in connection with this contract.

VIII. GRATUITIES

It shall be a breach of contract for the Contractor to offer, give, or agree to give a gratuity or an offer of employment to any employee or former employee in connection with the execution of this contract.

It shall be a breach of contract for any NMHC employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from the contractor, a gratuity, or an offer of employment in connection with the execution of this contract.

IX. RIGHT TO AUDIT

The Contractor and subcontractor or grantee and sub-grantee at all levels shall provide the Public Auditor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands with access to and the right to examine and copy any records, data or papers relevant to this contract or grant until three (3) years have passed since the final payment pursuant to this contract or grant.

X. KICKBACKS PROHIBITED

It shall be a breach of contract for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

XI. CONTINGENT FEES

The Contractor hereby represents that it has not retained any person to solicit or secure government contracts upon an agreement or understanding for a commission percentage, brokerage or contingent fee except for the retention of a bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial selling agencies for the purpose of securing business.

XII. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

1. If the Contractor refuses or fails to deliver the goods or services as required or fails to deliver the goods or services within the time period specified by this contract, then the NMHC may terminate this contract by providing written notice of termination to the Contractor. If the NMHC terminates this contract for default, then the Contractor will be liable for damages. In the alternative, the NMHC may insist upon the performance of this contract and the payment of damages for its delay. Failure to deliver the goods or services as required and within the time limits provided by this contract may subject the Contractor to suspension, disbarment, or any other remedy provided by law.
2. The NMHC will not terminate the contract for failure to deliver the goods or services within the specified time if the failure is caused by an act of god, acts of the public enemy, acts of the NMHC, fires, floods, epidemics, or unusually severe weather.
3. The rights and remedies provided in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

XIII. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

1. The NMHC may, when its interests so require, terminate this contract in whole or in part for the convenience of the NMHC. The NMHC will give written notice of the termination to the Contractor if the contract is terminated for the convenience of the NMHC.
2. If the contract is terminated, then the Contractor will not incur any further obligation in connection with the terminated contract. The Contractor will work to terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated contract and will settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination. The Contractor will limit and mitigate its damages as much as possible.
3. If the contract is terminated for convenience, then the parties may enter into a settlement regarding the payment due under this contract. Otherwise, the amounts due under the contract will be as follows, provided that the NMHC may not be held liable for more than the amount to be paid under this contract:
 - a) Costs incurred in preparing to perform and performing the terminated contract.
 - b) Costs of settling and paying claims arising out of termination of subcontracts.
 - c) The reasonable settlement costs of the Contractor.

XIV. ASSURANCES

The Contractor, by signing the contract, affirms that this contract is in compliance with the following federal laws and regulations:

1. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** For all Contracts that qualify as “federally assisted construction contracts” as defined in 41 CFR Part 60–1.3, Contractor agrees to comply with E.O. 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity,” as amended by E.O. 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and as supplemented by regulations at 41 CFR part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.”
2. **Additional Equal Employment Opportunity Clause.** The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, 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, sexual orientation, gender identity, 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 by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
3. **Davis Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141—3148).** If the Contract is in excess of \$2000 and pertains to construction or repair, and further, if required by Federal program legislation, Contractor shall comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141—3148) and as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). Under this Act, the Contractor is required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the minimum wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, the Contractor shall be required to pay wages not less than once a week.
4. **Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145) –** If the Order is in excess of \$2000 and pertains to construction or repair, Contractor shall comply with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR 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 Act provides in part that Contractor shall be 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 it is otherwise entitled.

5. **Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)** – If the Contract is in excess of \$100,000 and involves the employment of mechanics or laborers, Contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, Contractor shall 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 1½ 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 shall 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.
6. **Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement** – If the Contract is for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work, Contractor shall provide for the rights of the Federal Government and the Commonwealth in any resulting invention in accordance with 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 the awarding agency.
7. **Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401—7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251—1387)**, as amended – If the Contract is in excess of \$150,000 Contractor shall 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 shall be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
8. **Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201)** – Contractor agrees to comply with all 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).
9. **Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)** – If the Contract is for \$100,000 or more, Contractor and its subcontractors shall file the certification required by this statute and associated regulations. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the Commonwealth.

10. Debarment and Suspension (E.O.s 12549 and 12689) – Contractor represents and warrants that it is not listed on the governmentwide Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management (SAM) in accordance with OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement E.O.s 12549 and 12689, “Debarment and Suspension.” This list contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, and contractors declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than E.O. 12549.
11. The Contractor certifies compliance with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. In particular, 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.
12. If applicable, the Contractor certifies compliance with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act by procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery.
13. If the contracting agency is an EPA financial assistance agreement recipient, then the contract agrees that it shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor further agrees that it shall carry out the applicable requirements of 40 CFR part 33 in the award and administration of contracts awarded under EPA financial assistance agreements. 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 other legally available remedies. The contractor understands that it bears the final responsibility for determining whether the contracting agency is an EPA financial assistance agreement recipient.

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